

Dog Obedience Department

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1. Entries – A maximum of two dogs may be entered and all dogs must be pre-entered. All dogs must be 6 months old by July 1st.
2. All dogs must be on a leash at all times except in the show ring. Dogs may not be taken near the other livestock or into other exhibit buildings. Dogs must be clean and free of all parasites, diseases, and injuries. **No females in season may be exhibited.**
3. Dogs will not be housed at the fairgrounds. They are to check-in at 7:00 AM the day of the show and be removed immediately following the competition of judging. All dogs must be confined to the show area during the judging.
4. The classes will be judged by American Kennel Club (AKC) rules and regulations with the exception of showmanship will not be judged on breed standards. Handlers are to refer to the dress code under livestock rules and regulations. Shorts may not be worn.
5. Showmanship will be judged on proper presentation, including patterns, judge's directions, answering dog-related questions correctly, and the dog and exhibitors' ability to present a pleasing image. Dogs should be well-groomed.
6. Any dog displaying viciousness to a person, or another dog will be excused.
7. **Health Requirements:** Members must present a current rabies certificate during check-in at the fair.
8. All dogs will be health checked at the time of check-in by a County Fair Veterinarian for \$1.00 per animal. Any animal found in poor health or vicious will not be allowed to show and will have to leave the fairgrounds.
9. All dogs shall be trained and handled by the exhibitor without outside assistance.
10. All dogs in the obedience ring must wear a properly fitted collar. No special training collars such as electronic collars, prong collars, or head halters will be permitted. Nothing may be hanging from the dog's collar.
11. Qualifying Scores:
 - Classes 100-102 = 140 points out of 200
 - Classes 103-109 = 170 out of 200
 - Classes 110-113 = 70 points out of 100
 - Ribbon awards for classes 100-102
 - Blue, 140-200 Points
 - Red, 130-139.5 Points
 - White, less than 129.5 Points
 - Ribbon awards for classes 103-109
 - Blue, 170-200 Points
 - Red, 130-169.9 Points
 - White, less than 129.5 Points

Class Number and Description- Class names and descriptions align with those of the Iowa State Fair

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| 100 | Intro Class- This class is for First-year exhibitors with a First-year dog only. Dogs will heel, figure 8, sit for the exam, recall, sit stay for 1 minute, and down stay for 1 minute all on leash. Dogs must not have earned any leg toward any Companion Dog degree. |
| 101 | Beginners Novice A (Formally PRE-NOVICE "A") - This class is for dog and exhibitor teams in their 2nd year of training. Teams may enter this class 1 year. Dogs will heel, figure 8, and sit for the exam on a leash. Dogs will sit-stay for 1 minute, down-stay for 3 minutes, and recall off-leash. Dogs must not have completed any leg toward any Companion Dog degree. |
| 102 | Beginners Novice B (Formally PRE-NOVICE "B") - This class is for dog and exhibitor teams where the exhibitor or dog has had previous training and the other is in their first year. This class is also for teams in their 3rd year or more of training who did not receive a qualifying score in Beginners Novice A previously. Dogs will heel, figure 8, and sit for the exam on a leash. Dogs will sit-stay for 1 minute, down-stay for 3 minutes, and recall off-leash. Dogs must not have completed any leg toward any Companion Dog degree. |

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| 103 | Preferred Novice A (Formally SUB-NOVICE)- This class is for dog and exhibitor teams who received a qualifying score in Beginners Novice A or B. Teams may enter this class for 1 year. Dogs will heel and figure 8 on leash. Dogs will heel, stand for exam, and sit-stay for 1 minute, and down stay for 3 minutes off-leash. Dogs must not have finished any leg towards any Companion Dog degree. |
| 104 | Preferred Novice B- This class is for dog and exhibitor teams who received a qualifying score in Beginners Novice A or B. but did not receive a qualifying score in Preferred Novice A. Dogs will heel and figure 8 on leash. Dogs will heel, stand for exam, and sit-stay for 1 minute, and down stay for 3 minutes off-leash. Dogs must not have finished any leg towards any Companion Dog degree. |
| 105 | Novice A (Formally NOVICE A: Companion Dog)- This class is for dog and exhibitor teams who received a qualifying score in Preferred Novice A or B. Teams may enter this class for 1 year. Dogs will heel on leash. Dogs will heel, figure 8, stand for exam, recall, sit stay for 3 minutes, and down stay for 5 minutes off-leash. Dogs must not have finished any leg towards any Companion Dog degree. |
| 106 | Novice B- This class is for dog and exhibitor teams who received a qualifying score in Preferred Novice A or B but did not receive a qualifying score in Novice A. Dogs will heel on leash. Dogs will heel, figure 8, stand for exam, recall, sit stay for 3 minutes, and down stay for 5 minutes off-leash. Dogs must not have finished any leg towards any Companion Dog degree. |
| 107 | Graduate Novice A (Formally Graduate Novice)- This class is for dog and exhibitor teams who received a qualifying score in Novice A or B. Dogs will heal, figure 8, drop on recall, dumbbell recall over high jump, recall over a broad jump, and stand to stay for 3 minutes off-leash. This class is open to dogs who do not have any legs towards a CDX or Graduate Novice Degree. |
| 108 | Graduate Novice B- This class is for dog and exhibitor teams who received a qualifying score in Novice A or B but did not receive a qualifying score in Graduate Novice A. Dogs will heal, figure 8, drop on recall, dumbbell recall over high jump, recall over a broad jump, and stand to stay for 3 minutes off-leash. This class is open to dogs who do not have any legs towards a CDX or Graduate Novice Degree. |
| 109 | Open (Formally OPEN: Companion Dog) - This class is for dog and exhibitor teams who received a qualifying score in Graduate Novice A or B. Dogs will heel, figure 8, perform command discrimination, drop on recall, retrieve on flat, retrieve over high jump, recall over a broad jump, and stand to stay for 3 minutes off-leash. This class is open to dogs that have not completed any leg towards any CDX Degree. |
| 001 | Novice Showmanship – For exhibitors who have never received first place in class 001. The class will be divided by the age of the exhibitor: Senior, Intermediate, and Junior. Exhibitors may not be entered in class 002. |
| 002 | Open Showmanship - For exhibitors who have previously received first place in class 001. This class will not be divided. Exhibitors may not be entered in class 001. |
| 110 | Novice Rally A – For dogs and exhibitors in their first year of training . All heeling is done on a loose leash. There are 10 to 15 stations (start and finish not included). Dogs must enter and leave the ring on a leash. |
| 111 | Novice Rally B – For dogs and exhibitors in their second year or more of training who have not qualified in Novice Rally A. All heeling is done on a loose leash. There are 10 to 15 stations (start and finish not included). Dogs must enter and leave the ring on a leash. |
| 112 | Advance Rally – For dog and exhibitor teams who received a qualifying score in Novice Rally A or B. All heeling is done off-leash. There are 12 to 17 stations (start and finish not included), including one jump. Dogs enter and leave the ring on a leash. |
| 113 | Excellent Rally – For dog and exhibitor teams who received a qualifying score in Advanced Rally. All heeling is done off-leash. There are 12 to 19 stations (start and finish not included), including two jumps. There will be an honor station of either a sit or down-stay at the judge's discretion. Dogs enter and leave a ring on a leash. |