



OPEN SHOWMANSHIP  
Dog PACKET

Ethics #  
(recommended)  FFA  4H  Independent

Name of Club or Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the named youth is a member in good standing of the above club/chapter.

Signature of FFA Advisor or 4-H Agent/Club Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY USING BLUE OR BLACK INK  
An incomplete form will be returned to the applicant.  
Make checks payable to: FKHK Marion County Fair  
Mail to: PO Box 988, Belleview, FL 34421

Entries due by March 15, 2020. A \$5 late fee will be applied if paid after this date.

Exhibitor MUST bring in their own animal(s) for check in.

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

RELEASE FORM. For good and valuable consideration, including being permitted to participate in activities on the fairgrounds and participate in the Marion County Fair and Youth Show, I, for myself, and if applicable for my minor child, my and his or her successors, heirs, assigns, executors, administrators, legal representatives, employees, agents, and affiliates (collectively referred to as Exhibitor) forever release and discharge the Marion County Fair and Youth Show, Inc. and each of its officers, trustees, directors, employees, agents, and affiliates (collectively referred to as Marion County Fair) from all claims, demands, losses, costs, expenses (including attorneys' fees and costs), suits, damages, obligations, liabilities, causes of action and judgments whatsoever, in law or in equity, against any of the foregoing, which the Exhibitor ever had, now has or which they hereinafter can, shall or may have for, upon, or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever including, without limitation, personal injury or death, damage, or destruction to property, or theft or other loss to property, arising out of Exhibitor's participation and involvement in the Marion County Fair and Youth Show, the Marion County Fair, or any other event held at the fairgrounds. Exhibitor agrees to and does hereby assume any and all risks of personal injuries to Exhibitor, including death, and damages or other loss to Exhibitor's property, whether such injury, death or loss of property is caused by negligence of the Marion County Fair or not. THE EXHIBITOR, OR HIS OR HER GUARDIAN, IS OVER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS, HAS READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION AND HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEEK LEGAL ADVICE REGARDING ITS INTERPRETATION, AND HAS SIGNED FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY. I have also read, understand and will comply with all the livestock division rules, and regulations of the Marion County Fair, including provision concerning the record book and forfeiture of monies.

Exhibitor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Marion County Fair Use Only:

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ Paid by: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_



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ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 per dog

All youth are automatically entered in Showmanship.  
Showmanship will take place before the judging with Seniors showing first.

Exhibitor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fees	Age	Animal Name	Breed	Obedience
\$10	1 <sup>st</sup> dog			<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate
\$10	2 <sup>nd</sup> dog			<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate
\$10	3 <sup>rd</sup> dog			<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate
\$10	4 <sup>th</sup> dog			<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate
\$10	5 <sup>th</sup> dog			<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate

Scoring for Obedience Classes:

<b>Pre-Novice</b>	<b>Novice</b>	<b>Graduate</b>
Heel on leash = 45	Heel on leash & figure 8 = 40	Heel on leash no figure 8 = 30
Figure 8 = 25	Stand for Exam, loose leash = 30	Stand for Exam, loose leash = 30
Stand for examination on leash = 30	Heel = 40	Heel loose leash & figure 8 = 40
Recall on leash & finish = 40	Recall & finish = 40	Drop on recall & finish = 40
Sub Total = 140	Sub Total = 140	Sub Total = 140
Long sit on leash 1 min = 30	Long sit- 1 min- loose leash = 30	Long sit- 3 min- loose leash = 30
Long down on leash 3 minutes = 30	Long down- 3 min- loose leash = 30	Long down- 5min- loose leash = 30
Total = 200	Total = 200	Total = 200
Qualifying Score = 170	Qualifying Score = 170	Qualifying Score = 170



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RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Entries due by March 15, 2020. A \$5 late fee will be applied if paid after this date.
2. Mail in pages 1 and 2 of this packet with your entry fees.
3. Entry fees: \$10 per dog, per exhibitor.
4. Awards: TBA
  - a. Scores combined from showmanship and obedience.
  - b. A signed IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics is required. All entries must submit a State Ethics number.
5. CONTROL OF DOGS: The Marion County Fair requires that all dogs be under the control of their handler, at all times. Tying a dog to a chair does not qualify. Dogs must be in handlers' possession, on a lead or contained in a crate. This is for your dog's safety as well as those participating in the show and/or guests visiting the fair. ALL DOG'S AND HANDLERS MUST REMAIN IN THE LIVESTOCK AREA. No dogs are allowed into the open fair areas.
6. WASTE MANAGEMENT: Each handler must bring sufficient cleaning supplies for clean-up purposes. You, as the dog handler will clean up after your dog(s) on concrete, grass, dirt, shavings, or anywhere they may relieve themselves.
7. RABIES VACCINATION: Proof of rabies shots must be carried with you.
8. All youth ages 5 – 18 are encouraged to participate. Age divisions are as follows with the members ages being as of April 2 of the current school year.
  - a. CloverBuds 5 -7 years old
  - b. Junior 8 – 12 years old
  - c. Seniors 13 – 18 years old
9. Dogs entered in this show must be owned by participant or family member for at least 6 months OR have been cared for by the participant for at least 6 months.
10. Recommended vaccinations: Distemper, Adenovirus, Leptospira, Parvovirus, Bordetella, Heartworm, and Rabies.
11. Parents or adult leaders may not assist any participant or dog inside the show ring. This includes entering the ring, verbal and non-verbal coaching or instruction from outside the ring, verbal or hand signals to a dog or anything else that may be perceived to be double handling or coaching a member or dog during the competition. Youth with any physical or emotional disability that require assistance from others will need to notify the Dog Show Superintendent at entry time so arrangements can be made.
12. Exhibitors must be involved in the grooming of their dog(s).
13. Unless otherwise stated collars should be buckle or slip with a 6-foot leash. Training collars, pinch collars, electronic collars, or head collars are NOT permitted.
14. All dogs must be on a leash and under control always.
15. Disruptive and vicious dogs will be dismissed as will any exhibitor using excessive and/or physical corrections.
16. Spayed and neutered dogs are encouraged and will be judged without discriminations.
17. Physically disabled dogs may be shown in any class. However, no dog will be allowed to show whose current pain level is obviously intolerable. The judges' decision is FINAL.
18. Dogs must be clean and well groomed.
19. Definition of Events:



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- a. Showmanship
    - i. The exhibitor is judged on their ability to handle a dog. The fine points of the dog do not count. The prime objective for the competitor is to demonstrate his or her ability in showing the dog to its best advantage. Throughout the various ring procedures and examinations, the competitor must strive to make his or her dog the most appealing. The member must demonstrate that they know the dog's faults and have learned to minimize them. Because it is the handling abilities of the contestants rather than the dogs that are being judged. Showmanship classes often take longer to judge.
    - ii. Showmanship will be divided into skill levels and age divisions. The three basic handling skills that will be judged in Showmanship are:
      1. Gait their dogs together around the ring.
      2. Stand their dog for examination.
      3. Gait their dogs individually.
    - iii. Exhibitors may be tested on other handling skills such as gaiting in a pattern, posing the dog in a line parallel to other dogs or gaiting their dogs with another exhibitor and their dog.
    - iv. Exhibitors may also be asked questions on: anatomy, breed specific questions, health, and daily care.
  - b. Obedience
    - i. Obedience trials test a dogs' ability to perform a prescribed set of exercises on which it is scored. All contestants in a class are required to perform the same exercises in substantially the same way so that the relative quality of the various performances may be compared and scored. The performance of dog and handler in the ring must be accurate and correct according to the Obedience Regulations. It is also essential that the dog demonstrate willingness and enjoyment while it is working and that a smooth and natural handler be given precedence over a handler moving with military precision and using harsh commands.
    - ii. Obedience is divided into skill levels and age divisions.
20. EQUIPMENT: All dogs will be in a slip chain and 6' leash. No baiting of any type.

### DESCRIPTION OF OBEDIENCE SKILLS

Heel on leash and Figure 8 on leash: In "heeling" and "figure 8" exercises, the handler will work the dog on a loose leash, which should be carried in either hand or both hands. Hands are to be carried in a natural manner. The handler's left hand should not touch the dog. Any jerking or tugging on the leash is penalized. The handler walks in a normal manner and must not adapt his pace to the dog. There must be a definite change of pace when given the orders "fast", "slow", or "normal". Extra commands, signals, or tugs on the collar will be penalized.

Stand for Exam: The handler will stand his/her dog facing the judge and back away when ready. A voice command and hand signal may be used. If both are used, the dog's name should not be part of the spoken command. The handler will return on judge's order and wait for the order "exercise finished".



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Recall: The handler will sit the dog and back away on the judge's order. When ordered to "call" either a voice or hand signal may be used (not both). The dog should come and sit directly in front of the handler. When ordered to "finish" the handler will again use either a voice or hand signal. The dog must move to the heel and sit. Attempts to guide the dog in either the "come" or "finish" will be penalized.

Long Sit and Down: The "sit" will be for one minute and the "down" will be three minutes. Handlers may use a voice command and a hand signal. If both are used the dog's name should not be a part of the spoken command. All handlers will give their commands and back away from their dogs at the same time. If a dog moves from place the handler will either sit or down the dog again directly in front of him. GRADUATE classes Long sit will be with the handler at the end of the 6' leash.

PRE-NOVICE will only leave their dogs side for exam, recall, sit, and down.

NOVICE and GRADUATE NOVICE will back away to the end of the 6' leash.