



Veterinary Policy
of the
World Sleddog Association (WSA)
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POLICY BASIS

WSA Statutes - §4 Basic principles

5. The WSA ensures through a dedicated veterinary policy good standards of veterinary care at its events.

AIM

The aim of the WSA is to ensure a good veterinary care during championships. This is ensured through information provided by the WSA's Chief Veterinarian and controls by the WSA's Chief Veterinarian and his staff.

In order to support event organizers in providing excellent veterinary care, the WSA will charge a veterinary fee of 7 euros per starter.

The fee is non-refundable and will be collected when a member requests their starting places. It will be managed in a dedicated veterinary account.

Out of this veterinary account, the WSA will offer 1200 euros to the championship organizer.

BASIC VETERINARY REQUIREMENTS

In order to comply with this policy, event organizers need to ensure that:

- At least one fully trained veterinarian is present at the race until the last starter of the day has finished his run
- In case of emergencies a vet is contactable 24 hours a day for the duration of the race (from when the stake-out opens until the last competitor has finished his final run)
- A suitable facility is provided at the race site where veterinarians can treat injured dogs
- If the veterinary treatment facility is more than 50m from the finish, the organizers have to provide a screened off area at the finish where first aid can be administered.



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Further information on what constitute excellent veterinary care can be requested from the WSA Chief Veterinarian.

BREACH OF POLICY

If the WSA Chief Veterinarian or his representative finds an event organizer in gross violation of this policy, he will notify the organizer immediately. If the organizer cannot rectify the issue, the issue will be reported to the Race Marshal and the organizer will be fined 500 euros. The event organizer will not be granted the 1200 euro in support of their veterinary care.

