

To: Polish Agility Handlers!

This is a notification directed to any Polish Dog Agility Handlers interested in participating in the World Agility Open Championships 2024 in Ermelo, Netherlands on the 15th - 19th May.

To apply for the 2024 team, at the time of team selection handlers must be a Polish citizen, or have a Polish birth certificate, have parents or grandparents born in Poland or have permanent resident status in Poland.

All expenses for the WAO, including travel expenses, hotels, entry fees, team kit etc. will be paid by the handler. Competitors may be required to attend seminars and/or training days at an additional cost. Handlers under 18 years old must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

We will welcome anyone who wants to participate. If you wish to participate, please send the following details to lilatemperament@gmail.com:

- Handler's full name.
- Handler's address.
- Handler's phone number.
- Handler's e-mail address.
- Dog's name and registered name if applicable.
- Dog's breed.
- Dog's gender.
- Dog's age.
- Dog's height.

All registration requests must be received by September 1st 2023 at midnight (Polish time) for the Manager to be able to decide if any additional training days & qualifications will be needed to choose the final team that qualifies for the event.

If no additional qualification days will be required, to be considered to represent Poland at the WAO, the handler needs to submit clear runs (no time faults/refusals or faults) from shows between 1st May 2023 - 29th February 2023.

The results will be awarded as the examples below:

1st place out of 100 dogs = 99 points (100-1=99)

5th place out of 50 dogs = 45 points (50-5=45)

If the competitor qualifies for the finals of important international events (such as EO, BCC, Avallon Cup, Moravia Open, WAO, CSJ Open, Swiss Cup, Crufts etc), he/she receives an additional 100 points per final run.

Only places up to 10th place will be awarded with points. You can only submit top 5 results from your shows. Results have to be sent to the Manager's email address - online address with results or photograph of the result's sheet.

If more than three dogs per height apply for Team Poland, priority will be given to any handler who has permanent residency in Poland. If there are more than three handlers with Permanent residency in Poland then the highest ranked dogs in the height will be offered the places. The Polish Team manager is guaranteed a spot with their dog - currently one spot in the 500 height.

If there are more than three dogs in a specific height category the top place dog in the scoring rank formula will automatically represent Poland in the Biathlon and Pentathlon. The remaining places will be selected at the discretion of the team manager.

If additional qualification days will be required: The decision will be made in 72h from receiving all the requests by 1st September 2023.

Best regards,
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Polish Team Manager
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