

# Don't miss out on two exciting ways to enter this trial!

## Fully Online Entry

- Enter your contact and dog info once
- Select your trial and classes
- Pay with your credit card
- **Receive a confirmation email immediately**
- **Move up or change classes online\***
- **Withdraw and receive credit card refund\***

## Partial Online Entry

- Enter your contact and dog info once
- Select your trial and classes
- Print a pre-filled PDF to mail with check
- **View your entry status online**

Want to see this in action? Need more info?  
[Visit our help page](#) to view our "how to" videos.

## Get started now...

- If you have a PawPrint Trials username and password, [login here](#).
- If you sent an entry to PawPrint Trials after May 2021, an online account has already been created for you with your contact and dog info. [Click here to reset your password](#).
- If not, then you can [create an account here](#).
- Not sure? Try to [reset your password](#) and we'll let you know if you have an account.

\*Refunds are only available before the closing date. Move Ups can only be done before the Move Up deadline.

**ENTRIES OPEN: Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 10 a.m.**  
**ENTRIES CLOSE: Saturday, November 9, 2024 at 6 p.m.**  
At 1 West Street, Belchertown, MA 01007  
Eastern Time Zone  
Entries received prior to the opening date cannot be accepted.  
Maximum 10 dogs per envelope per person for mail-in entries.  
**MAPS WILL BE PRINTED AND AVAILABLE AT THE TRIAL AS WELL AS ONLINE.**

Premium List

## 26th ANNUAL THANKSGIVING AGILITY CLUSTER

### LEAP Agility Club of Central Massachusetts

(MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB)

### Talcott Mountain Agility Club

(LICENSED BY THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB)



## AKC ALL-BREED AGILITY TRIALS

These events are accepting entries for dogs listed in the AKC Canine Partners Program.

**Friday, November 22, 2024**

through

**Monday, November 25, 2024**

AKC EVENT #'s: 2024573218, 202573219, 2024606310, and 2024606311

**\*\*\*\*PREMIER STANDARD AND JWW OFFERED EACH DAY\*\*\*\***

**Mallory Building, Eastern States Exposition**

**1305 Memorial Avenue  
West Springfield, MA 01089**

*Entries are unlimited Friday through Sunday.*

*Unlimited PawPrint Trials online entries and 200 mail in entries per day.*

*700 runs on Monday. 650 PawPrint Trials online entries and 50 mail-in entries.*

4 RINGS Friday through Sunday – 2 RINGS Monday. Entry Method – First Received.

Day-to-day move-ups allowed. Electronic timing.

Show Hours: 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. **JUDGING WILL BEGIN AT 7:30 A.M. EACH DAY.**

Trial will be held indoors on packed dirt. Ring size 100' x 100'.

### CERTIFICATION



**AMERICAN  
KENNEL CLUB®**

Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under AKC Rules and Regulations.

Gina M. DiNardo, Executive Secretary

## JOIN US FOR A GREAT WEEKEND CELEBRATING OUR 26<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY!

**DON'T FORGET TO ENTER THE ALL-BREED  
CONFORMATION SHOWS AND OBEDIENCE  
AND RALLY TRIALS TOO!**

**PREMIUM LISTS CAN BE FOUND AT [WWW.INFODOG.COM](http://WWW.INFODOG.COM).**

### NORTHEAST AGILITY CHAMPIONSHIP

We are excited to offer our exhibitors a chance to compete in this special event. It is our own version of AKC Agility Nationals. We realize not everyone has the opportunity to travel to Nationals so join us for a unique experience. See Page 5 for details.

### ALLISON VICUNA SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

See Page 6 to nominate a special person for this very special award.

### AKC "B" MATCH ON FRIDAY NIGHT

Join us for some extra practice. Premium list will be available on the PawPrint Trials website. Enter online.

### SUNDAY - WE ARE BRINGING BACK THE 80'S!!

Make sure you enter FAST for your chance to win a \$50 Amazon gift card. Get a perfect score of 80 points to be entered in our lottery.

We will have three winners.

### TEAM COMPETITION

We will have our annual Team Competition on Saturday. Scores from Standard and JWW will be used to determine the winner. All teams must sign up online. Scores will automatically be tabulated.

Click on TEAM on PawPrint Trials. 4 members per team.

### Team Competition

### CELEBRATING VERSATILITY!!

Come celebrate your versatile dog with us! Each day we will recognize a different group of sports. To participate, click on your dog's name, located under your name, on Pawprinttrials.com. Select OTHER SPORTS. If your dog has earned a title in another sport, select the appropriate sport. We will automatically calculate the highest scoring dog with the required title.

The winner in each category will receive a rosette!

Click on Versatility on PawPrint Trials for more information.

My Dogs

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY hosted by**  
**LEAP AGILITY CLUB OF CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS**

President.....Noreen Bennett  
Vice President.....Stephanie O'Reilly  
Secretary.....Bethany Wolfert, 262 Prospect Street, Easton, MA 02375  
Treasurer.....Lindsey Serafini  
Membership Chairman.....Carol Lariviere

**Event Committee**

Debbie Loomis, Trial Chairman  
235 Ames Road, Hampden, MA 01036  
(413) 566-5733 home (860) 713-3383 cell [windyhollow@charter.net](mailto:windyhollow@charter.net)

Claudette Beaulieu Danette Chorney Peg Grey  
Margaret Howes Alanna Kelly Shari King Leanne Ksiazek  
Carol Lariviere Jen Mechan Rob Mechan  
and the members of LEAP Agility Club

**SUNDAY & MONDAY hosted by**  
**TALCOTT MOUNTAIN AGILITY CLUB**

President.....Eileen O'Donnell  
Vice President.....Pam O'Day  
Secretary.....Christine Kallipolites, 2 Metacomet Lane, West Suffield, CT 06093  
Treasurer.....Steve Basson  
Membership Chairman.....Lisa Loomis

**Event Committee**

Steve Basson, Trial Chairman  
97 Woodland Drive, South Windsor, CT 06074  
(860) 922-6370 [bogeybassn@cox.net](mailto:bogeybassn@cox.net)  
Laura Bauver Debbie Loomis Pam O'Day Carla Rash Crystal Utz  
and the members of Talcott Mountain Agility Club

**Veterinarians (24 hour on-call)**

Veterinary Emergency & Specialty Hospital  
134 Capital Drive, West Springfield, MA 01089  
(413) 781-5275

New England Veterinary Center & Cancer Center  
955 Kennedy Road, Windsor, CT 06095  
(860) 688-8400

**TRIAL SECRETARY**

Noreen Bennett, PawPrint Trials  
1 West Street, Belchertown, MA 01007  
(413) 321-1224 [noreen@pawprinttrials.com](mailto:noreen@pawprinttrials.com)  
[www.pawprinttrials.com](http://www.pawprinttrials.com)

**2024 MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

***Please support AKC HUMANE FUND.***

<https://akchumanefund.org/>

Among its initiatives, the AKC Humane Fund is the leading organization that provides financial assistance to domestic abuse shelters that accept pets. They also provide assistance to not-for-profit canine rescue groups that are taking on significant rescue-related expenses.

You can Make a Difference by  
purchasing a T-shirt or sweatshirt.  
Order online and pick up at the show.

Check the PawPrint Trials website for details.  
*Info will be available soon.*

Thanks to all the PawPrint Trials clubs who support  
this endeavor. Because of them, **100% of the  
proceeds will go to the AKC Humane Fund.**

**Max200 is supplying new equipment in all four rings!**

**ALL MAX 200 EQUIPMENT WILL BE  
FOR SALE AT THE END OF THE TRIAL.**

For more information regarding the purchase of equipment, please contact:  
MAX 200, 2113 Route 31, Port Byron, NY 13140  
(800) 446-2920 or [sales@max200.com](mailto:sales@max200.com)

**PER AKC REGULATIONS, INCOMPLETE ENTRIES CANNOT BE  
ACCEPTED. ENTRIES MUST INCLUDE PAYMENT AND ALL  
REQUIRED INFORMATION.**

Owners are responsible for entry errors.  
No entry fee will be refunded in the event of such errors.

***DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE TO CHECK YOUR  
CONFIRMATION NOTICE!!***

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION\*\*\***

We appreciate your entry and thank you for attending our trial. Please be aware that because this trial is held in conjunction with a large conformation and obedience show, we must strictly enforce that all dogs remain on leash. No dogs will be permitted to run loose anywhere on the fairgrounds or adjacent fields.

NOTE: In order to enter the Excellent/Master-only Standard and JWW classes on Monday, Open dogs should be entered in their correct level for Friday through Sunday, and Excellent on Monday. If you move up from Open to Excellent during the weekend, qualifying scores received on Monday will count towards Excellent titles. If you do not move up, you may still compete in Monday's Excellent classes, but qualifying scores will not count.

MOVE UPS: As per Chapter 1, Section 20 of the American Kennel Club Regulation for Agility Trials, dogs may be moved up to a higher class at the request of the owner as a result of qualifying for an agility title. The request must be sent by email or regular mail and be received by the trial secretary no later than 6 p.m. on Monday, November 18, 2024. Move-ups for the following day must be submitted at the trial site before the end of the trial.

**\*\*\*SPECIAL ENTRY FEES FOR JR. HANDLERS\*\*\***  
**\$10 PER RUN. To receive discount, Jr. Handler number must be listed on entry. To obtain a number, go to**  
<https://images.akc.org/pdf/AEJRS3.pdf>.

**DOES YOUR DOG NEED TO BE MEASURED?**  
**BE SURE TO CHECK THE BOX WHEN YOU COMPLETE YOUR ENTRY.**

**PARKING**  
**\$5 per day/per car. \$40 per night for RV's and trailers.**  
See "Motorhome Parking" for complete info.

Food is available for purchase in the agility building.

**Vendor space is available by reservation only.**  
For more information contact Carol Perkins.  
[foxhunt10@cox.net](mailto:foxhunt10@cox.net).

**CRATING**  
*Reserved crating will be available for a nominal fee. Info will be posted on the PawPrint Trials website.*  
X-pens, with no more than 8 panels, will be permitted for 3 or more dogs. No multiple X-pen setups. No lounge chairs or tables. Please stack crates whenever possible. Please be respectful of the trial committee if you are asked to move to make room for others. Thank you.

**PRIZES**

FIRST PLACE..... Blue Rosette  
SECOND PLACE ..... Red Rosette  
THIRD PLACE ..... Yellow Rosette  
FOURTH PLACE..... White Rosette  
QUALIFYING ..... Dark Green Ribbon

All dogs earning a title will receive a New Title rosette.  
Novice exhibitors receiving a perfect score will receive a special ribbon.  
All dogs earning an AGCH\*, MACH, PACH, or PAX will receive a rosette from the clubs and a bar donated by Max 200. (AGCH rosettes will be custom ordered.)

**Special Awards for Saturday:**  
Poodle Club of Massachusetts will offer glassware and a fleece tug toy for each qualifying run earned by a Poodle.

**Special Awards for Sunday:**  
Great Dane Club of New England and Susan Davis Shaw will offer a \$25 gift card to the highest scoring Great Dane. Scores from Regular or Preferred Standard and JWW will be used. Master/Excellent dogs will be scored at 100%, Open at 90% and Novice at 80% of their total score. Ties will be broken by full seconds under SCT.

Highest scoring All-American Regular and All-American Preferred dogs will each receive a \$25 Clean Run gift card and a tug toy. Scores from Standard and JWW in each division will be used. Master/Excellent dogs will be scored at 100%, Open at 90%, and Novice at 80% of their total score. Ties broken by YPS.

**Special Awards for Saturday and Sunday:**  
Northeast Flat-Coated Retriever Club will offer a pillar candle with the club logo to each qualifying Flat-Coated Retriever (limit one per dog, per day).

*Qualifying scores are required for all awards.*  
**ALL PRIZES, AWARDS, ROSETTES AND RIBBONS MUST BE CLAIMED THE DAY OF THE TRIAL.**  
**NO PRIZES WILL BE MAILED.**

**JUDGES**

**Zach Davis, VMO** (99197), Jersey City, NJ  
**Ben Gibbs, VMO** (99205), Kingsport, TN  
**Greg Fontaine, VMO** (97746), Durham, NC  
**Dale Mahoney** (94037), Nampa, ID  
**Jan Skurzynski** (90978), Nampa, ID

*Note: Each judge is limited to 350 runs per day. If an additional judge is needed on the unlimited days, exhibitors will be notified and PawPrintTrials.com will be updated.*

**For Excellent & Master, each height will remain in the same ring for Standard, JWW, FAST, and Premier for the entire day.**



















**T2B will run by height in the corresponding Excellent/Master rings.**  
**By doing this, we hope to keep conflicts to a minimum.**

**Open and Novice will also stay in the same ring for Standard, JWW, and FAST.**  
**(This is our intent but it is subject to change depending on entry numbers.)**


Premier classes are open to dogs competing at all levels.  
Classes and height assignments will run in the order listed unless the trial committee needs to make an adjustment.

**Nov 22 to Nov 25, 2024 • Thanksgiving Cluster • West Springfield MA**

Open: Sep 25 at 10 AM, Close: Nov 9 at 6 PM, Moveup: Nov 18 at 6 PM, Fees: \$27, \$20, \$18, \$16, \$15, \$15

<b>Fri • Unlimited runs</b> LEAP Agility Club	<b>Sat • Unlimited runs</b> LEAP Agility Club	<b>Sun • Unlimited runs</b> Talcott Mountain Agility Club	<b>Mon • 700 runs</b> <b>(650 online)</b> Talcott Mountain Agility Club
<b>Ring 1 • 12 to 4</b>	<b>Ring 1 • 4 to 12</b>	<b>Ring 1 • 12 to 4</b>	<b>Ring 1 • 4 to 16</b>
Premier Standard Judge: Dale Mahoney	Time 2 Beat Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO	Judge: Zach Davis VMO	Judge: Zach Davis VMO
Excellent/Master Standard  Judge: Jan Skurzynski VMO	Premier Standard  Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO	Premier JWW Designer: Jan Skurzynski VMO	FAST Designer: Zach Davis VMO
Time 2 Beat  Judge: Jan Skurzynski VMO	Excellent/Master Standard  Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO Designer: Ben Gibbs VMO	Excellent/Master JWW Designer: Jan Skurzynski VMO	Premier Standard Designer: Zach Davis VMO
Excellent/Master JWW  Judge: Jan Skurzynski VMO	Excellent/Master JWW  Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO	Excellent/Master FAST Designer: Zach Davis VMO	Excellent/Master Standard Designer: Zach Davis VMO
Premier JWW Judge: Ben Gibbs VMO	Premier JWW Judge: Dale Mahoney	Excellent/Master Standard Designer: Zach Davis VMO	Time 2 Beat Designer: Zach Davis VMO
<b>Ring 2 • 24c to 4</b> Judge: Ben Gibbs VMO (D)	<b>Ring 2 • 4 to 24c</b> Judge: Jan Skurzynski VMO (D)	Premier Standard Designer: Zach Davis VMO	Excellent/Master JWW Designer: Greg Fontaine VMO
Open Standard	Open Standard  Novice Standard 	<b>Ring 2 • 24c to 4</b> Judge: Dale Mahoney (D)	Premier JWW Designer: Greg Fontaine VMO
Novice Standard	Open JWW  Novice JWW 	Open JWW	<b>Ring 2 • 20 to 24c</b> Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO
Open JWW	<b>Ring 3 • 20</b>	Novice JWW	FAST Designer: Zach Davis VMO
Novice JWW	Time 2 Beat Judge: Dale Mahoney	Open/Novice FAST	Premier Standard Designer: Zach Davis VMO
<b>Ring 3 • 20</b>	Premier Standard  Judge: Dale Mahoney	Open Standard	Excellent/Master Standard Designer: Zach Davis VMO
Premier Standard Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO (D)	Excellent/Master Standard  Judge: Dale Mahoney Designer: Ben Gibbs VMO	Novice Standard	Time 2 Beat Designer: Zach Davis VMO
Excellent/Master Standard  Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO (D)	Excellent/Master JWW  Judge: Ben Gibbs VMO	<b>Ring 3 • 20</b>	Excellent/Master JWW Designer: Greg Fontaine VMO
Time 2 Beat  Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO (D)	Premier JWW Judge: Ben Gibbs VMO	Premier JWW Judge: Ben Gibbs VMO	Premier JWW Designer: Greg Fontaine VMO
Excellent/Master JWW  Judge: Zach Davis VMO	<b>Ring 4 • 16, 24, 24c</b>	Excellent/Master JWW Judge: Ben Gibbs VMO	
Premier JWW Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO	Time 2 Beat Judge: Ben Gibbs VMO (D)	Excellent/Master FAST Judge: Ben Gibbs VMO	
<b>Ring 4 • 24c, 24, 16</b>	Premier Standard  Judge: Ben Gibbs VMO (D)	Excellent/Master Standard Judge: Jan Skurzynski VMO	
Premier Standard Judge: Zach Davis VMO	Excellent/Master Standard  Judge: Zach Davis VMO Designer: Ben Gibbs VMO	Premier Standard Judge: Ben Gibbs VMO	
Excellent/Master Standard  Judge: Zach Davis VMO	Excellent/Master JWW  Judge: Zach Davis VMO (D)	<b>Ring 4 • 24c, 24, 16</b>	
Time 2 Beat  Judge: Dale Mahoney	Premier JWW Judge: Zach Davis VMO (D)	Premier JWW Judge: Jan Skurzynski VMO (D)	
Excellent/Master JWW  Judge: Dale Mahoney (D)		Excellent/Master JWW Judge: Jan Skurzynski VMO (D)	
Premier JWW Judge: Dale Mahoney (D)		Excellent/Master FAST Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO	
		Excellent/Master Standard Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO	
		Premier Standard Judge: Greg Fontaine VMO	

(D) Course Designer

 Team

 Northeast Agility Championship

 Challenger's Round

## **THE NORTHEAST AGILITY CHAMPIONSHIP (Optional)**

**Purpose:** To give our competitors at the Cluster the “look and feel” of what it is like to compete at the Nationals, we are offering our own version of the Nationals. Whether you have qualified for the Nationals or not, you may compete in our Northeast Agility Championship. PLEASE NOTE, THIS IS OPTIONAL. You may enter classes as you would normally and choose not to enter the Championship/Finals.

**Who is eligible:** Event is open to all teams eligible to compete in the Excellent and Master Class for Standard and JWW.

**Divisions:** There will be 10 separate divisions based on jump heights. There will be 5 Regular jump heights (8, 12, 16, 20, and 24) and 5 Preferred jump heights (4, 8, 12, 16, and 20). The 24C class will NOT be offered. There must be at least 4 dogs entered in each Preferred division or that division will be combined with the “Regular” height. (ex. 8P will compete with 12” dogs if there are not at least four dogs entered in the 8P class)

**How to Enter:** If you wish to compete in The Northeast Agility Championship, you must be entered in the Standard, JWW, and Time to Beat classes for Friday AND Premier Standard on Saturday.

Those are the classes that will determine your score to qualify for the Finals. You may enter other classes as well, but only scores from those classes will count towards your eligibility for the finals.

**Jr. Handlers:** Cumulative overall winners from each scored jump height (4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24) will be invited to compete in the Finals. If a junior entrant competes in the Finals round, an additional Finals entrant will be added as if the Junior entrant was not included.

**Finals:** The Finals will be held after all classes have finished on Saturday. A special prize will be awarded to the winner in each division with rosettes for the top 3 finalists.

**Fees:** The fees for the regular classes are stated in the premium. If you wish to compete for the Championship, please check the appropriate box.

**What else do you need to know:** This trial will run as a normal trial. You may enter this trial even if you have no aspirations of competing in the Championship. The Championship is only for those exhibitors who choose to enter. For example, there may be 30 dogs in a height/class; of those 30 dogs, perhaps only 10 are entered in the Championship. The class will function as it normally would. The only difference is that the scores for the 10 dogs entered in the Championship will serve a dual purpose in that they will also be used in qualifying for the Finals.

## **Description and Scoring**

The competition will consist of:

Friday, November 22

Round 1 – Standard Class

(Challenger)

Round 2 – JWW Class

Round 3 – Time 2 Beat (Hybrid)

Saturday, November 23

Round 4 – Premier STD

Round 5 – Finals

Scores for Friday will be the aggregate scores from Rounds 1, 2 and 3. The top scoring 25% of teams entered in the Championship in each division, minimum of 4 teams (if possible) and not to exceed 9 teams, will advance to the Finals on Saturday. Of the next top 5 scoring teams from Friday, we will take the top scoring team in each division from Saturday’s Premier Standard class and place them in the finals. In the event there are less than 4 dogs entered in the Preferred division in a class, those dogs will compete with dogs at the “regular” height (8P will compete with 12 Reg).

AKC agility Master rules will apply for the qualifying rounds with the following exceptions:

- o Course Faults: A refusal (excluding T2B), runout, wrong course, missed contact and dropped bar will result in a 5-point deduction. Any run with an Excusal (E) will result in a score of zero. Course time deductions equal 3 points for every second over course time, truncating down to whole seconds.

For the Finals only:

- o Course Faults: A refusal, runout, wrong course, missed contact, and dropped bar will result in a 5-point deduction. Not completing or skipping an obstacle will be signaled with a short whistle (you may complete the course). Score will be zero (no score).
- o All obstacles must be completed or a score of zero will be assessed.
- o You must have a score above zero to win any prize/ribbon in the Championship Finals.

For entry in the Finals, any ties from Friday will be broken based on times. Time 2 Beat times will be used as the first tiebreaker. The Regular JWW class times will be used as the second tie breaker, and the times from the Standard Class will be used next.

Ties from the Premier Standard class on Saturday will be broken based on time. If there is still a tie, we will use the aggregate scores from Friday’s round, and then using the tie-breaker logic for Saturday.

Dogs will run in reverse order of placement in the Finals, with the winner of the Premier (Challenger) Class running first.

Note: Scores from the Finals will not count towards any AKC titles. All other issues will be resolved by the Championship Committee.



**HEIGHT DIVISIONS:** Owners/agents are responsible for entering the proper height divisions. All height divisions will be offered. Dogs in the Preferred classes must jump their measured height. Unlike dogs in the Regular class, Preferred dogs are not permitted to jump in a higher height. If you are unsure of your dog's height or your dog is borderline and you don't have a height card, please enter the lower height. If necessary, the judge will move the dog up.

	PREFERRED	HEIGHT AT WITHERS
Handlers may opt to run their dog in a higher height division.	Handlers must run their dog in their proper eligible height.	Owners are responsible for entering their dog in the proper height division.
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
24C"	n/a	Dogs who measure into the 8" through 20" Regular jump height divisions may opt to enter the 24-choice height division at the owner's discretion. Dogs measuring into the 24" Regular jump height division may not enter 24-choice.

**OBSTACLES:** All obstacles will conform to the requirements in the current edition of the *AKC Regulations for Agility Trials*.

**ENTRY FEE:** FOR ONLINE ENTRIES, GO TO [WWW.PAWRINTRIALS.COM](http://WWW.PAWRINTRIALS.COM). FOR MAIL-IN ENTRIES, MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO PAWPRINT TRIALS. **\$28.00** for the first entry of each dog each day; **\$22.00** for the second entry of the same dog each day; **\$19.00** for the third entry; **\$17.00** for the fourth entry; **\$16.00** for the fifth and sixth entries. **Jr. Handler entry fee is \$10.00 per run. Entry must include AKC Jr. Handler number.** Entry fees include AKC fee of \$3.50 per run. **Northeast Agility Championship is \$20.00**

**CLOSING DATE:** **Saturday, November 9, 2024 at 6 p.m.** after which entries cannot be accepted, cancelled or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Dog Show Rules and in Chapter 1, Section 14 of the AKC Agility Trial Rules and Regulations.

**MOVEUPS & CANCELLATIONS:** In order for move-ups and cancellations sent via email to be valid, exhibitors must receive an acknowledgement from the trial secretary. **If you do not receive an acknowledgment, assume that your request has not been received.** No refunds or changes will be made without the trial secretary's acknowledgement.

**REFUNDS:** After entries close, refund requests for bitches in season will be accepted when accompanied by a veterinarian's note. An administration fee of \$5.00 will be withheld. Refund requests, along with the veterinarian's note, must be received by the trial secretary no later than ½ hour prior to the start of the first class of the day. In the case of serious illness or injury to a dog, any refund requests accompanied by veterinary documentation will be reviewed by the committee. If a refund is granted, it will be 50 percent of the entry fees.

**AKC RULES:** All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Agility Trials by contacting the American Kennel Club, 8051 Arco Corporate Drive, Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27617-3390, by email at [info@akc.org](mailto:info@akc.org), by phone (919) 233-9767 or on their website at [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org).

**EXHIBITORS SHOULD FOLLOW THEIR VETERINARIAN'S RECOMMENDATION TO ENSURE THEIR DOGS ARE FREE OF INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL PARASITES, ANY COMMUNICABLE DISEASES, AND HAVE APPROPRIATE VACCINATIONS.**

**ALL-AMERICAN DOGS:** Owners of All-American dogs must obtain an AKC Canine Partners listing number before they may enter an AKC agility event. **UNDER "BREED" ON THE ENTRY FORM, DOGS MUST BE LISTED AS "ALL AMERICAN" AND NOT AS A BREED HYBRID.**

### **ENTERING FOR EXHIBITION ONLY (FEO) – EFFECTIVE 7/1/24**

- 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 allowed in all classes at this trial. Participation in FEO is non-qualifying.
- FEO runs are treated as trial entries. The exhibitor must enter the class(es) 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. 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. FEO may also be declared earlier (ex. when checking in at the gate board).

### **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.



### **DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL**

**From the North via Interstate 91:** Take I-91 South to Exit 10B. Follow Route 5 South to Route 147 West. Continue ¾ mile to show grounds on left

**From the South via Interstate 91:** Take I-91 North to Exit 3. Follow Route 5 North to Route 147 West, Memorial Avenue. ¾ mile to show grounds on left.

**From Mass Pike I-90:** Take Exit 44 (old Exit 4) to Route 5 South. Follow to Route 147 West. Continue on Memorial Avenue for ¾ mile to show grounds on left.

The Mallary Building is the large domed building on the left when entering through Gate 9.

### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

*Hotels that accept dogs are quickly becoming a rarity. Please behave responsibly! Clean up after your dog, bring sheets to cover the furniture, do not groom or bathe your dog inside, do not leave your dog(s) unattended in the room, and please be respectful of other guests who do not have to be up early. **The trial committee will follow up on complaints received from motels. PLEASE CONFIRM HOTEL PET POLICIES WHEN MAKING RESERVATIONS.***

**Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott**, 1 Bright Meadow Blvd., Enfield, CT 06082  
(860) 741-2211

**Red Roof Inn**, 1254 Riverdale St., W. Springfield, MA 01089  
413-634-4006

**Residence Inn**, 64 Border Way, W. Springfield, MA 01089  
413-732-9543 (1 dog per room) (2 floors)

**Hampton Inn**, 1101 Riverdale Street, W. Springfield, MA 01089  
413-732-1300 (dogs must be crated) (4 floors)

**Red Carpet Inn**, 560 Riverdale St., W. Springfield, MA 01089  
413-733-6678 (small dogs crated, max. 2 per room)

**La Quinta**, 100 Congress Street, Springfield, MA 01104 (high-rise building)  
413-781-0900

**Red Roof Inn**, 5 Hazard Ave., Enfield, CT 06082  
860-856-6279 Exit 47E off I-91, 10 miles from show grounds

**MAKE ROOM RESERVATIONS EARLY!!!**

### **MOTORHOME PARKING**

**There will be space** for overnight parking of motorhomes and campers. The fee is \$40.00 per unit/per day and is collected by Eastern States personnel. No advanced reservations. The Clubs have no involvement in collecting fees and receive no portion of those fees.

**Electrical hookups** are located throughout the fairgrounds. Although there is ample RV parking, the clubs do not guarantee availability. Standard electrical service around the Mallary Building and Better Living Center is 30 amps. Overloading the circuits will result in tripped breakers. *Restoring service may not be immediate, especially at night.* 50 amp service is available for an additional fee.

**Motorhomes and campers** may move onto the grounds no earlier than two days prior to the start of the shows. You will be directed to the available lots for the shows. Certain areas of the grounds may be restricted. Storage and/or stock trucks may occupy the same space provided the same power source is utilized. Vehicles may not occupy a camper space in the designated camper lots. Gate 9 is open during show hours. Gate 1 near the Agawam bridge is open 24 hrs.

**Overnight parking fee** is \$40.00 per unit/per day. Reservations are available upon entrance to the grounds. Multiple reservations and saving of spaces are not permitted. 50 amp electrical service is available for an additional fee.

**A dump station** is available on the grounds at no charge. Please see a show official for its location. Please leave your parking areas clean by bagging all refuse and throwaway items.

**IN ORDER TO PREVENT ADDITIONAL INCREASES** in parking fees and **SEVERE RESTRICTIONS** on motorhome parking, **PLEASE RESPECT** Eastern States personnel, grounds and equipment.

***For any other questions, contact Debbie Loomis at [windyhollow@charter.net](mailto:windyhollow@charter.net).***

### **SITE INFORMATION**

This trial is held in conjunction with the Thanksgiving Cluster All-Breed Dog Shows and Obedience Trials. **Go to [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com) for conformation, obedience, and rally entry information.**

No smoking in any buildings. Vendors must adhere to the West Springfield Fire Department regulations.

The courses will be run inside on 100' x 100' packed dirt rings. Crating space is available inside the building. No practicing in the rings is allowed at any time. The building will be closed at night. No dogs may remain in the building overnight.

**ALL DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT WHEN IN THE RING OR IN THE DESIGNATED WARM-UP AREA.**

## **TRIAL REGULATIONS NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS**

**THE SAFETY** of dogs is our primary concern. By entering these trials, 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.

**RETURNED CHECKS** do not constitute a valid entry fee. A charge of \$25.00 will be made for each returned check.

**FOREIGN EXHIBITORS** must pay by international money order or credit cards. Checks drawn on Canadian banks (US or Canadian funds) can no longer be accepted.

**TELEPHONE, FAX, AND UNSIGNED ENTRIES** cannot be accepted.

**NO HAND-DELIVERED ENTRIES** will be accepted within the first 24 hours.

**ENTRIES NOT ON OFFICIAL AKC ENTRY FORMS OR PHOTOCOPIES OF ENTRY FORMS** without the Agreement and Rules on the reverse side of the Official AKC Entry Form are **NOT ACCEPTABLE**. **ENTRIES RECEIVED WITHOUT FEES** will not be accepted.

**NO ENTRY SHALL BE MADE AND NO ENTRY SHALL BE ACCEPTED, WHICH SPECIFIES ANY CONDITIONS AS TO ITS ACCEPTANCE.** Express mail entries must include signature permitting them to be left at the secretary's address without recipient's signature.

**ENTRY FEES** shall not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by Veterinarian or Judge, or barred from competition by action of Trial Committee. 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, extreme weather, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee.

**ERRORS ON ENTRY BLANKS**-Owners are responsible for errors in making out entry forms, and no entry fee will be refunded in event of such errors or cancellation of entries after trial has closed.

**JUDGES ARE NOT REQUIRED TO WAIT FOR DOGS.** The owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at ringside when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility for providing service through a public address system or stewards or runners for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought into the ring when required.

**DOGS PRESENT** will not be permitted to roam. Exhibitors are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create unnecessary disturbances 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 cases, no refund of any fees will be made. All dogs present must be held on leash or confined to their crate at all times except when in the ring or when in the designated agility warm-up area. The site will be monitored and offenders will be asked to leave. In such cases, no refunds will be made. Dogs must use the designated exercise area.

**EVENT COMMITTEE** will use due care and diligence for the welfare of dogs and exhibitors, but will not be responsible for, nor assume any liability in the event of an accident or misfortune to either dogs or exhibitors participating in this show.

**BITCHES IN SEASON** shall not be eligible to participate. See "Refunds".

**DOGS PARTICIPATING** must be 15 months of age or older and must be registered with the American Kennel Club, have an AKC Limited Registration, Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privilege (PAL/ILP), AKC Canine Partners Listing, or be approved FSS breeds eligible to compete. Bitches in season, aggressive, blind dogs, or dogs suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance are ineligible to participate. No dog shall compete if it is taped or bandaged in any way or has anything attached to it for medical purposes. All American dogs that have been listed with AKC Canine Partners may participate provided the listing number has been recorded on the entry form and the trial is open to All American dogs.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ENTRY ACCEPTANCE** will be made when entries are processed for exhibitors that provide an email address. Confirmation notices including the judging schedule will be sent to all exhibitors no less than seven days prior to the event.

**IN CASE OF CANCELLATION**, call AKC Event Cancellation number: (877) 252-3229.

**ANYONE IN VIOLATION** of a restriction pursuant to AKC rules or policies, or the law can be asked to leave the grounds. If the person fails to leave, the local authorities will be contacted. In addition, if the club believes laws, restrictions, or conditions of release are being violated by an individual's attendance or participation in AKC events, the local authorities will be contacted immediately as they have the authority of enforcement.

## **VOLUNTEER INFO**

Historically, the Thanksgiving Agility Cluster Trials have been the largest AKC agility shows in the country! Running four rings simultaneously requires many volunteers.

***We know that not everyone is available to help at trials. However, because of its size, our event requires many volunteers to keep the rings moving. If you could squeeze in a little time to volunteer for a class or two, it would be a huge help and very much appreciated.***

**\*\*All workers will receive worker tickets for each class worked.\*\***

**AGAIN THIS YEAR, THE VOUCHERS CAN BE USED AS PAYMENT TO THE FOOD CONCESSION OR ANY VENDOR IN THE AGILITY BUILDING.**

**There will be multiple shifts of workers to cover the larger classes.**

**THE WORKER SPREADSHEET WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLINE UNTIL NOVEMBER 19.**

**[Cluster Worker Link](#)**

**THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING!**



**OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AGILITY ENTRY FORM  
LEAP/TMAC, W. Springfield, MA**

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site,  
www.akc.org.

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Fri., November 22</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> STD         | <input type="checkbox"/> JWW     | <input type="checkbox"/> T2B               | <input type="checkbox"/> Prem. STD | <input type="checkbox"/> Prem. JWW | <input type="checkbox"/> All |
| <b>Sat., November 23</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> STD         | <input type="checkbox"/> JWW     | <input type="checkbox"/> T2B               | <input type="checkbox"/> Prem. STD | <input type="checkbox"/> Prem. JWW | <input type="checkbox"/> All |
| <b>Sun., November 24</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> STD         | <input type="checkbox"/> JWW     | <input type="checkbox"/> FAST              | <input type="checkbox"/> Prem. STD | <input type="checkbox"/> Prem. JWW | <input type="checkbox"/> All |
| <b>Mon., November 25</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> X/M STD     | <input type="checkbox"/> X/M JWW | <input type="checkbox"/> FAST (all levels) | <input type="checkbox"/> T2B       | <input type="checkbox"/> All       |                              |
|                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Premier STD |                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Premier JWW       |                                    |                                    |                              |

**Northeast Agility Championship (see Page 5 for complete info)**  \$20

**FOR ONLINE ENTRIES, GO TO [WWW.PAWPRINTTRIALS.COM](http://WWW.PAWPRINTTRIALS.COM).**

For mail-in entries, make checks payable to PawPrint Trials and mail to  
Noreen Bennett, 1 West Street, Belchertown, MA 01007.

*Foreign exhibitors must pay for mail-in entries by international money order.*

ENTRIES OPEN: WED., SEPT. 25, 10 a.m.      ENTRIES CLOSE: SAT., NOV. 9, 6 p.m.

**1st run: \$28    2nd run: \$22    3rd run: \$19    4th run: \$17    5th run: \$16    6th run: \$16**

**Jr. Handlers: \$10.00 per run. Entry must include AKC Jr. Handler number.**

<b>IMPORTANT: Carefully read instructions before filling out!</b>	<b>ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED</b> \$
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**Choose Either Regular OR Preferred Classes**

*Circle one jump height | Circle class selections | Premier allowed in addition to all other levels.*

REGULAR Classes						PREFERRED Classes						
8"	12"	16"	20"	24"	24C"	4"	8"	12"	16"	20"		
STD	NovA	NovB	Open	Exc	Master	Premier	STD	NovP	OpenP	ExcP	MasterP	PremierP
JWW	NovA	NovB	Open	Exc	Master	Premier	JWW	NovP	OpenP	ExcP	MasterP	PremierP
FAST	NovA	NovB	Open	Exc	Master		FAST	NovP	OpenP	ExcP	MasterP	
T2B	T2B						T2B	T2BP				

**Non-Regular Classes** International Sweepstakes STD JWW

This Dog Needs To Be Measured <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	SEX	HEIGHT AT WITHERS
BREED	VARIETY	CALL NAME

AKC® NAME (INCLUDE AKC TITLES ONLY)

AKC® NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Enter Complete Registration # below	DATE OF BIRTH
ILP NO. <input type="checkbox"/>	PAL NO. <input type="checkbox"/>	PLACE OF BIRTH (LIST COUNTRY)
FOREIGN REG. NO & COUNTRY <input type="checkbox"/>		
BREEDER		

SIRE

DAM

ACTUAL OWNERS

OWNERS ADDRESS  NEW ADDRESS

CITY, STATE ZIP + 4

HANDLER  ENTER JR. HANDLER # if applicable

**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 in 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 his agent duly authorized to make this entry.

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

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

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

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

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