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UFFICIAL RULES CSEN RALLY OBEDIENCE

Scoring Guidelines:

Rally Obedience tests are races to obtain points, within a maximum execution time. In case of a tie, the winner will be considered the pair with the minimum travel time in competition and will be given an additional 10 points. For each station correctly executed (SCE), the pair will be awarded 10 points.

- For the trials in the class RJ / RD; the maximum score is 100 + 10 (points for the best time);

- For the trials in the class R1; the maximum score is 120 + 10 (points for the best time)

- For the trials in the class R2; and OPEN; the maximum score is 150 + 10 (points for the best time)

- For the trials in the class R3; the maximum score is 180 + 10 (points for the best time)

- For the trials in the class Elite and Champions; the maximum score is 250 + 10 (points for the best time).

Qualifiers:

The qualifications will be awarded in the following format:

EXCELLENT

To obtain the maximum score in each class in the shortest execution time;

VERY GOOD

RJ = from 64 to 78 points; RD = from 80 to 98 points; R1 = 96 to 118; R2 OPEN = 120 to 149; R3 = 144 to 178; Elite and Champions = 214 to 248.

GOOD

RJ = from 48 to 62 points; RD = from 60 to 78 points; R1 = 72 to 94; R2 OPEN= 90 to 118; R3 = 108 to 142; Elite and Champions = 178 to 212.

For a score of 5 points less than "GOOD" in the respective class, unqualified (NC) will be assigned.

Penalties

Points will be deducted during the trials for the following reasons:

Missed Station: MS = 0 points for station Station Repetition: RS = 4 point penalty (-4) Missed Reward: MR (food, verbal, pat) = 2 point penalty (-2) Double Command: DC = 2 point penalty (-2)





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Double Command means the supply of two words and / or gestures given at the same time (within 2 seconds of each other). Ticking station, bumping cone or incorrect side of sign indicating the path: AS = 2 point penalty (-2) Poorly executed conduct: CS = 4 penalty (-4).

Meaning poorly executed conduct in which the distance between dog and handler is more than 25 cm and the position of the dog is not parallel to the handler. Also if the dog does not pay attention to the handler for periods of 10 seconds or more throughout the trial.

Elimination: (removal of dog and handler is expected when):

1. Unmanageable behavior

(If during the rally, a dog tries to bite or attack people or another dog, they will be excluded by the judge to all tests of the day and the conduct occurred will be reported on the notes of the Dog Owner CSEN);

- 2. Failure to control the dog throughout the rally;
- 3. Handler touching the dog to correct positions;
- 4. Corrections with the leash, of any kind (roughly held leash or tight leash created by the handler);
- 5. Reward used as a stimulus;
- 6. Rally completed outside the maximum time;
- 7. Improper conduct by the handler to people inside the ground or on the boarder

Judging criteria:

1. The judge may remove a competitor that does not comply with the regulations or behave incorrectly towards dogs or persons (including the Judge).

2. The judge may take action on verbal and physical abuse. Any act of brutality against the dog, or others', by a handler, shall be punished by immediate disqualification and expulsion from all events and competitions organized by CSEN. Other procedures could also be implemented.

3. The judge can stop testing a pair, that in his/her opinion is not able to compete successfully. In the event the judge may interrupt the exercise, but at his/her discretion, allow the pair to complete the test.

4. The judge and his/her staff, stewards and assistant judge, will cover the entire rally course, during performance of various pairs, be sure to keep a fair distance from the pair, however close enough necessary to observe potential errors.
5. The judge will penalize a handler who does not reward, in any way, the behavior of his/her dog (rewards are defined as food, touches or verbal rewards). These can be given exclusively to the end of each station. The only exception is the communication by the handler of hyper-excitability of the dog in the face of such rewards. In this case, it must be the good performance of the dog, you must still abide by other rules of the judge, showing the attention and the preparation required.
6. The judging of the trial begins after the judge says the word "START" and ends when the pair passes the station marked by the sign "END".

Article 10 stations and exercises:

a) In the trials Rally-O, the signs and numbers shall be those assigned officially by CSEN

(Downloadable from any site on the approved technical CSEN) to avoid any challenges;

b) Throughout the trial track, the conductor must be positioned so you always have the signs on your right;

c) The handler shall not exceed the distance of 50 cm for each sign;

d) The distance between stations must be between 5 – 8 metres with the aim of ensuring a minimum space for

medium/large dogs, which can take the time required for each part of the trial;

e) To the left of the sign "START", 1 meter away, a single cone will be placed in order to define more precisely the line to indicate the actual start of the trial. The same attention will be paid for the sign "END";

f) The material of the "dummy", wood or metal, will be at the discretion of judges in classes R3, and Elite and Champions, while for Class R2 and OPEN "dummy" is expected in the wood;

g) Unless otherwise specified, the racetrack will be performed at a normal pace;





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h) Signs 17 (slow), 18 (standard) and 19 (fast) indicating a change of speed must be combined with another sign. Are therefore not considered "stations" these signs with be placed individually;

- i) All classes will have a fixed number of stations:
- CLASS RJ / CLASS RD: includes 10 stations;
- CLASS R1: includes 12 stations;
- CLASS OPEN and R2: includes 15 stations;
- CLASS A3: includes 18 stations;
- Class Champion and Elite: includes 25 stations;

j) The judge may choose the exercises for the various classes of the following:

CLASS RJ and RD from number 1 to 19, with the dog on a leash.

Signs Required: 1 / 4 / 7 / 8 with a change of pace optional.

CLASS R1: from number 1 to 28, with the dog on a leash.

Signs required: 6 / 9 or 10 / 15 / 21 or 22/28 with at least one change of pace.

CLASS R2: from number 1 to 37, without leash on the dog.

Signs required: 23 or 24 / 29 / 31 / 33 / 37 with at least three changes of pace.

CLASS R3: from number 1 to 44, without leash on the dog.

Signs required: 30 / 32 / 39 / 40 / 43 with at least four changes of pace.

CLASS Champions: from number 1 to 44, without leash on the dog

Signs required: 30 / 32 / 39 / 40 / 43 with at least four changes of pace.

CLASS OPEN: from number 1 to 28, run with the dog on a leash

Signs Required: 6 / 9 or 10 / 15 / 21 or 22/28 at least one change of pace.

CLASS ELITE: from number 1 to 44, with the dog to run free.

Signs required: 30 / 32 / 39 / 40 / 44 with at least four changes of pace

For signs 15, 16, 30, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 used in the paths of this class, the residence time should not exceed 30 sec.

k) For all classes, there is the sign at the beginning "START" and the sign at the end "END".

Article 11 Description of the official sign

1. HEEL: The pair stops and the dog is positioned at "heel."

2. HEEL - STAND: the pair stops and the dog is positioned at "heel." The handler calls the dog to move to the position of "STAND" and the pair starts again with conduct until the next station.

3. HEEL - DOWN: The pair stops and the dog is positioned "heel." The handler calls the dog to move the position of "DOWN" after 3 seconds. the dog remains in the same position, and the pair starts again with conduct until the next station.

4. HEEL - DOWN - SIT: The pair will stop the dog at "heel". Prompting the dog to reach the position of "down" for a time of 3 sec. then ask again to return to "sit" for a further 3 seconds. After the time is elapsed the pair starts again with conduct until the next station.

5. HEEL - **WALK AROUND:** The pair will stop the dog at "heel" and the dog will stay there for the time required to complete the "walk around" by completing a circle anticlockwise around the dog. At the end of the process the pair may resume the conduct.

6. HEEL - DOWN - WALK AROUND: The combination will stop the dog to at "heel". Prompting the dog to reach the position of "down" and the dog will stay there for the time required to complete the "walk around" by completing a circle anticlockwise around the dog. At the end of the process the pair may resume the conduct.

7. RIGHT TURN: The pair makes a 90-degree right turn.

8. LET TURN: The combination makes a 90-degree left turn.

9. TURN AROUND RIGHT: The pair makes a 180-degree right-turn. You can turn around the sign during rotation.

10. TURN AROUND LEFT: The combination makes a 180-degree left-turn.

11. 270 ° **RIGHT:** The combination makes a 270-degree right turn in the form of a "P". You can turn around the sign during rotation.

12. 270 ° LEFT: The combination makes a 270-degree right turn in the form of a reverse "P".

13. 360 ° **RIGHT:** The pair, while in conduct, follows a 360 ° clockwise using sign then continues to the next station.

14. 360 ° LEFT: The pair, while in conduct, follows a 360 ° anticlockwise then proceeds to the next station.





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15. FRONT - STAY - FORWARD: While the pair are walking in conduct, the handler stops, after passing the sign by at least 2 metres. Brings the dog to "sit" in front of you. The handler then returns the level of the sign walking backwards, after 3 sec. the dog is prompted to "stay" then the dog will turn clockwise around the handler to move as usual to the left. At this point, the pair can resume. (ELIMINATED FOR THE DOG'S TRIAL 2010)

16. FRONT - HEEL - FORWARD: While the pair are walking in conduct, the handler stops, after passing the sign by least 2 metres. Brings the dog to "sit" in front of you. The operator returns the height of the sign back. After 3 sec. The dog is called to "heel", the dog will move to the left of the conductor without a walk around. At this point, the pair can resume. (ELIMINATED FOR THE DOG'S TRIAL 2010)

17. SLOW STEP : the dog and handler proceed at a slow pace in conduct.

18. NORMALSTEP: the dog and handler proceed at a normal pace in conduct.

19. QUICK STEP: the dog and handler proceed at a fast pace in conduct.

20. ON THE MOVE - A STEP RIGHT: While the pair is in conduct, the dog and handler perform a right shift in the length of a step and then continue in conduct. The move will be lateral, not diagonal. The dog must remain at "heel".

21. STOP - 90 ° PIVOT RIGHT - STOP: With the dog at "heel", the handler rotates 90 degrees to the right. The dog returns to "heel" of the handler and stays in the same position for 3 seconds.

22. STOP - 90 ° PIVOT LEFT - STOP: With the dog at "heel", the handler rotates 90 degrees to the left. The dog returns to "heel" of the handler and stays in the same position for 3 seconds.

23. SPIRAL RIGHT: This exercise requires four cones in a straight line at a distance of 1.5 meters from each other. The spiral to the right, the handler will pass between the cones to keeping them to his/her right

(The figure shows the execution of the exercise).

24. SPIRAL LEFT: This exercise requires four cones in a straight line at a distance of 1.5 meters from each other. The spiral to the left, the handler will pass between the cones keeping them to his/her left.

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25. HEEL - 1,2,3 STEPS FORWARD: With the dog at "heel", the handler stops and takes a step forward; stops then two steps forward; stops then three steps forward then stops. The dog must move with the handler keeping the position "heel" whenever the handler stops.

26. STOP - 90 ° PIVOT RIGHT - 1 STEP FORWARD - STOP: With the dog sitting the handler makes a pivot 90 ° right, then makes one step forward with the dog and then puts it to "heel."

27. STOP - 90 ° PIVOT LEFT - 1 STEP FORWARD - STOP: With the dog sitting the handler makes a pivot 90 ° left, then makes one step forward with the dog and then puts it to "heel."

28. FIGURE SLALOM: This exercise has four cones in a straight line at a distance of 1.5 meters from each other. The entry to the exercise is between the first and second cone and is positioned to the left of the pair. The exercise should be performed in both directions back to the sign of the station.