

COVID-19 Health and Safety Protocol for Kilbride & District KC 2021 Events

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THESE EVENTS

The Kilbride & District KC is pleased to welcome you to our 2021 Conformation Events, redefined for the circumstances that we presently face as a community.

THIS INFORMATION WILL BE AMENDED AS DIRECTIVES ARE RECEIVED FROM ONTARIO HEALTH SERVICES.

Updates will be included in the Judging Schedule – Annex A of the Premium List

By entering the Kilbride & District KC Events you are agreeing to the regulations that have been designed to keep us safe while together.

THE REQUIREMENTS ARE NON-NEGOTIABLE AND WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. If you have personal objections to our restrictions which are based on the most current guidelines from Ontario Public Health Services, then please do not enter these events. Any breach of the requirements will result in dismissal from the events with no right of entry fee refund.

There will be a PHOTOGRAPHER at these events; they will have their own COVID-19 Protocols in place.

COVID-19 WAIVER/DISCLAIMER

- 2020 COVID-19 response legally obligates any person who the following core symptoms of cough, fever, shortness of breath, runny nose, or sore throat (that is not related to a pre-existing illness or health condition) to be in isolation for 14 days from the start of symptoms, or until symptoms resolve, whichever takes longer, or they receive a negative COVID19 test.
- If you are exhibiting any of these symptoms, it is suggested you complete the COVID-19 Self-Assessment online tool to determine if you should be tested.
- If you exhibit any of these symptoms or the symptoms on the COVID-19 Assessment Tool, you will NOT be allowed to attend the event. If you feel unwell at all, you must not attend the event.
- The Kilbride & District KC COVID-19 waiver/disclaimer along with the Health Screening Questionnaire found in the Premium List must be signed and presented on your first day at the event. These documents will be required from you to enter in the event.
- When you arrive for the first time, please fill out the WAIVER/DISCLAIMER, in this Premium List and bring it to the Screening Station. Do not wait until just before you need to be in the ring with your dog, to be screened and get your wristband for the day. The Kilbride & District KC volunteers are not responsible for poor timing on your part and the COVID-19 Screening will take priority over everything else. Abusive language or behavior will not be tolerated.
- Waiver/Disclaimer must be signed by Club Members, Judges, Ring Stewards, Exhibitors, Owners, Handlers, Breeders, Assistants, Volunteers, Vendors, Family Members, etc.

PRIOR TO THE EVENT

- All Judges, exhibitors, handlers, volunteers and stewards, etc will be required to have a printed copy of risk assessment and waiver form to bring to the show and to be filled out and signed accordingly for contact tracing purposes.

THE EVENT GROUNDS

- There will be signs indicating Entrance and Exits of the official Event Grounds.
- Entrance will have Screening Station.
- There will be hand sanitizing stations provided in all areas.
- There are public toilets on the grounds with hand washing stations.
- Each ring will have an Entrance, an Exit and Social Distancing Markers.
- Judges' tables and other touch surfaces will be sanitized regularly.

- **These events are “Show and Go”** – Camping upon reservation only, there is no large Grooming Tent, Popup shade tents or outside grooming tables beside your vehicle only. Dogs groomed outside of your vehicle area on show precincts.
- Portable umbrellas are permitted to provide shade for your dog while you wait to enter ring.
- **NO GATHERINGS PERMITTED** - You must remain by your vehicle at all times while awaiting to proceed to your Judging ring.
- **No Water or Electricity will be available** on the grounds for “Show and Go”. RV Sites will have access to one (1) plug-in and water access on a “Fill and Go”.
- The Kilbride & District KC will have a cool off station and bath station for the dogs.

MASKS

- **Masks are mandatory at all times while in the ring and on the Event precincts.** Masks must be worn completely covering both mouth and nose.
- Face shields (no mask), neck warmers, masks with exhalation valves, handkerchiefs and any other loose fitting face coverings are NOT masks and are not recommended by Ontario Public Health Services. Face Shields are acceptable only when the exhibitor has a medical exception letter.
- Anyone unable to wear a mask due to a medical condition will require a medical exception letter from an authorized health professional. You must be able to show and provide a copy of the letter at the Screening Station.
 - o The medical exception letter must come from a nurse practitioner, physician or psychologist.
 - o The medical exception letter may be presented when in a public setting if requested by enforcement officials, or retrospectively in court if a ticket is issued.
- If you do not bring a mask, one will be provided for you at a cost (limited supply of mask).

SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Maintain SOCIAL DISTANCING 2 meters (6 feet) while at the event venue. We are providing extra space in the rings to maintain these distances so you do not encroach upon the person in front of you, be respectful.
- No hugging or handshaking permitted on any of the official grounds of the Event. Avoid touching dogs that are not your responsibility.
- There will be a staging area for each group, do NOT encroach on other areas or rings. Space for additional distance to be provided between vehicles.
- Due to COVID-19 protocols, there will be a maximum number of people allowed at each one of the event staging area at one time.

WRIST BANDS

- Before you can enter the event venue, you will be required to provide the Waiver and the COVID-19 Assessment Tool located in this Premium List and bring it to the Screening Station.
- Upon acceptance, a Kilbride & District KC volunteer will give you a wristband and watch you place the wristband on your wrist. The COVID-19 Screening can be done at any time throughout the day, at any Screening station.
- You will need to show your wristband to the ring steward along with your arm-band before you can enter the event ring with your dog.
- The Kilbride & District KC will refuse entry into the event precincts and rings to anyone without a wristband.
- Each exhibitor will receive a maximum of ONE wristband only per entry. NO replacement wrist bands will be issued.

ARRIVAL AT GROUNDS & EXHIBITING

- Exhibitors should arrive on the grounds **NO MORE THEN ONE HOUR PRIOR TO THEIR SCHEDULED JUDGING TIME** and allow time for COVID-19 screening. The COVID-19 screening station will be open one hour before judging time.
- Upon arrival at the grounds, you must remain by your vehicle. A Parking marshal will direct you to the screening station and thereafter to your staging area. In staging area it is mandatory that you remain within the proximities of your vehicle at all times – No Gatherings.

- Exhibitors will be lined up according to their ring and will advance to the staging area when instructed by the Parking marshal... NO EXCEPTIONS.
- Once in your staging area, remain by your vehicle until 5 minutes prior to your breed being called into the ring.
- No X-pens, floor mats or tables will be allowed at ringside or on event grounds. Do not leave personal belongings at ringside.
- Once you have finished exhibiting your breed, you will be required to leave the event grounds promptly if you have no other dogs to exhibit within the next 15 minutes.
- You may return 45 minutes before your next breed or Group judging, etc. through the main entrance gate.
- If you are unable to attend/exhibit due to COVID-19 or any other ailment, it is your responsibility to find an alternative handler for your dog, if you wish your dog to participate.
- Exhibitors are asked to show the bite of their dog upon the Judge's request.
- There will be a designated "Drop off parking area" (max 15 min.) for owners that are bringing their dogs to be shown by a handler. Handler will be required to make arrangements to pick up their client's dog from the "Drop off parking area". Owner must remain in their vehicle until pick up and leave the event premises immediately following "drop off".
- No Public Catalogue will be available, know your numbers when picking up armbands.

BE SELF-SUFFICIENT

- Bring Portable umbrella to provide shade for your dog while you wait to enter ring.
- Bring Bottled water, dog cool coats, shade screen to put on your vehicle, etc.
- Avoid common use pens/pencils – bring your own writing instrument.
- Bring Sanitizer and Disinfecting tissues
- Do not leave masks, gloves, water bottles, litter, etc. behind. Dispose of these items in the garbage bins.

PRIZES AND RIBBONS

- Exhibitors will pick up their placement ribbons and prize as they exit the ring. NO RECYCLING of the Ribbons.

REFUND POLICY

- If the Kilbride & District KC is required to CANCEL the event due to any Ontario Government, Leeds and Grenville Township or Canadian Kennel Club guidelines, policies, or directives, a partial refund of entry fees (less our unrecoverable costs) will be offered – see Premium List for details. All Entry service fees are not refundable.
- If you are refused entry due to you not passing the COVID-19 Assessment Tool- Daily Screening Questionnaire and with not providing signed waiver, you will not be given a refund.
- If you cannot travel to the event due to a government restriction on travel, entry fees will not be refunded.
- Credit card and Entry services charges will not be refunded.

Violation of any of these rules and procedures will result in your entries for the full events being cancelled with NO refund of entry fees.

There will be NO EXCEPTIONS AND NO EXCUSES.

Be respectful to each other, the Kilbride & District KC volunteers and let us keep each other safe.

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