

## **DOG OBEDIENCE & HANDLING – Health Papers Required**

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### **RULES: (Be familiar with the General Livestock Rules)**

- 1) Exhibitors must have a Dog ID form entered into 4-H Online by May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 2) **Current rabies certification** must be on file in the Extension Office by May 15<sup>th</sup> or the date of the first dog class, whichever comes first.
- 3) Classes must be entered into FairEntry.com by June 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 4) **Current STATE HEALTH CERTIFICATION PAPERS dated 30 days or less before date of show need to be submitted to the Fair Staff or Superintendent before the show begins in order to participate.**
- 5) **Dogs are to be on the grounds during day of judging only. Dogs must be leashed or kenneled and kept away from buildings with livestock and non-livestock exhibits in them.**
- 6) Dogs may be shown by exhibitor only.
- 7) The exhibitor must be the primary trainer.
- 8) Exhibitors with two years or less of 4-H or FFA experience in the Dog Show MUST attend at least 6 of the 8 two-hour Dog Obedience classes to be able to show during the fair. Attendance at classes is highly recommended, but not required for exhibitors with 3 or more years of experience. Number of years of experience for the exhibitor participating in a county fair and/or a state fair dog show, will determine whether attendance at classes is required.
- 9) Any female in season may not be shown.
- 10) Clover Kids may participate in dog classes, but a responsible adult needs to attend sessions with them.
- 11) Clover Kids (with adult present) will be allowed to participate in a special non-competitive exhibition show prior to the dog show.
- 12) Dog owners will provide their own water pan and food.
- 13) Choke chains and buckle collars should be used in obedience classes. Show leads should be used while showing in other divisions. No prong or pinch collars, gentle leaders, or harnesses will be used in the show ring at any time.
- 14) This is **NOT** an AKC sanctioned dog show. AKC rules have been used as much as possible. It is recommended that youth attend an AKC show or obtain a copy of their rules prior to exhibiting. This will assist exhibitors in knowing and understanding some of the expectations of a dog show.
- 15) No food or bait is allowed in the Obedience/Rally rings. Treats allowed only in Agility and Showmanship.

### **30100: Clover Kids Exhibition Show**

**Dog Handling/Showmanship Division** Exhibitors will be automatically entered into the appropriate Showmanship class and should notify the Superintendent or Fair Staff if they choose not to participate on the day of the show. **See General Showmanship Contest rules.**

Showmanship will be judged by the following score card:

Exhibitor (attitude and appearance)	15 pts
Dog (grooming and condition)	25 pts
Handling	30 pts
Questions	<u>30 pts</u>
Total	100 pts

**Senior Handling/Showmanship**  
**Intermediate Handling/Showmanship**  
**Junior Handling/Showmanship**

**Each dog may be entered into only one obedience class, one rally class, and one agility class.**

### **Obedience Division**

Ribbons will be awarded as follows:

Purple: 190-200 points  
Blue: 170-189.5 points  
Red: 150-169.5 points

White: 149.5 or lower

**Qualifying Scores**

- A. If a dog/exhibitor achieves a qualifying score in a class at a previous years' fair, he/she must move up to the next class.
- B. Qualifying score = 170 points or above
- C. Previous scores will be available at the dog classes or by calling the Extension Office by June 15.

**30300: Beginner Novice A**

**1<sup>st</sup> year for both exhibitor and dog.**

- Heel ON Leash 40 pts.
- Figure 8 ON Leash 40 pts.
- Sit for Examination ON Leash 40 pts.
- Sit/Stay Handler Walks Ring Drop Leash 40 pts
- Recall (No Finish) Off Leash 40 pts

**30301: Beginner Novice B**

**2<sup>nd</sup> + year exhibitor/2<sup>nd</sup> year dog OR either exhibitor or dog with previous training experience, but 1<sup>st</sup> year for the other Team member. Exhibitor/dog team may enter this class until exhibitor has received a qualifying score.**

- Heel ON Leash 40 pts.
- Figure 8 ON Leash 40 pts.
- Sit for Examination ON Leash 40 pts
- Sit/Stay Handler Walks Ring Drop Leash 40 pts.
- Recall (No Finish) Off Leash 40 pts

**30302: Preferred Novice A**

**Exhibitor/dog team may enter this class 1 year.**

- Heel & Figure 8 ON Leash 40 pts
- Stand for Examination Off Leash 30 pts
- Heel Free Off Leash 40 pts
- Recall with Finish Off Leash 30 pts
- Stay – Sit or Down, Handler Walks Ring 30 pts
- Sit Stay – Get Your Leash 30 pts

**30303: Preferred Novice B**

**Exhibitor/dog team may enter this class until exhibitor has received a qualifying score.**

- Heel & Figure 8 ON Leash 40 pts
- Stand for Examination Off Leash 30 pts
- Heel Free Off Leash 40 pts
- Recall with Finish Off Leash 30 pts
- Stay - Sit or Down, Handler Walks Ring 30 pts
- Sit Stay – Get Your Leash 30 pts

**30304: Novice A**

**Exhibitor/dog team may enter this class 1 year.**

- Heel On Leash and Figure Eight 40 pts
- Stand for Examination 30 pts
- Heel Free Off Leash 40 pts
- Recall with Finish Off Leash 30 pts
- Sit Stay - Get Your Leash 30 pts
- Group Exercise – Sit & Down Stay 30 pts

**30305: Novice B**

**Exhibitor/dog team may enter this class until exhibitor has received a qualifying score.**

- Heel On Leash and Figure Eight 40 pts
- Stand for Examination 30 pts
- Heel Free Off Leash 40 pts
- Recall with Finish Off Leash 30 pts
- Sit Stay - Get Your Leash 30 pts
- Group Exercise – Sit & Down Stay 30 pts

**30306: Graduate Novice A**

**This class is for dogs attempting the dumbbell work and have not received a qualifying score.**

**Exhibitor/dog team may enter this class 1 year. Exhibitor must provide their own dumbbell for this class.**

- Heel Free and Figure Eight 40 pts
- Drop on Recall Off Leash 40 pts
- Dumbbell Recall Off Leash 30 pts
- Dumbbell Recall Over High Jump Off Leash 30 pts
- Recall Over Broad Jump Off Leash 30 pts
- Sit/Down (3 min) Handler Out of Sight Drop Leash 30 pts

**30307: Graduate Novice B**

**This class is for dogs that readily carry the dumbbell, or have received a qualifying score in Graduate Novice A. Exhibitor must provide their own dumbbell for this class.**

- Heel Free and Figure Eight 40 pts
- Drop On Recall 40 pts
- Dumbbell Recall 30 pts
- Dumbbell Recall Over High Jump 30 pts
- Recall Over Broad Jump 30 pts
- Stand Stay – Get Your Leash 30 pts

**30308: Preferred Open**

**No limit on number of years exhibitor/dog team may enter. Exhibitor must provide their own dumbbell for this class.**

- Heel Free and Figure Eight 40 pts
- Command Discrimination (Stand, Down, Sit) 30 pts
- Drop On Recall 30 pts
- Retrieve On Flat 20 pts
- Retrieve Over High Jump 30 pts
- Broad Jump 20 pts
- Stand Stay – Get Your Leash 30 pts

**30309: Open**

**No limit to number of years exhibitor/dog team may enter. Exhibitor must provide their own dumbbell for this class.**

- Heel Free and Figure Eight 40 pts
- Command Discrimination (Stand, Down, Sit) 30 pts
- Drop On Recall 30 pts
- Retrieve On Flat 20 pts
- Retrieve Over High Jump 30 pts
- Broad Jump 20 pts
- Stand Stay - Get Your Leash 30 pts

**Rally Division:**

**This class is open to every exhibitor. Exercises are performed at a variety of stations and may include jumping exercises. Each dog may only enter one rally class. Number of stations does not include the START and FINISH.**

**Qualifying Scores**

- A. If a dog/exhibitor achieves a qualifying score in a class at the previous years' fair, he/she must move up to the next Class.
- B. Qualifying score = 70 points or above

**30400: Novice Rally**

**10-15 signs performed ON LEASH. No jumps, 3-5 stationary signs.**

**Exhibitors may choose to enter Intermediate Rally OR Advanced Rally upon receiving a qualifying score in Novice Rally. Intermediate Rally will be ON LEASH: Advanced Rally will be OFF LEASH.**

**30401: Intermediate Rally**

**12-17 signs performed ON LEASH. No jumps, 3-7 stationary signs, at least 3 advanced level signs.**

**30402: Advanced Rally**

12-17 signs performed OFF LEASH. Includes 1 jump, 3-7 stationary signs and at least 3 advanced level signs.

**30403: Excellent Rally**

15-20 signs performed OFF LEASH. Includes 2 jumps, 3-7 stationary signs, at least 2 advanced level signs, at least 3 excellent level signs, and the sit/stay sign.

**30404: Master Rally**

15-20 signs performed OFF LEASH. Includes 1 jump, 3-7 stationary signs, at least 4 master level signs, 1 required jump (301, 302 or 303), 3 excellent level signs, and 3 advanced level signs.

There are no retries for any of the signs on the Master Rally course. Unlike in the Novice Rally, Intermediate Rally, and Advanced Rally classes, handlers are not allowed to pat their legs or clap their hands to encourage the dog without penalty. Verbal encouragement, multiple commands, and/or inaudible signals using one or both arms are allowed. Handlers may not touch their dog or make any physical corrections without penalty.

**Agility Division:**

**Agility is a timed event obstacle course that includes jumps, tunnels, and other obstacles as trained for by the exhibitor and dog.**

**Novice Agility—for dogs shown in Obedience Beginner Novice classes and dogs that are not ready to go off leash.**

**30500: Novice Dogs (ON leash) – all heights**

**Advanced Agility—for dogs shown in Preferred Novice or above obedience classes. You must be able to demonstrate control of your dog off leash to participate in Advanced Agility.**

**30501: 8" Class – Dog height 11" and under (OFF leash)**

**30502: 12" Class – Dog height 11-14" (OFF leash)**

**30503: 16" Class – Dog height 14-18" (OFF leash)**

**30504: 20" Class – Dog height 18-22" (OFF leash)**

**30505: 24" Class – Dog height over 22" (OFF leash)**

**\*\* Best in Show Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded to the handler with the highest total scores from Obedience, Rally, and Agility Classes regardless of which dog earned each score. Showmanship scores will be used in the event of a tie. Handlers are eligible for Best in Show Champion or Reserve, despite the number of dogs shown.**

**Fun** – Train your dog to do a trick not covered in obedience (examples might be shake, roll over, catch a Frisbee, etc.) The judge will select the best trick demonstrated. Points don't apply to Best in Show award.

**30600: Trick Class**

Division	Class		Award
301: Clover Kids	30100	Clover Kid Exhibition Show	Clover Kid Ribbon
302: Dog Handling/ Showmanship	30200	Senior Showmanship	G: Choice Award R: Pink Rosette
	30201	Intermediate Showmanship	G: Plaque R: Pink Rosette
	30202	Junior Showmanship	G: Plaque R: Pink Rosette
303: Dog Obedience	30300	Beginner Novice A	Dog Obedience G: Plaque R: Pink Rosette
	30301	Beginner Novice B	
	30302	Preferred Novice A	
	30303	Preferred Novice B	
	30304	Novice A	
	30305	Novice B	
	30306	Graduate Novice A	
	30307	Graduate Novice B	
	30308	Preferred Open	
	30309	Open	
304: Dog Rally	30400	Novice Rally	Dog Rally G: Plaque R: Pink Rosette
	30401	Intermediate Rally	
	30402	Advanced Rally	
	30403	Excellent Rally	

305: Dog Agility	30404	Master Rally	Dog Agility G: Plaque R: Pink Rosette
	30500	Novice Dogs	
	30501	8" Class	
	30502	12" Class	
	30503	16" Class	
	30504	20" Class	
	30505	24" Class	
306: Fun	30600	Trick Class	
	<b>30300-505</b>	<b>Best in Show:</b> Based on points Grand and Reserve must be 2 different exhibitors.	G: Plaque R: Plaque