

Addendum

Revisions to NATE Handbook-10.12.15

Revised March 25, 2016:

Chapter 2: Performance Guidelines

Pg. 13- Point Position Pause:

Original: *The dog must hold point position (can be sit, stand or down) for the Judge's count of 3 seconds before being cued to push the Point Ball or a fault will incur. The Judge will begin the count as soon as the dog comes to a stop "1 and 2 and 3 and Go". The Judge will stop counting if the dog moves for any reason and will start the count from the beginning when the dog resumes a stopped position. At the end of the count, after the Judge says "Go", the Handler may cue the dog to push the ball. Dogs are not required to wait behind any other balls for subsequent sends except in Pre-Novice.*

Revised: The dog must hold point position (can be sit, stand or down) for the Judge's count of 3 seconds before being cued to push the Point Ball or a fault will incur. The Judge will begin the count as soon as the dog comes to a complete stop. The Judge will stop counting if the dog moves for any reason and will start the count from the beginning when the dog resumes a stopped position. The Judges count will be: "3 and 2 and 1 and GO" or "1 and 2 and 3 and GO". At the end of the count, AFTER the Judge says "Go", the Handler may cue the dog to push the ball. Dogs are not required to wait behind any other balls for subsequent sends except in Pre-Novice. Cueing "push" or the dog starting to push before the Judge says "GO" will result in a fault.

Chapter 4: Scoring Guidelines

Pg. 24-Point Position:

Original: *The dog must hold a point position behind the MFSL after the first outrun for the Judge's count of 3. ("3 and 2 and 1 and GO" or "1 and 2 and 3 and GO"). The dog should not push or be cued to push the first ball to goal until after the Judge signals "Go". Failure to hold for the full 3 seconds will be faulted...*

Revised: The dog must hold a point position behind the MFSL after the first outrun for the Judge's count of "3 and 2 and 1 and GO" or "1 and 2 and 3 and GO". The dog should not push or be cued to push the first ball to goal until AFTER the Judge signals "Go". Failure to hold for the full 3 seconds will be faulted...

Chapter 6- Video Submissions:

Pg. 30- Field Overview Video:

Original: *Handler and Dog Info (handler's first name, dog's call name), Class level and field dimensions must be included in the Field overview title page on the video.*

Revised: Date, Handler's first name, dog's call name, class level and field dimensions* must be included in the title page for the Field Overview video. The Field Overview video may be submitted separately or combined and preceding the Titling Runs in one video. If combined, Field Overview must have its own title page immediately preceding the Field Overview section on the video and Titling Runs must have their own title (introduction) to precede the Title Runs section as described below.

**Field Dimensions for Video: For Video Titling Only- Field Dimensions for Pre-Novice and Novice runs must be, at minimum, 35'W X 50'L. The field dimensions may be larger, but may not exceed, 50' W X 75' L. For Intermediate -Masters video, Field Dimensions must be a minimum of 50' W X 75' L, the field may be larger, but the dimensions must still be clearly marked for judging.*

Pg. 30- Titling Run Video:

Original: *Handler and Dog info (handler's first name, dog's call name, height class, class level, and run#) must be included on the Video's title.*

Revised: Date, Handler's first name, dog's call name, height class, class level, and run#, must be included on the title page for the Titling Runs. If combined with the Field Overview, the Titling Runs must have separate title (introduction) immediately preceding the title runs section of the video.

Pg. 31- Titling Runs Video:

Original: *A helper is required to count for the dog's hold position behind the point ball at the start of the game. The count is, "1 and 2 and 3 and GO" The helper will also call "Time" once the dog is in the DOWN position within the handler's area after bringing in all the balls. The helper must be recorded during the actual run and heard in the video; no dubbing voice overs.*

Revised: A helper is required to count for the dog's hold position behind the point ball at the start of the game. The count is, "3 and 2 and 1 and GO" or "1 and 2 and 3 and GO". The helper will also signal, "Go When Ready" at the start of game when handler and dog are in the Ready Position in the Handler's Area. The helper will call "Time" once the dog is in the DOWN position within the handler's area after bringing in all the balls. The helper's calls must be recorded during the actual run and be heard in the video; no dubbing voice overs.

Pg. 31- Titling Runs Video:

Original: *The original video of the run must not be edited. Edited videos will be disqualified and no refund or credit given.*

Revised: The original video of a run must not be edited from the time the team enters the field to the time the team exits the field. Edited videos will be disqualified and no refund or credit given.