

**DEPARTMENT J-25:
DOG CARE, OBEDIENCE & AGILITY SHOW
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You and Your Dog: Saturday, September 12
Junior Fair Building, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Dog Skillathon: Saturday prior to the fair,
September 12, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Dog Show Registration: Sunday, September 20
Junior Fair Show Arena

Obedience 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 Showmanship 3:00 p.m.

Dog Show to start promptly at 12:30 p.m. with the costume class

Premiums: A - \$ 6.00 B - \$ 4.00 C - \$ 2.00
For all classes with the exception of costume.

1. Read the FAIR GENERAL RULES.

- Only 4-H and FFA members carrying dog projects and meeting specific club requirements are eligible to participate in these classes.
- Only domestic dogs can be shown. Wolf and wolf hybrids are not permitted.
- Pregnant and/or lactating (nursing) bitches are not permitted to be shown.
- Any male or female dog that is a disturbing element to other dogs will be eliminated from the show and must leave the fairgrounds.
- Bitches showing any signs of heat are not permitted on the Fairgrounds and are not permitted to be shown.
- Any dog that is not under its handler's control and any handler who willfully interferes with another competitor or that competitor's dog will be excused from competition.
- Any dog exhibiting unsafe or threatening behavior or any exhibitor or other person(s) abusing or neglecting the dog will be removed from the fairgrounds.
- All dogs exhibited must be six months of age by the date of the judging. This includes Pilot Dog puppies and other Assistance Dogs.
- Dogs must be kept on leash or in a crate while on the fairgrounds, except when participating in the ring during judging. Dogs are not allowed in any of the barns or on the midway.
- Muzzles, prong collars, and electronic collars are prohibited. Exhibitors will be disqualified if using. Head halters are permitted in You and Your Dog classes only. The use of chain leashes is discouraged.
- Food treats or toys are not permitted in the show ring areas during obedience classes. It is up to the discretion of each Showmanship judge whether food will be allowed in the showmanship ring. An announcement will be made prior to the start of judging.
- Dumb bells will be made of one or more solid pieces of wood or non-wooden material similar in size, shape and weight to a wooden dumb bell. Metal dumb bells are not permitted. Dumb bells will not be hollowed out. They may be finished, coated with a clear finish, or may be any color. They may not have any decorations or attachments but may bear an inconspicuous mark for identification. The size of the dumb bell will be proportionate to the size of the dog.
- Dogs must be owned by the Junior Fair exhibitor or the exhibitor's immediate family. Immediate family is defined as the Junior Fair exhibitor's father, mother, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, grandfather or grandmother, including the corresponding step and half step relationships, or by a member of the exhibitor's household.
- Ownership of Assistance Dogs is respective of each applicable organization.

- Only the exhibitor may train the dog at any type of training class on or after June 1.
- No one other than the Junior Fair exhibitor is permitted to show the project dog at any type of dog show or fun match on or after June 1.
- Exhibitors showing their dogs at any Licensed or Member Obedience Trial or at a Sanctioned Match must show their dogs at the same or higher B level classes than they are showing in AKC, UKC, or other titling show. Dogs completing their Companion Dog (CD) title (or UKC or other titling equivalents) prior to or anytime during the project year must show in the Graduate Novice class at the very minimum.
- Dogs completing their Companion Dog Excellent (CDX) title (or UKC or other titling equivalents) prior to or anytime during the project year must show in Open, Graduate Open, or Utility classes.
- Any dog receiving one or more legs toward a title anytime during the project year must then move into the appropriate B class at the time the first leg was earned.
- The Dog Project Identification Form and Vaccination Certificate must be completed by a licensed, accredited veterinarian. See next rule for vaccinations required. All dogs must be currently licensed in the exhibitor's county of residence. **The exhibitor must submit the Dog Project Identification Form and Vaccination Certificate along with a copy of the certificate of license to the extension office with fair entries in order to be judged. Late forms will be considered a late entry and subject to rule #26 under Fair General rules. Without these forms on file at the extension office they will not be allowed to be judged.**
- All dogs must be vaccinated yearly by a licensed, accredited veterinarian. Required vaccines are: Rabies (1yr or 3yr must be specified), Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parainfluenza and Parvovirus. If the veterinarian follows the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA) recommendations, does vaccine antibody titer tests or feels that administering the Leptospirosis vaccination would jeopardize the dog's health the administering veterinarian must initial the applicable box under the DHLP section on the Vaccination Certificate. If the veterinarian does not administer certain vaccinations to older or other dogs, those vaccinations must be noted by the administering veterinarian either on the vaccination form or letterhead.
- All classes are scored on exhibitor's appearance, dog's appearance and sportsmanship.
- Exhibitors may enter up to two project dogs in obedience, but each dog must be eligible to be shown at a different level. Only one project dog per exhibitor may be entered in showmanship.
- YOU AND YOUR DOG youth will be evaluated on: an interview with questions coming from the Ohio 4-H Dog Resource Handbook, the member's record book, the member's appearance, dog's appearance, and a poster showing an activity learned with their project dog this year. Poster board cannot exceed 22 inches by 28 inches. No foam or oversized posters allowed.

NOTE: Score sheets used in judging can be found in the new Dog Project & Record Book or on the Ohio 4-H website. <http://southcenters.osu.edu/4h/dog>

Pet Pals and Assistant Dog projects will be judged as a poster project. Enter Under Department J-12, Section A, Class 6

Section A: Costume Class no premiums
Class 1 - Junior 9-11 years of age
Class 2 - Intermediate 12-14 years of age
Class 3 - Senior 15-18 years of age

**Section B: You and Your Dog –
Judged 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Saturday, September 12**

Class winners may compete in same class as long as they meet the age requirements.

Class 1 - Junior You and your Dog – 9-11 years of
Class 2 - Intermediate You and Your Dog – 12-14 years of age
Class 3 - Senior You and Your Dog – 15-18 years of

Section C: NO PREVIOUS TRAINING

(For members and/or dogs with no previous training.)

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Sub-Novice A – all exercises on lead
2	Novice A
3	Gran Novice A
4	Open A
5	Grad Open A

Section D: WITH PREVIOUS TRAINING

(For members and/or dogs with previous training.)

B classes may be repeated with the same or different dog unless the dog is a class winner then they must move up to the next class.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Sub-Novice B – all exercises on lead
2	Novice B
3	Grad Novice B
4	Open B
5	Grad Open B

Section E: Class 1 – Team Class

The teams shall consist of 2 members and 2 dogs working simultaneously performing the sub-novice exercises. **Both team members must be listed on the entry form.**

Section F: Class 1 – Brace Class

This class is for the exhibitor with two dogs that are capable of performing the sub-novice exercises.

Section G: Grooming and Handling (Showmanship)

Class 1 - Junior 9-11 years of age
Class 2 - Intermediate 12-14 years of age
Class 3 - Senior 15-18 years of age

Section K: Dog Agility

Agility Show Monday September, 21st
Registration and measuring @ 9am
Show will start @ 10:00am

Location: On Fair Map space between R3 & R4 will be marked with fencing

- 1. Read the Fair General Rules**
- The same rules that are set forth in Obedience shall also apply to the Agility classes except where otherwise noted.
- Please read the eligibility requirements for Agility available at the extension office. A verification form showing that youth and dog have met the eligibility requirements must be turned in with your fair entries or youth will not be permitted to show in the agility show.
- It is strongly suggested that youth, parents and advisors become familiar with USDA Rules and regulations for the Junior Handler program as we will be following these rules for our county fair unless otherwise stated.* they will be noted by

an asterisk* These rules, jump heights and obstacle descriptions can be found at <http://www.usdaa.com/rulesReg.cfm>.

- All 4-h youth who are considering agility are encouraged to consult with their vet before beginning Agility training. This is to be sure that there are no problems such as hip dysplasia, disc problems, overweight etc. *
- Dogs competing in Agility **must be 18 months or older**
- * Dogs 7yrs and older are encouraged to jump at least one height lower than measured jump height. Handlers should inform the judge of dog's age and request the lower jump height. *
- * All dogs **will be** measured at registration the day of show even if previously measured.
- This event will be held outdoors on grass, rain or shine. This will also be at the judges and Dog Committee's discretion.
- Youth may enter any 2 project dogs in Agility. You may enter only 1 dog per agility class. Up to 2 dogs total.
- There will be one ring for all classes
- A dog's time will start whenever any part of the dog crosses the start line. Its time will end when any part of the dog crosses the finish line.
- Buckle collars are permitted (no training collars) and a 6 ft leash if competing in the **Beginner A** class only. Buckle collars only are permitted for **Beginner B** class. Youth running in the **Intermediate** class should remove collar at start of their run.
- For dog's safety all tags or decorations must be removed from the dog's collar
- For handler's safety, rubber soled shoes that tie or velcro are required. .

No flip flops or slip on shoes are permitted.

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

All youth who have a qualifying run will receive a ribbon. A trophy will be awarded to the 1st place winner of each class and 2nd through 5th place ribbons will also be awarded in each class.

Class 1 - BEGINNER A:

The obstacle course shall be comprised of ten (10) obstacles set in a simple horse shoe or .M. design. The following Standard Agility obstacles and related modifications shall be used as follows:

- A-Frame (apex at 4.6. or 140cm)
- Table at 12. (30cm) for all dogs (to be performed in the down position for five cumulative seconds)
- Pipe Tunnel
- Collapsed Tunnel
- Six Hurdles (wings, if any, should be no more than 18. or 45cm in width)

The standard course time shall be 60 seconds.

* Buckle collars and a 6ft leash will be permitted *

* If using a leash you must inform the show committee and judge prior to running *

Class 2 - BEGINNER B:

The obstacle course shall be comprised of ten obstacles set in a simple horse shoe or simple M. design. The same agility obstacles and related modifications shall be used as in the Beginners class, except that the A-frame shall measure **five (5) feet** (155cm) at the apex.

The standard course time shall be the same as in the Beginners class, **set at 60 seconds.**

* Buckle collars only will be permitted *

Class 3 - INTERMEDIATE:

Intermediate class courses shall be of simple design, being slightly more challenging than a figure of .8., and shall include

twelve (12) to fourteen (14) obstacles as follows:

- A-Frame (apex at 5.6. or 170cm)
- Dog Walk (a standard dog walk as described in Appendix A, or alternatively, a dog walk with elevation of no less than 3.0. (92 cm) and planks of no less than 7.0. (214 cm) in length)
- Pipe Tunnel
- Collapsed Tunnel
- Short set of weave poles (five or six)
- Table at 12. for dogs jumping 8. and 12., and at 16. for dogs jumping 16. and 22. (or in metrics, 30cm for dogs jumping 30cm and 40cm, and at 40cm for dogs jumping 40cm and 55cm); the table to be performed in the down position for five consecutive seconds
- Long Jump
- Tire Jump
- Four to six hurdles.

The standard course time shall be 75 seconds

* Buckle collar must be removed at start of run *

Register for Dog Skillathon in Division J-30 Junior Fair Skillathons

Rosettes provided for 2nd-5th place in all classes with the exception of costume.

AWARDS

Junior Costume Class	Trophy
Intermediate Costume Winner	Trophy
Senior Costume Class Winner	Trophy
Best Costume in Show.....	Trophy
Dog Care Junior	Trophy
Dog Care Intermediate	Trophy
Dog Care Senior	Trophy
Sub-Novice A	Trophy
Sub-Novice B	Trophy
Novice A.....	Trophy
Novice B	Trophy
Graduate Novice A	Trophy
Graduate Novice B	Trophy
Open A	Trophy
Open B	Trophy
Graduate Open A	Trophy
Graduate Open B	Trophy
Junior Showmanship	Trophy
Intermediate Showmanship	Trophy
Senior Showmanship	Trophy
Showman of Showmen	Trophy
Reserve Showman of Showmen	Trophy
Team Class	Trophy
Brace Winner	Trophy