

### ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED

Entries will be taken beginning January 29, 2024 at 9:00AM (EST). The Closing Date for entries will be March 13, 2024 at 6:00PM (EST).

Envelopes/transactions containing entries for more than the ten (10) dog max and/or entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned. If necessary, a draw for a wait list will be held from the remaining entries after limits have been reached.



### PREMIUM LIST



**Merrimac Dog Training Club**  
(Licensed by the American Kennel Club)

**March 23, 2024** Event #2024022803    **March 24, 2024** Event #2024022805  
**March 23, 2024** Event #2024022804    **March 24, 2024** Event #2024022806

**Merrimac Dog Training Club**  
15 Newsome Place, Hampton, VA 23661

### ENTRY LIMITS

**125 entries per judge each day**

**Handler Discrimination will be limited to 1 hour of judging**

**To be held Indoors/Outdoors**

### Trial Hours:

Saturday - 8:00am to 6:00pm

Sunday - 9:00am to 6:00pm

Check-in from 7:30-8am Saturday for HD

8:30-9:00am Saturday and Sunday for all other classes

First HD runs 8am, Odor Classes First Runs 9am

Judges:                      Beth Ann Sabo – Cape Charles, VA  
                                 Claudia Bailey – Woodbridge, VA    Margaret Lockwood, Poquoson VA



### CERTIFICATION

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

### OFFICERS OF MERRIMAC DOG TRAINING CLUB

President .....Ginger Wade  
Vice President .....Cat Vines  
Secretary.....Sherry Bryant  
Treasurer..... Jean Conroy

TRIAL CHAIRPERSON	TRIAL SECRETARY
Mary Jo Sweany 7605 Crab Thicket Rd Gloucester, VA 23601 mary.sweany@gmail.com 757-817-8946	Elizabeth Staley 714 N Fifth St Hampton, VA 23664 sniffhappensva@gmail.com 419-306-7919

### EVENT COMMITTEE

Mary Sweany, Michelle Moyers, Linda Wilkinson,  
Teresa Womble, MDTC BOD/members

### VETERINARIAN – NOT IN ATTENDANCE

**Veterinarian** Animal Emergency Center, 2025 George Washington Memorial Hwy, Yorktown, VA 23693

**Directions:** From MDTC: Take I-664 N to I-64 West to Exit 256B (Victory Blvd). Continue 1.5 mi to US-17 S turn right. Continue .5 mi to clinic. **Hours:** Friday after 5:30pm Saturday and Sunday: Open 24 hours **757-234-0461**

### EMERGENCY SERVICES

Fire/ Ambulance/Police- Hampton City  
**911LOCAL HOSPITAL** – Sentara CarePlex (approx. 10 min from club)

# AKC Code of Sportsmanship

*PREFACE: The sport of purebred dog competitive events dates prior to 1884, the year of AKC's birth. Shared values of those involved in the sport include principles of sportsmanship. They are practiced in all sectors of our sport: conformation, performance and companion. Many believe that these principles of sportsmanship are the prime reason why our sport has thrived for over one hundred years. With the belief that it is useful to periodically articulate the fundamentals of our sport, this code is presented.*

- Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
- The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
- The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- The sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
- Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.
- Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
- Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.



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## CLASSES OFFERED & JUDGING TIMES

Saturday Trials 1 and 2		SUNDAY Trial 1 and 2	
<b>Containers</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent Master	<b>Containers</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent Master	<b>Containers</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent Master	<b>Containers</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent Master
<b>Interior</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent	<b>Interior</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent	<b>Interior</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent	<b>Interior</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent
<b>Exterior</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent	<b>Exterior</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent	<b>Exterior</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent Master	<b>Exterior</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent Master
<b>Buried</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent Master	<b>Buried</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent Master	<b>Buried</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent Master	<b>Buried</b> Novice A/B Advanced Excellent Master
<b>Handler Discrimination</b> Novice A/B Advanced	<b>Handler Discrimination</b> Novice A/B Advanced	Handle Discrimination NONE	Handle Discrimination NONE
Optional/Special Classes		Optional/ Special Classes	
NONE		NONE	
Judging begins at 8:00am (HD) 9:00am Odor Classes		Judging begins at 9:00am	

**Move Ups between trials WILL be allowed – please note there is a \$10 fee per class to move from nov/adv to excellent/master. Move DOWNs after closing do not receive a refund.**

JUDGES AND ASSIGNMENTS*	
<b>Claudia Bailey # 109354</b> Woodbridge, VA  <u><b>March 23, 2024 Trial 1 &amp; 2</b></u> All Handler Discrimination Classes Novice and Advanced Interior and Container Classes	<b>Beth Ann Sabo #102451</b> Cape Charles, VA  <u><b>March 23, 2024 Trial 1 &amp; 2</b></u> All Exterior and Buried Classes offered
<b>Claudia Bailey # 109354</b> Woodbridge, VA  <u><b>March 24, 2024 Trial 1 &amp; 2</b></u> Novice and Advanced Exterior and Buried Classes	<b>Beth Ann Sabo #102451</b> Cape Charles, VA  <u><b>March 24, 2024 Trial 1 &amp; 2</b></u> All Interior and Container Classes offered
<b>Margaret Lockwood # 107346</b> Poquoson, VA  <u><b>March 23, 2024 Trial 1 &amp; 2</b></u> Excellent Interior and Containers and Master Containers Classes	<b>Margaret Lockwood # 107346</b> Poquoson, VA  <u><b>March 24, 2024 Trial 1 &amp; 2</b></u> Excellent and Master Exterior and Buried Classes

\*Balancing of classes may occur based on entries\*

#### DOG ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to all dogs SIX (6) 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), an AKC Canine Partners listing number or approved Foundation Stock Service (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.

Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, the dog displays no sign of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Deaf and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Females in season may not participate, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from an injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance may not participate. No dog shall compete if it is sutured, bandaged, or has any visible wounds.

#### ENTRY FEES

\*An entry is defined as a single run by a single dog, in a single class. Entry fees include a \$3.50 per run AKC recording fee.

**Novice and Advanced classes .....\$25**  
**Excellent and Master classes.....\$35**

Mail entry forms and fees to:

MDTC Scent Work  
Elizabeth Staley, Trial Secretary  
714 N Fifth St  
Hampton, VA 23664

Please make checks payable to **Merrimac Dog Training Club (MDTC)**.

- **Entries will be accepted by e-mail ([sniffhappensva@gmail.com](mailto:sniffhappensva@gmail.com))** 24 hours after opening. Entries via email must be complete, signed and **paid via paypal at [www.paypal.me/mdtc](http://www.paypal.me/mdtc)** please label your payment for November SW trials and with your name if it is different on paypal than your entry. **There is an additional \$10 administrative fee to use email/paypal entry service** (ie: \$100 total entry fees must pay \$110 if sent via paypal). In the event of a withdrawal of entries the administrative fee is not refunded.
- **Entries or payment sent to the wrong email/paypal are not valid and will be treated as mail not received. Paypal fees sent to the wrong address may not be able to be returned.**

- **Please verify you are sending paypal fees to MDTC by using the web address/link above!**
- Hand deliveries accepted.
- No entries will be accepted via phone or fax.
- Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address.
- Inquiries may be directed to Elizabeth Staley at [sniffhappensva@gmail.com](mailto:sniffhappensva@gmail.com).
- No entry shall be made and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance.
- Illegible entries will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor.
- Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry and the Club will add a \$35.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check and all returned fees must be paid via cash, money order or paypal.

#### WAIT LIST INFORMATION

MTDC is offering a wait list to fill openings created by withdrawn entries after the trial's closing date/time. A maximum of **50 entries per day** will be placed on the club's wait list. All entries, including wait-listed entries, must be received by the Trial Secretary prior to **March 13, 2024**. No entries may be withdrawn after March 13, 2024 closing with a refund for the withdrawn entry unless they are replaced with a wait listed run. Any wait-listed entry that does not move off the wait list into the trial will receive a full refund. Wait list will remain active until March 22, 2024 at 4pm after which no changes will be made.

There will be NO DOS entries.

#### HEALTH & WELLNESS

- **If you do not feel well please stay home and do not attend these trials.**
- **If you test positive for COVID after these trials please contact the club.**

#### STAGING AREA, HANDLER'S BRIEFING, AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

**Staging Area** will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include crating, warm-up and waiting area, as well as the secretary table for check-ins and posting of running order and results.

The **Handler's Briefing** may take place virtually, online or in view of the search area prior to the start of each class, after the hide(s) have been set and after the Demo Dog has run. In the Handler's Briefing the judge will explain if there's an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides and maximum time for the search. NO DOGS are to be present during the Handler's Briefing.

A **warm-up area** will be available consisting of ONE marked container of each odor being tested at the trial and may also consist of blanks containers. Exhibitors should limit their warm-up to (2) two minutes or less. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the handler-dog team prior to their run, or for recovery after the run. The warm-up area is not for training or relieving of the dog.

#### SEARCH AREA AND RING CONDITIONS

Search area sizes will be in accordance with the Regulations for AKC Scent Work.

#### ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

**Trial Site.** It is not appropriate to visit the trial location prior to the trial date unless you are enrolled in a class at MDTC or a club member. Many search locations are real-life environments, and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future.

**Possession of Odors and Training.** Chapter 5. Section 26 of the Scent Work Regulations state "No person other than those engaged in the administration of a trial shall be in possession of any target odor when on the trial grounds. There shall be no

training on the grounds of the AKC Scent Work trial, other than the designated warm-up area”.

**Spectator Area.** Any person not handling a dog in the current class, or any person who has already completed their run in the class may choose to watch the search from the spectator area. Handlers may not watch other exhibitors from their class prior to their run. No one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide. Spectators who intentionally or unintentionally give aid to a team may be asked to leave the area by the judge. Spectators are forbidden to discuss details of the search until the completion of the class.

**Crating space** will be available on a limited basis. Priority on indoor crating will be given to workers. We will try to accommodate as many indoors in crating as we safely can. This may mean that we cannot allow chairs in the crating area due to space limitations. MDTC requires a tarp to be placed on the floor underneath your crates. Crates may be left overnight; however, MDTC will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items left at the show site. Dogs sitting in the crating area with owners/handlers (dogs not staging for their class) are expected to be in crates, ex pens or behind another physical barrier for the safety of all dogs in the crating area.

**Exhibitors are responsible** for cleaning up after their dog(s). Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without benefit of refund if the Event 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.

## RIBBONS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

<i>First Place</i> .....	<i>Blue</i>
<i>Second Place</i> .....	<i>Red</i>
<i>Third Place</i> .....	<i>Yellow</i>
<i>Fourth Place</i> .....	<i>White</i>
<i>Qualifying Score</i> .....	<i>Dark Green</i>

A **New Title rosette** will be awarded to all dog and handler teams finishing a title. Special rosettes for elite titles!

## High in Trial & High Combined Division

Only teams who participate and qualify in all odor search elements offered (Container, Interior, Exterior and Buried), and qualify in each are eligible to win **High in Trial**. One You must compete in all 4 elements at the same level (ie: Advanced) to be eligible for HIT.

High In Trial winner is chosen per level; there is no separate High In Trial for the Novice A and Novice B sections.

The High in Trial is determined by adding the team’s faults across the elements. If there is a tie based on faults, then the team’s times across the elements will be summed and the faster-finishing team will win.

Teams winning High In Trial will earn a rosette.

Teams who participate and qualify in all odor search elements AND HD offered at the same level, are eligible to win **High Combined**.

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work, by downloading them here:  
<http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RSW001.pdf>

## NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

### SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY

**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 searches 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 show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. Merrimac Dog Training Club 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. Merrimac Dog Training 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 Merrimac Dog Training Club or any official thereof.

**Collars, Leashes and Harnesses.** During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge. A wearable camera such as a Go Pro may be mounted to the dog's harness, if desired. Leashes may be of any length and/or retractable. The leash should be made of plain, pliable material.

**All dogs must be on leash** at all times, and retractable leashes may not be used when on trial grounds (except during judged searches). Dogs must enter and exit the search area with the leash attached to the collar or harness, including when waiting in the search area before and after the search. An off-leash option may be offered at the discretion of the judge, only if the area is completely enclosed.

## 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. 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. Dogs pulled after closing because of injury or other medical condition affecting the entered dog are eligible for a 75% refund with a signed note or email from your vet. Notification in writing

must be given to the trial secretary no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class of the day of the trial.

**Bitches in season** will be refunded the full entry fee.

Notification in writing or via email must be given to the trial secretary no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class of the day of the trial.

## RINGSIDE

**Judges are not required** to wait for dogs. The Owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at the search area when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility to provide service through a public address system or stewards or runners for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought into the ring when required.

**EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN:** Please check your dog in on the run boards for each of your classes at the beginning of each trial. Boards will be located near the staging location for the search areas.

**Exhibitors MUST check-in for each class they are entered.**

**Claims will be arbitrated as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.**

"Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations."

## HOTEL INFORMATION

**Sonesta Simply Suites, 401 Butler Farm Road, Hampton, VA, (757) 766-8976.**

Pets allowed with a nonrefundable fee of \$75 dollars for stays up to 7 nights. Pet agreement must be signed at check in.  
Vaccination record may be required.

**RV Camping on-site** not available.

### ADDITIONAL HOTEL INFORMATION

**Red Roof Inn**  
1925 Coliseum  
Dr.  
Hampton, VA  
(757) 838-1870  
Pets are free.

**Extended Stay  
Hotels, 1915**  
Commerce Dr,  
Hampton, VA  
(757) 896-3600.  
Pets \$25 +tax per  
night

Campgrounds (within 20 minutes of show site):

Gosnold's Hope Park - 901 E. Little Back River Road, Hampton, VA 23669 - (757) 850-5116

Newport News Park - 13560 Jefferson Avenue, Newport News, VA 23603 - (757) 886-7912

### DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE

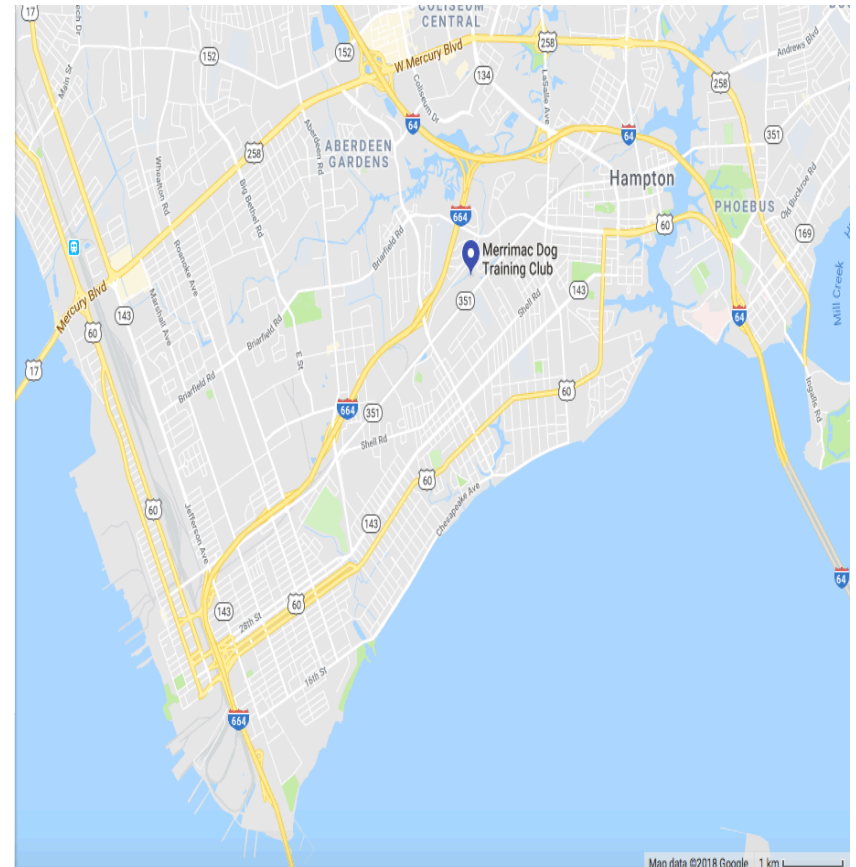
From Monitor-Merrimac Tunnel - take Powhatan Parkway/Power Plant exit. Go right at end of exit and take first left onto Salters Creek Rd. Go approx .6 miles and turn right on Newsome Place. Merrimac Dog Training will be on right.

From 64 east or west take 664 exit. Take exit 2 Powhatan Parkway/Power Plant and go left at end of ramp. Take 2nd left turn lane onto Salters Creek Rd and go approximately .6 mile and

turn right on Newsome Place. Merrimac Dog Training will be on the right.


There is no longer access to Newsome Place from West Pembroke Ave. Must enter from Salters Creek Rd.

### MAP





**AKC Official Entry Form**



**AKC**  
**SCENT WORK**  
American Kennel Club

Send to:  
**MDTC Scent Work**  
**Elizabeth Staley**  
**714 N Fifth St**

	Container	Interior	Exterior	Buried	HD
Saturday, T1 3/23/2024	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced
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**Entry fees: \$25 Novice/Advanced Classes, \$35 Excellent/ Master Classes. Total due: \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Make Checks payable to MDTC, mail to MDTC Scent Work, 714 N Fifth St, Hampton, VA 23664**  
**\$10 admin fee per transaction if paying with PayPal.**

AKC Registered Name			Registration Number <input type="checkbox"/> AKC/PAL/ILP/CP <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign		
Call name		Date of birth		Sex	
Breed				Variety	
Owner					
Owner's Address					
City			State		Zip
Telephone		Email			
Handler name (if different from owner):			Junior Handler # (if applicable):		

**Fields marked in blue are REQUIRED.**

**\*\*\*Be sure to read the Agreement and sign. No form will be processed without your signature! \*\*\***

**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, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list of this event and entry form and any decision made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC approved judge, judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim of loss, injury or damage to this dog.

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, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such, injuries death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other person. I (we) agree that the determination of whether the injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN THIS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, hREGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Entrants must run in the same difficulty level in all elements to be eligible for High in Trial. Dogs must complete lower level titles prior to entering the upper level classes..

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

**SIGN HERE X:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In case of Emergency – Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_