DEPARTMENT E—DOG CARE AND TRAINING

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Judging: Friday, July 17, Pre-Fair - Dog Agility & Showmanship – Sanilac County Fairgrounds
Check-in 3 pm, Show 4 pm
Saturday, July 18, Pre-Fair - Dog Rally & Obedience – EMSF Fairgrounds
Check-in 8 am, Show 9 am
This change is at the Superintendent's discretion and will be shared with the exhibitors.

General Rules: See Rules Governing Entries, Exhibitions, and Awards and General Rules and Rules for Livestock.

1. Existing club members must be registered with the EMSF by the appropriate deadline.
2. Dogs must be healthy and free from disease. A photocopy of the rabies certificate for each dog exhibited must be attached to the Record Book. An additional copy of all rabies certificates must be provided to be filed with the Overall Livestock Superintendent.
3. Members must be responsible for at least 50% of the dog's training in the area of which they show.
4. A maximum of 4 dogs per member will be allowed, as long as the exhibitor has trained all the animals.
5. More than one dog may be shown by an exhibitor in each section, but only the highest scoring dog per each section will be eligible for placing. Sprouts may show another exhibitor's dog.
6. An exhibitor must notify the Superintendent at check in, if your female is in season.
7. Members and parents will be responsible for the care and clean-up of their dog(s). Each member must provide the proper equipment.
8. Dogs are to be crated and/or leashed when not being shown.
9. No shock collars, pinch collars, or chain leads will be allowed in the showring.
10. Anyone severely disciplining, abusing, or neglecting their dogs will be immediately dismissed from the show by the Superintendent(s).
11. A Superintendent's meeting will be called in the event of aggressive behavior to determine the eligibility of the dog to continue to show that day. Any dog that bites at an EMSF function will be dismissed. Further participation in EMSF by the dog will be decided by the Superintendents.
12. Any dog that the Superintendent(s) deem unsafe will be unable to exhibit at Fair.
13. A single exhibitor is eligible for only one high point award per area even though he/she shows multiple dogs per area. For example, a single exhibitor may win only one high point in each of the 5 divisions of Obedience, Rally, Showmanship, Jumps and Tunnels Agility, and Standard Agility. If an exhibitor showed multiple dogs in a division, the highest scoring dog receives the highpoint.
14. Exhibitors with multiple years of experience in the dog project area are strongly encouraged to compete in off-leash divisions as much as possible.

Division 1 – DOG OBEDIENCE

Dress Code: Girls and Boys should wear dress slacks or dress shorts of fingertip length or longer with the appropriate shirt/blouse. Shoes must be flat with rubber or non-skid soles. Long hair should be tied back. Showmanship attire is also acceptable. Not Acceptable Attire: Denim of any kind or color, T-shirts, sweatshirts, halter tops, low cut blouses, spaghetti strap tops/dresses, shorts less than fingertip length, hats, sandals, high heel shoes or boots. Any clothing that draws undue attention to one's self, or clothing that may distract other handlers, or the judge is unacceptable. Clothing with Club name and/or personal identification will not be allowed.

Dog's Equipment: Dogs are to be shown on a choke collar (chain or soft) or buckle collar and a six-foot leash. Collars cannot have any tags on them. Chain leashes are not permitted. No treats, toys or training aids will be allowed in the ring.

1. All classes: A – Handler and/or Dog: First year competing at this level B – Experience handler and/or dog, member or dog has received other instruction or competed in this class previous years.
2. Any dog receiving 3 qualifying scores must move to the next training level within 6months.
3. An exhibitor may show multiple entries per each obedience class, however only the highest scoring dog may earn a placing.
4. All exhibitors are eligible for class placements, 1st-6th place. A qualifying score (170 points and a minimum of 50% of each exercise) is required for eligibility for Grand and Reserve Highest Scoring Dog in Show.
5. The superintendents, as entry warrants, can divide classes into age groups.
6. All four members of a team must include the team class on their entry form. All members of a team must compete at the level of the team entry.
7. Class listings are subject to change at the discretion of the leaders and superintendents.

Class 3001: Sprout Obedience (5-7 years)
Class 3002: Pre-Novice A (8-19 years)
Class 3003: Pre-Novice B (8-19 years)
Class 3004: Beginner Novice A (8-19 years)
Class 3005: Beginner Novice B (8-19 years)
Class 3006: Novice A (8-19 years)
Class 3007: Novice B (8-19 years)
Class 3008: Grad Novice (8-19 years)
Class 3009: Advanced Grad Novice (8-19 years)
Class 3010: Open (8-19 years)
Class 3011: Pre-Utility (8-19 years)
Class 3012: Utility (8-19 years)
Class 3013: Pre-Novice Brace (8-19 years)
Class 3014: Novice Brace (8-19 years)
Class 3015: Pre-Novice Team (8-19 years)
Class 3016: Novice Team (8-19 years)

Awards: 1st-6th placings
Grand Champion On-Leash (Pre-Novice and Beginner Novice) Highest Scoring Dog in Show;
Reserve Champion On-Leash (Pre-Novice and Beginner Novice) Highest Scoring Dog in Show;
Grand Champion Off-Leash (Novice, Grad Novice, Advanced Grad Novice, Open, Pre-Utility, Utility) Highest Scoring Dog in Show;
Reserve Champion Off-Leash (Novice, Grad Novice, Advanced Grad Novice, Open, Pre-Utility, Utility) Highest Scoring Dog in Show;
Sprouts-Participation Ribbons

Division 2 – DOG RALLY OBEDIENCE

All Division 1 - Dog Obedience rules apply to Dress Code, Dog Equipment, & Dog Handlers.

Class 3017: Sprouts Rally
Class 3018: Novice Rally A (8-19 years)
Class 3019: Novice Rally B (8-19 years)
Class 3020: Intermediate Rally (8-19 years)
Class 3021: Advanced Rally A (8-19 years)
Class 3022: Advanced Rally B (8-19 years)
Class 3023: Excellent Rally A (8-19 years)
Class 3024: Excellent Rally B (8-19 years)
Class 3025: Master Rally (8-19 years)

Awards: 1st-6th placings

Highest Scoring On-Leash Dog in Show and Reserve Highest Scoring On-Leash Dog in Show (Novice and Intermediate);
Highest Scoring Off-Leash Dog in Show and Reserve Highest Scoring Off-Leash Dog in Show (Advanced, Excellent, or Master)
Sprouts-Participation Ribbons

Division 3 – DOG SHOWMANSHIP

Dress Code: Girls: skirts of modest length, culottes or dresses of modest length, and dress slacks are acceptable. Long hair should be tied back. Boys: dress slacks with appropriate shirt, tie, jacket or suit. Shoes must be flat with rubber or non-skid soles. Not Acceptable Attire: Denim of any kind or color, T-shirts, sweatshirts, halter tops, low cut blouses, spaghetti strap shirts/dresses, shorts/skirts/dresses less than fingertip length, hats, sandals, high heel shoes, open toed shoes, or boots. Any clothing that draws undue attention to one's self or clothing that may distract other handlers, or the judge is unacceptable. Clothing with a Club name and/or personal identification will not be allowed.

Dog's Equipment: Lightweight collars and leads, martingales, or resco type leads as breed requires. Treats or bait are allowed in the ring. A comb or brush is allowed. Toys must be pre-approved by the superintendent, stored securely and silent in a pocket when not being used.

1. Novice – members in their first and second year showing who have not yet had 3 first place wins with competition at any match or show.
2. Open – members who have shown in Novice for two years and do not have 3 first place wins with competition at any match or show.
3. Champion – members who have 3 first place wins competition at any match or show must show in the champion class.

Class 3030: Sprout Showmanship (5-7 years)
Class 3031: Novice Showmanship (8-11 years)
Class 3032: Novice Showmanship (12-14 years)
Class 3033: Novice Showmanship (15-19 years)
Class 3034: Open Showmanship (8-14 years)
Class 3035: Open Showmanship (15-19 years)
Class 3036: Champion Showmanship (8-14 years)
Class 3037: Champion Showmanship (15-19 years)

Awards: 1st-6th placings in each class

Best in Showmanship will consist of the first-place winners from the above classes.

Reserve in Showmanship will consist of the first-place winners, with the exception that the second place winner from the class from which the Best in Showmanship representative was chosen will also compete.

The top showman from the 15-19 years classes will be chosen to represent the dog project in Sweepstakes Showmanship.

Awards: Best in Showmanship & Reserve in Showmanship

DOG AGILITY

Dress Code: Girls and Boys should wear dress slacks or dress shorts of fingertip length or longer with the appropriate shirt/blouse. Shoes must be flat with rubber or non-skid soles. Long hair should be tied back. Not Acceptable Attire: Denim of any kind or color, T-shirts, sweatshirts, halter tops, low cut blouses, shorts less than fingertip length, hats, sandals, high heel shoes or boots. Any clothing that draws undue attention to one's self or clothing that may distract other handlers, or the judge is unacceptable. Clothing with club name and/or personal identification will not be allowed.

Dog's Equipment: must have a buckle collar without any tags. Beginner entries to use a six-foot leash. No chain leads or collars allowed. No treats, toys or training aids are allowed in the ring.

1. All Classes: A – Handler/Dog first year competition at this level B – Experienced Handler/Dog, member or dog has received other instruction or competed at this level in previous years
2. Any dog receiving three qualifying scores must move up to the next level within six months. A qualifying score is a total of 85 or more points. All exhibitors are eligible for class placements, 1st-6th place. A qualifying score (85 Points and a minimum of 50% of each exercise) is required for eligibility for Grand and Reserve Highest Scoring Dog in Show.
3. The superintendents, as entry warrants, can divide classes into age groups. An exhibitor may show multiple entries per each Agility class, however only the highest scoring dog in each class may earn a placing.

Obstacles for Level 1
Consists of 10 obstacles: tunnels and upright jumps only.
No contact obstacles, no broad jump, the tire jump may be used at the judge's choice.
Done on leash.
Handler may jump with dog

Obstacles for Level 2
Consists of 12 obstacles (all of tunnels and jumps obstacles plus the dog walk and the pause table).
Done on leash.
Handler may NOT jump with dog.

Obstacles for Level 3
All obstacles except weaves, teater.
Includes tire jump, broad jump, A-Frame, table, plus obstacles from Level 2.
Adds tire (mandatory), broad (mandatory), A-Frame (mandatory).
Done off leash.

Obstacles for Level 4
Done off leash.
All obstacles from Level 3 plus the weaves.

Obstacles for Level 5
Done off leash.
All obstacles (add teeter)

JUMP HEIGHT FOR ALL CLASSES & ALL VENUES

Dogs 11 inches and under at withers: 4"
Dogs 12-17 inches at withers: 8"
All other dogs: 12"
Broad jump is double upright jump height.
4" upright = 8 inch broad jump (1 board)
8" upright = 16 inch broad jump (2 boards)
12" upright = 24 inch broad jump (3 boards)

Division 4 – STANDARD AGILITY

Class 3040: Sprout Standard Agility (5-7 years)
Class 3041: Beginner A Standard Agility (8-19 years)
Class 3042: Beginner B Standard Agility (8-19 years)
Class 3043: Intermediate A Standard Agility (8-19 years)
Class 3044: Intermediate B Standard Agility (8-19 years)
Class 3045: Advanced A Standard Agility (8-19 years)
Class 3046: Advanced B Standard Agility (8-19 years)

Awards:
Highest Scoring On-Leash (Beginner) Agility Dog,
Second Highest Scoring On-Leash Agility Dog,
Highest Scoring Off-Leash (Intermediate or Advanced) Agility Dog,
Second Highest Scoring Off-Leash Agility Dog

Division 5 – JUMPS & TUNNELS AGILITY

Class 3050: Sprout Jumps and Tunnels Agility (5-7 years)
Class 3051: Beginner A Jumps and Tunnels Agility (8-19 years)
Class 3052: Beginner B Jumps and Tunnels Agility (8-19 years)
Class 3053: Intermediate A Jumps and Tunnels Agility (8-19 years)
Class 3054: Intermediate B Jumps and Tunnels Agility (8-19 years)
Class 3055: Advanced A Jumps and Tunnels Agility (8-19 years)
Class 3056: Advanced B Jumps and Tunnels Agility (8-19 years)

Awards: Sprout – Participation Ribbon, 1st – 6th placings,
Highest Scoring On-Leash (Beginner) Jumps and Tunnels Agility Dog,
Second Highest Scoring On-Leash Jumps and Tunnels Agility Dog,
Highest Scoring Off-Leash (Intermediate or Advanced) Jumps and Tunnels Agility Dog,
Second Highest Scoring Off-Leash Jumps and Tunnels Agility Dog

Division 6 - SKILLATHON

Day of Dog Show. All test papers must be turned in by the conclusion of the Dog Show Saturday.

Class 3060: Sprout Skillathon (5-7 years)
Class 3061: Junior Skillathon (8-11 years)
Class 3062: Intermediate Skillathon (12-14 years)
Class 3063: Senior Skillathon (15-19 years)

Division 7 – DOG RECORD BOOKS

1. All members, including Sprouts, are required to submit a “fully-completed” (75% or better) record book in order to be eligible for High Point Awards (grand and reserve awards) during the dog show. In the event of an “incomplete” record book, an exhibitor may participate in the dog show, receive class placings, but will be ineligible for High Point Awards (grand and reserve). The Superintendents have the authority to determine if a record book is considered “fully-completed” or “incomplete” on the day of the show. The record book must include a current rabies certificate for each dog entered along with an additional copy to keep on file with the Livestock Superintendent.
2. All projects must be turned in at check-in.

Class 3065: Sprout Record Book (5-7 years)

Class 3066: Record Book (8-11 years)

Class 3067: Record Book (12-19 years)

Awards:

The Best Record Book will be announced at Sweepstakes Showmanship on Saturday night.