



BIG Walkies LIVE
CAERDYDD • CARDIFF

Terms & Conditions

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By registering for this Big Walkies Live Event you agree to abide by these terms and conditions of entry. On occasion these may be subject to change, therefore please refer to this document frequently. By registering for an Event you also agree to abide by any instructions or regulations displayed or given on the day of the event by officials.

If you have any questions, please contact the Big Walkies Live Team: bigwalkieslive@rspca.org.uk

General

- RSPCA Big Walkies Live (“the Event”) is administered by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA), registered charity no. 219099 to help raise vital funds for our vital animal welfare work. All entry fees are collected by the RSPCA to help to cover the costs of administering RSPCA Big Walkies Live.
- The RSPCA asks each Participant to raise as much sponsorship money as possible which will benefit animal welfare in Wales.
- Everyone who takes part in the Event must be registered. This can be done [online](#).
- The event is a charity sponsored dog walk which is five and a half kilometres length. In the RSPCA’s opinion it is suitable for Participants of varying ages and abilities. Please refer to the [information page](#) for Big Walkies Live for additional details.
- The RSPCA can take no responsibility for Participants’ medical conditions. If any Participant is in any doubt about their fitness and/or ability to participate in or complete the Event, they should seek medical advice.
- Persons taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The RSPCA, its sponsors, contractors and agents will not be liable in any way for injury, loss, damage or death that might occur as a result of participation in this event, unless by negligence on their part.

- Children under the age of 16 MUST be accompanied by an adult.
- The RSPCA reserves the right to refuse or cancel registrations or alter the date, time and/or venue and format of any Event without notice. Any liability to the Participant will be limited to the registration fee. Registration fees are non-refundable if the Event has to be cancelled or postponed due to circumstances outside the RSPCA's control.

Entry fee

- The charge for taking part in the Event is £7.50 per human over the age of 16, and £2.50 for humans under the age of 16 in advance. Should venue capacity allow, on the day tickets may be purchased at £10 per adult, and £5 per child. Under-5s go free. Dogs attending with paying adults are also free.
- Payment must be made at time of registration.
- On the day sign-ups may be available although no guarantee is made of this.
The prices for these are stated above.
- Unfortunately, given the limited number of spaces at the Event, all entry fees are nonrefundable.
- Your Big Walkies Live bandana and t-shirt will be available to collect on the day of your event. Please take your confirmation email with you as proof of registration.

Dog conduct

- Dogs must be under control and on a lead at all times.
- No more than two dogs per person are allowed at the Event.
- No dog shall be allowed to participate if an inappropriate training device is being used. This includes electric shock collars (which are illegal to use in Wales), prong collars, choke chains, half check chains and spray collars.
- Where owners use half check collars as a means to preventing their dog from slipping their collar, it should be fitted so that when tightened the two rings meet around the dog's neck, with sufficient space for two fingers to be slipped against the neck, under the collar in exactly the same way as a flat collar would be fitted.
- Only well socialised dogs (i.e. friendly towards other dogs, people and children) are welcome on the walk.
The behaviour of your dog is YOUR responsibility at all times.

- For further guidance see the RSPCA's [understanding your dogs behaviour page](#). All participating dogs must be up to date with their vaccinations and must not be in season.
- Dogs should not be dressed up in costumes.
- Dogs should have a collar and a tag with their owners name and address inscribed on it and ideally a number on which the owner can be contacted.
- Dogs should be transported safely and securely to and from the event and **MUST NOT** be left unattended in vehicles during the event.
- Dogs should be healthy and fit enough to take part in the event. Owners should be aware of the signs of heat stress and make provision for use of pet safe sunscreen where appropriate. Some dogs are more prone than others e.g. those with short flat faces, overweight, old, young and dogs with thick coats. If any dog starts to display signs of stress during the event they should be removed immediately and a member of the event team informed so that help can be provided.
- The distance your dog can cope with will depend on their age, breed, health and the weather on the day.
- Harsh handling (e.g. yanking the lead, hitting/smacking, shaking, shouting) of any dog at any time will not be tolerated and may result in the perpetrators being asked to leave the Event.

General Conduct

- Any specific information and instructions given by any RSPCA stewards/officials must be adhered to.
- The RSPCA respectfully asks that all participants and supporters do not use aggressive or abusive language towards our organisers, marshalls, officials and volunteers. This will not be tolerated.
- Please be a responsible dog owner and clean up after your dog. Designated disposal areas will be located along the route but please bring dog waste bags.
- All litter should be disposed of in the bins provided or taken home.
- Alcohol and intoxicants of any kind are strictly forbidden.

Health and Safety

- Participants are responsible for ensuring that they are wearing appropriate attire (including footwear) when taking part in the Event, taking into account the nature of the Event, the weather forecast and the terrain involved.
- Rehydration stations will be available for dogs throughout the course however participants should carry enough water to keep themselves and their dogs hydrated for the duration of the Event.
- The RSPCA cannot accept responsibility for personal effects. There is nowhere to leave personal belongings on the route.

Data Protection

- Your personal information will be used by the RSPCA as stated on the registration form in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. Further information about how we use your personal data is set out in [our privacy notice](#).

Filming and Photography

- Official RSPCA photographers and a film crew along with invited members of the press will be taking pictures and footage of the event and you/your dependents/dogs may be included, either intentionally or unintentionally, in posed and background shots. Please be aware that photographs and footage taken on the day may feature you and your children/dependents. These photographs and footage may be kept in RSPCA event archives and/or used for publicity/external purposes.

Sponsorship and Donations

- All participants have a legal responsibility to ensure that all sponsorship monies/donations received in connection with an Event are paid to RSPCA, and we ask that you do this as soon as possible after the Event.
- You can [pay in your sponsorship money online](#) with your credit or debit card, or call us on 0300 123 0346 with your credit or debit card details.
- If you prefer to pay in your sponsorship by cheque, please make it payable to the RSPCA and send it in with your form to RSPCA Big Walkies Live, Wilberforce Way, Horsham, RH13 9RS. Please note that we are unable to accept your sponsorship money on the day of the Event.