

WEIMARANER ASSOCIATION.
FIELD TRIAL STANDING INSTRUCTIONS 2009/10.
ID No. 4131



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RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING ALL STAKES: ALL TRIALS WILL BE RUN UNDER KENNEL CLUB RULES AND FIELD TRIAL REGULATIONS, COPIES OBTAINABLE FROM THE THE KENNEL CLUB, CLARGES STREET, LONDON W1Y 8AB, AND THOSE OF THE WEIMARANER ASSOCIATION.

RUNNERS

There will be a maximum of twelve runners in each stake. Entries from dogs under the age of 12 months, on the days of the trial, shall not be accepted.

DRAW. [Unless otherwise stated]

The draw for each stake will take place at the address of the FT Secretary, unless otherwise stated, at approx. 7pm on the dates listed. Competitors are invited to be present. In the event of excessive entries a ballot will be held. Anyone wishing to be informed of their number in the draw may telephone the FT Secretary during the evening of the draw, between 7.30pm and 10.00pm. Notification will be by phone on the evening of the draw, trial details will be sent by e-mail [in preference] or post as soon as possible following the draw. Substitution of dogs will not be accepted.

ENTRY FEE

For all Stakes -- members £20.00, non-members -- £30.00. **Please send a separate cheque for each trial** There will be a 50% refund if a trial should be cancelled because of bad weather. Unused cheques will be destroyed.

ENTRIES

An entry is an application for a named dog, registered at the Kennel Club in the name of the applicant. Completed entry forms must be sent together with the appropriate fee, before the closing date to:

Hon. FT Sec, P. J. Pickstone
Diamond House, Riplingham,
Brough, Yorkshire HU15 1QT.
Tel. 01482 657337
pickstone@foxandco.org

Entries may be made by e-mail but entry fees must be received by the FT Secretary on or before the closing date of the trial, except in unavoidable circumstances. Should circumstances so dictate, the Society, in consultation with the Judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes, and the circumstances surrounding them, must be reported to the Kennel Club at the earliest opportunity.

DEFINITIONS.

MEMBERS

Members are those that are fully paid up. Non-members include those applying for membership or whose membership has lapsed and have not yet been before the Committee for consideration.

STAKES

OPEN

For dogs which have the opportunity of gaining qualification, whole or part, towards the title of Field Trial Champion or towards entry in the Championship Stake for its breed and which entry is open to all dogs of a specified breed or breeds; it may be limited to a prescribed number of runners, in which case these shall be decided by a draw, conducted in accordance with KC regulations so that preference is given to previous performance. Preference in the ballot will be given in the following order: [1] Members dogs which have gained 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Open stake or 1st or 2nd in an All-Aged stake, or 1st in a Novice stake or [2] Non-members dogs which have gained 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Open stake or 1st or 2nd in an All-Aged stake, or 1st in a Novice stake [3] Members dogs which have gained other awards [4] Non-members dogs which have gained other awards [5] Other dogs

The foregoing awards must have been gained in a Stake qualifying for entry in the Kennel Club Stud Book.

ALL-AGED

Open to all dogs of a specified breed or breeds without restriction as to their age, but which may be restricted by any other conditions which may be determined by the Society. Preference in the ballot will be given to dogs which have gained a field trial award.

NOVICE

Confined to dogs which have not gained the following awards: first, second, or third in an Open stake or first or second in an All-Aged stake or first in a Novice stake. Dogs are ineligible for entry in a Novice Stake immediately following a win. Under such circumstances fees will be refunded.

Owners entering more than one dog in a stake - please indicate your first choice on your entry form and please send a separate cheque per dog. If your first choice is allocated a run in the draw, your second choice will go into the draw only after all other runners have been drawn.

When dogs are owned in joint partnership, two dogs may be entered equally in the draw providing a different handler handles each dog.

BASIC REQUIREMENTS OF ENTERED DOGS K.C. F.T.REGS J [ANNEX E]

Dogs will be run singly and shall be required to quarter ground systematically in search of game, to point game, to flush on command, to be steady to flush shot and fall, and to retrieve tenderly to hand on command from land and water. In Novice stakes dogs are required to retrieve from water a seen bird which has been shot at whilst in the air. For Open and All- Aged Stakes, dogs will be required to make a blind retrieve from across the water. Dogs will run singly in the order of the draw, under two Judges, judging as a pair. A dog must have been tried at least twice in the line, and have completed the water test, before receiving an award.

PRIZES Awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th with Certificates of Merit available

MEETING AND STARTING TIMES

Competitors should report to the Chief Steward not later than 15 minutes before the published starting time, but for the purposes of substitution of reserves, the trial will be deemed to have begun when the Chief Steward calls competitors and Judges together and makes the introductions. All competing dogs and handlers must be present at the start of the trial and be available when required by the Judges. Dogs that are not present when required, save in exceptional circumstances, will be discarded.

EXERCISE OF DOGS.

All dogs must be kept on a lead except when in the line. Competitors may exercise their dogs prior to the trial with the permission of the Chief Steward and only where indicated by him/her. Persons in breach of this rule will be liable to have their entry disqualified, their fees forfeited and to be asked to vacate the ground. The Association will not permit the use of citrus collars or other such devices on the Trial ground. Any bitch found to be in season must be removed from the ground immediately.

PICKING-UP DOGS.

At each stake there will be a dog whose sole purpose is to retrieve any game not recovered by competing dogs.

SPECTATORS.

Spectators must at all time obey the direction of the stewards. They must keep together behind the Red Flag bearer and are requested to keep the noise levels to a minimum to avoid disturbing the trial.

LUNCHES.

Competitors and spectators should make their own lunch arrangements at all stakes.

RETURN OF ENTRY FEES

Entry fees may be returned at the discretion of the Weimaraner Association to anyone drawing a reserve place who does not run and to competitors who have drawn a place but are unable to attend provided **reasonable notice** of their non-attendance has been given to the FT Secretary and providing a reserve has run in their place.

LIABILITY

All persons attending these trials do so at their own risk. Neither the Weimaraner Association nor the hosts of any meeting will accept liability for any accident, illness, loss or injury to dog owners, handlers, spectators or any other person or property whatsoever. **The Weimaraner Association reserves the right to (a) withhold any prize or award; [b] to cancel any stake; [c] to refuse entry without stating the reason.** The making of any entry constitutes acceptance of these conditions and rules of the Kennel Club and of the Weimaraner Association. The attendance of any spectators also implies such acceptance.

SHOW GUNDOG WORKING CERTIFICATE

Entries for the Show Gundog Working Certificate will be accepted at those Stakes which indicate that such an arrangement is in place. A maximum of two such entries will be accepted at the appointed Stake. A dog which has won one or more CCs at shows may be entered for a Working Certificate at a Field Trial meeting. To gain a Qualifying Certificate, a dog must hunt, point and retrieve tenderly, enter water and swim. Steadiness is not essential. Closing dates are as per the given Stake and the standard entry form must be used. Where the number of entries exceeds two, preference will be given to Show Champions. Entry fees for the Gundog Working Certificate are £20 for members and £30 for non-members.

No modification will be made to this schedule except by permission of the Kennel Club, followed by advertisement in the appropriate journals if time permits before the closing of entries.