

2012 DOG TRIALS

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Saturday, August 25 – Showmanship Classes
Sunday, August 26 – Obedience and Rally Classes

Participant's Entry Fee: \$10.00 per participant

County Registration Deadline: **August 3** (counties need to register their participants online by this date. If your county contest is on or after this date, please contact Connie Cecil at connie.cecil@colostate.edu.) Each county office will issue **one check payable to Colorado State University/4-H Camp Tobin for county entry total**. Mail by **August 3** to:

Sharie Harless
CSU State 4-H Office
4040 Campus Delivery
Fort Collins, CO 80523-4040

All Colorado 4-H Dog Health Certificates are due to Connie Cecil at the State 4-H Office, Colorado State University, Campus Delivery 4040, Fort Collins, CO 80523-4040 to be received no later than **August 3**. The county will complete the online portion of the registration process on behalf of its participants.

Each county is responsible for sending a list of entrants and their classes to the State 4-H Office, Colorado State University, Campus Delivery 4040, Fort Collins, CO 80523-4040 before August 3, after August 3, the entries must be fax to Camp Tobin 719-560-1749. The receipts from online entry can be used for this purpose.

NOTE: Each county must submit a 2012 Volunteer Help Form, listing names of volunteers who will assist with the contests.
http://www.colorado4h.org/events_opportunities/state_fair/packet/DogTrialsVolunteerForm.pdf

The State Fair Dog Show is a 4-H show. As such, 4-H youth development principles are of primary importance.

GENERAL CONTEST RULES:

1. The Dog Trials will be held Saturday and Sunday, August 25 and 26, 2012. They will be held at the Colorado State Fair Events Center, starting with check-in from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. on both days.
2. **If a member's dog does not receive a Rabies inoculation as required by the State of Colorado or a Parvo Virus Shot as required by State Fair Officials for all 4-H Dog Project participants, a certificate from the member's veterinarian stating**

the reason for these shots not being given must accompany the Colorado 4-H Dog Health Certificate.

3. **Additional vaccinations may be required when necessary.**
4. State Fair 4-H Dog Show officials and/or staff can and will dismiss any entrant or his/her family from the show for any mistreatment of dogs entered in this show. If a question should arise as to what constitutes "mistreatment," State 4-H staff and/or officials will meet to decide appropriate action in each case.
5. Any negative behavior on the part of the exhibitor, family members or leaders directed toward any official or judge will result in disqualification and awards forfeited. If there is a question as to the rules or the judging of a class, adult family members or leaders must approach the Superintendent of that division and **not the judge**. The Superintendents will then take the question to the judge if warranted.
6. Dogs which are deemed to be a danger to people or other dogs can and will be removed from the show grounds and all classes forfeited. This will be determined by a consensus of the Superintendents.
7. Protests must be submitted in writing and presented to the superintendent(s) within 24 hours after judging is announced. Protests will be handled first by the superintendent(s) and then reviewed by State 4-H Office personnel.
8. All entrants will be responsible for clean-up after their dogs. Failure to do so can be a basis for dismissal from the State Fair 4-H Dog Show and/or forfeiture of any placing.
9. Show management will have final decision authority. If needed, show management may request assistance with arbitration from a committee comprised of the show superintendents, the judge (if willing), and the leader and/or agent from county involved (if present).
10. **Colorado State 4-H Dress Code**
This dress code is to be followed by all Junior and Senior 4-H members, as well as adult leaders, advisors, and chaperones at all Colorado State 4-H sponsored events including but not limited to the Colorado State Fair 4-H Dog Trials. Please check out the Colorado State 4-H Dress Code at: www.colorado4h.org. In addition to the State Dress Code please adhere to the 4-H Dog Handlers Dress Code below:
 - **Clothing should not hinder or detract from the presentation of the dog.**
 - **Acceptable Clothing for girls:**

- **Dresses (not too short-should be able to bend over)**
- **Skirts (not too short-should be able to bend over)**
- **Dress shorts (not too short)**
- **Skorts**
- **Dress slacks**
- **Dressy Capris**
- **Crop pants**
- **Collared blouses**
- **Acceptable Clothing for boys:**
 - **Dress Shirts**
 - **Ties –with tie clip**
 - **Dress slacks**
- **Shoes –non-slip soles and low to no heel**
- **Do not wear excessive or oversized jewelry, sashes or anything that will touch or distract your dog**
- **Do not wear sandals, open-toe shoes, clogs, or similar type shoes.**
- **Long hair should be in a braid or ponytail or clipped to keep it out of the handler's face.**

For more detailed information check out the Dog Resource Handbook on page 109-110.

11. The general age groups for Dog Project are:
 - Junior 8-10 years
 - Intermediate 11-13 years
 - Senior 14-18 years
 - Age is determined by the member's age as of December 31, 2011
12. No dogs are allowed beyond the immediate vicinity of the Events Center. Exhibitors are encouraged to use service gate #6 on Small Avenue.
13. Dogs must be on a leash at all times except when performing exercises off leash in the show ring.
14. Entrants will pick up their armbands the day of the show. Armband numbers will be the same for Saturday and Sunday events. Each exhibitor will have the same armband number for all dogs he/she is exhibiting both days.
15. No set-up will be allowed anywhere near the rings. Allowable set-up areas will be designated and no one will be allowed to set up in any other areas. Spectators must stay at least ten feet from the ring.

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY RULES:

- A. Member must be enrolled in the 4-H Dog Project.
- B. All exhibitors must have complied with each county's eligibility rules for State Fair participation. Exhibitors must enter State Fair in the same class in which they qualified at their county level.
- C. The member must own his/her project dog individually or in partnership with immediate

family members or guardians during the complete duration of the project year. The member must provide the majority of care for the dog(s). Entrants will be encouraged to use the Animal Care and Housing Form for Colorado 4-H Livestock Projects.

- D. Any member exhibiting his/her dog at the State Fair 4-H Dog Trial must be an official representative of his/her county. Each county's Extension office official(s) are responsible for entering participants in this show.
- E. All exhibitors must have at least one qualifying score in each class of exhibition. Qualifying scores are 170 and above in obedience, 90 and above in showmanship and 70 and above in rally. An acceptable record book must be done and meet all guidelines required by their county for State Fair qualification.
- F. Each exhibitor may exhibit a different dog in obedience, showmanship, and rally provided they meet qualifications (refer to rule C). A member may be entered in multiple Obedience or Rally classes with different dogs, but each member may only enter Showmanship one time.

DOG ELIGIBILITY RULES:

- A. **After once earning a qualifying score in competition as a 4-H project dog in Obedience or Rally at the State Fair, that same dog is no longer eligible for exhibition in that same division at any following State Fair except Grad Novice, Open, Grad Open and Utility Obedience classes and Rally Advanced-Excellent class.**
- B. A dog with any other rally or obedience title from any national dog association (AKC, UKC, CKC, ASCA etc) is disqualified from entering the class for which the degree was awarded, or any lower class, except if that title was won less than four months before the State Fair. If the title was won less than four months before the 4-H State Dog Trial the dog is eligible for entry in the same class. **Rule A, above, takes precedence over this rule.**
- C. No bitch in heat, obviously pregnant or lactating bitches will be allowed to compete in any classes at the State Fair.
- D. Dogs in obvious pain from a previous illness or injury shall not be shown. If a dog is injured at a show, that dog will be excused from the ring. Consideration of a dog's physical disability needs to be addressed between the handler and project leader before starting the project. A State-Fair-approved veterinarian or qualified veterinarian technician's decision on doubtful cases will be accepted as final.
- E. Dates of approved current and effective vaccination of the dog for rabies and parvovirus must be provided on the State Fair

online entry form. Each entrant is required to complete the new **State Dog Identification Sheet** and have it on file in their Extension Office by **May1st**. This form also must be sent to the State 4-H Office with your entry.

This form can be found at:

http://www.colorado4h.org/events_opportunities/state_fair/packet/DogIDForm.pdf

- F. No dog other than the county-qualified dog will be eligible to show or compete at state fair. Should any problem arise with the dog designated as the county-qualified dog, the Extension agent must be notified for any course of action.
- G. If the County qualified dog in Showmanship is injured or in season, a replacement may be used at the approval of the County Superintendent. The replacement dog must fulfill all of the "dog eligibility requirements", must be carried in the member's record book, and must have a health certificate on file with the county office. The health certificate must accompany the dog to the State Dog Trial and be presented to the General Superintendent

SHOWMANSHIP:

Showmanship Class Eligibility Requirements:

CLASS 546 Junior Novice Showmanship

This class is for members who are 8 – 10 years old as of December 31 of the previous year, are in their 1st year of participation in the project, and have no prior experience with any other dog showing entity.

CLASS 547 Junior Open Showmanship

This class is for members who are 8-10 years old as of December 31 of the previous year and have previous experience in showmanship.

CLASS 548 Intermediate Novice Showmanship

This class is for members who are 11-13 years old as of December 31 of the previous year, are in their 1st year of participation in the project, and have no prior experience with any other dog showing entity.

CLASS 549 Intermediate Open Showmanship

This class is for members who are 11-13 years old as of December 31 of the previous year and have previous experience in showmanship.

CLASS 550 Senior Novice Showmanship

This class is for members who are 14-18 years old as of December 31 of the previous year, are in their 1st year of participation in the project, and have no prior experience with any other dog showing entity.

CLASS 551 Senior Open Showmanship

This class is for members who are 14-18 years old as of December 31 of the previous year and have previous experience in showmanship.

CLASS 552 Senior Advanced Showmanship

This class is for members who are 14-18 years of age as of December 31 of the previous year. Any member who has placed 1st through 10th at a previous State Dog Trial in Senior Open Showmanship must enter Senior Advanced Showmanship.

CLASS 553 Winners Circle

Intermediate and Senior – Previous Grand or Reserve Grand Champion Winners at the Colorado State Fair are eligible to enter this class. Youth may enter the winner's class or their regular showmanship class, but not both. A member who wins this class cannot enter any lower class. (A list of youth who qualify for this class is available from the superintendent.)

- A. Junior, Intermediate and Senior Novice classes are for those members who are in their first year in the 4-H dog project and

have no prior outside showmanship experience as determined by the county. If prior experience is determined by the county, the exhibitor must move into open class competition in his/her appropriate age group.

- B. Showmanship Classes: Each county is limited to **four entries per class** for any showmanship class for a total of 28 entries. There is no limit on entries for Winners Circle, as long as eligibility has been met.
- C. Each member entered at the State Dog Trial should have earned a qualifying score of 90 or above at a 4-H dog show during the project year.
- D. Each individual county has jurisdiction over how a member earns their qualification for entering the State Dog Trials.

General Tips for Showmanship:

- A. No grooming equipment will be allowed in the showmanship ring at any time.
- B. Depending on what you are wearing in the showmanship ring, use proper kneeling etiquette. If you are in a skirt, it is best to kneel on both knees. If you are wearing pants, it would be appropriate to kneel on only one knee.
- C. Members with smaller breeds will be expected to show their dogs on a table. Judges will take into consideration the size and physical abilities of the handler. A list and guidelines for tabling breeds can be found in the project manual on pages 108 & 109. A more complete list is available on the American Kennel Club website at www.akc.org.
- D. If the member is showing a mixed-breed dog; they should determine what breed their dog most resembles, and show in the manner of that breed. If you have a mixed breed dog, you can go to AKC website and look at different pictures of the breeds of dog to decide which breed your dog looks most like.
- E. No dog tags should be on the dog when showing in the ring. Only the correct equipment for a showmanship class should be used. It is very important that your dog wear tags at all times, except when in the show ring.

Dog Showmanship (Scoring):

- A. Appearance of handler.....15
 - Cleanliness and neatness of handler
 - Appropriateness of apparel
- B. Grooming of dog.....15
 - Brushing (mats, dead hair), trimmed toes
 - nails, clean teeth – groomed to a neat, clean appearance
- C. Exhibitor's handling of dog:
 - Front set-up10
 - Judges side first
 - Head high (no choking)
 - Feet placed directly beneath the shoulders
 - Toes pointing straight forward
 - Legs should fall vertical from shoulder and parallel (within limit of the most apparent breed)
 - Rear set-up.....10
 - Set up according to the closest breed standard.
 - Adjust the leg that is most out of line first
 - Try not to let the head drop while setting up the hindquarters
- D. Gaiting.....20
 - Ability to follow direction in judge's pattern
 - Dog always fully visible to judge in gaiting position
 - Smoothness in turns
 - Gait proper to most apparent breed (when applicable)
 - Ability to exhibit dog's movements according to most apparent breed
- E. Examination.....10
 - Stand properly during entire examination
 - Does not sit or move away before or during examination
 - Does not growl or snap (a dog attempting to bite handler or anyone else in the ring will be dismissed from the ring)
 - Dog is happy and attentive to handler
- F. Desirable and sportsmanlike behavior of exhibitor.....5
- G. Ability to answer judge's questions...5
 - Sub-Total90
- H. Group exercise.....10
- TOTAL.....100

Please Note: During the Showmanship class each area of judging will be judged throughout the entire class. The score will reflect the member's ability to perform these items throughout the class, and not just one time. For example: the dog should be stacked (either hand stacked or free stacked) upon entering the ring, during the exam, after the pattern, and any time they are in the line-up. The "set-up" score will reflect all of these times when the dog is stacked.

OBEDIENCE

Obedience Class Eligibility Requirements

- A. All 4-H obedience classes will be patterned after the latest AKC obedience guidelines whenever possible, except that dog registry with AKC is not required. Some exercises and rules may have been adapted from AKC to better serve the youth of this program.
- B. In all classes except Puppy Class, ten points will be deducted in the obedience classes for the following: strong correcting, disciplining, fouling the ring, excessive barking, leaving the ring, rules violation or showing fear.**
- C. Handlers entered in B classes will be judged at a higher skill level (handler errors) than handlers entered in A classes.
- D. Allowed collars in Obedience classes include: Flat or rolled leather with buckle or snap closure. Flat or rolled nylon collars with buckle or snap closure. Metal or nylon slip collar. No halties, gentle leaders, harnesses, or pinch collars will be allowed in the show ring. Collars and leads must be 2 separate pieces. Slip leads are not allowed.
- E. The length of your obedience leash is required to be six feet for all Sub Novice classes, but may be shorter for all other obedience classes.
- F. No dog tags can be on the dog when showing in the ring. This includes name tags, rabies tags, or anything else that hangs from the dog's collar. It is very important that your dog wear tags at all times, except when in the show ring.
- G. Each county may enter exhibitors in obedience classes (by a selection procedure most appropriate to its own county program) according to the following quota:

PUPPY CLASS: unlimited entries per county based on trainer's recommendations. Puppy classes will be for puppies which are not ready for regular obedience classes. The purpose of this class will be to introduce obedience commands to a puppy without the stress of perfection seen in regular obedience classes. This class will introduce the puppy to dog shows in a positive manner, thus setting the puppy up for a life time of enjoyment in the show ring.

1. Handlers will be encouraged to use a reward system of food treats or toys in the ring to reward the puppy during and after each exercise. Double commands (or more) will be allowed. This class will be evaluated more on the handler's skill in training a young dog and dealing with the animal's mistakes than on the skill of the animal when performing the exercises. This will be a NO SCORE CLASS. The score sheet will consist of *Excellent, Good or Needs Improvement* in each of the following areas: Loose Lead Walking; Sit for Exam; Recall; and Down Stay and Serpentine Walking.
2. Loose Lead Walking – This exercise is used to encourage the puppy to feel comfortable

and happy on lead while maintaining a distance of no more than two feet from the handler's left side. This does not need to be heel position. Handlers may use bait and toys to keep the puppy in the correct position, and may tell the puppy to sit after a "Halt." Things to be considered in judging include the enjoyment of the puppy, the bond between the puppy and the handler, and the handler's ability to get the puppy's attention back after a distraction.

3. Sit for Exam – In this exercise the puppy is commanded to a sit position. The judge will approach the puppy and examine it. The judge is required to handle the puppy's ears, mouth, and one front foot during the exam, although petting and scratching are encouraged. The purpose of this exercise is to teach the puppy to accept handling from a friendly stranger.
4. Recall – The handler will command the puppy to stay in a sit position and will step just in front of the puppy with his or her toes no more than six inches from the puppy's front feet. When the judge says "Call your dog," the handler will proceed to walk backward no more than six feet while calling the puppy. The puppy should get up and follow the handler in a happy manner. After the six feet has been reached, the handler will command the puppy to sit.
5. Down Stay – The handler will put the puppy in a down. When the judge says "Leave your puppy," the handler will tell the puppy to stay. The handler will walk to the end of the lead, pause, and then immediately walk behind the puppy and back to heel position.
6. Serpentine Walking – The puppy and handler will walk on a loose lead through a serpentine of three people positioned in a straight line. The expectations are the same as for Loose Lead Walking, with the addition of the distraction of the three "posts."
7. After one year of showing in the Puppy Obedience Class: If the member was in their 1st year of 4-H Dog Project, the team moves into Sub Novice A Obedience, if the member was in their 2nd year or higher of 4-H Dog Project, the team moves to Sub Novice C 1st year.
8. This class can be judged with 4-H members (scribes) assisting the judge. These scribes must be recommended by their trainers and/or Extension Agent. Scribes are teen leader positions, and the teen scribe must fill out the *4-H Volunteer Information Sheet* in order to be eligible to judge.

SUB NOVICE DIVISION:

- A. Sub-Novice A: four exhibitors per county (this is a first-year project for the handlers and their dogs). This class is open only to handlers and their dogs in their first year of dog-project work.
- B. Sub-novice B: four exhibitors per county. This class is open only to second-year project members and must be the same youth and dog team that showed the previous year in Sub-Novice A.
- C. Sub Novice C – 1st year: four exhibitors per county. This class includes members with previous obedience training who are working with a new dog or a dog with previous experience in an organized training class working with a new 4-H member. All exercises will be performed on leash. Sub Novice C – 2nd year: four exhibitors per county. This class is open only to those in the second year of Sub Novice C training and must be the same youth and dog team that showed the previous year in Sub Novice C – 1st year. All exercises will be performed on leash

NOVICE DIVISION:

- A. Novice A: four exhibitors per county. This class is open to members with no prior experience in Novice Dog Training.
- B. Novice B: four exhibitors per county. This class is open to experienced members in their second year or above who have never received a blue ribbon at a previous state fair in this class.

GRADUATE NOVICE DIVISION:

- A. Pre-Grad-Novice A: four exhibitors per county. This class is open to members with no prior experience in Pre-Grad Novice Dog Training. This class was previously called "Grad Novice A".
- B. Pre-Grad-Novice B: four exhibitors per county. This class is open to experienced members in their second year or above of Pre-Grad Novice 4-H Dog Training. This class was previously called "Grad Novice B".
- C. Grad Novice A: Unlimited number of entries per county. This class was previously called "Pre-Open". The name has been changed to more closely follow AKC class names. This class is for members in their 1st year of Grad Novice training.
- D. Grad Novice B: Unlimited number of entries per county. This class was previously called "Pre-Open". The name has been changed to more closely follow AKC class names. This class is for members in their 2nd or higher year of Grad Novice training.

ADVANCED DIVISION

Open A&B, Grad Open A&B and Utility A&B: unlimited number of exhibitors per class, per county.

VETERANS DIVISION

- A. Any dog 7 years old or over may be shown in the Veteran's Division.
- B. Veteran Division dogs will be allowed/required to jump ½ of their regulation jump height. They will be required to perform all exercises in their class; jump height will be the only difference from the regular class.
- C. Once a veteran dog can no longer jump at least ½ their regulation jump height they must be moved to a class that does not require jumping. Members, parents, trainers, and leaders cannot determine a jump height for a dog. They will be judged at ½ their required jump height.
- D. Dogs shown as a Veteran are not eligible for any other Obedience classes.
- E. It is the choice of the member, the member's parent, and the member's trainer and veterinarian as to giving a dog Veteran's designation.
- F. Veteran dogs will compete at the obedience level the member chooses, from Novice up through Utility.
- G. A veteran dog may change obedience levels in either direction each year as their health determines.
- H. Scores will be calculated as follows:
 - a. Novice: judge's score
 - b. Pre-Grad-Novice: judge's score plus 3 points
 - c. Grad Novice: judge's score plus 6 points
 - d. Open: judge's score plus 9 points
 - e. Grad Open: judge's score plus 12 points
 - f. Utility: judge's score plus 15 points
- I. **Veteran dogs will compete only against other veteran dogs for ribbons and awards. Their scores will not count toward awards in any other Obedience divisions.**
- J. If a dog is entered as a Veteran during a project year, they may go back to regular obedience the following year; however, they must go back to the level they would have been competing at before they moved to veterans.

CLASS NUMBERS

SUB NOVICE OBEDIENCE DIVISION

CLASS 529	Puppy Class
CLASS 530	Sub-Novice A
CLASS 531	Sub-Novice B
CLASS 532	Sub-Novice C – 1 st year
CLASS 533	Sub-Novice C – 2 nd year

NOVICE OBEDIENCE DIVISION

CLASS 534	Novice A
CLASS 535	Novice B
CLASS 536	Novice Veterans

GRADUATE NOVICE OBEDIENCE DIVISION

CLASS 537	Pre Graduate Novice A
CLASS 538	Pre Graduate Novice B
CLASS 539	Pre Graduate Novice Veterans
CLASS 540	Graduate Novice A
CLASS 541	Graduate Novice B
CLASS 542	Graduate Novice Veterans

ADVANCED OBEDIENCE DIVISION

CLASS 543	Open A
CLASS 544	Open B
CLASS 545	Open Veterans
CLASS 546	Graduate Open A
CLASS 547	Graduate Open B
CLASS 548	Graduate Open Veterans
CLASS 549	Utility A
CLASS 550	Utility B
CLASS 551	Utility Veterans

Obedience Classes Score Breakdown

All exercises are explained in detail in the Dog Resource Handbook.

Sub Novice A & B & C–1st year and C-2nd year:

All exercises in this class performed on leash; 6-foot lead required. Handbook page 73

- A. Heel On Leash 45pts
- B. Figure 8 On Leash 35pts
- C. Stand For Exam On Leash 30pts
- D. Recall On Leash 30pts
- E. Long Sit 30pts
- F. Long Down 30pts
- TOTAL 200pts

Novice A & B:

All exercises in this class are according to AKC specifications except registration of dog is not required. Handbook page 80

- A. Heel On Leash, Then Figure Eight 40pts
- B. Stand For Exam (off leash) 30pts
- C. Heel Free 40pts
- D. Recall 30pts
- E. Long Sit 30pts
- F. Long Down 30pts
- TOTAL 200pts

Pre Graduate Novice A & B:

Explanations for Moving Stand for Exam, Moving Drop on Recall, and Recall Over Broad Jump will follow this section. This class is not in the Handbook.

- A. Heel On Leash 40pts
- B. Moving Stand For Exam 30pts

- C. Heel Free And Figure Eight 40pts
- D. Moving Drop On Recall 30pts
- E. Recall Over Broad Jump 30pts
- F. Long Down 30pts
- TOTAL 200pts

Graduate Novice A & B

All exercises in this class according to AKC specifications except registration of dog is not required. Handbook page 82

- F. Heel On Leash & Figure Eight 40pts
- G. Drop On Recall 40pts
- H. Dumbbell Recall 30pts
- I. Recall Over High Jump 30pts
- J. Recall Over Broad Jump 30pts
- K. Long Down (handler out of sight) 30pts
- TOTAL 200pts

(This exercise is performed and scored like the Novice Heel on Leash and Figure 8 except the Figure 8 is done off leash)

Open A & B

All exercises in this class according to AKC specifications except registration of dog is not required. Handbook page 86

- A. Heel Free And Figure Eight 40pts
- B. Drop On Recall 30pts
- C. Retrieve On Flat 20pts
- D. Retrieve Over High Jump 30pts
- E. Broad Jump 20pts
- F. Long Sit (handler out of sight) 30pts
- L. Long Down (handler out of sight) 30pts
- TOTAL 200pts

Graduate Open A & B

All exercises in this class according to AKC specifications except registration of dog is not required. Handbook page 88

- A. Signal Exercises 40pts
- B. Scent Discrimination 30pts
- C. Directed Retrieve 30pts
- D. Moving Stand and Exam 30pts
- E. Go Out 30pts
- F. Directed Jumping 40pts
- TOTAL 200pts

Utility—A & B

All exercises in this class according to AKC specifications except registration of dog is not required. Handbook page 92

- A. Signal Exercise 40pts
- B. Scent Discrimination – Leather 30
- C. Scent Discrimination – Metal 30pts
- D. Directed Retrieve Of Glove 30pts
- E. Moving Stand And Exam 30pts
- F. Directed Jumping 40pts
- TOTAL 200pts

Explanation of Pre Graduate Novice A & B classes:

Grad Novice Moving Stand and Examination:

The judge will give the command "forward," at which time the handler will heel forward with his/her dog. After the handler has proceeded forward about ten feet, the judge will give the command "stand your dog." Without pausing, the handler will command and/or signal the dog to stand and continue forward about 10 to 12 feet and turn and face the dog. The judge will approach the dog from the front, give a novice exam and give the command "return to your dog." The handler will return to his/her dog by going around and behind and back to heel position.

Moving Drop on Recall:

The principle feature of this exercise is that the dog heels and executes a prompt response to the handler's command and/or signal to down and remain in the down position until called, or signaled to come on command. Orders for the exercise are "Forward," "Down your dog," "Call your dog" and "Finish."

The handler will stand with the dog sitting in the heel position at a point designated by the judge, who will then ask "Are you ready?" and order "Forward." The handler may command or signal his/her dog to heel, and will walk briskly and naturally. After he/she has gone about 15 feet, the judge will order "Down your dog." Without pausing, the handler will command and/or signal the dog to down. The handler will continue forward to the end of the ring, turn around and stand in a natural manner facing the dog. On the judge's orders or signals, the handler will command or signal the dog to come and immediately sit in front of the handler until the command to "Finish" is given by the judge.

Recall Over Broad Jump:

The principle feature of this exercise is that the dog stays until directed to jump, clears the jump on a single command or signal, and immediately returns to sit in front of the handler. Orders are "Leave your dog," "Call your dog" and "Finish."

The handler will stand with his/her dog sitting in the heel position at least eight feet from the jump, facing the lowest end of the lowest hurdle. When the judge orders "Leave your dog," the handler will give the command and/or signal to stay, go at least eight feet beyond the highest edge of the last hurdle, turn, and face the dog as in the Novice recall. On the judge's order, the handler will give the command or signal to jump. The dog must clear the entire distance of the broad jump without touching it and, without any further command or signal, immediately sit in front of the handler until the command to "Finish" is given by the judge.

Jump Heights:

Read the Dog Resource Handbook page 83, 84 to determine the jump height for your dog. Note:

Colorado does not allow the jump height of $\frac{3}{4}$ that is allowed in Dog Manual per page 83.

Breed Exceptions – Jumps:

Some breeds, because of their conformation, have exceptions granted for their jump heights. Please check the AKC Website under the obedience rules for the current chart of exceptions of breeds for these jumps. The website for AKC is: www.akc.org

RALLY

For the 2012 Project year: Colorado 4-H Dog Project will not be using the newest (April 2012) AKC Rally signs. We intend to give our trainers and leaders more time to learn the new signs, including time to compete with the changes themselves. We will address making the changes for the 2013 Project year.

- A. All 4-H Rally classes will be patterned after the latest AKC obedience guidelines whenever possible, except that dog registry with AKC is not required. Some exercises and rules may have been adapted from AKC to better serve the youth of this program.
- B. In all classes points will be deducted in the Rally classes for the following: strong correcting, disciplining, fouling the ring, excessive barking, leaving the ring, rules violation or showing fear.**
- C. Handlers entered in B classes will be judged at a higher skill level (handler errors) than handlers entered in A classes.
- D. Allowed collars in Rally classes include: Flat or rolled leather with buckle or snap closure. Flat or rolled nylon collars with buckle or snap closure. Metal choke chain. No halties, gentle leaders, harnesses, or pinch collars will be allowed in the show ring. Collars and leads must be 2 separate pieces. Slip leads are not allowed.
- E. All jump heights will conform with current (as of 2011 rules and regulations) AKC height and broad jump recommendations
- F. Each member will be allowed only one run in each class with the dog who has qualified for that class.
- G. Walk-throughs will be announced. Youth will not be allowed to walk through the pattern at any time other than the official walk-through time.
- H. Please refer to the Colorado State 4-H Dog Project Rally Obedience Rules and Regulations for Exhibitors, Judges and Stewards for complete information.
- I. No dog tags can be on the dog when showing in the ring. This includes name tags, rabies tags, or anything else that hangs from the dog's collar. It is very important that your dog wear tags at all times, except when in the show ring.
- J. Each county may enter exhibitors in Rally classes (by a selection procedure most appropriate to its own county program) according to the following quota:
 - 1. Rally Novice A Class – This class is for members and their dogs in their first year of Rally obedience who have not received a blue ribbon at any State 4-H Dog Trial and/or have not received an equivalent title from any national dog association. A member may only compete in Rally A for one year.
 - 2. Rally Novice B Class – This class is for any member who is in their second year or above of Rally Obedience with the same dog used in the Rally Novice A Class or who is starting

a dog that has never competed in Rally. Members are allowed to compete in this class until they have obtained a blue ribbon at a State 4-H Dog Trial or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association.

- 3. Rally Advanced A Class – Rally Advanced A is for members in their first year of Rally Advanced Training who have not received a blue ribbon in Rally Advanced at any State 4-H Dog Trial, and/or have not received an equivalent title from any national dog association. A member may only compete in Rally Advanced A class for one year.
- 4. Rally Advanced B Class – This class is for any member who is in their second year or above of Rally Advanced Obedience. Members are allowed to compete in this class until they have obtained a blue ribbon at a State 4-H Dog Trial, or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association.
- 5. Rally Excellent A Class – Rally Excellent A Class is for members who are in their first year of Rally Excellent training who have not received a blue ribbon in Rally Excellent at any State 4-H Dog Trial, and/or have not received an equivalent title for any national dog association. A member may only compete in the A class for one year.
- 6. Rally Excellent B Class – This class is for any member who is in their second year or above of Rally Excellent Obedience. Members are allowed to compete in this class until they have obtained a blue ribbon at a State 4-H Dog Trial, or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association.
- 7. Rally Advanced/Excellent A – This class is for members who have received a blue ribbon in Rally Excellent at a previous State 4-H Dog Trial or who has received the equivalent of an Excellent title from a national dog association. This class is for members in their 1st year of Advanced/Excellent training.
- 8. Rally Advanced/Excellent B – This class is for members who have received a blue ribbon in Rally Advanced/ Excellent at a previous State 4-H Dog Trial or who has received the equivalent of an Rally Advanced/ Excellent title from a national dog association. This class is for members in their 2nd year or above of Advanced/Excellent training.
A member receiving the equivalent National title may continue to compete in this class for their remaining years in the program.

ENTRIES: Each county may enter the following members as designated by each county's qualification rules:

CLASS 560 Rally Novice A – Four entries
CLASS 561 Rally Novice B – Four entries
CLASS 562 Rally Advanced A Class – Four entries
CLASS 563 Rally Advanced B Class – Four entries
CLASS 564 Rally Excellent A Class – Four entries
CLASS 565 Rally Excellent B Class – Four entries
CLASS 566 Rally Advanced/Excellent A – Four entries
CLASS 567 Rally Advanced/Excellent B – Unlimited entries

OBEDIENCE, SHOWMANSHIP, AND RALLY AWARDS:

All participants will receive a "State Fair Qualifier" ribbon. The American System will be used to rank the 4-H dog trial participants. First through tenth place ribbons will be awarded in Obedience for scores over 170 that have received 50 percent or more of the maximum point value of that exercise; Showmanship scores of 90 or above; and Rally Scores of 70 and above.

Trophies and rosette ribbons will be awarded to the member scoring the highest point total in the following classes:

Overall Grand and Reserve Grand Champions

*Junior Novice and Open Showmanship
*Intermediate Novice & Open Showmanship *Senior Novice, Open, and Advanced Showmanship.
*A special award will be given to the high scoring individual in the Winner's Class.

Trophies and rosette ribbons will be awarded to the member scoring the highest point total in the following classes:

Overall Grand and Reserve Grand Champions Sub

Novice A, B, Sub Novice C (1st and 2nd year);

Obedience

Novice A & B Obedience

Grad Novice Obedience Classes

Advanced Obedience Classes

Trophies and rosette ribbons will be awarded to the member scoring the highest point total in the following classes:

Overall Grand and Reserve Grand Champions Rally

Novice A & B

Rally Advanced A & B

Rally Excellent A & B

Rally Advanced/Excellent A & B.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

It takes many people to put on a successful State 4-H Dog Show. Each county will be **REQUIRED** to provide volunteers to be ring stewards, help with registration, be a runner, and assist with set-up and

clean-up. **Each county must submit a 2012**

Volunteer Help Form, available online at:

http://www.colorado4h.org/events_opportunities/state_fair/packet/DogTrialsVolunteerForm.pdf

If you volunteer for set up, please note that set up times might vary due to other events scheduled at the Event's Center the evening before our show. Check with superintendent for times.

Passes to enter the fairgrounds on the day you are showing should be provided by your local 4-H Extension Agent in your local Extension Office. No passes will be sent out by the superintendents of these contests