

Minutes of Meeting

NKU Rally Obedience Committee,

20th April 2022, 19:45-22:21

Participants: Beatrice Palm (Sweden), Tytti Lintenhofer (Finland), Paul Lysholdt (Denmark),
and Solveig Therese Zetterstrøm (Norway)

Absentees: None

Minutes: Paul Lysholdt

1. Opening of the meeting

Beatrice opened the meeting.

2. Minutes from the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting 14th March 2022 have been approved previously and are published here:

<https://www.skf.se/en/NKU-home/about-the-nku/organisation/committees/rally-obedience-committee/meeting-minutes/2022/>

3. Guidelines (remaining issues)

We made some minor changes of the document during the meeting. The following must be clarified/updated:

- Paul will ask Lonni Prirsching from DKK to make a drawing showing the four versions of sidestep.
- “The handler can perform the end of two sidesteps right (401) and two sidesteps left (402) in two ways: either by quickly putting the feet together without stopping or by just taking a step forward after the second sidestep without touching the ground with the foot in question.” Paul will ask Lonni Prirsching to draw this in the guidelines.

Paul will forward an updated version to the committee.

4. Judging guidelines (with sit-jump-stand and moving sitting in side step)

In the judging guidelines all deductions regarding exercise 410 (stop, send away, stand) should be described in one box.

“In exercises in which the team changes direction 180°, for example, exercises 105, 106, 313, 314 and 405, the handler does not walk in a straight line, but gives room for the dog, for example, in a form of a sidestep.” Paul will add more examples e.g., sideshift front, dog around handler, spin etc.

Discussion of the dog “moving sitting in side step”. The following was agreed:

In exercises with two sits e.g., 114, 115, 215, 216, 403, 404 the dog moves almost sitting	-3 lack of teamwork (dog tries to take the wrong position or tries to change position when not supposed to) - 10 incorrectly performed exercise (not possible to see the dog lifting the behind between the sits)
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Discussion of sit-jump-stand: agreed that we need to continue discussion based on specific videos. Solveig will make some examples.

Tytti suggested that deductions for each exercise are written together with the description of the exercises. It was agreed that Tytti should make some examples of this, including exercise 410.

5. Nordic weekend next year

We agreed that a meeting for all approved Nordic judges should take place 4.-5. February 2023. Beatrice will check if it would be possible to hold this at Vi2 Hundcenter <https://vi2hundcenter.se/> [after the meeting it was confirmed that this is possible]. Each of us shall invite the judges in our country, and find out how this will be paid in our country.

6. Nordic/FCI rules progress in the Nordic countries

We had a short dialogue regarding if and how each of the countries currently are planning implementation of the FCI-regulations when they are published.

Norway and Sweden are following a five-year cycle, the next starting 1st January 2023 and currently not including any parts of the FCI-regulations.

Finland and Denmark have specific plans for implementing the FCI-regulations and exercises.

It was agreed that Paul could forward his mail to Christian Steinlechner, and ask if this could be put on the agenda of the FCI-meeting 30.4.-1.5.2022 in Vienna.

7. Other issues

The regulations have been approved by the NKU Board but may not be published before the minutes from that meeting are published.

We agreed to reconstitute the committee when Beatrice stops: Tytti will be the new chairman and Paul continue as secretary.

8. Next meeting

The next meeting will take place 2nd June 2022 19:30-22:00 CET. Paul will invite.

This will be Beatrice's last meeting; if her successor is appointed before he/she will also be invited.

9. Closing of the meeting

Beatrice closed the meeting.