



Veterinary guidelines WUSV-WM IP & Agility 2024

Valid for WUSV-Champ.-Agility, Obedience, Rally Obedience, Hoopers

The following documents have to be carried for the participating dogs:

- Pedigree
- Score Book (with confirmation of eligibility & certificate of achievement)
- Valid International Vaccination Certificate (for details please refer to veterinary requirements)
- Verification of a Dog Liability Insurance
- Veterinary Certificate of Health
- Valid Anti-Rabies Vaccination Card

Please find out in good time before departure if any special provisions for re-importing the participating dog into the committing country are required and inform the event manager accordingly.

Veterinary regulations for entry with the dogs

Dogs verifiably have to meet the requested immunization protection (proof by EU vaccination card or veterinary confirmation) and possible further requirements in the country of the event.

Dogs from abroad have to meet the particular requirements for entry in addition:

Dogs from the <u>foreign countries of Europe</u> have to meet the same criteria as dogs from Germany (exact information can be found in Art . 6 ff der Verordnung (EU) Nr. 576/2013).

Dog from <u>all other foreign countries</u> must also be marked and for them a vaccination booklet/a certificate of health verifying an active vaccination against rabies has to be carried. Dogs from not listed third party countries in addition must have a sufficient high rabies titer which has been diagnosed in an EU licensed laboratory (https://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/movement-pets/approved-rabies-serology-laboratories_en) and have to observe the waiting time of three months according to the titer diagnosis (detailed information can be found in Art . 10 ff of Verordnung (EU) Nr. 576/2013).

The vaccination requirements of the hosting country

Dogs brought to the event may not be younger than 15 weeks and must verifiably have been vaccinated against rabies provided that:

a) Primary vaccination: the vaccination was given at the age of at least 12 weeks, at least 21 days after the basic immunization was completed and not longer than the manufacturer of the vaccine states for a booster vaccination.b) Booster vaccination: the vaccination was given within the period the manufacturer of the vaccine states for the booster vaccination.

Proof can be given by an official veterinary certification showing the following data:

a) Name and address of the animal owner,

- b) Breed, sex and age of the animal as well as color, the type and marking of the coat and
- c) Date of the vaccination including the type, the manufacturer and the legal control number of the used vaccine.

Animal welfare legal regulations

Based on the WUSV decision for training of dogs off or during the event the following is prohibited:

- To apply any form of violence or aggression
- To put on or to use taser or taser dummies.
- To apply and to use pinch collars or claw collars.
- To use drugs

According to § 10 section 1 no 2 Animal Welfare Decree (TierSchHv, Germany) it is prohibited to exhibit dogs where congenitally

- Parts of the body or organs are missing or deformed and through this arises pain, suffering or harm,
- Abnormal behavior connected with suffering appears,
- Each species-appropriate contact with conspecifics causes pain or avoidable suffering or harm.

Furthermore, the Animal Protection Regulations of the hosting country are effective. Violation of this regulation can cause disqualification and possibly criminal prosecution according to the Animal Protections Regulation of the hosting country.

Provisions for participation (only valid for Agility):

The competition is monitored by a veterinarian doctor. In order to obtain a permission to take part in the event every registered dog has to undergo a veterinary examination.

All female dogs are to be examined for heat symptoms.

During the veterinary examination every dog must undergo a fitness test. This includes a table jump exercise of a height of approximately 80 cm. The handler may not physically support the dog while performing the exercise. Dogs who fail this test are **not admitted** to the competition.

During the veterinary examination no motivating objects or foods are admitted. Also, any other kind of interference is prohibited. The chip control of the dogs is to be carried out with the animal either standing or sitting with a loose respectively slack lead on. The handler may slightly move the dog's head to the side with his or her hand, but the chip may not be read out by the handler.

During the veterinary examination the head judge/ commissioner must be present since in case of any violation of the rules and regulations the dog affected will be disqualified from the competition.

Animals whose health condition does not allow for the participation in the competition are to be excluded by the head judge. If it becomes obvious that an animal suffers from health-related problems or quite obviously from pain the handler must be dismissed from the venue and the dog shall be excluded from the entire event. Please be explicitly informed that the administration of medication in terms of pain killers and/ or performance enhancing drugs is strictly forbidden on the occasion of WUSV competitions and events. In case that such a violation of the rules becomes obvious the animal is to be excluded from the event by the head judge. The officiating judges are obliged to immediately inform the head judge in case that they become aware of anomalies and/ or irregularities as described above.

A veterinary is available during the entire competition.

At any time, the hosting organization is entitled to demand a veterinary examination in case that a dog shows symptoms of injuries or diseases. The veterinary certification shall apply at any moment.