

JUNIOR DOGS – DEPARTMENT 109

JUDGING DAY: WEDNESDAY at 9:00 am in Activity Center

Agility – THURSDAY preceding Fair Week

2023 Walworth County Fair overall Rules & Regulations apply and are at: walworthcountyfairgrounds.com

RULES GOVERNING DOG EXHIBITS

1. All dog exhibits must be the result of regular 4-H, FFA, or other organized youth work during the current year. Training programs must be approved by the Dog Committee. Dogs must be entered in the division and class they have been training in just preceding this fair.
2. Champion & Reserve Champion awards will be given per judges' discretion per department, division or class.
3. Age classification is based on your age as of January 1, of the current year.
4. Exhibitors may enter two dogs: one in obedience only or obedience and agility, and the second in showmanship. Exhibitors having completed three or more consecutive years of obedience training may enter a second dog in obedience, or obedience and agility (meaning 3 dogs will be allowed, two in obedience and agility and one in showmanship). An exhibitor may not enter two dogs in the same class (except Brace Team) nor may one dog be entered in two obedience, agility, or showmanship classes handled by the same exhibitor.
5. Dog/handler teams receiving a qualifying score in obedience or agility will advance to the next level at the discretion of the leaders.
6. All dogs are required to have had shots (distemper, rabies, and parvo) and be licensed by the State of Wisconsin. The certificate of these inoculations shall be presented to the Dog Committee by the second week of training sessions.
7. Dogs **must be** six (6) months of age by May 1 of show year.
8. Handlers **ever** having previously trained in Beginners Showmanship must advance to the next level.
9. Exhibitors must attend one of two mandatory pre-training meetings to be eligible to show their dog at the fair. Exhibitors unable to attend one of the mandatory pre-training meetings must contact the key leader prior to May 1 to discuss eligibility to participate in the dog classes at the fair.
10. Exhibitors with more than three absences from training sessions will not be permitted to show their dog(s) at the fair unless approved by the Dog Committee. Exhibitors showing multiple dogs must attend a minimum of one training session of each class per month to be allowed to show.
11. Dogs cannot be shown or trained by anyone other than the Dog Project exhibitor from May 1 to September 10.
12. The leaders reserve the right to remove a dog from classes, which in their opinion poses a hazard.
13. Dogs in this department are allowed on the fairgrounds only during judging. They must leave the grounds immediately at the conclusion of judging.
14. Champion & Reserve Champion are determined by highest score in the obedience and agility classes. Champion from the showmanship classes is chosen from the winners of all five showmanship classes. The Reserve Champion from the showmanship classes is chosen from the remaining winners and the exhibitor that placed second to the Champion in their respective showmanship class.
15. Bitches in season will NOT be allowed at training sessions nor are allowed to be shown at fair or pre-fair judging.
16. Fouling the ring is automatic 4th premium in all classes and will result in forfeiture of trophy.
17. Obedience and Showmanship Classes will be judged Danish and must be pre-entered.

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$4.50 2nd - \$3.50 3rd - \$2.50 4th - \$1.50

OBEDIENCE

Division A: Obedience

Class #

1. Pre-Novice A, Exhibitors age 8-12
2. Pre-Novice A, Exhibitors age 13 & up
3. Pre-Novice B, Exhibitors age 8-12
4. Pre-Novice B, Exhibitors age 13 & up
5. Novice, Exhibitors age 8-12
6. Novice, Exhibitors age 13 & up
7. Graduate Novice
8. Pre-Open
9. Open
10. Pre-Utility
11. Brace Team (Two dogs trained together)

Division B: Showmanship

Class #

1. Beginners Showmanship (Exhibitors 1st yr. in showmanship) age 8-12
2. Beginners Showmanship (Exhibitors 1st yr. in showmanship) age 13 & up
3. Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitors 2nd yr. or more in showmanship) age 8-12
4. Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitors 2nd yr. or more in showmanship) age 13 & up
5. Advanced Showmanship (Exhibitors 3rd yr. or more in showmanship) all ages

AGILITY**JUDGING: Thursday preceding Fair Week****REGULATIONS:**

1. Exhibitors must follow other project regulations as listed above.
2. Dog must be physically able to negotiate obstacles. If necessary, this determination to be made by agility leader.
3. Dog/handler team must be participating in an obedience program approved by the Dog Committee to participate in agility. Teams receiving a qualifying score in Graduate Novice or passing the Obedience for Agility test may opt out of obedience.

Division C: Agility**Class #**

1. Beginners Agility
2. Intermediate A Agility (Dogs must be shown on a leash)
3. Intermediate B Agility (Dogs must be shown off leash)
4. Advanced Agility