

## BRUSSELS MUSHING GENERAL RULES ENGLISH VERSION 6 18-09-2019

- 1) Each participant is responsible for himself, his dogs, his equipment and his companions. He must be able to perform this exercise both physically and mentally.
- 2) It must be in family insurance order (civil liability) in case it would cause damages to third parties. The association.

  Brussels Mushing and its managers cannot, under any circumstances, be held responsible for damages or injuries for himself, his dogs and to third parties.
- All dogs must be in order of vaccination. Each dog present on the race must be vaccinated against parvovirus, rabies, distemper, hepatitis, leptospirosis. It is mandatory to use the most recent vaccine versions. In order to avoid the risk of contamination as much as possible, vaccination against kennel cough, at least twelve months before the event, is recommended and more than 21 days before the event and training camp. All dogs must carry an electronic identification chip. The mushers must be in possession of the health cards of all his dogs present at stake-out.
- 4) No dog may be free at the race or training camp site. All dogs must be attached to the stake-out or leashed. Those who will be designated as dangerous by those responsible for the event will always be very closely monitored by their master.



They will have to be trained in order to make them sociable or else they will not participate in any activity.

- Dogs must be in good physical condition to participate in activities. Otherwise, the organization may prohibit the dog (s) from participating. This will be decided by the veterinarian, the race director or the organizers of the event.
- Each participant will have to respect the others, the rules of the race and to have a positive and sporting spirit. Any inappropriate behavior on his part as well as those accompanying him may be punished by the immediate exclusion of the site of the event as well as the possible exclusion of events organized by Brussels Mushing for serious misconduct.
- 7) Children will be under the sole responsibility of their parents or legal guardians. They will have a good behavior. Any indiscipline as much for the children as for the parents or legal persons will be sanctioned and may lead to the possible exclusion of activities organized by Brussels Mushing for serious misconduct.
- 8) Members excluded by the management of Brussels Mushing for serious misconduct cannot claim any compensation.
- 9) During the events, the participants will take care to disturb as little as possible the others, they will not shout on the



dogs nor will they let them bark. They will take care to preserve the tranquility on the stake-out area. Dogs must be in their boxing from 11 pm until 7 am Ditto for generators. All waste must be placed in the appropriate bins made available by the organizer of the event, in case no trash can be available, you will have to take them with you. The stake-out area used must be returned imperatively in the initial state, the holes must be plugged and all waste and dog excrement must be removed.

10) 10) No abuse on dogs will be accepted. The attitude of a musher must be calm, responsible and without violence with his dogs by scrupulously respecting the law 14 August 1986 relating to the protection of animal welfare. Any deviation from these rules will be considered serious misconduct. Brussels Mushing cannot be held responsible for its actions and may in serious cases, for inappropriate acts, permanently exclude the musher and his companions from the events of Brussels Mushing.

## 11) Reminder of some important points

a. If the ambient temperature is more than 15 °C, each section of the competition cannot exceed 5km and if the ambient temperature is higher than 20 °C, the competition is canceled.



- b. That the same dog cannot be used for several categories of the same event.
- vs. That the use of muzzles and strangler collars is prohibited.
- d. The penalties that will be applied when using substances that are intended to influence the benefits of animals and mushers.
- e. It is forbidden to hit dogs.
- 12) For races the rules to be respected are those of the WSA (World Sleddog Association). They are available on the Brussels Mushing website <a href="https://www.brusselsmushing.com">https://www.brusselsmushing.com</a> By registering for our events, you have the obligation to know its rules.