

# NEW ZEALAND FEDERATION OF SLED DOG SPORTS

## NZFSS CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT SYSTEM

AMENDED APRIL 2023

### 1) Aim

- a) The aim of the NZFSS Championship System is to recognise team results, ie musher & dogs.
- b) The New Zealand Sled Dog Championships (**DRYLAND**) and New Zealand Dog Sled Championships (**SNOW**) **will be recognised as separate events/disciplines.**
  - i. **DRYLAND disciplines can consist of the following: Rig, Scooter, Bikejoring and Canicross**
  - ii. **SNOW disciplines can consist of the following: Sled, Skijoring and Pulka.**
- c) The New Zealand Sled Dog Championships will be separately sanctioned events.

### 2) Selection

Clubs bid to host the Championships in conjunction with a specific NZFSS sanctioned event. All bids must be submitted by 31 December of the year prior to the race date (ie, 31 December 2009 for race date of winter 2010) and bids must include:

- i) the event's name and date
- ii) proposed entry fees
- iii) proposed Race Marshal
- iv) proposed Time Keepers
- v) a schedule of the races/heats including:
  - (1) race/heat distance
  - (2) a description of trail surface(s).
- b) The NZFSS Executive Officers select a winning bid.
  - i) Their selection must take into account:
    - (1) Rotating the Champs through all interested clubs
    - (2) Rotating between the North & South Island.
    - (3) The Race Giving Organisation's ability to run a 'professional' event.

### 3) NZFSS Executive Involvement

The event may retain its original name as part or all of the event's title. The NZFSS Executive have final approval of the event's name.

- a) The NZFSS Executive will select one person to be their representative on the events organising committee.
- b) The Race Marshal, and Time Keepers must be selected in consultation with the NZFSS Executive.
- c) The Entry Fees must be set in consultation with the NZFSS Executive.
- d) No sanctioning fee shall be payable for the event.
- e) All classes must be offered for each race type at the event.
- f) The NZFSS will contribute towards the cost of sashes for the Championship event at an amount to be determined at the time of the event.

### 4) Withdrawal Of Championship Status

- a) The NZFSS Executive may withdraw Championship status and associated sanctioning from the event if, at any time, the event could be seen to be detrimental to sled dog sports or the NZFSS Championship system.

### 5) Sponsorship

Championship sponsors' must be approved by majority vote of the NZFSS Officers, with the aim of avoiding conflicts with existing sponsors and of offering 'Championship Sponsors' a multiple year contract.

- a) Monies from 'Championship Sponsors' are to be held by the NZFSS Treasurer and maybe used to pay any reasonable expenses associated with the Champs. Payment of expenses will be paid based on a budget pre approved by the NZFSS Executive. Where expenses vary from this, majority vote of the Executive Officers will judge whether they are reasonable.
- b) Sponsorship monies may only be added to the event's purse with the approval of a majority vote of the NZFSS Executive.

- c) The disposal of any sponsorship monies remaining after the event must be decided by majority vote of the NZFSS Executive.
- d) Any trophies donated become the sole property of the NZFSS.