

4-H Capital District Dog Show

June 1, 2024

Registration 9:30, 10am start time

Saratoga 4-H Training Center- 556 Middle Line Road

1/2 Mile North of NYS Route 67 and 4 miles South of NYS Route 29

Entries due May 15, 2024

Dress Code for the show:

<https://cals.cornell.edu/nys-4-h-animal-science-programs/companion-animals/dogs/nys-4-h-dog-show-dress-code>

Score Sheets and rule that will be used:

[Dog Show Score Sheets | CALS \(cornell.edu\)](https://cornell.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8HA1CD86F1KtP1Q)

Please use the following list of classes to register.

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Grooming and Handling

One entry per handler in Grooming and Handling. 4-H'er cannot enter multiple Grooming & Handling Classes. Handler would be competing against themselves.

The Appearance of the Animal (Grooming) will account for 45 points and the Showing (Handling) of the Animal will account for 45 points. Knowledge of handler (appropriate to class level) will account for 10 points. Maximum possible score will be 100 points. **Ties are broken based upon handling skills and knowledge of handler.**

If a dog defecates or eliminates in the ring during Grooming and Handling, they will lose 15 points **per occurrence.**

Dogs must be shown by the 4-H member who did the grooming. The same dog may not be shown twice.

Grooming and Handling A Junior

For 4-H'ers 8 to 13 years of age who are competing for the first time in Grooming and Handling at State Fair, unless the Handler has qualified for the Open Class of Junior Showmanship at an AKC Show. Handlers who receive a red or white ribbon rating at the state level may compete at this level the second year.

Grooming and Handling A Senior

For 4-H'ers 14 to 18 years of age who are competing for the first time in Grooming and Handling at state level unless the Handler has qualified for the Open Class of Junior Showmanship at an AKC Show. Handlers who receive a red or white ribbon rating at state level may compete at this level the second year.

Grooming and Handling B Junior

For 4-H'ers 9 to 13 years of age as of Jan. 1 and have previously completed in Grooming and Handling at the state level.

Grooming & Handling B – Senior

For 4-H'ers 14 to 18 years of age as of Jan. 1 and have previously competed in Grooming & Handling at the state level.

Grooming and Handling C - Senior

For 4-H'ers who have previously been a Grooming and Handling B Champion and/or have qualified for the Open Class of Junior Showmanship at an AKC show (or the equivalent), even if it is their first year.

Agility Classes

NYS 4-H Dog Show Rules will be followed: [Agility Classes | CALS \(cornell.edu\)](#)

Agility (Pre-Novice)

A ten-obstacle course that is straight forward using non-winged jumps, pipe tunnel, A-frame, tire jump, table and dog walk. Any dog that received a Blue placing must move to the next level.

Agility (Novice)

Any dog that received a Blue placing must move to the next level. Dogs must not have completed their AKC Novice Standard Agility title (or the equivalent – NADAC, USDAA, etc.) unless the title was earned within 60 days of the show.

At least 12 – 13 obstacles must be used in the Novice classes: (There will be no weaves in Novice.)

Agility (Open)

For dogs that have received a blue award in the Novice Level. Dogs must not have completed their AKC Open standard title (or the equivalent – NADAC, USDAA, etc.) unless the title was earned within 60 days of the show. Additional obstacles will be added.

Obedience Classes:

Beginner A

For 4-H'ers who have not previously trained a dog. The dogs in this class must not have graduated beyond the Beginner level. All exercises (Heel on Leash, Figure 8; Sit for Exam; Sit Stay (30 sec. – 1 min.), Recall) will be performed with the dog on lead. The maximum possible score is 200 points. Dogs receiving a blue in this class MUST move up to Beginner C or higher. Dogs entered in this class can't participate in Agility, Brace or 4-Person Team.

Beginner B

For 4-H'ers who have previously trained a dog. The dogs in this class must not have graduated beyond the Beginner level. All exercises (Heel on Leash, Figure 8; Sit for Exam; Sit Stay (30 sec. – 1 min.), Recall) will be performed with the dog on lead. The maximum possible score is 200 points. Dogs receiving a blue in this class must move to Beginner C. Dogs entered in this class cannot also participate in Agility, Brace or 4-Person Team or higher.

Beginner C

For 4-H'ers who have previously trained a dog in Beginner or more advanced levels of obedience. Dogs must not have graduated beyond the Beginner level. Exercises and maximum possible points are the same as in Beginner A, except for recall off leash and sit is dropped leash. Dogs receiving a blue in this class must move to Graduate Beginner. Dogs entered in this class cannot also participate in Brace or 4-Person Team.

Graduate Beginner A

For 4-H'ers who have not previously trained a dog beyond the Graduate Beginner level. Dogs must not have graduated beyond the Graduate Beginner level.

Exercises and maximum possible points are the same as in the Beginner A and B classes except that the Stand for Examination, Recall, Long Sit, 1 minute; Long Down, 3 minutes exercises are done with leash attached to collar and placed next to dog with number. Dogs receiving a blue ribbon in this class MUST move to Novice.

Graduate Beginner B

For 4-H'ers who have previously trained a dog in graduate beginner or more advanced levels of obedience. Dogs must not have graduated beyond the Graduate Beginner level. Exercises and maximum possible points are the same as in Graduate Beginner A. Dogs receiving a blue ribbon in this class must move to Novice.

Novice A

For 4-H'ers and dogs who have completed a Novice course of instruction but have not graduated beyond this level. Dogs must not have completed their AKC Companion Dog (CD) title (or the equivalent – UKC U-CD, All-American CD, Club CD, CKC CD, etc.) unless the CD was earned within 60 days of the show. Other than the Heel on Leash and Figure 8, all exercises will be performed with the dog off lead (Stand for Examination; Heel Off Leash; Recall). (Long Sit, 1 minute; Long Down, 3 minutes are done with leash attached to collar and placed next to dog with number). Maximum possible score will be 200 points.

Advanced Novice

For 4-H'ers and dogs who have not graduated beyond the Advanced Novice level of obedience. Dogs may have earned a CD title but not a Companion Dog Excellence (CDX) title (or the equivalent). Other than the Heel on Leash, all exercises will be performed with the dog off leash (Stand for Examination; Heel Free and Figure 8; Drop on Recall; Long Sit, Handlers Out of Sight, 3 minutes; Long Down, Handlers Out of Sight, 5 minutes). Maximum possible score will be 200 points. Open to any handler and dog beyond the Novice Level but not ready for Graduate Novice.

Graduate Novice

Dogs may not have earned a CDX or equivalent title, unless the title was earned within 60 days of the show. The exercises are: Heel Free and Figure 8; Drop on Recall; Dumbbell Recall; Recall over High Jump; Recall over Broad Jump and

Long Down. The maximum possible score is 200 points. Open to any handler and dog beyond the Novice level but not ready for open class (due to training and/or physical ability of dog).

Rally Classes

NYS 4-H Dog Show Rules will be followed: [Rally Classes | CALS \(cornell.edu\)](#)

Rally Novice A

Course shall consist of 10-15 stations plus a **Start & Finish** sign. This course is open to dogs at all levels of Obedience. Rally Novice will be performed on a leash. Dogs receiving Blue Ribbons must move up to the next level or to Rally B. Dogs that have received a Rally Novice (RN) Title (or the equivalent R1, etc.) unless earned within 60 days of the show must move to Rally Advanced.

Rally Novice B

For dogs that are not yet ready for Rally Advanced but received a blue ribbon in the previous year. Class description is the same as Rally Novice A. This class is available only once. If the dog received a blue, the dog must move to Rally Advanced in the next year.

Rally Intermediate

Will be Rally Advanced course performed on leash. No jump. No dogs previously shown in Rally Advanced eligible.

Rally Advanced

Course shall consist of 12 – 17 exercise stations plus a **Start & Finish** sign. Rally Advanced course shall be performed with the dog off leash. All dogs must be working at the Graduate Beginner level to be training/working/showing in this class. Dogs not entered in an obedience class may be asked to perform an off-leash exercise to show that they belong in Rally Advanced. Beginner A & B Obedience dogs are not eligible. Dogs that received a Blue Ribbon or a Rally Advanced (RA) Title (or the equivalent) unless earned within 60 days of the show must move to Rally Excellent.

Rally Excellent

Course shall consist of 15 – 20 stations plus a **Start & Finish** sign with no more than 7 stationary exercises. All dogs must be working at the Graduate Beginner level to be training/working/showing in this class. Dogs not entered in an obedience class may be asked to perform an off-leash exercise to show that they

belong in Rally Excellent. Beginner A & B obedience dogs are not eligible. All exercises shall be performed off leash except the Honor Exercise. Dogs that have received a Blue Ribbon or Rally Excellent (RE) Title (or the equivalent) unless earned within 60 days of the show may participate FEO with permission from the 4-H Dog Show Superintendent.

Rally Masters

Course shall consist of 17 – 20 stations plus a **Start & Finish** sign. Signs used will include signs from all levels of rally plus new masters signs. Open to Rally Excellent Grand Champions and AKC Excellent dogs with RAE titles.