

Dog

Superintendent: Ariel Agenbroad

Exhibit Schedule

Entries Close	Monday, June 15
Arrival - Health Check - O'Connor Field House	Friday, July 17, 8:00-8:30 a.m.
Exhibitor Meeting - O'Connor Field House	Friday, July 17, 8:45 a.m.
Dog Show - O'Connor Field House	Friday, July 17, 9:00 a.m.
Animals Released	Immediately following show
Barn Dance - O'Connor Field House	Friday, July 24, 8:00 p.m.

1. General rules listed in this guide apply to all exhibitors.
2. **HEALTH INSPECTION** - All animals are inspected by a veterinarian upon arrival at the Fairgrounds. Exhibitors must provide a copy of the dog's health and vaccination records (including rabies, distemper, and parvo). The following vaccinations are strongly recommended to be given at least one month prior to the show: Bordetella and canine influenza. The canine influenza booster may be given just prior to the show. Animals showing signs of a health condition are not permitted to remain on the Fairgrounds. This decision is final.
3. All dogs exhibited must be crated or on a lead at all times and kept within the designated dog exhibit area. Dogs may not be left unattended.
4. Exhibitors must participate in Showmanship. Rally Obedience is optional.
5. Females in season must be reported to the superintendent and judge and may be shown in Showmanship at the judge's discretion. The judge may excuse or disqualify: any dog not under the control of its handler, any handler who willfully interferes with another competitor or their dog, and any handler abusing a dog. All excusals or disqualifications are documented by the judge.
6. A chain ("choke") collar is permitted; however, a show lead and collar are preferred.
7. Leads used in Showmanship classes should be no longer than 6 feet and made of leather or nylon.
8. Dogs exhibited in Rally Obedience classes must use a slip collar or flat collar and a 6-foot lead.
9. All dogs must be at least 6 months old.
10. All animals must be brought to and removed from the Fairgrounds on the day of the show.

Division 35A - Dog Showmanship

1. Refer to Showmanship section for additional rules and Round Robin information.
2. Age is determined as of January 1 of the current year.

Class

01 FFA

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion FFA Showman

02 Novice (Youth 8-10 years old and first year showing any animal)

03 Junior (Youth 9-10 years old)

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Junior Showman

04 Intermediate (Youth 11-13 years old)

05 Senior (Youth 14-16 years old)

06 Advanced Senior (Youth 17-18 years old)

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Senior Showman

07 4-H Cloverbud (Youth 5-7 years old)

DOG RALLY OBEDIENCE

Rally is a sport in which the dog and handler proceed in heel position through a course designed by the judge, following a sequence of numbered instructional signs. Scores are based on accuracy and teamwork between the dog and handler both during and between the numbered signs. 100 points are possible. AKC Rally signs are available at https://bit.ly/akc_rally_signs.

Division 35B - Pre-Novice Rally

Pre-Novice is intended for first-year handlers with beginner dogs who have not previously exhibited in Rally.

- Performed on leash
- 8-10 Rally stations (excluding Start and Finish)
- May include any of the American Kennel Club (AKC) Rally Signs #1 - #25

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03 Junior (Youth 9-10 years old)

04 Intermediate (Youth 11-13 years old)

05 Senior (Youth 14-16 years old)

06 Advanced Senior (Youth 17-18 years old)

Division 35C - Novice A Rally

Open to handlers and dogs who have not previously exhibited in Novice Rally. Exhibitors are expected to enter Novice B Rally the following year.

- Performed on leash
- 10-15 Rally stations (excluding Start and Finish)
- May include any of the American Kennel Club (AKC) Rally Signs #1 - #42

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03 Junior (Youth 9-10 years old)

04 Intermediate (Youth 11-13 years old)

05 Senior (Youth 14-16 years old)

06 Advanced Senior (Youth 17-18 years old)

Division 35D - Novice B Rally

Open to handlers and dogs who have exhibited in Novice A Rally for 1 year, or exhibitors who have previously shown in an AKC Sanctioned Rally Event. Exhibitors receiving a (flat) blue ribbon for 2 consecutive years in Novice B must advance to Intermediate the following year.

- Performed on leash
- 10-15 Rally stations (excluding Start and Finish)
- May include any of the American Kennel Club (AKC) Rally Signs #1 - #42

Class

- 01 FFA
- 03 Junior (Youth 9-10 years old)
- 04 Intermediate (Youth 11-13 years old)
- 05 Senior (Youth 14-16 years old)
- 06 Advanced Senior (Youth 17-18 years old)

Division 35E - Intermediate Rally

Open to handlers and dogs who have exhibited in Novice B Rally for at least 1 year. Exhibitors receiving a (flat) blue ribbon for 2 consecutive years in Novice B must enter Intermediate. Exhibitors who receive a (flat) blue ribbon for 2 consecutive years in Intermediate must enter Advanced (to be offered in 2028).

- Performed on leash
- 12-17 Rally stations (excluding Start and Finish)
- May include any of the American Kennel Club (AKC) Rally Signs #1 - #123

Class

- 01 FFA
- 03 Junior (Youth 9-10 years old)
- 04 Intermediate (Youth 11-13 years old)
- 05 Senior (Youth 14-16 years old)
- 06 Advanced Senior (Youth 17-18 years old)

Dog Showmanship Score Sheet	
Handling and Showmanship	50 points
Ability to control and handle dog to its best advantage	20 points
Neatness of handler's appearance	10 points
Ability to answer judge's questions	10 points
Ability to follow instructions of judge	5 points
Courtesy to judge, ring stewards, and fellow competitors	5 points
The Animal	50 points
Temperament	15 points
Condition	15 points
Eyes / Ears / Teeth	5 points
Coat	10 points
Nails	5 points
Total	100 points