

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

This test is being held under the Agility Association of Canada Inc. (AAC) Rules. Exhibitors through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of the AAC Rules and Regulations, to include but not limited to the following:

This test is open to all dogs being at least 18 months of age, including purebred and non-purebred, except bitches in season, dogs suffering from any deformity, injury or illness that may affect the dog's physical or mental performance, **or dogs exhibiting signs of aggression towards people or other dogs**. Everyone is responsible for the behaviour of their own dogs, please be respectful of everyone's dog and space. No leads, collars, food or toys or other training aids/devices shall be permitted on the course at any time. (this includes in your pockets).

There shall be NO REFUNDS for entries withdrawn after the closing date or in the event the dog is absent on the day of the trial, EXCEPT FOR BITCHES IN SEASON OR INJURED DOGS, provided notification is received by the trial secretary prior to the first day of the trial. If the dog and/or handler are dismissed from competition, regardless of the reason for such dismissal. (there will be no refund). Any handler who is found to abuse a dog will be disqualified. All competitors participate in the events at their own risk. The General Agreement on the back of the entry form must be signed in order to comply with AAC's acceptance and acceptance to this trial.

The trial will be held indoors at McCann's Agility Arena in Flamborough. The building will only be open as per times shown on the confirmation, but generally, 45 minutes before the first dog is expected on the line. ALL DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH AT ALL TIMES UNLESS COMPETING IN THE RING. DOGS MUST BE UNDER CONTROL AT ALL TIMES, EACH PERSON IS RESPONSIBLE TO ENSURE THEIR DOG IS BEHAVING CORRECTLY, if not your dog will be asked to leave the venue. **This is a non-smoking building**. You must clean up after your dog, if found not to, future entries will be refused. Please no dogs in the washrooms.

CLASS DESCRIPTION:

AAC Starters Class: The starters class shall be for dogs not having earned the Agility Dog of Canada (ADC) title. A dog must achieve 3 clear starter rounds under 2 different judges to be awarded the ADC title.

AAC Advanced Class: The advanced class shall be for dogs having earned the Agility Dog of Canada (ADC) title, but that have not earned the Advanced Agility Dog of Canada (AADC). A dog must achieve 3 clear advance rounds under 2 different judges to be awarded the AADC title.

AAC Masters Class: The Master Class shall be for dogs having earned the Advanced Agility Dog of Canada (AADC) title. To be awarded the Master Agility Dog of Canada title by the AAC, a dog must achieve 3 clear Master rounds under 2 different judges.

AAC Steeplechase Class: The steeplechase class is open to all dogs. To be awarded the Steeplechase Dog of Canada title by AAC, a dog must achieve 10 clear rounds under 2 different judges.

AAC Master Challenge Class: The Challenge Class shall be open to only dogs that are competing at the AAC Master Standard level. Five qualifying legs, under 2 different judges are required to be awarded the Master Challenge Dog of Canada title. After January 1st, 2011 a Master Standard leg will be earned if a run is clear and under judge's set time but not within 1.2 times of the fastest clean dog in your jump height.

AAC Veteran Class: Veteran class is for dogs 7 years of age and older or dogs 5 years of age and older who have been competing in the Special Agility Class for a minimum of 1 year.

AAC Special Class: Special class is open to all dogs. A dog entered in Special Classes may move to the Veteran Classes. A dog may no longer compete in the Starters, Advanced or Masters titling classes once entered at an official trial in any of the Veteran or Special agility classes. Dogs moving into Veterans & Specials from regular classes take their titles with them (i.e. they move laterally).

GAMES: Classes are now offered at 3 levels: Starters, Advance and Masters. Progression from one level to the next is as follows:

- Movement into Advance Games from Starters level games requires 2 qualifying scores under 2 different judges in the game.
- Movement into Masters games from Advanced level games requires 3 qualifying scores under 2 different judges in the game.

PRIZES AND AWARDS:

In each of the Starters, Advanced, Masters rounds and all games ribbons will be awarded 1st to 4th in each height division. In each of the Veteran and Specials rounds ribbons will be awarded 1st to 4th in the Mini (6" & 10") and Open (16" & 22") Divisions. A flat qualifying ribbon will be awarded to all dogs that achieve a qualifying score in any class. Titling ribbons will be given out for all titles Starters to Life Time Achievement Awards.

MEASURING OF DOGS: All competing dogs must now be registered with AAC. Dogs over 2 years old are measured by two Judges (or three if necessary). Once its official height is determined, that dog need not be measured again. If your dog does not already have its AAC number, please complete the "Dog ID Card Registration" form found on the AAC website & submit it to the AAC Trial Results Coordinator with your payment. Self-registration is required the day of the trial. Please check your information is correct at the registration table.