



FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE SPORTIVE  
DE TRINEAU À CHIENS

# Carts- Racing rules

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**Preliminary rules will be drafted until end of september:and will indicate categories, equipment, distances. These rules will derive from all national rules that will have been sent as soon as possible to Gert Kronholm [gert@siberian.dk](mailto:gert@siberian.dk).**

## RACE RULES FOR CART-RACES IN THE FISTC.

These Rules are valid from the 1st of November 2006,  
and a musher is hereafter mentioned as he (regardless if she or he)

*Please observe that this set of rules is to be understood as an amendment to existing rules for Races on snow , and that things not mentioned here are to those existing rules!.*

### 1. MUSHERS

- a) any musher from a member club of the FISTC, with a valid and confirmed musher passport may participate, and he must have thorough knowledge of this set of rules, including the normal set of rules for Racing on snow.
- b) any musher will enter a race through his own organisation, but the FISTC also has its possibilities of giving Wild-Cards in small measures.
- c) any participating musher has to follow the FISTC Race-Rules and any direction given by the Racemarshal or his staff.
- d) a musher has to pay for his participation in due time stipulated by the respective memberclub
- e) the memberclub or the FISTC itself can reject an entering musher by stating the reason why
- f) if a race can only be done in one day out of the number of days sceduled, the starting fee will not be refunded
- g) changing of Class may be for an extra fee, stated in the invitation.
- h) any team must be handled by the musher who raced the first day
- i) if a musher gets sick or injured, the team may be handled by another musher, with the acceptance of the Race Commitee.
- j) a musher who might be disqualified during/after the first heat cannot race on the following day/days.

### 2. DOGS

- a) dogs participating in races have to be 12 months of age on the first day of the competition. No dispensations are given.
- b) only dogs of the four Nordic Breeds (Greenland dog, Samojed, Alaskan Malamute, and Siberian Husky) can enter the Race. They have to be purebred, with FCI Pedigree and valid FISTC Passport Pedigree has to shown on demand.
- c) The dogs have to be vaccinated to the demands of own country, as well as the demands of the country in which the Race takes place, and any Certificate necessary must be available at the racing site.
- d) The dogs have to be fully insured, and documentation must be available at the racing site.
- e) The Race Commitee can, with reason mentioned, reject a team or a specific dog from entering the race.
- f) If the Race Commitee is convinced, that at team or a single dog is not fit for ending a race, then this team or dog must be disqualified
- g) A team or a dog not participating in the first heat cannot race any other heat in that race.
- h) If a dog is being injured, or shows signs of not being able to making the full distance, it is allowed the musher to leave the dog at a checkpoint. It is the mushers responsibility to secure the dog at the checkpoint.

### 3. EQUIPMENT

- a) A Cart must be solid and stabil enough to carry a musher and an injured dog, if necessary.
- b) The following weights are to be understood as minimum weights:
  - Class O: 50 kilos
  - Class A: 50 kilos
  - Class B: 40 kilos
  - Class C: 30 kilos
  - Class D: 25 kilos

- c) The Cart must have steering facilities, three or four wheels, and at least the wheels in the rear must have effective brakes. A parking brake to be locked must also be there, and it is necessary that at least two wheels must be blockable.
- d) The Cart must be equipped with a bell or other device to give a noisy warning when necessary (passing spectators or at junctions with no overview)
- e) The Cart must have a "brushbow"
- f) A security line for anchoring the cart must be fixed to the cart (cable, chain or line strong enough for the team in question)
- g) A double fixation of the towlines to the cart is mandatory. (2 different fixpoints on the cart)
- h) The musher must bring one or two extra lines (cable or chain) with two snaphooks to the use if leaving a dog at a checkpoint.
- i) Any Cart/Rig/Scooter/Bike has to pass a control and be accepted by the Race Committee before entering the first heat
- j) The Bike must be of Mountain Bike character with matching Tyres
- k) The Bike - it is not a must to have brakes on front wheel
- l) A helmet is strongly recommended in any Class - in Bike and Scooter the helmet is mandatory!  
Any musher under the age of 16 must wear a helmet.

#### 4. Classes:

The following Classes will be used:

- a) Open - with possibility for organizers to limit the number of dogs
- b) A1 for teams using Siberian Huskies
- c) A2 for teams of Samojeds, Greenlanders or Alaskan Malamutes
- d) B1 for teams using Siberian Huskies
- e) B2 for teams of Samojeds, Greenlanders or Alaskan Malamutes
- f) C1 for teams using Siberian Huskies
- g) C2 for teams of Samojeds, Greenlanders or Alaskan Malamutes
- h) D1 for teams using Siberian Huskies
- i) D2 for teams of Samojeds, Greenlanders or Alaskan Malamutes
- j) Velo - Bike with one dog - the age of the musher minimum 11 years
- k) Velo - Bike with two dogs - the age of the musher minimum 16 years. A neckline is mandatory.
- l) Scooter with one dog - the age of the musher minimum 11 years
- m) Scooter with two dogs - the age of the musher minimum 16 years. A neckline is mandatory.

#### 5. Sanctions:

All rules from the Snow Rules regarding sportive behaviour on and outside the Race Course are also valid here, but for the Bike and Scooter Classes it is forbidden to come in front of the dog or to pull the dog in any way. If this should happen the musher will be disqualified.

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