

Dear Members of the Can-Am Crown Community,

We hope this message finds you well. We are writing to inform you about important government regulations that may impact our upcoming events as well as other mushing events taking place in North America. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued new regulations regarding the importation of dogs into the United States, set to take effect on August 1, 2024.

We understand that these new regulations may pose significant financial and logistical challenges for many of our Canadian and U.S. mushers. Your concerns are our top priority, and we are actively addressing them.

What We're Doing:

- * Advocacy Efforts: The Can-Am Crown organizers are collaborating with other sled dog organizations and allied groups to advocate for a postponement and possible modifications to these regulations.
- * Continuous Communication: We are in communication with Maine Senators Susan Collins and Angus King, as well as representative Jared Golden to explore ways to mitigate the impact on our community.
- * Resource Support: We are compiling resources and guidance to help mushers navigate these new requirements more easily if the CDC enforces them as they are written.

We will keep you updated with the latest developments and any progress in our advocacy efforts. Please check for updates regularly on our website and Facebook page.

For more details on the new CDC regulations, please refer to the following links:

[CDC Media Release on Dog Importation Regulation](#)
[CDC Information on Bringing an Animal into the United States](#)
[Required Forms for Importing Dogs into the United States](#)

We appreciate your understanding and continued support as we work together to ensure the Can-Am Crown International Sled Dog Race remains a cherished event for all. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Warm regards,
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