

Guidelines WUSV World Championship Meppen 2016

1. Schedule and activities

The WUSV World Championship 2016 takes part from October 5 to October 9, 2016 in Meppen, Germany, in the Hänsch-arena.

The schedule is as follows:

1.1 Arrival of the teams

The latest date to arrive for participants is Sunday, October 2, 2016. On arrival the scorebooks have to be handed over at the information office (VIP lounge) of the stadium (Sunday, 10 a.m. to 18 p.m.). At the same time the team members will be given:

- starting numbers
- catalogue
- schedule of training in the stadium
- other relevant information

Each country will bring one national flag to be carried and their national anthem on CD. The CD with the national anthem will be handed over at the stadium by arrival.

1.2 Training possibilities in the stadium

1st training day: Monday, October 03, 2016 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. 2nd training day: Tuesday, October 4, 2016 from 7 a.m. to 12 noon

The current version of the schedule can be seen on the

World championship webpage: www.schaeferhunde.de/wusv-wm/

1.3 Opening ceremony of the world Championship

Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 6 p.m. in the marguee in the stadium. All participants have to attend.

1.4 Judges seminar

A special seminar will be held only for the judges of the World Championships 2016 and 2017 on Monday, October 3, 2016 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Location: VIP lounge at the stadium

1.5 Judges meeting

Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 1 p.m. Location: VIP lounge at the stadium

1.6 Presentation of protection work

Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 2 p.m. at the stadium

1.7 Team leader meeting

Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 3 p.m. Location: marquee at the stadium

1.8 Drawing

Tuesday, October 4, 2016 after the opening ceremony at the marquee at the stadium

1.9 Start of the competition section A

Wednesday, October 5, 2016 in the tracking field, in groups of 5. From 7.30 a.m. tracking

There is no bus transportation for spectators to the tracking field.

1.10 Start of the competition section B and C

Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at the stadium

1.11 Festive evening

Saturday, October 8, 2016 at 8 p.m. at the marquee at the stadium. Entry cards are available at the entrance and at the competition office.

1.12 Award ceremony and closing ceremony

Sunday, October 9, 2016 about 4 p.m. at the stadium. The best 10 of single competitors and the best 3 teams will be awarded. All participants must attend the award ceremony, if possible with dog.

1.13 Team leader debriefing

Monday, October 10, 2016 at 10 a.m. Location: VIP lounge in the stadium.

2. Host/ Organization

2.1 Organizer:

Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SV) e.V.

2.2 Organizing committee:

Overall management: Heinz und Michael Gerdes

Trial organizer section A: Hans-Christian Boll

Trial organizer section B: Peter Rohde
Trial organizer section C: Dieter Schmale

Responsible for guests: Helmut Buß and Manfred Hessler

2.3 Overall manager:

Heinz Gerdes

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2.4 Contact address for inquiries and information regarding the WUSV World Championship 2016

The organizers can be contacted through the competitions official webpage:

www.schaeferhunde.de/wusv-wm/

3. Judges of the WUSV World Championship 2016

Head judge: Günther Diegel / Germany

(Deputy: J. Schallegruber/Austria)

Track supervisor: Peter Mayerl / Austria

Judge section A: Hans Graf / Switzerland Judge for 2017: Peter Mayerl/ Austria

Judge section B: Harou Masuda / Japan; Down: Christiane Gröne-Seidel

Judge for 2017: Heinz Gerdes, Germany

Judge section C: Toine Jonkers / Netherlands Judge for 2017: Marinus Bastiaansen/Belgium

Accommodation of the judges in Hotel Pöker, Herzog-Arenberg-Str. 15, 49716 Meppen.

4. General information

4.1 Trial regulations and conditions of participation

The valid regulations used are WUSV-PO, from year 2012. The participating dogs must have earned a result (obtained since the last World Championships) from the IPO3 or equivalent trial, with the same handler as now entered. At this trial the overall points must be at least 250, and from each discipline minimum of 80 points.

Proof of this needs to be provided by the time of entry.

It is recommended to the member clubs to only appoint sufficiently qualified judges for judging the requested FCI/WUSV PO/IPO3 as well as the national qualification trials.

The ratings of judges who are member in a club which is **not recognized from SV-/WUSV** are not recognized.

Each dog handler can only start with one dog at this competition.

Each dog must have a WUSV recognized pedigree.

For World Championships 2016 it is required that the dog has official (SV & WUSV) approved hip and elbow x-ray result.

4.2 Entry deadline:

The last possible date for entry to the completion is **September 11**, **2016**. The original entry from the official webpage has to be filled out with the following information:

- Name of the dog handler (copy of passport, citizenship must be proven by official document
- If the dog handler does not have the citizenship of the country he/she is representing, it must be proven by other means that the handler indeed lives and has his/her permanent life and residence in that country.
- Photo of the dog handler in passport form
- Name and sex of the dog
- Breed book number of the dog
- Tattoo number of micro chip number
- Date of birth
- Name and breed book number of sire and dam.
- Number of points of the qualification trial in section A, B, C and total
- Name of the dog handler, judge, date (must be from current year)
- Name and address of the club they are representing
- Confirmation from the club they are representing
- Team leader: name, address, telephone, fax, email, Photo in passport form
- Assistant team leader: name, address, telephone, fax, email, Photo in passport form

4.3 Entry address:

The final entry has to be done on the website

www.schaeferhunde.de/wusv-wm/meldeschein

Entry fee: € 140,- for each dog

The entry fee is payable to:

Account holder: Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde e.V. (SV)

Bank: Stadtsparkasse Augsburg
IBAN: DE07 7205 0000 0810 2000 30

BIC: AUGSDE77XXX Reason for payment: Entry WUSV-WM

4.4 Starting numbers

The given starting numbers will be the property of the dog handler after the Championship 2016 has ended. The starting number must be carried and displayed by the dog handler during drawing, at the beginning of each section A/B/C until end of own group and also during award ceremony. The starting numbers display country of representation (as in Olympic rules) and individual number of the handler in his/her team.

4.5 Team quarters and hotel bookings

Hotel bookings can be done through tourism association and the links on webpage of the organizers.

For any questions please refer yourself to the head organizer.

4.6 For the participating dogs the following documents are compulsory:

- Pediaree
- Score book (proof of IPO 3)
- Valid EU vaccination pass (please see veterinary regulations)
- or dog passport = health certificate
- Certificate of liability insurance
- Rabies vaccination

Please check possibly special requirements for re-importing the participating dog into the sending country timely before your departure.

4.7 Entry requirements for persons

A valid passport is required. For persons from EU-countries either a valid passport or identification card. Citizens from non-EU-countries need a valid passport for the entry. Further information can be given from the German embassy or the German consulate in the respective country. In Germany identification is mandatory (disclosure).

4.8 Regulations of Animal protection law

According to the German Protection of Animals act as well as to the WUSV resolution it is prohibited, while training or exercising dogs, outside of or during the event:

- to practice any kind of violence or aggression
- to use electrical stimulation device or dummies
- to use pinch collars and coral collars
- to use drugs

Contravention of these regulations and laws may result in disqualification at the WUSV Championships and/or prosecution according to the national laws. If the dog is kept in a car or trailer, the dog handler must provide the dog with enough fresh air and drinking water.

4.9 Veterinary regulations

The competition is supervised by a veterinarian.

Before the participation in the official training in order to receive a starting permission each participating dog has to be presented for a veterinary examination until Monday, October 3, 2016, 3 p.m. latest. The veterinary examination will be held in the area of the VIP lounge.

Females in heat will be examined for their season by the veterinarian.

In the frame of the basic examination **a physical fitness test for the dogs will be held**. At this test the dog has to show a jump on a table (height 80 cm). The jump has to be shown without physical support of the handler. Dogs which can't perform this jump are not permitted to take part in the competition.

When the dog's **state of health** doesn't allow taking part in a competition the dog has to be suspended from the event by the head judge. In case an animal suffers from health problems or obviously from pain a dismissal and the disqualification from the complete event has to follow.

It is explicitly to point out that in the frame of WUSV competitions it is **prohibited specifically to give pharmaceuticals in order to suppress pain and/or to improve performance**. In case it will become clear that this rule has been violated the disqualification of the dog by the head judge has to follow as well. The judges of the sections are obliged to inform the head judge immediately once they get knowledge of such noticeable problems or irregularities.

A veterinary is available during the complete event.

The organizers have the right to order a veterinary examination at all times during the competition, if the dog is showing symptoms of illness or injury. The notification to veterinary control is valid at all times.

More detailed vaccination regulations can be found on the organizers webpage.

4.10 Medical services (Doctor/Dentist)

"The Auslandskrankenschein E111" from the health insurances is partially accepted. It is recommended that you have a private health insurance for duration of your stay in Germany. In any case if you are in need of medical attention please contact the organizers, they can provide you with assistance to locate the nearest doctor, dentist or hospital. Should your dog need a veterinarian or vet clinic, the nearest ones can be provided by the organizers.

4.11 Restaurants

For large groups it is recommended to make a reservation for a table in the restaurant.

In many restaurants menus for meals and beverage are available in English also. Also, the service staff often speaks English.

Prices in restaurants and hotels are inclusive tax. By good service a small tip is recommended.

At most hotels and restaurants credit cards are accepted (Visa, MasterCard, etc.)

4.12 Driving in Germany

In Germany right-hand traffic is mandatory. Please be aware that the German Police pays a lot of attention to the following things:

- All passengers have to be belted
- Using mobile phones by the driver is absolutely prohibited (no usage without hands free)
- Controls for alcohol are strict! The limits are observed exactly, when the limit is exceeded the driving license is confiscated, also from foreigners.

4.13 Petrol prices

Depending from the oil company and the international oil prices.

4.14 Currency

The national currency is the Euro.

Money exchange into EURO is possible at all banks during the opening hours, in exchange points at the borders or at the airport. Money exchange in hotels is not recommendable.

The safest way is to use credit cards of the popular companies (VISA, MasterCard, etc.). When renting a vehicle, a valid credit card is needed. It is also possible to draw cash at ATM's and cash machines

5. General information about the event

5.1 Judges meeting

Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 1 p.m. in the VIP lounge at the stadium. The following persons are invited as participants:

- Head organizer
- Track supervisor
- Head judge
- Judges A, B, C, Judge for Down
- Trial organizer A, B, C
- Supervisor Championship office

The rating sheets will be provided by the organizer.

5.2 Team leader meeting

Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at the marquee at the stadium.

Invited participants:

- The same persons as invited to the meeting of judges
- Team leaders and vice team leaders

Points of discussion:

- Information regarding the event
- Advice from the organizers
- Information about the tracking field, given by the track supervisor
- Presentation of the judges
- Guidelines of the judging by head judge
- Guidelines to performing the individual disciplines
- Confirmation of the participants, possible substitute dogs, information on females in heat
- Drawing of the order in which the countries draw the start times

In case dogs/dog handlers are reported as diseased or absent their starting numbers (which have been given out by registration) have to be given back necessarily.

5.3 Training possibilities at the stadium

Training at the stadium is on Monday, October 3 and Tuesday, October 4, 2016, starting at 7.00 a.m., according to training schedule. The amount of time depends on the team and number of team members. For training at the stadium are only the participants and relevant helpers allowed. At the stadium are blinds, jump- and A-hurdle, as well as retrieve articles.

The time allowed for training is 5 minutes/dog participating. **But at least 10 minutes/team.** The training order is alphabetical according to the Olympic system. The training is supervised by the organizers. If a team does not attend at their given time, they may train at the end of the training session. Females in heat are not allowed for training. They will have their training time just before their start in section B.

There will be additional training possibilities in specified training centers. The persons allowed are only the team members, team leaders and additional help persons of the teams. Blinds and hurdles are available at these places. More information is available at the office.

5.4 Presentation of protection work

The demonstration of protection is on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 2 p.m. at the stadium. Also the helpers will be introduced. **Present will be the head judge, judge for section C, head organizer as well as the helpers.**

At least 4 dogs with a good LGA level are to be presented.

5.5 Opening ceremony

The opening ceremony is on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 6 p.m. in the marquee at the Stadium. The opening speech by the President of the WUSV.

5.6 Drawing of the start numbers

The drawing of the individual starting numbers will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 in the marquee at the stadium.

For the teams and team members is seating reserved. For spectators is enough space.

Before the drawing snacks and soft drinks are for sale.

5.7 Team support

Team leaders may address their questions and problems to the organizers. The organizer tries to give a care taker for each team.

The dog handlers will be given parking permissions at the team leader meeting. The dog handler must enter the license plate number of the car, as well as mobile telephone number on the parking permission.

5.8 First aid and veterinary services

First aid and veterinary services are available at the stadium during the complete competition. At the tracking fields a mobile first aid service is available if needed.

5.9 Identity control of the dogs

The identity control of the dog is always after each discipline has been finished at the dog handlers exit at the stadium as well as in the tracking field by the judge/representative of organizer. The controllers have an ISO standard approved microchip reading device.

If for some reason another type of chip is planted, then the team leader must bring the appropriate device with him/her.

5.10 Catering at the Stadium and tracking field

There are catering services at the stadium and also in the tracking fields. Also drinking spots are available for the dogs.

5.11 The stadium

The stadium is the Hänsch-arena, in Meppen. The driving directions are clearly marked from the motorway. The stadium is an open football stadium without athletic running tracks. There are two grandstands for spectators. The main grandstand in longitudinal direction to the greenfield and the secondary grandstand is vis-à-vis. The number of covered seats is about 5000. Indoor rooms for the trial organizers are sufficiently available. The stadium has a TV-quality floodlighting system.

Obedience and protection work will be alternated at the stadium.

By constant rain the devices for obedience and blinds for the protection have to be changed when needed. Parking space for participants and team leaders are sufficiently available about 250 meters from the Stadium.

5.12 Schedule

The schedule has been prepared so, that each dog does only one discipline in one day. At the stadium the groups of 6 for obedience and protection work will be alternated. Participants that do not report 15 minutes before the beginning of their discipline will be disqualified. All dog handlers will be given a schedule.

5.13 Disqualification

If a dog is disqualified in one discipline, then the dog cannot start in the other remaining disciplines.

6. Section " A" - Tracking

6.1 Tracking field

The tracking work will be performed on fields (acres). For all participants the terrain should be equal. Each field will be used only once.

The tracking fields are in a wide agricultural and military used terrain about 10 km from the stadium.

The quality of the tracking field will be published on the WUSV website in the time frame.

6.2 Laying of the tracks

The laying of tracks is done in normal walk. The corners will not be marked. The start of the track is not heavily tread. Replacement tracks will be layed. The articles will not be put down in any given sequence.

6.3 Articles on track

The objects are made of

- Leather
- Wood
- Carpet

and they are presented on the website of the event. The objects are from the Schweikert Company. The signpost and articles will be provided by the organizers.

Sending of articles before the event to teams is not intended.

6.4 Tracking pattern and length

According to regulations of IPO the track is 600 paces and will be adhered. Shortening of the tracks is not intended. The persons laying the tracks will be supervised by the person responsible for the tracks. The tracking patterns will vary according to the IPO regulations. If the terrain allows, the first article will be put down about 100 paces on the first leg. If the former is not possible, will the first article lay on the second leg.

6.5 Transportation to the tracking fields

The chosen tracking fields are about 10 km from the stadium.

The participants will drive with their own vehicles. The team leader will be given a map to the central meeting point by the fields. There the dogs can be walked. Refreshments for the dog leaders are available.

The spectators will be transported to the tracking fields by bus. Driving directions for spectators from the stadium are not intended.

The tracking fields can not be used for training. **Braking of the rules will result in disqualification**. The organizers will provide equal terrain for training.

6.6 Identity control, test for self-confidence and drawing of the tracking group at the field

When the dog handler reports to the judge for tracking, a behavior test of the dog is done and the tracking sequence is drawn. If a handler is not at the drawing or start time of his/her tracking, they will be drawn with others. The drawn track will stay in reserve and will be tracked at a later time. If the missing dog handler hasn't arrived by the time his/her tracking group has finished all tracks, then the dog will be disqualified.

The identity control will be checked after the dog has finished tracking.

6.7 Control of the tracking leash

After the drawing of the tracks, the tracking line is controlled for correct length and the line is marked. The tracking can be performed with a such marked tracking line.

7. Section "B" - obedience

7.1 General

The obedience will be alternated with the protection work at the stadium. The stadium terrain is grass. The working direction is when looking from the main grandstand from right to left. The obedience will not be demonstrated.

The dog handlers may wear normal sportive clothing, no special training vests are allowed.

7.2 Entry control

The dog handler must be ready for his/her exercise about 15 minutes before given time according to schedule. The dog handler will be presented to the control by team leader or team leader assistant at the dog handlers entry. The dog's collar will be controlled.

If a dog handler is not 15 minutes for his/her start time at the control point, the dog will be disqualified.

7.3 Hurdles / dumpbells / guns

According to IPO-rules a closed plankhurdle is to be used, and a reserve hurdle to stand by.

The A-wall is to be covered by non-slippery material and spokes. The measurements are according to valid regulations. The hurdles must be removed from the field during the protection work, their placements to be marked beforehand. The sequence of the hurdles according to the attached **diagram**.

The hurdles are also available at the training grounds.

The retrieving dumbbells must be double, two identical sets. Measurements and weights are according to rules. Additional weights are not allowed.

Weight of dumbbell for retrieving on flat ground: 2000 g Weight of dumbbell for the hurdles: 650 g

The dumbbells provided by the organizers must be used by all participants. The dog handlers own dumbbells are not allowed.

All retrieve exercises must be performed in the same direction as the other obedience exercises.

The organizer has to provide 2 cal. 6 pistols.

7.4 Place for down

Males and females will be laid down on separate places. The places for down will be marked.

8. Section C protection work

8.1 General

The protection work will be performed at the stadium in alternative sequence with obedience. The working direction is when looking from the main grandstand from left to right. The first sendoff to blinds is left. The starting point for handler and helper are marked. The helpers will work according to instructions given at the presentation of the protection work.

The dog handler can wear light sportive clothing, but not a special training west.

Please note the PO rules:

After the release through the judge the dog handler removes on command 5 steps from the standing helper with the dog off the leash, **takes the basic position**, puts the dog on leash and leads him **(under control)** to the meeting point.

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If a dog handler is not 15 minutes for his/her start time at the control point, the dog will be disqualified.

The chip number or tattoo will be controlled after the performance at the handlers exit.

8.3 Helper in protection work

The helpers and their substitutes are to be chosen on Tuesday at the demonstration of section C protection work. They will be chosen by Head Judge and the judge for this section.

For the movements of the helpers please see on the webpage. All the helpers will work left.

It is not allowed for competition helpers to train the dogs starting at this competition. **This does not apply to the participants of the host country**. By any violations the helpers will be replaced.

8.4 Protection clothing

The protective clothing of the helpers are normal at stores procurable protective clothing; a jacket, trousers, arm and cleat shoes (football shoes). Softstocks will be used. The equipment will be from the Schweikert Company.

(Arm type 598003 – Mika 1 – left, coating material5987)

8.5 Protection blinds

The protection blinds will be normal at stores procurable blind tents, color green (Schweikert). Marker points will be placed according to the PO.

The blinds will be removed for obedience, places marked.

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