

## Appendix to the Obedience regulations



Country	<b>NETHERLANDS</b>
The eligibility to participate in obedience trials is defined by the regulations of the dog's home country <u>and</u> those of the country where the competition takes place. The national rules state what dogs are allowed to compete in obedience trials (classes 1 & 2 & 3). Eligibility to compete should be published on the website of the country.	No additional requirements
The age at which class 1 can be entered should be stated in the national rules of each country. The dog should, however, be at least 10 months if not otherwise stated by the national rules of the country where the competition is arranged or the country in which the dog is registered.	Minimum age is 12 months
It is up to every country to decide what national obedience classes are recognised and what requirements need to be fulfilled before a dog is allowed to compete in a certain class. To participate in an international obedience competition, however, the handler and the dog together should at least once have passed the previous highest obedience class (class II or a class with corresponding exercises) in their own country.	Recognised are de classes: Beginner: No requirements 1, 2 and 3: Received at least an Excellent
It is up to each country to decide how many times a dog may enter a class after having received its first 1 <sup>st</sup> price.  <i>This information should be available on the national www-pages.</i>  If a dog has once started in a class it can't enter a lower class.	Beginner: after the first "Excellent" you have to start in the next class;  Class 1, 2 and 3: You can stay in the class till the end of the competition period, then you have to start in de next higher class
The national vaccination regulations and antidoping regulations should be followed according to the dog's home country <u>and</u> those of the country where the trial takes place.  <i>These should be published on the website of the country in which the competition takes place.</i>	Requirements: Valid Rabies vaccination, having an European passport and the dog must be chipped.  Antidoping regulations: No additional requirements, we follow the FCI requirements

<p>Bitches in season are allowed to compete in accordance to national rules of the country where the trial is held.</p> <p><i>This should be published on the website of the country that arranges the trial.</i></p> <p>Bitches in season must, however, perform last. They must be kept off the competition premises and nearby surroundings until all other dogs have completed their exercises.</p>	<p>International competitions: Allowed</p> <p>National competitions: NOT allowed</p> <p>National examinations: Allowed</p>
<p>Bitches expected to give birth within four weeks and bitches that have given birth less than eight weeks before the competition date must be excluded</p> <p><i>National rules may state a stricter tolerance. This should be informed of on the website of the country that arranges the trial.</i></p>	<p>No additional requirements</p>
<p>Dogs with docked tails or cropped ears or ones that have had some other changes in appearance done for cosmetic reasons' are admitted only if the admittance is in accordance with the legal regulations of the dog's home country <u>and</u> those of the country where the trial is arranged.</p> <p><i>All restrictions due to changes in appearance of the dog should be stated in the national rules and should be informed of on the website of the country.</i></p>	<p>Dogs with cropped ears are not allowed to enter.</p> <p>Dogs with docked tails are only allowed if it has to be done on medical reasons. The veterinary has to prove it by making a statement in the European passport.</p> <p>This statement should give the medical reason, date of surgery, clear mark with name and address of the veterinary and his original signature.</p> <p><b>or</b></p> <p>if the admittance is in accordance with the legal regulations of the dog's home country</p>
<p>If necessary the judge should check the dogs before they enter the ring.</p> <p><i>National rules can require that all dogs are checked.</i></p>	<p>No additional requirements</p>
<p>If an obedience competition is arranged in association with a dog show, there should be no obligation for the dog be entered in the dog show.</p> <p><i>National regulations should define what specific registration and club membership requirements should be fulfilled.</i></p>	<p>No additional requirements</p>

<p>Ineligibility due to the likelihood of bias:</p> <p><i>National regulations define ineligibility due to the likelihood of bias.</i></p>	<p>No additional requirements</p>
<p>A dog that at any time during the competition (before, during or after its own performance) bites, tries to bite, attacks or tries to attack people or other dogs, is disqualified from the competition. All points are lost even if the performance has already been completed. In a two-day event, the disqualification is valid also for the second day and thus the dog cannot compete.</p> <p>The incident is noted in the dog's working book and a report must be sent to the kennel club that the dog represents and the kennel club of the arranging country.</p> <p><i>In addition to the actions mentioned above, national regulations should be followed.</i></p>	<p>No additional requirements</p>
<p>The competition should be so planned that the judging appointment does not take more than approximately five hours per day.</p> <p><i>National guidelines of the country where the competition is arranged should be followed.</i></p>	<p>Till six hours is allowed</p>