



UKC® PRO SLAM INFORMATION

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

PURPOSE

- To give the experienced enthusiast a platform to compete on an elite level that promotes professionalism, attracts attention to some of the best hounds in the sport, and award a significant monetary payout to its winners.

FORMAT OPTIONS

A. 16-Dog Format

- 16-dog entry, four hounds advance to final cast.
- 12-dog minimum, three hounds advance to final cast.
- If less than 12 reservations are made, the event is cancelled, and refunds are issued.
- See event ad for entry fee and payouts.

B. 27-Dog A/B Split Round Format

- Multiple-day event.
- 27-dog entry, 3-dog casts.
- 15 hounds draw out in 5 three-dog casts in Round 1(a).
- 12 hounds drawn out in 4 three-dog casts in Round 1(b).
- Cast winners may not enter Round 1(b). Non cast winners may be entered in Round 1(b), providing they have a reservation.
- See event ad for entry fee and payouts.

FULL ELIMINATION FORMAT

- The UKC Pro Slams will be held using the Full Elimination Format as outlined in the 2023 Official Coonhound Rulebook.
(Click to see Full Elimination Rules)

ENTRY RESERVATIONS

- Advanced reservations only. Entries are reserved online at ukcdogs.com.
- The host club will have the ability to reserve spots for their hunting guides if they see fit. This will be done prior to entries opening to the public.
- Reservations open on the day noted in the event advertisement. Reservations close on the day noted or until the hunt is filled.
- When reserving the entry, the participant does not enter a specific dog. The individual determines what dog to enter on the day of the event. The name of the handler does not need to match the name on the reservation.
- All spots must be reserved by the advertised closing date otherwise the event will be canceled.

REFUNDS & TRANSFERRING RESERVATIONS

- No refunds are issued for any reason other than for a cancelled event.
- Reservations may be transferred to another individual. The entry fee for the transfer is solely between the seller and the recipient of the reservation transfer.
- The recipient must complete the UKC Pro Slam Reservation Transfer Form and submit it to entry takers on the day of the event.

CHAMPIONSHIP CAST WINS & RECORDING MONIES EARNED

- A hound winning its cast in any round of a UKC Pro Slam will count towards the dog's championship degree.
- Money earned at a UKC Pro Slam, the UKC World Championship, and the UKC Tournament of Champions are recorded on the dogs' official record at United Kennel Club.
- UKC will maintain a list of top annual and historical earnings.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- All hounds are drawn out in the same category regardless of their degree.
- Hunt time periods noted in event ads.
- Hunting judge may be used in Round 1. Non-hunting judge to be used in all subsequent rounds.
- Splitting monetary awards in the final cast is not an option. That cast must compete for final placements and awards in the hunt unless otherwise approved by UKC.
- Each UKC Pro Slam shall have a designated Hunt Director. The host club is responsible for assembling a qualified panel of three individuals for any questions that may arise.
- A \$20 fee shall be required for any questions that are presented to the panel. If the panel rules in favor of the handler raising the question, that fee shall be refunded.
- A \$100 fee shall be required for any appeals to UKC requested after the panel's decision is made.

- Handlers are expected to know the running rules, be reasonable, and always conduct themselves professionally.
- Participants deemed to be unreasonable will result in losing their privilege to participate at a UKC Pro Slam for a period determined by UKC. This will be strictly enforced.
- Participants found to have demonstrated unsportsmanlike conduct during any part of a UKC Pro Slam event are subjected to suspension from UKC.
- UKC Pro Slams are limited to several events each year, as determined, and approved by UKC.

PAYOUTS

- Prize payouts will be made with a check and mailed within three weeks of the event.
- Payouts are subject to any applicable IRS reporting and withholding requirements. An IRS Form 1099 will be issued to all prize winners.
- To be eligible to receive a prize payout, the first registered owner must complete and submit a completed IRS Form W-9 before UKC (the Company) may issue the check. Prize payouts will be made entirely to the first registered owner of the dog. If the prize-winning dog is owned by a minor, a parent or guardian of any participant who is a minor must sign a release on behalf of the minor to be eligible to receive a prize, but the Company reserves the right to refuse to award a prize to or on behalf of any minor.