

ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED

ENTRIES **OPEN ON July 10, 2024** at 8:00am EST at the Trial Secretary's address. All entries received before this date will be returned. Overnight and certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed. ENTRIES **CLOSE ON August 29, 2024** at 6:00pm EST after which entries cannot be accepted, canceled, altered, or substituted, except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows. Envelopes containing entries for more than ten (10) dog(s) maximum and/or entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as invalid and returned to the sender.

This Trial is accepting ENTRIES ONLINE through LabTestedOnline.com

PREMIUM LIST

AKC All-Breed AGILITY TRIALS

This Event is Accepting Entries for All American Dog Listed in the AKC Canine Partners Program SM

Potomac Valley Belgian Sheepdog Club

(Licensed by the American Kennel Club)

FEO Offered in ALL Classes



September 14, 2024 Event #2024212401

September 15, 2024 Event #2024212402

Carroll Indoor Sports Center

515 Old Westminster Pike, Westminster, MD 21157

ENTRY LIMITS

350 runs per day

Indoors on Sports Turf – 100' X 100' ring

OFFERED CLASSES

Saturday: All Levels STD & JWW, Premier STD, T2B

Sunday: All Levels STD & JWW, Premier JWW, T2B

Trial Hours (each day): 7:00am to 7:00pm



AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB CERTIFICATION

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under the American Kennel Club rules and regulations
Gina M, DiNardo, Executive Secretary

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JUDGE – ALL CLASSES

Ben Gibbs #99205
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CLASSES OFFERED and PROPOSED RUNNING ORDER

All Days – Small to Tall

SATURDAY: E/M JWW, Open JWW, Novice JWW, T2B, Premier STD, E/M STD, Open STD, Novice STD

SUNDAY: E/M STD, Open STD, Novice STD, T2B, Premier JWW, E/M JWW, Open JWW, Novice JWW

Please consult the AKC Regulations for Agility Trials for a complete description and eligibility for the entry into the offered classes.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Fire/Ambulance/Police
911



AKC Class Changes

◆ Entering a Mixture of Regular and Preferred Classes Within the Same Trial Weekend – Multiple Jump Heights Within the Same Trial Day

Effective January 1, 2020, exhibitors may enter a mixture of both Regular and Preferred classes on the same trial day and/or during a trial weekend. Any mixture of Regular and Preferred classes is allowed. Please note that if a dog qualifies in Regular Master Standard and Preferred Master JWW (or vice versa) on the same trial day, then NO Double Q shall be earned toward either the MACH or PACH title. The Double Q still requires that Standard Agility and Jumpers With Weaves be either both Regular OR both Preferred on the same trial day.

Additionally, within the same Regular or Preferred classes, a dog may now be entered in multiple jump heights within the same trial day. For example, the same dog may now be entered in 20-inch Master STD/JWW while also entered in 24C-inch Premier STD/JWW on the same trial day.

A separate entry form must be submitted when the same dog is being entered in a mixture of Regular and Preferred and/or different jump heights within the same trial weekend thereby clearly indicating which class(es) and/or jump heights belong together for each trial day of the weekend.

◆ Fix and Go On (FNG)

Fix and Go On 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 Fix and Go On will result in a non-qualifying score. Fix and Go On is not pre-entered; rather, it occurs during the run.

◆ Entering For Exhibition Only (FEO)

FEO allows exhibitors to work with their dogs in a trial environment. FEO is offered in all classes. 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 of FAST (Novice, Open, Excellent, Master). 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 be declared earlier (ex. when checking in at the gate board).

- Toys are allowed in the ring. Toys must be non-audible and may not leave the handlers hand. Toys that roll freely may not be used.

- Food/treats are not allowed in the ring

- FEO should be utilized for the benefit of the dog and not as a punitive correction. Harsh verbal and /or physical corrections shall not be tolerated. Any determination of harshness by the judge shall be immediately whistled and the handler will be dismissed from the ring.

- A judge must monitor the entire run. Judges can stop a run at any time

Effective July 1, 2024, the fault call scored for an FEO run shall be changed from Excused ("E") to Absent ("ABS"). Scribes should continue to write "FEO" on the scribe sheet; however, the Score Table shall now enter that run as an Absent run.

In doing so, the Defeated Dogs report used by Breed Specialty clubs will no longer have FEO runs in their Number of Dogs Entered calculations nor will FEO runs affect calculations where Number of Dogs Competing are involved, such as calculating Premier Top 25% counts.

This change is for all classes: Standard, Jumpers With Weaves, FAST, Time-2-Beat, Premier Standard, Premier Jumpers, ISC Agility, ISC Jumping, ACT and ACT J.

The exhibitor is fully responsible for entering the dog in the correct class(es)/height divisions. Dogs running in a lower height division than they are eligible for will be eliminated

HEIGHT DIVISIONS

Regular	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" thru 20" regular jump height divisions may opt to enter the 24-Choice height division at their owner's discretion. Dogs who measure into the 24" regular jump height division may not enter 24-Choice

MEASURING and HEIGHT CARD INFORMATION

Dogs without a valid Jump Height Card must be measured/wicketed by the Judge of Record PRIOR to running in their class and this measurement will be valid for that weekend of trials only. The exception to this requirement is a dog entered in the 24" height division. As well, if a **Volunteer Measuring Official (VMO)** or an **AKC Agility Field Rep** is present **ALL** dogs without a valid Jump Height Card/Form must be measured at some time during the trial or cluster of trials. This does not preclude having the dog wicketed by the Judge of Record if the VMO or Rep is not available to measure the dog **before** its first run of the trial or cluster of trials. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to have their dog measured prior to running and failure to do so will result in the loss of any qualifying scores earned prior to being measured at that trial or cluster of trials. Please indicate in the appropriate section on the entry form if your dog requires a measurement.

DOG ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to all dogs fifteen (15) months of age and older that are registered with the American Kennel Club or that have AKC Limited Registration, Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), an AKC Canine Partners listing number, or approved Foundation Stock Services (FSS) breeds are eligible to participate.

Dogs with a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or an AKC Canine Partners listing number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete. Whenever the word "dog" is used in these regulations it includes both sexes.

Dogs should be physically sound, Dogs that are blind shall not be eligible, and neither are bitches in season, aggressive, dogs, or dogs suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance. No dog shall compete if it is taped or bandaged in any way or has anything attached to it for medical purposes. Refer to Chapter 2 of the Registration and Discipline Rules for the listing of registerable breeds that may participate. Puppies under four (4) months of age are strictly prohibited from the trial grounds.

OBSTACLES AND RING CONDITIONS

The equipment is provided by MAD Agility and meets the specifications for obstacles in the current edition of the AKC Regulations for Agility Trials. Ring size 100' X 100'. Indoors on Sports Turf.

ENTRY FEES PER DAY

1st entry of each dog, each day (includes \$3.50 AKC fee) \$22
 Each add'l entry of each dog, each day (includes \$3.00 AKC fee) \$22
 Junior entry fee \$15/run

Mail entry forms & fees to **PVBSC**, Gretchen Mason, 26 Triangle Farm Ln, Summit Point, WV 25446

Please make checks payable to PVBSC, DO NOT SEND CASH! No entries will be accepted by phone or fax. No hand delivered entries will be accepted for this trial in the first 48 hours of the opening period. Express mail entries must have a signature required waiver.

No entry shall be made or accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance. Illegible or incomplete entries will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor.

Return checks do not constitute a valid entry and a \$25 collection fee will be charged for returned checks.

Preliminary confirmations will be sent when the entry is processed. A **Final confirmation** will be sent after the trial closing. Please read ALL email correspondence carefully for accuracy.

If necessary, a **waitlist** will be maintained for one (1) week after the trial closing date. A refund will be given to an exhibitor pulling from the trial after closing if the runs can be filled from the waitlist.

A few days before the trial a **Judging Schedule** will be emailed. The running order and Judging Schedule will be posted to the Secretary website at www.awesomedogsagility.com.

Please make sure your email is set to accept emails from gretchen@everythingcorgis.com.

You may enter this trial online using LabTestedOnline.com. During the first 48 hours after opening, the initial limit of entries designated as either online or paper will be as follows, 30% online and 70% paper. If either form of entry has not filled at the end of the 48 hour period, the club reserves the right to increase or decrease either one accordingly.

RIBBONS, AWARDS AND PRIZES

Rosettes will be awarded in each jump height division in each class as follows:

First Place *Blue*
Second Place *Red*
Third Place *Yellow*
Fourth Place *White*
Qualifying Score *Flat Dark Green*
 QQ Rosettes are available for those in E/M earning a qualifying score in STD and JWW on the same day

A New Title ribbon will be awarded to all dog and handler teams finishing a title. A MACH/PACH rosette and MACH/PACH bar will be awarded to all dog and handler teams that attain their MACH/PACH.

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Agility Trials by downloading them from the American Kennel Club. Website: <https://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/REGIL.pdf>.

COURSE WALK-THROUGHS AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

Handlers in all classes are permitted to walk the course, without a dog, during a walk-through period held prior to the start of the class. The walk-through is restricted to handlers entered in that class only. Handlers with multiple dogs, at events with multiple rings, may request to walk with a height group other than the one their dog is entered in if a conflict is imminent.

A warm-up area, consisting of a regulation agility jump, may be provided for exhibitors.

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR, and LIABILITY

The **safety of the dog** is of primary concern. By entering this trial, 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

It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create an unnecessary disturbance or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Trial Committee, be asked to leave the trial site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. **PVBSC** and its agents, employees, etc., will assume no responsibilities for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by exhibitors or handlers, or to any of their dogs or property, and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children. **PVBSC** reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog that exhibits aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against **PVBSC** or any official thereof.

All dogs must be on leash at all times when on trial grounds except when in the designated warm-up area or competing on the course.

REFUNDS

No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, and act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Trial Committee.

Bitches in season are not permitted to compete in AKC Agility Trials. As such, the Club will refund all but \$5 per run of the entry fee paid, for bitches unable to compete for this reason upon presentation of a veterinarian certificate. This certificate must be presented to the Trial Secretary prior to the start of judging on the first day of the trial. The Club will refund all but \$8 per run of the entry fee for **injured dogs** upon presentation of a veterinarian certificate prior to the start of judging on the first day of the trial.

RINGSIDE

Dogs may arrive any time prior to judging if the dog has a valid temporary or permanent jump height card. Otherwise, if a measurement is necessary, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to have their dog(s) measured prior to running.

Judges are not required to wait for dogs. The Owner/Handler is solely responsible for having the dog ready at ringside when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility for providing service through public address system or stewards or runners for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought to the ring when required.

HOTEL & RV INFORMATION

These hotels have graciously agreed to accept our well-mannered dogs. A pet deposit may be required. Please check with hotels for policies and restrictions.

HOTELS

Days Inn – 25 S. Cranberry Rd, Westminster, MD (410) 857-0500
Best Western – 450 WMC Drive, Westminster, MD (410) 857-1900

There is space for 4 RVs (dry camping only) at the site. Per night fee is \$10 and payable to CISC. Please contact Jim Reise at 301-831-6137 or reise@verizon.net for details and reservations.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer signup will be done at the trial. This is a one ring trial with no conflicts, so please volunteer to help keep the trial moving. We appreciate our volunteers!

DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE

From Baltimore: Take the Baltimore Beltway (I-695) to Exit 19, Northwest Expressway (I-795) towards Owings Mills/Reisterstown. Continue on the Expressway. Bear right onto Route 140 West. Follow 140 West for approx. 10 miles, turn left onto Route 97. At the 2nd light, turn left onto Old Westminster Pike. CISC will be on the right.

From DC & Virginia: Take the DC Beltway (I-495) to the I-270 exit towards Frederick. From 270, take Damascus exit (Route 27 North). Stay on 27 North approx. 25 miles to Main Street in Westminster, MD. Turn right onto Main Street. Go 1.5 miles. CISC will be on right side of road after crossing over Route 97.

ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

Food – breakfast and lunch will be available on site. Please let the Trial Chairperson know if you are planning a large title celebration with an abundance of food. This does not include smaller celebrations with a MACH/PACH cake.

Waterproof tarps are required under all crates. Only high capacity x-pens are allowed.

Crate aggressive dogs must be covered and may not be positioned on the corners of aisles or other heavy traffic areas. This will be strictly enforced. If complaints are received, handlers will be asked to move their dogs.

PVBSC and CISC will not be responsible for lost or stolen items left at the trial site.

Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dogs. Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without benefit of refund if the Trial Committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement. Cleaning supplies and disposal sites will be available at various locations around the show grounds

Please do not groom your dogs inside the facility.

COURSE MAPS

Course maps will be posted to the Trial Secretary's website (www.awesomedogsagility.com) early each morning of the trial. Course maps will be posted in at least 2 places at the trial site.

VETERINARIAN ON CALL

Central Carroll Animal Emergency
1030 Baltimore Blvd, Suite 180
Westminster, MD
(410) 871-2000

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendations to assure their dogs are freed of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations



OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AGILITY ENTRY FORM

Potomac Valley Belgian Sheepdog Club

CISC, 515 Old Westminster Rd, Westminster, MD

Opens 7/10/2024 * Closes 8/29/2024

Table with 4 columns: Date, STD, JWW, Premier, T2B for Saturday 9/14/2024 and Sunday 9/15/2024.

Entry Fee: \$22 per run for each dog each day
Junior Handler Fees: each run - \$15

Make checks payable to PVBSC and mail this form with fee to:
PVBSC Gretchen Mason, 26 Triangle Farm Lane, Summit Point, WV 25446

IMPORTANT: Carefully read instructions before filling out! ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED

Choose Either Regular OR Preferred Classes

Circle one jump height | Circle class selections | Only one selection per class (both Master & Premier allowed)

Table with 2 main columns: REGULAR Classes and PREFERRED Classes. Sub-columns include height options (8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 24C) and class types (STD, JWW, FAST, T2B).

Non-Regular Classes Not Offered

Registration information form including fields for sex, height, breed, AKC name, registration number, date of birth, sire, dam, and owners address.

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

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...

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...

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.

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.

Dogs listed in the AKC Canine PartnersSM 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.

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 #: _____

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CALCULATE YOUR ENTRIES CORRECTLY.

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