



Canine Performance Events

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Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Statement – Effective June 1, 2021

Dear CPE Members, Host Clubs and Judges,

Based on the most current information, we are adjusting some of our time lines and will review every month while continuing to monitor any announced changes from the CDC. When a change is made, a current letter will be posted to the home page of the CPE website, k9cpe.com.

Clubs, Judges and or Exhibitors are not permitted to require, determine eligibility, or ask about exhibitors' vaccinations in such a way that it may be felt discriminatory or an invasion of their medical privacy to those who have or have not been vaccinated. This includes entries, confirmations or general briefings.

For clubs that are in areas where vaccinations may influence capacity levels:

As an example, in the State of Illinois:

"Regulations now allow people who are fully vaccinated to not count against the maximum people allowed at events."

If your State or Local government has this type of exemption you may include a statement like this in your confirmation letter. "to better determine our available capacity and those being fully vaccinated not counting toward our State capacity level, if you are willing to share that you have been fully vaccinated against CoVid-19 at least two weeks prior to our event please contact our trial secretary, any vaccination details are strictly voluntary and confidential. This is only a voluntary request and being vaccinated is not a requirement to attend our trial."

Effective June 1, 2021: CPE will follow current CDC regulations regarding masks. Please refer to the CDC website for the most current guidelines, as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention continues to release updates regarding relaxation of guidelines due to the coronavirus outbreak.

As always, there may be State/Provincial or Local guidelines requiring use of masks in indoor or outdoor settings and this falls on the club to know their state and local requirements.

Clubs can choose to enforce masks, in the building, the ring, only during walk through periods or no masks required at all. Beyond this everyone always has the choice to wear a mask for their own comfort as they choose. It is the responsibility of the club to notify their exhibitors of their site rules.

CPE will continue to monitor events and will be update further as required on a month-to-month basis when needed. CPE will continue to evaluate the situation as the safety for all is of the utmost importance, and any further changes will be announced if necessary. Be safe!

Linda Eickholdt
President

CPE TRIAL GUIDELINES EFFECTIVE June 1, 2021
The host club has the option to alter a guideline for their
respected site, local or state guidelines.

PHILOSOPHY OF CPE

For the dog and handler to have fun while successfully competing for performance titles as a cohesive unit, achieved through positive training and teamwork.

Remember to do this in a friendly Environment

As dog sports are very “social”, we are choosing not to use the term “social distancing” rather refer to it as “physical distancing”.

The guidelines below are effective through December 31, 2021 unless amended and/or posted otherwise. These guidelines include points for agility and canine scent sport – some points may not be applicable for both and may need to change or add depending on which and the respective site.

It is not feasible for CPE to know of all local, state, and federal guidelines. The club and exhibitors need to stay current on those guidelines leading up to their event. Not respecting the local, state and government guidelines can cause issues for the club and/or site.

If you are ill, please stay home. If the club deems an exhibitor ill at the event, they have the option to excuse that exhibitor.

MASKS:

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DAY OF SHOW ENTRIES: The club may elect not to take day of show entries at the trial even if it is in their premium. **A potential day of show exhibitor MUST check with the club and receive an answer before travelling to the site for day of show entries at this time.** The club has the option to take emailed entries after the closing date instead of at the event.

LIMITS: Clubs may elect to change how they determine their limits at their trial, however, the run limit per the premium cannot be exceeded. Example: A club may need to limit how many people are at the show site, or available crating space, instead of by entries. Several clubs have gone to assigned crating spaces to make the best use of their available space per local guidelines. The entry form is a contract between the club and the exhibitor. Please always show sportsmanlike conduct, especially at this time, as the club may need to be creative in how they count entries as they need to meet the expenses associated with the trials and possibly count actual people on the grounds at any given time. This means that people who are not running a dog, may not be allowed to be on the grounds as that adds another person.

AGILITY COURSE MAPS: Will continue to be emailed in pdf format to you the evening before each trial day, usually by 7pm of the time zone you are in. Clubs will have the option of printing maps for DOS entrants. Full size courses will be posted at the site as well.

GENERAL BRIEFING: Will be up to the host clubs based on local guidelines.

JUDGES' CLASS BRIEFINGS: Briefings will stay on course maps; Judges may decide to hold small briefings especially for new competitors.

RUNNING ORDERS: As always, are to be sent at least 7 days before the trial date. The order may change depending on move ups through the move up date or emailed entries for a day of show trial after the closing date. The club should email the final running order with the first days' course maps.

WALK THRU:

Will be determined by the host club in conjunction with their Judge based on local guidelines.

LEASHES: Dogs must still run naked. All handlers have the choice to put their leash in their pocket or safely loop it around their waist or neck, it does not have to be out of the dog's sight, however, if the dog plays with it during the run, it would be considered a toy. If the handler cannot carry their leash, leashes will be dropped on the ground/floor at the start line and the leash runner will pick it up with a gripper device and place it at the exit gate on a chair or the ground/floor. Do not loop leashes on the ring barrier.

CPE HOST CLUB INFORMATION – EFFECTIVE January 1, 2021

All trials are to be held per the club's decision based on local, state and government guidelines.

For the calendar year of 2021, the rules pertaining to having the same judge for back-to-back trials is lifted. Please do use different judges when possible, however, we know it may be difficult depending on travel or health restrictions.

ADDITIONAL WAIVER (Note: the waiver wording cannot be changed): All exhibitors must sign the additional waiver supplied by the club (example on the next page – **the yellow highlighted areas must be changed by the respective club**). The waiver will be included with the email the secretaries send out with the running order (CPE Trial Information email), at least 7 days before the trial. This is in addition to the current waiver on the entry form. Each handler must sign and return the form electronically to the trial secretary or present the waiver to the trial secretary upon arrival or they cannot run or work.

Waiver of Liability and Informed Consent

COVID-19 Waiver (Rev 010121)

Hereafter, **Canine Performance Events, Inc.** will be referred to as CPE.

Hereafter, **(change to site's name)** will be referred to as Site.

Hereafter, **(change to host club's name)** will be referred to as Club.

- I attest that to the best of my knowledge, I do not have COVID-19 at the time of attending this event, and understand the risks of unknowing exposure to this and other illnesses by or to myself, my family, other participants, and third parties. I have not been tested and found positive; am not waiting for test results; and do not have symptoms. I agree that I will not knowingly expose others to any illness I may have or be at risk to have. I will follow all CPE and Club rules and requirements to reduce any exposure and possibility of contracting or spreading the virus. I will also fully cooperate with and follow any City, County or State/Province guidelines that have jurisdiction in the area in which the event is taking place. If any of the above should change prior to my arrival at the trial site or during the completion of the event that is the subject of this consent, I will inform CPE and Club and proceed accordingly in light of the new information.
- I agree that I am attending this CPE and Club event entirely at my own risk and assume all risk and full responsibility for my own health, wellbeing, and safety during this class or event. I fully agree that CPE and Club, the owners/board members, employees, assistants and volunteers are in no way liable for any present or future COVID-19 exposure incurred at any time by any person, in attendance or not in attendance, during or after this event. I hereby waive and release CPE, the Site and Club, the owners/board members, employees, assistants and volunteers from any and all liability for damages or personal injury to me, my dogs or my property.
- Further, I hereby indemnify and hold harmless CPE the Site and Club, the owners/board members, employees, assistants and volunteers from any and all claims by or liability to any third party arising out of my participation in the Site and Club event. Any liability to anyone for any incident involving myself, the location, or those pets or actions of other participants and spectators will be my sole responsibility and I assume all financial liability and will also assume all and any financial costs associated with my actions.

Signature

Signature

Membership Number (if applicable)

Date Signed