



## Rules for Participants of NL&RC Events

### General rules applying to ALL events

1. While every effort is made to guard against accident or injury to persons, animals or property all persons present at an NL&RC events compete, help and spectate at their own risk. The Club will also not accept liability for any injuries to dogs, or for any contagious disease contracted by a dog at any club event or activity.
2. The Club will not accept liability for any loss or injury suffered by any attendee during the course of any club activity, save for the death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Committee, its servants or agents.
3. The NL&RC reserve the right to refuse anyone entry into their events without explanation.
4. Any dispute raised in a disorderly manner at the event will result in a disqualification.
5. Any competitor may approach the steward of the event to raise a full enquiry. A full enquiry requires a deposit of £10, refundable if the complaint is upheld. To affect an enquiry the complainant must notify the event steward as soon as possible.
6. Anyone acting in a disorderly manner will be immediately disqualified from all the days events and asked to leave the Lurcher area. No refund will be given for either entrance into the show or into the Lurcher event.
7. All events will be run in accordance with the schedule available on the day.
8. The NL&RC reserve the right to increase, amalgamate, or cancel classes (in any event) without explanation. Other classes/events will be run at the discretion of our onsite representative, subject to room, equipment, staff, ground and weather conditions.
9. All entrants must be present from the onset of the competition.
10. All entrants will be called once, with one follow up call only. Anyone missing their call or failing to respond will be disqualified and the event will continue without them.
11. The decision of the judge and/or onsite representative is final.
12. The NL&RC Committee reserves the right to determine any matter not covered by these rules.

**In addition to the above rules the following rules also apply to the individual events as described:**

**Showing**

1. All showing classes will be run according to the schedule. Any dispute regarding size or coat texture will be ruled by the Senior Steward or the NL&RC on site representative. The measure used will be at the discretion of the NL&RC.

**Straight Racing & Hurdle Racing**

1. All dogs will wear muzzles and the appropriate colour collar whilst competing. Collars incorporating enhanced/training aids will not be permitted.
2. Any dog that shows aggression towards its competitors or bumps, leans on or barges will be immediately disqualified.
3. No spectators or handlers are allowed past the designated mark on the racetrack. All dogs must be re-called to the handlers from the bottom of the track after the race.

**Long Jump**

1. All dogs will wear muzzles whilst competing. Collars incorporating enhanced/training aids will not be permitted.
2. All dogs must clear the qualifying distance. All dogs will be allowed two attempts at the qualifying distance. The distance will be lengthened at the discretion of the event steward, and all dogs must jump at each distance.
3. In order to continue in the competition dogs must clear all the poles at each stage. The dog will be deemed as out if it has downed a pole(s). If in the judges opinion the pole(s) have been downed by a malfunction of the equipment the dog will remain in the competition at the judges discretion

**Simulated Coursing**

1. All dogs will wear muzzles and the appropriate Red or White collar whilst competing. Collars incorporating enhanced/training aids will not be permitted.
2. Any dog that shows aggression towards its competitor in the slips or when slipped, or bumps, leans on or barges, will be immediately disqualified by the displaying of a yellow flag against the offending dogs colour.
3. All dogs should complete the course. Points will be awarded at each turn to the dog that, in the judges opinion, has run the truest course, by the raising of the appropriate coloured flag.
4. Failure to complete the course by both dogs will result in a re-run if no decision has been made. Only one re-run will be allowed. Timing of the re-run will be at the slippers discretion.