

April, 2021
CARO Executive Minutes

Email Correspondence by CARO executive

Motions to pay invoice and administration costs: Treasurer-Trial Applications-Data Entries-Judges Applications-Course Approval-Web Maintenance-Translations into French

Motions:

1. That we remove the rule requiring Advanced FEO to be on-leash if the competitor has not earned their Novice title yet. This decision to allow advanced FEO dogs off leash is at the host's discretion
2. That the number of stations in novice become 15 -20 and that the course time remain 3 - 4 minutes at the judge's discretion. Effective September 1, 2021
3. That Weave Once (1) be allowed to be included in all Rally Obedience levels. Effective September 1, 2021
4. That we create an orange sign for send over jump (EXCELLENT) so that it can be used on the right in Versatility Excellent. As this is an EXCELLENT sign, the send area will be the excellent distance 6 x 10 Effective Sept 1, 2021
5. That we accept the March minutes
6. That we accept the premium for our upcoming virtual trial.
7. That Sarah-Jane be appointed by the Board of Directors to replace Jennifer Oldfield as webmaster.
8. That the website person (or other designated person) be empowered to remove outdated information on the website as it is found
9. That rule changes/new rules/signs come into effect 6 months after they are passed and they will be posted on the website as an update in a timely manner. Clarifications of existing rules do not require this 6 month lead time.

Correspondence:

1. Regarding a lost membership—responded by Barb

Other discussions:

1. We now have a calendar to improve our planning
2. We would like to write something for the MGH about modifications for blind dogs
3. Discussion about a judges' seminar in conjunction with the AGM
4. Clarification of advanced sign #43 Halt-Leave-Call (Dog) Front While Running

Deductions: Failure of the dog to Sit in the Front position will result in an NQ-IP. Failure of the dog to remain sitting until cued to front but remaining in position results in a substantial deduction (3-5 points). Failure of the handler to pass the indicated 5 ft line before calling the dog results in an NQ-IP. Complete failure to remain in position or anticipating the call front shall result in a non-qualifying (NQ) score. Failure of the handler to leave at a fast pace (run) shall result in a non-qualifying (NQ) score. ***If the dog returns to front position on the opposite side to which they are heeling there will be a deduction of -5 points.***

5. Discussion about whether heeling between signs should be considered part of the previous or the next station
6. Continued discussion of the virtual trial, judges, etc.