

**Entry Method: RANDOM DRAW**

Entries for the random draw will be taken between Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 8:00 AM and Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at 7:00 PM. The drawing will be held Friday, March 1, 2024 at 7:00 PM at 192 E Woodrow Ave, Columbus, OH 43207. Closing date will be Friday, March 29, 2024 at 6:00 PM. \*See note regarding special consideration for Worker's Draw inside premium.

**Envelopes/transactions** containing entries for more than the ten (10) dog maximum and/or entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned to the sender. If necessary, a draw for an alternate's list will be held from the remaining entries after limits have been reached.

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**PREMIUM LIST**

**AKC All-Breed AGILITY TRIALS**

This Event is Accepting Entries for All-American Dogs  
Listed in the AKC Canine Partners Program <sup>SM</sup>

**Central Ohio Shetland Sheepdog Association, Inc.**

(Licensed by the American Kennel Club)



**COSSA**

**Central Ohio  
Shetland Sheepdog  
Association, Inc.**

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<b>April 12, 2024</b>	Event # 2024460708
<b>April 13, 2024</b>	Event # 2024460709
<b>April 14, 2024</b>	Event # 2024460710

**IncrediPAWS Agility Training**

10465 Columbus Parkway, Pataskala, OH 43062

**ENTRY LIMITS**

**Friday, Saturday & Sunday** – 300 runs per day.

Indoors on artificial turf. Approximate ring size 102 x 79

**Trial Hours:** Friday, Saturday & Sunday – 7:00am to 7:00pm

**Judge:** Mary Mullen, Evansville, IN

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**CERTIFICATION**

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

Gina DiNardo, Executive Secretary

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**AMERICAN  
KENNEL CLUB**

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**EVENT COMMITTEE**

*Abbey Beasley, Bob & Betty Willis, Cindy & Elsa Warren, Jennifer & Susan Crank, Nora Merhar, Shane Gant, Nikki James, Sandy Schmidt, Teri Kocher*

**JUDGES AND ASSIGNMENTS**

Mary Mullen 8417 Holly CT Evansville, IN 47710-4957	Friday, Saturday, Sunday: All classes
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**VETERINARIAN ON CALL (OR IN ATTENDANCE)**

PetPlex Animal Hospital  
4200 Walnut Rd  
Buckeye Lake, Ohio 43008  
(740) 929-3300

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendations to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Fire/Ambulance/Police/West Licking Fire Department/Licking County Sheriff: **911**

## CLASSES OFFERED & JUDGING TIMES

**Judging begins at 9:00 AM on Friday, 8:00 AM Saturday/Sunday.** Classes offered and TENTATIVE class order are shown below. Class order IS subject to change. Consult your general confirmation for FINAL class order.

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Premier JWW	Premier Std	T2B
Mas/Exc JWW	Mas/Exc Std	Mas/Exc JWW
T2B	Mas/Exc JWW	Mas/Exc Std
Mas/Exc FAST	Premier JWW	Mas/Ex FAST
Mas/Exc Std	Open JWW	Open FAST
Premier Std	Novice JWW	Novice FAST
	Open Std	Open Std
	Novice Std	Novice Std
		Open JWW
		Novice JWW

Please consult the AKC Regulations for Agility Trials for a complete description and eligibility for entry into these classes. The exhibitor is fully responsible for entering the dog in the correct class(es)/height divisions. Dogs running in a lower height division than they are eligible for will be eliminated.

### HEIGHT DIVISIONS

Owners are responsible for entering the proper height division. All heights are as measured at the withers. Dogs entered in Preferred classes MUST jump at a height 4" lower than the minimum height they would be required to jump in regular classes as listed below.

REGULAR	PREFERRED	HEIGHT AT WITHERS
8"	4"	For dogs 11 inches and under at the withers
12"	8"	For dogs 14 inches and under at the withers
16"	12"	For dogs 18 inches and under at the withers
20"	16"	For dogs 22 inches and under at the withers
24"	20"	For dogs over 22 inches at the withers. <b>Regular dogs cannot enter this height if they are 22 inches and under.</b>
24C"	n/a	Dogs may be entered at this height at their owner's discretion if their measurement is 22 inches and under at the withers. <b>Dogs who measure into the 24" regular jump height division may not enter 24-choice.</b>

### MEASURING and HEIGHT CARD INFORMATION

Effective January 1, 2010, exhibitors are no longer required to provide proof to Trial Secretaries that their dog has a valid jump height card as part of the check-in process. Furthermore, this change eliminates the need for a copy of the jump height card to be submitted with an entry form. Dogs without a valid Jump Height Card/Form may still compete, but they must be measured/wicketed by the **Judge of Record** PRIOR to running in their class and this measurement will be valid for that weekend of trials only. However, if a **Volunteer Measuring Official (VMO)** or an **Agility Field Rep** is present; **ALL** dogs without a valid Jump Height Card/Form must be measured at some time during the trial or cluster of trials. This does not preclude having the dog wicketed by the Judge of Record if the VMO or Rep is not available to measure the dog **before** its first run of the trial or cluster of trials. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to have their dog measured prior to running. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of any qualifying scores.

## **ENTERING A MIXTURE OF REGULAR AND PREFERRED CLASSES IN THE SAME TRIAL WEEKEND – MULTIPLE JUMP HEIGHTS IN THE SAME TRIAL DAY**

Effective January 1, 2020, exhibitors may enter a mixture of both Regular and Preferred classes on the same trial day and/or during a trial weekend. Any mixture of Regular and Preferred classes is allowed. Please note that if a dog qualifies in Regular Master Standard and Preferred Master JWW (or vice versa) on the same trial day, then NO Double Q shall be earned toward either the MACH or PACH title. The Double Q still requires that Standard Agility and Jumpers with Weaves be either both Regular OR both Preferred on the same trial day.

Additionally, within the same Regular or Preferred classes, a dog may now be entered in multiple jump heights on the same trial day. For example, the same dog may now be entered in 20-inch Master STD/JWW while also entered in 24C-inch Premier STD/JWW on the same day.

A separate entry form must be submitted when the same dog is being entered in a mixture of Regular and Preferred and/or different jump heights within the same trial weekend thereby clearly indicating which class(es) and/or jump heights belong together for each trial day of the weekend.

## **FIX AND GO ON (FNG)**

Fix and Go On is not pre-entered; rather, it occurs during the course of the run.

FNG allows exhibitors to immediately reattempt an obstacle at any time while on course when the dog's performance of an obstacle is not to their expectation. This allows the dog to successfully complete the obstacle then finish the course or leave the ring on a positive note. Using FNG will result in a non-qualifying score.

## **ENTERING FOR EXHIBITION ONLY (FEO)**

For Exhibition Only may be offered at the option of the host club. FEO will allow exhibitors to work with their dogs in a trial environment. FEO is only allowed in the Time 2 Beat and FAST classes. Participation in FEO is non-qualifying.

FEO runs are treated as trial entries. The exhibitor must enter the class(es) (T2B and/or FAST) prior to the closing date, pay class entry fee(s) and the Trial Secretary must record the entry in the Trial Catalog as part of the results for that class. FEO does not need to be noted on the entry form; the handler will declare the day of the show.

Dogs may be entered in any jump height for FEO runs. If entered in an ineligible jump height, the team is committed to FEO for that run and must declare FEO on the start line. Day of show jump height changes are not allowed.

Dogs may be entered in any level of FAST (Novice, Open, Excellent, Master). If the dog is not eligible for the level entered, the team is committed to FEO for that run and must declare FEO on the start line. Day of show level changes are not allowed.

The exhibitor must declare FEO in the ring prior to leading out to the scribe and the judge.

## **DOG ELIGIBLE TO ENTER**

This trial is open to all dogs fifteen (15) months of age or older that are registered with the American Kennel Club or that have AKC Limited Registration, Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), an AKC Canine Partners listing number, or approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds are eligible to participate.

Dogs with a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or an AKC Canine Partners listing number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete. Wherever the word "dog" is used in these regulations it includes both sexes.

Dogs should be physically sound. Dogs that are blind or deaf shall not be eligible, and neither are bitches in season, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance. No dog shall compete if it is taped or bandaged in any way or has anything attached to it for medical purposes. Refer to Chapter 2 of

the Registration and Discipline Rules for the listing of registerable breeds that may participate. Puppies under four (4) months of age are strictly prohibited from the trial grounds.

## OBSTACLES AND RING CONDITIONS

Obstacles will meet the specifications for obstacles in the current edition of the Regulations for Agility Trials. All classes will take place indoors on artificial turf. Ring size will be 102 x 79.

## ENTRY FEES PER RUN

Entry fees per run (includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee)..... **\$20.00/run**  
**Junior handler entries (includes fees as stated above) ..... \$12.00/run**

**Mail entry forms and fees to:** Nora Merhar, Trial Secretary, 192 E Woodrow Ave, Columbus, OH 43207. Please make checks payable to **IncrediPAWS**. No entries will be accepted by phone, fax, or email. Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. No entry shall be made and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance.

**Illegible entries** will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry and the Trial Secretary will add a \$35.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

## COURSE WALK-THROUGHS AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

Handlers in all classes are permitted to walk the course, without a dog, during a walk-through period held prior to the start of the class. The walk-through is restricted to handlers entered in that class only.

A warm-up area, consisting of a regulation agility jump, will be provided for exhibitors. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the dog.

## RIBBONS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES

Rosettes will be awarded in each jump height division in each class as follows:

<i>First Place</i> .....	<i>Blue</i>
<i>Second Place</i> .....	<i>Red</i>
<i>Third Place</i> .....	<i>Yellow</i>
<i>Fourth Place</i> .....	<i>White</i>
<i>Qualifying Score</i> .....	<i>Dark Green</i>

A new title rosette will be awarded to all dog and handler teams finishing a title. A MACH rosette and decorated MACH bar will be awarded to all dog and handler teams that attain their MACH. A dog toy or treat will be awarded to all dogs that qualify.

### High in Trial Shetland Sheepdog

A High in Trial rosette will be awarded each day to the Shetland Sheepdog with a double Q (qualifying in Masters Standard and Masters Jumpers) with the lowest combined time. In case of a tie, the award goes to the team with fastest JWW time. If no Shetland Sheepdog earns a double Q, HIT will not be awarded.

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Agility Trials by downloading them from the American Kennel Club website at <http://www.akc.org/rules/>.

## NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

### SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY

**The safety of the dog** is our primary concern. By entering this trial, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport, and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all obstacles safely.

**It is expressly understood** that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create an unnecessary disturbance or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the trial committee,

be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. COSSA and its agents, employees, etc., will assume no responsibilities for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors or handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children.

**COSSA** reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog on account of aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against COSSA or any official thereof.

**All dogs must be on leash** at all times when on trial grounds except when in the designated warm-up area or competing on the course.

## REFUNDS

**No entry fee** will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Trial Committee.

**Refunds for dog injury.** The club will refund entry fees less \$10/day for dogs unable to compete due to injury upon presentation of a veterinarian certificate. This certificate must be presented to the Trial Secretary prior to the start of judging on the first day of the trial or cluster of trials.

**Bitches in season** are not permitted to compete in Agility Trials. As such, the club will refund the entry fees for bitches unable to compete for this reason upon presentation of a veterinarian certificate. This certificate must be presented to the Trial Secretary prior to the start of judging on the first day of the trial or cluster of trials.

## RINGSIDE

**Dogs may arrive** any time prior to judging if the dog has a valid temporary or permanent jump height card. Otherwise, they must be available for measuring prior to the start of their class if a VMO or AKC Field Rep is available to measure dogs. **Judges are not required** to wait for dogs.

## WAITLIST FOR WITHDRAWN ENTRIES AFTER THE CLOSING DATE

COSSA is offering a wait list to fill openings created by withdrawn entries after the trial's closing date/time. All entries, including waitlisted entries, must be received by the Trial Secretary prior to 6:00 PM March 29, 2024.

Withdrawals that are received by 6:00 PM Monday, April 8, 2024 will be replaced by a wait listed entry if any are available. If a withdrawn entry is replaced by a wait listed entry, a full refund will be issued for the withdrawn entry. Withdrawals (except BIS or injury withdrawals) will not receive a refund if there are no waitlisted entries to backfill the withdrawn runs.

## ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

**Crating space** is limited. Please consolidate your area and limit chairs in the crating area. X-pens must have at least two large dogs in them. Front row parking will be reserved for anyone wishing to crate out of the car. Please contact Susan Crank at [susan@incredipaws.com](mailto:susan@incredipaws.com) for more information. Crates may be left overnight; however, COSSA and IncrediPAWS will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items left at the show site. While unentered dogs may attend, please be prepared to stack crates or to crate out of the car.

**Concessions:** There will be NO FOOD available on site. There are various restaurants and fast-food vendors within a very short driving distance.

**No overnight parking** will be allowed at the trial site. RVs are discouraged due to space limitations.

**Exhibitors are responsible** for cleaning up after their dog(s). Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without benefit of refund if the Trial Committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement. Cleaning supplies and disposal sites will be available at various locations around the show grounds.

**Vendors:** Vendor space will be available on the covered porch in front of the IncrediPAWS building. Contact Susan Crank ([susan@incredipaws.com](mailto:susan@incredipaws.com)) for more information.

## HOTEL INFORMATION

*These hotels have graciously agreed to accept our well-mannered dogs. A pet deposit may be required. Please check with hotels for policies and restrictions.*

Comfort Inn	1800 Hill Rd N, Pickerington, OH	614-575-9900
LaQuinta Inn	2447 Brice Rd., Reynoldsburg, OH	(800) 753-3757 or (614) 866-6456
Red Roof Inn	10668 Lancaster Rd Hebron, OH	(740) 467-7663

## \*SPECIAL CONSIDERATION FOR WORKERS DRAW LIST

Due to the Random Draw entry method, worker spaces will be held for a limited number of handlers by the trial committee. Those who wish to be considered for the workers' draw list must agree to work several classes each day of the trial they have entered. If you are willing to be on the worker list, please clearly mark the box on the entry form indicating worker status and email Susan Crank ([susan@incredIPAWS.com](mailto:susan@incredIPAWS.com)) with your name, classes/heights/days entered. Workers that sign up will be guaranteed a reserved crating spot. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

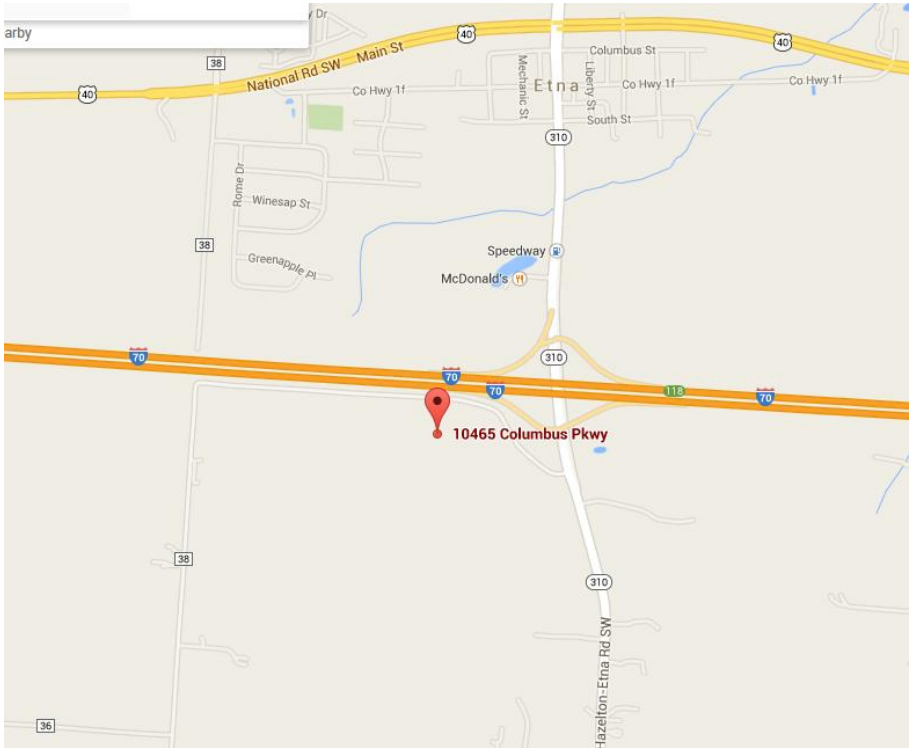
## DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE

### From the East:

Take I-70 W towards Columbus to exit 118 (OH 310/Pataskala.) Turn left onto OH 310 and travel 0.3 miles turning right onto Columbus Parkway. Travel 0.3 miles & you will find IncrediPAWS located on your left.

### From the West:

Take I-70 E towards Wheeling to exit 118 (OH 310/Pataskala.) Turn right onto OH 310 with an immediate right onto Columbus Parkway. Travel 0.3 miles & you will find IncrediPAWS located on your left.







AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

**OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AGILITY ENTRY FORM**  
**Central Ohio Shetland Sheepdog Association**

Opens: February 14, 2024 Closes: March 29, 2024

	STD	JWW	T2B	FAST	Premier STD	Premier JWW
Fri						
Sat						
Sun						

I must have both STD + JWW each day

Worker Volunteer

**NOTE: Friday regular classes are Ex/M ONLY**

T2B/Premier may be entered by any competitor

**Daily Entry Fees:** 1st run \$20; \$20 each additional run

**For Junior Handlers:** 1st run \$12; \$12 each additional run

**Mail to:** Nora Merhar, 192 E Woodrow Ave., Columbus, OH 43207

Make checks payable to:

**IncredIPAWS**

**IMPORTANT: Carefully read instructions before filling out!**

**ENTRY FEE**

**ENCLOSED:**

**Choose Either Regular OR Preferred Classes**

*Circle one jump height, and circle class selections : Only one selection per class (STD, JWW, T2B, FAST, Premier)*

REGULAR Classes							PREFERRED Classes					
8"	12"	16"	20"	24"	24C"		4"	8"	12"	16"	20"	
<u>STD</u>	Nov A	Nov B	Open	Exc	Master	Premier	<u>STD</u>	NovP	OpenP	ExcP	MasterP	PremierP
<u>JWW</u>	Nov A	Nov B	Open	Exc	Master	Premier	<u>JWW</u>	NovP	OpenP	ExcP	MasterP	PremierP
<u>T2B</u>	T2B						<u>T2B</u>	T2BP				
<u>FAST</u>	Nov A	Nov B	Open	Exc	Master		<u>FAST</u>	NovP	OpenP	ExcP	MasterP	

This Dog Needs to Be Measured  Yes  No

SEX

HEIGHT AT WITHERS

BREED

VARIETY

CALL NAME

AKC® NAME (INCLUDE AKC TITLES ONLY)

AKC® NO

Enter Complete Registration # below

DATE OF BIRTH

ILP NO.  PAL NO.

PLACE OF BIRTH (LIST COUNTRY)

FOREIGN REG. NO & COUNTRY

BREEDER

SIRE

DAM

ACTUAL OWNERS

OWNERS ADDRESS

NEW ADDRESS

CITY, STATE ZIP + 4

HANDLER

ENTER JR. HANDLER # if applicable

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**Exhibitor or owner MUST sign on the signature line beneath the instructions.**

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org).

**AGREEMENT**

I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club in effect at the time of this event, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list of this event and entry form and any decision made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC approved judge, judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog.

Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such, injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other person. I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN THIS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Handlers whose dogs measure into the 8" through 20" regular jump height divisions may opt to enter a higher or 24-choice **height division** for all **Regular** titling classes, but not in a division lower than their proper height division. Dogs who measure into the 24" regular jump height division may not enter 24-choice. Dogs entered in the **Preferred** classes **must** compete at the required jump height and **may not** compete in a jump height division **higher or lower** than their proper height division.

All dogs that have not been officially measured for an **Agility Jump Height Card** may still compete; however, they must be measured by a Judge of record, an Agility Field Representative, or a Volunteer Measuring Official, prior to running. If measured by the Judge of record, that measurement will be valid for this trial *or back-to-back trials* only. If a measurement is necessary, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to have their dog(s) measured prior to running.

Dogs listed in the **AKC Canine Partners<sup>SM</sup>** program may be eligible to enter all-breed AKC agility trials at the club's option. These dogs should be listed as All American Dog and must include their AKC number on the entry form and check the AKC No. box.

**Junior Handlers** should enter their Junior Handler number on the front of this form. Should you not have your Junior Handler number, it may be obtained from the American Kennel Club (919) 233-9767. If the Junior Handler is not the owner of the dog identified on the face of this form, what is the relationship of the Junior Handler to the Owner? \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE** of owner or agent duly authorized to make this entry.

**SIGN HERE** \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  *New Email*

In Case of Emergency - Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_