

Massachusetts 4-H DOG SHOW  
Saturday, June 22, 2019  
Middlesex 4-H Fairgrounds - Westford,  
MA

The Massachusetts 4-H Dog Show is open to all enrolled Massachusetts dog project members. All ages and levels of experience are welcome to participate.

**"SHOW STAFF"**

Members of the Massachusetts 4-H Dog Program Committee

**SHOW SCHEDULE**

(rain or shine)

9:30-10:00 am ..... Check-in  
10:00am ..... Written Knowledge Test  
10:30am ..... Classes begin  
    Ring I..... Showmanship  
    Ring II..... Obedience  
    Ring III..... Agility

Rings will break for lunch at the discretion of the judges. Families may bring a picnic lunch. There will be no food service on the fairgrounds but several restaurants are available within 2 miles. Judging resumes following the lunch break. Awards will be presented at the end of the show. Agility will be running concurrently with showmanship and obedience.

There will be ribbons awarded in all classes.

The following awards will be given:

- a Grand Champion for overall Showmanship, Obedience and Knowledge combined scores
- individual event champions for Obedience, Showmanship, Knowledge and Agility

There will be a raffle with all proceeds going to benefit the Massachusetts 4-H Dog Program. Each exhibitor is asked to bring an item for the raffle. Raffle items may or may not be dog related.

**Directions to Middlesex Fairgrounds- 55 S Chelmsford Rd, Westford, MA**

**FROM 495 NORTHBOUND:**

EXIT 32, at the end of the ramp take a RIGHT onto Boston Road. At the light take a LEFT onto Littleton Road, take your next RIGHT after the light @ shopping plaza approximately 1/4 mile onto South Chelmsford Road. The fairgrounds will be on your RIGHT.

**FROM 495 SOUTHBOUND:**

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**DOG SHOW RULES**

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** Open to all enrolled Massachusetts 4-H members who are 8 - 18 years of age as of January 1, 2019. Cloverbud exhibitors (ages 5-7 as of January 1, 2019) may participate in Cloverbud showmanship and Pre-Novice A Obedience. Cloverbuds receive participation ribbons only.
2. All participants must compete in General Knowledge.
3. **OWNERSHIP:** The dog does not have to be owned by the exhibitor, but the exhibitor must have major responsibility for the care and responsibility for the training of the dog for at least the last three months prior to this show. 4-H members who do not meet the ownership requirements may still compete in all sections of the show, however their showmanship and obedience classes will be non-competitive and they will receive participation ribbons. They are eligible for placement in the General Knowledge test.
4. All dogs must be over six months of age. Dogs do not need to be purebred. Females in season are not allowed to show.
5. **ANIMAL HEALTH:** All dogs must have a rabies vaccination in accordance with current state law. DHL and Parvo are recommended. **A copy of your dog's rabies certificate and vaccination record for the current year must accompany your entry. Titters will be accepted for proof of immunity.**
6. All participants must be in control of their dogs. Dog must be kept on leash (except as required in the show-ring). Crates are advisable. Dogs are not to be left unattended.
7. **SHOW UNIFORMS:** Exhibitors must be clean and neat, wearing tan pants, skirt or skort with a white shirt (with 4-H clover) and flat shoes or athletic shoes. No jeans, shorts, clogs or sandals. Points may be deducted if show uniform is improper. Agility competitors may wear sneakers and 4-H t-shirts.
8. Only exhibitors may work with their dogs at this show. Parents and leaders are not allowed to groom, handle, etc. Youth are encouraged to assist other youth if needed.
9. The show committee reserves the right to refuse any dog admittance to the show for health or safety reasons.
10. Obedience classes will follow AKC rules. Showmanship classes will follow 4-H guidelines. Agility classes will follow NADAC rules.
11. **ENTRY FEES:** Fees must accompany your entry. First, dog - \$5.00 Additional dog - \$3.00.

Questions? Contact:

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## SHOW CLASSES

### GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:

- \* **The test is required of all exhibitors.** Tests will be provided for the different ages of exhibitors.
- \* Any exhibitor who would like to have a test reader or other assistance should check in the area provided on the entry form.
- \* Sources of questions include The AKC Dog Care & Training, AKC Complete Book of the Dog and AKC Obedience regulations. Some parts of this test may be visual, members are encouraged to be familiar with breed pictures, and dog related equipment. **Questions also focus on the study areas listed for the 4-H Dog Program at the 2019 Eastern States Exposition.** 2019 ESE focus will be the Sporting group. Check the ESE web site for a complete listing of topics sources;  
<https://www.thebige.com/p/competitions/4-h/packets>

### SHOWMANSHIP:

- \* **Cloverbud** - handler is 5-7 years of age as of 1/1/2019
- \* **Novice Junior** - handler is in their first year of showing dogs and is 8-13 years of age as of 1/1/2019
- \* **Novice Senior** - handler is in their first year of showing dogs and is 14-18 years of age as of 1/1/2019
- \* **Junior** - handler is 8-13 years of age as of 1/1/2019
- \* **Senior - Handler is 14-18 years of age as of 1/1/2019**
- \* **Advanced/Open** - for exhibitors who have won at least three first places in showmanship classes (4-H or AKC). Advanced/Open exhibitors may be asked to switch dogs with other exhibitors.
- \* **Pre-Professional** - for exhibitors who have won at least five advanced showmanship classes (4-H or AKC). Exhibitors may be asked to switch dogs.

### OBEDIENCE:

- \* **Pre-Novice A** - open to exhibitors showing in their first year of pre-Novice and to Cloverbuds
- \* **Pre-Novice B** - open to exhibitors showing a new dog, or to second year pre-novice exhibitors
- \* **Beginner Novice** - open to exhibitors and dogs who are transitioning from pre-novice to novice level
- \* **Novice A** - open to exhibitors who have not taken a dog through CD
- \* **Novice B** - open to all other novice exhibitors
- \* **Graduate Novice** - for dogs who have not won a CDX leg or equivalent
- \* **Open A & B** - no dogs with utility
- \* **Utility**

### AGILITY- Tunnels

- \* **Novice** - open to exhibitors and dogs who have not competed in agility **DONE ON LEASH**
- \* **Open** - open to exhibitors and dogs who compete in off leash obedience or have done agility before. Done off leash or with a tab style leash
- \* **Advanced** - open to exhibitors and dogs who have won 3 open classes with competition, have their CD in obedience or compete in NADAC Done Off leash.

**Your entry must be postmarked by June 4<sup>th</sup>. There is an additional \$5.00 fee for late entries.**

**Send entry, fee, and dog health papers by June 4<sup>th</sup> to:**

Massachusetts 4-H Dog Program, 44 Obery St. , Plymouth, MA 02360

**You may also register through 4honline at <https://ma.4honline.com>**

## 2019 Massachusetts 4-H Dog Show ENTRY APPLICATION

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**Fees: First Dog - \$5.00, additional dog(s) - \$3.00 each. Late fee of \$5.00 for entries postmarked after June 4<sup>th</sup>.  
Make checks payable to "Mass 4-H Dog Program"**

Name of exhibitor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street \_\_\_\_\_  
 Town \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell/Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of 4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Years in 4-H dog project \_\_\_\_\_  
 Breed of Dog \_\_\_\_\_ Call Name of Dog \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check if you require assistance with the knowledge test

Specify which showmanship class entering \_\_\_\_\_

Specify which obedience class entering \_\_\_\_\_

Specify which agility class entering Novice Open Advanced Tunnels Hoops

Check one: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog meets ownership rules \_\_\_\_\_ Will participate non-competitively

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Leader

"I approve this entry and acknowledge that my child is entered at the proper level for his/her age and skills. I will not hold responsible the 4-H Dog Committee or other sponsoring individuals or organizations for any injury to my child and his/her dog or property. In case of emergency, I hereby give my consent for necessary examination and treatment by an attending physician."

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of parent or legal guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

I will bring the following item for the raffle \_\_\_\_\_

My Parent/s will help: \_\_\_\_\_ steward \_\_\_\_\_ set-up \_\_\_\_\_ score tests \_\_\_\_\_ clean up



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