
DOG

CHECK-IN

Tuesday of Fair at 7-7:30 a.m. (Rybin Building)

SHOW DATE

Tuesday of Fair at 8:00 a.m. (Rybin Building)

RELEASE

Dogs may be released at the conclusion of the show.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Chelsea Lambert, Josey Stoddard

DOG GUIDELINES

ENTRY LIMIT:

- Exhibitors must be enrolled in a 4-H dog project by June 15 of the current year.
- An exhibitor is limited to participating in ONE class per division (Showmanship, Obedience, Versatility, and Agility).
- A dog is limited to participating in ONE class per division (Showmanship, Obedience, Versatility, and Agility).
- 4-H members showing a dog not owned by their family must submit a Washington County 4-H Dog Ownership Affidavit with their Animal Online Pre-Entry and are due by **PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE**.
- Classes will be based on the "Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Rules" (4-H 421).
- Dogs must be at least six months old to show unless otherwise stated.

EXHIBITION:

- Dogs are to be on grounds AND checked in by 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday of the fair. The show will begin promptly at 8:00 a.m.
- There will be two show arenas used for the dog show.
- This is an unbenched 4-H dog show, not an AKC show; therefore, the show procedure may not be consistent with all AKC rules.
- Exhibitors must be ready to enter the ring when their class is called.

PARADE OF DOGS:

- The Parade of Dogs is a procession of the dogs with their owners around the obedience ring at the start of the dog show.
- All participants will receive a participation ribbon.

BAITING:

- Baiting with food or toys is not permitted and is cause for disqualification.
- In the showmanship classes, handlers may use a baiting action without food or toys.
- Baiting in the versatility class is permitted.
- The judge has the authority to disqualify violators.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

- CERTIFICATE OF VACCINATION FOR DOGS (SF263 - available at the Nebraska Extension Office) must be completed by the exhibitor's veterinarian and submitted by the PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE. All dogs entered are **REQUIRED** to be current on their vaccinations, Rabies, Distemper, Infectious Canine Hepatitis, Parvovirus. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!**
- Dogs in season will not be allowed in the show.
- Any dog showing symptoms of poor health or sickness will be asked to leave the arena at the discretion of the show committee.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Learn basic skills for dog care and training; Explore dog health, nutrition, care, showmanship, and training; Investigate responsible breeding, diseases, dog roles, and careers.
- Exhibitors need to be aware and prepared that each class has a different guideline for appropriate collars and leashes. Refer to the "Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Rules" (4-H 421) for information.
- DOGS NEED TO BE ON LEASH AT ALL TIMES.

- Only dogs participating in the show are allowed on the fairgrounds.
- Scoresheets, forms, contest study materials and additional resources can be found at: <https://go.unl.edu/ne4hdog>
- Educational resources can be found at: https://4hcurriculum.unl.edu/index.php/main/program_project/8
- Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Manual 4H421: https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/webster/4-H%20Dog%20Rules%204H%20421_Final.pdf

AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR: Any dog that shows aggressive behavior toward other dogs or people will be immediately disqualified and will need to be removed from the fairgrounds.

SOCIALIZATION: Socialization of dogs not entered in the 4-H Show will not be allowed.

ABUSE: Any abuse of dogs on the ground, or in the ring will result in disqualification. The judge and/or the show committee have the authority to disqualify violators.

EXHIBITOR RESPONSIBILITY:

Cleanup shall be the exhibitor's responsibility. This includes all areas while on the fairgrounds.

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DOG SHOWMANSHIP

- Judged on combing, bathing, nails, ears, teeth, condition of coat and skin.
- The dog is not judged on its conformation or individual excellence.
- Exhibitors will be judged on their appearance, skill and alertness in showing their dog and appearance that their dog makes before the judge.
- Grooming and training of the dog is important.
- Each exhibitor and dog will be asked to do a pattern chosen by the judge. 4-Hers should be familiar with all the patterns. Refer to the "Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Manual" (4-H 421) for a complete list of patterns.
- The 4-Her and dog are being judged as a team.
- When setting up the dog for the individual examination or when in the line, try to stack or position your dog according to the breed standard. Mixed breeds should be positioned according to the breed standard the dog most closely resembles.
- Once the exhibitor has won their division, they must move up to the next succeeding class the following year, regardless of the age of the exhibitor.

Class 1 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)

Class 3 Senior Showmanship
(Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1. Exhibitors who have won Senior Showmanship in the past can/must compete in the Trophy Division.)

Class 4 Trophy Showmanship
(Exhibitors who have won Senior Showmanship. Exhibitors may participate in this division until they graduate out of the 4-H program.)

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DOG OBEDIENCE

- An exhibitor OR dog may enter no more than ONE obedience class. The exhibitor may select the obedience class best suited for their dog.
- Dogs with "CD" degrees must show in the Graduate Novice Class or higher classes. Dogs with "CDX" degrees must show in Open or Utility Classes. Dogs with "UD" degrees must show in the Utility Class.
- Dogs receiving a trophy and a purple ribbon in the obedience classes at a previous county fair must move up one class the following year.
- There is no limit to the number of years an exhibitor may show in the Open, Utility, Agility and Versatility classes.

BEGINNING NOVICE GUIDELINES:

Dog must heel including Figure 8, come on recall, stand for examination, sit and stay for one minute, down and stay for 3 minutes with leash on dog. All exercises must be performed on a six-foot leash. The leash must be held by the handler.

Class 1 Beginning Novice - Division A: Exhibitor and dog are in first year of competition.

Class 2 Beginning Novice - Division B: Exhibitor **or** dog is beyond first year of competition.

Class 3 Beginning Novice - Division C: Exhibitor **and** dog are beyond first year of competition.

NOVICE GUIDELINES:

Dogs must heel on leash including figure 8; stand for examination off leash; heel free; come on recall off leash; long sit for one minute off leash and long down for three minutes off leash with handler across the ring.

Class 4 Novice A: Exhibitor and dog have received a purple ribbon in Beginning Novice and are in first year of Novice Class competition.

Class 5 Novice B: Exhibitor and dog are beyond first year of Novice Class.

GRADUATE NOVICE GUIDELINES:

Dogs must heel on leash; stand for examination off lead, heel free including figure 8; drop on recall off leash; long sit off leash for 3 minutes with handler out of sight and long down off leash for 5 minutes with handler in sight.

Class 6 Graduate Novice: Exhibitor and dog have received a purple ribbon in Novice.

OPEN:

All exercises off leash. Dogs must: heel free and figure 8; drop on recall; retrieve on flat; retrieve over high jump; broad jump; long sit for 3 minutes and long down for 5 minutes, both with handler out of sight.

Class 7 Open: Exhibitor and dog have received a purple ribbon in Graduate Novice.

UTILITY:

All exercises must be off leash. The dogs will perform five exercises; the signal exercise; the scent discrimination with leather and metal objects; the directed retrieve; moving stand and examination, and directed jumping. Exhibitors must supply their own scent articles and gloves for the directed retrieve.

Class 8 Utility: Exhibitor and dog have received a purple ribbon in Open.

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DOG VERSATILITY

The handler shows what the dog can do instead of having a set pattern, such as in the obedience division. This can be tricks, brace or team work; sporting event such as point, retrieve, using hand signals. Events must be done in the ring. Exhibitor should prepare outline for the judge so they will know exercise.

A theme is required and costumes are encouraged.

If using an agility obstacle, it must be used in a different way than on an agility course.

Class 1 Versatility

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DOG AGILITY

- Agility is a timed obstacle course of 6 to 16 obstacles depending upon the class.
- Scoring is done by a judge making deductions for faults such as jumping off an obstacle or missing a contact, running the wrong course, refusal of an obstacle, and taking too much time on the course.
- The most important element of agility is fun, yet dog/handler teams must work well together.
- Dogs must be at least 1 year old at fair time to compete in agility.
- Dogs and handlers in their first year of agility (Class 1 Pre-

Beginning Agility A) must run on leash.

- Dogs in season will not be allowed to show.

Class 1 Level 1 - Pre-beginning Agility A

- The course will consist of 6 obstacles.
- Dog and handler are in their first year of agility.
- The course is set in a circle and must be run on leash.

Class 2 Level 1 - Pre-beginning Agility B

- Same as A, except dog and/or handler are beyond their first year of agility and have never received a purple ribbon in pre-beginning agility. Also, the exhibitor may run either on or off leash.

Class 3 Level 2 - Beginning Agility A

- The course will consist of 10 obstacles and will be off leash.
- Dog and/or handler must have received a purple ribbon in pre-beginning agility, and must be in their first year of beginning agility.

Class 4 Level 2 - Beginning Agility B

- Same as Beginning Agility A, except dog and/or handler are beyond their first year of agility and have never received a purple ribbon in beginning agility.

Class 5 Level 3 - Intermediate Agility

- The course will consist of more than 10 obstacles and will be off leash.
- Dog and/or handler must have received a purple in beginning agility B.

HOG

IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS

Friday of Fair by 9:00 p.m. (Hog Barn)

WEIGH-IN/CHECK-IN/CARCASS CONTEST SCANNING

Saturday of Fair from 8-9:30 a.m. (Hog Barn)

SHOW DATE

Tuesday of Fair at 8:00 a.m. (RVR Bank Arena)

RELEASE

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

Auction animals are required to stay through the auction.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Chris Booth, Josh Grabbe, Mary Hilgenkamp, Mike Mackie

HOG GUIDELINES

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS BY JUNE 15:

An exhibitor must exhibit hogs that have been properly identified under their name. ALL LIVESTOCK MUST SUBMIT PHOTOS TO:

<https://go.unl.edu/wcphotoid>

- Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag AND Washington County Identification Sheet OR DNA Envelope
- The ID's for all market hog will be checked by the show committee when animal is brought to fair. Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee.

ENTRY LIMIT:

- An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting SIX TOTAL HEAD (market hogs and/or commercial breeding gilts).
- OPEN CLASS EXHIBITORS are required to submit pen requests by the PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE to the Nebraska Extension in Washington County Office, 597 Grant Street, Blair, NE 68008 (FAX: 402- 426-3577). Online at <https://go.unl.edu/wcfentryforms>

BEDDING: Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own bedding.

HOUSING: In case of space limitations, there will be no single pigs per pen. Instead, exhibitors will be required to divide pens with panels and house at least two pigs per pen.

WEIGH-IN/CHECK-IN:

- All hog exhibits must be on fairgrounds and in place by 9:00 p.m. on Friday of the fair.