

2019 4-H DOG GUIDELINES JEFFERSON COUNTY

PURPOSE:

The reason for the 4-H dog program's existence is to provide learning opportunities for boys and girls that will enhance their personal growth and development. While it is hoped that 4-H dog members would learn canine care, obedience/rally skills and the satisfactions in training a dog and working as a team, the ultimate accomplishment is reached when the youth develops as a responsible, poised, confident and dependable individual.

The same purposes apply to the youth with either a mixed breed or a registered dog.

Guidelines:

1. **Prior to participating in 4-H dog activities with a dog, a 2019 Permission to Participate in Ohio 4-H Dog Activities Disclosure and Release of Claims form MUST be signed by the 4-H member and a parent or guardian for this year's 4-H dog projects.** This form for the current year must be on file in the county Extension office for each youth before s/he can participate in the Ohio 4-H Dog Program activities with a dog.
2. **DOG ELIGIBILITY:** The age limit for dogs to be shown at the county level will be 6 months of age. Dogs not meeting this age requirement cannot be shown. Only domestic dogs can be shown. Wolf and wolf hybrids are not permitted.
3. **Project Eligibility:** TO PARTICIPATE IN THE JEFFERSON COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR- A 4-H MEMBER IS REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN SHOWMANSHIP AND MAY SHOW IN AN OBEDIENCE AND/OR RALLY CLASS. Youth must be enrolled in the correct dog project to show in classes at the County Fair as well as be enrolled in the following 2 classes - *You and Your Dog*, Project No. 201D and *Showmanship*, Project No. 201S – to show in Showmanship classes and in Obedience and or Rally classes. Youth may show one project dog in one level of Obedience, and the same or different project dog Showmanship and or/in a different level of Obedience and Rally. **A maximum of 2 dogs can only be shown at the fair.**
 - A. *You and Your Dog*, Project No. 201D – to show in *You and Your Dog* classes; (Required Enrollment)
 - B. *Obedience*, Project No. 201O – to show in Beginner Novice, Pre-Novice, Novice, Graduate Novice, Open, Graduate Open, Utility, Brace, Team, and Rally classes;
 - C. *Showmanship*, Project No. 201S – to show in Showmanship classes; (Required Enrollment)
 - D. *Performance Dog*, Project No. 201P – to show in Agility, Drill Team, and Freestyle;
 - E. *Working Dog*, Project No. 201W – to show in the Assistance Dog and 4-H PetPALS classes;
 - F. Youth must also be enrolled in Project No. 230 4-H PetPALS to be eligible to show in the 4-H PetPALS class.
4. **Heath Requirements:**
 - A. The *2018 Jefferson County Fair Dog Project Identification Form and Vaccination Certificate* completed and signed by a licensed veterinarian *is required for exhibition at Jefferson County Fair*. All dogs participating in *You and Your Dog* and the Jefferson County Fair must be currently licensed within the county of residence. **The exhibitor must bring a certificate of license to health check. The dog license tag alone is not sufficient. Other certificates of vaccination, computerized vaccination records, pet record cards, or kennel records will not be accepted.** Veterinarians must also provide their name/address stamp used in practice in the space provided.
 - B. ALL dogs must have current Rabies vaccinations, administered by licensed veterinarians. Veterinarians must document on the *2018 Jefferson County Dog Project Identification Form and Vaccination Certificate* whether the exhibitor's dog's rabies vaccination is current by filling in the "date expires" blank.
 - C. ALL dogs must be vaccinated for Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parainfluenza, Adenovirus, and Parvovirus by licensed veterinarians. If the veterinarian does not administer certain vaccinations, those vaccinations must be noted by the administering veterinarian, either on the vaccination form or letterhead. ***For the Jefferson County Fair Dog Show, all vaccinations must be current through August 1, of the current year.***

- D. *Bordetella* vaccination is recommended, but not required. Consult with your veterinarian.
- E. Any dogs exhibiting abnormalities or symptoms of sickness, disease, or parasite infestation as determined by the health check officials will be eliminated from the show and must be removed from the Fairgrounds. Decision of the health check officials is final.
- F. Bitches showing ANY signs of heat are not permitted on the Fairgrounds. They are not permitted to show.
- G. It is the 4-H member's responsibility to make sure that the above vaccination requirements for project judging and the Jefferson County Fair are met. Without the above record, a 4-H member will not be permitted to exhibit.
5. Ownership Requirements: (For information regarding immediate family/hardship/continual care and ownership rules, please see Ohio State Fair Rules.)

Dog participating in Obedience, Showmanship, and/or Rally activities must be owned either by the Jr. Fair exhibitor or the exhibitor's immediate family. (Exception: Assistance Dogs) They must be in the continual care of the Jr. Fair exhibitor for the duration of the project. The date of ownership may be no later than June 1, of the current year. (If you plan to Participate in the Ohio State Fair Dog Show in any discipline ownership must take place by April 1st). Proof of ownership is the burden of the exhibitor and exhibitor's family. Hardship cases will be considered by the Extension Agent but will not be considered for state fair participation.

6. Training:

Lessons, instruction and advice for the exhibitor are encouraged but only if the exhibitor is present in the learning situation and handles or trains the dog, such assistance can include occasional handling or training by another person. Only the exhibitor can train the dog at any type of training class *on or after April 1, of the current year*. The judge will not permit an exhibitor to train or practice any exercise in the show ring at any time.

7. County Fair Judging:

Any dog exhibiting unsafe such as snapping/biting or threatening behavior at any time before, during, or after exhibition MUST be removed from the fairgrounds and will not be permitted to return at any time throughout the Dog Show. Determination of the show committee and/or judge will be final. Dogs are not permitted to wear any type of muzzle while on the fairgrounds. No exceptions.

- A. Individuals who violate any rule and/or exhibit poor sportsmanship during the Jefferson County Fair Junior Fair Dog Show will be disqualified from showing. Judges and/or show officials have the right to disqualify any participant exhibiting poor sportsmanship at any time throughout the 4-H Dog Show from showing, participating in activities, or from receiving any awards. (For more information regarding Unsportsmanlike Conduct), please see Ohio State Fair Rules.)
- B. 4-H members are expected to perform in those events and demonstrate those skills that are listed in the Dog Project and Record book, Dog Resource Handbook, and various dog judging score sheets. Showmanship Interview questions asked during the interview will come from the Ohio 4-H Dog Resource Handbook, the Dog Project and Record project book and/or age-appropriate State Fair Dog Show Question Bank. A bank of questions, without answers, is posted at www.go.osu.edu/osfdogs or www.go.osu.edu/dog.
- C. Misbehavior and Excusals for Dogs/Exhibitors on Show grounds/area/ring:
- I. The judge or show officials *will immediately* excuse from the ring any dog exhibiting unsafe or threatening behavior.
 - II. Any dog not under its handler's control may be excused from competition.
 - III. The judge or show officials will dismiss from the ring any exhibitor abusing the dog, which *will* result in disqualification of exhibitor *and* removal from the Fairgrounds.
 - IV. Exhibitors, parents, volunteers, and other individuals verbally and/or physically abusive or threatening to show personnel will be removed from the Fairgrounds, and exhibitors will be disqualified.

- D. Judges' judging and scoring decisions are FINAL. Individuals are not permitted to have any discussion with judges at any time throughout the Dog Show. (This does not include discussions or questions during Agility or Rally Briefings or Walkthroughs.) **Ties in Scoring - Please refer to the Ohio State Fair Dog Show Rules and Regulations**
- E. Only the 4-H member's dog, 4-H member, and show officials are permitted on the show arena floor at any time throughout the show.
- F. Individuals with concerns must express them in writing, give them to Show Personnel, and those concerns will be discussed at the fall Ohio 4-H Dog Advisory Committee meeting. Confrontations with judges and/or show personnel may result in disqualification of exhibitor and removal of individuals from the Fairgrounds.
- G. **No one other than the junior fair exhibitor is permitted to show the project dog(s) at any type of dog show, including agility, field trials, rally trials, etc., as well as fun matches, on or after April 1, 2018. No one other than the junior fair exhibitor is permitted to take the project dog(s) on animal- assisted activities (pet therapy) visits, on or after April 1, 2018.**
- H. Eligibility for showing in an "A" class is defined as "no training or showing experience for the handler and/or dog prior to the county's current project year." Handlers and/or dogs not meeting this requirement MUST show in a "B" class. Refer to "A" class information in the rules for each show discipline.
- I. Exhibitors must provide their own collar, leash, water dish, kennel, or any equipment needed. **Dogs are not permitted to wear any type of muzzle, prong/pinch collar, or electronic collar while on the fairgrounds.** (For a complete definition of various equipment, see Ohio State Fair rules).
- J. **Dogs must be kept on leash while on the Fairgrounds or still project judging except when participating in the ring during judging.** Exhibitors are totally responsible for their dogs while on the Fairgrounds. 4-H members are totally responsible for their dogs while on the fairgrounds or still project judging. 4-H members are expected to clean up after their dogs. **Dogs must not be left unattended.**
- K. Handler and dog's appearance (includes all classes): Exhibitors should be neat, clean, and well-groomed in appearance. They should wear clothing that is comfortable to handle in and appropriate for dog shows. Clothing should not distract, limit, or hinder the judge's view of the dog. (See Ohio State Fair rules for a definition of inappropriate clothing). Dog should be clean, well brushed and in good physical condition appropriate for the dog's age.
- L. Food treats, or toys are not permitted on the show floor during judging unless approved by the judge. Youth may take dogs out of holding rings and off show floor to give rewards, bathroom break, etc., and then return immediately when finished.
- M. Any Jr. Fair dog exhibitor will be permitted to bring their project dog(s) to the fairgrounds after 7 p.m. **Sunday** night only if the exhibitor's immediate family is a registered camper the week of the fair.
- a. The dog(s) must be confined in a crate if the dog is left alone or if the dog must be outside of the camper. The dog(s) is not permitted off the individual's camping site. The dog must be on lead when outside of the camper when not in its crate.
 - b. Sanitation is a **MUST**. Clean up after your dog. Dispose of all waste properly.
 - c. Any dog(s) being a nuisance and disturbing other campers, such as barking or running loose, will be told to leave the fairgrounds immediately and will not be permitted to bring the dog back to the fairgrounds until 8a.m. on show day.

CLASSES, LOT NUMBERS AND AWARDS

You and Your Dog will be judged at County Project Judging Day and activities will include: (Please note there will no longer be an A or B Class in this category) Member's Interview; Member's Appearance and Attitude; Dog's Appearance and Manners. **Youth must bring their dog, certificate of license, and vaccination certificate to You and Your Dog project judging.**

Please Note: p.16 *4-H Dog Project & Record Book (40 pts.)*: The Animal Records Section of the 4-H Dog Project and Record Book ©2017 (pages 24 through 36) that apply to the You and Your Dog project must be filled out completely, including photograph. **The 4-H Dog Project and Record Book with a copyright of 2018 must be used. Older project/record books will not be accepted.**

You and Your Dog Junior

This class is for the exhibitor 8-11 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in You and Your Dog, Project No. 201D. Exhibitors and dogs may repeat this class, with the same or different dog, regardless of winning first place, until eligible for the Intermediate You and Your Dog class.

You and Your Dog Intermediate

This class is for the exhibitor 12-14 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in You and Your Dog Project No. 201D. Exhibitors may repeat this class, with the same or different dog, regardless of winning first place, until eligible for the Senior You and Your Dog class.

You and Your Dog Senior

This class is for the exhibitor 15-18 years of age as of January 1, 2018. Exhibitors may repeat this class, with the same or different dog, regardless of winning first place, provided meeting age eligibility.

SHOWMANSHIP:

The Ohio 4-H Dog Program integrates the American Kennel Club's (AKC) Junior Showmanship Regulations with the Ohio 4-H philosophy to develop 4-H showmanship standards for youth who enroll in the Showmanship 4-H project. The purpose of showmanship is to demonstrate teamwork between the handler and the dog, showcasing the handler's skills. Regardless of the breed of dog, or mixed breed, youth learn the skills required to present their dogs to the best of their abilities, bringing out the finest qualities in their dogs. The youth's presentation of the dog is being judged, not the dog's conformation. Youth learn breed characteristics for the breed their dog represents. They learn the anatomy and physiology of the dog, and how to move as one with their dogs. In 4-H, the purpose of showmanship, also, is for youth to test their knowledge about dogs and responsible dog ownership by participating in an interview, which contributes to the overall showmanship score.

Exercises to be performed in all Showmanship include: Interview; Handler Appearance and Attitude; Grooming; Handling; Individual Exam and Handling; Group Exam.

D2JA - Showmanship Junior A: This class is for 4-H member 8-11 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in Showmanship, Project No. 201S. Neither the exhibitor nor the dog has had any prior experience in Showmanship, AKC Jr. Handling or like experience prior to the current project year. Once the exhibitor and dog show in this class, he/she must move to Showmanship Jr. B provided he/she is still within the age requirements. Showmanship Junior A can never be repeated by handler OR dog). Permitted to compete in the class for 1 year only.

D2JB - Showmanship Junior B: This class is for 4-H member 8-11 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in Showmanship, Project No. 201S. This class is for the youth or dog who has shown in Showmanship Junior A or has had prior experience in Showmanship, AKC Jr. Handling or like experiences prior to the current project year. A dog shown in this class must be shown in a Showmanship B class of the appropriate age of the exhibitor, and cannot go back to a Showmanship A class, regardless of the age of the exhibitor. (A youth OR dog showing in Showmanship Junior B can never show in Intermediate Showmanship A or Senior Showmanship A.) This class may be repeated until the youth reaches the Intermediate age division or wins the class. If the youth wins the class, the youth will show in Supreme Showmanship until the youth reaches the Intermediate age division class.

D2IA - Showmanship Intermediate A: This class is for 4-H member 12-14 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in Showmanship, Project No. 2015. Neither the exhibitor nor the dog has had any prior experience in Showmanship, AKC Jr. Handling or like experience prior to the current project year. Once the exhibitor and dog show in this class, he/she must move to Showmanship Intermediate B provided he/she is still within the age requirements. Showmanship Intermediate A can never be repeated by handler OR dog). Permitted to compete in this class for one year only.

D2IB - Showmanship Intermediate B: This class is for 4-H member 12-14 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in Showmanship, Project No. 2015. This class is for the youth or dog who has shown in Showmanship Intermediate A or has had prior experience in Showmanship, AKC Jr. Handling or like experiences prior to the current project year. A dog shown in this class must be shown in a Showmanship B class of the appropriate age of the exhibitor, and cannot go back to a Showmanship A class, regardless of the age of the exhibitor. (A youth OR dog showing in Showmanship Intermediate B can never show in Senior Showmanship A.) This class may be repeated until the youth reaches the Senior age division or wins the class. If the youth wins the class, the youth will show in Supreme Showmanship until the youth reaches the Senior age division class.

D2SA - Showmanship Senior A: This class is for 4-H member 15-18 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in Showmanship, Project No. 2015. Neither the exhibitor nor the dog has had any prior experience in Showmanship, AKC Jr. Handling or like experience prior to the current project year. Once the exhibitor and dog show in this class, he/she must move to Showmanship Intermediate B provided he/she is still within the age requirements. Showmanship Senior A can never be repeated by handler OR dog). Permitted to compete in this class for one year only.

D2SB - Showmanship Senior B: This class is for 4-H member 15-18 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in Showmanship, Project No. 2015. This class is for the youth or dog who has shown in Showmanship Senior A or has had prior experience in Showmanship, AKC Jr. Handling or like experiences prior to the current project year. A dog shown in this class must be shown in a Showmanship B class of the appropriate age of the exhibitor, and cannot go back to a Showmanship A class, regardless of the age of the exhibitor. This class may be repeated until the youth wins the class. If the youth wins the class, the youth will show in Supreme Showmanship until the youth final 4-H age.

D2SP - Showmanship Supreme: This class is for 4-H members who have won the individually listed category shows. Once winning one of the above categories, the youth will show in Showmanship Supreme until a change of age would require the youth to move divisions, i.e. Upon winning Showmanship Junior, the youth would show in Showmanship Supreme until attaining age 12. The youth would then "go back" to show in Intermediate Showmanship

OBEDIENCE

The purpose of obedience is to demonstrate the dog's usefulness as a companion. Youth train their dogs to behave in the home, in public places and in the presence of other dogs in a manner that will reflect credit in the sport of obedience at all times and under all conditions. 4-H obedience competition demonstrates the handler's ability to work as a team with his/her 4-H dog project, following specified routines in the obedience ring and emphasizing the usefulness of his/her dog as a companion. All participants should be guided by the principles of good sportsmanship both in and out of the ring. All exhibitors in a class are required to perform the same exercises in the same manner so that the quality of the performances may be scored.

For more information regarding Obedience please refer to the Ohio 4-H Obedience Rules and Regulations at <https://ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences/dog/dog-resources>

Beginner Novice Level: Exercises to be performed in Beginner Novice A and B include: heel on leash (A and B); figure 8 on leash (A and B); sit for examination on leash (A and B); Sit Stay- on leash (A class only); Sit Stay - leash attached, on ground - Handler Walk Around the Ring (B class only); recall on leash (A class); recall off leash (B class).

D-4A - Beginner Novice A: This class is for the beginning exhibitor and beginning dog. Neither exhibitor nor dog has had any prior obedience experience before the current project year. This means that the exhibitor and/or dog cannot have any kind of formalized training. Once an exhibitor or dog shows in this lot, the dog must be shown in Beginner Novice B class OR Pre-Novice at the very minimum.

D-4B - Beginner Novice B: This class is for the exhibitor and dog that has shown in Beginner Novice A or has had experience at the Beginner Novice level prior to the current project year. They have not yet progressed to Novice level or higher. The first-

place winner may choose to stay or move to Pre-Novice or Novice A or higher with the same dog. Exhibitor and dog can show in Beginner Novice B a maximum of two years at the Jefferson County Fair. Dogs shown in this class cannot show in the Beginner Novice A class.

Pre-Novice Level: Exercises to be performed in Pre-Novice include: heel on leash; figure 8 on leash; stand for examination on leash; recall on leash; long sit (1 minute on leash); long down (3 minutes on leash).

D-5A- Pre-Novice: This class is for the exhibitor or dog who has shown in Beginner Novice A or has had experience at the Beginner Novice level before the current project year. The first-place winner may stay or move to Beginner Novice B, or Novice A or higher with that same dog. Exhibitor and dog can show in Pre-Novice a maximum of two years at the Jefferson County Fair. Dogs shown in this class cannot show in the Beginner Novice A class.

Novice Level: Exercise to be performed in Novice A and Novice B include: Heel on leash and Figure 8 (completed as one exercise); Stand for Exam off leash; Heel Free off leash; Recall off leash; Long Sit (1 minute) and Long Down (3 minutes) off leash.

D-6A - Novice A: In this lot neither the exhibitor nor dog has had any prior experience at the Novice level before the current project year. Once an exhibitor shows in this class, he/she must move to Novice B at the very minimum. Once a dog has been shown in this class, the dog must be shown in Novice B class at the very minimum.

D-6B - Novice B: This class is for the exhibitor or dog who has shown in Novice A or has had experience at the Novice level before the current project year. They have not yet progressed to Graduate Novice A or higher. The first-place winner may stay or move to Graduate Novice A class at the very minimum. Exhibitor and dog can show in Novice B a maximum of two years at the Jefferson County Fair. Dogs shown in this class cannot show in any lower levels of dog obedience.

For exercises and requirements for Graduate Novice A (D-7A), Graduate Novice B (D-7B), Open A (D-SA), Open B (D-SB), Graduate Open A (D-9A) and Graduate Open B (D-9B), Utility Level A and Utility Level B please see Ohio State Fair Rules.

RALLY: Youth may show a maximum of two project dogs per Rally level. A level is Rally Novice, or Rally Intermediate, or Rally Advanced.

Rally is a sport in which the dog and handler complete a course that has been designed by the rally judge. The judge tells the handler to begin, and the dog and handler proceed at a brisk pace through a course of designated stations, 10-20 depending on the level. Each of these stations has an 8 ½" x 11" sign providing instructions regarding the next skill that is to be performed, via words, directional arrows, colors, and geometric shapes. At any time during the performance, loud or harsh commands, intimidating signals, and touching the dog (unless specified in the Rally Regulations) will be penalized.

AKC Rally Information: AKC Rally information, including rules and signs can be found at http://www.akc.org/dog_shows_trials/rally/index.cfm.

Rally Novice A, B, and C classes, and Rally Intermediate A and B classes are performed entirely on leash. Beginner Novice and Pre-Novice level dogs must be shown in either Rally Novice A, B, or C, or Rally Intermediate A or B, depending on their experience and accumulative placings in Rally. Rally Advanced A & B classes are performed off leash. *Rally is a different discipline than Obedience. Moving up in one discipline does not mean a mandatory move-up in another discipline.*

D9A - Rally Novice A- This class is for the exhibitor and/or dog that has no training or showing experience in Rally prior to the county's current project year. Once an exhibitor and/or dog shows in this class, he/she must move to Rally Novice B at the very minimum. This class can never be repeated by an exhibitor or dog. Exhibitors and dogs must meet the eligibility requirements of the Rules of the Jefferson County Jr. Fair Dog Show.

D9B - Rally Novice B - This class is for the first (1st) or second (2nd) year Rally Novice exhibitor and/or dog who has had prior experience showing at the Rally Novice level prior to the county's current project year. They have not yet progressed to the Rally Intermediate A level or higher. Once placing 2nd through 5th over an accumulative period of time in three (3) Rally Novice B classes at the Jefferson County Fair with the same dog, the exhibitor and dog MUST immediately move to the Rally Novice C class. Exhibitors and dogs must meet the eligibility requirements of the Rules of the Jefferson County Jr. Fair Dog Show.

D9C - Rally Novice C - This class is for the 3rd and subsequent years' Rally Novice exhibitor who does not choose to move to Rally Intermediate A. Once placing 2nd through 5th in three (3) Rally Novice B. Exhibitors and dogs in Rally Novice C are those that have not yet progressed to the Rally Intermediate A level or higher. Once winning a Rally Novice C class, the exhibitor and/or dog are encouraged to move to Rally Intermediate A but may choose to stay in Rally Novice C for two years. Exhibitors and dogs must meet the eligibility requirements of the Rules of the Jefferson County Jr. Fair Dog Show.

D10A Rally Intermediate A

This class is for the exhibitor and/or dog who have not had any training or showing experience at the Rally Intermediate level prior the county's current project year. If they have any training or showing experience at the Rally Intermediate level prior to the county's current project year, they must show at the Rally Intermediate B level at the very minimum. Once an exhibitor shows in this class, he/she must move to Rally Intermediate B at the very minimum. Once a dog has been shown in this class, the dog must be shown in the Rally Intermediate B class at the very minimum. Exhibitors and dogs must meet the eligibility requirements of the Rules of the Jefferson County Jr. Fair Dog Show.

D10B Rally Intermediate B

This class is for the exhibitor and/or dog who has shown in Rally Intermediate A or has had any training or showing experience at the Rally Intermediate level prior to the county's current project year. Once winning this class, the exhibitor and/or dog must move to Rally Advanced A at the very minimum the next project year. Exhibitors and dogs must meet the eligibility requirements of the Rules of the Jefferson County Jr. Fair Dog Show.

D11A - Rally Advanced A - This class is for the exhibitor and/or dog who has not had prior experience showing at the Rally Advanced level before June 1 of the current year. Exhibitors and dogs must meet the eligibility requirements of the Rules of the Jefferson County Jr. Fair Dog Show.

D11B - Rally Advanced B - This class is for the exhibitor and/or dog who has had prior experience showing at the Rally Advanced level before June 1 of the current year. Exhibitors and dogs must meet the eligibility requirements of the Rules of the Jefferson County Jr. Fair Dog Show.

Rally Scoring

p.18 -This is underlined as a point of clarification, not a new rule.

The handler may choose to retry the station once for a correct performance, accepting the mandatory 3-point deduction for the retry of the station. The station is considered an IP if the handler chooses not to retry or fails to perform the station correctly on the second attempt. (This means the handler and dog have two (2) attempts to correctly perform a station.) Ties will be broken by the fastest time, with the fastest time winning.

For Working and Performance Dogs please see Ohio State Fair Rules.

ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED THAT IS NOT SO NOTED ABOVE SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE OHIO STATE FAIR RULES. THESE RULES ARE BINDING WHEN ANSWERING ANY POSED QUESTIONS.

2019 Permission to Participate in Ohio 4-H Dog Activities Disclosure and Release of Claims

I, _____, have chosen to participate in the Ohio 4-H Dog Program and its related dog activities. I understand that this participation will involve contact with dogs and may give rise to a risk of physical injury. I understand that participation in the 4-H Dog Program is strictly voluntary and is not a requirement for 4-H membership.

I am aware that:

1. Dogs have a tendency to behave in ways that may result in injury to me or other persons in the immediate vicinity;
2. Dogs may react in an unpredictable way to unfamiliar environments, sounds, strange odors, sudden movements, unfamiliar objects, persons, dogs, or other animals;
3. I am to listen to adult volunteers, trainers, coaches, and judges when working with my dog(s) in group settings, and when around other dogs and 4-H members, and people;
4. Other participants in the 4-H Dog Program may fail to maintain control over their dogs or fail to act within their abilities, thus causing harm to me, my dog(s), other participants, volunteers, or spectators;
5. Other participants in an activity, event, or program may act in a negligent manner which otherwise may result in harm to me and/or my dog(s);
6. I should be aware of my dog's body language and stress indicators at all times while we are participating in 4-H activities;
7. I should be able to remove my dog from situations where he/she may respond in a reactive or aggressive manner;
8. If I cannot maintain control over a dog I am using for a 4-H project, I understand that I will not be able to use this dog for a 4-H project; and
9. If a dog I am using for a 4-H project has been or becomes aggressive toward other people and/or other dogs, I will not be able to continue to use this dog for a 4-H project.

As a parent or guardian, I have discussed with my child the need to follow all safety procedures, behavior guidelines, and other protocols set forth by adult volunteers, and 4-H dog rules and regulations. I understand that my child will receive assistance from a 4-H volunteer leader when engaged in 4-H club workouts and other similar programs and activities involving 4-H members and dogs. I understand the importance of my child belonging to a 4-H dog club or seeking other socialization and training opportunities for my child's 4-H dog if not enrolled in a 4-H dog club.

In consideration for the opportunity to participate in club, county, regional, and state 4-H dog activities, and the use of services and facilities made available through these 4-H dog activities, I do release and forever discharge for myself and my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, the Ohio 4-H Dog Program professional and volunteer leaders, educators, The Ohio State University and its Board of Trustees, its administrators, faculty and staff, from all claims, demands, and causes of action for personal injury or any other damage which may arise out of or be in any way related to my participation in this activity or program.

I understand and agree that my child is capable of being in control of his/her dog(s) at all times. I understand and agree that if a dog my child is currently using, or plans to use, has been or becomes aggressive toward other people and/or dogs I will not allow my child to use this dog as a 4-H project. I understand that my child is not required to participate in any 4-H dog activity, but grant permission for him/her to do so, despite the possible risks. I recognize that by participating in this activity, as with any activity involving live animals, my child, my child's dog(s), other people and/or dogs may risk injury. I hereby attest and verify I have been advised of the potential risks, have sought clarification if I have not understood, that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in these activities, and that I assume any expense that may be incurred in the event of an accident, illness, or other incapacity, regardless of whether I have authorized such expenses. As a parent/guardian, I assume the same risk for myself, and other family members and friends present at these dog activities.

Signed: 4-H Member _____ Date: _____

Signed: Parent or Guardian _____ Date: _____

This 2019 form must be signed and on file in the County Extension Office for EACH youth participant in any 4-H dog program activity where the youth takes a live dog as a project. A current form must be signed EACH year and BEFORE a youth participates in the Ohio 4-H Dog Program activities with their project dog(s).

Return to your County Extension Office by: _____

Parent/Guardian and Club advisors are encouraged to keep a copy.



IDENTIFICATION FORM
(To be completed by Exhibitor)

Exhibitors: Complete this identification form. Exhibitors, parents/guardians must read the statement at the bottom of this section and sign to verify reading the 2019 _____ County Project Requirements (and 2019 Ohio State Fair Dog Show Rules/Show Venue Rules, if applicable) and agree to abide by them, and having a 2019 Permission to Participate form on file in the county Extension office.

Exhibitor's Name _____
 County Enrolled in 4-H _____ Phone (____) _____
 Mailing Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Dog's Call Name _____
 Dog's Birth Date _____ Age _____
 Predominant Breed _____
 Color & Markings _____
 Sex: Male Neutered Male Female Spayed Female
 Dog License Tag No. _____ (Must list tag number)

Signatures Required: We verify we have read the 2019 _____ County Project Requirements, and if showing at the OSF, the 2019 Ohio State Fair Jr. Fair Dog Show/Show Venue Rules, and agree to abide by these rules. We have a signed 2019 Permission to Participate in Ohio 4-H Dog Activities Disclosure and Release of Claims form on file in our county Extension office, and agree to be bound by the terms set forth therein.

Exhibitor's Signature _____
 Parent/Guardian Signature _____
 Date Signed _____
 This certificate is also an acceptable Certificate of Vaccination at the Ohio State Fair Dog Show.

VACCINATION CERTIFICATE - VETERINARIAN MUST COMPLETE THIS ENTIRE SECTION!!

Exhibitors: Take this form to your veterinarian! This Vaccination Certificate MUST be completed and signed by a licensed veterinarian. All dogs MUST have current rabies vaccinations. Your veterinarian must document on this form that your dog's Rabies vaccination is current by filling in the "Date Expires" blank. Additionally, the Ohio 4-H Dog Program requires all dogs be vaccinated yearly for Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parainfluenza, and Parvovirus for exhibition at the Ohio State Fair Dog Show, unless otherwise noted below by veterinarian. Bordetella vaccination is recommended, but not required. Veterinarian protocol for vaccinations will be followed. All vaccinations must be administered by a licensed veterinarian. For the Ohio State Fair Dog Show, all vaccinations must be current through August 2, 2019.

Rabies
 Date Given _____ Date Expires _____
DHLPP
 Date Given _____ Date Expires _____
 Product _____ Serial # _____
 Date Given _____ Date Expires _____
 Product _____ Serial # _____

With the exception of Rabies, specific vaccination requirements may be waived if the veterinarian initials the applicable box below.

Does not give Leptospirosis vac. Other, please list or attach
 Does not give yearly core vac. documentation _____
 Titer Testing (attach proof) _____

Clinic Information

Clinic Name _____
 Mailing Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Administering Veterinarian's Name _____
 Veterinarian's Signature _____

Date _____ Clinic Phone (____) _____