## LEAP Agility Club of Central Massachusetts COVID rules and guidelines for Showcase for Dogs in S Windsor CT

Welcome to our Novice and Open only trial! We created this trial so that our exhibitors that are new, or fairly new, to AKC Agility would have an opportunity to support each other and build a community as you continue to pursue the sport.

COVID19 added an additional "obstacle" but one that you can easily <u>train</u> for! This memo will address COVID rules only. You will also receive an additional document called the confirmation letter. That will contain the start times and general information for a trial.

We'd like to thank Showcase for Dogs for allowing us to host this special event. We appreciate all of the extra steps she has taken to make a safe environment.

## General rules and guidelines

- 1. Remain at least 6 feet apart during classes or events. This includes people, dogs, crates, toys and any other miscellaneous equipment. Do not let your dog come into physical contact with other dogs or people.
- 2. Only dogs that are getting ready to compete will be allowed under the large tent, outside the ring. 6 foot spacing will be required between teams.
- 3. Masks are required when sitting under the tents with others. Masks are optional when dog/handler team is on the agility field during runs.
- 4. Only the designated volunteer can handle the equipment or change bars.
- 5. Do not engage in direct dog greetings with dogs other than your own.
- 6. Bring your own chair and crate.
- 7. Crating Options:
  - If possible, consider crating out of your car. You would need shade cloths and fans to make that safe.
  - There is very limited crating area that is shaded. Available spots will be marked with tape to maintain 6 foot spacing.
  - You may crate along the fence. 6 foot spacing will be marked and required.
  - Outside the fence, in the back will get shade by late afternoon. That is also available for crating, maintaining 6 foot spacing.
- 8. Wash and sanitize your hands as needed. There is non potable water available to wash your hands. Sanitizer will be available throughout the site.
- 9. Pick up immediately after your dog and place the waste in the proper receptacle.
- 10. A mixture of bleach/water spray bottles will be available outside the potties. The doors will remain open until the Pottie user enters. Once the Pottie user finishes, the user can spray down the Pottie and go to the water site to wash their hands or use the hand sanitizer available. A LEAP volunteer will check and sanitize the porta potties during the trial.
- 11. No food vendor or hospitality. Please bring your own food and drinks and plenty of water for your dog.

## Volunteers

- 1. Upon arriveal, all volunteers must sign or bring a signed waiver upon arrival.
- 2. Name and contact information for all volunteers will be provided to the club and Showcase for Dogs.
- 3. Pens will be available for timer, scribe and gate steward. Pens are not to be shared and a new pen will be provided when volunteer assignments change.
- 4. All ring crew will be provided sanitizer. Please sanitize prior to ring crewing and directly after you have volunteered.
- 5. Please use your own chair when possible. If you use a public chair, please wipe down before and after use.
- 6. This is VERY small trial with only 25 exhibitors. We need everyone to please volunteer for all classes you are not running in. There is a link on my site to sign up to volunteer.

## **Exhibitors**

- 1. Upon arriving, there will be someone checking you in as you drive up. Please bring your signed waiver with you. If you forget, there will be copies available but please use your own pen to sign.
- 2. Once you arrive, either set your car up to work out of your car or determine where you will be setting up your crate and chair.
- 3. Paper course maps will not be available. I will post the course map at 8am on my website. You may then print it and bring it or access it on your phone or tablet.
- 4. When it is time to walk the course, you may not touch any equipment. If you forget, please sanitize your hands and the equipment asap. The gates will be tied open for walk thrus.
- 5. Please join the Facebook group PawPrint Trials Showcase for Dogs. The running order, maps and results will be posted on this page. Additional information will be added.
- 6. Ribbons will be available once the next class has started. I will hand out ribbons.



