

**SECTION 015
DOG AGILITY, OBEDIENCE
and
GROOMING & HANDLING**

Dog Show animals are allowed on the grounds for the Dog Show only. For exhibitor convenience we will allow ½ hour before and ½ hour after the show. The only exception to this rule will be a dog used as part of a scheduled 4-H Public Presentation.

PLEASE NOTE! LOCATION CHANGE:

Dog Obedience, Grooming & Handling, Costume Class and Games will be held at the Dairy Cattle Show Ring on Thursday at 6 p.m.

Dog Agility Classes (location TBA)

Judge: TBA

- 1 Boys and girls who are enrolled in the 4-H Dog Project may compete in these trials.
- 2 Dogs must be vaccinated for: Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis and Parvovirus and Rabies. The dog's vaccination certificate will be checked with the entry form.
- 3 The dogs will be judged and scored according to the AKC Regulations.
- 4 A bitch in season is not permitted to compete.
- 5 A limping or injured dog may be excused at the judge's discretion.
- 6 Cloverbuds may show their dog as exhibition only. Cloverbuds will receive an incentive award and will receive a Cloverbud rosette. Participants will not be placed.
- 7 All entries should be pre-registered before fair. Send all entries for Cornell Cooperative Extension, P.O. Box 184, Hamden, NY 13782. These entries are due by July 22.

Agility Classes (location TBA)

Dogs must remain on leash until ready for their run. No treats, toys or leashes may be used during the scoring run.

1. A flat buckle collar must be used.
2. No dogs under the age of 12 months old are permitted to compete in Agility.
3. A dog that receives a red or white ribbon rating may compete in the same class the second year. After a dog has received 1 blue ribbon they must move up.

Scoring

Scoring will be done in accordance with the AKC Rules for Agility and the NYS 4-H Rule Book. Blue, Red, and White ribbons will be awarded under the Danish system of judging. A Champion ribbon will be awarded to the highest scoring dog in each class providing that a qualifying score is obtained.

Class No. 2151 (location TBA)

Pre Novice Agility – For dogs that have not trained beyond the beginner level. Course will consist of the A-frame/contacts, jumps, tunnel, table and tire. The course will not exceed ten obstacles.

Class No. 2152 (location TBA)

Novice Agility – For dogs that have not trained beyond the beginner level. Course will consist of the A-frame/contacts, jumps, tunnel, table and tire. The course will not exceed fifteen obstacles.

Obedience Classes (will be held in the Dairy Cattle Show Ring)

- 1 Leash: The leash must be 6' in length and may be fabric or leather.
Collar: The collar must be well-fitting, and may be leather, fabric, or chain choker collars. There should not be anything hanging from the collars.
- 2 An exhibitor may not enter more than two (2) dogs per class. He must have a second handler for long sits and downs.
- 3 Long sits and downs may be combined as follows: Beginners, Graduate Beginners, Novice and Graduate Novice, if there is a small entry at the discretion of the judge, classes may not be combined if one handler has more than two (2) entries in the combined classes.

Scoring

- 1 Dogs will be scored according to the AKC obedience trial rules. Blue, Red, and White ribbons will be awarded under the Danish system of judging. A Champion ribbon will be awarded to the highest scoring dog in each class providing that a qualifying score is obtained. Qualifying score: Beginners and Graduate Beginners 136; Novice, Graduate Novice, 170.
- 2 The Beginners and Graduate Beginners will be awarded ribbons on the following basis: Blue 160-145; Red 144-130; White 129-0. Novice, Graduate Novice: Blue 200-170; Red 169-150; White 149-0.
- 3 A dog that receives a red or white ribbon rating may compete in the same class the second year. After a dog has received three blue ribbons they must move up.
- 4 In case of a tie score for any prize, the dogs shall be tested again at the same time. Beginners and Graduate Beginners will be tested on all or part of the heel on leash exercise. Novice and Graduate Novice will be tested on all or part of the heel-free exercise.

Class No. 2153 (location TBA)

Beginners -- For dogs that have not had training beyond the beginner class. Dogs will be on lead and scored on a basis of 160 points. Exercises are: Heel, Stand for Examination, Figure 8, Recall, Long Sit -- 1 min.; Long Down -- 3 min.

Class No. 2154 (will be held in the Dairy Cattle Show Ring)

Graduate Beginners -- For dogs that have completed the Graduate Beginners course, but have not had training beyond this level. This is scored on a basis of 160 points. Exercises are: On leash: Heel and Figure 8; Off leash: Stand for Examination, Recall, Long Sit - 1 min., Long Down - 3 min.

Class No. 2155 (will be held in the Dairy Cattle Show Ring)

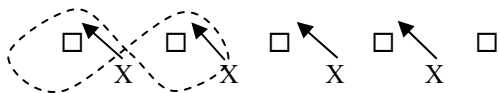
Novice -- For dogs that have had training in the novice class, but not beyond this level. Dogs must not have completed their CD Degrees. This is scored on a basis of 200 points. Exercises are: On leash: Heel and Figure 8. Off leash: Heel Free, Stand for Examination, Recall, Long Sit -- 1 min., Long Down -- 3 min.

Class No. 2156 (will be held in the Dairy Cattle Show Ring)

Graduate Novice -- For dogs that have completed Graduate Novice Training, but have not had training beyond this course. Dogs may have earned a CD Degree, but not a CDX. This is scored on a basis of 200 points. Exercises are: On leash: Heel; Off leash: Stand for Examination, Heel Free, Drop on Recall, Long Sit -- 3 min., Long Down -- 5 min.

Heel on Leash and the Figure 8 will be done on lead. The Stand for Examination and Recall will be done off leash. The Figure 8 will be done with the pattern of stewards as shown below. The Long Sit (one minute) and Long Down (3 minutes) will be done off lead with handler in sight.

Figure 8



X = Dog and Handler

□ = Steward

All dog and handler teams will begin the Figure 8 exercise together, starting clockwise around the steward to their immediate left, and following counter-clockwise around the steward to their right. The exercise is to be continued until the judge finishes it.

Grooming and Handling (will be held in the Dairy Cattle Show Ring)

Scoring: Blue 100-86; Red 85-71; White 70-0

- 1 Dogs in this class must have been enrolled in an agility and/or an obedience class.
- 2 Dogs should be handled on proper show lead for the breed of dog.
- 3 Dogs are judged on proper grooming and ability of the handler, not on conformation of the dog. Ownership of the dog is not required.
- 4 If numbers warrant, the classes will first be divided by age: 8-12, and 13 and over; then, if necessary, by small and large breeds.

- 5 One exhibitor may not handle more than one dog.
- 6 Dogs may be Purebred or Mixed Breed.
- 7 Breeds which require clipping or stripping may be done professionally. (Handler grooming is encouraged.) Bathing, brushing, cleaning ears, trimming toe nails must be done by the 4-H member.

Class No. 2159- Grooming and Handling (A) – (will be held in the Dairy Cattle Show Ring)

For 4-Hers who are competing for the first time at the Fair.

Class No. 2160- Grooming and Handling (B) – (will be held in the Dairy Cattle Show Ring)

For 4-Hers who have previously competed in Grooming and Handling at the Fair.

Class No. 2161 (will be held in the Dairy Cattle Show Ring)

Costume Class -- Dogs and 4-H Members may be dressed in a costume to indicate a theme of exhibitor's choice. No acts or skits allowed. Pairs may show as a single unit. Class will be judged on costuming, originality, and dog behavior. A card (3"x5") indicating the following must be handed to the clerk upon entering the ring.

- a. Name of contestant and ring number
- b. Home town and county
- c. Theme of costume (explanation)

Class No. 2162 (will be held in the Dairy Cattle Show Ring)

Dog Games – Musical Sits – Played like Musical Chairs, dogs must sit on command when the music stops. The handler can use whatever method they like to have their dog sit, but they may not touch the dog. The last dog in the ring is the winner.

Class No. 2163 (will be held in the Dairy Cattle Show Ring)

Dog Games – Musical Downs – Played like Musical Chairs, dogs must down on the command when the music stops. The handler can use whatever method they like to have their dog down, but they may not touch the dog. The last dog in the ring is the winner.