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## Community Dog Show

### Rules & Conditions of Entry

These rules are in place to help ensure a safe, enjoyable and well managed event for dogs, owners, spectators and volunteers.

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#### 1. Eligibility

- All dogs must be fit, healthy and suitably conditioned to take part.
- Dogs that are unwell, injured, in season, or showing signs of distress or aggression must not enter the show ring.
- Puppies must be fully vaccinated in accordance with veterinary guidance.

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#### 2. Control of Dogs

- All dogs must be kept on a lead at all times, except when instructed by the judge within the show ring.
- Owners remain fully responsible for the behaviour and control of their dog at all times.
- Flexi leads should be locked short when near other dogs or spectators.

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#### 3. Behaviour and Aggression

- Any dog showing aggressive, threatening or uncontrolled behaviour may be removed from the ring or event area.
- The judge, Event Manager or Safety Lead's decision to exclude a dog is final and not open to appeal.
- Growling, snapping or lunging towards people or other dogs will not be tolerated.

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#### 4. Welfare of Dogs

- Dogs must not be left unattended.
  - Fresh drinking water must be available to dogs at all times.
  - Owners should ensure dogs are protected from heat, cold or adverse weather conditions.
  - Choke chains, prong collars or aversive equipment are discouraged.
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## 5. Owners' Responsibilities

- Owners must clean up after their dogs immediately and use provided waste bins.
  - Children must not approach or handle dogs without the owner's permission.
  - Owners must follow instructions given by stewards, judges and event officials.
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## 6. Show Ring Rules

- Only dogs entered into that class may enter the show ring.
  - Owners/handlers must remain alert and maintain control throughout judging.
  - Running or rough handling within the ring is not permitted unless instructed by the judge.
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## 7. Children and Dogs

- Children handling dogs must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.
  - The Event Team may intervene where a situation presents a risk to a child or dog.
  - All children attending the show must be supervised at all times by an adult aged 18 plus.
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## 8. Insurance and Liability

- The event is covered by Cayton Parish Council's public liability insurance.
  - Participation is at the owner's own risk.
  - Cayton Parish Council cannot accept responsibility for loss, injury or damage caused by or to dogs, except where required by law.
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## 9. Event Management and Safety

- Stewards and officials are present to help manage safety and welfare.
  - Owners must comply with reasonable instructions given in the interests of safety.
  - The Event Manager reserves the right to pause, modify or cancel activities in response to safety concerns or adverse conditions.
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## 10. Acceptance of Rules

- By entering the dog show, owners confirm they have read, understood and agree to these rules.