#### 2025 Member Letter

Dear CPE Member,

Welcome to the 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Canine Performance Events.

Congratulations to all CPE teams who have earned titles throughout the past year!

Thank you to all Exhibitors, Host Clubs, and Judges for the continued support over the years.

Effective for 2025 for all members and events: An additional household family member can be added to your membership primary or secondary name by emailing Sean, at <a href="mailto:sean@cpe.dog">sean@cpe.dog</a> for details. The fee will be \$20.

## Effective for 2025.

## Agility and SpeedWay: Leashes in and out of the Ring.

**Effective March 3, 2025,** dogs must be on leash when leaving the ring or gate box. Failure to have the dog leashed will result as a NT. **Exception:** In the case of small dogs who may be carried in and out of the ring as long as the dog is under control in the arms of the handler. Leashes on small dogs when entering or leaving the ring is **highly recommended**. **Agility** 

Effective for trials after April 1, 2025: A club may not offer more than eight (8) classes per day with a maximum of two (2) rounds for games each per day. There is no limit as to how many classes a dog is allowed to run. Maximum runs allowed per day is 425.

### Agility:

Effective for trials being held on or after April 1, 2025: Host Clubs that have indicated No Day of Show (NO DOS) entries on the events page and their premium may elect to take DOS entries if entry limits have not been reached by the closing date listed on the events page and in the premium. The club would be responsible to publicize taking DOS entries on their website, social media or emailing from a host club maintained exhibitor list. Neither the premium nor events page will be changed to indicate if they are full or not.

### **General Reminders**

Any handler who is running a dog in CPE events MUST have a CPE Member ID Number regardless of if that person has a dog registered with CPE. Any individual who signs the entry form shall provide a member number on the entry form. The exceptions are minors under 18 years old on the day of the trial may show a dog that is owned and registered to a CPE member. The registered member shall sign the entry form for the dog, with the parent/guardian signing for the minor.

P-Cards and Measuring. If a handler has an actual written measurement, permanent height card, from one of the following agility venues: AAC, AKC, CKC, UKC, UKI, or USDAA and presents that card to the measurer that day, CPE will grandfather and accept that as the measurement for the dog. The Judge will write the actual measurement and Organization on the measuring sheet. A height challenge to a current CPE recorded height will require an actual measurement by a CPE Judge.

<u>Collars.</u> Collars May NOT have anything embedded on the collar, no tags, no bling. The collar will HAVE to be a flat buckle type collar and PLAIN.

#### Renewal for 2025 and Online Records

Effective March 1, 2025 – the following member fees will be changing due to increases in expenses over the past several years:

Renewal will increase to \$29 per year.

Transferring Q's from one height category to another (only applies to agility) will increase to \$30 per form submitted

Added dog fee will not change.

New Membership will increase to \$49.



Renewal of yearly dues is not required to show in CPE. Renewal of dues is required to view a dog's records for any date. All members regardless of dues paid or not, will have access to their home page on member services to be able to print the screen as their ID card.

Your member services main page will show your ID number and the date that dues have been paid through. Renewals may be submitted at any time. Memberships may be renewed for a maximum of 3 years at a time.

All handlers of dogs in CPE events over the age of 18 must have a CPE member number.

Online records are for verification purposes only. Members are responsible to keep track of their records from results posted at the show. See your Member Services page on the CPE website for details. (https://cpe.dog/members/).

- Members, who renew will have access to their records through member services, which will be updated every
  week, (see the contact us web page for office closures http://www.cpe.dog/contact-us). The gray box on your
  member services main page shows the last updates for member info, trials processed, titles mailed, and plaques
  mailed.
- The only official results are those posted at the trial which are then sent to CPE for processing. Ribbon labels are not official results.

### Adding dog(s), Renewal, Address/Email/Phone changes

Please sign into your member page and use online registration to add dog(s), renew membership, update mailing address, email, or phone. Transfers will be added to online registration at a future date. Please continue to print and mail a hard copy with a check to CPE per the form.

### **Confirmation Letters for Trials.**

Reviewing your confirmation will save time at a trial in case there is a keying error. This includes move-ups not received or not sent. There is a chance the email was not delivered to you. Exhibitors must verify their entry information from the club's confirmation and report any entry discrepancies to the show secretary before the closing date; and move up discrepancies before the move up date for the trial. The show secretary is not obligated to make changes at the trial if it is the exhibitor's error. The club may elect to charge a fee for changes at the show site and if there is a charge then the fee must be listed in the premium.

All handlers are responsible for the accuracy of information in their confirmation from the trial secretary such as the dog's info, level, and height category and/or jump prior to competing in a trial, and for reporting any discrepancies of posted results prior to leaving the trial site each day. This also includes if there was a correction to a scribe sheet then the handler must verify that the results were corrected as well. This statement is a rule and is also on each CPE entry form below the signature line.

#### **Trial Results**

Changes to trial results will not be made once the trial has been completed, you must review your results and address any discrepancies prior to leaving the trial site.

### **Canine Scent Sport Information.**

Thank you to everyone who supported CSS last year and were able to get to a trial.

### CSS Rulebook Changes for 2025.

- · Competitors in CSS are allowed to self-time.
- Move ups were clarified
- Trial worker positions are defined
- Definition and treatment of "Hot" items is discussed
- What Blue Tape or Colored dots signify
- Non-food distractions are discussed
- Faults are described
- The Element title is defined. The Element title will be able to be earned multiple times once the programming has been completed. These titles will be retroactive.
- Updates were made to the Junior Handler titles.
- Standard course times were changed
- Descriptions of the classes at each level were updated

If there is something that you feel needs to be reviewed, please send it to <a href="mailto:css@cpe.dog">css@cpe.dog</a>.



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# **Canine Scent Sport Information - continued**

We apologize for the confusion on the hot vs cold rule. We realize that it was confusing for some and we take full responsibility for that. This rule was our attempt to address concerns that had been raised about how some host clubs are storing items. We realize that, in general, rules can be difficult to write without leaving room for interpretation. #1. Once a container or box is hot, it is always hot. This is why hot and cold containers always need to be stored separately. In the case of new containers, they are considered cold and should be stored with cold containers. #2. There are clubs that wash their containers after trials. Clubs can continue to do this, but it does not change whether the container is hot or cold. If hot containers are washed then they are still hot. Same applies for cold containers. They still need to be stored separately.

#3 Interior, Exterior and Vehicle search areas, that may be used more than once during a trial need to be marked after the hide has been removed. This area will be considered hot the entire weekend. Remember the hide cannot be a raw Q tip, it needs to be secured in a straw or something similar or placed in a scent vessel. This is to ensure that the scented oil never comes into contact with the object.

#4 A qualified pre-class dog (qualified dog is defined as a dog training or competing at or above that level) needs to check over the search area to determine odor availability or areas that cause undue attention from the dog, as the judge will then make appropriate adjustments to the search area.

SO HERE IS THE SUMMARY:

Once hot always hot.

Store hot and cold items separately.

Oil should never touch anything - q tips need to be in straws or scent vessels at all times.

We realize there are some other questions and concerns that have been brought up. We will be looking at these and will update everyone on our progress.

# SpeedWay Information.

Thank you to everyone who supported SpeedWay last year and were able to get to a trial.

**REMINDER:** Dogs that will be entered in the 2025 SpeedWay Nationals and beyond must have a Permanent height card (P-card) in member services when filling out the entry form. Dogs without a P-card will not be accepted. Questions for SpeedWay may be directed to Kim Thompson at kim@cpe.dog

# **General Membership Information.**

#### **Contacting CPE.**

Emails to CPE must have a subject line or they will NOT be delivered to the CPE inbox due to SPAM filters. We recommend using the "contact us" links from the web page or have CPE in the subject line. Include at least your full name in emails; ID numbers are very helpful, and the dog's call name. Emails to CPE are generally answered within one (1) to five (5) business days (Monday-Thursday unless the office is closed). See the contact us web page at http://www.cpe.dog/contact-us for CPE email addresses to for questions and office closures.

## **CPE Nationals.**

Details will be updated on the **NEW** national events page on the CPE website at (<a href="https://cpe.dog/nationals-2025/">https://cpe.dog/nationals-2025/</a>) as more information is known for each year, including eligibility.

Nationals 2025 will be hosted by Bo-Gee to be held in Northampton, MA May 28-29, 2025: Canine Scent Sport & SpeedWay / May 30-June 01, 2025: Agility.

If your club or a group of clubs are interested in hosting a future CPE Nationals, please contact CPE for the requirements.

2026 CPE Nationals: <a href="https://cpe.dog/nationals-2026/">https://cpe.dog/nationals-2026/</a> 2027 CPE Nationals: <a href="https://cpe.dog/nationals-2027/">https://cpe.dog/nationals-2026/</a>



#### **CPE Facebook Pages.**

CPE Members Group Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/groups/2062928417272720

CPE SpeedWay Group Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/groups/787855021930785

CPE Canine Scent Sport Group Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/groups/896650754020101

Please continue to email CPE any questions directly as the Facebook pages may not be monitored daily. The contact us page can be found at https://cpe.dog/contact-us/ and your question will be directed to the proper person.

#### REMINDER of CPE OFFICE CLOSURES (always listed on the CPE website at least a year in advance):

2025 National Event: May 26 – June 3, 2025

All staff is attending the National Event to make it smooth for everyone who attends.

• December 23, 2025 – January 5, 2026

The CPE Staff is open all year to help members. The Staff does take time off to spend the Holidays with their families. Please plan ahead to finalize year end items with CPE before the holiday season closure.

Other US Holiday Closures: Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and Veterans Day.

Good Luck in 2025, and as always - Run Safe, Have Fun, Run Fast, Run Clean!

Regards,

Linda Eickholdt President

