

## **Vaccination instructions for the Dog Shows**

The shows are subject to the vaccination directions approved by the Finnish Kennel Club. All dogs participating in shows or trials must have a valid certificate of vaccination against distemper and rabies. Please, check the custom regulations for importing dogs to Finland. Check also your own country's regulations when turning back.

### **Distemper vaccinations**

The dog must be vaccinated at least twice against distemper and at least 14 days must have expired between the second (booster) vaccine and the show before dogs may be shown or participate in trials. Vaccinations for dogs under one year old are valid for a year. Booster vaccinations for dogs over one year old are valid for three years and no warning period is required. If a distemper vaccination has expired it must be renewed 14 days before the show or trial at the latest (two weeks warning period).

### **Rabies vaccination**

At least 14 days must have expired between the dog's first rabies vaccination before the dog may take part in shows or competitions. Rabies vaccinations are valid for one year if given to a dog under one year old. Booster vaccinations for dogs over one year old are valid for two years. However, rabies vaccinations are only valid for one year in the case of dogs taking part in ferreting trials or hunting. If rabies vaccination has expired it must be renewed 14 days before the show or trial at the latest (two weeks warning period).

More instructions at the web-site: [http://www.evira.fi/portal/en/animals\\_and\\_health/import\\_and\\_export/](http://www.evira.fi/portal/en/animals_and_health/import_and_export/)

### **Further regulations related to infectious diseases:**

If the dog catches distemper, infectious hepatitis, kennel cough or other infectious respiratory passage infection, parvo virus diarrhoea or other infectious gastroenteritis, a dog is not allowed to attend shows, tests, or competitions before at least two symptom free weeks have passed. The same limitation applies to symptom free dogs in the same household. External and internal parasite infections shall be duly treated before a dog is allowed to attend shows, tests, or competitions

### **Cropped and docked dogs**

Dogs born before 1.1.2001 can be shown in both shows and competitions, even if cropped and docked, no matter the origin. This includes Finnish bred dogs. Cropped and docked dogs born after 1.1.2001 are not permitted to compete in shows and competitions.