

Coventry & District Gundog Society

Health & Safety Policy

Coventry & District Gundog Society (CDGS) fully adopt the ethos and recognise the disciplines of the Health & Safety of our committee, helpers and all competitors. CDGS's Health & Safety managed activities will be conducted according to the following statement.

Our Society, under the elected committee, will as policy:

- Comply with all laws and regulations applicable to our field.
- Follow a concept of continuous improvement and make best use of its resources in all matters of Health & Safety.
- Communicate our objectives throughout the organisation and to interested parties.
- Work with our risk assessment to acquire the highest Health & Safety standards.
- Adopt a forward-looking view on future decisions that may have Health & Safety consequences.
- Inform our committee in the needs and responsibilities of Health & Safety management.
- Appoint competent personnel to secure compliance with statutory duties.
- Provide such information, instruction, training, and supervision as may be necessary to ensure the Health & Safety of members and helpers.
- Provide a venue and systems of work that are safe and do not involve a risk to Health & Safety.
- Ensure all equipment is safe and conduct regular risk assessments. Ensure risk assessments are fully implemented and make these available to committee members and helpers.
- Ensure the safety and absence of risk to health in connection with the use, handling and transport of articles.
- Take due care to ensure that activities are safe for committee members, helpers, competitors, and others who come into contact with working test/field trial activities as conducted by CDGS including the general public.
- Take appropriate preventative and protective measures.
- Make competitors aware they are responsible for their own actions.
- Make competitors aware and to take care around barbed wire, uneven ground, roads and around farm equipment.
- All vehicles parked at owners' risk.
- All competitors, committee members and helpers must be fit and able to undertake any arduous activity which may be required whilst participating in one of our events.
- Health & Safety of dogs left in cars is paramount; they must have adequate provisions made for them.
- First Aid kit will be available at all times.
- Accidents to be reported immediately to a committee member.
- The nearest Vets available will be communicated to all competitors.

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