

Notification No. 25 “On trail Rule” – Official Measuring of Dogs.

The AFA Committee at its January 2011 Meeting adopted the following rule changes, to be On Trial effective from the 26th January 2011, relating to the conduct of official measures in accordance with Rule Section 6.1 .

The purpose of the Rule amendment is to ensure, as far as is possible, the correct stance of the dog during the measuring process. The Committee is of the view that this is best achieved by having two officials involved in the measure, the measuring Judge using the wicket and a second official observing the acceptability of the dogs stance in accordance with 6.1 (n). The second official can be another AFA judge; the appointed AFA Representative for the competition or, if necessary, another experienced AFA member appointed by the AFA Representative to supervise measures.

Rule amendments:

1. 6.1 (a) after the words “measuring judge” in line 2

- **insert** “ and a second AFA official (Judge, AFA Representative or other experienced member designated by the AFA Representative to supervise measures) ” ;
- **delete in line 2 the words** “officiating at the competition”.

Section 6.1 now reads” At the discretion of the team dogs less than 14 inches may be measured by the measuring judge and a second AFA official (Judge, AFA Representative or other experienced member designated by the AFA Representative to supervise measures) during times designated by the host club. A dog must be entered in the competition in order to have its height recorded on a Height Card Application (Form C. 8).”

2. 6.1 (n) after the word “Below” in line 3

- **insert** “ The correct stance of the dog is to be verified as acceptable by the second official involved in measuring process (refer Rule 6.1 (a)).