

FOND DU LAC COUNTY 4-H DOG PROJECT
PROJECT RULES
REVISED 01-05-08

GENERAL RULES:

Any child may enroll in the Dog Project that is enrolled in the third grade (or be age 9 by January 1, 2008) through one year after high school graduation (or be 19 years of age).

Members are expected to **arrive 10 minutes prior** to the scheduled time for their class and be ready to start on time.

The training sessions offered will be: Pre Novice I & II, Novice, Graduate Novice, Pre-Open, Open, & Jr. Showmanship.

Each parent or guardian will be asked that they pick up the member at the announced completion time of class. Students or siblings will not be allowed to run around the floor or play on the stage area.

Rules for Students:

1. If a student leaves the class prior to its completion; either the class instructor or one of the trainers of that class must be informed. In order for any class to count, you must stay for at least ½ the scheduled class time and inform the instructor what the circumstances are for you leaving before the scheduled ending of the class.
2. Debating or arguing with an instructor/trainer **will not be tolerated**.
3. Abusive or vulgar language will not be tolerated.
4. No hitting, kicking, kneeling or stepping on a dog or fellow student will be allowed.
5. Approval to switch dogs will only be allowed with the consent of the Dog Project Committee
6. No flip-flop's, sandals, open toe shoes or heels will be allowed in training class. Shoes must be tied at all times.

Rules for Dogs:

1. Proper spacing of dog is required to avoid sniffing and provide a working area for the handler & dog. Please follow the directions of the instructor or trainers.
2. All dogs must be up to date on Rabies, DHLPP, & we highly recommend Bordetella. No dog will be allowed in class if these shots are expired. A copy of shot records must be provided along with the application form.
3. Any dog over the age of 6 months as of February 1st and physically sound will be allowed in class.
4. Dogs are to be under control at all times and on leash except during off leash exercises/training.
5. Any dog that attacks another dog or person will automatically be barred from further training classes. Any dog that shows aggression towards another dog or person will be excused from the class for the evening. If this persists, the dog will be barred from further training classes.
6. It is the handler's responsibility to clean up after his or her own dogs.
7. Dogs should be fed early in the day on the day of class. If two meals are fed, hold the evening meal until after training class. Dogs should have water accessible at all times.
8. Female dogs in season should not be brought to class. The students should come to class and work the lessons at home.
9. All Jr. Showmanship members must complete one year of obedience training before entering Jr. Showmanship.
10. Training outside FdL Co Dog Project must be pre-approved by 4-H Dog Project Leaders and the \$15 fee paid.

Class Placement:

1. Titled dogs **MUST** train in the next advanced class (i.e. Dog received CD title, must work in Grad Novice or Open).
2. Dog must be trained in the class level above which they have completed if they received a qualifying score at the county fair or State 4-H Dog Show.
3. Dogs may not be passed from member to member unless the member will train the dog in a class not yet worked in or in the level above which the dog has completed in obedience.

Any Member not complying with these rules after signing the student agreement will be dealt with in the following manner:

1. Verbal conference with the student/parent(s)/ Dog Project Committee
2. Written letter mailed directly to the parent(s) with copy to the Extension Office
3. Member will be barred from further training.

THIS SHEET IS TO REMAIN WITH MEMBER!

**FOND DU LAC COUNTY 4-H DOG PROJECT
PROJECT APPLICATION
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NAME OF PERSON IN DOG PROJECT:

(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Initial)

Address _____ City/Zip _____

I am a 4-H member of _____ Club. Phone#(____) _____

Parents Name _____ Age as of 1-1-08 _____

_____ I will be training a dog in the Project with FDL County (Please complete Section #1)

_____ I will not be training a dog in the Project (Please complete Section #2)

_____ I will be training outside of the FDL Project

_____ I will be showing at the FDL County Fair

_____ I will be showing at the Alto Fair

I hereby acknowledge and agree that all injury or damage inflicted or caused by any dog owned or trained by me at any training class held by the Fond du Lac County 4-H Dog Project is my responsibility and shall not be the responsibility, or result in liability of, the FDL County 4-H Dog Project, any instructor or assistant thereof.

I further acknowledge and agree that no other member or instructor or any other person or the FDL County 4-H Dog Project shall be responsible or liable for injury or damage to my person or for the loss of, injury to my property.

I understand fully that the FDL County 4-H Dog Project and its members and instructors accept or assume NO responsibility for actions or behavior of those training their dogs or the actions of animals being trained by them, which may result in liability.

I also understand that I must attend a minimum of twelve (12) of the training classes (programs not included). In order for any class to count, you must stay for at least ½ the scheduled class time and inform the instructor what the circumstance are for you leaving before the scheduled ending of the class. The Dog Project Committee will determine if a student did not attend the minimum of twelve (12) classes and the Dog Project Committee will also, determine who will forfeit their opportunity to exhibit their dog at the county fair and the State Dog Show.

I also agree to observe and be bound by the Project Rules of the FDL County 4-H Dog Project.

Section #1: To be completed if you are training a dog in the Project

Name of Dog _____ Breed of Dog _____ Age & Sex _____

Has handler or dog been in an obedience/showmanship class before? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, When _____ Where _____ Level Completed _____

Section #2: To be completed if you are NOT training a dog in the Project

_____ Vet Science _____ Photography _____ Police K9's _____ Grooming _____ Judging _____ Agility Training

_____ CCI/Hearing or Seeing Eye Programs _____ Genealogy/Pedigrees _____

_____ Other (List Area if Not Listed Above) _____

Signature of Handler _____ **Date** _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ **Date** _____

(If applicant is under 18 years of Age)

Welcome Dog Project Members and Parents,

The Dog Project will get the year under way on Feb 14th 7:00pm at the Cow Palace, Fond du Lac Fairgrounds. This is a mandatory orientation meeting for the new members (do not bring your dog). Please read the Project Rules over before you come to the meeting. Fill out the Application and the Student Agreement forms, bring them along with a copy of your dog's shot record and a check made out to the Adult Leaders Association for \$25.00. If your dog's shots are not due yet, bring a copy of last year's record. When you get the shots bring in a new copy at that time.

Returning members need not attend this meeting. If you are planning to train in showmanship attach a note and Jenny will get with you. Just send the Application and Student Agreement forms, a copy of the shot record, and a check for \$15.00 (if you are using last year's leash and collar). Make the check out to the Adult Leaders Association. Send too:

**Laurie Grunke
W7130 cty trk ooo
Fond du Lac, WI 54937**

If you are training with the Alto group or the FFA group, please send the Application form to Laurie indicating what you are doing.

Feb 21st class will start at 5:45pm for beginners to fit collars and leashes. Returning members should arrive at 7:00pm. Times for the rest of the classes will be set after we know how many members we will have.

The dates for the classes are set, they are:

**Feb 14th – orientation
Feb 21st
Feb 28th
March 6th
March 20th
April 10th
April 17th
April 24th
May 1st
May 8th
May 15th
May 29th
June 5th - pizza/game party
June 19th
June 26th
July 3rd
July 10th
July 19th – DOG SHOW!**

Make up date: June 28th 10:30am at the Grunke farm, rain or shine.

Listen to WFDL Sunny 97 for cancellations due to weather.

Any questions call Laurie Grunke 923-0868