

DIRECTIONS TO THE TEST SITE

FROM THE EAST, NORTH & SOUTH: Route 495 to Route 2 West to 140 North, Exit 24B (Ashburnham, Winchendon Exit). Follow directions below*.

FROM THE WEST: Route 90 (MA Pike) to Route 495 North to Route 2 West to Route 140 North, Exit 24B (Ashburnham, Winchendon Exit) or take Route 290 North through Worcester to Route 190 North to Route 2 West to Route 140 North, Exit 24B. Follow directions below*.

*FROM ROUTE 140 NORTH, EXIT 24B: Merge onto Route 140 North; go through set of lights. Pass Sargent Street on the right and Betty Spring Road on the left. Take the next right. There will be a sign for the North Central Correctional Institution. Turn left at the end of the road. Drive through the grounds of the Correctional Institution, passing the parking lots and arriving at a gate. Inform the Official Gate Keeper that you are here for the tracking test, and they will allow you to enter.

Ignore all signs saying "no cars beyond this point," "authorized vehicles only" etc. Continue on the degraded, pothole-filled road, passing a well-groomed field on the left and a wooden sign for the Barnstormers r/c plane club. There will be a small parking area on the left, 0.7 mile from the Correctional Institution, where everyone will be parked.

GPS ADDRESS TO USE:

385 Chapel St. Gardner, MA

This will take you to the Correctional Institution. From there, follow the above* directions to get to the parking area.

ABOUT HIGH RIDGE WMA

High Ridge WMA is open to the general public and is a popular area for hikers, walkers and naturalists. The public has the right to use the area, with discretion and respect for the permitted tracking test. This also means tracking participants must exercise common courtesy for the general public.

In the event of extreme weather conditions, the club may cancel the event.

VETERINARIAN

Wachusett Animal Hospital (on call)

(978) 874-4100

EVENT 2021244004

PREMIUM LIST TRACKING DOG EXCELLENT TEST (TDX)

Sunday, October 10, 2021

ENTRIES CLOSE on Thursday September 30, 2021 at 5:00 PM at the home of the Test Secretary. The draw will take place on Thursday September 30, 2021, at 7:00 PM at the home of the Test Secretary. This test will have a Test Worker Option draw, in accordance with Chapter 1, Section 17d of the Tracking Regulations.

ENTRIES LIMITED TO 6 DOGS

Open to all AKC-registered breeds

and to All-American Dogs listed with the AKC Canine Partners Program

THE TRACKING CLUB OF MASSACHUSETTS

Licensed by the American Kennel Club



Test Hours 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM
The drawing for the tracks will be at 10:00 AM
at High Ridge WMA, Gardner, MA

Outdoors

Unbenched

Rain or Shine



AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB

CERTIFICATION Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under the American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

GINA M. DINARDO, Executive Secretary

**THE TRACKING CLUB OF MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICERS**

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TRACKING TEST COMMITTEE

Chair..... Pamela Carlson
14 Wayside Ave., Framingham, MA 01701

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JUDGES

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Martha A. Campbell
239 Burrage St., Lunenburg, MA 01462-2105

ENTRY FEES

\$125.00 (includes AKC \$0.50 recording fee and \$3.00 service fee).

Entry fees will not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by a veterinarian or judge, or barred from competition by action of the Test Committee.

Make check payable to:
TRACKING CLUB OF MASSACHUSETTS
ENTRY FEE MUST BE IN U.S. FUNDS

Mail entry and fee to:
Matthew Winters, Test Secretary
PO Box 5
Willington, CT 06279

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

CLOSING DATE: Thursday, September 30, 2021, at the home of the Test Secretary. Entries cannot be accepted, canceled or substituted after the closing date and time except as specified herein.

A **drawing** to determine which entries will participate in the test will be held at 7:00 PM on Thursday, September 30, 2021 at the home of the test secretary. The drawing will be random among all entries received except that preference shall be provided to entrants that have not earned a TDX title. This test will have a Test Worker Option draw, in accordance with Chapter 1, Section 17d of the Tracking Regulations.

The Test Secretary shall notify all entries of the result of the draw by email or mail only. Calls may be made to the Test Secretary after the draw on Thursday, September 30, 2021 from 8:00-9:00pm.

WITHDRAWALS: In the event an accepted entry withdraws after the closing date, the entry fee will be refunded only if there is an alternate accepting entry into the test. There will be no refunds until 7 days after the test.

Bitches in season may participate provided that the Test Secretary and Judges are notified that a bitch is in season prior to the drawing for tracks. The last track laid shall be reserved for the bitch in season.

TROPHIES

A rosette with club colors and a paperweight with the club logo will be presented to all who pass.

THE RUTH RIDINGS MEMORIAL TROPHY A Crystal trophy in memory of TCM founding President Ruth Ridings will be presented to each German Shepherd dog that exhibits a passing performance.

THE JUNIOR EXHIBITOR TROPHY A silver picture frame will be presented by TCM to any registered AKC Junior Handler who handles an entry to a passing performance in this test.

Kathy Cleaver offers a \$20 award to any handler earning their first title at this test.

Matthew Winters offers a \$20 award to any Spaniel who exhibits a passing performance in this test.



OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club website: www.akc.org

AGREEMENT

I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club in effect at the time of this event, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list of this event and entry form and any decision made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC approved judge, judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog. Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such, injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other person. I (we) agree that the determination of whether the injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN THIS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

Signature of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry:

Telephone _____ Email _____

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. (Variety) if you are entering a dog of breed in which there are varieties for show purposes, please designate the particular variety you are entering, i.e., Cocker Spaniel (solid color black, ASCOB, parti-color), Beagles (not exceeding 13 in., over 13 in. but not exceeding 15 in.), Dachshunds (longhaired, smooth, wirehaired), Collies (rough, smooth), Bull Terriers (colored, white), Manchester Terriers (standard, toy), Chihuahuas (smooth coat, long coat), English Toy Spaniels (King Charles and Ruby, Blenheim and Prince Charles), Poodles (toy, miniature, standard).
2. The following categories of dogs may be entered and shown in Best of Breed competition: Dogs that are Champions of Record and dogs which, according to their owners' records, have completed the requirements for a championship, but whose championships are unconfirmed. The showing of unconfirmed Champions in Best of Breed competition is limited to a period of 90 days from the date of the show where the dog completed the requirements for a championship.
3. (Event Class) Consult the classification in this premium list. If the event class in which you are entering your dog is divided, then, in addition to designating the class, specify the particular division of the class in which you are entering your dog, i.e. age division, color division, weight division.
4. A dog must be entered in the name of the person who actually owned it at the time entries for an event closed. If a registered dog has been acquired by a new owner it must be entered in the name of its new owner in any event for which entries closed after the date of acquirement, regardless of whether the new owner has received the registration certificate indicating that the dog is recorded in his/her name. State on entry form whether transfer application has been mailed to the AKC. (For complete rules, refer to Chapter 11, Section 3.)
5. Mixed Breed dogs entering classes for Agility, Obedience, and Rally trials should mark Breed as "All-American Dog/Mixed Breed." Sire and Dam information shall remain blank for mixed breed entrants.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

If this entry is for Junior Showmanship, please enter the following information.

AKC Junior Handler Number _____ Junior's Date of Birth _____

The Junior Handler number MUST be included. Should you not have your Junior Handler number, it may be obtained from the American Kennel Club, phone (919) 233-9767.

Junior Handler's Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Country (if not USA) _____

By signing the entry form, I (we) certify that the Junior Showman does not now, and will not at any time, act as an agent/handler for pay while continuing to compete in Junior Showmanship.

If this Junior Handler is not the owner of the dog identified on the face of this form, what is the relationship of the Junior Handler to the Owner?

I have enclosed \$ _____ for my total entry fees

IMPORTANT Read Instructions on reverse side carefully before filling out. Numbers in the boxes indicate sections of the instructions relevant to the information needed in that box (PLEASE PRINT). Next, be sure to read the Agreement and sign on the reverse. No form will be processed without your signature!

Breed5 _____ Variety1 _____ Sex _____
Dog Show Class2,3 _____ Class3 Division (Weight, color, etc.) _____
Additional Classes _____ Obedience Class (Jump Height) _____ Rally Class (Jump Height) _____ Junior Showmanship Class _____
Name of (See Back) Junior Handler (If Any) _____ Junior Handler Number _____
Full Name of Dog _____

AKC No. PAL/ILP No. Foreign Reg No. Place of Birth (Enter Country below) Do not print the country in catalog Date of Birth
Breeder _____

Sire _____

Dam _____

Actual Owner(s)4 (Please Print) _____

Owner's Address _____

City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Telephone # _____ Are you a new exhibitor? Yes No Owner/Handler Eligible? Yes No

Email Address (An acknowledgement or receipt of entry may be sent to this email address) _____

Name of Agent at the Show (If any) _____