



COVID-19 PROTOCOLS (Fall 2021)

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These protocols have been developed in order to (i) adhere to all Government of Ontario and Public Health measures and (ii) keep Dog Agility Ontario competitors safe.

If you observe that an attendee is not following these protocols, please do not confront the individual, please notify a Dog Agility Ontario representative.

GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS

- ☐ All Government of Ontario and Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health directives will be followed.
- ☐ As per the Government of Ontario's release of amendments to O. Reg. 364/20 Rules for Areas at Step 3 and after consultation with the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health Unit, Dog Agility Ontario will be required to ensure any person 12 years of age or older who participates in an indoor event ***must provide proof of identification and of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19.***
- ☐ Please bring proof of vaccination and identification to the trial. Either your vaccination receipt or government issued QR code will be accepted. ***Once checked, you will be provided a wristband.*** For those attending both days, a new wristband will be provided on day 2.

GENERAL

- ☐ ***If you are not feeling well, do not attend.*** If you are unable to attend, a full refund will be issued. You can perform a self-check at home at <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/screening/customer/>. This same screening will be required onsite at check-in.
- ☐ Masks are to be worn (i) in-doors at all times (except when running) and (ii) out-doors if physical distancing is not possible.
- ☐ Physical distancing (2 meters or 6 feet).
- ☐ Frequent hand sanitizing, especially when entering and exiting the building, after washroom breaks and after interacting with high touch points.
- ☐ Competitors are encouraged to crate out-doors/cars (please keep in mind Mayrich Kennel's requirement to keep barking to a minimum)
- ☐ Food, snacks and water/pop will NOT be provided.
- ☐ As much as it is appreciated, competitor provided treats will NOT be accepted.
- ☐ No spectators will be allowed in the building, competitors only.

TRIAL ENTRY & PAYMENT

- ☐ All payments must be received prior to the closing date (online, cheque by mail or e-transfer).
- ☐ No payments will be accepted at the trial.
- ☐ Added runs will be accepted but payment must be completed in the days following the trial.



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ARRIVAL

- ☐ Starters/Advanced handlers can arrive at 8am.
- ☐ Masters handlers can arrive after the Starters/Advanced classes are completed and following a break, daily schedules will be provided in order for Masters handlers to plan their arrival.
- ☐ Tune your FM radio to 89.5 (this station will be used to broadcast general messages, perform judges briefings and will be used by the gate steward to announce running order).
- ☐ Dog Agility Ontario representative(s) will be stationed near the entrance(s) to perform screening.

CHECK-IN

- ☐ A pre-screening questionnaire will be administered. To expedite the process, competitors can complete the Government of Ontario screening questionnaire (<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/screening/customer/>).
- ☐ A forehead temperature check will be administered.
- ☐ Proof of vaccination will be checked and a wristband will be issued.

BUILDING ACCESS

- ☐ Two doors will be used for building ENTRANCE and EXIT, they will be clearly marked.
- ☐ Please disinfect your hands when entering and exiting the building.
- ☐ Please be reminded that out-door shoes must be changed when entering the building.

WASHROOMS

- ☐ Both washrooms will be accessible.
- ☐ Please sanitize with the provided soap and paper towels.

COURSE MAPS

- ☐ Course maps will be e-mailed in PDF format 2 hours before the start of each day (by 6am).
- ☐ Paper course maps will be provided to each competitor during the check-in process.

RUNNING ORDERS/GATE SHEETS

- ☐ Running orders will be e-mailed in the days leading up to the trial.
- ☐ Running orders will be posted throughout the building.
- ☐ A smartphone app (Agility Gate) will be used to promote physical distancing. Agility Gate instructions are posted on our website.
- ☐ The gate steward will maintain a master copy of the running orders using Agility Gate's companion app Agility Steward.
- ☐ ***If you are not using Agility Gate, please do not crowd the gate steward (one competitor at a time).***

RESULTS

- ☐ Results will be printed and posted throughout the arena (on outside walls if weather permitting).
- ☐ Results will be posted to Dog Agility Ontario's Facebook page following the scoring of each class.
- ☐ Results will also be posted to www.dogagilityontario.com in the days following the trial.



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COURSE BUILDING

- ☐ All equipment will be sanitized before and after course building
- ☐ Course builders are required to wear masks
- ☐ Gloves will be provided (wearing gloves is optional)
- ☐ Course builders are asked not to socialize/gather during course building
- ☐ Course builders are asked to maintain physical distancing (except when moving large pieces of equipment)

RING CREW

- ☐ Ring crew are required to wear masks.
- ☐ Gloves will be provided (wearing gloves is optional).
- ☐ Ring crew are asked not to socialize/gather while in the ring.

DOG MEASUREMENT

- ☐ Dog measurement will follow AAC COVID-19 rules.
- ☐ Competitors requiring dog measurement will be instructed where and when to enter the ring/dog measurement area.

WALK-THRUS

- ☐ Depending on the size of the class, walk-thrus may be separated in two (or more groups).

RIBBONS

- ☐ Title rosettes and side ribbons will be issued by a Dog Agility Ontario representative.
- ☐ Placement ribbons will be laid out for self-service in individual bins. ***Please hand-sanitize before touching the placement ribbons.***

If you observe any unsafe practices or have any suggestions, please speak to a Dog Agility Ontario representative.

We appreciate your patience, co-operation and understanding.

Stay safe and have fun.