

DEPT G – DOG

Judge: Jackie Poulas, North Bend NE

Purple award \$2.00; blue award \$1.50; red award \$1.00; white award \$0.50

If numbers are sufficient size, a dog show will be conducted according to the State Fair 4-H Dog Show. Sufficient size will be determined by the fair superintendents.

Dog Show Rules

- a. Vaccination Required – all dogs must be immunized for distemper, hepatitis, parvo, and rabies. Proof of shots are required the day of showing or you will not be able to show.
- b. Arrival Time – 4-H dog exhibitors will check in on Thursday at 11:00 a.m. at the Dinklage Building.
- c. Number of Entries per Exhibitor – an exhibitor may enter no more than three animals as long as one is used in obedience, one in showmanship, and one in versatility as it takes an older, well-trained dog.
- d. Restrictions on Showmanship Winners – an exhibitor winning first place in showmanship is no longer eligible to show in that class with the same dog.
- e. Care and Grooming class may be taken by exhibitors.
- f. Females in season will not be permitted to show.
- g. Overly aggressive dogs may be disqualified at the discretion of the judge or superintendent.
- h. Dress code will be enforced. No shorts. No clogs or sandals.

Showmanship

Each class will be judged on handler's appearance – 10%; grooming and conditioning of dog – 20%; coordination of the dog and handler – 50%; and general knowledge – 20%. Special coat trims (such as poodle or terriers) will not count except for being clean and neatly brushed. Classes are divided by age.

- G-700-10 Junior Division – 8-9 years old on January 1 of current year
G-700-20 Intermediate Division – 10-13 years old on January 1 of current year
G-700-30 Senior Division – 14-18 years old on January 1 of current year

Obedience Classes

Beginning Novice – Follow rules in Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Guidelines (4H 420) to determine class entry and exercises within each obedience class.

- G-701-10 Beginning Novice Division A - Exhibitor and dog is in first year of competition (started Dog Project after October 1 of previous year)
- G-701-20 Beginning Novice Division B - Exhibitor **or** dog is beyond first year of competition
- G-701-25 Beginning Novice Division C – exhibitor **and** dog is beyond first year of competition.
- G-701-30 Novice A – Exhibitor and dog is in first year of Novice Class competition (started after October 1 of previous year). Dogs must heel on leash including figure 8; stand for examination off leash, heel free; some on recall off leash, long sit for one minute off leash, and long down for three minutes off leash.
- G-701-35 Novice B – Exhibitor and dog is beyond first year of Novice Class competition
- G-701-40 Graduate Novice – Dogs must heel on leash; stand for examination off leash; heel free including figure 8; drop on recall; long sit for three minutes and long down for five minutes, both with handler out of sight.

G-701-45 Advanced Graduate Novice – heel on leash and figure 8 (off leash), drop on recall, dumbbell recall, recall over high jump, recall over broad jump, and long down.

G-701-50 Open – all exercises off leash. Heel free and figure 8; drop on recall; retrieve on flat; retrieve over high jump; broad jump; long sit for three minutes and long down for five minutes, both with handler out of sight. Refer to Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Guidelines (4H 420) for hump heights/distances.

G-701-55 Graduate Open – signal exercise, scent discrimination, directed retrieve; moving stand and examination, go out, and directed jumping.

G-701-60 Utility – The dog will perform five exercises – the signal exercise; the scent discrimination exercise with leather and metal objects; the directed retrieve; moving stand and examination; directed jumping. Exhibits must supply their own scent articles and gloves for the directed retrieve.

Versatility

G-701-900 Versatility Class – handler shows what the dog can do instead of having a set pattern as in the obedience classes. This can be a series of tricks, brace or team work; sporting events such as point and retrieve using hand signals. Exhibitors must prepare a sheet for the judge so they know the exercise to be done.

Agility

Procedure – Agility will follow those procedures and classes described in Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Guidelines 4-H 420. Refer to Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Guidelines 4-H 420 – to determine class entry and obstacles for each level of competition. If a youth has not had training or practiced on agility equipment, they may not enter a competition due to safety and training experience in agility. With heights of all agility dogs must be included with advanced entries. Level 1 & 2 Agility classes are run on leash. Level 3, 4 and 5 are all run off leash. One of each obstacle noted in each level are mandatory and duplicate obstacles may be added to make up quantities of obstacles in each level. Obstacle equipment needing repair or deemed unsafe by judge will be excluded from the competition. Judges determine the arrangements of the obstacles on the course. Obstacles in course should be numbered to note the obstacle order for the course. Course maps will be made available.

Level 5 – Youth can use additional equipment for competition that they have access to and can use in practice. Obstacles that are used for agility competition events may be included from (AKC, CPE, USDAA, NADAC, UKC, etc.)

Agility Jump heights – measure dogs at withers to determine jump height:

Dogs 11 inches or less – 4 inches

Dogs over 11 inches up to and including 14 inches – 8 inches

Dogs over 14 inches up to and including 18 inches – 12 inches

Dogs over 18 inches – 16 inches

G-702-10 Level 1 – 6 obstacles / 3 bar jumps which have two bars each, short dog walk, pause box or table, and tunnel (open).

G-702-20 Level 2 – 10 obstacles / several bar jumps which have two bars each, short dog walk, pause box or table, tunnel (open), and solid panel jump.

G-702-30 Level 3 – 10 obstacles / same obstacles as Level 2 but dogs run off leash for Level 3.

G-702-40 Level 4 – 13 obstacles / bar jump which has one bar each, bar jump which has two bars each, tall dog walk, pause box or table, tunnel (open), solid panel jump, teeter totter (seesaw), and weave poles (single set with 6 poles).

G-702-50 Level 5 – 15-20 obstacles / any of the following obstacles such as: bar jump which has one bar each, bar jump which has two bars each, tall dog walk, pause box or table, tunnel (open), solid panel jump, A-frame short, A-frame tall, teeter totter (seesaw), weave poles (single set with 6 poles), weave poles (double set with 12 poles), broad jump, dump jump, triple bar jump, swing bridge, etc. Number of obstacles used for a course will depend on ring size and available equipment at show site. Course layout may include more advanced handling techniques.

Rally Classes

Rally will follow those procedures and classes described in Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Guidelines (4H 420). Refer to Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Guidelines to determine class entry for each level of competition.

G-703-10 Beginning Rally – dog is on leash and there are 5 to 10 stations

G-703-20 Rally 1 – dog is on leash and there are 10 to 15 stations

G-703-30 Rally 2 – dog is off leash and there are 12-17 stations

G-703-40 Rally 3 – dog is off leash and there are 15 to 20 stations

Care and Grooming

Judge: Dr. Luke Strehle, West Point NE

G-701-901 Care & Grooming – internal and external care of animal will be judged on the following criteria: Nose, Eyes, Ears, Mouth, Teeth, Feet, Nails, Legs, Skin, Hair Coat, Trimming, Nutritional Health, Temperament of the dog and three to four health care questions to be answered by the 4-Her and the appearance and attitude of the 4-H member.

Each of these items will receive a score of 1-5 points. Top exhibitor will be the one with the most points. Limit one dog entry per exhibitor.

Equipment Division

All constructed items, care and show kits, and essays must be ENTERED on Thursday before the show begins. Each exhibitor is responsible to present the exhibit during the show at the designated time. Need at least five exhibitors before rosette is awarded.

G-701-902 Construction – suggested items include dog house, whelping box, beds, etc. Items of cardboard will not be accepted. Copy of construction plan used must be attached to item.

G-701-903 Care and Showing Kits – suggested items include health kits, grooming kits, show kits, etc.

G-701-904 Essay – Care of dog, grooming of dog, immunizations, breed of dog, training dog.

