



# 2024 Cass County Fair

## *Open Dog Show*

8 a.m. | Tuesday, July 16, 2024

**Cass County Fairgrounds, Pleasant Hill, MO**

*All Dogs must be on leash. Dogs must not be taken near other livestock or in exhibit buildings.  
Entries are open to purebred or mixed breed dogs and must be owned by the exhibitor or in  
partnership with parent or guardian.*

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### **Information and Rules:**

1. General livestock rules and regulations and general rules and regulations apply in this department.
  - Entries are open to dogs identified in 4-H online as 4-H projects by Feb. 1 of the current year that meet the division and class qualifications.
  - Each dog is allowed ONLY one entry per class.
  - Rabies certificate and vaccinations must be present to show.
2. All exhibitors/dogs are highly encouraged to attend the 4-H training or private obedience classes and MUST compete in obedience to be eligible to compete in agility, rally or showmanship classes.
3. The Cass County Fair dog show is NOT an AKC sanctioned show, while AKC obedience rules have been used as guidelines, class descriptions may differ. To assist with dog show expectations, it is recommended that youth obtain a copy of the AKC rules prior to exhibiting.
4. **Class Determination**
  - Exhibitor and dog experience in conjunction with show scores from previous county fairs will be used to determine class level.
  - Cass County Fair and State Fair class descriptions will not match.
  - Years completed is every year the dog has been shown plus current year.
  - A qualifying score is achieved when a dog and handler earns a minimum of 170 out of 200 points and at least 50% of points for each class exercise.
  - Dogs with qualifying scores must advance to the next class with exception of preferred open and open classes.
5. All fee(s) must be paid at the time of entry.
6. **Health Requirements**
  - Bring a copy of current certification of Veterinary Inspection to the fair that includes vaccination date for Rabies, parvo and distemper.
  - Any bitch in season will need to notify superintendents.

## 7. Housing

- No housing will be provided on fairgrounds, exhibitors should plan to arrive on the day of the show and leave following the completion of the show.
- Only dogs exhibiting in the dog show are allowed on fairgrounds.
- All dogs must remain in designated areas at all times .
- All dogs will be released upon completion of the show.

## 8. Check-in Procedures

- Exhibitors should report to the show ring with dogs beginning at 8 a.m. and no later than 8:45 a.m. the process will include verification of class entries, inspection of dogs, review of vaccinations.

## 9. Exhibitor Conduct

- No practicing will be allowed in the show ring unless otherwise stated.
- Be ready when class is called.
- Exhibitors participating in showmanship and obedience must give precedence to showmanship.
- Judges do not have to hold classes for a single exhibitor.
- Do not strike dogs or use any other unnecessary/harsh physical means to discipline dogs while on fairgrounds.
- Baiting is not allowed in obedience.

## 10. Exhibitor Dress

- All exhibitors will wear official county fair t-shirt, tucked in, and in its original form while showing (obedience, rally, and agility)
- Business attire is highly encouraged for showmanship class.

## 11. Equipment

- Tents, canopies, awning, etc. may not be set up prior to 7 a.m. the day of show; all must be removed upon completion of the dog show.
- All dogs must be leashed or crated while waiting for their class to be called.
- Exhibitors are responsible for providing water and food to their dog(s).
- Exhibitors may choose to use choke chains, buckle collars, or martingales in obedience classes; show leads are to be used when handling dogs in showmanship class.
- No dog will be allowed to show with prong or pinch collars, gentle leaders or harness.
- Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own dumb bell as applicable.
- Jumps will be provided by the project; all dogs will be measured at shoulder height (withers) for applicable classes.
- Requests to use additional equipment will be handled on a case by case basis.
- **Grooming expectations** – All dogs need to be well groomed and evaluated for:
  - Free of loose hair, fleas, lice and other insects
  - Toenails of suitable length
  - Ears and eyes clean and clear

## **Obedience**

- Dogs must be trained, cared for and managed by exhibitors.
- Dogs with AKC titles may **ONLY** enter classes above secured title.
- There is no limit to the number of dogs entered per exhibitor.
- Each dog may only enter one obedience class.
- Total amount of points possible is 200.
- **Awards:**
  - Group Ribbons:
    - Blue: 200-170 points
    - Red: 169.5-150 points
    - White: 149.5 or less points

## **Clover Kids**

This class will do an exhibition of obedience, showmanship, agility, and rally for a participation ribbon in each class. This is to help build confidence. Each exhibitor will need to wear appropriate clothing.

## **300 Intro Class**

**Exhibitor and dog with no training experience:** 1st year for both exhibitor and dog. Dog must not have earned any obedience titles.

- Heel and figure 8 on leash 40 points
- Sit for examination on leash 40 points
- Recall (no finish) on leash 40 points
- Long sit (30 sec.) handler at end of leash 40 points
- Long down (30 sec.) handler at end of leash 40 points
- **Total:** 200 points

## **301 Beginners Novice A**

**Exhibitor and dog with previous training experience:** 2nd year for both exhibitor and dog. Dog must not have earned any obedience title.

- Heel and figure 8 on leash 40 points
- Sit for examination on leash 40 points
- Recall (no finish) on leash 40 points
- Long sit (30 sec.) handler at end of leash 40 points
- Long down (30 sec.) handler at end of leash 40 points
- **Total:** 200 points

### **302 Beginners Novice B**

**Exhibitor and/or dog with previous training experience:** 2nd + year exhibitor/2nd year dog OR 2nd + year exhibitor/1st year dog OR 1st year exhibitor/2nd + year dog. Exhibitors/dog teams may enter this class until a qualifying score has been earned. Dogs must not have earned any obedience titles.

- Heel-on leash 40 points
- Figure 8-on leash 40 points
- Sit for examination-on leash 40 points
- Sit/Stay Handler walks ring-dropped leash 40 points
- Recall (no finish)-drop leash 40 points
- **Total:** 200 points

### **303 Preferred Novice A**

**Exhibitors/dog teams may enter this class for ONLY 1 year.** Dogs must not have earned any legs towards the CD title.

- Heel and Figure 8-on leash 40 points
- Stand for examination-off leash 40 points
- Heel free-off leash 40 points
- Recall with finish-off leash 40 points
- Stay - sit or down, Handler walks ring 20 points
- Sit, Stay, Get your leash 20 points
- **Total:** 200 points

### **304 Preferred Novice B**

**Exhibitors/dog teams may enter this class until a qualifying score has been earned.** Dogs must not have earned any legs towards a CD title.

- Heel and Figure 8-on leash 40 points
- Stand for examination-off leash 40 points
- Heel free-off leash 40 points
- Recall with finish-off leash 40 points
- Stay - sit or down, Handler walks ring 20 points
- Sit, Stay, Get your leash 20 points
- **Total:** 200 points

### **305 Novice A**

**Exhibitors/dog teams may enter this class for ONLY 1 year.** Dogs must not have earned any legs towards the CD title.

- Heel and Figure 8-on leash 40 points
- Stand for examination-off leash 40 points
- Heel free-off leash 40 points
- Recall with finish-off leash 40 points
- Stay - sit or down, Handler walks ring 20 points
- Group exercise - sit (1 min) and down stay (3 min) 20 points
- **Total:** 200 points

### **306 Novice B**

**Exhibitors/dog teams may enter this class until a qualifying score has been earned.** Dog may have earned 1 or 2 but not 3 legs toward the CD title.

- Heel free-off leash 40 points
- Figure 8 free-off leash 40 points
- Stand for examination-off leash 40 points
- Recall with finish-off leash 40 points
- Sit, Stay - get your leash 20 points
- Group exercise - sit (1 min) and down stay (3 min) 20 points
- **Total:** 200 points

### **307 Graduate Novice A**

**Intended for the exhibitor/dog team that is just beginning dumbbell work;** exhibitors must provide dumbbells. Exhibitors/dog teams may enter this class for ONLY 1 year. Dogs must not have earned any legs towards the CDX title.

- Heel and figure 8-off leash 40 points
- Drop on recall-off leash 40 points
- Dumbbell recall-off leash 40 points
- Dumbbell recall over high jump- off leash 40 points
- Recall over broad jump- off leash 20 points
- Stay - get your leash (sit/down) 20 points
- **Total:** 200 points

### **308 Graduate Novice B**

**Intended for the exhibitor/dog team that has previous experience working with a dumbbell;** exhibitors must provide a dumbbell. Exhibitors/dog teams may enter this class until the qualifying score has been earned. Dogs must not have earned any legs towards the CDX title.

- Heel and figure 8- off leash 40 points
- Drop on recall- off leash 40 points
- Dumbbell recall- off leash 40 points
- Dumbbell recall over high jump- off leash 40 points
- Recall over broad jump- off leash 20 points
- Stay - get your leash (sit/down) 20 points
- **Total:** 200 points

### **309 Preferred Open**

**Intended for the exhibitor/dog team that is just beginning to retrieve;** the exhibitor must provide a dumbbell. Number of years the exhibitor/dog team may enter is unlimited. Dogs may have earned 1 or 2, but not 3 legs towards the CDX title.

- Heel and figure 8-off leash 40 points
- Drop on recall-off leash 40 points
- Retrieve on flat-off leash 40 points
- Retrieve over high jump-off leash 40 points
- Broad jump handler at side-off leash 40 points
- **Total:** 200 points

### **310 Open**

**Intended for exhibitor/dog teams that have previous experience retrieving,** exhibitors must provide dumbbells. Number of years the exhibitor/dog team may enter this is unlimited. Dogs must not have earned any legs towards the UD title.

- Heel and figure 8- off leash 40 points
- Command discrimination (stand, down, sit) 40 points
- Drop on recall- off leash 40 points
- Retrieve over high jump- off leash 40 points
- Broad jump handler at side- off leash 40 points
- **Total:** 200 points

## **Rally**

1. Each dog may enter only one rally class.
2. Exhibitors may enter only one dog in rally.
3. Total amount of points possible is 100.

### **Clover Kids**

This class will do an exhibition of obedience, showmanship, agility, and rally for a participation ribbon in each class. This is to help build confidence. Each exhibitor will need to wear appropriate clothing.

#### **401 Rally Beginners Novice**

Open to exhibitors in class 300-301. All exercises are performed on leash at a variety of stations. Exercises may include one or more jumping stations.

#### **402 Rally Pre-Novice**

Open to all exhibitors in classes 302-304. All exercises are performed on leash at a variety of stations. Exercises may include one or more jumping stations.

#### **403 Rally Novice**

Open to all exhibitors in obedience classes 305-306. All exercises are performed off leash at a variety of stations. Exercises may include one or more jumping stations.

#### **404 Rally Advanced**

Open to all exhibitors in obedience classes 307-310. All exercises are performed off leash at a variety of stations. Exercises may include one or more jumping stations.

## **Showmanship**

1. Exhibitors who enter showmanship class MUST exhibit in at least one obedience class, excluding rally.
2. Each exhibitor may ONLY enter one showmanship class.
3. Exhibitors must enter the class that reflects the current 4H age.
4. Total amount of points possible is 100.
  - Showmanship will be judged according to the following: a. Exhibitor (appearance, attitude)
  - Dog grooming and conditions
  - Handling
  - Questions

### **Clover Kids**

This class will do an exhibition of obedience, showmanship, agility, and rally for a participation ribbon in each class. This is to help build confidence. Each exhibitor will need to wear appropriate clothing.

### **501-B Junior Showmanship**

Open to exhibitors in class 300 and ages 8-10

### **502-B Intermediate Showmanship**

Open to exhibitors in class 300 and ages 11-13

### **503-B Senior Showmanship**

Open to exhibitors in class 300 and ages 14-18

### **501 Junior Showmanship**

Open to exhibitors in classes 301-310 and ages 8-10

### **502 Intermediate Showmanship**

Open to exhibitors in classes 301-310 and ages 11-13

### **503 Senior Showmanship**

Open to exhibitors in classes 301-310 and ages 14-18

### **Overall Showmanship**

For 1st place exhibitors from classes 501-B thru 503.

### **Agility**

1. There is no limit to the number of dogs entered per exhibitor.
2. Each dog may only enter one agility class.
3. Exhibitors may enter only one dog per agility class.
4. Baiting is allowed.
5. Flat collar only to participate in this event.
6. Total amount of points possible is 100.

### **Clover Kids**

This class will do an exhibition of obedience, showmanship, agility, and rally for a participation ribbon in each class. This is to help build confidence. Each exhibitor will need to wear appropriate clothing.

### **600: Beginner dogs 8" and under**

Open to exhibitors in obedience class 300-301. Dogs will follow the course on leash. Time standards will be based on 2 minutes; penalties will be assessed for any time over.



**601: Beginner dogs 8-13"**

Open to exhibitors in obedience classes 300-301. Dogs will follow the course on leash. Time standards will be based on 2 minute; penalties will be assessed for any time over.

**602: Beginner dog over 14"**

Open to exhibitors in obedience class 300-301. Dogs will follow the course on leash. Time standards will be based on 2 minutes; penalties will be assessed for any time over.

**603: Dog over 1st year and 8" and under**

Open to exhibitors in obedience class 302-306. Dogs will follow the course on or off leash. Time standards will be based on 1 minutes 30 seconds; penalties will be assessed for any time over. Exhibitor has option to lose 5 points for leash use at the beginning of the run or one point per touch of leash.

**604: Dog over 1st year and 8-13"**

Open to exhibitors in obedience class 302-306. Dogs will follow the course on or off leash. Time standards will be based on 1 minutes 30 seconds; penalties will be assessed for any time over. Exhibitor has option to lose 5 points for leash use at the beginning of the run or one point per touch of leash.

**605: Dog over 1st year and over 14"**

Open to exhibitors in obedience class 302-306. Dogs will follow the course on or off leash. Time standards will be based on 1 minutes 30 seconds; penalties will be assessed for any time over. Exhibitor has option to lose 5 points for leash use at the beginning of the run or one point per touch of leash.

**606: Dogs over 3 years and 8" and under**

Open to exhibitors in obedience classes 307-310. Dogs will follow the course off leash. Time standards will be based on 1 minute 30 seconds, penalties will be added for any time over. Points to be deducted for every touch of dog at judges discretion.

**607: Dogs over 3 years and 8"-13"**

Open to exhibitors in obedience classes 307-310. Dogs will follow the course off leash. Time standards will be based on 1 minute 30 seconds, penalties will be added for any time over. Points to be deducted for every touch of dog at judges discretion.

**608: Dogs over 3 years and over 14"**

Open to exhibitors in obedience classes 307-310. Dogs will follow the course off leash. Time standards will be based on 1 minute 30 seconds, penalties will be added for any time over. Points to be deducted for every touch of dog at judges discretion.

## **Quiz Bowl**

1. This will be a 10 question timed quiz to test the knowledge of the exhibitor on dogs.
2. If assistance reading or writing is needed please alert the Superintendents.
3. Total amount of points possible is 100.

### **800: Junior Quiz Bowl**

Open to kids ages 8-10

### **801: Intermediate Quiz Bowl**

Open to kids ages 11-13

### **802: Senior Quiz Bowl**

Open to kids ages 14-18

High scoring dogs will be determined by adding up all classes competed in and totaling them together.