



## WALES AGILITY TEAM

### World Agility Open Championships 2020

#### **Team Wales Management:**

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#### W.A.O 2020 Team Wales Selection

Three automatic spots are available per height, providing the opportunity to win a place in each of the three individual events.

- The "Super Win On Spot" is attainable at the CSJ Agility Open. This offers a place in all 3 individual events
- The Pentathlon spot will be taken from the results of the Pentathlon runs at the Agility 4 England Try Out in September.
- The Games spots will be taken from the results of the Games runs at the Agility 4 England Try Out

Once these Win on spots have been established the Welsh Team managers may pick more dogs and handlers from those that attend the Team Wales Performance Day held on 15<sup>th</sup> September at Cwm Farm, Caerphilly, CF83 1NH. (An indoor venue will be provisionally booked as an alternative in case of extreme weather conditions). Full details of this day will be announced on the WAO Team Wales FB page.

#### **Win on places**

All dogs who succeed with a win-on placement must obtain an official WAO measurement to be eligible to compete. This can be obtained at the Agility 4 England show or the CSJ Open. If the place is declined or the winner is ineligible, the next dog/handler pairing will be invited. In the unlikely event that neither of the top two dogs are eligible, the selection committee will revert to a selection process to fill that spot on the team. All win on spots must attend the Team Wales Performance Day unless permission is given by the Team management.

## The "Super Win On Spot" – A place in all 3 individual events – via the CSJ Agility Open

Achieve the "Super Win On Spot" and you will be offered a place in **ALL 3 individual events - Biathlon, Pentathlon and Games.**

Earn points by placing in the top 8 in the overall Biathlon, Pentathlon, Games and CSJ National Championship as outlined below.

Individual classes in each event do not score points. Points are calculated separately for each height. The dog with the highest points in each height will gain the "Win On Spot" place for their country as long as the dog has placed in the top 8 of at least 3 events. If the highest placed dog has not achieved a top 8 in 3 events, then the Welsh management will decide if to award the WIN ON SPOT OR NOT

Points will be awarded in the following way:

Place Points

1st	45	5th	15
2nd	36	6th	10
3rd	28	7th	6
4th	21	8th	3

If a dog is eliminated in the CSJ National Championship Final no points will be scored for this class. In the event of a tie, the results from the Biathlon Agility result will decide the winner.

Important Note: If the winning handler does not want to take the Win On Spot or is ineligible due to height or nationality, the win on place will **not** transfer to the second placed handler.

Full information, including specific rules applicable to the events outlined above, can be found at [www.theagilityopen.com](http://www.theagilityopen.com). The event can be entered at <http://www.AgilityPlaza.com>



THE CSJ AGILITY OPEN

June 13th - 16th 2019 @ Addington Manor Equestrian Centre, Addington, Buckingham, MK18 2JR

### **Pentathlon Win on Spot – via Agility 4 England Show.**

On September 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 @ Lydiard House, Lydiard Park, Lydiard Tregoze, Swindon, Wilts, SN5 3NY.

The highest placed Welsh dog in the Pentathlon in each jump height will be invited to represent Wales at the WAO Championships in the **Individual Pentathlon**.

**Games Win on Spot – via Agility 4 England Show.**

On September 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> @ Lydiard House, Lydiard Park, Lydiard Tregoze, Swindon, Wilts, SN5 3NY.

The highest placed Welsh dog in the Games in each jump height will be invited to represent Wales at the WAO Championships in the **Individual Games** event.

To simulate the WAO event, the following runs will be used to decide the outcome of the Pentathlon win on spot; **Friday** Jumping & Agility, **Saturday** Jumping, **Sunday** Agility and WAO Speedstakes.

The classes will follow WAO rules and will be scored using WAO individual Pentathlon scoring. WAO jump heights will be used.

The Speedstakes class will run in reverse order of the current standings after 4 rounds.

All dog and handler partnerships will also run in Snooker (Friday) and Gamblers (Saturday). The combined result will be used for a win on spot into the Games class and the performance of all competitors will be assessed to show their understanding of the Games classes to assist the Team managers when deciding other places on the Team.

Depending on size of entry, it is hoped that all of these classes will run in one ring, allowing the managers to assess performance in the consideration of other places.

**The Entry fee for the Try Out is £35. Team Wales will receive £19 per entry profit.**

**Please read ALL the information below carefully:**

**Eligibility to enter the Try Out:**

- Dog: KC Grades 6 & 7 or UKA Champion status on 1st September 2019. (Handlers may enter the event with the intention of reaching the required level/grade by 1<sup>st</sup> September. If they do not achieve this they will be unable to run and will forfeit their entry fee).
- You DO NOT need to be a UKA Member. Those handlers and dogs who are not registered with UKA can still enter. As part of entry they will need to register themselves and their dog with UKA and pay for this. They then need to notify UKA within five working days of the event that they wish to cancel their membership. A refund will then be given. They may only enter the Try Out event at the show
- Dogs must be eligible to travel outside of the UK under the rules of the Pet Travel Scheme. Further information can be found on the DEFRA web site (<http://www.defra.gov.uk/wildlife-pets/pets/travel/pets/>)
- All squad members must prove their own and dogs' eligibility to travel by March to the Team management

**It is each handler's responsibility to ensure their dog's Pet Passport is valid to allow entry back into the UK on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

- Handler: To be born in Wales or a permanent resident of Wales, at the time of the event they are trying out at.
- A valid passport/documentation will be required and shown at the Team fund raising date

- It is preferred that the handler/dog combination competing at the selection day is the regular partnership during the preceding agility season so other results can be assessed when considering classes.

### **Competing Team & Reserve selection**

In brief, the team will be decided using the following methods.

- Win on place via CSJ Agility Open (WAO Biathlon, Pentathlon & Games Class entry)
- Win on place via the Pentathlon competition at Agility 4 England Show (WAO Pentathlon Class entry)
- Win on place via the Games competition at Agility 4 England Show (WAO Games Class entry)
- WAO Wales 2019 medallists will be invited back to the team for a minimum of their automatic spot.

Remaining class spots will be offered to the partnerships who have achieved the win on places, providing the team management believe they will be competitive in these events. The Team Management may look to select additional dogs to fill these spots from those dogs that attend the Team Wales Performance Day.

Only dog and handler ENTERING & ATTENDING the try out held at the Agility 4 England show and the Team Wales Performance Day will be considered for Team Selection. In the event of a Handler or Dog not being able to attend, only veterinary or extreme personal reasons will be considered in allowing Handler or Dog to still be in contention for selection. This is purely at the discretion of Team Management.

The team and reserves will be announced no later than 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019

### **WAO 2019 Medallists**

WAO are inviting all individual podium winners to compete in the 2020 championships in the class in which their medal was won. Wales will be inviting all Welsh 2019 individual medal podium winners to a place on the team. These handlers will compete under the Welsh flag in the individual class in which the medal was won. To be considered for any other events they must follow the rules above.

### **Jump Height/Dog Height**

There are four qualifying height divisions. Dogs may compete in a division larger than the actual dogs' height, but cannot compete in a lower division. Example: A dog which measures 450mm may enter & compete in the 600 division but cannot compete in the 400 division.

An official measurement will be taken on the day for all dogs applying for the 500 classes and lower, unless an official WAO measurement has already been taken for that dog.

You must compete in all relevant WAO win on spot events, in the correct WAO height category

JUMP HEIGHT NAME	DOG HEIGHT AT WITHERS	JUMP HEIGHT
<b>300</b>	320mm & under (12.60")	300mm (11.81")
<b>400</b>	410mm & under (16.14")	400mm (15.75")
<b>500</b>	500mm & under (19.69")	500mm (19.69")
<b>600</b>	Over 500mm (19.69")	600mm (23.62")

When entering the try out choose Toy for 300, Midi for 400, Std for 500, Maxi for 600.