#### MCKC AGILITY TRIAL INFORMATION

June 5-8, 2025

This trial will be held at Rising Star Canine Ranch, 8340 W. Harrell Rd, Oak Ridge, NC 27310.

TRIAL SCHEDULE:

NO EARLY SET- UP ON WEDNESDAY

Thursday-Sunday, June 5-8

7:00 a.m. - Arena opens

7:30 a.m. - Check-in and measurement.

7:40 a.m. - Judge's briefing and walk-throughs

8:00 a.m. - First dog on the line

Height running order: Thursday and Saturday - small to tall; Friday and Sunday - tall to small

#### GATE/CHECK-IN

We will use the Agility Gate app for check-in, and the running order will be displayed on monitors. If you are unable to use Agility Gate, the Gate Steward can check you in. To use the app, you will need to download the free app from the Appstore or Google Play. http://dogagility.info/agility\_gate.

COURSE MAPS will be posted each day on agility gate after midnight. Paper copies will be posted at the trial and you can take a picture with your phone if you prefer. You can also get the course maps from the judge's website: http://www.dogs-r-fun.com/blog.

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A preliminary running order will be posted no later than June 5, though likely sooner. Trial information and an estimated timeline will be posted at www.earlyagility.com no later than June 5, though likely sooner. This will help you gauge when you will need to be available to walk your course or carry out your volunteer assignment. Please note that this is only an ESTIMATE and the trial may run considerably faster (or slower), so please allow for this. The timeline and running order do not reflect move-ups.

#### CHECK-IN and MEASURING

We have two VMOs, Tim and Kellie Verrelli. If your dog needs to be measured, please be sure to get this done prior to your first run. Tim and Kellie will measure between runs and course building.

Please refer to the AKC measuring guidelines at

https://www.akc.org/sports/agility/exhibitor-resources/jump-height-card to determine if your dog must be measured at the trial.

As a reminder, leashes can be worn or put in pockets - now part of Chapter 4, section 10. This has been effective since January 1, 2022.

Parking in front of the building is for club members who are working the trial, handicapped exhibitors, and people crating out of their car who have made a reservation with the parking and crating coordinator, and trial chair, Kathy Pellerino.

PLEASE DO NOT CRATE DOWNSTAIRS OR PARK IN FRONT OF THE BUILDING, UNLESS YOU HAVE A RESERVED SPOT.

## TRIAL SITE RULES:

- 1, Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dog(s) anywhere on the property. 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.
- 2. NO SMOKING and NO CHEWING GUM allowed on the property.
- 3. Please bring 2 pairs of shoes only CLEAN footwear to be worn on the turf! NO SPIKE SHOES OR HEELS.
- 4. Any potty accident or mud trails on the turf will warrant a \$20 fine. [Cash or check payable to Rising Star Canine Ranch should be left with the trial secretary]. Special cleaning products will be provided by RSCR.

PLEASE NOTE: Bottled water WILL NOT be provided. The facility has a filtered water fountain designed for refilling cups and water bottles. PLEASE PLAN TO BRING YOUR OWN WATER BOTTLE to refill. Disposable cups also will be provided for those who forget to bring their own refillable water container.

### **VOLUNTEERS**

We need your help! You can now sign-up online at: https://tinyurl.com/4av4yhvj

The club will have snacks and coffee for our workers. In addition, the club will be raffling off a fantastic gift basket each day of the trial. Workers will receive tickets for working to place in the raffle. The more you work, the more tickets you can get and the better your chance at winning!

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#### Directions to the Site:

If using GPS, please use site address (8340 West Harrell Road, Oak Ridge, NC) rather than site name (Rising Star Canine Ranch). From the south: I-77N, take exit 13A onto I-85N toward Greensboro. Take exit 87 onto I-285 toward Winston-Salem. Take exit 107A onto US-311/I-40E toward Greensboro/High Point. Take exit 201 toward Union Cross Road, continue 4mi. Continue on Main St (NC-150) for .6mi, turn right onto N Main St (NC-150) and continue 6mi (turns into Oak Ridge Road). Turn left onto NC-68N for 2.8 miles, turn left onto Haw River Road for 1.5 miles, turn left onto West Harrell Rd. for 1 mile.

# Handlers' Responsibilities:

We will need everyone's cooperation to keep things moving. To make sure that this trial runs as smoothly and efficiently as possible, we will use the following procedures:

1. Please be sure to check in on agility gate. If you have problems with agility gate, the gate steward can help you check in.

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- 2. While each dog is running, we will have one dog on the line, one dog on deck, and one dog in the hole. Be sure that you are at the gate, ready to take your place in line. We will not look for you---if you are not there, you may lose your turn to run. Because this is a two-ring, one judge trial, there should be no conflicts. If you are running two dogs and we haven't given you enough room between your dogs, you may work with the gate steward to move your dogs, but they must stay in the same order as they appear on the gate, in other words, whichever dog is supposed to run first must still run first.
- 3. The dog on the line should be ready to run before the dog on course finishes the last obstacle. When the timer tells you to go, begin your run!

EMERGENCY VETERINARY: Carolina Veterinary Specialists, 501 Nicholas Road, Greensboro, NC (336) 632-0605 (15 miles from trial site)

Carolina Veterinary Specialists, 1600 Hanes Mall Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC (336) 896-0902 (approximately 30 miles from trial site)

Happy Talk Veterinary Emergency Clinic, 2936 Battleground Ave., Greensboro, NC (336) 288-2688 (16 miles from trial site)

HOTELS/RV PARKING: Please pick up after your dog(s) and respect all hotel rules. For information on RV, please contact Melissa at melissa@risingstarcanineranch.com.

Please see the premium for information on hotels.

Ribbons will NOT BE MAILED to you after the trial; you must pick them up by the end of the trial on Sunday or they will be recycled.

The building will be locked each night at the end of the trial, so please plan accordingly. Dogs may not be left at the facility overnight.

We look forward to seeing you soon! Travel safely.