

2023-2024 SOUTHEASTERN YOUTH FAIR

DOG OBEDIENCE

- **COORDINATOR:** Felicia Sakuta 910-467-3147
- **COMMITTEE:** Tiffany Howard 352-553-8151, Tricia Swinehart, Shelley Sharp, Jason Swinehart

- **IMPORTANT DATES:** See Calendar of Events for all important dates

Approved Trainers are available and most are FREE See "Resources" on SEYF website / Dog Show for all offerings and training schedules
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Vet Slip required with ENTRY FORM: Distemper (DHPP) – Parvo – Bordetella – Rabies

If your dogs vaccines expired on or before February 24, 2024 you are responsible for submitting the updated records. Any dog with expired records **will not** be allowed to show. Always keep records of your dogs vaccines with you during practices and the day of the Dog Show.

- 1 The SEYF General Rules & Regulations apply to this show.
- 2 See general rules for dress code requirements. (closed toed athletic shoes are permitted for the SEYF Dog Show)
- 3 All dogs must be owned by the exhibitor or a family member (parents, siblings, grandparents). No dogs may be leased or loaned to the exhibitor.
- 4 Any originally registered dog cannot be replaced by another dog for any reason.
- 5 Dogs **must be** 6 months of age before or on September 1, 2023 to participate.
- 6 No female dogs in season permitted on the day of the Dog Show.
- 7 Any exhibitor with an uncontrollable and/or aggressive dog will be asked to immediately remove that dog from the grounds and be disqualified.
- 8 No dog shall be individually hands-on trained by a professional dog trainer or by the parent(s), only by the exhibitor.
- 9 All exhibitors **must** attend a minimum of 10 training sessions during the months of October 2023 - February 2024, prior to the Dog Show with our Approved Trainers. A list of Approved Trainers can be found on the SEYF website / Dog Show under Resources: "2023-2024 Approved Dog Trainers".
- 10 Exhibitors are **required** to have their "Mandatory Sign in Sheet" initialed and dated by the trainer each practice to receive credit. If you do not have at least the minimum 10 required training sessions you will not be eligible to show. You are **required** to turn in your "Mandatory Sign in Sheet" during check in on the day of the Dog Show. Sign in sheet can be found and printed off the SEYF website / Dog Show under Resources: "Mandatory Sign in Sheet". (you are responsible for keeping up with your sign in sheet, taking a picture each practice would be a good idea in case something does happens).
- 11 **Approved trainers** will be listed on the SEYF website / Dog Show under Resources: "2023-2024 Approved Dog Trainers". If you do not see your trainer listed, **then they are not an approved trainer**. If you wish to practice with an addition trainer(s) you may do so but are still required to a minimum of 10 practice sessions by an **approved trainer**.
- 12 ONLY ONE RECORD BOOK per exhibitor may be submitted regardless of how many dog(s) being shown. (i.e. Obedience, Agility, Rally) It will be designated DOG RECORD BOOK.
- 13 **NO** dogs will be allowed on fair property prior to the day of show. You will be disqualified from the show if this rule is not obeyed.
- 14 Prior to the show, exhibitors must have their dog well groomed, washed, ears clean, brushed and nails trimmed.
- 15 Only 2 dogs allowed per exhibitor, only 1 exhibitor per dog. Exhibitors **may not** show 2 dogs in the same class (basic, sub-novice, novice, advance) nor the same dog in 2 classes.

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- 16 Basic class(s) is for first year handler **only**! Even if you don't place you must move up the following year.
 - 17 Sub-Novice class is for exhibitors that have previously shown a dog in SEYF Basic Class. If you have shown before and are showing a new dog you must show the dog in Sub-Novice.
 - 18 Novice class is for exhibitors that have placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place in Sub-Novice class or has shown for three (3) years prior in Sub-Novice class; or if dog or handler has shown in an outside dog venue of any type (i.e. AKC, CPE, UKC, etc.)
 - 19 Advanced class is for exhibitors who place 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place in Novice class or has shown for previous three (3) years in the Novice class; or if dog or handler has any leg from an outside dog venue (i.e. AKC, CPE, UKC, etc.)
 - 20 **A DOG WITH AN OBEDIENCE TITLE IS INELIGIBLE.**
 - 21 Dogs must be on a leash at all times. Unless in the show ring competing in Novice or Advance class. A six (6) foot leash with a choke-chain, flat buckle collar, or martingale are required. No pinch collars, lead collars, prong collars, harness or corrective collars of any kind are permitted. No flex leashes will be accepted. (no tags or attachments are allowed).
 - 22 **ONE THANK YOU SPONSORSHIP CARD/LETTER IS REQUIRED** on show day per exhibitor regardless of how many dog shows you are entered in (i.e. Obedience, Agility, Rally) Sponsor name and address can be found on the SEYF / Dog Show under Resource (will be posted the end of January 2023).
 - 23 Dog Show rules are guided by AKC and Florida State Fair rules but modified by Dog Committee to ensure success of participants. This is not an AKC, CPE, UKC, etc. event.
 - 24 The Dog Show Coordinator and/or Committee shall reserve the right to refuse entry or show participation to any aggressive people or animals.
 - 25 Failure to follow any of the rules will result in disqualification from the show.
- Show Day**
- 26 Exhibitors must register at check in table on the date and time listed on the calendar of events on the SEYF website. Exhibitors must have proper equipment for their dog, follow dress code requirements, turn on mandatory Sponsorship card/letter and turn in "**Mandatory Sign in Sheet**". Failure to do so will cause for disqualification from the show.
 - 27 All dogs must be off fair grounds within one hour (1 hour) after the Dog Show. Exception: If exhibitors are in the following show, their dogs must be properly crated under your direct supervision. No stalls may be used for dogs and dogs are not to be left in cars. No dogs are allowed in any barn area or co-mingled with other animals. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from the show.
 - 28 Dogs must be on a leash at all times until they enter the Obedience ring.
 - 29 **No** food, treats, toys, trainers, or parents will be allowed inside dog show arena. **No** day of show coaching from outside of ring.
 - 30 No contact familiarization before each class.
 - 31 Each exhibitor will be responsible for cleaning up after their dog.
 - 32 Only dogs that are in the dog show will be allowed on the premises. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from the show.
 - 33 Any dog that soils or defecates in the ring will be disqualified and not considered for placing in that class. The exhibitor must clean up after their dog.
 - 34 The Show Coordinator and Committee reserve the right to make changes as necessary for the success and the safety of the dogs and exhibitors.
 - 35 All dogs must be physically able to perform all obstacles in class entered. No dogs injured, lame, sick, or unhealthy are allowed to participate in events.
 - 36 **All judge's decisions are final. Judge's decisions will not be changed or overruled.** (tie breakers will be at the judges discretion)

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CLASSES: Any dog who has placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd; or have shown in a class for three (3) previous years in the SEYF dog show MUST move up to the next level. Except Basic class you must move up after your first year.

BASIC: (on leash) – This class will be divided into age groups. If you compete in any outside venue, (i.e. AKC, CPE, UKC, etc.) you CANNOT enter this class.

Basic is for the first year handlers **ONLY**.

-All exercise will be done on a leash; heel, figure eight, sit for exam, recall, sit-stay for one (1) minute.

SUB-NOVICE: (on leash) – This class will be divided into age groups. If you compete in any outside venue, (i.e. AKC, CPE, UKC, etc.) you CANNOT enter this class.

Sub-Novice class is for exhibitors that have previously shown a dog in the SEYF and/or are showing a new dog you must show the dog in Sub-Novice. Even if you did not place in Basic the year before you must move up.

-All exercise will be done on leash; heel, figure eight, sit for exam, recall, sit-stay for (1) minute and stay down for one (1) minutes.

NOVICE: (on/off leash) – This class will not be divided into age groups.

Novice class is for exhibitors that have placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place in Sub-Novice class or has shown for three (3) years prior in Sub-Novice class or has shown in any outside venue (i.e. AKC, CPE, UKC, etc.).

-Some exercises will be on leash; heel and figure eight. Off leash; stand for exam, recall, sit-stay one (1) minute, down stay two (2) minutes.

ADVANCED: (on/off leash) - This class will not be divided into age group.

Advanced class is for exhibitors who place 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place in Novice or has shown for previous three (3) years in the Novice class; or if dog has any leg from an outside dog venue (i.e. AKC, CPE, UKC, etc.)

-Some exercises will be on leash; heel and figure eight. Off leash; heel free, stand for exam, recall, sit-stay (walking around ring), down stay three (3) minutes.

AWARDS

The Show Coordinator and Committee reserves the right to withhold awards if there is not sufficient competition.

Basic - Junior, Intermediate, & Senior Divisions: 1st through 3rd Place

Sub-Novice – Junior, Intermediate, & Senior Divisions: 1st through 3rd Place

Novice - 1st through 3rd places

Advanced – 1st through 3rd places

Record Book (FROM ALL DOG SHOWS COLLECTIVELY) Junior, Intermediate, Senior Divisions: 1st through 3rd Place

Skill-A-Thon – Junior, Intermediate, Senior Divisions: 1st through 3rd Place

***NEW* Educational Poster Contest** – Junior, Intermediate, Senior Divisions: 1st through 3rd Place

High Point Dog Award – Belt Buckle

Combined High Point Dog Award to receive a Belt Buckle

Combined scores in: Obedience; Agility; Rally; Skill-a-thon; record book; and Educational Poster contest. Exhibitor must participate in each one of these events/contests AND are required to SHOW THE SAME DOG with the SAME HANDLER to qualify.