

St. Joe Valley Agility Club (SJVAC)

Exhibitor/Volunteer Guidelines

Please stay home if you are feeling ill!

Masks must be worn upon entering the building and while you are in the building. Masks must be worn **while in the ring**, minimally covering your mouth, preferably fully over nose and mouth. Only handlers entered in the event will be permitted in the building.

There will be one ENTRANCE and one EXIT door. Both doors will be clearly marked.

There will be NO crating in the building.

Exhibitors must be either outside where they are crating their dogs, in the ring, or waiting at a designated spot(s) in the building in preparation for going into the ring. Exhibitors are expected to maintain 6' social distancing inside and outside the building. Please be respectful of your fellow exhibitors.

Wash hands as frequently as possible, and use hand sanitizer appropriately. Avoid shaking hands or other personal contact, and avoid touching and/or giving treats to dogs that are not of your household.

Inside

Briefings and walk-throughs will be held per the Judge's instructions. Every effort will be made to make these as efficient and effective as possible while maintaining social distancing protocols.

Restroom facilities will be open. Paper towels, soap, hand sanitizer and sanitizing spray will be available. Spray the air with the provided pump spray sanitizer before you leave the restroom. Please be considerate of dogs in the ring and keep noise to a minimum.

There will be no food or beverages for exhibitors on site. Please bring your own water, and plenty of it! And don't forget poop bags!

Workers and the judge will be provided with lunches as per the AKC guidelines.

We are planning on three exhibitors in the building at one time. One exhibitor will be inside near the entrance door, one exhibitor may be warming up a dog outside the ring, one exhibitor will be in the ring.

Workers who wear gloves when handling items that will be transferred to another person must remember that gloves are single use and must be removed prior to handling the next item, and disposed of properly in a provided trash bin.

At the judge's discretion and weather permitting, the building has large roll up doors at either end that may be opened periodically to allow fresh air to enter the building. This will only take place when there are no dogs present.

Outside

All crating is outside.

The fenced in grass area directly behind the building will be available for parking. You may bring canopies, pop up tents, etc. for your comfort and the comfort of your dogs. If you will be running a generator, please position it so that it does not bother whoever is parked near you. If you need to leave your vehicle running to provide AC for your dog(s), please do **NOT** park inside the fence – park in the regular gravel parking lot.

Please do not congregate near the entrance and exit doors. Workers will make every attempt to locate exhibitors who are upcoming in the showing order. Please make yourself available, but do not crowd the entrance.

Obedience

Chairs will be provided in the ring for exercises conducted off lead. The exhibitor will place their lead on the chair and retrieve it from the chair. Chairs will be sanitized between exhibitors.

Figure 8 exercises will be conducted using chairs or large traffic cones.

Exercises that require handling of gloves, articles, dumbbells, etc. will utilize tongs, “grabbers” and/or hand sanitizer by the judge and workers. Tongs and grabbers will be sanitized between dogs, gloves will be changed.

After you have shown your dog, please leave the building as quickly as possible. Results will be posted as soon as possible in a designated location and on the club website.

The judge may elect to announce placements at the end of a class. If so, this will be done while maintaining social distancing. Ribbons will be handed out by a worker – no self-service. If you are showing both Saturday and Sunday, you may pick up Saturday ribbons on Sunday. No ribbons will be mailed.

Rally

Course maps for Rally will be posted in multiple locations so that you may take a picture at the trial. No paper courses maps will be available.

Please note – **the judge will be wearing a mask the entire day, as will the workers.** Your cooperating and understanding are appreciated. Masks are mandatory while inside the building – there are **NO** exceptions. If you cannot wear a mask for medical reasons, we apologize in advance and hope to see you at a future trial.