



TRACK & TRAIN DEVICE RULES

Effective January 1, 2025 for UKC Licensed Hunting Beagle Events.
To be posted and or made available to all participants for review.

Telemetry systems shall not be used during the hunt for any purpose other than for tracking dog(s), or as otherwise noted herein, in the running rules or in the current Hunting Beagle Master of Hounds / Hunt Director Checklist.

- A. TRACK ONLY SYSTEM:** The handheld device of a tracking-only system may be carried and used during the hunt.
 - B. TRACK & TRAIN COMBO SYSTEM:** Any handheld device capable of both locating (tracking) and controlling (stimulating or toning) may not be carried by the handler or in the hands of any individual during hunt time. The handheld must be left and stowed in the vehicle.
However, the handheld device may be used in a time-out situation during the hunt for locating purposes only. The control feature may not be used by handlers, or any other individual, until the dog linked to the hand-held device is scratched and all other dogs are recovered for re-casting.
 - C. TRAIN ONLY SYSTEM:** The handheld of controlling-only (stimulating or toning) systems must be left in vehicle and may not be used by handlers or any other individual until dog wearing device is scratched and all other dogs are recovered for re-casting.
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1. The hand-held device of a tracking-only system may be used to mark the location where a track ended or where dogs last opened, for the purpose of narrowing the search area as it applies to looking for a hole or a place of refuge. Any inquiry shall be the decision of the judge and stands unless questioned and otherwise overturned by a majority of the cast.
2. If by means of telemetry a handler deems dog to be in danger, they may ask for a cast vote to call time out. If a majority is not reached the handler has the option to withdraw from the hunt and go handle the dog due to safety concerns.
3. At no time may a handler demand the cast walk in the direction of a hound that has not been heard opening. The judge, or majority of the cast when hunting judge is used, may agree to walk in that direction.
4. The Master of Hounds / Panel shall not consider any debate that is based on telemetry use, other than situations as noted under #1 above.

Controlling device rule violations may result in suspension.