



1 General

1.1 Participation

- Each participant and handler agrees not to hold CAHDS members, sponsors, landowners, race committee, employees or volunteers individually or jointly responsible for injury or damage to himself/herself, his/her handlers dogs or equipment.
- All participants must understand the rules in this document as written and attend mandatory meetings for CAHDS sanctioned events
- Athletes are responsible for making sure their equipment meets the requirements and maybe inspected by a designated race official before and after the race. The Race Officials reserve the right to refuse any departure of a participant who has equipment that does not comply with the regulations. The participant cannot demand reimbursement from the organizer in such circumstances.
- RESPONSIBILITY and SPORTSMANSHIP . All participants shall be responsible for the conduct of their dogs, their designated handler, and themselves whenever in the race area or on the trail.
- Good sportsmanship shall prevail. If the Race Marshal determines that athletes, handler or team conduct at any time in the race area or on the trail is detrimental to the sport/race, that team shall be disqualified
- No one will willful assist a team pacing it, or distract another team.
 - No bells, jinger's or excessive noise that would hinder another team
 - No pumping or yelling as another driver attempts to pass
 - No pacing with a snow machine, ATV or vehicle
- Assistance on the trail is allowed and not defined outside of good sportsmanship.
 - Changing position of a dog in the team or leading a dog is done by the participant only
 - Trail help is only when requested and at minimal to assist athlete/musher with holding team or correcting trail at a gate.

1.2 Minimum Age of Dogs for Races

Minimum age are guidelines, it is expected that dogs have the ability to participate in a healthy safe manor.



All disciplines :

- 2 km and under:10 months
- 2 km-6km:12 months
- 6km-10km:15month
- 15km plus-18 months

1.3 Dog Health

- Rabies vaccinations are mandatory and accepted up to 3yrs from the date of vaccination
- All dogs must be available for pre-race veterinary health check and be able to meet general standards of good health.
- It is the intent of CAHDS that no drug or other artificial means to be used to drive a dog beyond its natural ability. Any suppression of injury or illness is forbidden.
- Dogs may participate in multiple classes per day of a event providing the total combined mileage is less than 12km for dryland events and 26km for snow events and the Race Marshall has been notified.
- Dogs can be dropped for the event race but not added unless otherwise specified in the race rules.
- A dog bagged or dropped from an event can not be added unless otherwise specified in the race rules
- A dog or team maybe pulled from the event with just cause by the Race Marshal at any point of the race.

1.4 Decision Regarding the Ability of a Dog to Participate

Any decision regarding the ability of a dog to participate in a class or finish the course safely is the responsibility of the official and/or the organizer. However, if the participant is able to present a valid certificate from a veterinarian indicating the dog's ability to participate in the class, it will take precedence over the official's opinion.

1.5 Dog Showing Weakness

A dog showing any sign of illness, infection or weakness (contagious or not) will be disqualified or expelled from the event site. The event organizer and the official reserves the right to make the necessary checks to this effect.



1.6 Bitch in Heat

A bitch in heat will be able to participate to an event class only if she is kept in a team or with the transport vehicle, so as to not disturb the other dogs. In addition, she must be kept under surveillance.

1.7 Temperature guidelines

Dryland

- Temperatures must be monitored during the race with equipment 20 inches above ground level in the shade.
- If the temperature reaches 18°C or 85% humidity , the Race Marshal shall call a meeting with the race veterinarian(s) in order to decide upon whether the race shall be delayed or cancelled. The veterinarian's opinion shall be preponderant in case of different opinions. Animal welfare shall always be the major deciding factor.

Winter

In the event of extreme low temperatures, the Race Marshal together with the Organizing Committee and the team leaders shall decide if the race should be cancelled, have a delay on the starting time, or reduce the race distance.

2 RULES CONCERNING DEPARTURES

2.1 Starting Position

On the starting line, the wheel, brushbow or ski tips is the benchmark for the respect of the line.

Mass start canicross, The foot and dog of a runner will be behind the starting line.

In the event of a team event mass start the tie off point is behind the starting line with a tie off line not greater the 6'.



2.2 Team Late for his Departure

A team that does not start on time will not be allowed to start until the last registered team leaves, unless they are ready to leave no later than 30 seconds before their next start; The timer will start at the scheduled time of departure, however, without the possibility of changing the timing, whether the timing system is manual or bulleted.

3 RULES OF TRACK

3.1 The Wearing of Headphones on the Course

- Event classes under 15km prohibited to wear headphones
- Events classes over 15km allowed unless otherwise stated in race specific rules

3.2 Teamwork with Dogs

- The dog must at all times be connected to the participant with whom he/she is teamed on the course.
- The dog must never be overtaken (meaning to completely pass the dog for longer than 10 steps in which one would require to encourage passing a distraction) by the participant to which he/she is attached. This would generate a 30 second penalty on the team's race time.
- Pulling the dog or forcing him to advance by any means is strictly forbidden. Participants of teams may move the leaders to a new trail or to the side of the trail.
- Participants in canicross and skijoring may be beside their dog to continue along the trail during distractions and/or to safely manage the trail.
- It is forbidden to let a dog be pulled by his/her dog teammates. If this occurs at any time during the class, it will generate an automatic disqualification by the official.
- It is also forbidden to overtake his/her dog to cross the finish line, participants must finish along side or behind their dogs in all classes.
- MD/LD participants may walk with their leaders.



3.3 Overtaking/ Passing

For the purpose of this section, the term "overtaking" means "team overtaking" And overtaken, "team being overtaken".

Overtaking in Bikejoring, Skijoring, Kicksled Scooter and Sled (timed starts)

- In bikejoring, skijoring, kicksled and scooter, the team overtaking must announce itself by shouting "TRACK" or "TRAIL" so that the other team can hear it. They can also announce themselves by indicating the side by which they will pass (ex.: "TRACK LEFT"). The team being overtaken must:
- Yield to the overtaking team, staying to the far edge of the track, the right side is preferable. The team overtaking should specify on which side they will pass, he/she should follow his/her dog/s so as to form a straight line behind him/her;
- Keep a constant speed or slow down
- Keep control over your dog and/or team.
- In skijoring, keep skis and poles parallel to the track;
If necessary, shorten the bungee or stop.
- In Sled event classes must keep snowhooks away from passing team
- During an overtaking the team overtaking can ask the team being overtaken to slow down.

3.4 Overtaking in Canicross, Canitrail and sled mass starts

The team overtaking can ask the team being overtaken to keep a constant speed without accelerating. This is so that the team overtaking can have the space and the time necessary to take his advance safely. This rule does not apply to teams that start at the same time.

The free zone both starting and finishing is determined by the race organization.

3.5 Rule Applicable After Any Overtaking

The newly overtaken participant must respect the request made by the overtaking team and keep a distance of at least two teams between him/her and the team in front. After the overtaking, it will not be possible for the team that was overtaken to pass before having made 300 meters since the overtaking or

waiting at least 30 seconds, except with the authorization of the team that overtaken them first, as long as the latter is progressing. This rule does not apply when there is less than 400 meters before the finish, nor for classes with wave, mass starts or canicross classes.

3.6 Sanction

Any infraction of the rules in 3.1 to 3.5 is punishable by a 30 seconds penalty on his race time upon the decision of the official.

3.7 Loose Teams

- All participants must assume that a loose team or dog is an endangered team or dog.
- A loose team or dog shall not delay or interfere with another team.
- The driver of the loose team must overtake the loose team by the quickest means available to ensure the safety of the loose team. Should the driver accept a ride the Race Marshal reserves the right to determine if any penalty is necessary.
- In the event that a driver cannot quickly and safely recover his/her team, the driver must accept assistance, including a ride when available to recover his/her team. Failure to accept available assistance may result in disqualification of the driver of the loose team. The Race Marshal shall determine if a driver is to be disqualified.
- Any person(s) is/are encouraged to stop and hold a loose team.
- Participants who receive a ride to recover a team maybe assessed a time penalty of 20%, this is at the discretion of the race official as team safety is the priority.

4 DRYLAND CLASS RULES

4.1 Bikejoring

- This discipline is practiced with one or two dogs.
- When the team is made up of two dogs, side by side the dogs must be connected by a neckline. Tandem sets ups are acceptable with the rear dog in tug and neckline.
- The dog is permanently attached to the bike by a bungee line.
 - The distance between the front of the headset (handlebar bearing) and the base of the tail of the dog is at most 2.45 meters, when stretched without elongation. The ideal and recommended distance is 2.20 meters.
- Wearing a helmet is mandatory for the cyclist;



- The bike must be equipped with mountain bike tires and must have brakes capable of immobilizing the team.

Recognized Classes

Bikejoring Elite Men (DBM) and Women (DBW)

Bikejoring Veteran Men (DBMV) and Women (DBWV)

- Distance – Minimum 4km/2.5miles - maximum 10km/ 6.2miles

Bikejoring Junior Men (DCMJ) and Women (DCWJ)

- Distance – Minimum 2km/1.2miles - maximum 8km/ 5miles

Jr Classes Age

- 11yrs to 18yrs as of September 1st
- It is up to the race organization how to manage junior events.
- Helmets are mandatory

4.2 Canicross and Canitrail

- This discipline is practiced with one dog.
- The dog is permanently attached to the participant's canicross belt and connected by a bungee line.
- The distance between the participant's abdomen and the base of the dog's tail must be no more than 2 meters, when stretched without elongation. The ideal and recommended distance is 1.70 meters.
- Cleats and snow shoes may be permitted provided they are not dangerous to dogs and other participants. The event organizers will determine if these materials can be used and can decide their prohibition or any other adaptation. The official reserves the right to refuse the use of such equipment if he considers it dangerous.

Recognized Classes

Canicross Elite Men (DCM) and Women (DCW)

Canicross Veteran Men (DCMV) and Women (DCWV)

- Distance – Minimum 4km/2.5miles - maximum 8km/ 5miles

Canicross Junior Men (DCMJ) and Women (DCWJ)

- Distance – Minimum 1km/.6miles – maximum 4km/2.5miles



Jr Classes Age

- 11yrs to 18yrs as if September 1st
- It is up to the race organization how to manage junior events.

4.3 Scooter

- This discipline is practiced with one or two dogs.
- When the team is made up of two dogs, side by side the dogs must be connected by a neckline. Tandem sets ups are acceptable with the rear dog in tug and neckline.
- If the team consists of a single dog, the participant must ensure that his dog is fit enough to cover the distance and, if necessary, help him further.
- The organizer can refuse the departure of a 1-dog team if he considers that the trail is not suitable or too difficult for the condition of the single dog.
- The dog is permanently attached by a bungee line whose distance between the front of the headset (handlebar bearing) and the base of the dog's tail furthest is at most 2.45 meters, when stretched without elongation. However, the recommended distance is 2.20 meters.
- The scooter must not have a motor, must be equipped with mountain bike tires, and must have brakes powerful enough to immobilize the team.
- Rigs are allow in 2 dog event while racing non championship or regional events.
- Wearing a helmet is mandatory

Recognized Classes

Scooter one dog (DS1)Junior (DS1J)

- Distance – Minimum 2km/1.2miles - maximum 8km/ 5miles

Scooter 2-dog (DS2)

- Distance – Minimum 2km/1.2miles - maximum 8km/ 5miles

Jr Classes Age

- 11yrs to 18yrs as if September 1st
- It is up to the race organization how to manage junior events.
- Helmets are mandatory



4.4 Rig Class

- All dogs shall be harnessed in single or double file.
- All dogs shall be fastened to the towline/central line, which shall be made of non rigid, flexible or expanded line, with a neckline and a tail line, with the exception of the leader(s), who may run without a neckline. Unless the trail has head-on passing, then dual leaders must also be connected together by a neckline.
- The rig in DR4 shall have a minimum of three (3) wheels.
- The rig in DR6 and DR8 shall have a minimum of three (3) wheels. It is the recommendation of CAHDS that four (4) wheeled rigs be utilized and preferred over three (3) wheeled rigs in accordance to the IFSS standard. Please confirm race specific rules at the time of entry.
- All rigs shall be equipped with a working brake on the back wheels. Having brakes in the front wheels is recommended. Please note: Working brakes on **all** wheels is encouraged and CAHDS will move towards development of this rule in the coming years.
- A snub line about 3 meter (10 ft) shall be carried on the rig to be used to tie down and hold the rig.
- Rider helmet is mandatory.
- Rigs will not be propelled by anything other than the dog pulling and driver pedaling, outside energy and pedals systems are prohibited .
- The driver shall not pace the dogs by running ahead or force any dog to run in any way.
- Dog drop check - points shall be provided at least every 3 km (1.8 mi), and may be combined with normal check points. They shall be equipped with a stake-out, Drop-chain or Cable and water. Dogs dropped at check points shall not be allowed to start in succeeding heats. If no possibilities are provided to drop dogs and a dog becomes unfit or refuses to advance for any reason, the driver is not permitted to finish the heat.
- The transport of a dog on the rig is strictly forbidden in all classes.
- During the overtaking procedure the overtaken team shall make unimpeded way for the passing team. On the command "TRAIL," the overtaken team is obliged to hold the same side of the trail and slow down. On the command "STOP," the overtaken team is obligated to stop movement forward.
- Limited dogs for each class is 2 less than the required class number (ie 4 must have 2 dogs , 6 dog must have 4-6dogs)

Recognized Classes

4-dog Elite Team (DR4) Junior Team (DR4J)

- Distance – Minimum 4km/2.5miles - maximum 8km/ 5miles

6-dog Elite Team (DR6)

- Distance – Minimum 5km/3.1miles - maximum 10km/ 6.2miles

8-dog Elite Team (DR8)

- Distance – Minimum 5km/3.1miles - maximum 12km/ 7.5miles



Jr Classes Age

- 11yrs to 18yrs as if September 1st
- It is up to the race organization how to manage junior events.
- Helmets are mandatory
- Guardian permission is mandatory

Dryland Relay

- Distance – Minimum .5km/.3miles – maximum 4km/2.5miles
- Mixed Relay: The Relay legs are Canicross, and Bikejoring and/or Scooter. The Bikejoring must be the last leg, or if no Bikejoring, then Scooter must be the last leg. Each Relay team may consist of men and women, seniors and juniors. Separate relay competition may be organized for men, women and juniors
- Each participant and each dog shall run the trail only once. After the finish line, the participant changes over to the next participant in the relay team, who may then start.
- Refer to current IFSS Race Rules for additional details

5. Sled Winter Class Rules

5.1 Equipment

- During a class, the dog must be equipped with a harness that is designed for traction sports and that is adapted to its morphology. This is so it does not hinder the pulling motion or hurt the dog.
- At all times, during a race event, the tug line must be attached directly to the harness and not to the dog's collar.
- Only flat collars are allowed during the race class.
- Mid distance and Long distance ganglines are to be constructed as cable or cable core unless using a double trace hook up.
- Participants using cable lines must carry cable cutters at all times. It is suggested all participants of multiple dog teams carry a knife capable to cut lines should a dog in the team become in distress.
- Chain lines are prohibited
- Sleds must have a brush bows, dog bag, brake, and snow hook.
- The runners of a sled or ski's are without steel edges or sharp tips and are non dangerous to the dogs welfare



- A sled bag must be capable of safely restraining a struggling dog and if necessary covering a severely injured or incapacitated dog.
- MidDistance , LongDistance and Stage races will have a list of mandatory gear, CAHDS sanctioned races have been reviewed and accepted therefore participants will reference the race specific rules.

5.2 Jr Classes when no classes offered.

- Age of participants must be 12yrs old age or greater on entry of event
- Minors wishing to participate in non Jr. classes must receive a exemption from the race organization with parental guardian permission and one non family member sponsor who agrees the minor participant can correctly and safely manage the dog and/or team.
- Mantaray for jr.s are helmets in all events (except Canicross) and have parental guardian permission.
- No Jr. exemptions greater than 10 dog teams

5.3 Kicksled/ Two (2) dog sled

- This discipline is practiced with one or two dogs.
- When the team is made up of two dogs, side by side the dogs must be connected by a neckline. Tandem sets ups are acceptable with the rear dog in tug and neckline.
- If the team consists of a single dog, the participant must ensure that his dog is fit enough to cover the distance and, if necessary, help him further.
- The organizer can refuse the departure of a 1-dog team if he considers that the ground is not suitable or too difficult.
- The dogs are permanently attached by a bungee line whose distance from the front of the kicksled to the base of the dog's tail furthest is at most 2.45 meters, when stretched without elongation.
- The kicksled must be equipped with a brake system or a rubber mats attached to the kicksled.
- The skates of the kicksled must not have metal borders (edges of metal).
- Helmets are recommended



Recognized Classes

2-dog Class (Sp2)

- Distance -- 5 km (3.2 miles)
- 2 dog sprint class invite only is for those novice mushers who are most improved in their province and promote the sport with exemplary dedication. No metals will be presented.

Jr Classes Age

- 11yrs to 18yrs as if January 1st
- It is up to the race organization how to manage junior events.
- Helmets are mandatory
- Guardian permission is mandatory
- Host events without Jr. event offered see above 5.2

5.4 Skijoring

- This discipline is practiced with one or two dogs.
- When the team is made up of two dogs, side by side the dogs must be connected by a neckline. Tandem sets ups are acceptable with the rear dog in tug and neckline.
- The dog is permanently attached to the participants belt and connected by a bungee line.
- The distance from the participant's abdomen to the base of the dog's furthest tail must be no more than 3 meter However, the ideal and recommended distance is 2.75 meters.
- Only cross-country skate skis without steel edges or sharp tips and non dangerous are accepted.
- Wearing a helmet is recommended.
- Participants are responsible for making sure their equipment meets the requirements and maybe inspected by a designated race official before and after the race.
- MidDistance , LongDistance and Stage races will have a list of mandatory gear and race specific instructions, CAHDS sanctioned races have been reviewed and accepted therefore participants will reference the race specific rules.

Pulka

- A pulka team consists of a athlete , racing solely on skis and being connected with a pulka and pulled by harnessed dog



- The pulka shall be connected with one or two solid shafts to the dog/dogs closest to the pulka so that it is not possible for the pulka to overrun a harnessed dogs
- Refer to current IFSS Race Rules for additional details

Recognized Classes

One Dog Class Elite Men Pulka (PM1) & Women Pulka (PW1)

One Dog Class Junior Men Pulka (PMJ) & Woman Pulka (PWJ)

One Dog Class Elite Men Skijoring (SM1) & Women Skijoring (SW1)

One Dog Class Veteran Men Skijoring (SM1V) & Women Skijoring (SW1V)

One Dog Class Junior Men Skijoring (SMJ) & Woman Skijoring (SWJ)

- Distance - 10km to 18km (6.2 to 18 miles)

1-4 Dog Class Elite Men & Women Pulka (PM1-4, PW1-4)

1-2 Dog Class Elite Men & Woman Skijoring (SM2,SW2)

1-2 Dog Class Veteran Men & Women Skijoring (SM2V,SW2V)

- Distance - 10km to 18km (6.2 to 18 miles)

Combined Pulka/Skijoring Elite Men & Women (CM,CW)

Combined Pulka/Skijoring Junior Men & Woman (CMJ,CWJ)

- Distance - 10km to 18km (6.2 to 18 miles)

5.4 Mid Distance Ski dogs

1-4 Dog Class Mid Distance Men & Women Pulka (MDPM1-4, MDPW1-4)

1-2 Dog Class Mid Distance Men & Woman Skijoring (MDSM2,MDSW2)

- Distance- Between 80km and 161km (50 and 100 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 40 km (25 miles)/stage for multi-stage races

Jr Classes Age

- 11yrs to 18yrs as if January 1st
- It is up to the race organization how to manage junior events.
- Helmets are mandatory
- Guardian permission is mandatory
- Host events without Jr. event offered see above 5.2



5.5 Four(4) dog Sled

- All dogs shall be harnessed in single or double file.
- All dogs shall be fastened to the towline/central line, which shall be made of non rigid, flexible or expanded line, with a neckline and a tail line, with the exception of the leader(s), who may run without a neckline. Unless the trail has head-on passing, then dual leaders must also be connect together by a neckline.
- The team is made up of 2 to 4 dogs
- Participants are responsible for making sure their equipment meets the requirements and maybe inspected by a designated race official before and after the race.

4-dog Class Elite (Sp4)

- Distance -- 6 km (4 miles). Recommendation: 6 km (4 miles) up to the last full weekend in January and 8 km (5 miles) thereafter.

Jr Classes Age

- 11yrs to 18yrs as if January 1st
- It is up to the race organization how to manage junior events.
- Helmets are mandatory
- Guardian permission is mandatory
- Host events without Jr. event offered see above 5.2

5.6 Six (6) dog sled

- All dogs shall be harnessed in single or double file.
- All dogs shall be fastened to the towline/central line, which shall be made of non rigid, flexible or expanded line, with a neckline and a tail line, with the exception of the leader(s), who may run without a neckline. Unless the trail has head-on passing, then dual leaders must also be connect together by a neckline.
- The team is made up of 4 to 6 dogs

Mid Distance 6 dog (MD6)

- Distance-- Between 80km and 161km (50 and 100 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 40 km (25 miles)/stage for multi-stage races

6-dog Sprint (Sp6)

- Distance -- 9 km (6 miles). Recommendation: 9 km (6 miles) up to the last full weekend in January and 12 km (7.5 miles) thereafter



Jr Classes Age

- 11yrs to 18yrs as if January 1st
- It is up to the race organization how to manage junior events.
- Helmets are mandatory
- Guardian permission is mandatory
- Host events without Jr. event offered see above 5.2

5.7 Eight (8) dog sled

- All dogs shall be harnessed in single or double file.
- All dogs shall be fastened to the towline/central line, which shall be made of non rigid, flexible or expanded line, with a neckline and a tail line, with the exception of the leader(s), who may run without a neckline. Unless the trail has head-on passing, then dual leaders must also be connect together by a neckline
- The team is made up of 6 to 8 dogs
- MidDistance , LongDistance and Stage races sanctioned by CAHDS will have independant rules for participants to be aware of and follow. CAHDS sanctioned events have been reviewed accepted and are therefore supported by the Canadian association of harness Dog sport.
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8-dog Sprint (Sp8)

- Distance -- Recommendation: 14 km (9 miles) up to the last full weekend in January and 16 km (10 miles) thereafter.

Mid Distance 8-12 Dog (MD8-12)

- Distance -- Between 80 and 250 km (50 and 156 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 40 km (25 miles)/stage for multi-stage races

Long Distance 8 dog (LD8)

- Distance-- More than 161 km (100 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 80 km (50 miles)/stage for multi-stage races.

Jr Classes Age

- 16yrs to 18yrs as if January 1st
- It is up to the race organization how to manage junior events.
- Helmets are mandatory
- Guardian permission is mandatory
- Host events without Jr. event offered see above 5.2



5.8 Ten (10)dog and Unlimited class

- All dogs shall be harnessed in single or double file.
- All dogs shall be fastened to the towline/central line, which shall be made of non rigid, flexible or expanded line, with a neckline and a tail line, with the exception of the leader(s), who may run without a neckline. Unless the trail has head-on passing, then dual leaders must also be connect together by a neckline.
- A team is made up of no less than 6 dogs .

10 dog- Unlimited Sprint Class (SpU)

- Distance --Recommendation: 22.5 km (14 miles) up to the last full weekend in January, and 27 km (17 miles) thereafter

Long distance 10dog- Unlimited Class (LDU)

- Distance-- More than 250 km (156 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 80 km (50 miles)/stage for multi-stage races.

Jr Classes Age

- 16yrs to 18yrs as if January 1st
- It is up to the race organization how to manage junior events.
- Helmets are mandatory
- Guardian permission is mandatory
- Host events without Jr. event offered see above 5.2
- Jr's are not permitted to run more than 10dog teams

Notes on Race Formats

- Stage Races

A stage race will be considered a sprint race or a distance stage race depending on the average length of the stages. The accreditation Committee may choose to classify a race considering first the type of competitors involved rather than the length of the stages.

- Run Heats Distances

Heat distances need not be identical each day of an event, but the shortest trails shall be run first. Subsequent days' heat distances shall not exceed one hundred and fifty (150)% of the first day's trail length. The shortest and longest possible distances for each heat will be indicated on the invitation.



6.0 Race Complaints and violations

- Participants wishing to report an alleged violation of the rules by another contestant shall notify the Race Marshal in writing within 1 hour following the heat in which the incident occurred.
- Any participants implicated in a report of an alleged violation of the rules may request a hearing before the Race Marshal. Said hearing shall be granted by the Race Marshal.
- The Race Marshal shall determine any disciplinary action that may be required. Decisions shall be announced promptly but not later than 2 hours prior to the start of the next heat or awards ceremony.

7.0 Deviations

- The Race Host and Marshal may request deviations to the above rules providing it is in writing submitted to CAHDS and approved no less than one (1) month before the official race meeting.
- Advertising deviations is expected.

8.0 RACE DISTANCES (for information only)

Dryland Classes:

Canicross 18-39 Men (DCM) and Women (DCW)

Canicross +40 Men (DCMV) and Women (DCWV)

- Distance – Minimum 4km/2.5miles - maximum 8km/ 5miles

Canicross Junior Men (DCMJ) and Women (DCWJ)

- Distance – Minimum 1km/.6miles – maximum 4km/2.5miles

Bikejoring 18-39Men (DBM) and Women (DBW)

Bikejoring +40 Men (DBMV) and Women (DBWV)

- Distance – Minimum 4km/2.5miles - maximum 10km/ 6.2miles

Bikejoring Junior Men (DCMJ) and Women (DCWJ)

- Distance – Minimum 2km/1.2miles - maximum 8km/ 5miles

Scooter one dog (DS1)Junior (DS1J)

- Distance – Minimum 2km/1.2miles - maximum 8km/ 5miles



Scooter 2-dog (DS2)

- Distance – Minimum 2km/1.2miles - maximum 8km/ 5miles

4-dog Team (DR4) Junior Team (DR4J)

- Distance – Minimum 4km/2.5miles - maximum 8km/ 5miles

6-dog Team (DR6)

- Distance – Minimum 5km/3.1miles - maximum 10km/ 6.2miles

8-dog Team (DR8)

- Distance – Minimum 5km/3.1miles - maximum 12km/ 7.5miles

Dryland Relay

- Distance – Minimum .5km/.3miles – maximum 4km/2.5miles

Sled dog Sprint:

10 dog- Unlimited Class (SpU)

- Distance --Recommendation: 22.5 km (14 miles) up to the last full weekend in January, and 27 km (17 miles) thereafter

8-dog Class (Sp8)

- Distance -- Recommendation: 14 km (9 miles) up to the last full weekend in January and 16 km (10 miles) thereafter.

6-dog Class (Sp6)

- Distance -- 9 km (6 miles). Recommendation: 9 km (6 miles) up to the last full weekend in January and 12 km (7.5 miles) thereafter

4-dog Class (Sp4)

- Distance -- 6 km (4 miles). Recommendation: 6 km (4 miles) up to the last full weekend in January and 8 km (5 miles) thereafter.

2-dog Class (Sp2)

- Distance -- 5 km (3.2 miles)

Junior Classes

2 dog (Sp2J)

- Distance-- 5 km (3.2 miles)



4 dog (Sp4J)

- Distance-- 6 km (4 miles). Recommendation: 6 km (4 miles) up to the last full weekend in January and 8 km (5 miles) thereafter

Mid Distance 6 dog (MD6)

- Distance-- Between 80km and 161km (50 and 100 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 40 km (25 miles)/stage for multi-stage races

Mid Distance 8-12 Dog (MD8-12)

- Distance -- Between 80 and 250 km (50 and 156 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 40 km (25 miles)/stage for multi-stage races

Long Distance 8 dog (LD8)

- Distance-- More than 161 km (100 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 80 km (50 miles)/stage for multi-stage races.

Long distance 10dog- Unlimited Class 18-39 (LDU)

- Distance-- More than 250 km (156 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 80 km (50 miles)/stage for multi-stage races.

***Mid and Long Distance Junior event to be considered for sanctioning.*

Stage Races

A stage race will be considered a sprint race or a distance stage race depending on the average length of the stages. The accreditation Committee may choose to classify a race considering first the type of competitors involved rather than the length of the stages.

Heat Distances - Heat distances need not be identical each day of an event, but the shortest trails shall be run first. Subsequent days' heat distances shall not exceed one hundred and fifty (150)% of the first day's trail length. The shortest and longest possible distances for each heat will be indicated on the invitation. 47

Ski-Dogs Sprint:

- Distance - 10km to 18km (6.2 to 18 miles)

Classes

One Dog Class 18-39 Men Pulka (PM1) & Women Pulka (PW1)

One Dog Class Junior Men Pulka (PMJ) & Woman Pulka (PWJ)

One Dog Class 18-39 Men Skijoring (SM1) & Women Skijoring (SW1)

One Dog Class 40+ Men Skijoring (SM1V) & Women Skijoring (SW1V)

One Dog Class Junior Men Skijoring (SMJ) & Woman Skijoring (SWJ)



***It is the expectation of CAHDS that 1 dog skidog events requesting sanctioning be held on a track with ski tracks in place .*

1-4 Dog Class 18-39 Men & Women Pulka (PM1-4, PW1-4)

1-2 Dog Class 18-39 Men & Woman Skijoring (SM2,SW2)

1-2 Dog Class 40+ Men & Women Skijoring (SM2V,SW2V)

- Distance - 10km to 18km (6.2 to 18 miles)

Combined Pulka/Skijoring 18-39 Men & Women (CM,CW)

Combined Pulka/Skijoring Junior Men & Woman (CMJ,CWJ)

- Distance - 10km to 18km (6.2 to 18 miles)

Mid Distance Ski dogs

1-4 Dog Class Mid Distance Men & Women Pulka (MDPM1-4, MDPW1-4)

1-2 Dog Class Mid Distance Men & Woman Skijoring (MDSM2,MDSW2)

- Distance- Between 80km and 161km (50 and 100 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 40 km (25 miles)/stage for multi-stage races