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RALLY - SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS from The Kennel Club Working Party Meeting 20 April 2021

| | Subject | Recommended | Action |
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| 1. | Regulation amendments | <p>The Working Party noted that the Board, at its meeting on 6 October 2020, approved the following amendments to S Regulations:</p> <p>Regulation S19.g. TO: From 1 January 2022 all judges must have passed a Rally Regulations and Judging Procedure examination, every five years since passing the Regulations and Judging Procedure examination. (Insertion in bold) (Effective 1 January 2021)</p> <p>Regulation S(C) Bonus Exercise 5 TO: SIT - LEAVE DOG - TURN - RECALL - HANDLER FINISH. This exercise requires two signs. At the first sign (A) the handler and dog stop with the dog sitting at heel. The handler may take the lead off or the dog may drag the lead. The handler walks to the second sign (B), which is placed approximately 2 metres from sign A, turns and recalls the dog to the front position. The dog remains in the sit whilst the handler moves left to take up the heel position. Once the handler has moved to the heel position, the exercise is considered complete. This is not a walk around exercise. NB: If this bonus is used at Level 3 or above there is no requirement to reattach the lead before attempting this bonus exercise. (Insertion in bold) (Effective 1 January 2021)</p> <p>Regulation S(C)54 TO: SIT - LEAVE DOG - DOWN ON RECALL. This exercise requires two signs.</p> | Competitors, judges and competition organisers to note |



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At the first sign (A) the handler and dog stop with the dog sitting at heel. The handler walks to the second sign (B) which is placed approximately 4.5 metres from sign A. The handler turns and faces the dog and recalls the dog. At any time during the recall, the handler cues the dog to down. Once the dog is down, the handler recalls the dog again. The dog must come and sit in the front position. The handler should ensure that they drop the dog leaving sufficient space for the second recall. The handler then cues the dog to Finish either Right or Left. **This is a static exercise.**

(Insertion in bold)

(Effective 1 January 2021)

Regulation S(C)56

TO:

SIT LEAVE DOG - RECALL OVER JUMP. This exercise requires two signs. At the first sign (A) the handler and dog stop with the dog sitting at heel. The jump must be approximately 4 metres from sign (A). The handler cues the dog to wait then walks to the second sign (B) which is approximately 4 metres away from the opposite side of the jump. The handler turns and faces the dog and recalls the dog. The dog must come over the jump and sit in front of the handler. The handler then cues the dog to Finish either Right or Left. **This is a static exercise.**

(Insertion in bold)

(Effective 1 January 2021)

Regulation S(C)60

TO:

RIGHT TURN - 1 or 2 STEPS - DOWN. The handler turns to the right, cueing the dog to move with him/her. After turning and taking 1 or 2 steps the handler stops, cueing the dog to drop directly into a down position without first sitting. When the dog is down, the handler cues the dog to heel, ~~and moves~~ forward. **This is a static exercise.**

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(Effective 1 January 2021)

Regulation S(C)61

TO:

LEFT TURN - 1 or 2 STEPS - DOWN. The handler turns to the left, cueing



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the dog to move with him/her. After turning and taking 1 or 2 steps the handler stops, cueing the dog to drop directly into a down position without first sitting. When the dog is down, the handler cues the dog to heel, ~~and moves forward.~~ **This is a static exercise.**
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(Effective 1 January 2021)

Regulation S(C)63

TO:

STAND - LEAVE DOG - DOWN - SIT - RECALL - FINISH. This exercise requires two signs. The handler and dog stop at the first sign (A) and the handler cues the dog to remain standing. The dog does not sit first. The handler walks to the second sign (B) and turns and faces the dog, approximately 2 metres away. The handler cues the dog to Down, then Sit, then recalls the dog. Once the dog is sitting in front, the handler cues the dog to Finish Left or Right. **This is a static exercise.**
(Insertion in bold)
(Effective 1 January 2021)

Regulation S(C)66

TO:

SIT - LEAVE DOG - ANGLED RECALL OVER JUMP. This exercise requires two signs. At the first sign (A) the handler and dog stop with the dog sitting at heel. The jump must be approximately 4 metres from sign (A). The handler cues the dog to wait then walks to the second sign (B) which is placed approximately 4 metres away from the jump and 1 metre to either the right or left of the jump. The handler turns and faces the dog and cues the dog to jump. The dog must come over the jump and sit straight in front of the handler. The handler then cues the dog to Finish either Right or Left. **This is a static exercise.**
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New Regulation K3.e.

TO:

e. Rally Warrants

A Rally Warrant will be issued on application by the registered owner



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| | | <p>at the time of qualification in respect of a dog that has obtained the following:</p> <p>(1) a Rally Title at all levels (2) a Rally Level 6 Excellent title (3) an additional 3 excellent scores at level 6, which must be gained after 1 January 2021</p> <p>The title 'RW' may be used after the name of the dog on competition entries and in catalogues. The RW title will replace the RL6.Ex after the dog's name. (Insertion in bold) (Effective 1 January 2021)</p> | |
| 2. | Membership of the Working Party | The Working Party noted that Mrs Flo Williams had resigned as a member, and as an Accredited Trainer for rally. It wished to express its appreciation of Mrs Williams' services to the Working Party and to the rally community. | All to note. |
| 3. | Accredited Trainers | The Working Party agreed that more Accredited Trainers for rally were necessary to fulfil the demand for seminars. The logistics of holding assessments for candidates in the current climate are currently under consideration, and an advertisement will be issued as soon as possible. | Judges to note. |
| 4. | Activities Health & Welfare Sub-Group | The Sub-Group, which considers issues relating to canine health in competing dogs in all disciplines, wishes to encourage suggestions for suitable topics for research. A press release drawing the attention of the dog-owning community to the Sub-Group's work was issued on 14 April 2021. It may be viewed at: www.thekennelclub.org.uk/media-centre/2021/april/statement-from-the-activities-health-and-welfare-sub-group/ | Anyone wishing to suggest a topic for research should contact a member of the Rally Working Party, or email rally@thekennelclub.org.uk |



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| 5. | Rally Warrant – qualifications gained under APDT system | <p>Following a query received from a competitor regarding the old (APDT) qualification system and the Rally Warrant (RW), clarification was sought from the Working Party regarding eligibility for the RW for dogs which had used scores achieved under the old APDT system towards their titles i.e. when classes 1a, 1b, 2a, etc. were in existence.</p> <p>The Working Party confirmed that these old qualifications may still be counted towards a RW.</p> | Competitors to note |
| 6. | Next meeting | <p>The Working Party's next meeting will take place on 27 July 2021. Any agenda items must be submitted three weeks prior to the meeting date i.e. by 6 July 2021. Late submissions will not be included.</p> | All to note |