

PREMIUM LIST

Big Sky Tracking Dog Club of Montana

www.bigskytracking.org

(Licensed by the American Kennel Club)

Three All-Breed and Mixed Breed Agility Trials

Held under American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations



Lewis and Clark County Fairgrounds

2 West Custer Avenue, Helena, Montana 59601

Indoors and heated, 1 ring, medium packed dirt floor, 80x120 feet

Friday, August 22, 2025 Event # 2025566810

Saturday, August 23, 2025 Event # 2025566811

Sunday, August 24, 2025 Event # 2025566812

Trial (and building) Hours 7:00 am to 30 minutes after last run.

Obstacles will meet the specifications for obstacles in the edition of AKC Regulations for Agility Trials (available at www.akc.org) in effect at the time of the trial.



CERTIFICATION Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of these events under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

Gina M. DiNardo, Executive Secretary

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JUDGE

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TRIAL COMMITTEE

Janet Lapointe, Julie Chapman, Joanie Carl, Cheryl Rodnick, Catherine LeCours, and any other club members present.

VETERINARIAN

Animal Center

1301 Cedar Street, Helena MT 59601

406-442-3160

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendations to ensure their dogs are free of parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

CLUB OFFICERS

President.....Deb Sattler

Vice President.....Rachael Roper

Secretary.....Teressa Keenan

4850 W Fork Petty Creek Rd, Alberton, MT 59820

Treasurer.....Kristina Hurley

Member at Large.....Julie Chapman

CLASSES OFFERED AND RUNNING ORDER

Friday: FAST, Time 2 Beat, Standard, & JWW

Saturday: FAST, Premier Standard, Standard, Premier JWW, & JWW

Sunday: Time 2 Beat, Standard, & JWW

All levels are offered for Standard, JWW, and FAST. Standard and JWW will run Excellent/Masters, Open, then Novice. FAST will run with all class levels combined by jump height.

Jump height orders will be tall to small on Friday and Sunday and small to tall on Saturday.

For Exhibition Only (FEO) is offered for all regular classes at these trials.

Class order each day is subject to change, based on the number of entries and at the judge's discretion.

First dog on the line at 8:00 am each day.

ENTRY FEES

\$19.00 each entry for regular classes (includes \$3.50 AKC recording fee per entry).

Checks and money orders should be made payable to BSTDCM and be U.S. funds only.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry, and a processing fee will be added to all returned checks.

ENTERING THE TRIALS

The method for accepting entries is first received.

Mail or hand delivery accepted at the Trial Secretary's address. Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed. A maximum of 10 entries per envelope are allowed.

On-Line entries are accepted through www.R2AgilityOnline.com.

Entries Open on June 16, 2025 at 8:00 am.

Entries Close on August 15, 2025 at 7:00 pm after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows.

All Days are limited to 350 runs per day. Initial entry limits for the first 48 hours after the opening date are 175 paper and 175 online.

UNACCEPTABLE ENTRIES

Conditional, unsigned, incomplete, illegible, or telephone entries cannot be accepted and will be returned to the exhibitor. Entries not on official AKC forms, or photocopies of AKC forms without the agreement attached, cannot be accepted.

ONLINE ENTRY SYSTEM

As of November 1, 2024, AKC is no longer hosting the on-line entry program. This club is using the www.R2AgilityOnline.com website to provide online entries for this show. R2 Agility offers two options for trial entries after you create an account and add your dog's information.

FOR FREE: Create an entry, print and mail with a check. The website calculates correct fees and will shortly allow application of coupons and discounts (like Juniors).

FOR A SMALL FEE: Create an entry like above and then immediately when the trial opens or up to the last minute before closing, click the payment button to pay with a credit card. You are then guaranteed entry into the show.

BEST OF ALL, no more handwriting issues and fewer mistakes! Be kind to your trial secretary and mail a 100% accurate and most important, legible entry!

DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

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

Dogs entered should be physically sound. Not eligible are dogs that are blind, 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.

Bitches in season are not allowed on the trial grounds.

CONFIRMATION OF ENTRY

If an email address is provided, a preliminary confirmation will be sent soon after the entry is received and processed. Please REVIEW IT CAREFULLY and notify the Trial Secretary of any necessary changes as soon as possible. If an email address is not provided, confirmation of entry will be sent by USPS after closing (no preliminary confirmations will be sent). A final confirmation and schedule of judging will be sent after the closing date. If you have not received a confirmation and schedule at least five days prior to the show, contact the Trial Secretary.

MOVEUPS

Move-ups after entries close must be submitted to the Trial Secretary in writing before 6:00 pm MDT on Monday, August 18, 2025. Day-to-day move-ups will be accepted at the trial and must be submitted in writing no later than 30 minutes after the conclusion of the last class on Friday and/or Saturday.

REFUNDS

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

If you entered by mail or hand delivery, 100% of entry will be refunded for any reason if a written request is received by the Trial Secretary on or before the trial closing. If you entered online, cancel your entry through the online system and notify the Trial Secretary in writing.

After closing, 100% of entry fees (not including online convenience fees) will be refunded for bitches in season if written notification is received by the Trial Secretary no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of the first class of the first day of the trials. Verification from a veterinarian may be required at the club's discretion.

Sick or injured dogs or handlers will receive a refund of entry fees less \$6.00 per run if written or e-mail notification is received by the Trial Secretary by 8:00 p.m. on Thursday August 21, 2025.

JUMP HEIGHT

Owners are responsible for entering the proper height divisions. Exhibitors are responsible for verifying the proper jump height is set prior to running. Handlers may opt to enter in a higher height division for all Regular titling classes, but not in a division lower than their proper height division.

Regular / Preferred Class (inches)	Measurement (inches)
8 / 4	Dogs 11 and under at the withers
12 / 8	Dogs 14 and under at the withers
16 / 12	Dogs 18 and under at the withers
20 / 16	Dogs 22 and under at the withers
24 / 20	Dogs over 22 at the withers
24C	Only dogs 22 inches and under may enter this height, at their owner's discretion.

All dogs competing must have a valid AKC Jump Height Card OR must be measured by the judge of record prior to running. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of any qualifying scores. The exception to this requirement is a dog entered in the 24" jump height division. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to have the dog measured. Please check the box on the entry form so that the Trial Secretary knows whether to include your dog on the list of dogs to be measured. If a Volunteer Measuring Official (VMO) or an Agility Field Representative is present, ALL dogs without a valid Jump Height Card (including those entered in the 24" jump height division) must be measured during the trial or cluster of trials.

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.

PREMIER CLASS

Both Standard & JWW Premier courses are Master level courses incorporating elements that challenge both handler and dog in ways seen in international competitions. The Premier class has a single class level. Dogs Eligible to enter Novice, Open, Excellent, or Master level classes may enter the Premier Class. Refer to AKC regulations at <http://cdn.akc.org/Agility/Agility-Chapter11-PremierCass.pdf>.

ENTERING FOR EXHIBITION ONLY (FEO)

For Exhibition Only may be offered at the option of the host club. FEO will allow exhibitors to work with their dogs in a trial environment. FEO is allowed in any class. 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 the class. 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 to the scribe and the judge prior to leading out.

Course time for FEO in Time 2 Beat, JWW, Standard, and Premier will be 45 seconds. FAST courses times for each class/height are as noted in the Regulations.

FIX AND GO ON (FNG)

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

AWARDS AND PRIZES

Qualifiers: flat ribbons

1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th places: flat ribbons

Titles: rosettes

MACH and PACH titles: trophy bar and ribbon

If you are close to a MACH or PACH, please let the Trial Chair know (rjlapointe11@comcast.net) so we are prepared to celebrate with you.

JUDGE'S BRIEFING AND WALK THROUGHS

Judge's briefing and course walkthroughs will occur prior to each class. Each walkthrough is restricted to handlers entered in that class and the jump heights specified. Handlers with multiple dogs may request to walk with an alternate height group if a conflict is expected.

Judges are not required to wait for dogs. The Handler of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at ringside when it is to be judged. Dogs are judged in the order posted on the ringside running order. Changes in that order must be approved by the Trial Secretary (when delegated authority by the judge) prior to the start of the class. Handlers are required to see the Trial Secretary if requesting a change as allowed in the AKC trial regulations. Please don't change the order without express permission!

CATALOGS

Catalogs are available electronically only, sent by email, for no charge. Please mark the box on your entry form if you would like a catalog after the trials.

RULES

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Agility Trials by contacting the American Kennel Club, 8051 Arco Corporate Drive, Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27617-3390, by phone (919) 233-9767, by email at info@akc.org, or on their website at www.akc.org.

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY

By submitting an entry form, exhibitors are asserting they are aware of all rules and regulations pertaining to this trial and as published by the clubs and the facility owner.

The safety of the dog is our 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.

The BSTDCM and the Trial Secretary and its agents, employees, etc., assume NO responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors, handlers, or spectators, or to any of their dogs or property, and further assume no responsibility for injury to any child. 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 unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Trial Committee, be asked to leave the Trial. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. The club reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog on account of aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against the club or any official thereof.

The use of flexi-type leads is NOT allowed inside the building.

NATIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE

The AKC is committed to creating a safe and respectful sport environment for all. If you need to talk to someone, or need help, please call 800. 656.HOPE (National Sexual Assault Hotline) or text HOME to 741-741 for free, 24/7, confidential services from trained crisis counselors.

COURSE MAPS

Exhibitor copies of course maps will be posted for photographing. Copies will not be available. The Trial Secretary will make every effort to email course maps to exhibitors in the morning of each trial day.

CRATING

Indoor crating space is available on rubber mats over dirt. Please take only the space you need. Ex-pens may be used only if they house multiple dogs. On Friday, the building will be open for exhibitors at 7:00 am.

VOLUNTEERS

The club will be using a whiteboard to manage volunteer staffing at the trials. Volunteers are welcome, appreciated and are always needed!

WARM UP AREA AND JUMP

A warm-up area, consisting of a regulation agility jump, may be provided for exhibitors. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the dog and not for training or relieving of the dog.

CONCESSIONS

There will be no food or drinks at the trial site, so please come prepared for the day.

VENDORS

Vendors are welcome. Please contact the Trial Chair at rjlapointe11@comcast.net.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO TRIAL SITE

From Hwy 12 (from Elliston/Missoula/Spokane): Hwy 12 West turns into Euclid Avenue as you enter the west end of Helena. At the Henderson Street light, turn LEFT and proceed north on Henderson. Just past the railroad underpass the Fairgrounds will be straight ahead of you, at the corner of Henderson St. and Custer Avenue. ATTN: This is a LOW UNDERPASS. For vehicles over 12 feet in height, please follow this alternate route: At the intersection of Joslyn and Euclid (one light west of Henderson), turn LEFT. Continue straight at the stop sign. Follow this road over the railroad tracks and continue as it curves right. At the traffic light (Henderson), turn LEFT to the Fairgrounds and proceed as above.

From Hwy 12/Hwy 287 (from Townsend/Bozeman): Follow Highway 12 East into Helena. Just past Walmart, stay in right lane and turn RIGHT to proceed NORTH on I-15 to Exit 194 (Custer Avenue). At the end of the ramp, turn LEFT onto Custer Ave. Proceed STRAIGHT on Custer Ave approximately 2.4 miles. At the intersection of Custer Ave and Henderson St, turn RIGHT into the Fairgrounds.

From I-15 South (from Butte/Boulder): Take Exit 194 (Custer Ave). At the end of the ramp, turn LEFT onto Custer Ave. Proceed STRAIGHT on Custer Ave approximately 2.4 miles. At the intersection of Custer Ave and Henderson St, turn RIGHT into the Fairgrounds.

From I-15 North (from Great Falls): Take Exit 194 (Custer Ave). At the top of the ramp, turn RIGHT on Custer Ave. Proceed STRAIGHT on Custer Ave approximately 2.4 miles. At the intersection of Custer Ave and Henderson St, turn RIGHT into the Fairgrounds.

MOTELS AND HOTELS

The following motels have welcomed dog show participants in the past. Please contact the motels directly to determine availability, pet policies and rates when making reservation. PLEASE help us keep these motels for other events by respecting their property. Do not leave your dogs unattended in rooms, do not allow your dogs to disturb other guests, and as always, CLEAN UP after your dogs!

- Baymont Inn, 750 N Fee St, 406-443-1000
- Comfort Suites, 3180 N Washington St, 406-495-0505
- Days Inn, 2201 Prospect St, 406-442-3280
- Delta Hotel, 2301 Colonial Dr, 406-443-2100
- Double Tree by Hilton, 22 N Last Chance Gulch, 406-443-2200
- Howard Johnson Hotel, 2101 E 11th Ave, 406-443-2300
- Elkhorn Mountain Inn, Montana City off I-15, 406-442-6625
- Great Northern Best Western, 835 Great Northern Blvd, 406-457-5500
- Lamplighter Motel, 1006 Madison Ave, 406-442-9200
- LaQuinta Inn & Suites, 701 Washington, 406-449-4000
- Quality Inn, 2300 N Oakes, 406-442-3064
- Shilo Inn, 2020 Prospect Ave, 406-442-0320
- Super 8, 2200 11th Ave, 406-443-2450
- Wingate Inn, 2007 N Oakes, 406-449-3000

CAMPING AT THE TRIAL

Reservations may be submitted no earlier than the opening date of the trial (June 16, 2025).

- \$35.00 / night with electric; bring 100 ft extension cord; no water or sewer
- \$30.00 / night without electric, water, or sewer

Please fill out the camping reservation information below, include a check payable to BSTDCM and mail to Bert Nicely Moran, Camping Coordinator, PO Box 158, Stevensville MT 59870 or email a copy of this page to moranlb@aol.com and bring payment to the trial.

Parking spots will be assigned. Please park only in your assigned spot. If you are unsure, ask for assistance before parking.

Name:					
Email:				Phone:	
Vehicle Type:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Motor Home	<input type="checkbox"/>	Travel Trailer	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Van/Truck	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tent	
Vehicle License Plate(s):					
Vehicle Size:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Length	<input type="checkbox"/>	Width	# of slides
Electricity:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	
Day Arriving:	<input type="text"/>		Day Departing:	<input type="text"/>	
Special Requests:					
<input type="text"/>					
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OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AGILITY ENTRY FORM

Big Sky Tracking Dog Club of MT August 22, 23, and 24, 2025

Opens: June 16, 2025 at 8:00 am Closes: August 15, 2025 at 7:00 pm

Mail to: Catherine LeCours, 7130 Sagebrush Drive, Helena MT 59602

Entry Fees (US dollars): \$19.00 each regular class

Official American Kennel Club Agility Entry Form Fees: Table with columns for FRI, SAT, SUN, STD, JWW, FAST, T2B, Prem STD, Prem JWW, and Total Enclosed.

Choose Either Regular OR Preferred Classes

Circle one jump height | Circle class selections | Only one selection per class (Master & Preferred Allowed)

REGULAR Classes (8", 12", 16", 20", 24", 24C") and PREFERRED Classes (4", 8", 12", 16", 20") table with class options like NovA, NovB, Open, Exc, Master, Premier.

Non-Regular Classes International Sweepstakes []STD []JWW

Form fields for dog measurement: This Dog Needs To Be Measured []Yes []No, BREED, SEX, HEIGHT AT WITHERS, VARIETY, CALL NAME.

AKC* NAME (INCLUDE AKC TITLES ONLY)

Registration information fields: AKC* NO [], Enter Complete Registration # below, DATE OF BIRTH, ILP NO. [], PAL NO. [], FOREIGN REG. NO & COUNTRY [], BREEDER, PLACE OF BIRTH (LIST COUNTRY).

SIRE

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ACTUAL OWNERS

OWNERS ADDRESS [] NEW ADDRESS

CITY, STATE ZIP + 4

HANDLER ENTER JR. HANDLER # if applicable

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

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 in effect at the time of this event...

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.

SIGNATURE of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry.

SIGN HERE Telephone Number:

Email Address:

In Case of Emergency - Name: Telephone Number: