

# Department J-09 Dogs

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**Agility Show: Wednesday before the fair at 6:00 pm  
at the Fairgrounds**

**Dog Show: Wednesday of Fair Week at 9:00 am at  
the Fairgrounds**

**Note: For complete guidelines refer to dog project  
handbook.**

1. Open to all 4-H members enrolled in the Dog Project or members of other youth organizations with adult leadership that meets the educational requirements of the Fair Board's approval. All members and dogs participate at their own risk.
2. All dogs exhibited and/or attending training centers must have the following vaccinations: Canine Distemper, Adenovirus tkype 2(Hepatitis), Parainfluenza, Parvovirus, Leptospirosis and Bordatella (Kennel cough). Reference the current Barron County Dog Project Handbook for vaccination frequency.
3. A signed certificate of vaccination from a licensed veterinarian (copies of medical records not accepted) will be required prior to dog being allowed at training center. Certificates must have the type of vaccination, date given and expiration date.
4. Handler may have no more than two obedience dogs, but only one dog per obedience class. (Excluding team or brace).
5. The dog is to be shown in the class for which it received training for that year.
6. If a new handler is training a previously trained dog, that dog will only be allowed to compete in one class below the last class in which the dog received a blue ribbon.
7. Dog Training Center Leaders will aid youth in determination of appropriate class level entry. Obedience (A) classes: The handler and dog are training at this level for the first time. Obedience (B) classes: The handler has had previous experience training a dog, but is now showing an untrained dog. Or an inexperienced handler is showing a previously trained dog. Or the same handler/dog combinations are repeating a class.
8. A dog that has received a blue ribbon at the county level Dog Show, and/or State Dog Show must advance to the next higher class.
9. Members must adhere to attendance guidelines in project handbook to be eligible to show at county fair. Training Center Leaders shall be authority on exhibition eligibility regarding attendance. Ask your leader for makeup attendance options.

10. Appropriate clothing to be worn at training and show competition. For safety concerns, no sandals, open-backed shoes or bare feet will be allowed at training or competition. If inappropriate attire is worn, member will be excused.
11. Only the handler may approach the dog show superintendent or judge with objections and/or questions to judging and/or scoring.
12. Obedience dogs in season allowed to show in special area. Notify training center leaders or ring stewards prior to unloading dog at the fair.
13. Equipment needed for obedience classes: Training collar of either fabric or chain and a six-foot leather or fabric leash. Leaders will advise as to what type of training collar to use.
14. A fee will be collected from each member to help with the cost of awards and equipment.

## **DIVISION A: DOG OGEDIENCE**

### Class Number

1. Beginner Pre-Novice: Exhibitors grades 3-7 as of January 1.
2. Beginner Pre-Novice: Exhibitors grades 8-13 as of January 1.
3. Pre-Novice A: Exhibitors grades 3-7 as of January 1
4. Pre-Novice A: Exhibitors grades 8-13 as of January 1
5. Pre-Novice B: Exhibitors grade 3-7 as of January 1
6. Pre-Novice B: Exhibitors grades 8-13 as of January 1
7. Novice A
8. Novice B
9. Graduate Novice
10. Graduate Novice B
11. Pre-Open
12. Open
13. Pre-Utility
14. Utility
15. Costume Class – The dog or handler and dog may be in costume.
16. Best Tricks Class – Handler to have their dog show off its best trick.

### **PREMIUMS FOR Division A – 1-12**

**Blue \$4.50; Red \$3.50  
White \$2.50; Pink \$1.50**

**Division A – 13 & 14 – Non premium and to be  
judged by county dog leaders.**

### **DIVISION B – SHOWMANSHIP DOGS IN SEASON NOT ALLOWED TO SHOW IN SHOWMANSHIP**

### Class Number

1. Junior – Grades 3-5

2. Intermediate – Grades 6-8
3. Senior – Grades 9-13

**PREMIUMS FOR SHOWMANSHIP**

**Blue \$3.00; Red \$2.50  
White \$2.00; Pink \$1.50**

**DIVISION C – TEAM OBEDIENCE/BRACE/AGILITY**

Use class number and division letters A to F from above when entering this division.

**TEAM OBEDIENCE:** team consists of 4 handlers and 4 dogs. They will compete in either Pre-Novice or Novice Class. A team member and/or dog can only compete on one team. All four handlers should dress alike. The team will elect a team captain who will enter the ring first with a list of team members. To qualify as a Pre-Novice Team, three of the four members must be at the Pre-Novice level. For Novice Teams, all members must be at Novice Level or above.

Class Number

1. Team Obedience: Pre-Novice
2. Team Obedience: Novice

**BRACE**

Brace Class consists of one handler and two dogs. One dog must be owned or shown by handler at the County Fair. Dog may be shown unattached or coupled, the coupling device to be not less than six inches in overall length. The brace team will compete at Novice Level exercises.

Class Number

3. Brace Class - Novice

**AGILITY**

**Member may have up to two agility dogs.**

**DOGS IN SEASON THE DAY OF THE SHOW ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PERFORM IN AGILITY.**

One completed year obedience required.

Class Number

4. Standard Agility – Starters
5. Standard Agility – Intermediate – second year of agility at fair.
6. Standard Agility – Advanced – third year of agility at fair.
7. Standard Agility – Masters – four years or more of agility at fair.
8. Relay Agility – Starters
9. Relay Agility – Intermediate
10. Relay Agility – Advanced
11. Gamblers Agility – Starters
12. Gamblers Agility – Intermediate
13. Gamblers Agility - Advanced

**PREMIUMS FOR DIVISION C – Class 4-7**

**Blue \$3.00; Red \$2.50**

**White \$2.00; Pink \$1.50**

**Division C – Class 8-13 – No Premiums**

**DIVISION D: GRADES 3-5**

**DIVISION E: GRADES 6-8**

**DIVISION F: GRADES 9-13**

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

Posters must be no smaller than 11” x 14” and no larger than 22” x 22” in size. White tag board or poster board is to be used for posters.

**Youth will be required to bring their posters to the YOUTH EXPO BUILDING on Tuesday of Fair Week between 1 and 6 pm for conference judging by the Vet Science Area Judge.** Posters will be placed on display in the Youth Expo Building.

Class Numbers

1. Poster summarizing a nutritionally balanced ration that you have determined is suited for the animal.
2. Poster which explains health and sanitation principles important in health care.
3. Poster describing a favorite breed. Include information on color, uses, bloodlines, history, popularity, whatever can be found.
4. Poster of any of the following topics: care, training, health, nutrition, psychology, breed, history of breeds, colors and markings, anatomy, careers, safety, reproduction, youth leadership in the project.
5. Any other poster related to the project (this may include a caption photo story of an animal you have raised-minimum of 3 pictures and one paragraph about project work.
6. Display of homemade articles for dog related use, such as a house, bed, collar, lead or other items.

**PREMIUMS FOR DISPLAYS**

**Blue \$2.00; Red \$1.75**

**White \$1.50; Pink \$1.25**

ANIMAL PHOTOGRAPHY

**DIVISION G: GRADES 3-5**

**DIVISION H: GRADES 6-8**

**DIVISION I: GRADES 9-13**

**All entries will be conference judged on Tuesday of Fair Week between 1 and 6 pm by the Vet Science Area Judge in the Youth Expo Building and displayed in the Youth Expo Building.**

### Small Animals

Open to anyone enrolled in the dog project.

- All pictures must contain dog(s) and dog related scenes.
- Pictures may have a caption and each entry may have a title.
- Pictures may be black and white or color and secured on a 11" x 14" which tag board or poster board.
- Entries will be judged on the basis of technical quality, composition and story telling ability of the picture.
- Entry tag to be completely filled out and mounted on upper right corner of tag board or poster board.

### Class Number

1. Single photo – any size up through 8" x 10".
2. Four pictures related to project, no larger than 4" x 6".

#### **PREMIUMS FOR PHOTOGRAPHY**

**Blue \$2.00; Red \$1.75**

**White \$1.50; Pink \$1.25**