# **Farm Dog Certification Test**

FRIDAY, August 23, 2024 EVENT #2024727701 Judge: Gerianne Darnell

FRIDAY, August 23, 2024 EVENT #2024727702 Judge: Erin Embrey

LOCATION: SUNSHINE FARM

11092 240<sup>th</sup> STREET COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA 51503

These tests will run consectutively starting at 8:30 AM, second trial not to begin before 9:00 AM

# ENTRIES LIMITED TO 20 DOGS EACH TEST

IN ORDER TO EARN THE FARM DOG CERTIFICATION (FDC) TITLE, EACH DOG MUST TAKE THE TEST TWICE UNDER TWO DIFFERENT JUDGES. HOWEVER, YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ENTER BOTH TESTS.

Pre-ENTRIES CLOSE at 6:00 p.m. CDT, on Friday, August 16, 2024, at the Secretary's address. Day of Show entries will be accepted. All entries received after numerical limits are reached will be placed on an alternate's list in the order received. Drawing for run order will be held at 8:00 p.m. Friday, August 16, 2024, at the Secretary's residence.

Please waive signature requirements on all forms of delivery. Mail requiring signatures will be returned to sender.

# **TEST SECRETARY**

Linda Puckett (dreamacres2@gmail.com)

Mailing address for entries: 11092 240th St., Council Bluffs, IA 51503 (402) 593-0703

# **JUDGES**

**Gerianne Darnell** (#9971) 11092 240th St., Council Bluffs, IA 51503 (712) 526-2252

Farm Dog Certification Test One

**Erin Embrey** (#109357) 3308 Looking Glass Drive, Bellevue, NE 68123 (402) 672-2741

Farm Dog Certification Test Two

# **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Trial Chairperson: Gerianne Darnell, 11092 240th Street, Council Bluffs, IA 51503 (712) 526-2252

Erin Embrey Linda Puckett Gerianne Darnell Karen Henry

James Hogsett Jr.

# **CERTIFICATION**



Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of these events under The American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

James P. Crowley, Secretary

#### DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

The Farm Dog Certification Test (FDC) is open to all dogs at least nine (9) months of age that are individually registered with the AKC, recorded in the FSS program, dogs with PAL numbers, or dogs enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners Program. Females in season may NOT enter. Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to enter provided, in the opinion of the judge, they display no signs of physical discomfort and can safely complete the test.

#### **ENTRY FEES**

# \$40 per dog per individual test or \$60 per dog for both tests

(Fees include \$3.50 AKC recording fee for each entry.) *Entries received without correct fees will be returned.* 

#### SUNSHINE FARM WILL NOT REFUND ANY OVERPAYMENT IF THE OVERPAYMENT IS \$10.00 OR LESS.

**Make checks payable to Sunshine Farm** (<u>returned check fee is \$35</u>). All entries must be submitted on official AKC entry forms, one dog per entry form. Photocopies of entries without the AKC agreement attached are NOT acceptable. Unsigned, incomplete, or illegible entries are NOT acceptable and cannot be entered in the trial. (AKC Rule CH 14, Sec 4) Faxed entries and/or credit cards cannot be accepted.

PRE-ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, August 16, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. CDT MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEES PAYABLE TO: Sunshine Farm C/O Linda Puckett, 11092 240th St., Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Please Note: By providing your e-mail address, you will receive your entry confirmation and judging schedule via e-mail. You may notify the trial secretary that you prefer to receive the information via USPS.

# **RIBBONS & ROSETTES**

Qualifying: Dark Green Ribbon New Title: Dark Green & White Rosette

# **MOTELS**

Please make sure that you pick up after your dogs, so that these motels will continue to accept dogs. Some restrictions may apply. Double heck with motels regarding rates & dog policy when making your reservations.

Best Western, 2216 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Council Bluffs, IA 51501 (712) 322-3150 (\$10 per pet per night)

Motel 6, 3132 S. Expressway, Council Bluffs, IA 51501, (712) 366-2405 (No Pet Fee)

Red Roof Inn, 500 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Council Bluffs, IA 51501, (712) 366-5555 (No Pet Fee)

The Western Inn, 1842 Madison Avenue, Council Bluffs, IA 51503, (800) 322-1842 (\$10 per pet per night)

Days Inn, 3208 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Council Bluffs, IA 51501, (712) 366-9699 (\$15 per pet per night)

# **RV CAMPING**

Horseshoe Casino, 2701 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Council Bluffs, IA (712) 308-5005

I-29 Hwy. 34 Campground, 19281 Hanna Avenue, Pacific Junction, IA (402) 690-4266 [14 miles south of Council Bluffs)

All owners/exhibitors should be aware that the entire motel/RV site and grounds are considered within the trial limits. You will be responsible for all damage to your motel room and may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the rules of the AKC. 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/RV facilities. This is an AKC supported measure.

#### NOTICES TO EXHIBITORS

The Trial Site will be available to exhibitors at 7:30 a.m. Friday, August 23, 2024.

These tests will be held outdoors. A cool-off tub will be provided.

The safety of the dogs is our primary concern. By entering these tests, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this event, and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all requirements safely. Social Distancing requirements will be strictly enforced.

Dogs may not be left in closed vehicles without proper ventilation. If dogs are found in distress, Sunshine Farm will take appropriate action.

All dogs present must be held on leash or otherwise restricted. Under NO circumstances will dogs be allowed to disturb the resting stock or interfere outside the arena during another dog's test. (See Chapter 1, Section 20 of the AKC herding regulations.)

Entry fees will not be refunded if a dog is absent, unless the dog replaced by an alternate from the alternates' list; disqualified; excused; or barred from competition by action of the Judge or Trial Committee.

No entry fees will be refunded if the tests cannot open or be completed because 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. Sunshine Farm reserves the right to cancel these trials in the event of extreme weather conditions and no entry fee refunds will be made in such case.

Owners are responsible for errors on completed entry forms, whoever may make such errors, and no entry fee will be refunded in event of such errors or cancellation of entries after the published closing date. Changes, additions, or corrections to entry forms must be received in writing, by telegram or e-mail prior to the close of entries. Those received by telephone are not acceptable.

Telephone, e-mail, and unsigned entries cannot be accepted. Entries not on an Official AKC Entry Form and photocopies of entry forms without the Agreement and Rules of the Official AKC Form are Not acceptable.

Post-dated and returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. A collection fee of \$35.00 will be added to the amount of each returned check.

No refund for duplicate entries. Care will be taken to find duplicates, however, if an entry has been processed, no refund will be made.

No entry shall be made and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance.

No alcoholic beverages allowed on the test site.

It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dog 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. There will be no refunds of entry fees, if a person is asked to leave the trial site.

Absolutely no dogs under 6 months of age are permitted on the trial grounds.

Exhibitors alone are responsible for being at the test area when it is their turn to run. Judges are not required to wait for any dog.

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarians' recommendations to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

Management is not responsible for the loss of, damage to, or death of any dog exhibited, or for the possessions of any participant, whether the result of accident or any other cause. It is expressly understood that every dog at the show is in the care and custody and control of its owner or handler during the entire time the dog is on the show premises.

Sunshine Farm, the trial secretary, their agents, employees, etc., assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by spectators, exhibitors, handlers, their employees, or children, etc., or to any of their dogs or property. Entrants and spectators to this test site do so entirely at their own risk.

Sunshine Farm does not agree to arbitrate claims as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for these events.

This test is governed by the American Kennel Club. Exhibitors should read the AKC agreement on the entry blank attached to the Premium List. The Regulations for Herding Trials are available from the AKC at 8051 Arco Corporate Drive, Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27617-3390 or <a href="https://www.akc.org">www.akc.org</a>. All AKC Rules of Conduct will be strictly enforced.

# **DIRECTIONS TO TEST SITE**

Take I-80 East or West to I-29 South. From I-29 South or North, take the "Lake Manawa/Iowa School for the Deaf" exit (Exit 47). Go East to the Intersection of Hwy. 92 & Hwy. 275 (Wabash Avenue). From that Intersection: Go 2 miles South on Hwy. 275 (Wabash Ave.), turn left (East) on Pioneer Trail, go 4 miles East, then turn right (South) on 240th Street. Go 1.2 miles South, cross bike trail, then it's the next place on the right (West). Look for the Basset Hound mailbox.

# **EMERGENCY VETERINARY SERVICE**

# **On Call During Trial Hours:**

George Darnell, DVM Sunshine Veterinary Clinic 11092 240th Street Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Directions: On Site

#### **After Trial Hours:**

Animal Emergency Clinic 402-339-6232 9664 Mockingbird Drive, Omaha, NE 68127 Directions: Directions will vary depending on where you are. Please call the clinic for the quickest way there.