

The Irish Kennel Club

Information for Judges & Stewards at Post-Covid Dog Shows.

JUDGES

1. Return your Covid Track & Trace form to the relevant Club member upon arrival at the show.
2. Use a Face Covering while judging
3. Do not start judging any breed before its designated time
4. Sanitise your hands after judging each exhibit
5. The Judge **MUST** inform the exhibitor and steward of the exhibits grading directly **after each dog has been judged** and must record the grading in their judges book. The judge must be the only person to handle their own judges book
6. If a class has a large entry you may need to split the entry to maintain social distance in the ring
7. Exhibitors **MUST** show their dog's bite to the judge
8. The Judge **must not hand out any awards**- they will be made available on the awards table to be collected by prize winners. When Green Star / BOB cards are signed by the judge they must be collected from the awards table. Allow time for the Green Star to be collected before awarding the reserve GS
9. The Judge must **ensure that social distance is maintained at all times** in the ring. The judge must ensure they do not shake hands with exhibitors and that there is no close contact congratulations in the ring.
10. Photographs may only be taken in designated locations and by designated Photographers. Location(s) and Photographer(s) will be designated by the club.

STEWARDS

1. Return your Covid track & trace form to the relevant official upon arrival at the show.
2. Use a Face Covering at all times in the ring
3. Ensure All Exhibitors wear Face Coverings in the ring.
4. Do not start any breed before its designated time
5. Breeds must be judged in the breed order as posted by the ring
6. Use the sanitiser provided as often as needed
7. You are responsible for recording gradings and placings in the catalogue NB,
8. You are responsible for leaving awards to be collected from the awards table by the exhibitors after each class. The judge will leave Green Stars etc on the awards table when they have been awarded.
9. Exhibits should be called into the COLLECTIN RING and lined up at required^{SD} social distancing and in numerical order, before being called into the ring for judging.
10. Call Exhibits into the ring for their class from the COLLECTING RING and ensure they are lined up in numerical order and socially distanced^{SD}.
If a class has a large entry the Judge may decide to split the entries to maintain social distancing
11. Ensure Exhibits should only enter ring for judging via the collecting ring.
12. Ensure exhibits leave by the designated ring exit, in a timely manner – not the collecting area
13. Be mindful of the fact that some exhibitors may have to return to the holding area to get their next exhibit – any exhibit numbers not present must be called twice more then marked absent – inform the judge of any absentees
14. Any late arrivals for a class or an exhibit marked as absent may only be allowed into the ring with the Judges permission

SD: Social Distance as prescribed by Government Guidelines.