



# IFSS On-Snow WCh & WM 2023 Åsarna, Sweden



## VETERINARY NOTES

### VACCINATION

Required vaccinations for all dogs, including dogs not racing, are:

**RABIES**

**DISTEMPER**

**ADENOVIRUS-2 (Hepatitis and tracheo-bronchitis)**

**PARVOVIRUS**

**"KENNEL COUGH" (Parainfluenza and Bordetella bronchiseptica)**

To evaluate the validity of vaccinations ONLY the "dog passport" or the "dog vaccination booklet" will be taken in consideration.

These documents must show for each vaccination the date of injection with the stamp and the signature of the veterinary who did it.

Dogs will NOT be admitted at the race if:

A) they have a "not yet valid" or "expired" vaccination, such as any first vaccination or booster done LESS than 21 days before the official day of opening of the stake-out (not the day when the dog starts to race!) or done MORE than:

- 1 year before the official day of opening of the stake-out, for each component of KENNEL COUGH.
- 3 years before the official day of opening of the stake-out, for DISTEMPER/PARVO/HEPATITIS.
- 1 or 3 years before the official day of opening of the stake-out, for RABIES, depending on kind of vaccine which has been used.

B) they have a single shot of those vaccinations which require a booster after 14-21 days to properly activate a long-lasting protection (such as distemper/parvo/hepatitis and injectable kennel cough).

Note 1) Kennel cough vaccinations have to protect against BOTH Parainfluenza AND Bordetella bronchiseptica, as with a single dose valid 1 year of INTRANASAL or with INJECTABLE vaccines (which require a first injection, a booster after 21 days and are valid 1 year after every booster).

Only if the dog is protected with an injectable vaccine against Parainfluenza given no longer than 1 year before (as in DHP-Pi vaccine), then the ORAL vaccine for Bordetella bronchiseptica is accepted and is valid for 1 year.

Note 2) In addition to previous vaccinations, Leptospirosis vaccination is not mandatory, but STRONGLY recommended.

Note 3) Rabies vaccination is mandatory also for dogs living in Sweden and Norway.

## **DOG HEALTH**

Veterinarians and IFSS have to be sure that the dogs are healthy and totally fit to run. Dogs will be therefore excluded from competition if:

- A) they are not identified by a microchip reading.
- B) their age, as declared on the documents, does not correspond to what is defined by the IFSS rules.
- C) they do not pass the mandatory clinical visit before the race or if they show any medical and health problem during the event, as declared by race veterinarians.
- D) they do not follow the rules defined by doping controls.
- E) they show any symptoms of contagious disease. In this case the dog and the team (even if all the other dog in the team is not showing symptoms) will be driven away from the event area.