

## Rule Notification FY2425-4 - Flyball Events

At its meeting on 6 January 2025 the AFA committee resolved to amend the definition of flyball event in the rules to confirm its interpretation of references in the rules to things done or occurring at or during a flyball event.

The change to the rules is set out below. It will be effective from 1 July 2025 and will be included in the next published version of the rules. In the meantime the AFA committee will apply the relevant rules according to its interpretation of them.

### Background

The rules contain several references to things done or occurring at flyball events (see, for example, rules 4.8 and 10.3). Many of these relate to dog and member behaviour issues. Using a race meeting as an example, the AFA committee considers that the proper interpretation of the rules is that these references include anything done or occurring before racing commences, during racing and after racing finishes. The AFA committee believes it is appropriate to amend the definition of flyball event to reflect this interpretation.

### Rule Change

#### Amend rule 1.4

Add the following paragraph to the definition of flyball event in rule 1.4:

A reference to something done or occurring at or during a ***flyball event*** includes anything done or occurring on the day of the ***flyball event*** at the property on which the ***flyball event*** is held.