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Performance Events Department

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To: **All Clubs Licensed to Hold Basset Field Trials**

Subject: **Different Colored Collars Allowed at SP and LP Trials**

This is to inform your club of a change to the *Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedures for Basset Hounds* which is effective immediately. This change allows dogs running in Small Pack and Large Pack to wear different colored collars instead of having a painted number.

This specific change is underlined and will be reflected in the next reprinting of the *Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedures for Basset Hounds*.

#### **Additional Standard Procedures For The Basset Hound Field Trials Run In Small Packs On Rabbit Or Hare**

Procedure 7-B. The Hounds shall be numbered consecutively as entered, starting with the number "1." Each Hound shall have its number painted on both its sides with a durable paint, the figures to be at least 3 ½ inches high and clearly visible. The Field Trial Secretary and his assistant, if any, shall be the only persons to record each number against the name of the corresponding Hound. These numbers shall be used in the drawing and running of the packs and the names of the Hounds must not be used. Alternatively, for Small Pack Field Trials hounds may wear color coded collars. The colors to be used are Red, White, Blue, Green, Yellow, Orange, Pink, Silver or Black.

#### **Additional Standard Procedures For Basset Hound Field Trials Run In Large Packs On Hare**

Procedure 8-A. The Hounds shall be numbered as entered, starting with the number "1." Each Hound shall have its number painted on both its sides with a durable paint, the figures to be at least 3 1/2 inches high and clearly visible. The Field Trial Secretary and his assistant, if any, shall be the only persons to record each number against the name of the corresponding Hound. These numbers shall be used in any drawing and in the running of the packs and the names of the Hounds must not be used. Alternatively, for Large Pack Field Trials hounds may wear color coded collars. The colors to be used are Red, White, Blue, Green, Yellow, Orange, Pink, Silver or Black.

This rulebook update has been posted to the [Basset Hound Rules Resource webpage](#). Please send any questions, comments or email address updates to: [performanceevents@akc.org](mailto:performanceevents@akc.org). If you send us a request to update your email address, please provide us your name, city and state.