

**NEW SOUTH WALES**  
**SHEEPDOG WORKERS**  
**INCORPORATED**  
**MEMORANDUM OF INCORPORATE**

1. The name of the Incorporate is "The New South Wales Sheep Dog Workers' Incorporated"
2. The objects for which the Incorporate is established are:
  - (a) To promote among the sheep breeders of the Commonwealth and the general public, a wide interest in working sheep dog and his work.
  - (b) To foster, promote and maintain the purity and improve the breeds of the working sheep dog.
  - (c) To collect, verify and publish information relating the working sheep dog.
  - (d) To establish and maintain a panel of judges for working sheep dog and sheep dog trials.
  - (e) To establish a register for working sheep dog.
  - (f) To adopt standards for working sheep dog trials.
  - (g) To take such steps for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Incorporate in the shape of donations, annual subscriptions or otherwise, as may from time to time be deemed expedient.
  - (h) To hold periodical sheep dog trials and field trials, etc. wherever considered advisable.
  - (i) To establish relations and encourage exchanges with other Societies having similar objects throughout the world.
  - (j) To promote **in every way mentioned herein**, the interest of breeders and owners of working sheep dogs.
  - (k) If, upon winding up or dissolution of the Incorporate, there remains, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed amongst the members of the Incorporate, but shall be given or transferred to some institution having objects similar to the objects of the Incorporate at or before the time of desolution.
3. True accounts shall be kept of the sums of money received and expended by the incorporate and the matter in respect of which receipts and expenditure takes place, and of the property credits and liabilities of the Incorporate. At least once every year, the accounts of the Incorporate shall be examined and the correctness of the balance due shall be ascertained by one or more properly qualified Auditor or auditors.
4. The Incorporate shall not cater for any breed of dogs except the working sheep dog, and their crosses and any other recognised breed of sheep dog.
5. The Incorporate shall be formed upon a national basis, catering solely for sheep dogs, and their work, the tools in trade of the world-wide pastoral industry, and for the Australian Pastoral Industry in particular.
6. This Incorporate shall rely upon supporting annual subscriptions from its members, and supporting donations from pastoralists, stock firms and the Australian public generally.

**ARTICLES OF THE INCORPORATE**

1. The number of members of the Incorporate is declared to be unlimited.
2. The Incorporate is established for the objects expressed in the memorandum of Incorporate
3. The following shall be the principal officers of Incorporate:
  - a) A Patron
  - b) A President
  - c) Two Vice- Presidents;
  - d) An Honorary Treasurer;
  - e) A Secretary, and if necessary, an assistant Secretary
  - f) The Honorary Treasurer shall receive all moneys paid to the Incorporate, and shall keep accounts of the accounts of the Incorporate and prepare the Annual Accounts for the Auditor;
  - g) An Auditor;
  - h) The Patron and Auditor shall be elected by the members of the Incorporate of the Annual General Meeting;
  - i) The President, Vice-Presidents, Honorary Treasurer, Secretary and 8 Councillors shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting each year from among the members of the Incorporate. In the event of the Secretaryship becoming vacant it will become the responsibility of council to appoint a successor.

4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to attend all meetings, to make and keep proper minutes of the proceedings, and take charge of all property belonging to the Incorporate, and furnish an Annual Report.
5. **Membership of the Incorporate**
  - a) Every candidate desiring to become a member of the Incorporate shall sign and **furnish** to the Secretary an **application** in such form as may from time to time be prescribed by the Council, and such form shall contain a provision whereby the **candidate, upon election**, undertakes to observe and perform and in all respects to comply with the provision of the **Incorporate's memorandum and Articles of the Incorporate** from time to time in force and all regulations which may from time to time be made pursuant thereto.
  - b) All candidates for membership must be proposed by one financial member of the Incorporate. The nomination must then be sent to council for endorsement.
  - c) Each member shall pay the Incorporate an Annual subscription, such subscription shall fall due on the 1<sup>st</sup> January each year.
  - d) The amount of the subscription shall be fixed and the Annual General Meeting each year.
  - e) Any member who shall be in arrears for three months shall cease to be a member of the Incorporate as from 1<sup>st</sup> January 1986.
  - f) Any person resident in the state of NSW must become a financial member of The New South Wales Sheep Dog Workers' Incorporate before being allowed to work dogs in sub-committee trials with the Incorporate, encourage workers excepted.
  - g) The council may grant Life Membership to any member of the Incorporate who has rendered outstanding or special service.
  - h) The Incorporate may accept associate members as non-working members, with no voting rights. Fee to be fixed at Annual General Meeting.
  - i) Through the Incorporate shall admit members at a nominal annual subscription, it shall place strictest censor over membership, thereby preventing the Incorporate's affairs being controlled by any other Incorporate or organisation.

## 6. The Council

- a) There shall be a Council of Incorporate consisting of the President, two Vice-Presidents, an Honorary Treasurer, Secretary and eight (8) other councillors.
- b) All members of the Council shall be elected from the members of the Incorporate at the Annual General Meeting.
- c) The members of the Council shall be entitled to act notwithstanding any vacancy in their body.
- d) The supreme control over the affairs of the Incorporate shall be vested in the council.
- e) The council **may expel** from the Incorporate or otherwise punish or penalise any member whose conduct in the opinion of the Council is discreditable, or injurious to the character, or interest of the Incorporate or is such as renders him unfit to associate with members of the **Incorporate or who fails to comply with any direction of request or the Council within a reasonable time**, or who fails to observe any direction of decision of any official or judge.
- f) **Before any member is expelled** or otherwise punished or penalised, his conduct shall be enquired into by the Council and he shall be given an opportunity to defend himself and to justify or explain his conduct. If a majority of the Council present when the matter is enquired into are of the opinion that the member has been guilty of such conduct or as action aforesaid, then the council may expel or suspend him from membership or disqualify, fine or otherwise punish or penalise him. In the event of the member from membership.  
In the event of the member being expelled from membership or in the event of any member not obeying or not complying with any other penalty imposed by the Council then his name be removed from the roll of members and he shall thereupon cease to be a member. The appellant shall not be

entitled as of right to be represented before the Council by a Solicitor or Barrister or other agent on his behalf.

- g) The Council shall meet as often as it deems necessary, five shall form a quorum.
- h) Any member who nominated for Council and takes office must attempt to attend the Council meeting, following the Annual General Meeting, where the state championships are held.

7.

- a) All General Meetings of members shall be convened in writing to each member of the Incorporate at least fourteen (14) clear days prior to such meeting.
- b) A special meeting or Extraordinary meeting of members shall be convened by the Secretary or on being requested so to do by seven (7) members if the Incorporate. Notice is to be posted at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of such meeting.
- c) **All notices of motion must be in writing and shall reach the Secretary not less than twenty-eight (28) clear days before the Annual General Meeting is to be held.**
- d) The President, or in the absence of the President, one of the Vice-Presidents; shall be entitled to take the chair at every meeting; in the absence of President or Vice president within fifteen (15) minutes after the time appointed for each meeting, the members present shall choose one of their number to take the chair, the chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to the vote which he is entitled as a member.
- e) At the Annual General Meeting fifteen (15) shall form a quorum.
- f) At any Special General Meeting of members twelve (12) shall form a quorum.
- g) In the event of a quorum not being present within half an hour of the time appointed for calling any meeting of the Council or members, the President or one of the Vice-Presidents or by resolution by those present, shall postpone the meeting until such time and date as may be considered suitable.
- h) **Every question submitted to a meeting shall be decided by a show of hands and every member personally present shall have ONE VOTE** and no more, and no voting by proxy shall be permitted. Provided that in case of any equality of votes in addition to the vote to which he is entitled as a member.
- i) Every member who was financial for the year immediately preceding the Annual Meeting, shall be entitled to one vote at such Annual Meeting.
- j) Sub- Committees may appoint one delegate to attend the Annual General Meeting, or Special Meeting, with full voting rights. Delegate's names are to be submitted before the commencement of the meeting.
- k) The business to be transacted shall be as follows:
  - 1. Reading of notice convening the meeting and receiving apologies.
  - 2. Confirmation of minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and / or Special General Meeting.
  - 3. Consideration and adoption of the Annual reports.
  - 4. Presentation of the balance sheet and financial statements. Consideration and adoption of thereof.
  - 5. Reading of correspondence, inward and outward.
  - 6. Election of office bearers including Patron, Council, and Auditor.
  - 7. Determination of amounts payable for membership fees and Annual subscription.
  - 8. The transaction of any general business that may be brought forward in accordance with the Rules of the Incorporate. The order of the business shall be set unless in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting exceptional circumstances warrant a change in the order. The inadvertent omission to give notice of a meeting to a particular member shall not invalidate the meeting.
  - 9. The Annual General Meeting of the Incorporate shall be held on a day or night during the Currency of New South Wales State Championship Trials.

10. The Incorporate may deal with any question not provided for by these rules and may appoint a sub-committee for any purpose, but the Rules and Council Regulations and By-Laws must not be altered save at a General Meeting of members and of which due notice has been given. (Voting for any alteration to Rules and Regulations must be passed by a 75% majority at any Annual or Special meeting of members present).
11. These rules shall come into force as from 1st August 1994 and shall be the only rules of the Incorporate and no rules shall be repealed, added to or amended unless accordingly to Rule 10.

**7. Finance**

- a) The Financial year shall commence on the 1<sup>st</sup> January each year.
- b) All moneys shall be banked where the Council directs.
- c) All accounts shall be paid by cheque.
- d) All Cheques shall be signed by two or three officials decided by the Council.

# RULES

## 1. Naming and Registration of Dogs

- a) Each registered breeder must register a prefix for use in the naming of dogs bred by them. Each dog submitted for individual registration must be named and such name must not exceed two words in addition to the breeders prefix which must be used if applicable. The fee for the registration of a prefix is One Dollar (\$5.00).
- b) The Individual registration may be effected at any time, but application must be submitted on the Incorporate's approved forms. These forms are obtainable in booklets free of charge to members from the Secretary. The fee for individual registration of all dogs is Two Dollars (\$5.00).
- c) The fees for all registrations may be altered from time to time at the Annual General Meeting.
- d) The owner of a dog may subsequently name and register the dog, provided that the breeder's prefix is used and the correct breeding, date of birth etc., is correctly filled in on the application form. The name and address of the breeder of each animal must be given. The breeder of each animal is the owner of its dam at the date of its birth.
- e) When breed of the Sire or Dam is not known the dog can only be registered to compete in trials as a "Working Dog, breeding unknown".
- f) Dogs that are registered with any other State Sheep Dog Workers' Association are recognised by this Incorporate as being registered.
- g) All dogs that are sold or leased must be transferred on a Transfer certificate form to the new owner. The fee for the transfer is One Dollar (\$5.00) for each dog.
- h) Any applicant for registration who makes a false statement, or fails or unreasonably delays to give any information or make any notification or return required by the register rules, may be refused registration and if a member of the Incorporate shall also be liable to be suspended or expelled from the Incorporate and to have the registration of any dogs then owned by him cancelled.

## 2. Requirements for the Conduct of trials

- a) A suitable arena providing sufficient space to enable all obstacles to be placed well away from the fence, with sufficient room for a good clear cast and providing sufficient distance between the obstacles to judge the dog's field working ability; preferably fenced securely for arena trials. Field trials may be held over a natural field the committee may decide.
- b) All sheep must be screened out of sight from the arena with Hessian or any other suitable material or yarded out of sight.
- c) Each lot of sheep should not be used more than once. Sufficient sheep should be obtained to allow three sheep for each dog competing and each dog in the final, plus extras for emergencies that may rise.
- d) The three sheep to be used may be let onto the ground from a race, tractor carryall, or other suitable methods approved of by the Council.
- e) A marker must be placed on the grounds from where the sheep are to be released, or when released from a race the marker should be placed well away from the let out to enable the dog sufficient room to cast well behind the sheep. Sheep are to be in the proximity of the marker before the dog is released. The position of the marker is to be decided on by the judge and committee before the trial commences.
- f) The casting peg and delivery area is to be placed well away from the fence to enable the dog enough room to work sheep behind the casting peg if necessary. The position is to be fixed by the judge and committee.
- g) The time-keeper should be equipped with two reliable stop watches and a large bell which is sounded at the expiration of time and when the judge rules a dog is disqualified.
- h) An official equipped with a large blackboard will record the score of each dog as it completes its trial. Wherever possible an amplification system is to be used to acquaint all concerned of each dog's point score and to call the next competitor to the starting place.
- i) The draw for position should be conducted early and each competitor supplied with a copy of same in order that the competitor has time to exercise their dogs before trailing.
- j) The workers' circle should be clearly marked by a rope or wire set no more than three centimetres from the ground and the closest edge three metres from each obstacle.
- k) A straight line will be indicated between the obstacles by a mown line or flat marker.

## WHY SHEEP DOGS TRIALS ARE RUN?

The first competitive sheep dog trials were held many years ago in Wales. Thoughtful men then realised that these events brought together owners and breeders in convivial atmosphere to discuss those matters relating to the breeding, training, feeding, care and development of their charges. Since that time, trials and their rules have been altered periodically, but their objects, which are for the betterment of breeding work and treatment of the sheep dog, have not changed. Steadily, those tools in trade of the world-wide pastoral industry and in particular of the Australian pastoral industry have spread to where ever sheep have run.

Present day showground Trials have evolved to display and publicise the tasks dogs undertake to stations, farms and on the roads droving. The size of the ground is being restricted; the trials are run with three sheep. This particular number is a most difficult one to work, but more practical than large numbers on a small ground. The sheep are released from one end of the ground and the dog cast to pull them to the handler.

This is representative of paddock mustering and demonstrates the dog's capabilities in driving sheep unaided. The second test is to pass the sheep through a gate or race in order to show that the dog, by strategy and command, can direct his charges into or through a given place. A bridge must then be negotiated. Sheep do not react kindly to this obstacle and the true command of the dog is tried in forcing them over. Finally, all three sheep must be penned and held handler shuts the gate.

Each dog will be allowed equal time as designated by the Sub-committee. Each dog starts with 100 points and points are deducted for each fault made, or for any assistance, other than commands, given by the handler. Commands may take the form either of hand or stick signals, verbal directions or whistles. At the conclusion of the allotted time, the dog must be recalled.

The oft-expressed public belief that a Trial Worker is useless for the real job is completely without foundation. New South Wales Sheep Dog Workers' Incorporated holds as its object, the better understanding, better care, breeding and training of its sheep dogs. The members of the Incorporate feel that in the publicity they give to trials, and with greater cognisance of what is being attempted, they will gain many members to aid in even finer achievements.

#### **TRIAL REGULATIONS AND FIELD RULES**

1. All trials shall take place over such course as directed by the Incorporated body. Championship trials will be conducted over the standard course and obstacles. The pen may be placed to suit the arena.
2. No championship in NSW shall be recognised unless the trial is conducted under the rules of the NSW Sheep Dog Workers' Incorporate and held on the standard obstacles of this Incorporate. Any Show or Committee who proposes running a Championship trial must first affiliate with the Incorporate and obtain its permission to do so.
3. The circle in which the worker shall stand at each obstacle shall be one metre in diameter. The edge of the circle shall be three metres from the wings or gate and shall be marked by rope or wire no more than three centimetres from the ground.
4. A ring must be provided immediately behind that starting peg from which the competitor shall not move until the sheep are delivered. Diameter of ring 1 metre.
5. The angle of the gate at the pen should be in line with the centre of the opposite side of the pen. Ring should be three metres from end of gate in parallel line from front of pen.
6. That delivery area be defined as 16 metres square and a casting peg in centre.
7. That it be 8 metre course and marked out.
8. The trials will be carried out in the order drawn for under direction of the committee conducting the trial. The steward in charge will have a draw for the order of running and will notify each competitor. Competitors must take their place at the starting peg by direction of the steward, and any dog absent when called upon to compete may be disqualified at the discretion of the steward.
9. Late entries may be received in the State Championships up until one week prior to trials. These are to be worked at the end of each round. Additional fees to be paid are 1 ½ times the fee.
10. All open trials of Incorporation Sub-Committee of the NSW Sheep Dog Workers' Incorporated must be run strictly to the draw, and in the event of a worker not being present when called upon to work, without a valid excuse, shall forfeit that run and is liable for payment for the entry fee.
11. Any handler with more dogs than there is rounds should be drawn equally throughout the draw.

- One (1) in the first round and one (1) in the last round and the remainder spread evenly between remaining rounds. Any handler with two (2) dogs or less may nominate rounds in which the dogs work.
12. All dogs entered must be entered on the entry form with their correct names, prefix and registered number and must be run in the order as entered on the entry form. Where post entries are accepted, workers must nominate all dogs before running his first dog.
  13. If a worker does not give 24 hours notice to the organising committee, such worker is responsible for all entry fees of dogs entered by that worker in the draw.
  14. All Competitors working in any sub-committee trials who reside in NSW must be a member of the NSW Sheep Dog Workers' Incorporated encourage workers accepted.
  15. All competitors working a dog in all sub-committee Organisation or Association trials must be a member of the official Sheep Dog Workers' Incorporate in the state where they reside, encourage workers' accepted.
  16. All dogs competing in sub-committee trials must be registered with the NSW Sheep Dog Workers' Incorporated or the official Sheep Dog Workers' Association of other states, encourage dogs excepted.
  17. An owner may appoint at time of entry, a nominee to work their dog/s at a trial. Such nominee must be a member of the Sheepdog Workers Association in the state in which they reside, and accept full responsibility during the currency of the trial. If a nominee is appointed they must work in both preliminary round and the final, should a final be held.
  18. Each dog shall have three sheep for the standard arena trial and shall be allowed time as allotted by the Sub-Committee. The Worker may appeal to the judge to reject any sheep when the sheep are delivered but before he leaves the casting peg. The judge may order three fresh sheep if he deems necessary. The judge may also order three fresh sheep at any time during the trial if he thinks necessary.
  19. The organising committee shall determine the number of sheep to be used if Field or Utility trials and the course to be used, also the time allowed for each dog.
  20. All Championship trials must be a duration of fifteen (15) minutes.
  21. All judges appointed to Judges Panel be nominated by a councillor and approved by a majority of councillors at a General meeting of Councillors.
  22. All judges must fill judges cards for each run. If a counter is used then the minimum information transferred to the card by the judge is to include :The deduction made, The score and the judges initials.
  23. All NSW Judges on NSW Judges Panel must be financial members of the N.S.W.S.D.W.I.
  24. If in the opinion of the judge and/or council any worker ill uses their dog they will be subject to a penalty as determined be a meeting of the council. All judges are directed to be aware of an act to eliminate all excessive undue stress on both sheep and dogs. A final does not entitle a judge or handler to disregard this directive.
  25. Any protest against a dog or competitor must be lodged in writing with the Secretary of the Show or Trial committee within ½ hour of completion of run, and be accompanied by a fee of Two dollars (\$2.00) which will be refunded if the protest is upheld. Such protest will be dealt with by three members of this Incorporate, preferably councilors, if present. Such members will within fourteen (14) days submit a written report to this Incorporation.
  26. In the event of any question or situation arising, not provided for in these rules the matter in question shall be dealt with by three (3) members of this Incorporate preferably councilors, if present, and their decision shall be final.

27. No demonstration shall be given on the trial course by a dog entered in a trial unless having competed in such trial and having been eliminated.
28. No bitch in season shall be allowed on the ground.
29. In all trials, where a final is run, one dog more than there are prizes offered will compete in the final, such dogs will be the highest scoring dogs in the first run.
30. The competitor may use a cane not exceeding 46 centimeters in length, provided it is not used for the purpose of creating a noise or blocking sheep at any time during the trial.
31. A maiden or novice dog is a dog which has no won an advertised novice trial or better. A novice dog winning a special prize in any trial, where no entry fee has been charged, does not break its novice status. But a dog winning a first prize where a novice trial is run in conjunction with an Improver or Open Trial, such trial shall be deemed as a Novice Trial. An advertised trial is a trial run by a Show Society, Committee or a similar body being open for public competition.
32. An Improver dog which has not won an improver trial or better.
33. Trials restricted to local dogs by invitation are to be considered as encourage trials. A dog winning a trial of this description shall not break its present status.
34. An encourage worker is a worker who has never won a maiden or novice trial or better. An encourage worker may compete in encourage trials until he or she wins 3 Encourage trials. Dogs that have never won a Maiden or Novice or better must be worked with the exception of one Open/Imp dog until that dog has won one encourage trial for that worker.
35. An encourage dog is a dog who has never won an encourage trial or better.
36. A novice dog cannot compete in an open or improver trial on its novice score unless the trials are run in conjunction and it had been properly entered in such trials.
37. Dogs scoring equal points for first place in any trial do not break their present status, but should they run off for the first trophy or prize then the winner is deemed to have won that trial.
38. Bitches coming in season after close of entries may be substituted with another dog, provided the steward in charge has been notified before the worker's first dog is trialed.
39. Should a worker's own dog come onto the arena when such worker is working another dog, there will be no entitlement to a re-run.
40. Should any dog come onto the arena and interfere with the trial, or should the trial be interfered with by any other reason, when the competitor has lost more points than will enable them to run in the final or has no chance of qualifying for any other prize the no re-run will be allowed.
41. A final must be run in Novice, Improver and Open Trial in all Sub-Committee Championship Trials.
42. That a dog does not break its Novice status as for as 3 Sheep Arena Trials are concerned by;
  - a) Winning a Yard Dog Trials;
  - b) Winning a Utility or Field Trial where a minimum of 50% of possible points is in the yard and the outside work does not include any obstacle while working less than 6 sheep.
43. An award for all trials will be by points. Each dog will commence with 100 points. Points will be deducted during the trials for any misdemeanor or fault by the dog or any assistance other than commands given by the handler.
44. The following is the maximum number of points: General work 75; Race 7; Bridge 8; Pen 10; = total 100 points.

45. Any dog after having been cast and traveled a reasonable distance that is recalled to prevent a cross, and re-cast will be deducted 10 points. But any dog being stopped on its cast and re-directed from its present position will have points deducted at the judge's discretion.
46. The trial commences as soon as the judge signals to release the sheep from this point, worker must be at the peg and the dog must be under control. The worker must not leave the peg for any reason unless told to by the judge. The time starts when the bell is rung or the decision of the judge.
47. That any dog crossing on the cast or passing between the competitor and sheep at any time during the trial will be disqualified, Rule 52 excepted. The dog must be cast from within or behind the delivery area.
48. When the competitor has to move from one given point to another they must do so in a direct line, indicated by markers or a mown line and not stop to work the dog. Infringement of this rule will entail a deduction of points for each offence. When a worker passes a peg they must not retrace their steps. They may stay at the peg until satisfied the sheep are clear, but will be penalized 1 point.
49. The sheep shall after the cast be pulled into the delivery area. When the sheep have been delivered into the delivery area to the judges satisfaction the worker is at liberty to proceed on the course at their own discretion. After leaving the delivery area the sheep must be carried on the worker's right hand side, around the winding pegs and through the obstacles to the pen to prevent a loss of points. Should any sheep pass of the left hand side of the winding peg they must be unwound (anti clockwise) so as to be on the right hand course once only.
50. At each obstacle a circle shall be fixed where the worker must stand to work the dog. If the worker leaves this position before all the sheep are clear of the obstacle they will be disqualified.
51. In the event of any sheep entering the obstacle from the wrong end, all three- must be brought clear of the wings before being put back.
52. Should the sheep negotiate proceed through and clear an obstacle before the worker is in the circle, such obstacle must be re-worked before the competitor may carry on with the completion of the course. The pen is to be excluded as an obstacle in this instance only. In such case the worker must step into the ring and if all the sheep are clear of the front of the pen they may proceed to shut the gate.
53. The Trial terminates when the gate is closed . Any worker, who after starting to close the pen gate, and, without stopping is able to place a sheep back in the pen, should gain pen points.
54. If a dog is forcing the sheep in the correct manner at an obstacles when one or more sheep cause a cross the dog will not be disqualified but may have points deducted at the judge's discretion.
55. If in the judge's opinion a dog should bite a sheep aggressively or viciously without provocation such dog should be disqualified. However should dog bit the fore part of the sheep when stuck-up or in defense against an aggressive sheep, or hit a sheep on the hindquarters when jammed on the bridge, such dog should not be disqualified.
56. Should a dog jump the arena fence or go out of the arena to head sheep in a correct manner such dog should not be penalized, but should a dog leave the arena out of control such dog be disqualified.
57. The judge shall have power of calling off any dog committed a misdemeanor of any kind or at the expiration of half time, any dog which in the judge's opinion has no chance of winning a prize or placing and that decision is final.
58. Should a competitor touch the dog during their trial the competitor will be disqualified. The competitor shall not assist a dog in any way except by signal, whistle or word of month.
59. During the trial should competitor or dog break any of the above rules the judge will notify disqualification. At expiration of full time the worker will at once take the sheep to the yarding pen.
60. In these rules, owner shall mean the person working the dog.

61. Judge's penciollors at trials may only be encourage workers, non workers, and competitors who have finished working at said trial.
62. That a dog that does not negotiate any obstacle cannot score more than 50 points.
63. The judge's decision shall be final.