

**New South Wales Yard Dog Association
Risk Assessment & Trial Organisation Checklist**

Event Name:	Event Location:
Event Start Date:	Event End Date:
Name of person completing checklist:	Telephone:

This checklist is a guide to help ensure that trial committees and event organisers identify and mitigate risks. The completion of this form is a requirement of NSWYDA.

This form MUST be completed prior to the commencement of the trial (first dog on course).

This form MUST be submitted at the completion of your trial with results - Submit via our website [<https://yarddogsnsw.com/trialling/online-forms/trial-results/>]

Hazard/risk	Yes	No	N/A	Comment (required if N/A)
Extreme weather conditions				
1. Are the conditions hot? If yes, maintain watering facilities for stock, dogs and people. Ensure adequate shade is provided and encourage sun protection measures in all people. Organise appropriate breaks for judges and volunteers. a. Is shade available for all people, dogs and stock? b. Is water available for all stock and dogs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2. Is there the threat of storms? If YES, monitor weather reports from the Bureau of Meteorology Cease event and ensure all persons are under shelter.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Yards/livestock handling				
3. Are there any obvious hazards e.g. trip/holes, snake sightings? a. Are all handlers, judges and volunteers aware of any risks?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

4. Are the yards secure and safe e.g. loose wires or posts, sharp edges? a. Do all gates and latches work correctly? b. Are all yards adequate to secure livestock safely?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Has spectator safety been reviewed? a. Yards are of adequate height to prevent stock jumping into spectators. b. Spectators are separated from high risk/stock traffic areas?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Have all volunteers in the let out/backyards been inducted regarding appropriate stock handling practices and signed attendance sheet?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Livestock & working dogs				
7. Has the condition of the stock been inspected upon arrival? a. Are stock fit for purpose b. Have any injured or unwell stock been separated?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8. Is there adequate water and feed (if applicable) for stock?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9. Has appropriate paperwork for stock transport been arranged?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10. Has the importance of animal welfare (stock and dogs) been discussed with the judges?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
First aid				
11. Is there a first aid kit available and accessible? a. Are volunteers and judges aware of its location?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
12. Names of people with first aid certificates a. _____ b. _____			<input type="checkbox"/>	

General/Administration				
13. Has the affiliation been paid to cover event for insurance?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
14. Has the membership of all competitors been verified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
15. Have all day membership forms including waiver been paid for and received?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Signature of Trial Organiser				
Signature of Trial Organiser			Date:	
Signature of Judge (ring 1)			Date:	
Signature of Judge (ring 2)			Date:	
Signature of Judge (ring 3)			Date:	

If any incidents or complaints occurred, an **Incident/complaint form** [https://yarddogsnsw.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/NSWYDA-Incident_complaint-form.pdf] must be submitted to NSWYDA.

