

## **Muddy Dog Dash Dog Terms and Conditions**

Dogs must be:

- at least one year old
- fit and healthy (signing up is not recommended if your dog has any medical condition where over exertion is not advertised. If in doubt, speak to your vet for advice)
- sociable with other dogs and humans
- willing and able to complete the course
- not in season
- on a lead maximum 1m in length (not a slip lead, preferably with a harness) and under full control at all times
- wearing a collar/harness with a clearly identifiable tag
- fully vaccinated to reduce risk of spreading infection
- kept hydrated throughout the challenge

## **Muddy Dog Dash Participant Terms and Conditions**

By registering for the Muddy Dog Dash (“the event”) you are agreeing to these Terms and Conditions. All participants and spectators attending the event must abide by these terms and conditions and any instructions or regulations displayed or given on the day of the event by police, Lewis-Manning Hospice Care staff, volunteers or BCP Upton Country Park staff.

All participants under the age of 16 on the day of the event are deemed by Lewis-Manning Hospice Care (LMHC) as children (mini humans), and all participants 16 or over as adults (humans).

To manage the safety of children, participants must be aged 8 or over to run alone or with a dog. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Any participant unsure of their own, or their child’s physical ability to take part in the event should seek medical advice from their GP. Pregnant women or individuals under the influence of alcohol or drugs should not take part. Those with asthma, epilepsy, diabetes, a heart condition, or any other medical condition which may affect their ability to participate in this event should consult their GP prior to signing up to the challenge. Participants are strongly advised not to participate if they are or have recently been suffering from cold or flu symptoms.

All participants enter the Muddy Dog Dash entirely at their own risk. Lewis-Manning Hospice Care shall not be liable for any injury, death, damage, or loss suffered by participants or spectators, other than in respect of any injury, death, damage, or loss arising as a result of Lewis-Manning Hospice Care’s negligence.

Lewis-Manning Hospice Care will take all reasonable steps to minimise the risk of injury to participants during this event. There is a risk assessment in place including risks associated with coronavirus, that aims to minimise or eliminate the risk to everyone taking part. However, by taking part in the Muddy Dog Dash, all participants acknowledge that there may be conditions or circumstances beyond Lewis-Manning Hospice Care’s control that can lead to unforeseen risks. If you have any concerns or queries, please contact the team at [muddydogdash@lewis-manning.org.uk](mailto:muddydogdash@lewis-manning.org.uk) before agreeing to take part in the event. Participants taking part with a child must take extra care to ensure the child is appropriately supervised to mitigate the risk of harm to them. Participants must also consider the safety of other children, adult participants, and their dogs.

Owners enter themselves and their dogs in the event at their own risk. LMHC is not liable for any injuries or harm sustained or damage to property as a result of taking part in the Muddy Dog Dash, including those or that caused by natural water and/or mud at the event. We will have first aid on site for humans. We will also have a vet on site for dogs but in the unlikely event of an emergency, you will need to visit either your own local, or nearby vets' practice. Details of a nearby vets will be available at the vet's marquee on the day. Please always avoid any obstacles you or your dog are uncomfortable with.

Due to various circumstances, it may be necessary for LMHC to cancel or change the event at short notice, which will be communicated to you as soon as possible.

Participants and their spectators should not attend the event if they have tested positive for Coronavirus or are experiencing symptoms of Coronavirus.

## **Registration**

Entry fees are non-refundable

Only one adult is permitted per 'Dog & Human' entry.

One adult is permitted to be responsible for a maximum of one dog and one child, or two children and no dog.

Participants should not register on another adults' behalf or provide another adult's details without their consent. All participants must agree to these Terms and Conditions.

If you are registering an accompanying child as a participant in the event, you represent and warrant that you have parental responsibility for that child and have the legal authority and capacity to enter into this event on their behalf. By registering for this event, you agree to the terms of the waivers within these Terms and Conditions apply equally to all of the registered parties. Where you have registered on behalf of your child, you also agree to these Terms and Conditions on behalf of the child.

By providing us with a child's details you are warranting that you are their parent or legal guardian and understand that we will use their information for the purposes of their participation in the Muddy Dog Dash. We will not use a child's details for any other purposes.

## **At the event**

In the case of an emergency LMHC may use the emergency contact details participants provide on the reverse of their bib number. LMHC will not retain this information after the event.

Unfortunately, the course is not suitable for mobility scooters or wheelchairs.

Participants must select from two distances when they register, either 2.5km or 5km. This is a fun run, so the distances may not always be exact. We will endeavour to ensure both routes are as close to the distance advertised.

For safety reasons, participants arriving early or late must abide by the instructions or decisions of the Event Manager, or their representative at the information gazebo.

We reserve the right to reduce or alter the event course or any other aspects of the event to accommodate any unexpected complications on the day that may have an impact on the LMHC staff, volunteers, participants, spectators and/or dogs.

If the event is delayed or cancelled due to situations beyond LMHC's control, including impacts of Coronavirus, we will make all reasonable attempts to arrange the event to take place on a later date, however we cannot guarantee this, Registration fees will be refunded upon request if the event is cancelled or the participant is not able to make a rescheduled event date.

Participants, supporters, and family members spectate at the Mudd Dog Dash entirely at their own risk. LMHC shall not be liable for any injury, death, damage, or loss suffered by spectators other than in respect of any injury, death, damage or loss arising as a result of LMHC's negligence.

Participants will set off in waves between 11am and 3pm. Confirmation of start times will be sent to participants via email prior to the event. Although every precaution will be taken to adhere to your chosen start time, we reserve the right to amend these within reason should we need to for safety reasons.

LMHC asks that all participant along with their supporters refrain from smoking or vaping at the event.

LMHC asks that all participants along with their supporters do not use or display aggressive or abusive language or behaviours towards other participants, spectators or our organisers and volunteers.

First aid facilities and veterinary cover will be provided at the event. If participants are treated by medical providers at the event, this information will be passed to LMHC, solely for administration and health and safety purposes and to fulfil its legal obligations, including those under the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 1995. All medical details will be securely held by LMHC and will not be retained after the event. The information will be handled in accordance with our Privacy Policy.

LMHC reserves the right to remove any person or dog from the course or event should they breach these Terms and Conditions or be considered a danger to other participants, volunteers, LMHC staff, dogs or spectators.

Please be aware the course covers open field, ditches and woodland with natural and manmade obstacles. Tree roots, stumps and fallen branches are an inherent risk, please be aware of your footing when running.

## **Photography**

Lewis-Manning Hospice Care and our commercial partners may film or photograph supporters (including participants, volunteers, and spectators) and use such footage or photographs for the following reasons: a) for LMHC to publicise the event and out work for commercial and/or fundraising purposes including, but not limited to, our website, television broadcasts, advertising, print and digital publications, marketing material, merchandising, social media, personalised direct mail, and other media that may be available to the public. B) our corporate and commercial partners to publicise their involvement and/or association with the event.

We will ask for your consent for the use of your image in photography and film when you register. We may also ask you for photos on the day if appropriate. By attending this event you are and anyone you are legally responsible for consenting to the use of your image and video.

Please be advised however, that if you are not the focus of the image, we will not usually need to collect your consent, but you may still appear in the background or as part of a crowd. Please ensure any friends any friends or family you bring with you are aware of this.

There will always be notices advising where photography is taking place at our events, and if you do not wish to have your image used in these photos and/or videos, please notify the photographer on the day.

Press are invited to the event and therefore may take their own photography in addition to LMHC photography. Any external press photography will be used in their publications in line with their own processes. LMHC has no control over external press publications.

## **Fundraising**

We encourage every dog/participant to raise at least £50 in sponsorship for Lewis-Manning Hospice Care.

All sponsorship money raised will go towards Hospice services and therapy dog sessions.

Participants will be sent a link to JustGiving once they sign up to set up their own fundraising page.

All participants have a legal responsibility to ensure that all sponsorship money/donations received for the Muddy Dog Dash are paid to Lewis-Manning Hospice Care.

In the event that you are unable to participate, or the event is postponed or cancelled, then sponsorship monies will still be payable to LMHC unless the sponsor has specifically requested that funds be returned in these circumstances.

## **Data protection**

The information you have provided to LMHC will be treated with respect and used to manage your entry into the event. We will also use your information for analysis and administration purposes, and to communicate with you by post under our legitimate interest.

We will contact you about your Muddy Dog Dash by email, post or telephones and email you with important information about the day as well as fundraising tips and ideas.

We will not send you additional marketing by email, telephone or post unless you have given us permission to do so.

If you want to change the way we communicate with you at any time, please contact us on [fundraisingteam@lewis-manning.org.uk](mailto:fundraisingteam@lewis-manning.org.uk)

Further information about how we protect and use your personal data is available in our privacy policy: [lewis-manning.org.uk/privacy-policy](http://lewis-manning.org.uk/privacy-policy)

Lewis-Manning Hospice Care reserve the right to make changes to these Terms and Conditions from time to time. Updates to our Terms and Conditions will always be communicated to our participants.