BELGIAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF CANADA



2 Licensed Agility Trials September 24, 2023

All Breeds and Mixed Breeds with CCN

All Standard Classes, Jumpers with Weaves Classes

Location: Southbank Farm Arena, 9433 Longwoods Road, Delaware, ON N0L 1E0

1 Ring Indoors on Dirt

Limited to 200 Runs

CLOSING DATE: September 6, 2023, at 6 pm

Entries will close when the limit is reached or on the closing date, whichever comes first.

Day of Trial Entries will be accepted if the limit has not been reached.

ENTER ONLINE ONLY at https://agilityrocks.com/
PAY via ETRANSFER ONLY to sos@bsdcc.org (password: AGILITY)

No entries may be accepted, altered, cancelled, or substituted after the entry limit has been reached, or after the closing date and time, whichever comes first.

Make it an Agility Weekend!

Enter the Poodle Farm's all breed CKC agility trials on Saturday, September 23, 2023! For more information, visit https://thepoodlefarm.com/ or contact the Trial Secretary, Michelle Ross, at tealwoodss@gmail.com.

These events held under the rules of The Canadian Kennel Club.

Belgian Shepherd Dog Club of Canada Executive

- President: Del Beaulac
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Trial Committee

- Chair: Eleanor Heagy
- Superintendent: Gloria Mitchell
- Secretary: Gloria Mitchell, tollhaven@gmail.com, 519-652-9795
- Treasurer: Stephen Rowell
- Committee: Eleanor Heagy, Zonya Jacobs, Renee Worringer, Frank Vossen, Gloria Mitchell

Canadian Kennel Club Officers

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Judge for All Classes:

Danielle LeVangie, <u>hardrockdals@bell.net</u>

Veterinarian On Call

 London Regional Veterinary Emergency and Referral Hospital, 41 Adelaide Street North, Suite 45, London, ON N6B 3P4, 519-432-3300

Entries

- Entry Fee per dog \$30/run or \$100/4 runs by the same dog
- For Fun Only (FFO)* \$20/run
- Day of Trial entry** \$35/run (cash only) (if entry limit has not been reached by closing)
- CKC TCN (Listing) Fee \$11.30/dog, per trial

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When using the Agility Rocks Online Entry, you will be required to create a username and password and enter your information and your dog(s) information just as would normally be required on the Entry Form. Select the trial that you are entering (BSDCC Agility), click the waiver page, and then enter.

You are required to email a copy of the confirmation of your entry to the Trial Secretary at tollhaven@gmail.com. If you have any questions, please contact the Trial Secretary.

Once the entry limit has been reached, the entry program will close the trials. Confirmations and judging schedule will be emailed after the entries close.

No entry will be accepted that is incomplete or that is submitted without full entry fees. Exhibitors must abide by any errors made in entering their dog(s) regardless of how or by whom the entries were made. The Belgian Shepherd Dog Club of Canada reserves the right to refuse an entry, subject to CKC rules.

^{*} No refund will be given for any difference in fees already paid if an exhibitor switches to an FFO run at the trial.

^{**} Day of trial entries must be received at least one hour before the start of the first trial.

Temporary Competition Number (TCN) fee of \$11.30 per trial is payable with the Entry Fee for dogs that do not have their individual registration number or ERN at the closing date.

Attention Foreign Exhibitors

Please note that fees are due and payable in Canadian dollars via PayPal to sos@bsdcc.org.

CKC Membership

\$54.00 plus applicable taxes. Visit www.ckc.ca for membership benefits and an application to join.

Non CKC Member Participation Fee

- The CKC charges a non-member participation fee to residents of Canada who are a non-members of the CKC. The fee applies only to dogs wholly owned by non-member residents of Canada. It does not apply to CKC members.
- The non-member participation fee is paid in any year a title is earned and covers all titles and
 dogs owned by that individual. In order for the title to be awarded, the non-member may either
 become a CKC member (\$54.00 + taxes) or pay the non-member participation fee (\$170.00 +
 taxes). Failure to comply within 30 days of notification will result in the title being withheld and
 the dog cannot be moved up to the next level.

Eligibility

To compete in these trials, a dog must be at least 18 months of age, registered with the CKC and have a registration number or an ERN, TCN, PEN, CCN, or MCN, or be eligible for the same. A dog may not compete if it is lame or has tape or bandages.

Mixed and Unrecognized Breeds

These trials are open to mixed and unrecognized breeds. In order to compete, mixed and unrecognized breed dogs must have a Canine Companion Number (CCN) from the Canadian Kennel Club and must have a CKC-approved microchip. Mixed-breed dogs must be spayed or neutered. Unrecognized breed dogs do not need to be spayed or neutered. A dog eligible for a CCN may not be entered as a listed dog.

Temporary Competition Number (TCN)

A Temporary Competition Number (TCN) allows dogs to temporarily participate in CKC events while they pursue permanent registration or an Event Registration Number (ERN). A TCN must be obtained before submitting an entry for an event. The same TCN must be used for all event entries for a dog until the dog is permanently registered or has an ERN. A TCN cannot be used for dogs that require a Miscellaneous Certificate Number (MCN), a PEN, or a CCN number.

Note: There is no CKC fee to obtain a TCN. However, a TCN "listing" fee is required each time a dog with only a TCN is entered in an event.

Event Registration Number (ERN)

All dogs that are foreign born and foreign owned and enter Canada for the sole purpose of entering CKC events, and do not have a CKC registration number, will require an Event Registration Number (ERN). The ERN number MUST be applied for within 30 days of the first day of entering a CKC event.

Performance Event Number (PEN)

A Performance Event Number (PEN) allows a non-registrable dog of a **CKC-RECOGNIZED BREED** to participate in competitive events that are appropriate for the breed. To be eligible to receive a PEN, the dog must meet all of the following criteria:

- A breed recognized by the CKC (not on the CKC Miscellaneous Class List),
- Not eligible for CKC registration,

- Spayed or neutered, and
- Properly identified with a CKC-approved microchip.

A dog that is eligible for a PEN may not be entered as a 'listed' dog.

Canine Companion Number (CCN)

Unrecognized Breeds

A Canine Companion Number (CCN) allows UNRECOGNIZED BREEDS to compete in CKC performance events. Unrecognized Breeds are not required to be spayed or neutered. To be eligible to receive a CCN, all the following must be met:

- The dog must be an Unrecognized Breed.
- The dog must be properly identified with a CKC microchip.

A dog that is eligible for a CCN may not be entered as a 'listed' dog.

To Obtain any the Above Numbers

- Online through CKC's Portal (Note: Individuals who have not yet used the online Portal will be required to create a Portal account before they can submit an application online); or
- By submitting a completed paper application by mail to CKC.

For further information, contact The Canadian Kennel Club

416-675-5511 or 1-885-364-7252, email: information@ckc.ca, 9 am to 5 pm (Monday to Friday)

Health Reminders

No dog may be brought onto the grounds or premises of an event if:

- 1. It is known to have distemper, parvovirus, kennel cough, or other communicable disease;
- 2. It has recovered from distemper, parvovirus, kennel cough, or other communicable disease within the last 30 days (prior to the event);
- 3. It has been housed within 30 days prior to the event on premises on which there existed distemper, parvovirus, kennel cough, or other communicable disease.

Clubs have the right to remove a dog from the event premises and the owner may be subject to disciplinary action if it is found that CKC rules have been contravened.

Exhibitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of and will comply with the CKC Agility Rules and Regulations, effective January 2023, a copy of which may be obtained by calling the Central Order Desk of CKC at 1-800-250-8040.

It shall be the duty and obligation of the trial-giving club to see that a judge, club official, volunteer, or any participant at an event held under these rules, is not subject to indignities of any kind. The Agility Trial Committee Chair shall promptly report to the CKC any infringement of this regulation, and the Discipline Committee shall have the authority to take such action as it deems fit, on receipt of a report indicating that this has occurred.

The Trial Superintendent will have the authority to expel any dogs deemed to be a danger to other dogs or people. There will be no refund for dogs that are expelled because they have been deemed to be a danger to other dogs or people.

GENERAL ENTRY INFORMATION

- Refunds: Entry fees shall not be refunded after the closing date in the event that a dog is
 absent, disqualified, excused by Veterinarian or Judge, or barred from competition by action of
 the Trial Committee, or entered incorrectly. If because of riot, civil disturbance, or other acts or
 causes beyond the control of the Club, it is impossible to open or complete the trial, no refund
 of entry will be made. Over payments will not be refunded.
- Withdrawing Entry: An exhibitor has the right to withdraw an entry. This Notice of Withdrawal
 must be in writing and received by the Trial Secretary on or before the official closing date and
 time as published in the Premium List.
- Alternate List: In the event that the entry limit is reached before the official closing date, an
 Alternate List will be compiled in the order received. Alternate dogs will be allowed to run in the
 place of any absent dogs. Entry fees for an absent dog replaced by an alternate dog shall be
 refunded to the absent dog's owner. Alternate dogs which are not able to run shall have the
 entry fees refunded.
- **Day-of-Trial Entries:** If the schedule permits, Day of Trial entry will be available. Entries with full cash payment in accordance with the fee schedule must be delivered to the Trial Secretary at least one (1) hour before the start of the First Trial of the day.
- Bitches in Season: Bitches in season are not permitted to compete. When a bitch comes into season after entries have closed, the event-giving club will refund the entry fee and the fee for the Temporary Competition Number providing the event secretary receives, on or before the date of the event, a veterinarian's certificate declaring that the bitch was in season within the 10-day period preceding the trial.
- **Injured Dogs:** If a dog is injured after entry has been submitted to the Trial Secretary, a veterinarian's certificate, certifying the dog was injured before a 3-day period preceding the trial, must reach the Trial Secretary on or before the start of the trial. The trial-giving club will refund the entry fee, minus \$10 service charge and TCN fee (if any).
- Move-ups: Dogs may be moved up to the next class on the same day by filling in the required move-up form. Move-ups before the trial will be processed according to the CKC Agility Rules.
- Exercise Areas: Dogs must be exercised in designated areas ONLY. All handlers MUST promptly dispose of all waste in trash receptacles.
- **Trial Precincts:** Only dogs officially entered in the Agility Trials are permitted within the precincts of the trial, which is defined as the arena plus grass area marked by paddock fence.
- **Ring Fencing:** Arena walls on three sides and 32" baby gates across front, with 36" exercise pens across all exterior doors.
- Course Familiarization: Handlers in all classes are permitted to walk the course, without a
 dog, prior to the start of each class. There will be a 3-5 minute break between the end of the
 walk-through and the first dog on the line.
- Warm-up Jump: A warm-up jump will be provided in proximity to the ring area.
- **Equipment Familiarization:** There will be supervised contact equipment familiarization for dogs entered in the Novice class before the first walk through of the Novice Standard 1 class.
- **Collars:** At the option of the handler, a dog may wear either a well-fitting plain buckle collar, a quick-release collar, or no collar. Fancy collars, choke collars, pinch collars, or other training collars are prohibited. Collars that are too tight or so large that they hang down unreasonably in front of the dog are not permitted. There shall be nothing hanging from the collar.
- **Leashes:** There will be no leash runner. You may carry your leash in your pocket provided it is completely concealed or you may leave a second leash near the exit.
- **Food and Toys:** Food is not permitted in the course area. Toys are permitted in FFO runs (see page 7) but must be shown to the judge before your run starts. Handlers are not permitted to use whistles or other training devices in the ring or within 10 feet of the ring.
- **Cooling:** In hot weather, a wading pool will be available for cooling dogs.
- Food: No food is available on the grounds during the day.

Class Schedule

- Novice Standard 1
- Novice Standard 2
- Intermediate Standard 1
- Intermediate Standard 2
- Excellent/Master Excellent Standard 1
- Excellent/Master Excellent Standard 2

LUNCH

- Novice Jumpers with Weaves 1
- Novice Jumpers with Weaves 2
- Intermediate Jumpers with Weaves 1
- Intermediate Jumpers with Weaves 2
- Excellent/Master Excellent Jumpers with Weaves 1
- Excellent/Master Excellent Jumpers with Weaves 2

Height Division

Owners are responsible for entering the correct height divisions. Handlers may opt to enter in a higher height division than their measured height for all Regular classes. Selected and Veteran dogs must enter one height division lower than their measured regular height (with the option of a second height drop for Veteran dogs). The judge may require any dog to be measured.

Regular Jump Height	Dog Height at Withers
8 inches	11 inches and under
12 inches	11 to 14 inches
16 inches	14 to 18 inches
20 inches	18 to 22 inches
24 inches	over 22 inches

The following breeds, or mixed breed dogs that resemble these breeds in relation to weight to shoulder height ratios, are permitted (but not required) to jump either ONE or TWO jump height(s) lower than the designated shoulder height when they show in the Selected division:

- **Small Breeds:** Basset Hound, Bulldog, Cesky Terrier, Clumber Spaniel, Dachshund (all six varieties), Dandie Dinmont Terrier, French Bulldog, Pekingese, Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen, Scottish Terrier, Sealyham Terrier, Skye Terrier, Welsh Corgi (Cardigan and Pembroke).
- **Giant Breeds:** Bernese Mountain Dog, Black Russian Terrier, Bloodhound, Bullmastiff, Great Dane, Great Pyrenees, Greater Swiss Mountain Dog, Irish Wolfhound, Leonberger, Mastiff, Neopolitan Mastiff, Newfoundland, Saint Bernard.

Electronic timers will be used. Equipment will be chosen from the following:

- A-frame (5'6" for dogs jumping 20 or 24" and 5' for dogs jumping 4, 8, 12 or 16")
- Dog walk
- Teeter
- Weave poles (6 to 12) at 24" spacing
- Open tunnels
- Bar jumps
- Double bar jump
- Triple bar jump
- Tire jump
- Broad jump
- Panel jump

Awards and Prizes (for qualifying scores only)

Ribbons: Flat ribbons will be offered for all first to fourth placements in each jump height in each class as well as for all qualifying scores.

Sponsored Prizes

The Belgian Shepherd Dog Club of Canada is pleased to offer a prize to the Belgian Shepherd Dog that earns the Highest Qualifying score in each of the Novice, Intermediate, and Excellent Std1 classes and each of the Novice, Intermediate, and Excellent JWW1 classes. Any ties will be determined by fastest time.

Notable Changes in the 2023 CKC Agility Rules

Fix and Go On

At any time during a run the hander may immediately fix a single obstacle one time. The action shall be judged as an elimination, which shall be marked as an "FG" on the scribe sheet and indicated by the judge with raised crossed arms, resulting in a non-qualifying score (NQ). The handler may go back a few obstacles prior to the fix (to a maximum of 3). If a jump bar is knocked, the handler may reset it, but the reset is limited to one jump. The dog may not be verbally or physically corrected for the error. Weave poles may be immediately re-attempted three times and not be considered as "Fix and Go On," but if the dog is brought back to obstacles prior to the weave poles, it will be considered the one-time Fix and Go On attempt.

Once handlers have used the one-time Fix and Go On option, they must immediately finish the course or exit the ring. The judge shall not judge the dog's run after the fix but will continue to watch the run to ensure that the handler is going on to complete the course correctly, is not using harsh commands or corrections, and that the run is being done safely. The judge will immediately whistle to excuse the team from the ring for any of these infractions.

For Fun Only (FFO)

At the handler's discretion, dogs are able to run For Fun Only (FFO) in any class, at any performance level, and at any jump height. They are not allowed to enter the same class again for a qualifying run. Dogs must attempt to run the course as numbered and are under the same judging criteria as dogs that are running for qualification. Obstacle repetition is permitted without dismissal. Toys are allowed but the toy must be identified to the judge prior to entering the ring.

A dog entered in any class at the trial may be moved to FFO at the handler's discretion during the trial. When the handler enters the ring, he must inform judge it is an FFO run, and the judge then tells the scribe who writes this on the scribe sheet, so the secretary knows. The secretary will note in the catalogue moved to "FFO". The entry fee originally paid to enter will stand and the recording fee for that run will be paid to CKC as if the dog ran as entered.

Other Changes

- Dogs and/or handlers may enter classes under a judge who resides in the same household or who is a family member, or a member of the same agility club.
- A-frame to be set at 5 feet for dogs jumping 16".
- Handlers are allowed to carry a leash on their person during a run with the proviso that it is fully concealed.
- Senior Handlers and Handlers with Disability may request a modified course time.