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## Schedule of 26 Class Unbenched **45th CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW**

*(held under Kennel Club Limited Rules & Regulations)*

at

**THE KENNEL CLUB BUILDING**  
Stoneleigh Park, Stoneleigh, Coventry CV8 2LG

**SUNDAY, 20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2024**

*Show Opens: 9.00 am*

*Judging: 10.00 am*

**Judge: Ken Francis (Sawheaten)**

**Specials/Junior Handling Judge: Sophia Barrett (Saffini)**

**Jurisdiction and Responsibilities:** The Officers and Committee members of the society holding the licence are deemed responsible for organising and conducting the show safely and in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Kennel Club and agree to abide by and adopt any decision of the Board or any authority to whom the Board may delegate its powers subject to the conditions of Regulation F17. In so doing those appointed as officers and committee members accept that they are jointly and severally responsible for the organisation of the show and that this is a binding undertaking (vide Kennel Club General Show Regulations F4 and F5).

All Judges at this show agree to abide by the following statement:

"In assessing dogs, judges must penalise any features or exaggerations which they consider would be detrimental to the soundness, health and well being of the dog."

**Hon Veterinary Surgeon (on call):** Medivet Leamington Spa  
1 Guy Street, Leamington Spa CV32 4RX. Tel: 01926 423161

**Postal entries close: Saturday, 21st September 2024 (Postmark)**

**On-line entries can be made up until midnight on Thursday, 3rd October 2024  
at [www.fossedata.co.uk](http://www.fossedata.co.uk)**

*Show enquiries to: Suzi Gale*

**Tel: 07779787813 — E-mail: [meganelli1@outlook.com](mailto:meganelli1@outlook.com)**

*Postal entries and fees, which must be pre-paid, to be sent to: Fosse Data Systems Ltd.  
4 Mitchell Court, Castle Mound Way, Rugby, Warwickshire CV23 0UY*

**Tel: 01788 860960 — E-mail: [info@fossedata.co.uk](mailto:info@fossedata.co.uk)**

**Only undocked dogs and legally docked dogs may be entered for exhibition at this show**



# SAVE THE DATES



## GROOMING WORKSHOP

Sunday, 22nd September 2024

Finchampstead Memorial Hall, The Village, Finchampstead, Berkshire RG40 4JU

## CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Saturday, 5th April 2025

*in conjunction with National Terrier Championship Show*

**Judge: Carole Barnes-Davies** (Caidantes)

## OPEN SHOW - SOUTH

Sunday, 6th July 2025

**Judge: Darren Pearson** (Winoski)

## OPEN SHOW - NORTH

Saturday, 13th September 2025

*in conjunction with Darlington General Championship Show*

**Judge: Harriet Bye** (Silkcroft)

## CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW (*stand alone*)

Sunday, 19th October 2025

The Kennel Club Building, Stoneleigh CV8 2LG

**Judge: Neil Straw** (Shaolin)

**Special Classes/Junior Handling Judge: Sarah Richardson** (Talyot)

**Some events may be subject to change, however you will be notified in ample time.** Please check the events listings on EVENTS section of the website: [www.wheaten.org.uk](http://www.wheaten.org.uk) before travelling to any Club event, for the latest and most up-to-date information.

**PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEO RIGHTS:** The Organisers would like to bring the regulation on photography, filming & live streaming to the attention of exhibitors, trade stands, press and visitors. It is a condition of all those attending the event that no filming or other form or recording may be taken or made at the venue without the express written permission of the organisers. The taking of photographs in the venue for sale or reward is strictly prohibited except with the written permission of the Organisers. Press accredited photographers are provided with permission to take photographs ONLY for the use in newspapers, magazines and internet sites — this is for news purposes only. There is no objection to the general public taking photographs or video film of general views of the show, provided these are for private use only. Specific dogs may be photographed only with the approval of the exhibitor.

No photography, filming or live streaming is permitted in breed judging rings whilst judging is actually taking place. However, judges may allow it to happen at the end of the classes. Filming and flash photography is allowed from outside the rings at all times unless the operation of the camera is actually affecting the exhibits. However, if a powerful flash unit is used or it is clear that exhibitors are being affected a ring steward or judge is empowered to stop the person concerned. Cinematography or television equipment may only be used at the show if a permit has been issued by the Organisers.

**TRADE STANDS:** If anyone is interested in having a trade stand at the show please contact the Secretary.

**SALE OF GOODS ACT:** Sale of goods other than that on the Club Book Stall must be agreed with the Committee beforehand.

# THE SOFT-COATED WHEATEN TERRIER CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN

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## OFFICERS and COMMITTEE

**President:** Judy Creswick  
**Secretary:** Helen Reaney  
**Show Secretary:** Suzi Gale

**Chairman:** Sandy Booth  
**Treasurer:** Paul Marshall  
**Show Manager:** Helen Reaney

### Committee

Jane Amel (*co-opted*), Pamela Clarke, Suzi Gale, Sue Gent, Tracy Hammond,  
Sally Mattin, Julia Nevinson, Liz Shrive, Sharne Williams

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## • FEES •

**Entry Fees: Members:** First Entry per dog £20.00  
Each subsequent entry with same dog £2.00  
Special Classes: £3.00 per dog per class. Brace counts as a single entry.

**Non-Members:** First entry per dog £25.00  
Each subsequent entry with same dog £2.00  
Special Classes: £4.00 per dog per class. Brace counts as a single entry.

**Baby Puppy Classes:** £10.00 per dog (4 - 6 calendar months of age)

**Junior Handling:** £2.00 (*NB: dogs must be entered in a breed class or NFC*)

**Junior Handler of the Year:** Free (*NB: dogs must be entered in a breed class or NFC*)

**Not for Competition:** £2.00 per dog (*NB: dogs may be of any breed but MUST be KC registered and over 4 calendar months of age on the day of the show. Please give kennel name on entry form*)

**Catalogues:** £3.00 pre-paid with entries (£4.00 on the day)

**Rosette Donations:** £4.00 per class (*gratefully received and acknowledged in the catalogue*)

**Catalogue Adverts:** £10.00 Full Page (*Black/White photo add £5.00*); £5.00 Half Page (*text only*)  
*Copy to Suzi Gale by Wednesday, 25th September 2024*

*Cheques/Postal Orders payable to: The Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of Great Britain*  
Exhibitor passes will NOT be sent. All entries will be acknowledged by email.

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**A Raffle will be held - any prize donations will be gratefully appreciated**

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**LUCKY CATALOGUE PRIZE DRAW OF A BOTTLE OF WINE** (*pre-paid catalogues only*)

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**LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE:** *Cake contributions will be most welcome*

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## TROPHIES ON OFFER FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Perpetual cups and trophies are on offer in all classes 1 - 24 to Club members\* only.

It is the sole responsibility of the recipient to ensure engraving is complete on return of trophy. \*For a dog owned in partnership, both partners must be Club members at the time of the entry. This includes a husband and wife partnership. No cup, trophy or medal, the property of the Club, may be taken out of England, Scotland or Wales. Trophies for classes 1 - 24 should be collected before the end of the Show and the presentation of the top prizes.

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## SPECIALS

*The SCWTC of GB offer*

Prize Hampers for Best in Show, Best Puppy in Show and Best Veteran in Show  
Bottle of Champagne for winners of Special Puppy and Special Members' Open Classes

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## ROSETTES

Best in Show • Reserve Best in Show • Best Opposite Sex  
Best Puppy in Show • Best Veteran in Show • Best Baby Puppy in Show  
Dog CC • Bitch CC • Reserve Dog CC • Reserve Bitch CC



## • CLASSIFICATION •

**Judge: Ken Francis (Sawheaten)**

*Kennel Club Challenge Certificate — Dog*

*Kennel Club Challenge Certificate — Bitch*

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|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Baby Puppy Dog   | 2. Baby Puppy Bitch                   |
| <b>Best Baby Puppy in Show will now be selected from the winners of Classes 1 and 2</b> |                                       |
| 3. Veteran Dog  | 13. Veteran Bitch                     |
| 4. Special Vintage Dog (10+ years)  | 14. Special Vintage Bitch (10+ years) |
| 5. Minor Puppy Dog  | 15. Minor Puppy Bitch                 |
| 6. Puppy Dog  | 16. Puppy Bitch                       |
| 7. Junior Dog   | 17. Junior Bitch                      |
| 8. Special Beginners Dog  | 18. Special Beginners Bitch           |
| 9. Post Graduate Dog  | 19. Post Graduate Bitch               |
| 10. Limit Dog   | 20. Limit Bitch                       |
| 11. Open Dog  | 21. Open Bitch                        |
| 12. Champion Dog  | 22. Champion Bitch                    |

### BEST IN SHOW

will be judged after Class 22 followed by

### BEST PUPPY IN SHOW & BEST VETERAN IN SHOW

*Please Note: Best Veteran in Show will be selected from all unbeaten veterans*

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| 23. Brace | 24. Progeny |
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*Please Note:*

***Brace, Progeny, Special Classes and Junior Handling will be judged during the lunch break***

## • SPECIAL CHAMPAGNE CLASSES •

**Judge: Sophia Barrett (Saffini)**

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|--------------------|----------------------------|
| *25. Special Puppy | *26. Special Members' Open |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
- \*Dogs must have been entered in a previous class at the Show to be eligible to enter classes 25 & 26*

## • JUNIOR HANDLING •

**Judge: Sophia Barrett (Saffini)**

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|-----------------|------------------|
| A. 6 - 11 Years | B. 12 - 16 Years |
|-----------------|------------------|
- 1st - 3rd in each class qualify for the Wheaten Junior Handler of the Year
- Entry Fee: £2.00** NB: Dogs handled must be entered in a breed class or as NFC

## WHEATEN JUNIOR HANDLER OF THE YEAR

**Judge: Sophia Barrett (Saffini)**

Winners placed 1st to 3rd at our Open Show South 2024, Open Show North 2024, all of our 2024 Fun Days and from this Championship Show are invited to take part in a GRAND FINAL (winners will be reminded)  
**Entry is free.** NB: Dogs handled must be entered in a breed class or as NFC.

## **SPOTLIGHT ON YOUR JUDGES**

### **Championship Show Judge: Ken Francis (Sawheaten)**

Approaching my retirement we decided we would like to welcome a dog into our family, I wanted a Bulldog but was quickly out-voted, so we independently looked through the Kennel Club Breed Book and spotted the mischievous photo and description of the SCWT. After contacting the Club and visiting our Area Representative and listening to their honest advice we decided that this was the breed for us. In 1997 after travelling to Collingham, Newark, Abby "Sovac Haberdasher at Sawheaten" came to live with us, she was joined by Eddy "Jaeva Edward Gee at Sawheaten" in 1999. We have now been owned by 8 Wheatens which includes our homebred Champion Beryl, all of them with their own unique personalities and much treasured by us.

When we started attending shows, the entries were much bigger than they are today and the ringside was extremely sociable, I hope that in the future more new exhibitors will join us and get the showing bug. To give something back to the sport I started stewarding and enjoyed trying to work out in my head what the judge was looking for. I served on various Canine Societies, helping with shows and am currently on the Committee of the Three Counties Championship Show..

I started judging in 2002 and in 2016 I awarded my first set of Challenge Certificates. I am passed to award CCs in three Terrier breeds and am actively working towards others which I have an interest in.

I served on the SCWT Club of GB Committee as Show Secretary so I am well aware of the work that goes into running a successful, friendly show for which the Club is known, I thank the Committee for their efforts. Most of all I would like to thank those that voted for me to be given the honour of judging the 2024 Championship Show, I have been looking forward to this appointment.

My decisions will be reached by judging the dog on the day, not on what the dog has previously achieved or may go on to achieve in the future and I hope that my placings will be received knowing that we all take the best dog home.

### **Specials/Junior Handling Judge: Sophia Barrett (Saffini)**

I've always had a great love of dogs growing up with Great Danes and Jack Russell Terriers, which was challenging because the Danes would think they were the same size as the Jack Russells and launch themselves onto the sofa while you were trying to relax. My husband and I decided to add a dog to our family in 2003. We started our search looking at Kerry Blues but after seeing a page illustrating all the Terrier breeds we were attracted to a photo of a Wheaten. It took us a whole year researching the breed, visiting breeders and club events. Our first Wheaten Dooley joined us in late 2004, the breeder asked if I would be interested in showing him, and so my journey began. Dooley became a UK Champion and we added Saffie to our family. I have bred 6 litters and made up a homebred bitch to UK Champion. I have also shown in Europe. I live with 4 Wheatens, all bred by me. I am interested in the continued development of the breed and helping new owners who have a desire to show. I am delighted to be invited to judge the speciality classes at today's show and thank the Committee for the appointment.

**DON'T FORGET TO ENTER THE SPECIAL CHAMPAGNE CLASSES**

*see definitions of classes for eligibility*

**Bottle of Champagne for winners of  
Special Puppy & Special Members' Open classes**



# DEFINITIONS OF CLASSES

(N.B. The word 'dog' includes both sexes)

In the following definitions, a Challenge Certificate includes any Show award that counts towards the title of Champion under the rules of any governing body recognised by the Kennel Club. Wins at Championship Shows in breed classes where Challenge Certificates are not on offer shall be counted as wins at Open Shows. In the case of a dog owned in partnership and entered in Members' classes or competing for Members' Specials each partner must at the time of entry be a member of the Society. In estimating the number of awards won, all wins up to and including the seventh day before the first closing date shall be counted when entering for any class i.e. **Saturday, 14th September 2024**. Wins in Variety classes do not count for entry in breed classes but when entering for Variety classes, wins in both Breed and Variety classes must be counted. First prizes awarded in any classes defined as Special do not count towards eligibility. If an exhibitor reports before the judging of a class or classes that a dog has been entered which is ineligible, the exhibitor may choose one of the following options:-

(1) *Withdrawal*

The dog may be withdrawn from competition subject to the conditions of Regulation F.(1).19.

(2) *Transfer*

- a) If a dog is ineligible for a class or classes as regards its colour, sex, weight or height the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the equivalent class or classes for the correct colour, sex, weight or height and, in the event of there being no equivalent class, Minor Puppy and Puppy excepted to the Open class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
- b) For an exhibit entered incorrectly in a Minor Puppy Class, Puppy Class or Junior Class, which is over age but under twelve calendar months of age, eighteen calendar months of age or 24 calendar months of age respectively, the Show Secretary shall transfer the exhibit to the Puppy Class, Junior Class or Yearling Class respectively for the correct colour, sex, weight or height and in the event of there being no Puppy, Junior or Yearling Class to the Open Class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
- c) For any reason other than the above, the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the Open Class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
- d) If an exhibit arrives late and misses a class, even if it is the only class in which the dog is entered, the dog may not be transferred to any other class.

**BABY PUPPY** A baby puppy is a dog of four and less than six calendar months of age on the first day of the show.

**MINOR PUPPY** For dogs of six and not exceeding nine calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**PUPPY** For dogs of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**JUNIOR** For dogs of six and not exceeding eighteen calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**POST GRADUATE** For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or five or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

**LIMIT** For dogs which have not become show Champions under the Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by the Kennel Club, or won 3 or more CC/CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or won 7 or more First Prizes in all at Championship Shows in Limit or Open Classes confined to the Breed, whether restricted or not at Shows where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

**OPEN** For all dogs of the breeds for which the class is provided and eligible for entry at the Show.

**VETERAN** For dogs of not less than seven years of age on the first day of the Show.

**SPECIAL VINTAGE** For dogs of not less than ten years of age on the first day of the Show.

**CHAMPION** For dogs which have been confirmed a Champion or Show Champion under Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club.

**BRACE** For two exhibits (either sex or mixed) of one breed belonging to the same exhibitor, each exhibit having been entered in some class other than Brace or Team.

**PROGENY** For a dog or bitch, accompanied by at least three of its registered progeny. The dog or bitch not necessarily entered in another class however, all progeny having been entered and exhibited in another class. The dog or bitch and the progeny need not be registered in the same ownership.

**SPECIAL BEGINNERS** For a dog, owner or handler having never won a Challenge Certificate or a Reserve Challenge Certificate.

**SPECIAL PUPPY** For dogs of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**SPECIAL MEMBERS' OPEN** As open but restricted to fully paid up members of The Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of Great Britain.

## **ADVISORY NOTICE**

**NOT FOR COMPETITION** Societies may at their discretion, accept Not for Competition entries. Societies may accept such entries from breeds of dog not included within the title of the Society and at Shows held over more than one day, such entries may be accepted on any day from any breed.

# RULES and REGULATIONS

1. The Show will open at 9.00 am.
2. Dogs will be received at any time after the opening of the show but it is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that dogs are available for judging when required.
3. Judging will commence at 10.00 am.
4. Exhibits may be removed from the Show after their judging has been completed. The show will close half an hour after all judging has been completed.
5. **Entry Fees: Members:** First Entry per dog £20.00; each subsequent entry with same dog £2.00; Special Classes £3.00 per dog per class. Brace counts as a single entry. **Non-Members:** First entry per dog £25.00; each subsequent entry with same dog £2.00; Special Classes £4.00 per dog per class. Brace counts as a single entry. **Baby Puppy Classes:** £10.00 per dog (4 - 6 calendar months of age). **Junior Handling:** £2.00. **Junior Handler of the Year:** Free Entry. **Not for Competition:** £2.00 per dog. **Catalogues:** £3.00 pre-paid with entries (£4.00 on the day). **Catalogue Adverts:** £10.00 Full Page (additional £5.00 for B/W Photograph); £5.00 Half Page (text only). **Rosette Donations:** £4.00 per class.
6. There is no prize money on offer at this show.
7. The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
8. Puppies under four calendar months of age on the first day of the Show are not eligible for exhibition.
9. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the Show is forbidden.
10. **Best Puppy in Show:** Where a Best Puppy in Show competition is scheduled the Best Puppy in Show is a puppy which has competed and is unbeaten by any other puppy exhibited at the same show. A puppy is a dog of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show. Where the Best in Show is a puppy it may, at the discretion of the judge, be awarded Best Puppy in Show. Where the Reserve Best in Show is a puppy which has only been beaten by an adult dog it may, at the discretion of the judge, be Best Puppy in Show. Consequently, selection of Best Puppy in Show must follow the selection of Best in Show.  
A Baby Puppy is a dog of four and less than six calendar months of age on the first day of the show. Baby Puppy classes may be scheduled at any breed club show. Any Variety Baby Puppy classes may be scheduled at any breed club show. Best Baby Puppy in Breed may be declared in each breed from the dogs entered in the Baby Puppy breed classes. There must be no progression to further competition.
11. **Best in Show:** Best in Show must be selected from the exhibits declared Best of Sex. If a Reserve Best in Show is to be selected, the eligible dogs are those declared Best Opposite Sex and Reserve Best of Sex to the exhibit declared Best in Show.
12. Exhibits will not be admitted to Best in Show competition after a period of ten minutes has elapsed since the announcement that exhibits are required for judging, unless they have been unavoidably delayed by previous judging not being completed on time, and then only with the special permission of the Show Management.
13. Exhibitors must not pick up dogs by their tails and leads when lifting them nor handle a dog in a manner which causes its feet not to touch the ground when on the move. This is not acceptable. Exhibitors should note that such practice would constitute harsh handling and reports of such practice will be referred to the Committee under Kennel Club Show Regulation F11.
14. All exhibitors must be familiar with Kennel Club Regulation F (Annex B) - Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition.
15. All dogs resident outside of the UK must be issued with a Kennel Club Authority to Compete number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.
16. **Dogs in Vehicles on Hot Days.** Your dog is vulnerable and at risk during hot weather and the Kennel Club offers the following guidance to help guide you through the do's and don'ts travelling to and whilst at KC licensed events.
  - When travelling to a show please take a moment to consider whether the route to the show is on a busy holiday route, and leave earlier to avoid increased time in traffic jams.
  - If your vehicle is not air-conditioned seriously consider whether travelling to the show is a good idea at all.
  - The vehicle should be as fully ventilated as possible, and plenty of stops should be taken, with lots of water available to drink.
  - Ensure your dog is not sitting in full sunlight. There should be plenty of free flowing air around the dog.
  - When at the show, never leave your dog in the vehicle.
  - Keep the dog in the shade - take your own shade for example a large umbrella and always have plenty of water available to drink so your dog stays well hydrated.
  - Avoid your dog taking part in unnecessary exertion, or from standing in exposed sunlight for extended lengths of time.Remember, if you feel hot your dog is very likely to feel much hotter and dehydrated, and this could lead to dire results. Please look after your dog's welfare. **WARNING: IF YOUR DOG IS FOUND TO BE AT RISK FORCIBLE ENTRY TO YOUR VEHICLE MAY BE NECESSARY WITHOUT LIABILITY FOR ANY DAMAGE CAUSED.**
17. Anyone whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met, and should not put a dog's health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. Breach of Kennel Club Regulations in this respect may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under the Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any show licensed by the Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the show.

18. Not for Competition entries will be accepted. Details of each dog so entered must be recorded on the entry form and must be Kennel Club registered.
  19. No modifications will be made to this Schedule except by permission of the Board of the Kennel Club, which will be followed by advertisement in the Canine Press wherever possible.
  20. Any owner, competitor, handler or other person in charge of a dog is required to remove as soon as possible any fouling caused by their dog(s) at any Kennel Club licensed show within the licensed venue and within the environs of that event including car and caravan parks and approaches.
  21. Exhibitor passes will not be sent out. Please send an SAE if you require acknowledgement of entries.
  22. The Committee will do its utmost to ensure the safety of the dogs brought for exhibition but it must be clearly understood by exhibitors and all other persons at the show that the Committee will not be responsible for the loss or damage to any dogs or property, or personal injury whether arising from accident or any other cause whatsoever
  23. The owner, exhibitor, handler or other person in charge of a dog at a Kennel Club licensed event must at all times ensure that the dog is kept under proper control whilst at the licensed venue, including its environs, car and caravan parks and approaches. This regulation applies before (at any time during the set up period at the venue), during the event and afterwards (at any time during the breakdown of the event).
  24. Every exhibitor shall ensure that whilst the dog is being exhibited, its handler shall display the correct ring number.
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### **Health and Safety**

A nominated Safety Officer will be in attendance throughout the show. Exhibitors and spectators are reminded that just as The Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of GB has a responsibility to ensure the health and safety of all those attending their event, all those present have a duty and responsibility for their own safety. They are therefore expected to take the greatest care to avoid guy ropes, uneven surfaces and other hazards which are inevitable and integral elements of a dog show. Those bringing and using portable items of equipment such as folding chairs, trolleys, cages and grooming tables also have a responsibility to ensure that their tools, equipment and furniture is used and erected safely and does not constitute a hazard to others. Exhibitors are also reminded that they should wear appropriate clothing and footwear for the prevailing conditions on the site. Exhibitors show at their own risk and if they consider conditions are not ideal or are unsafe they may withdraw their dog/s from classes.

### **Security at Shows**

In light of recent events the Kennel Club would like to issue a reminder to all societies of the importance of security at dog shows. The Kennel Club understand that due to the nature of dog shows and the quantity of paraphernalia exhibitors bring, it would be extremely difficult for show organisers to take on the issue of security alone, therefore we would re-iterate the advice being given by the Police and security services, that everyone in the UK should remain vigilant and this applies to those organising and taking part in dog shows.

The importance of exhibitors feeling that they and their dogs are safe when attending a show cannot be underestimated. We would therefore remind you of the importance of the need for show organisers and exhibitors to remain mindful of potential dangers and that all visitors to shows generally need to be vigilant and alert. Furthermore the society provide robust notification informing exhibitors of where to report to should they see anything suspicious or of concern, and the evacuation procedures in place.

In view of the above, should you see anything suspicious or of concern, please alert the Show Manager, and/or the Show Secretary immediately. If it is a package or bag you are concerned about, please do NOT attempt to move it or examine it yourself.

Should it be necessary for the hall to be evacuated, please remember that evacuation should be carried out as speedily but as safely as possible, as in the case of a fire. It is important that you do not block the exit routes with cages or bags. Please follow any instructions given to you by the Show Management regarding evacuation procedures.

### **Use of Electrical Equipment at Shows**

The Kennel Club is becoming increasingly concerned at the amount of electrical equipment being used by exhibitors at shows, including hair dryers and hair straighteners and other grooming devices. Electrical equipment should not be brought to shows unless absolutely necessary. In rare instances where it might be required, it should be PAT tested and permission sought from the secretary of the show before it is used.

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