**ANKC Endurance Rule submission from Victoria**

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*Change to read:-*

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***The temperatures and all examinations of the dog will be taken by the veterinary team at the trial with the equipment provided.***

***Rational*:** Some handlers have not found the equipment used not to’ their liking’ for example- temperature taken by thermometer via the rectum of the dog would rather have it taken by another method.

Veterinary teams supply the equipment and that equipment needs to be used by all exhibitors, this clarifies this for all entrants.