

2006 Dog Show Circuit Classes

Prep Class

Prep Classes are for members in 1st through 3rd grade. The format is non-competitive and judge(s) will give encouragement and provide positive feedback, giving prepper's confidence in being in the show ring. The dogs will be examined in reference to Grooming. Preppers will have a version of Junior Showmanship with the judge assisting and commentating in a positive fashion. Prep Obedience will follow the same routine as Beginner A. Prep members may also participate in Maze & Agility (when offered), without being timed or placed. There will be no scoring or placements in the Prep Classes, preppers will receive a special rosette for participating.

Grooming Classes

Note: Each Handler must enter their Dog(s) in the Grooming Class to be eligible to participate in any other classes. Ribbons will be awarded according to the Danish system.

1. Grooming Dogs will be rated individually according to availability of entrant and judge. If you must arrive late to the show, please report to the Show Chairperson(s) to arrange judging.

Junior Showmanship Classes

Note: Only (1) project Dog/Handler combination allowed in Junior Show Classes. Judges will award excellent and very good ribbons in addition to placements. At the judge's discretion, large classes may be split, with a return to the ring for placements.

General Rules: Handlers must use a "Jr. Show Leash" in Jr. Show classes. Handlers in Jr. Show should dress in proper attire. In general, girls wear dresses, or skirts, boys wear dress slacks and shirts. Everyone earning an excellent ribbon in Jr. Show will be awarded 1 achievement point towards the gold/silver/bronze achievement awards. Winners of individual Jr. Show Classes* will compete for "Best Junior Handler" award. "First Year Showmanship" classes will not compete for "Best Junior Handler".

Junior Division - Members in 4th - 8th Grade **Senior Division** - Members in 9th - 13th Grade

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Junior Showmanship Classes (Cont.)

2. **First Year Showmanship** Open to both Senior and Junior Divisions. This is a learning level class. This class will not be placed and handlers are free to ask questions. This class is not eligible for the "Best Junior Handler" award. Achievement points cannot be earned in this class. No Jr. Show points will be earned. All handlers in this class receive rosettes.
3. **Beginner Showmanship** Handlers who have 7 or less, 4-H Jr. Show points
Divided by Senior and Junior Divisions
4. **Novice Showmanship** Handlers who have between 8 and 24, 4-H Jr. Show points.
Divided by Senior and Junior Divisions
5. **Open Showmanship** Handlers who have between 25 and 49 4-H Jr. Show points
Divided by Senior and Junior Divisions
6. **Advanced Showmanship** Handlers who have 50 or more, 4-H Jr. Show points. *
Divided by Senior and Junior Divisions

* *Handlers who are in the "Open" level class at outside shows such as AKC or UKC, must enter the Advanced class regardless of the number of 4-H Jr. Show points accumulated.*

**Calculating 4-H Junior Show points to determine which class to enter.
Points cumulate over your 4-H career**

PLEASE do not use your results from the State Dog Show or your 4H County Fair to calculate points. Add your points received at the 4-H circuit shows only.

**1st place = 5 points
2nd place = 3 points
3rd place = 1 point
4th place = 1 point
BJH = 1 point**

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Obedience Classes

NOTE: Handlers with prior experience must enter “B” level Class with new Dogs.

- 7. Beginner A.** Dog and Handler who are new to Obedience. Collar must be on correctly. All commands ON LEAD. Controlled Walking (Simple Heeling with right, left and about turns, no variation in pace). Sit for Examination, (sit dog, handler stands in front of dog for 10 seconds, Sit/Stay 30 seconds, and Down/Stay 60 seconds (handler stands directly in front of dog for stays). These exercises are pass/fail only and do NOT count toward HIGHEST SCORING DOG or toward cumulative points.
- 8. Beginner B.** Dog and Handler who are NOT ready for Pre-Novice Classes. All command ON LEAD Heeling (including right, left and about turns with variations in pace); figure 8 Stand for Exam (handler stands at end of 6 ft. leash); Moving Recall (handler may step backward to encourage the dog to come); Sit/Stay 45 seconds: and Down/Stay 90 seconds (handler stands at end of a 6ft leash). This exercise does not count toward HIGHEST SCORING DOG but an achievement point is earned for a qualifying score.
- 9. Pre-Novice A.** Handlers who have not received scores of 130 or above in Beginner B or have demonstrated the ability to perform the Pre-Novice routine which includes: Heel, Stand for Exam, Figure 8, Recall, Sit/Stay 1 minute and Down/Stay 3 minutes. All commands ON LEAD. **MAX SCORE 160**
- 10. Pre-Novice B.** Handlers who have prior experience with another dog or are not yet ready to move up to Intermediate Novice. Routine is the same as Pre-Novice A. **MAX SCORE 160**
- 11. Intermediate Novice.** Handlers who have received three scores of 150-160 in the Pre-Novice level or feel ready to move to this level. Heeling and figure 8 are ON LEAD. Recall, Stand for Exam, Sit/Stay 1 minute and Down/Stay 3 minutes OFF LEAD. **MAX SCORE 160**
- 12. Novice A.** Handlers who have received three scores of 150-160 in the Intermediate Novice level or feel ready to move to this level. Dog or Handler may NOT have obtained any “Legs” toward a “CD” Title. Routine includes Heel and Figure 8 ON LEAD, Heel, Recall, Stand for Exam, Sit/Stay 1 minute and Down/Stay 3 minutes OFF LEAD. **MAX SCORE 200**
- 13. Novice B.** Dogs may have up to 2 “Legs” toward a “CD” Title, but must NOT have obtained a “CD” or “CDX” Title. This class may be combined with Novice A if there are three or less entries. Routine same as Novice A. **MAX SCORE 200**
- 14. Advanced Novice.** Dogs may compete at Novice level until a “QS” is earned at “AN” level or feel ready to move to this level. Routine includes Heel and Figure 8 ON LEAD, Heel and Figure 8, Recall, Stand for Exam, Drop on Recall OFF LEAD, Sit/Stay 3 minute IN SIGHT and Down/Stay 3 minutes OUT OF SIGHT. **MAX SCORE 200**

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- 15. Graduate Novice.** Dogs may compete in this class up until they receive a “QS” in OPEN obedience. Includes Heeling, Figure 8, Drop on Recall, Recall with Dumbbell, Recall over High Jump, Recall over Broad Jump, OFF LEAD, Down/Stay 3 minutes OUT OF SIGHT. **MAX SCORE 200**
- 16. Open A.** Handlers with Dogs those are capable of performing the “OPEN ROUTINE”. Includes OFF LEAD Heel, Figure 8, Drop on Recall, Retrieve on Flat, Retrieve over High Jump, Broad Jump, Sit/Stay 3 minutes and Down/Stay 5 minutes with Handlers out of sight. Dogs may have “Legs” toward a “CDX” Title but must not have already obtained a “CDX” Title. **MAX SCORE 200**
- 17. Open B.** Open routine (as described above) for Dogs with a “CDX Title. **MAX SCORE 200**
- 18. Utility.** Includes signal exercise, sent discrimination, direct retrieve, moving stand for exam and directed Jumping. **MAX SCORE 200**