

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Competitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they have read and agree to the following rules and regulations:

- This mock trial is open to all dogs and handlers; regardless of age, breed, or ability. Dogs with disabilities, injuries, or illnesses which may cause the dog pain or great discomfort, or dogs exhibiting signs of aggression that threaten the safety of other dogs or humans will not be allowed to trial.
- In the event a dog's or competitor's disabilities prevent the team from performing a course or exercise as described, the competitor shall obtain a Request for Modification form ("RFM") from the Trial Host, completing the form with a written description of how the competitor intends to perform the course or its exercises that must be modified to accommodate the dog's or competitor's particular disability. The form must be submitted to the judge prior to the start of the class, and the modified performance shall approximate as closely as possible the original course and its exercises.
- All dogs shall be shown in a flat buckle or snap collar, plain harness, or properly fitted limited slip (Martingale) collar. No choke collars, prong collars, shock collars, slip collars, one-piece collar/leash (e.g., Martingale leash) or slip leashes, all metal leashes or collars, no-pull harnesses, or head collars are allowed.
- Safety shall always be of foremost consideration in actions and conduct by competitors at all times. Competitors, through entry at this event, accept full responsibility for themselves and the actions of their dogs.
- This is a family friendly event and children are welcomed and encouraged to attend and participate; however ALL children must be under the direct supervision of an adult at all times. No child shall be left unattended at any time. If you are intending on showing your dog; a second adult must be present and responsible for your child.
- No cruel or aversive techniques will be permitted anywhere on the trial grounds; this includes yelling, hitting, leash corrections, use of banned equipment, rolling, pinning or otherwise using fear or pain to force a dog to comply. Any instance of such will result in immediate dismissal from the trial grounds without refund.
- The organizing committee may refuse any entry for any reason.
- THERE SHALL BE NO REFUND for entries withdrawn after the closing date or in the event a dog and/or competitor are dismissed from competition, regardless of reason for such dismissal. A dog or competitor who suffers an injury and/or illness may be eligible for a 50% refund of their total entry fee. Written request for refund must be made to the Trial Secretary BEFORE the end of the event.
- Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. There will be a **\$35.00** service charge for returned checks. Payment of entry fees and service charges shall be made in cash or money order within 30 days of postmark of notice of returned check where notification is received after event date. Any unpaid fees or shortfalls must be paid prior to the start of the event or entry is cancelled without recourse by owner/competitor.
- All competitors through entry at this event grant to REACH K9, LLC, their representatives, agents, and assigns, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate his/her and their dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia or identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission, or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known and waive any and all rights relative thereto.
- All competitors through entry at this event hereby release WCRL, REACH K9, Oakdale Farm, as well as their representatives, agents, and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality, or any similar right.
- Competitors shall have the right to photograph and/or videotape portions of this event for their personal use only. No portion of this event may be videotaped for commercial or other purposes.
- Dogs must remain under control at all times whether on or off leash while on trial site grounds. This is a working farm, and all competitors are expected to use common sense and the utmost courtesy when on the grounds. Dogs should not be allowed to bark at, intimidate, or interact with the horses in any way. Be respectful of riders. Dogs will be restricted to the parking lot and trial arena. Do not take your dog into unauthorized areas.
- You MUST pick up after your dog and yourself.