

PREMIUM LIST



Thursday, October 31st, 2024

Container, Interior, Handler Discrimination

2 Trials (2024194709, 2024194710)

Friday, November 1st, 2024

Buried, Exterior

2 Trials (2024194718, 2024194719)

National Specialty 2024

Embassy Suites by Hilton

East Peoria, IL

Akita Club of America

Licensed by the American Kennel Club

ENTRIES OPEN - September 6th, 2024 at 12:00 pm CST

- All entries received before opening date will be returned.

ENTRIES CLOSE - October 18th, 2024 at 12:00 pm CST

- Entries received after closing cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows.
- Entries can be made online or by mail to the Trial Secretary on an official AKC entry form.
- Entries are accepted in order of date/time stamp.
- No entries will be accepted by mail, phone, fax, or hand delivery.
- Illegible entries will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor.
- Unpaid entries do not constitute a valid entry.
- No entries may be withdrawn with a refund after closing date/time.
- An entry is defined as a single run by a single dog in a single class.
- Inquiries may be directed to the Trial Secretary.

ELIGIBLE BREEDS

Entry is limited to Akitas Only.

ENTRY

Fee - \$25.00 per class *

* Entry fee includes \$3.50 per run AKC recording fee

Limits - 124 runs per day

Cancellations - \$10 administration fee when full refund is issued

Wait List - will be established

Method - first received

Move-ups - accepted between trials

Enter online - www.akitaclub.org

TRIAL

Hours - 7:00 am to 4:00 pm daily

Check-in - 7:30 am to 8:00 am for first classes

General Briefing - 8:00 am

First dog - to follow General Briefing

Venue - to be held both indoors and outdoors

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RULES & REGULATIONS

Download the Rules & Regulations for Scent Work here: [Download link](#)



CERTIFICATION - Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations. *Gina DiNardo, Secretary*

VETERINARIAN ON CALL

Tri-County Animal Emergency Clinic * 1800 N Sterling Ave East Peoria, IL * 309-672-1565

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Fire / Ambulance / Police – Tazewell County 911

OSF Saint Francis Medical Center - 530 NE Glen Oak Ave, Peoria, IL

JUDGING ASSIGNMENTS THURSDAY & FRIDAY - FIRST DOG AT 8:00 AM

Thursday, October 31st, 2024

Trial 1	Container	Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master	Lisa M Godfrey (95817) Normal, IL
Trial 1	Interior	Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master	Lisa M Godfrey (95817) Normal, IL
Trial 1	Handler Discrimination	Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master	Lisa M Godfrey (95817) Normal, IL
Trial 2	Container	Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master	Lisa M Godfrey (95817) Normal, IL
Trial 2	Interior	Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master	Lisa M Godfrey (95817) Normal, IL
Trial 2	Handler Discrimination	Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master	Lisa M Godfrey (95817) Normal, IL

Friday, November 1st, 2024

Trial 1	Buried	Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master	Lisa M Godfrey (95817) Normal, IL
Trial 1	Exterior	Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master	Lisa M Godfrey (95817) Normal, IL
Trial 2	Buried	Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master	Lisa M Godfrey (95817) Normal, IL
Trial 2	Exterior	Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master	Lisa M Godfrey (95817) Normal, IL

RIBBONS & PRIZES

Placement flats will be awarded in each class as follows:

First Place Blue
Second Place Red
Third Place Yellow
Fourth Place White
Qualifying Score Dark Green

Rosettes will be awarded in each class as follows:

High in Trial / HIT Combined 7" Head & 24" Streamers Orange/Brown
Master Elite Title 7" Head & 30" Streamers Patterned
Master Title 7" Head & 24" Streamers Patterned
Level / Elite Level 6" Head & 18" Streamers Black/White
Element / Elite Element 5" Head & 16" Streamers Purple/Cream

Trophies will be awarded as follows:

High in Trial / High in Trial Combined Long Line
Level / Elite Level Toy
New Element Title Treats



HIGH IN TRIAL & HIGH IN TRIAL COMBINED

Only teams who participate in the same difficulty level in all elements offered (Buried, Container, Exterior, Interior) and qualify in each are eligible to win High in Trial. One High in Trial winner is chosen per level. There is not a separate High in Trial for the Novice A and Novice B Sections. High in Trial is determined by adding the team's faults across the elements. If there is a tie based on the lowest faults, then the teams' times across the elements will be summed and the faster finishing team will win. High in Trial Combined includes the Handler Discrimination element. The High in Trial and High in Trial Combined awards are not recorded by the AKC.

DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

AKITAS ONLY. Dogs who are six (6) months of age or older and are registered with the AKC, have an AKC Limited Registration, have an AKC Canine Partners Listing, have a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), or an approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breed are eligible to participate. Dogs with a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or AKC Canine Partners Listing must be spayed or neutered in order to compete.

Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, they display no signs of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Dogs with bandages, sutures, or visible wounds are not eligible. Deaf dogs and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Dogs that are both deaf and blind are able to participate so long as the handler is in control of the dog at all times, the dog can complete the requirements of the class, and the dog does not appear to be under undue stress in the opinion of the judge.

Bitches in season MAY NOT participate. A refund of entry fees for bitches that come into season after the closing date/time may be obtained by notifying the Trial Secretary in writing no later than 30 minutes before the start of the trial.

REFUNDS & CANCELLATIONS

No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Trial Committee. Entries withdrawn for any reason, except bitch in season, after closing date are not eligible for a refund.

Cancellation of entries must be in writing and received prior to the stated close of entries to receive a full refund less an applicable administration fee.

CLASS TRANSFERS

A move-up transfer may be requested if, according to the owner's records, the handler and dog are eligible and the dog has completed the requirements for the title after the closing date/time of the trial in which advanced entry has been made. A move-down transfer may be requested if the owner mistakenly entered the dog in a higher level class for which it is not eligible. A lateral transfer may be requested if the owner mistakenly entered the dog in Novice A and is not eligible. The request for a class transfer must be submitted in writing to the Trial Secretary at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the trial. Transfers will be approved provided there is availability in the class.

WAIT LIST

A wait list will be established and ordered by date/time the entry was received.

EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN, BRIEFING, STAGING, WARM-UP, RUN ORDER

Exhibitors must check in for each trial they have entered. At check-in, exhibitors will receive their armband number.

The Handler's Briefing will take place in view of the search area prior to the start of each class, after the hide(s) have been set, and after the Demo Dog has run. During the Handler's Briefing, the judge will explain if there's an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides, and maximum time for the search. NO DOGS are to be present during the Handler's Briefing.

Staging Area will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include crating, warm-up and waiting area, as well as the secretary table for check-ins and posting of running order and results.

The club shall designate a warm-up area. One labelled container per target odor being used in the trial on that day will be placed in the warm-up area. This will allow handler-dog teams to prepare themselves for the search prior to their run. Each team should limit their warm-up to two minutes or less so that others may be able to use the warm-up area as well. Clubs may also place blank containers.

Trials will run Novice to Master. Handler Discrimination will run first before all other elements.

Handlers are required to provide their own scented articles for Handler Discrimination. These include a cotton glove or cotton sock for Novice and cotton balls or cotton swabs for Advanced, Excellent, and Master.

SEARCH AREA & CONDITIONS

Search areas may be of any shape and of the size as specified in the Regulations for AKC Scent Work for each class. Searches may be indoors or outdoors on any type of surface, so handlers should be prepared for natural and/or uneven surfaces. Handlers should also be prepared for all potential weather conditions and should understand that searches will be conducted rain or shine unless dangerous conditions are present.

SITE INFORMATION

Temporary crating space will be available near search area. Crates may not be left overnight near the search area, however, crates may be left overnight in the grooming area and grooming space is available for purchase. The Akita Club of America and Embassy Suites by Hilton will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items left at the show site.

It is not appropriate to scout the trial location prior to the trial date. Many search locations are real-life environments and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future.

Chapter 5, Section 35 of the Scent Work Regulations states "No person other than those engaged in the administration of a trial shall be in possession of any target odor when on the trial grounds. There shall be no training on the grounds of the AKC Scent Work trial, other than the designated warm-up area".

Dogs must be on leash at all times while on trial grounds except during a search when the judge has approved an off leash option.

Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dog(s) and will not allow their dog(s) to urinate on the building, planters, trashcans, and/or landscaping. Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without benefit of refund if the Trial Committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement. Cleaning supplies and disposal sites will be available at various locations around the show grounds.

Spectators are encouraged. Any person not handling a dog in the current class or any person who has already completed their run in the class may choose to watch the search. Handlers may not watch other exhibitors in their class prior to their run. No one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide. Spectators should enter and exit the search area between searches so that they are not a distraction.

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

By entering these trials, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all searches safely. It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create an unnecessary disturbance or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the trial committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. The Akita Club of America and its officers, representatives, volunteers, the Event Chairperson/Secretary, Event Committee, and Embassy Suites by Hilton assume no responsibilities for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors or handlers or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children. The Akita Club of America reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog on account of aggression.

During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness. A wearable camera such as a GoPro may be mounted to the dog's harness. Leashes may be of any length and/or retractable.

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

Claims will be arbitrated as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this trial.

SAFE SPORT

Anyone in violation of a restriction pursuant to AKC rules or policies, or the law can be asked to leave the grounds. If the person fails to leave, the local authorities will be contacted. In addition, if the club believes laws, restrictions, or conditions of release are being violated by an individual's attendance or participation in AKC events, the local authorities will be contacted immediately as they have the authority of enforcement.

HOST HOTEL

Embassy Suites by Hilton 100 Conference Center Dr East Peoria, IL 918-878-7777 [Hotel reservations link](#)

RV PARKING

RV parking available in host hotel parking lot. [RV reservations link](#)

DIRECTIONS

From I-155 northbound - take I-74 west, exit 94 towards Riverfront Dr, use right lane to take W Washington St

From IL-29 southbound - turn left onto IL-40 south, slight right onto Tractor Drive, turn right onto Conference Dr

From I-74 westbound - exit 94 towards Riverfront Dr, use right lane to take W Washington St

From I-74 eastbound - exit 94 towards Riverfront Dr, use right lane to take W Washington St

