



Top Skill K9 Trial Procedures for COVID-19 Update Sept 25th

Hi everyone! We are trying to offer a safe and enjoyable agility experience. However, it is going to take the cooperation of everyone involved to make this a success.

You will see that some things have temporarily changed.

1. **STAY HOME IF YOU ARE FEELING SICK!!!!** Here is the link to Ontario's COVID 19 Self-Assessment Tool: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/self-assessment/> Please take the assessment on the morning of the event.
2. **WASH YOUR HANDS** often, we will have hand sanitizer and a hand wash station with soap.
3. Maintain social/physical distance.
4. Please refrain from touching anything that isn't yours.
5. **Mask is mandatory to walk course and some place as vendors or around the Arena look for the signs, please bring your own.** Provincial guidelines are à people need to wear a mask when social distancing cannot be maintained. Please be advised that we will not be providing masks to competitors.
6. Sporting events are not open to spectators so please do not bring anyone with you.(beside your life partner). This person need to be declare before the trial and accepted by Top Skill K9 owner as we need to respect Provincial rules.
7. Bathrooms will be stocked with plenty of hand sanitizer. Bathrooms will be cleaned daily but some Cleaning wipe will be available between the bathrooms if you want to clean it before going in. Thanks to discard the wipe in the garbage and not in the bathroom.
8. Please use hand sanitizer when entering the ring to volunteer and again when you leave the ring. Hand sanitizer will be available on the outside of the ring.

TRIAL PROCEDURES:

- 1) Set up your shade tent in the agility field on the 2 sides and the end of the ring at a minimum of 15-20 feet of the fence. That way the front part will stay always free for the participants and their dogs who will be running soon and for the safety of the staff.
- 2) Maps will be posted on the day of the trial on our facebook page and send by email early morning and on the exterior of the arena for competitors to take an image with their phone. Always maintain Physical distancing.
- 3) General briefing will be on our website www.TopSkillK9.com the Thursday night before the trial and will be available to watch later.
- 4) Course briefing written by the Judge will be posted on the day of the trial on our facebook page and with the course maps on the exterior of the arena.
- 5) Walk-throughs will be divided into two groups – Regulars and Specials/Vets. **They will be 5 mins each. Competitors have been advised. A face masks are mandatory.**
- 6) No check in at the gate, Gate steward will be separate from the gate so please make sure you are on time and ready for your run.
- 7) There is no leash runner. The entry and exit will be at the same place so you can pickup your leash on the way out.
- 8) Results will be posted on the exterior of the arena.
- 9) Placement Ribbons will be available on specific time in the day. Directives will be on the email send the week before the trial.
- 10) Measuring rules have been suspended for the 2020 season. Anyone who has one confirmed measurement will be competing at that height until the end of the year and will not require a second measurement at this time. We are working on a process for measuring dogs under the age of two. If your dog requires measuring, please wear a mask as this procedure may cause you to come in close contact with our judge. If you do not want to wear a mask, please have someone else who is wearing a mask bring your dog for measuring. Please be patient as we figure out the best way to complete this process.

RULES FOR CAMPERS:

1. All rules that apply during the trial apply to all campers while on site. This includes physical distancing, gathering restrictions, bathroom cleaning, etc.
2. Campers will be expected to self-monitor themselves.

Again, these are unusual times so if you do not agree with any of the above rules please join us again later when some of the above may be changed.

Thank you! Stephane and Marie-France