

Health Entry Criteria for Bulldogs, French Bulldogs and Pugs

All Bulldogs, French Bulldogs and Pugs exceeding 14 calendar months on the first day of the show must have a valid Respiratory Function Grading (RFG) Scheme assessment to attend. This requirement is mandatory for entry into the show, not just individual classes.

1. Valid RFG Scheme Assessment Requirements

To gain entry, all eligible Bulldogs, French Bulldogs, and Pugs must present a valid RFG Scheme certificate dated within the last 24 months of the first day of the show. <u>Dogs assessed as Grade 2 or 3 will be excluded and not allowed to enter or attend</u> the show.

2. Certificate Upload and Validation

Exhibitors must upload their dog's RFG Scheme certificate to their Fosse Data account, including the expiry date and grade. The Kennel Club will validate and approve the certificate; only after approval can exhibitors complete the entry process via the Fosse Data website. These details will be stored on the exhibitor's Fosse Data account for future reference. Certificates that have already been approved and are still in date do not need to be re-uploaded. Exhibitors must complete this process before entry and early submission is recommended to avoid delays.

3. Exemptions and Age Requirements

- 3.1. Bulldogs, French Bulldogs and Pugs <u>not exceeding</u> 14 calendar months on the first day of the show are exempt from needing an RFG Scheme assessment, and a certificate is not required.
- 3.2. Bulldogs, French Bulldogs and Pugs aged 7 years or older on the first day of the show do <u>not</u> need a <u>valid</u> RFG Scheme assessment; however, they must have undergone at least one RFG Scheme assessment in their lifetime. The corresponding certificate must be uploaded prior to entry, but it does not need to be dated within the last 24 months.

4. Overseas Assessments

International RFG Scheme assessments issued by licensed organisations, and carried out by approved assessors, will be accepted. Overseas exhibitors must upload a valid certificate prior to entry, and ensure certificates meet the same standards as domestic entries. For information on where the scheme is available, visit: www.thekennelclub.org.uk/rfgscheme or email: health@thekennelclub.org.uk.