



AAC Sanctioned Trial – September 23-24, 2023

Indoors on Dirt – Okotoks Agriplex
Snow, Wind, Rain, or Shine
LIMITED ENTRY

JUDGE & CLASSES OFFERED (event order subject to change):

Judges: Dave Langen & Lori Langen			
September 23 (Saturday)		September 24 (Sunday)	
Gamble (MA, AD, ST)	Lori	Steeplechase (All)	Dave
Standard 1 (MA, AD, ST)	Dave	Standard 2 (ST, AD, MA)	Lori
Team Relay (All)	Lori	Snooker (ST, AD, MA)	Dave
Jumpers 1 (MA, AD, ST)	Dave	Jumpers 2 (ST, AD, MA)	Lori
Closing date: September 8, 2023 @ 6 pm (Alberta time)			

ENTRY FEES - (*do NOT send payment until you receive a confirmation email*)

Individual Rounds: \$15.00

RMAC members \$14.00

Junior Handlers: \$10.00 per run (participating under AAC Junior Handler program)

****FEO entries** will only be accepted if space allows unless running in the correct class level.**

Rubberized Contacts, Self-healing Tire, and Electronic Timing may be used.

BIS (Bitches in Season) will be allowed at this trial (see details next page)

ENTRY OPENING DATE: Aug. 18, 2023 @ 12pm (noon) CLOSING DATE: Sept. 8, 2023 @ 6pm

Entries received after the closing date may not be accepted

TRIAL CHAIR: Kim Philipoff

TRIAL SECRETARY: Kristy Thompson (rmaetrialsecretary@gmail.com)

Sanctioned by the Agility Association of Canada

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

EXHIBITORS, THROUGH SUBMISSION OF ENTRY, ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THEY ARE KNOWLEDGEABLE OF AAC RULES AND REGULATIONS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING...

This event will be held in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Agility Association of Canada (AAC). The obstacles shall be chosen from those described in the current edition of the rules and regulations of the AAC and shall conform to AAC specifications

All breeds and mixed breeds eighteen months of age and older (no exceptions) are eligible to compete. Blind, lame, or aggressive dogs are ineligible, or dogs suffering from any deformity, injury or illness, which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance (judge's discretion).

****All dogs must have an AAC number before their entries will be accepted in an AAC sanctioned trial. Dogs with numbers pending will not be eligible to compete. Everyone must show their height card before running at each trial. If you already have a completed card, you may send a copy of it with your entry to avoid needing to check-in (will be kept on file). Anyone needing measuring must produce their new card when measuring is called.**

No leashes, toys, food, or other training devices shall be allowed on the course, except leading your dog on leash to the start and placing the lead in your pocket. Toys are allowed in the ring for declared FEO runs (can not make a sound and must be in good repair).

All dogs must be penned, crated, or leashed when not in the ring. Please take responsibility for your dogs and children. Any exhibitor whose dogs or children create unnecessary disturbances or engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may be asked by the Trial Committee to leave the trial site. There will be no refunds for entries if the dog or handler is *dismissed* from the competition for any reason.

BIS (Bitches in Season) will be allowed to compete at this trial following these requirements: 1. Handler must notify trial secretary as soon as they know they might have a BIS, 2. Handler must minimize exposure of their BIS to other dogs and limit their movements around the grounds, 3. There will be a specific benching and potty area, 4. Competitors will be notified during general briefing that there is a BIS onsite and it will be noted on the gate list with "BIS" beside the dogs name, 5. A protective mat shall be supplied by the handler for the start line and BIS will run at the end of the class, 6. The BIS will be required to run in protective panties and those protective panties must be worn at all times on the trial site except when in the specific potty area (this includes when in their benching area), 7. Refund will be available if the handler wants to pull their BIS.

LIMITED ENTRY RULES

- Rocky Mountain Agility Club reserve the right to refuse any entry.
- Anyone not in good standing with AAC or Rocky Mountain Agility will not be allowed entry.
- Only emailed or hand delivered entries will be accepted (no mailed, faxed, or phoned entries).
- Payment (**do NOT** send payment until you receive a confirmation email) via e-transfer (will be auto deposited, so no password is required) or hand delivered cheque (made out to the Rocky Mountain Agility Club - please write name out in full, no abbreviations) and dated no later than 72 hours after the confirmation was sent. Payment is **due within 72 hours** of confirmation email sent date or the entry will be cancelled, and the space being offered to the next person on the list.
- Participants who wish to use a Guaranteed Entry certificate must email RMACTrialsecretary@gmail.com **BEFORE** the opening date with a picture of the certificate and their completed entry forms. Participants who wish to use a RMAC Free Weekend Package, Half-Price Entry, or One Free Run certificate, must email a picture of the certificate to RMACTrialsecretary@gmail.com with their completed entry forms.
- Volunteering is required during the event (i.e. Scribe, Time, Gate, Pole Set, and/or Course Build) a minimum of three tasks per day.

REFUNDS

- Refunds will not be given for cancellations after the closing date *except* for bitches in season or injury/illness to a dog, or handler, which physically prevents them from competing.
- Rocky Mountain Agility Club reserves the right to request a medical practitioner's (doctor, vet, chiropractor, or physiotherapist) note prior to issuing any refund and further reserves the right to offer a credit towards a future trial in place of a refund.
- Refunds requested for any other reason will be handled on a case by case basis and will be at the discretion of the Trial Committee.
- A \$10.00 administration fee will be applied to any refund request.
- *There will be a \$25.00 charge on NSF cheques.*

VENUE DETAILS

- Directions will be sent with General Trial Details closer to trial date.
- No concession will be available (please bring your own food & water).

CLASS CHANGES

Class changes and/or withdrawals made after the closing date may not appear on the gate lists. Please make every effort to get your changes to the trial secretary ASAP.

Move-ups will be allowed between Saturday and Sunday. Please complete the Move-up list on the volunteer table before leaving site for the day.

HEIGHT CATEGORIES, JUMP HEIGHTS, AND FEO

Your dog's height category is based upon its measured height as entered on its AAC height card.

Anyone wishing to run "*For Exhibition Only*" will be charged the same as the regular competitors. By AAC rules, you will be ineligible for placings, qualifiers, or prizes. Please indicate on your entry form that you are running "FEO" and specify the division & height that you want to run your dog in. This will not be reflected on your dog's permanent record.

Regular Division: Open to all dogs, 18 months of age or older, as described within the current AAC rules.

Special Division: Open to all dogs but intended for dogs which are of a size or stature that limits their jumping ability. *Dogs in this category must jump one jump height lower than the height listed for regular dogs.*

Veteran Division: For dogs 7 years of age or older that are currently competing in any division and for dogs 5 years or older which have competed in the Special Division for a minimum of one calendar year. *Dogs in this category must jump one jump height lower than the height listed for regular dogs. At the handler's discretion, the dog can jump two heights lower than the height listed for regular dogs (Veteran Double Drop Division).*

Junior Handler: Must have a Junior Handler ID number from the AAC. *Dogs running in this category must jump at least one height lower than the height listed for regular dogs.*

Senior Handler and Handlers with Disability: Senior handlers (65 years and over) and handlers with disability may request a modified course time and a modified points requirement as per rule 2.6.2.6 - Accessibility. Proof of disability or age will not be requested. A handler must indicate on the entry form if entering in the Senior/Disabled Division for each trial.

Effective July 1, 2022: Giant Breed Height Concession - for dogs measuring over 22". Dogs considered giant breeds may jump one or two jump heights lower than their measured Regular height when they compete in the Specials category. Dogs who have double dropped in jump height as a Special may enter the Veterans category and receive Veteran time at the age of five. *(They will not drop a third height)*. For awards by jump height, giant breeds competing as a 16" special shall be ranked with other dogs in that same height and not in a separate category. For a dog to be considered a giant breed, it must satisfy one of the following criteria: 1. Be one of the breeds listed below. Or a mixed breed with substantially similar look, OR 2. lean body weight (lbs) to height (inches) ratio >4, OR 3. height at the withers >27". Giant Breeds: Alaskan Malamute, Bernese Mountain Dog, Black Russian Terrier, Bloodhound, Bouvier de Flandres, Bullmastiff, Cane Corso, Dogue de Bordeaux, Great Dane, Great Pyrenees, Greater Swiss Mountain Dog, Irish Wolfhound, Kuvasz, Leonberger, Mastiff, Neopolitan Mastiff, Newfoundland (includes Landseer, Saint Bernard (Section 2.6.2.2)

From *AAC Official Rules & Regulations V9.0 2023*:

2.8.2 Jump Heights

Table 2.8.2- Allowed Jump Heights, by Category

Dog's Measured Height	Allowed Jump Heights, by Category (divisions in brackets)		
	Regular	Special	Veteran/Junior Handler*
12" or less	8" (mini) or 12" (medium)	4" (mini)	4" (mini)
>12" to 15"	12" or 16" (medium)	8" (medium)	4" or 8" (medium)
>15" to 18"	16" (medium) or 20" (open)	12" (medium)	8" or 12" (medium)
>18 to 22"	20" or 24" (open)	16" (open)	12" or 16" (open)
>22"	24" (open)	20" or 16"*(open)	16" or 20" (open)

*Giant breed dogs measuring into 24" Regular may choose to compete 1 or 2 heights lower in Specials (see 2.7.2.2)

Where two jump heights are listed, the handler may choose which height their dog will jump at that trial. The dog must jump the same height for the whole trial, unless the dog changes categories during the trial.

Regular dogs may compete one height higher than their measured height.

Dogs entered in the Special category MUST jump one height lower than the lower of the two heights listed for Regular dogs.

Dogs entered in the Veteran and Junior Handler categories MUST jump one height lower than the lower of the two heights listed for Regular dogs (SD veteran), but may, at the handler's discretion, jump two heights lower (DD veteran), where available.

*Veteran dogs entered in the Junior Handler Category will also have the option of jumping three heights lower than the lower of the two heights listed for Regular dogs, where available.

RIBBONS AND ROSETTES

Ribbons for 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th in each Jump Height Category and qualifying ribbons for Qualifying Rounds. Title Rosettes are also available.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Pet Friendly Hotels

Residence Inn by Marriott	3710 Market Street SE, Calgary	(587)-349-8633
Deerfoot Inn	1000, 11500 – 35 St SE, Calgary	(403) 236-7529 or 1-888-875-4667

VETERINARIANS

Southern Alberta Veterinary Emergency	322233 15 th Street East, Okotoks, AB	(403)995-3270
Fish Creek Pet Hospital (6am-10pm)	15311 Bannister Road SE, Calgary, AB	(403)873-1700

NOTE: BY AAC RULES, ENTRIES ARE NOT VALID UNTIL PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEES HAS BEEN RECEIVED OR CONFIRMED!

Sept. 23-24, 2023 Official Trial Entry Form:

Opening Date: August 18, 2023 @ 12pm (noon)

Closing Date: Sept. 8, 2023 @ 6pm

Handler/Owner Information:		JH # (if applicable):	
Address:			
City:	Province:	Postal Code:	Phone #:
E-mail:		Confirmations will be sent out by email after the closing date.	
Will your dog require measuring? Yes / No		Form must be legible and complete to be valid for entry.	
I will be running in the Senior/Disabled Division for this entire trial: Yes / No			
Dog Information	Dog 1	Dog 2	Dog 3
Name on AAC ID Card			
AAC Number			
Breed			
Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy)			
Height at Shoulders			
Jump Height at Trial <i>(Please refer to class description page 3)</i>	Regular 8",12",16",20",24" Special 4",8",12",16",20" Veterans 4",8",12",16",20" DD Veterans 4",8",12",16" JH Rules 4",8",12",16",20" Giant 16" special	Regular 8",12",16",20",24" Special 4",8",12",16",20" Veterans 4",8",12",16",20" DD Veterans 4",8",12",16" JH Rules 4",8",12",16",20" Giant 16" special	Regular 8",12",16",20",24" Special 4",8",12",16",20" Veterans 4",8",12",16",20" DD Veterans 4",8",12",16" JH Rules 4",8",12",16",20" Giant 16" special
Handler (if other than owner)			
Saturday (Circle Class and Level)	Gamble Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Gamble Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Gamble Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO
	Standard 1 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Standard 1 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Standard 1 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO
	Team Relay Partner: _____ Or Draw	Team Relay Partner: _____ Or Draw	Team Relay Partner: _____ Or Draw
	Jumpers 1 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Jumpers 1 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Jumpers 1 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO
Sunday (Circle Class and Level)	Steeplechase All/JH/FEO	Steeplechase All/JH/FEO	Steeplechase All/JH/FEO
	Standard 2 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Standard 2 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Standard 2 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO
	Snooker Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Snooker Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Snooker Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO
	Jumpers 2 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Jumpers 2 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO	Jumpers 2 Start/Advance/Master/JH/FEO
Entry Fees	Individual Runs ___ X \$15 = _____	Individual Runs ___ X \$15 = _____	Individual Runs ___ X \$15 = _____
	RMAC Members Individual Runs ___ X \$14.00 = _____	RMAC Members Individual Runs ___ X \$14.00 = _____	RMAC Members Individual Runs ___ X \$14.00 = _____
	Junior Handler Runs (under JH rules) ___ X \$10 = _____	Junior Handler Runs (under JH rules) ___ X \$10 = _____	Junior Handler Runs (under JH rules) ___ X \$10 = _____
Total			
Total for all dogs		Add my voluntary contribution of \$1 or more _____ to support AAC participation in IFCS events.	

Email completed form with **General Agreement** to:

rmactralsecretary@gmail.com

E-transfer **once confirmation received**: rmapayments@gmail.com

Will be auto deposited, so no password is required.

Note: the bank will not accept an abbreviation to our name on your cheque. Please write out the name in full Rocky Mountain Agility Club.



AGILITY ASSOCIATION OF CANADA (“AAC”)

GENERAL AGREEMENT (PARTICIPATION WAIVER & RELEASE)

Handler Name: _____

Dog 1 Name: _____ (the “Dog”) AAC Dog ID#: _____

Dog 2 Name: _____ (the “Dog”) AAC Dog ID#: _____

Dog 3 Name: _____ (the “Dog”) AAC Dog ID#: _____

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry by AAC and the Rocky Mountain Agility Club (the “Organizing Club”) and the opportunity to have the Dog participate, compete in and/or be judged at this event or trial (the “Event”), I, the undersigned, agree as follows:

1. I certify that I am the actual owner of the Dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner of the Dog and that the Dog is not a hazard to persons, property or other dogs.
2. I agree that AAC or the Organizing Club for the Event may refuse my entry for any reason that it deems to be sufficient.
3. I understand and acknowledge that participation in the Event carries certain risks, including, but not limited to injuries (including serious injuries and death) to myself, the Dog, another dog under my control or persons attending as my guests (my “**Related Parties**”), damage to property and other losses. I waive any and all claims that I have or may have in the future against, and release from all liability and agree not to sue AAC, the Organizing Club or any of the directors, executives, committees, representatives, employees, volunteers or agents of either AAC or the Organizing Club (the “**Personnel**”) for any injury, death, property damage or other loss that I or my Related Parties sustain due to any cause whatsoever, including negligence, breach of contract, breach of duty, statutory or otherwise, or mistakes or errors of judgment of any kind.
4. I assume full responsibility for the conduct of myself and my Related Parties during the entirety of the Event. I agree to indemnify and save harmless AAC, the Organizing Club and the Personnel from and against any and all claims that may be made against them or costs, fees, expenses or liability (including, without limitation, lawyers’ fees on a solicitor and own client basis) incurred by AAC, the Organizing Club or the Personnel that may arise due to:
 - (a) any act or omission of myself, my Related Parties or any party for whom I am liable at law; or
 - (b) aggressive behaviour by the Dog or any other dog under my control.
5. I have read, and do understand the rules of competition and the additional rules (if any) appearing in the trial schedule for the Event, as well as the policies of AAC pertaining to discipline (collectively, the “**Rules**”). I agree to abide by the Rules and to conduct myself and the Dog in accordance with the Rules. I understand that myself and/or the Dog may be subject to disciplinary procedures or sanctions for breach of the Rules and agree to respect and be bound by any disciplinary decision made by AAC.
6. I understand that AAC and/or the Organizing Club may, in the course of administering the Event or conducting its activities generally, collect, use or disclose my personal information and that any personal information collected, used or disclosed by AAC and/or the Organizing Club will be treated in accordance with AAC policy and applicable privacy and personal information laws. I hereby consent to the collection, use and disclosure by AAC and/or the Organizing Club of my personal information.

Media Release & Rights of Privacy Waiver

I Hereby Grant to AAC and its affiliated companies, representatives, agents and assigns, all rights and permission to use or appropriate his/her and their dog’s name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia of identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission or distribution in any format or media known now or in the future.

Waiver of Rights to Privacy, Publicity & Personality

Further, I hereby release Agility Association of Canada Inc, and its affiliates, representatives, agents and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of publicity, right of personality, or any similar rights.

7. I have been given the opportunity to read and understand the terms of this Agreement before signing it, and have in fact done so. I understand that by signing this Agreement, I am restricting my legal rights and I sign this Agreement voluntarily and of my own free will.

Signature: _____
Parent or Guardian must sign if the Handler is under 18 years of age.

Date (dd/mm/yy): _____

Entry not valid unless Agreement is signed, and dated.

I understand that my entry is accepted under the condition that I am willing to volunteer during this event