



World Agility Open (WAO) Championships

Oviedo, Spain – 17th to 19th May, 2013

Republic of Ireland Team Selection Tryouts

(held under Special Licence of the IKC)

Sunday 18th November 2012

At 10.00 am

Streamstown, Malahide, Co. Dublin.

Open to Grades 4 to 7 dogs

Closing Date: 18th September, 2012.

For those of you that have no interest in trying out for the team but would like to give your dog a run over some challenging international type courses, come along and support the team by entering the tryouts.

Entry fee will be €10 per dog, pay on the day. Please let me know in advance if you intend coming.

TEAM SELECTION

For 2013 the team selection will take place in two ways:

For the **“WIN ON” places** in each jump height, as required in the WAO Rules, there will be a 4-round qualifying competition for Grade 6/7 dogs. The dog with the most points, in each of the four WAO height categories, will be guaranteed a place in the individual Biathlon and Pentathlon classes on the Republic of Ireland squad. **Points will only be awarded to dogs accumulating 5 faults or less WITHIN THE COURSE TIME.**

The **“ON MERIT” places** are open to Grades 4 to 7 dogs who have taken part in this qualifying competition. These dogs and handlers, who have not WON their place on the Team, will be assessed on their performance at the qualifying competition. We will be looking for people who are able to show that they have the **ability to handle, and complete WITHIN COURSE TIMES, tough international courses.** They must also be able to demonstrate that their dog has been trained to an equally high level. All dogs will be expected to have the following skills: 1) A Stay on the Start Line, 2) Independent Weaves and Contacts, 3) Be confident handling Obstacle Discriminations. On that basis, Anne Collen (Team Coach) and I, will select the remainder of the squad by the end of December. Should the numbers/standard for the qualifying competition not be suitable, we reserve the right to introduce additional dogs that have not attended the selection day.

Please be aware:

- Competitors will be responsible for their own expenses i.e. entry fees, travel etc. to the WAO competition.
- As the competition is in Spain a pet passport will be required.
- Handlers must be prepared to put some effort into getting themselves AND their dogs FIT for the WAO.
- Handlers must be fully committed to doing everything possible to prepare themselves and their dogs in the lead up to the WAO, e.g. Attend team training sessions and compete at all suitable Shows.

Full details of the event can be found on www.worldagilityopen.com

Please feel free to contact me if you need further clarification on any of the above.



Republic of Ireland Tryouts for WAO Spain 2013

ENTRY FORM

Closing Date: 18th September, 2012.

Fee: €10 per dog (maximum €15 per handler)

Name of Handler:

Address:

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Home Tel. No: Mob. No:

Email:

Dog 1

Pet Name:

IKC Grade:

IKC Height: WAO Height (if known):

Dog 2:

Pet Name:

IKC Grade:

IKC Height: WAO Height (if known):

Please note that by entering this selection process you are confirming your ability to attend the entire WAO Championships from 17th to 19th May 2013.

Please return with entry fee (cheques payable to "Diana Collie") to:

Diana Collie, Feltrim Lodge, Streamstown Lane, Malahide, Co. Dublin.

Email: dcollie@eircom.net