

# Rocky Mountain Agility Dog Training Center

Arvada, CO

## Teacup Agility Trial December 5th & 6th, 2009



Sanctioned Teacup Dog Agility Association Agility Trial  
Sponsored by Rocky Mountain Agility Dog Training Center

Judge: Beth Moline, Central Point, OR  
December 5<sup>th</sup> -- Saturday: 2 Standard Classes and  
2 Games: Black Jack & Copycat

December 6<sup>th</sup> -- Sunday: 2 Standard Classes and  
2 Games: Fast & Octagon Game

FEO (For Exhibition Only) will be accepted

Location: 8910 West 52<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Arvada, Colorado

Trial Facility: Indoor -- 5,400 Sq. Ft. -- Dirt Arena

Show hours: Saturday & Sunday: 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM -- Judging to begin 8:30 AM  
Sunday hours may start at 7:30 AM with Judging to start at 8:00 AM  
(Call to VERIFY on Saturday)

Entries are Opened September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009  
Entries Close at 11:00 AM - Sunday - December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**ALL DOGS WITHOUT A HEIGHT CARD MUST BE MEASURED**

Premium can be obtained from Zona - email or at  
Zona Butler: 303-420-0123 ([info@rmagility.com](mailto:info@rmagility.com))  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ColoradoAgility/files>

### Certification

Permission has been granted by the Teacup Dogs Agility Association for the holding of this event under Teacup Dogs Agility Association Rules and Regulations. Rules and Regulations are available at [www.k9tdaa.com](http://www.k9tdaa.com)

### Committee

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Trial Chairman	Zona Butler - <a href="mailto:info@rmagility.com">info@rmagility.com</a>
Trial Secretary	Brenda Douglass - 303-421-9440 ( <a href="mailto:brdouglass@comcast.net">brdouglass@comcast.net</a> )
Chief Ring Steward	Zona Butler -303-420-0123
Equipment Manager	Zona & David Butler
Awards	Zona Butler
Judge	Beth Moline

### Awards

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Ribbons will be awarded for 1st through 3rd in each jump height in each class. Qualifying ribbons will be awarded to all dogs receiving a qualifying score. Titling Ribbons will also be awarded to dogs completing a title. Dogs may receive placement ribbons without qualifying. Fast-Track dogs are not eligible for placement awards in classes through which they Fast Track.

### Classes (All Unlimited)

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#### Running Order:

Saturday, 16" dogs will run first, followed by 12", 8", 4" dogs.

On Sunday, that running order will be reversed.

Judge may decide to change running order at time of trial.

Class Level running order will be decided by judge at time of trial.

SATURDAY: All runs are indoors - Trial Facility: Indoor--5,400 Sq. Ft. - Dirt Arena

Games Class: Black Jack (All levels)

Standard Round 1 (All levels)

Standard Round 2 (All levels)

Games Class: Copycat (All levels)

SUNDAY: All runs are indoors - Trial Facility: Indoor--5,400 Sq. Ft. - Dirt Arena

Games Class: Fast (All levels)

Standard Round 3 (All levels)

Standard Round 4 (All levels)

Games Class: Octagon Game (All levels) For this game the judge will decide if weave poles will be used at all levels - on the day this game is played.

**2010 TDAA Petit Prix ----- will be held October 8,9 & 10 of 2010  
at Argus Ranch for Dogs, Auburn, WA 98092.**

By competing in this TDAA trial, you and this dog are eligible to enter this tournament. The premium list will be available at [www.k9tdaa.com](http://www.k9tdaa.com) and agility event listing website later this year. We hope you will consider joining us for this fun event.

## Games

**The Judge will explain these games in full during the Judge's Briefing. The Judge has the right to alter the rules. JUDGE'S BRIEFING ON DAY OF TRIAL SUPERSEDES ANY PREVIOUS BRIEFINGS.**  
**All games are taken from *The Clean Run Book of Games*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition by Bud Houston**

### **BLACK JACK**

The purpose of this game is to accumulate 21 points in the fastest time. Accumulating more than 21 points disqualifies the team. The order of obstacles is the handler's choice. No contact obstacles may be taken back-to-back. At least one obstacle must be taken between contact obstacle attempts, whether successful or not. Four-paws are required for commitment on any obstacle. No obstacle may be performed more than twice for points. If 21 points are accumulated under the time limit set by the judge, the dog and handler go to the finish line to stop time.

The Blackjack gamble is worth 10 points indicated on the course in black numbers. A successful performance of a gamble will not be required for the purpose of qualifying.

#### **Scoring**

Blackjack is scored points then time. The highest point value wins. If two or more dogs have the same number of points then time breaks the tie. Points are awarded as follows:

Jumps, 1 point; Tunnels, tire, 2 points; Contact obstacles, 3 points; Weave poles, 4 points. A team scoring over 21 points is eliminated.

**Qualifying criteria:** Games I – 21 points in 60 seconds or less; Games II – 21 points in 50 seconds or less; Games III – 21 points in 40 seconds or less.

### **COPYCAT**

Copycat is a dog's choice game. That means the handler can direct the dog through the performance of obstacles in the order and direction of his own choosing, or the dog's choosing as the case may be.

The team has 40 seconds to gather points.

· Jumps – 1 point · Tunnels, tire and weave poles -3 points. · Contacts – 5 points.

The dog can perform each obstacle only twice for points. If the dog performs the same type of obstacle back-to-back, called "copycatting" (for example, 2-one point, 2-three point or 2-five pointers) he will lose 5 points.

Every second over 40 seconds that it takes the dog to return to the table will be penalized one point.

#### **Scoring**

Copycat is scored points, then time. The dog with the highest number of points wins. Time is a tiebreaker only.

The scorekeeper is responsible for determining faults for copycatting, repeating an obstacle of the same value in consecutive obstacle performance. The dog is not awarded the value of the second obstacle, and will be faulted 5 points instead.

#### **Qualifying**

Games I – score of 20 points or better · Games II - score of 25 points or better · Games III – score of 30 points or better

### **FAST**

The objective is to perform all or as many of the obstacles as possible so long as time allows, without repeating any; *except* for jumps (valued at one point) which may be repeated (though never back-to-back)—and no more than 6 points can be earned from one-point obstacles.

Somewhere in the course the dog will have a Send Bonus which will allow the dog to earn 20 bonus points. The successful completion of this Send Bonus is required for the dog to qualify in the class. On this course the three levels for TDAA are nested... individually numbered. And for each level only one containment line will apply. These lines will be made clear during briefing.

The Standard Course Time (SCT) shall be the same for all levels, but different for each jump height. The dog can earn points *only* until the time whistle sounds. And, will lose a point for each second over course time, until the dog gets to the finish obstacle. The Standard Course Times are: · 4" –51 seconds · 8" –48 seconds · 12" 45 seconds · 16" 42 seconds

#### **Scoring**

FAST is scored points, then time. The number of points the dog earns is the first tiebreaker, and then time the second. In the case of a tie (same points and same time) placement shall be determined by a run off.

#### **Qualifying**

80 points maximum score is possible (60 pts for obstacles + 20 Send Bonus). To qualify, the dog must earn a minimum number of points depending on class: · Beginners 50 points (30 points for obstacles + 20 Send Bonus); · Intermediate 55 points (35 points for obstacles + 20 Send Bonus); Superior 60 points (40 points for obstacles + 20 Send Bonus).

### **OCTAGON GAME**

Starting with jump # 1, dog handler must perform all the jumps in a serpentine fashion in the direction designated by the judge (either clockwise or counterclockwise). If the dog knocks a bar, cross the line of poles in the center of the octagon, or goes off course, the

dog must do the weaves poles in the center. The correct weave pole entry is the entry closest to the point to the mistake. After doing the weave poles the dog goes back to # 1 and starts again. Bars will not be reset after the dog knocks the bar. When the dog comes to the knocked bar he will just need to go through the uprights. Weave poles will not be faulted but must be completed.

The judge will decide if weave poles will be used at all levels - on the day this game is played.

#### **Scoring**

The Octagon Game is scored time only. The judge will whistle for any faults to indicate the dog must go to the center of the octagon to perform the weave poles. There will be a Standard Course Time set for each level and to qualify the dog must be under SCT. In Games 1 the course only goes to jump 14.

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## Eligibility

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This trial is open to all dogs 17" and under that are over the age of 12 months, except bitches in season, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness which may affect a dog's physical or mental performance.

The Following is a List of Obstacles to be used during this trial:

Dog Walk (8'L x 12" W Apex 36" with slats) \* A-Frame (8' x 3' Apex 44" H with slats)  
Teeter (8' L x 12" W x Apex 12") \* Jumps (42" H x 3' W with heights at 4", 8", 12", 16")  
Jump Wings (12"X30") \* Tire - (18" diameter with 53" H uprights) \* Chute (18" diameter with 8 ft cloth) \* Table (3' Square with 6" & 12" legs) \* Weave Pole (6 -18" poles -- spaced 18" apart)  
\* Pipe Tunnels - 18" diameter x 10' long (3 Pink, 2 Clear)  
Dog Measuring Stand (Metal with hanging arm that goes over dog.)

WARM-UPS: A warm up area, consisting of a regulation agility jump, shall be provided for all exhibitors.

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## Height Divisions

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Owners are responsible for entering the proper height division. Judges reserve the right to measure dogs entered in any trial. At the handler's option, dogs may be entered in a higher height division, but not in a division lower than their proper height division. Dogs that run in a height division lower than their proper division will be eliminated. Special provisions for Jump Height Exemptions based on a dog's structure are explained in detail at <http://www.k9tdaa.org>. Click on Rules and go to section 3.4 Jump Heights.

- 4" for dogs 8" and under at the withers, or dogs with jump height exemption measuring 12" or less
- 8" for dogs 12" and under at the withers, or dogs with a jump height exemption measuring 15" or less
- 12" for dogs 15" and under at the withers, or dogs with a jump height exemption measuring 17" or less
- 16" for dogs 17" or less at the withers.

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## TDAА Class Information

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### Standard Class

**BEGINNER AGILITY**—All dogs shall be eligible for participation in this class. There shall be no grand-fathering of titles from other organizations.

**INTERMEDIATE AGILITY** — Only dogs who have earned the Teacup Beginner Agile Dog (TBAD) or that have satisfied the appropriate Fast Track requirement shall be eligible for participation in this class.

**SUPERIOR AGILITY** — Only dogs who have earned the Teacup Intermediate Agile Dog (TIAD) or the Teacup Superior Agility Dog (TSAD) or that have satisfied the appropriate Fast Track requirement shall be eligible for participation in this class.

### Games Class

**GAMES I**—All dogs shall be eligible for participation in this class. There shall be no grand-fathering of titles from other organizations.

**GAMES II** — Only dogs who have earned the Games I (TG1) or that have satisfied the appropriate Fast Track requirement shall be eligible for participation in this class.

**GAMES III** — Only dogs who have earned the Games II (TG2) or Games III (TG3) or that have satisfied the appropriate Fast Track requirement shall be eligible for participation in this class.

FEO (For Exhibition Only) Teams may switch their runs to FEO the morning of the trial, at the discretion of the club and trial secretary. Teams running FEO will have a maximum of 1.5 times the standard course time in the ring. The dog may be on a leash as long as the handler is careful not to

get it caught on any obstacles while in the ring. Teams may not repeat any contact obstacles (no training allowed) while running FEO.

### **Notice to Exhibitors**

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The safety of the dogs 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.

All dogs must be on leash or crated at all times except when in the ring or when in the designated agility warm-up area. 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 site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. Unsportsmanlike conduct, including rough handling or misconduct of any kind, will result in an excusal from the ring.

Bitches in season are not permitted in the trial. A refund of all but \$15 will be given for withdrawals due to bitches in season or injured dogs. A letter from your veterinarian may be required. Otherwise, there will be no refunds for withdrawals prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of trial or during the trial.

Entries will not be accepted without fees. No entries will be accepted which require a signature for delivery. All entries must be submitted on an Official TDAA Agility Entry Form with one dog per entry form. Photocopied entries without the TDAA agreement are not acceptable. Unsigned, incomplete, or illegible entries are not accepted. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. A \$25.00 service charge will be charged for any returned checks. Subsequent returned checks from the same exhibitor may result in their being put on a CASH ONLY basis.

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

Food and toys are not permitted in the course area and handlers are not allowed to use whistles or other instruments or devices. Exhibitors are responsible for being at the ring gate when it is their turn to run.

Choke collars, pinch collars, electric and dummy electric collars are prohibited. Exhibitors may wear clothing or insignia of their training group if they wish.

TDAA Registration of each entered dog is required. If your dog does not have a TDAA registration number yet, please complete the Registration form, and submit with the fee with trial entry.

Entries close at 11:00 AM December 6th, 2009. Entry corrections may be accepted until 11:00 AM December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

Move-Ups will be handler on same day or next day if handler prefers.

TDAA has officially waived the multiple judge rule requirement for titling.

### **Entry Fees**

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FEO (For Exhibition Only) entries are included in the following fees.

Each Standard class entered per dog ....	\$12.00
Each Game class entered per dog.....	\$10.00
<b>8 Run Package Discount for 2 Days entry per dog (\$8 Savings) ---</b>	<b>\$80.00</b>
4 Runs - Trial 1 Day .....	\$44.00
Fast Track Move-up .....	\$8.00
TDAA Registration.....	\$12.00

**Fill out one form for each dog entered in trial.**

**No Credit Cards accepted.**

**Make Checks Payable to: RMA or Rocky Mountain Agility**

**Mail entries with fees to:**

**Zona Butler \*\* 8901 West 51<sup>st</sup> Ave., Arvada, CO 80002**

**303-420-0123 or e-mail: [info@rmagility.com](mailto:info@rmagility.com)**

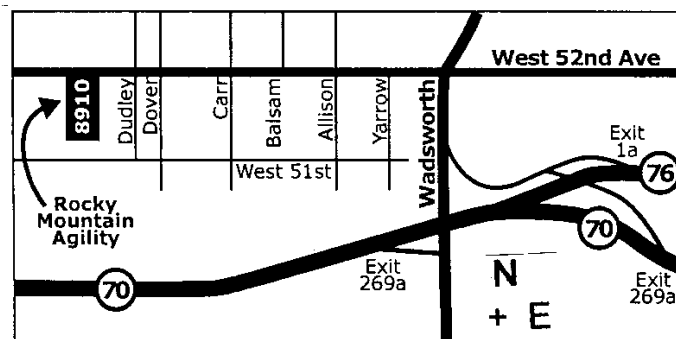
### **Show Site**

The indoor arena is dirt floor, 60' x 90' (5,400 Sq. Ft). Enclosed - Heated with access to outside fenced areas. Attached outdoor arena 45' x 105' (4,590 Sq. Ft.).

Indoor crating space will be available. Extra crating is available in White Building attached to the Red Barn. Please bring crates, no x-pens. Please clean up after your dogs. Indoor RMA show grounds will be unlocked at 8:00 AM and locked at end of trial each day.

### **Routes to the Trial**

#### **ROCKY MOUNTAIN AGILITY DOG TRAINING CENTER**



#### **I-70 to Wadsworth Blvd.**

Take I-70 to Wadsworth Blvd. and go North. The first intersection is 52<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Turn left (West) towards the mountains and go about 1 mile. 8910 is on the South side of street (left side). If you get to Garrison St. you have gone too far. Drive in, park, and walk over the bridge to the Big White Arena in the middle of the property.

#### **I-70 to Kipling**

Take I-70 to Kipling and go North to 49<sup>th</sup> Ave. (at the corner is Furr's Cafeteria). Turn right (East) and go to Garrison St. Turn left (North) and go to 52<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Turn right (East) and go to 8910 W. 52<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Drive in, park, and walk over the bridge to the Big White Arena in the middle of the property.

### **Area Accommodations**

Please check with hotel when making reservations—acceptance of dogs and rates are subject to change.

- Motel 6, 9920 West 49<sup>th</sup> Ave, Wheat Ridge, CO 303-424-0658.
- Ramada Inn, 4700 Kipling St., Wheat Ridge, CO 303-423-4000
- Holiday Inn Express , 10101 I-70 Frontage Rd (W. 48<sup>th</sup> Ave), Wheat Ridge, CO 303-424-8300
- Prospect RV Park, 11600 West 44<sup>th</sup> Ave, Wheat Ridge, CO 303-424-4414

Please make sure that you pick up after your dogs so that these hotels will continue to accept dogs. All owners/exhibitors should be aware that the entire motel and grounds are considered within the trial limits. You will be responsible for all damage to your room. Any abuse of the motel/adjoining grounds will be brought to the attention of the show giving club and its Trial Committee. Any exhibitor's entries may be refused for previous misuse of the motel facilities.

**Restaurants:** Fast food and sit down restaurants are within 1-2 miles. There is no food vendor on site.

#### **Volunteers**

We will need your help for a smooth-running trial. By its very nature TDAA is small. Small dogs, small equipment, small trials, small number of handlers. We need all hands to make a small trial work. Please volunteer to work during classes you're not running in. We will make sure you get adequate time to warm up your dog and do your walk-through. We want everyone to have pleasant experience running TDAA and at the same time helping to make the trial run smoothly. If you are new to TDAA, please let us know! We will be happy to train you! Sign up sheet provided at trial.

Official Teacup Dogs Agility Association Entry Form Sponsored by: Rocky Mountain Agility Team

TRIAL DATE: DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> & 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2009 \*\* ENTRIES CLOSE: DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> AT 11:00 A.M.

Return completed form with entry fees to: Zona Butler, 8901 West 51<sup>st</sup> Ave, Arvada, CO 80002

Make Checks Payable to: (RMA) or Rocky Mountain Agility \*\* Express mail must include signature permitting it to be left at the Trial Secretary's address without recipient signature.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 5 <sup>TH</sup> , 2009		SUNDAY DECEMBER 6 <sup>TH</sup> , 2009	
1 <sup>st</sup> Game - Black Jack	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 <sup>st</sup> Game - Fast	<input type="checkbox"/>
Standard Round 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Standard Round 3	<input type="checkbox"/>
Standard Round 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Standard Round 4	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Game - Copycat	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Game - Octagon Game	<input type="checkbox"/>

STANDARD CLASS:  BEGINNER  INTERMEDIATE  SUPERIOR  FEO (For Exhibition Only)  
 GAMES CLASS:  GAMES I  GAMES II  GAMES III  FEO (For Exhibition Only)

Height at Withers:	Height Dog Will be Jumping:	4"	8"	12"	16"
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- Provisional jump height:  Veteran (7 years or older)  
 Long Backed Dog  
 Dog's Leg to Shoulder Height ratio is 50% or less  
 Weight/height provision (by structure, not obesity)

PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR TDAA HEIGHT CARD or present card at check-in.

All Dogs without a height card must be measured. If you have previously submitted a copy of your height card, you do not need to submit another copy for this trial

If you are entering TDAA for the first time and don't have you TDAA# just put PENDING in box.

TDAA #:	Date of Birth:	
Breed	Call Name	Sex:

TDAA Registered Name

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Actual Owner(s) (Please Print)

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Owner's Address

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City/State/Zip

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Phone Number

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e-mail Address

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Each Standard class entered per dog .... \$12.00

Each Game class entered per dog..... \$10.00

8 Run Package Discount for 2 Days entry per dog (\$8 Savings) ---\$80.00

4 Runs - Trial 1 Day ..... \$44.00

Fast Track Move-up ..... \$8.00

TDAA Registration..... \$12.00

Fee enclosed
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**Fill out one form for each dog entered in trial.**

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 above in consideration of the acceptance of this entry. I (We) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of

the Teacup Dogs Agility Association in the premium list for this agility trial, or both, and further agree to be bound by the "Agreement" printed on the reverse side of this entry form. I (We) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and agreement.

<b>Signature of Owner</b>	<b>Parent or Guardian if under 18</b>
<b>Handler</b>	<b>Date</b>

## Instructions

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A dog must be entered in the name of the person who actually owned it at the time entries for a show closed. If a registered dog has been acquired by a new owner, it must be entered in the name of the new owner in any show for which entries closed after the date of acquirement, regardless of whether the new owner has received the registration certificate indicating that the dog is recorded in his name. State on entry form whether transfer application has been made to TDAA.

## How the Fast Track Move-Up Works

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Titles may be grand-fathered from other organizations on a "Fast Track" basis. A dog with a higher title from another organization may move up on the same day to the next level of TDAA competition with a qualifying score. It is possible to move up from Beginners to Superior on the same day, if the dog qualifies first in Beginners, and then qualifies again in Intermediate. It is possible to move up from Games I to Games III in the same manner.

A qualifying score in the lower class is required to move up to the next higher class. The dog's owner must submit a copy of title certificates for the dog.

Please mark each of the following that apply:

Move up from Beginner to:             Intermediate             Superior  
Move up from Games I to:             Games II                 Games III

Submit \$8.00 with your move-up request, and attach this form. Payment of the \$8.00 is no guarantee that your dog will qualify at the lower level and is non-refundable. Teacup Dogs Agility Association Rules can be obtained online in the form of a PDF file at [www.k9tdaa.com](http://www.k9tdaa.com)

## Agreement

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This signed agreement must accompany each entry

I (We) acknowledge that the "Teacup Dogs Agility Association Rules & Regulations" have been made available to me (us), and that I am (we are) familiar with their contents. I(We) agree to hold the TDAA and any TDAA approved judge harmless from any legal claim resulting from said judge's action under the TDAA Rules, Regulations and Guidelines. I (We) agree that the club holding the Agility Trial has the right to refuse entry for cause which the club shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of the Agility Trial I (We) agree to hold the TDAA, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or show secretary and the owner or lessor of the premises and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or things by the act of this dog while in or upon the show/trial 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 for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes.

I(We) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expenses (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 arising out of or in consequence of my(our) participation in this Agility Trial, howsoever such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents, or any other persons.

\* Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



Official Teacup Dogs Agility Association

**DOG REGISTRATION FORM**

Return this completed form  
with \$12.00 registration fee to:  
Teacup Dogs Agility Association  
Post Office Box 158  
Maroa, IL. 61756

***PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY***

Dog's Full Name

Dog's Call Name

Breed

Date of Birth

Sex

Height at Withers

Provisional jump height information:

E-1 Long Back Dogs       E-2 Weight to height provision (by structure, not obesity)

E-3 Dogs with dwarfish legs / deep chest dogs

Actual Owner(s)

Owner's Address

City / State / Zip

Phone Number

E-mail Address

Owner's Signature

*(For Office Use Only)* **Dog Registration Number**

Review your information before submitting the registration form. *Incomplete forms will be returned.*

Revised – January, 2008