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Specifications

for the organization of the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship

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FCI International Selection for decoys

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1. Nomination and allocation

1.1. The FCI Mondioring World Championship is held annually the 1st full weekend in October.

The FCI affiliated members who are candidates for hosting a FCI Mondioring World Championship must transmit their application in writing to the President of the FCI Commission for Mondioring at least 2 years before the proposed date. The application must contain:

- The name of the national canine organisation (NCO)
- The date of FCI Mondioring World Championship
- The venue of the FCI Mondioring World Championship
- The name and address of the person in charge of organising the event.

1.2 Prior to the FCI Mondioring World Championship, an international FCI Mondioring competition level 1 & 2 (FCI Grand Prix) can be organised in order to promote the FCI Mondioring programme in emerging countries.

A dog per country and per level (decision by the Section Mondioring in Asti (IT) 10/09/2009) can be proposed by an FCI-NCO provided that the dog has already participated in the level of FCI Mondioring programme for which it is entered.

If a dog has participated in a higher level, it is not allowed to be entered at a lower level at the FCI Grand Prix. A dog that was on the podium (1st, 2nd or 3rd place) in level 1 or 2 cannot compete in the same level at the next years' FCI Grand Prix.

For the countries that have no official selection committee, the host country committee will preferably enter the dog that has obtained the best two scores in the same level during the sport year before the FCI World Championship (photocopies of the pedigree and workbook are requested with the entry document).

The judges and decoys for this FCI Mondioring World Championship will be designated by the FCI Commission for Mondioring, the fees for the judges, *supervisor* and decoys are due by the organising FCI-NCO.

1.3 The FCI Commission for Mondioring assigns the organisation and the running of the FCI Mondioring World Championship to a national canine organisation (NCO) affiliated to the FCI. The attribution is made by a majority decision of the FCI Commission for Mondioring. In case of a tied vote, the President of the FCI Commission for Mondioring takes the final decision.

1.4 The FCI-NCO to which the organisation has been assigned is solely responsible for the smooth running of the FCI International Decoy Selection, the FCI Grand Prix and the FCI Mondioring World Championship.

1.5 Not later than March in the year of the event, the organising FCI-NCO must send the invitations for participants to the FCI national canine organisations.

1.6 Registration fees are set by the FCI Commission for Mondioring. This amount includes the registration fee for the event, the invitation to the Saturday gala dinner and a contribution for the medal. The registration fee is **150 €** (including **25 €** for the FCI Commission for Mondioring for medal award).

2. Organization

2.1 The minutes of the meetings and decisions of the organising committee must be transmitted the next week to the Secretary of the FCI Commission for Mondioring.

2.2 A catalogue must be published with all the competitors and schedules. The competitors receive a catalogue number that they will carry as “brassard”. The important parts of the catalogue must be written in the four FCI official languages. The official languages are: German, English, French and Spanish.

2.3 The organisers invite the NCO to donate a prize in good time. During the whole **FCI** Mondioring World Championship, the stadium must be decorated with flags of the FCI, the NCO competitors and the organising **FCI-NCO**. The prizes donated must be mentioned in the programmes and official catalogues. The attribution of these prizes is the responsibility of the organiser.

2.4 The results achieved by the dogs should be clearly displayed, as soon as available, on a visible board.

3. Executive Steward in charge of logistics

3.1 The organising **FCI-NCO** must designate a competent executive steward in charge of logistics. His/her work consists among other things in:

- ensuring the smooth technical running of the event;
- making available, assigning and developing a minimum closed 80m by 50m field, the surface must not exceed 5000 m².
- providing a sufficient number of secretaries (minimum three), field helpers (minimum four), commissioners, office staff, etc.,
- providing a closed space so the decoys can hide when they do not have to intervene for the dogs. This space must be located at least 5m from the field, so that the dogs do not know that the decoys are in this space.

The organiser will put at the disposal of the judges:

- 6 accessories for the attack
- the obstacle for the attack (see rules)
- 6 hiding places **at least** for Search and Escort, with at least 2 mobile hiding places
- the 3 jumps (according to the plans in the rules)
- 6 retrieve objects (see list in the rules)
- Food (see rules)
- Wooden objects for search (15 X 2 X 2 cm) numbered in an envelope one for every handler.
- 2 blank guns with 9 mm ammo or two 6mm guns with triple charge.

- flags necessary for Stopped Attack (red and green)
- Minimum of 2 distractions for the Absence of Handler
- 3 or 4 common objects for the Object Guard (see rules)
- A waterproof tarpaulin to protect the palisade
- On the field a tent with table and chairs
- Provide enough fresh water outside of the field for the dogs to drink

The executive steward in charge of logistics

- will take care during the competition of the jury, the decoys, officials, office and field staff.
- prepare the score sheets for the competition judges.
- collate quickly and correctly the results of the competition for the announcement of the winner and in order to establish the results.
- provide surveillance once the field is traced under the judge's instructions.

4. Fields for the exercises and proceedings

4.1 The FCI Mondioring World Championship takes place under the rules of FCI Mondioring, approved by the FCI General Committee. The olfactory, obedience, the jumps and biting exercises must take place in a stadium where the ground is covered with a good quality lawn, without danger for the dogs and the decoys, **appropriately** fenced **all the way to the ground** to limit the field for the search. To supply at least two gates to avoid contact between handler and decoy.

4.2 The stadium must have a covered stand to allow spectators to take shelter in case of bad weather. The stadium must have a sufficient number of parking places nearby for the participants and spectators as well as a shaded car park for competitors. The organiser must make arrangements for catering preferably in the stadium, for the competitors, spectators and volunteers.

4.3 A sound system is required to announce the order of passage.

4.4 Prior to the competition, a veterinary control must be carried out. Sick dogs, dogs injured or suspected carrier of infectious disease are not allowed. Female dogs in heat are admitted, they must be kept isolated from other participants. Females in heat go last. The veterinary control must be performed before the draw.

During the veterinary control a judge designated by the FCI Commission for Mondioring will be present and will test sociability and the character balance of the dogs presented. Dogs considered aggressive will be excluded from participation.

4.5 The selection of decoys and reserve decoys for the FCI Mondioring World Championship is organized during the FCI International Selection which takes place every year during the FCI Mondioring World Championship on **Friday**, Saturday and Sunday in the host country and organized by the FCI Commission for Mondioring. The decoys must wear a suit in conformity with the rules of the FCI Commission for Mondioring.

4.6 The use of electrical devices, pinch collars, and other instruments within the walls of the FCI Mondioring World Championship leads to disqualification, regardless of the host country's laws. The complaint must be filed in writing and with witnesses.

4.7 Before the start of the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship, the FCI Commission for Mondioring organises a meeting of the judges. The executive steward in charge of logistics and the supervisor have to attend this meeting.

4.8 Prior to the start of the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship, the FCI Commission for Mondioring organizes a mandatory meeting of the team leaders in which the officials, the trial judges, the supervisor and the executive steward in charge of logistics take part.

4.9 On Thursday evening prior to the start of the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship the dog in white will be presented in the stadium (full programme), so that each participant can see the whole programme. The dog in white will be made available by the host country. Only team leaders will be admitted on the field.

The draw for the competitors for the first day of the competition takes place publicly on Thursday evening before the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship. The catalogue number as well as the draw must be visible for all participants.

4.10 The draw for the competitors for the second day of the competition takes place publicly on Friday evening as soon as the last competitor on Friday finished. The draw for the competitors from the third day of the competition takes place publicly on Saturday evening as soon as the last competitor on Saturday finished. Catalogue number as well as the draw must be visible for all the participants. It will be a full programme for each dog.

4.11 The starting point for the various exercises will be marked. For the exercise “guard of the object”, two concentric circumferences must be drawn, whose radii are 2 and 5 meters. For the jumps, brackets must be clearly marked on the ground in front of the jumps, against the palisade, against the long jump, and in front of the uprights of the hurdle. The field will be traced by the organiser according to the requirements of the jury. Once the field has been traced according to the jury’s instruction, it is not permissible to competitors or their dog to enter the field. A violation of this rule leads to the exclusion of the competition.

4.12 At the award ceremony, the individual ranking is proclaimed first and then the ranking by country. For the winners (ranked 1st in individual and team), the national anthems must be played.

5. The President of the FCI Commission for Mondioring, judges and supervisor

5.1 The FCI Commission for Mondioring designates one of its members as supervisor. He is responsible for compliance with the specifications and regulations of the **FCI** Mondioring rules. He will be the contact person between team leaders and judges. The organising **FCI**--NCO and the participants must respect the guidelines at all times.

5.2 The FCI Commission for Mondioring designates three *international* judges, **by complying with the FCI rules for Mondioring judges: Only FCI international Mondioring judges can officiate at an FCI world championship provided they officiated as international judge for at least 5 years**, one will be deputy judge. **A supervisor will be designated according to the same standards. The judges and supervisor will all be of different nationalities.** The list of international Mondioring judges of the FCI (from the FCI members) is used to designate the judges. The selected judges must have officiated as judges in at least two competitions in level III in the previous year. The **FCI**-NCO that proposes them are responsible as regards to their judges’ professional capacity.

5.3 The FCI Commission for Mondioring confirms the judges.

Their mission:

- trace the field
- respect the schedules (time of judgment by judge is limited to 9 h per day)
- instruct the decoys
- designate the nature of objects, obstacles, accessories.
- present the dog in white.

The judges judge together and not separately.

The handler chooses in presence of the judge and deputy judge an envelope for the first flee; the handler chooses -in the judge's and deputy judge's presence- an envelope which contains a numbered little wood used for the identification of the object.

5.4 The decisions of the judges are irrevocable.

5.5 The President of the FCI Commission for Mondioring, the judges and the supervisor expenses will be borne by the organising FCI-NCO. The corresponding amounts are fixed according to the FCI regulations.

6. Accommodation and welcoming rules

A list of hotels in the immediate vicinity of the venue of the FCI Mondioring World Championship, selected according to criteria based on functionality and reasonable prices, should be made available to the NCOs. The NCOs will do the necessary for the reservations for the selected competitors. This list will be published on the FCI Mondioring World Championship website at least three months before the event. The organizers shall provide accommodations in one or several hotels (2 stars NN at least) for the judges, the decoys and the officials, located in the immediate vicinity of the FCI Mondioring World Championship stadium. The rooms will be individual to enable judges, decoys, and officials to come accompanied.

6.1 The judges, the decoys and the officials must be welcomed and looked after by the organization the eve till the next day after the competition. The organisers should contact the judges and the decoys to develop the terms of reception and hospitality.

6.2 Are considered as officials:

- The judges, *supervisor* and the decoys
- The President of the FCI
- The President of the FCI Commission for Mondioring
- The President of the national canine organisation of the host country (or his representative).

The invited officials will be taken care of (hotels and catering) by the organisers for the duration of the event (from the day before at noon till the next day morning) and will be invited to the official meal. It is expected that the organizer invites the FCI Commission for Mondioring members to the meals.

7. Travel and Insurance provisions

7.1 Travel costs for the judges and decoys

All ordinary travel expenses, namely the actual car mileage (amount of refund fixed at € 0.35/km) the cost of parking, train, bus, taxi or airplane (a reasonable price, economy class including insurance cancellation of the flight-if possible-as well as an option to change the flight) travel expenses from home to airport, fees for long term car park at the airport, as well as expenses for meals in transit should be immediately refunded upon arrival at the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship premises or in conformity with any agreement with the organisers.

The organisers have the freedom to negotiate in advance with the judges and decoys to conclude an agreement for payment of travel expenses which is the most favourable for the organisers.

In the case of travel by plane or train, the organiser shall ensure the transfer to the hotel, back to the airport or station as well as travel from the hotel to the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship competition site.

8. Authorization and registration of competitors

8.1 The total number of competitors at the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship is limited to 50 dogs on three days of competition Friday, Saturday and Sunday. If the circumstances so require, the FCI Commission for Mondioring can -in collaboration with the organiser- decide to reduce the number of dogs by country.

8.2 Competitors must be members of their **FCI**-NCO or members of a country invited by the FCI Commission for Mondioring. The right for an NCO to participate is governed by the following principles:

- have competed in the level in which the dog is entered;
- To participate in level III a dog should have obtained at least 300 points (“rating sufficient”) between the former **FCI** Mondioring World Championship and the entry at the current **FCI** Mondioring World Championship (decision in Rotterdam on 29/09/2010);
- Nationality:
 - Legal residence (according to the FCI Statutes);
 - The owner of the dog must have the nationality of the country for which it is involved or have a fixed residence minimum of twelve months in the country.
 - If the owner of the dog has a dual nationality, he or she can choose under what nationality he or she wishes to participate. If this creates problems, this must be submitted to the FCI General Committee.
- The dog must be registered for at least 6 months in the Studbook of the country it is competing for.

8.3 **Four** competitors per country, plus a reserve dog, are authorized in level III. The FCI Commission for Mondioring can determine every year in the February-March meeting the number of competitors allowed to compete, based on the number of dogs and the number of countries. Every competitor can only present one dog. Every dog can only participate once during the same **FCI** Mondioring World Championship.

8.4 The winner of the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship is entitled to defend his title the following year, with the same dog, if entered by his country. His selection depends on his NCO. If his NCO selects him, he will be added to the number of dogs allowed per country.

8.5 Each NCO may enter **one** reserve competitor for the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship. They will be listed in the catalogue. If a competitor referred to in 8.3 cannot participate due to illness or accident, only **the** reserve-dog entered can replace him, under the condition that the public drawing of lots the eve of the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship (Thursday night see point 4.10) has not yet taken place.

8.6 A member of the organising committee cannot participate as a handler in the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship.

8.7 The dog must have a pedigree recognised by the FCI.

8.8 The NCOs must collect registrations and transmit them to the organiser before the closing date of the entries.

Entries must include the following particulars:

- Name of the NCO
- Name, address, telephone, team leader's e-mail
- Name, address, telephone, participants email (and the reserve)
- Name of the dog, breed, date of birth, pedigree n°, workbook n°, identification n° (chip, tattoo), father, mother, breeder
- A copy of the workbook, pedigree registration and sociability test.

To be taken into consideration, the entries must be signed by the NCO's representative.

8.9 Before September 1st of the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship year, the NCOs must confirm the number of participants to the organizer of the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship.

8.10 The nominative entries should be sent to the organiser by the NCOs before the closing date of entries, mentioned in the invitation.

8.11 The respective NCO must be notified by mail or email if an entry cannot be taken into consideration.

9. Workbook

9.1 The participants must be in possession of a workbook established by their NCO. The workbooks must be given to the organiser before the start of the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship. They will be returned at the end of the results proclamation.

9.2 During this period the dog is under the responsibility of the participant who is liable for the animal's good behaviour (see point 14).

9.3 In the workbook it must be written and clearly marked "**FCI** Mondioring World Championship" next to the result.

Health Book

9.4 The host country will indicate on the entry documents and on the website the compulsory vaccines for the dogs entered.

9.5 The participants must submit their updated health book. Failing to do so will result in their dogs being denied participation.

10. Classification and title

10.1 The participant who has obtained the best score is the winner and he gains the title "Winner of the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship of the year". The winner will be awarded the **FCI-CACIT**. The award of the **FCI-CACIT** is reserved to the breeds of FCI groups 1, 2 and 3 that are subject to working trial according to the FCI Breeds Nomenclature (see *the FCI Guidelines for awarding the **FCI-CACIT** at **FCI** International Utility, Tracking and Mondioring Tests*)

10.2 In the case of equal points, the highest score in the biting discipline will be first taken into account to make a decision, the best score in the obedience discipline in second place and finally, the best score in the jumping exercises. If all the points in all the disciplines are the same, the youngest dog will get priority in the ranking.

10.3 For the team ranking, the best three scores will be taken into account. In the event of a tie, the highest score in the biting discipline will be first taken into account to make a decision, second the best score in the obedience and then the best score in the jumping exercises. If the points are the same in each discipline, the teams are designated ex-aequo and get the same place. The title of "Winner of the Team **FCI** Mondioring World Championship" of the year is given to the team with the best score.

10.4 The organising **FCI-NCO** must transmit the nominal rankings with the name of the country to the Secretary of the FCI Commission for Mondioring. The rankings include first the competitors with their dogs and then the ranking by country.

11 Honour awards

11.1 In order to promote the **FCI** MONDIORING at an international level, it is recommended that each organiser gives at the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship a Honour Award that will be offered to the winner.

11.2 A souvenir is provided for each competitor.

11.3 The FCI Commission for Mondioring can propose rules relating to special prizes.

11.4 During the results proclamation, the special awards ceremony is conducted by the President of the FCI Commission for Mondioring or by his representative.

12. Reclamation

12.1 *The complaint must be filed on the day of the incident, thereafter no complaint is possible.*

12.2 The jury's decision is irrevocable. Only claims for non-respect of the **FCI** Mondioring rules are admitted. The claim must be submitted by the team leader to the supervisor. The deposit is set at **500 €** which will be given to the organisation if the claim is rejected.

12.3 The meeting to decide about a complaint is chaired by the President of the FCI Commission for Mondioring or his substitute. The decisions regarding claims are taken by the judges and the supervisor appointed by the FCI Commission for Mondioring. The decisions of these persons are irrevocable and final.

13. Insurance

13.1 The organiser must provide sufficient insurance for the collaborators of the competition, judges and decoys.

13.2 Each participant is responsible for the damage that his dog could cause. Upon entry, on demand, he must present a family insurance which covers risks in his capacity as dog handler.

13.3 The veterinary regulations of the host country must be respected.

14. Responsibilities and behaviour of the handlers

14.1 During the FCI Mondioring World Championship, competitors are responsible for the cleanliness of the site (field, parking etc.).

14.2 During the whole event as well as before and after it, the participants must remain courteous.

14.3 A lack of courtesy from the participants towards the judges, the organizers and the officials can lead to exclusion and cancellation of their official result. The same applies in case of aggressive dog's behaviour. In the event of disqualification, a report will be prepared and sent to their NCO.

15. Generalities

15.1 The dispositions referred to in the FCI Mondioring regulations must be respected.

15.2 In the event of a dispute or cases which are not given in these Specifications, the final decision is taken by the supervisor in collaboration with the judges.

15.3 The members of the FCI Commission for Mondioring as well as the judges have free access to all the activities conducted in the frame of the FCI Mondioring World Championship.

16. Meetings of the FCI Commission for Mondioring

16.1 The first meeting will be held on a weekend in February – March (place to be decided during the meeting in the frame of the FCI Mondioring World Championship). The second meeting will take place on Wednesday before the FCI Mondioring Word Championship, on the site of the event (debriefing on Sunday after the event).

16.2 The organiser of the FCI Mondioring World Championship and the FCI-NCO make suitable premises available for this meeting.

16.3 The premises and interpreters' fees are the responsibility of the organising FCI-NCO.

17. FCI International Selection of decoys

17.1 In the host country, at the place of the FCI Mondioring World Championship, an international decoy selection will be organized on Saturday and Sunday during the FCI Mondioring World Championship. The host country will make suitable premises and a field available, in accordance with the regulations.

17.2 The aim of this selection is to qualify the decoys. The qualification is the result of the average score at the different tests.

17.3 The entries of the decoys for the International Selection must be made by their FCI-NCO and sent to the Secretary of the FCI Commission for Mondioring before the closing date of the entries. The entries must be signed by their FCI-NCO representative. Only those entries will be valid.

17.4 In order to qualify, the decoy must obtain at least 70 % of the points during the two days.

17.5 The qualification attained remains valid for 4 years.

Qualifications adopted for the International Selection:

Excellent = 80%
Very Good = 70%
Good = 60%

17.6 The FCI Commission for Mondioring invites all affiliated FCI-NCOs to send decoys to the International Selection.

17.7 The exercises to present will be fixed in advance in a meeting of the FCI Commission for Mondioring.

17.8 The International Selection will be judged by minimum 3 judges who form the jury. These judges must come from three different countries. The judges will be designated by the FCI Commission for Mondioring.

17.9 Each decoy must come to the International Selection with at least 1 level III-dog; if the decoy does not meet the above requirements and conditions he can be refused. The dog handler accompanying the decoy must submit the workbook which will be controlled by a delegate designated by the FCI Commission for Mondioring; when entering the decoy, the FCI-NCO must identify the competitor (handler) and the accompanying dog and attach a copy of the workbook which proves that the dog is a level III.

17.10 There will be a draw for dogs that the candidate must work with. The second day he will work with another dog also designated by a draw. This means that each decoy works with two different dogs designated by draw.

17.11 The selection of decoys who may participate at the FCI Mondioring World Championship of the year is made based on the following criteria:

- a. The decoy who obtained the most points.
- b. The decoy who obtained the most points and being of another nationality than the winner (provided that he has obtained minimum Very Good).
- c. The decoy who obtained the most points and who is from the host country (provided that he has obtained minimum Very Good).
- d. If the host country has no candidate decoys in this selection, the second ranked will be automatically selected; in this case as in paragraphs b and c, a minimum of Very Good is required.
- e. The decoys who are selected under a. and b. will officiate in level III at the **FCI** Mondioring World Championship, the decoy mentioned at point c. will be the reserve. If no decoy meets the criteria in points b and c (i.e. no decoy of a nationality different from the winner's or from the host country has obtained minimum Very Good), then the third ranked becomes reserve and the first and second of the selection will officiate in **FCI** Mondioring World Championship level III.

17.12 The decoy will present a full level III programme.

17.13 The judges will submit the decoys to an endurance test and control their knowledge of the **FCI** Mondioring rules.

17.14 After each exercise each judge gives his score-sheet -filled out and signed- to the selection commissioner designated by the FCI Commission for Mondioring.

17.15 The **FCI**-NCO that presents a decoy to the International Selection pays the registration fee of **50 €** to the organiser. The accommodation expenses for the International Selection are borne by the decoy. During this International Selection, the organisation offers the meals to the candidate decoy.

17.16 The decoy receives from the FCI Commission for Mondioring a certificate indicating the qualification obtained.

17.17 The judges' expenses will be borne by the organiser.

The French text is the authentic one.

These Specifications have been adapted in accordance with the decisions of the SMUC/FCI meeting in October 2012 – Grande Synthe (France) and in February 2013 – Vendenheim (France).

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