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# WASHINGTON STATE 4-H DOG PROGRAM GUIDELINES

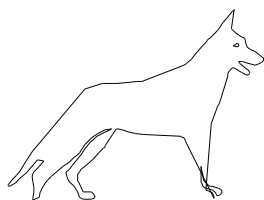
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## SECTION I: PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Develop leadership, initiative, sportsmanship and responsibility.
- Develop self-reliance and patience by working with your dog daily.
- Learn cooperation as one part of a dog and handler team and by sharing your experiences with others
- Learn to accept the judge's decision gracefully.
- Learn how to work with other 4-H members and leaders.
- Learn how to show and handle dogs safely.
- Learn to keep good records and to use them to make management decisions.
- Learn show ring rules and etiquette.
- Learn to be courteous to the public, judges, show and fair officials, and other competitors.
- Learn to care for and manage a dog.
- Develop public speaking skills by expressing your ideas before groups in demonstrations, judging contests, and other activities.
- Experience the pride of owning and showing your 4-H dog.
- Enjoy and benefit from the experience of being an active member of a 4-H club.



## SECTION II: GENERAL RULES

### A. Age and Enrollment

1. Membership in 4-H is limited to the following age/grade groups:
  - a. Primary: Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades
  - b. Junior: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades
  - c. Intermediates: 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades
  - d. Seniors: 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades or youths who have not reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday before January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current 4-H year
2. All 4-H members must be enrolled in the dog program to participate in 4H dog shows
3. Primary members are not eligible for out-of-county activities or competitive events.

### B. Dog Care Project Requirements

1. Access to Dog.

Each member is expected to have access to one or more dogs. This means a member may borrow, rent, or lease a dog for a project. This should be indicated in the 4-H Record Book. The dog must be under the 4-H member's care and training at least 60 days before a qualifying show, as stated in EM0758, *Washington State 4-H Youth Program Policy*.
2. Two members may share a dog as their 4-H project. There must be an agreement in each member's record about the shared dog. However, the two members may not show

the dog in the same class, and counties may be more restrictive than the state Washington 4-H Dog Care Policy.

3. Dogs may be any breed, mixed or purebred, but not wolf or coyote hybrids.
4. Dogs may be spayed or neutered.
5. Blind and/or deaf dogs are allowed. Dogs that are lame or have some other handicap may be used if the 4-H'er brings a statement from a veterinarian stating that use as a 4-H project dog will not have any adverse effects on the dog's health.
6. Dogs **must** have proof of rabies vaccination. Other vaccinations may be recommended by your veterinarian.
7. Bitches in season are allowed. When in season, bitches must wear doggy britches. The show superintendent must be notified if a bitch is in season at check in.
8. Dogs that exhibit aggressive, and/or unsocial, and/or problem behavior, that cannot be controlled by their handler, are a serious safety issue. Leaders and Superintendents have the *immediate* authority to excuse or place restrictions on such dog's participation in 4-H activities. Leaders and Superintendents must inform their 4-H staff of their decision and the appropriate plan of action would follow. It is up to each county to decide what that action would be. Every effort should be made to see that the member is not excluded or excused. Alternative suggestions should be offered to the 4-H member and family.
9. To compete at the Washington State 4-H Fair, the dog must qualify at its county fair or other designated qualifying show.

### C. Show and Ring

1. Ribbons and Awards: The Danish System of Awards will be used at 4-H designated shows and fairs. In this system every contestant will receive an award consisting of a flat blue, red or white ribbon. Trophies and/or Grand or Reserve Champion Rosettes may be awarded in addition to the Danish System Awards.
2. Conduct: The provisions of this rule shall apply to the dog owner, exhibitor, and members of the family of the person participating in the show or fair. Approach the judge for information only, not to dispute a placing, and only after judging is completed.
  - a. No one is allowed to coach contestants while they are in the ring.
  - b. The ring is off limits to everyone except working show personnel.
  - c. The judge should not be approached until judging is completed.
  - d. Any infractions of the above may cause the dismissal of the contestant from the class and maybe from the show.
  - e. The Show Superintendent reserves the right to dismiss any child or party from any 4-H class of the show for any misconduct or infractions of *Washington State 4-H Dog Program*. Excused contestants may forfeit all awards received at the show or in the class.
3. Protest: When an individual is assisting with a 4-H show, no one should interrupt or interfere in any manner. If someone does not agree with what is being done, comments may be made in writing, to the superintendent. A judge's decision, representing his or her individual preference, cannot be protested unless it is alleged to violate the rules. Each protest must be lodged, in writing, by at least two exhibitors and an adult. Each exhibitor must be from a

different club and/or county. In classes with a single exhibitor, or participant, a single exhibitor may protest. The protest must be filed with the appropriate show superintendent or assistant manager within 12 hours of the time of the cause and the protest. A fee may be charged and accompany the protest which is refundable, only if the protest is upheld. The protest will be acted upon by a committee selected by the fair manager. The committee decision will be final.

#### **D. 4-H Ground Rules for Youth and Adults**

Leaders and Parents: Please make your members aware of these "Ground Rules" when they participate in 4-H activities.

Breaking any of the following rules may result in your dismissal by the show superintendent from a show or fair and forfeiture of all awards. Also, any gross abuse of these rules may cause the removal of a 4-H member from the 4-H Program.

4-H events are provided for under the auspices of Washington State University Extension. For youth safety, we ask that you help us enforce these rules:

1. Volunteer staff must adhere to the policies affecting volunteers in *Washington State 4-H Youth Program Policy, EM0758*.
2. All volunteers, participants, and parents must adhere to the Washington 4-H ethics code; see C1000, *A Valuable Partnership*.
3. No alcoholic beverages.
4. No drugs.
5. No smoking or tobacco products.
6. No abuse of dogs.
7. No coaching of youth while they are in the ring or showing their dogs.
8. Adults may not groom or school a show dog while on the grounds. Designated adults may help members with the project.
9. The ring is off limits to everyone except working show personnel.
10. Approach the judge for information only, not to dispute a placing, and only after judging is completed.
11. Show personnel may dismiss a visibly ill dog from participation.
12. All exhibitors must participate in Herdsmanship, if offered.
13. Leaders will ask a member of their club to leave the show grounds with his or her dog if behavior is unacceptable.
14. Only dogs entered in novice and higher classes may be off leash at any time and these only in the show or practice ring.
15. At a benched show, there is no eating or drinking in the benching area.
16. Prong, spike collars, head collars, electric collars and muzzles are not allowed on the show grounds.
17. Dogs may be shown with minor, non-contagious ailments. However, this is a show management decision and a veterinarian's certificate may be required.
18. **DRESS CODE:**  
4-H participants, (defined as; 4-H members, Leaders, and Parents or other adults), must dress tastefully and conservatively. Sandals may be worn with stockings. Bare feet and exposed midribs are not allowed. All shirts must have at least 3 finger width straps at the shoulders. Low-cut necklines or sexually provocative clothing will not be permitted. Mesh or see through (sheer) clothing is not allowed. Underwear may not be exposed. Clothing that advertises alcohol, drugs, tobacco, gang affiliation, sexually explicit messages or obscenities will not be allowed. Skirt lengths will not exceed 2 inches above the top of the knee. All clothing and shoes must be clean and in good repair. 4-H participants may not participate in any 4-H activity unless they acknowledge and comply with the above dress code. If, in the opinion of the activity or event officials, a participant does not comply, the participant shall be given one opportunity to correct the

problem. If participant fails to correct the problem, they will be asked to leave the activity or event and all awards and premiums shall be forfeited. Variations of this dress code may be allowed for specific events by the event coordinator as they deem necessary. (For example; Hot weather at County fairs or Club events, Pool or Beach parties, Agility trials, etc.)

- a. Please note that participants are 4-H members, Leaders, and Parents or other adults participating in the activity/event.
- b. State, County or Club events may vary the dress code to meet specific, weather or activity/event criteria. It is up to the event coordinator to specify if allowances are to be made. This should be stated ahead of time with the event rules/guidelines.

19. Running or rowdy behavior is not allowed.

It is suggested that these "Ground Rules" be posted at each and every 4-H function.

### SECTION III: HERDSMANSHIP

The purpose of Herdsmanship is to teach exhibitors how to care for their dogs and their equipment to the best of their ability at a show, fair, and at home. It also provides an excellent opportunity for 4-H member's to educate the public about dog care and training through the use of decorations and educational material.

#### **A. Herdsmanship Rules**

Exhibitors must follow all of the "Ground Rules" outlined in Section II.D. of these guidelines.

1. No eating or gum chewing in the benching area.
2. Each dog must have suitable benching equipment, to include:
  - a. A benching chain made chain or plastic covered cable which is short enough to prevent the dog from falling off the bench. Two bolt snaps must be attached to the chain.
  - b. A buckle or non-choking collar or a harness. No training (choke) collars are allowed on the bench.
3. There must be one member present at all times for each six dogs.
4. All counties must have an adult in the area to provide supervision at all times.
5. At benched shows, no one except 4-H members, their families, and their leaders are allowed in the benching area. Individual clubs may make further restrictions if desired.
6. Crates, cages, and exercise pens are not allowed at State Fair. Wire crates may be used with permission of the show superintendent or show manager.
7. No lactating bitches or bitches within 3 weeks of whelping.

#### **B. Judging Considerations**

Herdsmanship judging shall be based upon the following considerations:

1. Exhibitors will be judged on their personal cleanliness and neatness. They will also be judged on their friendliness and courtesy to the public, show personnel, and each other. Exhibitors should not block the public's view of the dogs if at all possible 4-H member's on duty should be attentive and ready to answer questions.
2. Herdsmanship judges will check to see that dogs are benched with the proper equipment. Dogs should look comfortable and under control. They should not be barking on the

- bench. Dogs may be watered on the bench, but water must be promptly removed.
3. Benches should be neat and clean. Any equipment not in use should be put away. Exhibitors are required to keep their benching area and the area immediately in front of it clean at all times.
  4. Clubs or counties should have a banner for identification. Decorations should be neat and tasteful and should not interfere with the public's view of the dogs. Decorations chosen should not endanger dogs or people in any way.
  5. Each club or county should have some type of educational exhibit. This may include posters, displays, booths, etc. These may be items members have entered as individual educational material displayed.

#### SECTION IV: CLASSES AND DIVISIONS

##### A. Class List

The following list contains classes which may be offered at 4-H shows. Premium lists must state which classes will be offered. Other classes may be offered but must be designated as non 4-H classes.

1. Showmanship
2. Pre Novice Obedience
3. Novice Obedience
4. Advanced Obedience
5. Graduate Novice Obedience
6. Veterans/Modified Obedience
7. Open Obedience
8. Graduate Open Obedience
9. Utility Obedience
10. Versatility Obedience
11. Brace Obedience
  - a. Pre Novice
  - b. Novice
  - c. Advanced Novice
12. Team Obedience
  - a. Pre Novice
  - b. Novice
  - c. Advanced Novice

13. Agility
14. Dog Judging Contest
15. Dog Bowl

##### B. Grade Divisions

1. Grade: All classes shall be divided, if entries warrant, into the following grades:
  - a. Primaries - Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
  - b. Junior Member - 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades
  - c. Intermediate Member - 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades
  - d. Senior Member - 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grades and those who have not had their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current 4-H year.

#### SECTION V: SCORING AND QUALIFYING FOR STATE

##### A. General Rules

1. Danish System Scoring: At 4-H designated shows, all exhibitors shall receive a ribbon based on their individual score. Point divisions for ribbons are as follows.

##### Showmanship:

- a. Blue Ribbon, 85-100 points
- b. Red Ribbon, 70-84.5 points
- c. White Ribbon, 0-69.5 points

##### Obedience:

For **Pre Novice and Novice** passing scores for Blue and Red ribbons shall also be comprised of more than 50% of the available points in each exercise.

##### Point Breakdown:

- a. Blue Ribbon 185-200 points
- b. Red Ribbon 170-184.5 points
- c. White Ribbon 0-169.5 points

##### For Advanced Novice and Above:

- a. Blue Ribbon 170-200 points
- b. Red Ribbon 100-169.5 points
- c. White Ribbon 99.5 and below

At State Fair exhibitors need not advance to the next higher class until they have reached a blue ribbon at State Fair.

2. Champion and Reserve Champion Awards :  
A Champion Ribbon may be awarded to the top exhibitor in each age/division level provided the top score qualifies for a blue ribbon. A Reserve Champion ribbon may be awarded to the second highest exhibitor in each age/division level provided the score qualifies for a blue ribbon.

In case of a tie between two exhibitors, both will be awarded the Champion or Reserve award. If more than two exhibitors are tied they will be called into the ring for a run-off and the winner only will receive the award. If two exhibitors are awarded the Champion, the exhibitor with the next highest score will receive the Reserve Champion award provided the score qualifies for a blue ribbon.

3. State Fair Qualification : Exhibitors may only qualify for the Washington State 4-H Fair by competing at their county fair or designated qualifying event.
4. State Fair Qualification - Pre Novice and Novice
- Pre Novice and Novice exhibitors must qualify as part of the county quota.
  - Exhibitors receiving a red ribbon in both Showmanship and Pre Novice or Novice are not eligible for State Fair competition.
  - Exhibitors receiving a white ribbon in either Showmanship or Pre Novice or Novice are not eligible for State Fair competition.
  - Exhibitors receiving a blue in both obedience and Showmanship will be taken first to fill the quota, followed in order of preference by:
    - Blue in Showmanship - Red in Obedience
    - Red in Showmanship - Blue in ObedienceHighest Score will be taken first.

5. State Fair Qualification - Advanced Novice and Above  
Advanced Novice and above entries must be part of the county quota. In Advanced Novice and above obedience classes an exhibitor may qualify by the following:
- Blue in Showmanship and a minimum score of 100 points and passing a total of at least one half the number of exercises in the class in Advanced Novice and above.
  - Red in Showmanship and a Blue in Advanced Novice or above.
  - Exhibitors receiving a red ribbon in both Showmanship and Advanced Novice or above are not eligible for State Fair competition.
  - Exhibitors receiving a white ribbon in either Showmanship or Advanced Novice or above are not eligible for State Fair competition.
6. State Fair Qualification - Exhibitors with two or more dogs.
- Exhibitor must receive a blue or red ribbon in Showmanship
  - One of the exhibitor's dogs must qualify for State in Obedience (see rules 4 or 5 above).
  - The dog that qualifies in obedience must be the dog entered for State competition.
  - The dog must be entered for State competition in the same class in which they qualified at the county level.
  - If both of the exhibitor's dogs qualify for State competition, the exhibitor must choose which dog to enter.
7. State Fair Qualification - Brace and Team.
- Exhibitors in the Brace class must receive a blue ribbon in the brace class AND the member must also have qualified to attend State Fair with one of the dogs in their individual classes.  
Team exhibitors must receive a blue in their team class. Each member of the team must also have qualified to attend State Fair with the dog in their individual classes.

## SECTION VI: SHOWMANSHIP

The purpose of showmanship is to show that the 4-H members know how to care for, groom and show the dog to its best advantage. It also demonstrates the 4-H member's knowledge of the chosen project area.

See the *Washington State 4-H Showmanship Manual*.

## SECTION VII: GENERAL OBEDIENCE REGULATIONS

### **A. Rules for Entering Classes.**

1. A dog that is entered in Veterans/Modified may not be entered in Graduate Novice or above.
2. Braces must be entered at the level of the lowest dog.
3. The member must also have qualified to attend State Fair with one of the dogs in Brace in their individual classes.
4. A dog may be entered in only one brace and one team.
5. A new member may enter any class for which the member is qualified regardless of the level of the dog. A new dog may be entered in any class.
6. Any member who had taken a Blue ribbon at State Fair in the previous year with a given dog must enter that dog in a higher class.
7. A 4-H member may not show more than one dog in the same class.

### **B. Class and Judging Rules**

1. The dog must complete all exercises of all classes in which it is entered unless disqualified, expelled or excused by the judge or the show superintendent. If an exhibitor fails to complete all exercised, he (she) forfeits all ribbons and awards for which he (she) might be eligible.
2. Judging and class order will be posted. Exhibitors must be ready. If an exhibitor has a

conflict in scheduling, he must let the show superintendent know prior to missing his class.

3. Bitches in season will be judged last in the ring. Exhibitors **MUST** let the show superintendent know if their bitch is in season as soon as they arrive at the show grounds. Failure to do so may disqualify the 4-H member from showing the dog. Bitches in season must wear britches.
4. Ring Conditions. If judging takes place indoors: the ring should be rectangular and should be about 35' wide and 40' long. In no case shall the ring for Novice or above be smaller than 30' by 40'. The floor shall have surface or covering that provides firm footing for the largest dogs, and rubber or similar nonslip material totaling at least four feet in width must be laid for the takeoff and landing at all jumps unless the surface, in the judges opinion, is such as not to require it.

At an outdoor show the rings shall be about 40' wide by 50' long. The ground shall be clean and level, and the grass, if any, shall be cut short. If inclement weather at an outdoor trial necessitates the judging of Obedience under shelter, the requirements as to ring size may be waived.

5. All judging shall be based on the "AKC Obedience Regulations", 4-H scorecards and the following exceptions:
  - a. Section 3: Show superintendent may waive rule which requires a failing score be given to a dog that fouls the ring if ring conditions warrant. Penalty left to judge and superintendent discretion.
  - b. Section 27: Handlers may, with the judge's permission, correct their dog in the ring. Points shall be deducted for the error but not the correction.

2. See Judging Guidelines sheet for judging Advanced Novice for this class. Dogs in this class may be gently guided by the collar between classes.

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SECTION VIII: OBEDIENCE CLASS  
DESCRIPTIONS

A. Pre Novice Class

1. Exercises:  
Heel on Leash  
Figure 8 on Leash  
Stand for Examination on Leash  
Recall on Leash  
Long Sit (1 minute) on Leash  
Long Down (3 minutes) On Leash
2. All regulations for Novice as listed in the "AKC Obedience Regulations" apply, except the dog is to remain on leash for the entire class. Leash must be 6' long due to length of Stand for Exam.

**B. Novice**

1. Exercises:  
Heel on Leash and Figure 8 on Leash  
Stand for Examination off Leash  
Heel Free  
Recall  
Long Sit (1 minute)  
Long Down (3 minutes)
2. See the Novice Section of the "AKC Obedience Regulations" for further description.
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**7. Advanced Novice**

1. Exercises:  
Heel on Leash  
Stand for Exam - Call Dog  
Heel Free and Figure 8  
Drop on Recall  
Long Sit (3 min.) Handler across ring  
Long Down (3 minutes) Out of Sight

**D. Graduate Novice**

1. Exercises:  
Heel Free and Figure 8  
Drop on Recall  
Dumbbell Recall  
Recall over High Jump  
Recall over Broad Jump  
Long Down (3 minutes) Out of Sight
2. The Broad Jump in this class is 2x the height of the high jump. Handler may use command and/or signal to drop dog. Dogs in this class may not be guided between exercises.
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**E. Open**

1. Exercises:  
Heel Free and Figure 8  
Drop on Recall  
Retrieve on Flat  
Retrieve over High Jump  
Broad Jump  
Long Sit (3 minutes) Out of Sight  
Long Down (5 minutes) Out of Sight
2. See the Open of the "AKC Obedience Regulations" for further description of the class.
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**F. Graduate Open**

1. Exercises:  
Signal Exercises  
Scent Discrimination  
Directed Retrieve  
Moving Stand and Exam  
Go Out  
Directed Jumping
2. The exercises in this class follow the same regulations as comparable exercises in the Utility class with these exceptions:



**Signals** - Handler needs only go 10-20' away when leaving dog and may use command and/or signal to stand, stay, down, sit, come, and finish; **Directed Retrieve** - Two gloves only (middle glove deleted); **Go Out** - handler sends dog back 20ft. past jumps, commands dog to sit, handler returns to dog; **Directed Jumping** - dog is left at end of ring as for a Recall, sends dog over one jump as directed by judge; **Scent Discrimination** - Only two metal and two leather articles will be used. Handler and Dog will remain facing the articles. Only one article will be retrieved. Handler chooses which article will be used.

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### G. Utility

#### I. Exercises:

Signal	Exercise
Scent	Discrimination
Directed	Retrieve
	Moving Stand and Examination
Directed	Jumping

2. See Utility section of the "AKC Obedience Regulations" for further description.

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### H. Veterans/Modified

#### I. Exercises:

- Heel Free and Figure 8
- Drop on Recall
- \* Directed Retrieving
- \* Moving Stand and Examination
- \* Retrieve on Flat
- \* Signal Exercise
- \* Scent Discrimination
- Long Stand (1 minute)
- Long Sit (1 minute)
- Long Down (1 minute)

\*Optional

2. This ~~Chaos~~ advanced class taking the place of Advanced Novice and above for certain dogs. In order to enter in Veterans/Modified Class, the dog must be 7 years or over, OR have some physical problem that prevents him from jumping and/or retrieving. Dogs under 7 years old entering in this class must

have club leader's approval. Handlers may choose to do one of 5 advanced designated exercises depending on their dogs' capabilities.

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### I. Versatility

In this class the dog must perform two exercises from Novice, Open and Utility. Name of two exercises from each of the above are randomly placed in an envelope. Prior to the start of judging, handlers pick an envelope thus determining the exercises they must complete. See the Versatility section of the "AKC Obedience Regulations" for further description.

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### J. Brace

#### I. Class Divisions:

- a. Pre Novice
- b. Novice
- c. Advanced Novice

2. **General** **Descriptions:**  
A Brace is composed of two dogs and one handler. Classes are divided according to the divisions listed above. These divisions are judged as they would be in the normal one dog one handler setting. Braces may be entered according to the lowest obedience level of the two dogs. The two dogs may be shown coupled or uncoupled, but the coupling device must not be less than six inches in overall length (on toys braces may be shorter). See the general rules of this guide for further descriptions.

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### K. Team

#### I. Class Division:

- a. Pre Novice
- b. Novice
- c. Advanced Novice

2. **General** **Description:**  
A team is composed of four dogs and four handlers. Classes are divided according to the divisions listed above. Teams may enter at the level of the lowest dog, but should be all of the same level if possible. Team must

be entered at the age of the oldest member (Junior, Intermediate, and Senior). For further description of the Team class, see the general obedience rules section of this guide and the Team section of the "AKC Obedience Regulations" (Exception: In 4-H Novice Team there is no drop on recall).

### SECTION IX: JUDGING CONTEST GUIDELINES

The purpose of the 4-H Dog Judging Contest is to increase member's problem solving and discretionary abilities. It is also designed to challenge members to increase their knowledge of their chosen project area.

See "Dog Judging Guidelines"

### SECTION X; DOG BOWL GUIDELINES

Dog bowl was developed to encourage 4-H Dog members to learn more about their chosen project. It also teaches cooperation and develops public speaking abilities.

See "Dog Bowl Rules"

### SECTION XI: AGILITY

Patterned after equestrian show jumping, dog agility combines the elements of a dog's agility, briskness, confidence, and a handler's control over an obstacle course designed for dogs. It is a fun sport with great spectator appeal. See the Agility Rules for further information.

### State Fair Qualification - Agility

1. There is no County Quota for Agility.
2. The dog must have been entered in Obedience at a County Qualifying event.
3. If the exhibitor has earned a Blue Ribbon in Showmanship at County Qualifying, the dog will qualify for the State Agility Trial by earning a Blue Ribbon or Red Ribbon at a County Qualifying Agility Trial.
4. If the exhibitor has earned a Red Ribbon in Showmanship at County Qualifying, the dog will qualify for the State Agility Trial by earning a Blue Ribbon at a County Qualifying Agility Trial.
5. If the same dog has qualified for State Fair in both Agility and Obedience, the exhibitor must choose which class will constitute the Premium class. The other class will be awarded ribbons only.
6. If the same dog has qualified for State Fair in both Agility and Obedience, the exhibitor will exhibit in Showmanship at their County Day.
7. If the dog has qualified only for Agility, the exhibitor will exhibit in Showmanship the same day as the State Agility Trial prior to the trial being run.
8. A dog who is entered in a Standard Agility class at State Fair must have qualified in that same class at a County Qualifying Agility Trial.
9. A dog who is entered in a Jumpers Agility class at State Fair must have qualified in that same class at a County Qualifying Agility Trial.
10. A dog may enter one Standard Agility and one Jumpers Agility class at State Fair.
11. Ribbons will be awarded for the following scores:
  - a. Blue = 85 - 100
  - b. Red = 70 - 84
  - c. White = 0 - 69

12. The following classes will be offered, separated into Junior, Intermediate and Senior age groups:

- a. Standard Beginners
- b. Standard Elementary
- c. Standard Pre-Novice
- d. Standard Novice
- e. Standard Open
- f. Standard Excellent
- g. Jumpers Pre-Novice
- h. Jumpers Novice
- i. Jumpers Open
- j. Jumpers Excellent

13. These classes will be further divided by height as follows:

- a. Standard Beginners
  - i. 10" or under at the withers
  - ii. 14" or under at the withers
  - iii. Over 14" at the withers

14. Standard Elementary, Pre-Novice, Novice, Open, Excellent and all Jumpers classes:

- i. 10" or under at the withers
- ii. 14" or under at the withers
- iii. 18" or under at the withers
- iv. 22" or under at the withers
- v. Over 22" at the withers

## APPENDIX

### References for 4-H Dog Leaders

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*The AKC Complete Dog Book* - Topics include AKC, Breed standards and pictures for AKC Breeds, Nutrition, Obedience, Care, Diseases and Health, Buying a Dog.

*AKC Obedience Regulations* (Current copy)  
- Covers obedience rules.

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