

4-H DOG CERTIFICATE

This 4-H Dog Certificate is due to the Extension office or the Fair Superintendent by **May 1st** of the current project year. Any dog entered in the county fair or state qualifying matches must be on this certificate. Dogs without a certificate will not be eligible for competition. Up to two dogs may be listed. One certificate required per member per year.

Member's Name: _____ Age on Oct 1st: _____ Age Division: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____
Club Name: _____ T-Shirt Size: Youth / Adult Sm / Med / Lg / XL / XXL

DOG #1: (Must be used as your showmanship dog for all matches this year.)

Dog's Name: _____ *Breed dog will be shown as: _____

***Please name ONLY ONE breed. Showmanship breed questions will be taken from the AKC Breed Standard found at www.AKC.org. If breed is not an AKC recognized breed, Breed Standard must be submitted with this certificate.**

Male or Female: _____ Spayed/Neutered: ___Yes___ No Dog's Age: _____ Dog's birth date: ___/___/___

Identification of animal (type, variety, color, tattoo, etc): _____

This dog will be used for (mark all that apply):

- Showmanship Circle class: Clover Bud / 1st Year / Standard / Specials
 Obedience Class: _____
Jump Heights for Adv Novice and above: High Jump _____ Broad Jump: _____
 Standard Agility Class: _____ Jump Height: _____
 Jumpers Agility Class: _____ Jump Height: _____
 Rally Class: _____

When was this dog acquired for 4-H project? (Month/Day/Year) _____

Name of person that owns dog: _____ Relationship to member: _____

DOG #2: Check one: ___ I plan to use both dogs (must be in different classes than DOG #1) ___ This is an alternate/backup dog

Dog's Name: _____ Breed dog will be shown as: _____

Male or Female: _____ Spayed/Neutered: ___Yes___ No Dog's Age: _____ Dog's birth date: ___/___/___

Identification of animal (type, variety, color, tattoo, etc): _____

This dog will be used for (mark all that apply):

- Obedience Class: _____
 Standard Agility Class: _____ Jump Height: _____
 Jumpers Agility Class: _____ Jump Height: _____
 Rally Class: _____

When was this dog acquired for 4-H project? (Month/Day/Year) _____

Name of person that owns dog: _____ Relationship to member: _____

Other Events I plan to participate in this year:

___ Dog Knowledge Bowl ___ Brain Games ___ Service and Leadership Program (SLP)

Thurston County 4-H
Dog Project Code of Conduct

As a Thurston County 4-H participant, you have the responsibility of representing 4-H in a positive light at club, county and public events. Therefore, you are expected to conduct yourself in a matter that respects individual rights, safety, property of others, and reflects favorably on yourself, club, county, and state.

- I will do my own 4-H project work to the best of my ability, including handling and fitting my own animal in preparation for show.
- I will display proper respect and behavior. I will be a positive role model and a team player. I realize that I am responsible for demonstrating good character as an example to others. I will treat other members' projects with the same respect and care that I give my own. I understand that displays of un-sportsmanlike conduct, roughhousing, and insubordination are prohibited.
- I will use appropriate language and refrain from swearing and/or using obscene and discriminatory language.
- I will not use alcohol, drugs, or any controlled substance (other than medicine prescribed to me). I understand that youth exhibitors may **NOT** use tobacco products. Before the start of fair, my parent/guardian will report to my 4-H Leader information regarding the required use of prescription drugs by me and what to do in case of a medical emergency.
- I understand that overly affectionate displays of attention are not appropriate at 4-H events between 4-H youth, other 4-H members, and/or non-members.
- I will respect the rights, privacy, and property of others.
- I realize that I am responsible for the proper care and humane treatment of my 4-H project animal(s). I will do the herdsmanship duty required of me.
- I will not bring a sick or unsound animal to a 4-H event. My dog(s) will be brought to events in good health and free from fleas, other parasites and communicable diseases. I will provide my 4H Rabies Certificate, using the appropriate 4H Rabies form at vet check. I understand that if fail to do so, my dog may not participate and will be sent home.
- I will not endanger my animal(s), other exhibitors' animals, or put others at risk by bringing a dangerous and/or unpredictable animal to club practices, county events, fair or other events. I understand that if my dog is unable to behave safely and appropriately around other dogs and people, he/she will be required to leave.
- I will not use or allow to be used any abusive, fraudulent, or illegal practices in the feeding, care, showing, or exhibiting of my 4-H project(s).
- I will present a clean, neat appearance at all times. I will wear appropriate clothing and abide by the Washington State 4H Dog Project Dress Code.
- I will abide by all Washington State 4-H, Thurston County 4-H, Thurston County 4-H Dog Project and my Club's Policies, including Covid-19 Safety Requirements.

Consequences for infractions may include:

(Parent/guardian will be notified if penalties are necessary.)

- Withholding premiums and/or sending a member or 4-H project exhibit home from the fair/event/meeting.
- Assessing the member the cost of damages and repairs in the event of damage or destruction of property.
- Member placed on probation from involvement in future 4-H events and/or termination of 4-H membership.
- Any infraction of county or state law will result in notification to the appropriate authorities.

I agree to abide by these terms and understand that there will be appropriate consequences if I fail to do so.

Member's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Club Leader's Signature: _____ Date: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY IN BLACK OR BLUE INK. USE ONLY CLASS NAMES NOTED BELOW.

Age Divisions: Age is determined by Oct 1st of the current 4H year
Clover Bud (5 to 7 years of age)
Junior (8 to 10 years of age)
Intermediate (11 to 13 years of age)
Senior (14 to less than 19 years of age)

CLASS NAMES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Showmanship: Clover Bud (members 5 to 7 years of age)
1st year (first year members & former aged-out clover buds, now 8 years of age)
Standard
Specials (members in Open AKC Juniors or members that have won champion at the Thurston County Fair or have qualified for State Championship Day in showmanship in current age division)

All members must participate in showmanship. Any dog entered in showmanship must also be entered in an obedience class.

Obedience: Introductory (Clover Buds & 1st year members. **This is NOT a State Qualifying class.**)
Sub-Novice
Pre-Novice
Novice
Graduate Novice
Pre-Open
Open
Graduate Open
Pre-Utility
Utility
Versatility
Veterans/Modified (Dog must be 7 years or over or have a physical problem that prevents it from jumping and/or retrieving. Dogs under 7 years of age must have a note from their veterinarian.)

Please Note:

1. Obedience classes are based on the ability of the dog.
2. Each member and dog may stay at the same level of obedience for 3 years; additional years must have prior approval from the general club leader and the superintendent.
3. All blue ribbon winners at COUNTY QUALIFIER(S), COUNTY FAIR, OR STATE FAIR of the previous year(s) must go on to the next class. Primary Introductory, Utility, Versatility, and Veterans/Modified, may repeat their class.

Standard Agility: Elementary
Pre-Novice
Novice
Open
Excellent

Jumpers Agility: Pre-Novice – Jumpers without weaves
Novice – Jumpers with weaves
Open – Jumpers with weaves
Excellent – Jumpers with weaves

Member must have attended at least 6 lessons at the current agility class level(s) with current project dog. Dog must be at least 15 mo old.

Rally Obedience: Novice
Advanced
Excellent

Access to a 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. 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(es).

ASK YOUR LEADER IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CLASSES YOU SHOULD ENTER.