



## **DENS WOODLAND TRAIL 2025**

### **ENTRY RULES FOR DOGS**

- Dogs are permitted to take part in the 'walk' element of the Woodland Trail on either the 5-mile or 10-mile route, on a short lead alongside an adult participant.
- Dogs are not permitted to take part in the 'run' element of the Woodland Trail, neither on the 5-mile or 10-mile route.
- No more than two dogs per adult handler are permitted on the course and at the event. The dog(s) must always be handled by an adult for the entirety of the event.
- Dogs must be kept on a short lead at all times. A harness rather than collar is preferable. Slip Leads, flexi-leads, Canicross leads are not permitted, and you will not be allowed to take part if you attend the event with any of these.
- All participants wishing to register their dog should consider the dog's age, ability and breed before registering. On the day of the event all dogs must be at least one years old, fit and healthy, sociable with other dogs and humans, willing and able to complete the walking course, not in season, wearing a collar with a clearly identifiable tag, and fully vaccinated to reduce risk of spreading infection.
- Signing up is not recommended if the dog has any medical condition where over exertion is not advised. If in doubt, vets' advice is required.
- Participants must pick up after their dog and bring poo bags with them on the day.
- Participants are responsible for the hydration of their dog and must bring with them, adequate water for the entirety of the event.
- Participants must always be in control of their dog. The most important thing is that dogs and humans enjoy the event. If a dog becomes anxious or stressed in any way, we reserve the right to remove any dog from the course/event village.
- We advise participants to build their dog's distance up over several weeks/months.
- Participants are advised that in hot weather (over 16°C) some breeds may have difficulty cooling themselves. If a dog is overweight, unfit, not used to exercise, recovering from illness, of advancing years, or there is any doubt about the dog's ability, vets' advice is required.