

## AFA Rule Notification to Members No. 66 –October 2017.

**This Rule Notification deals with changes to the Rules for Open format re Jump Heights.**

**The Committee has approved** that in open format an On-Trial *Rule* will be adopted allowing teams to run their dogs at any height of jump they wish with changes to the height allowed throughout the day as the team sees fit. The rule change includes the caveats that the jump heights of all the dogs entered in an Open Class team **must** be declared on the entry form and that no dog shall be allowed to race where the jump height exceeds the declared height for that dog (as per Regular racing). Race officials will be responsible for ensuring that a dogs' declared jump height is not exceeded during racing.

Recommended additions to the wording in Appendix E – OPEN CLASS FORMAT to allow the Rule to be adopted as On Trial – Items 12 and 13 adopted as On Trial Rule effective from 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2017:

- Item 12: The jump height of all dogs entered in an Open team *MUST* be entered on the team entry form.
- Item 13: Teams may set the jumps at any height from 7” to the declared height of the smallest dog running in the heat (Refer Chapter 7 (v) 3)

Note - On Trial Rule is to be adopted for Competitions closing after 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017.

All other Rules for Open format remain unchanged.