



**TRI-STATE DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB**  
**CDSP Sanctioned Trials**  
**March 25, 2023**  
**2 Trials**  
**All Trials: Utility A/B/C, Open A/B/C,**  
**Starter Novice A/B/C, Novice A/B/C**



This is a titling event under Companion Dog Sports Program rules and regulations.  
 Open to all dogs of any breed and any ability – including mixed breeds.  
 Go to [www.companiondogsportsprogram.com](http://www.companiondogsportsprogram.com) for more information.



**Hosts and Location**  
**Tri-State Dog Obedience Club**

Trials will be held at:  
 837 Rte. 6, Unit 7  
 Shohola, PA 18458

[www.tristatedogobedienceclub.org](http://www.tristatedogobedienceclub.org)

Online Entry – [tristatedogobedienceclub.org/cdspentryform.shtml](http://tristatedogobedienceclub.org/cdspentryform.shtml)  
 Beth Kofler, Chairman – [englishsetters@hotmail.com](mailto:englishsetters@hotmail.com) or 570-491-2333  
 Valerie Bernhardt, Secretary – [meadowru@ptd.net](mailto:meadowru@ptd.net) or 570-296-7820



**We will be following local and state Covid regulations.**

<b>Entries Open: Tuesday, January 17, 2023</b> (by postmark date) <b>Preferred method of entry is via our on-line form to ensure all information is correct.</b> Entries submitted via FedEx or Express Mail will not be accepted. No telephone, email, or fax entries will be accepted.	<b>Entries Close: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 11:59pm</b> Entries must be received no later than Wednesday, March 8, 2023.
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Limited to 35 dogs total all classes each trial - All Classes: \$25.00 per run

*Special early bird discount: \$23 per dog/entry received between Jan. 17 and February 15, 2023 (by postmark date)*  
*After Feb. 15, Full fee: \$25 per dog/entry received Feb. 16 (by postmark date) through March 8, 2023*

Doors open at 8:00AM / Judging begins at 9:00AM

This is an indoor trial on agile flex matting. Please be prepared to work out of your car or crate on our porch.

**Trial Schedule**

Start time for afternoon trials is estimated and will begin after morning trials are completed, but no earlier than 11:00AM.  
 Details will be provided with final confirmation.

<b>**Saturday, March 25, 2023 (See Special Notice on Next Page)</b>			
<b>Trial 1</b>		<b>Trial 2</b>	
Utility A/B/C	Rick Ritacco	Utility A/B/C	Rick Ritacco
Open A/B/C	Rick Ritacco	Open A/B/C	Rick Ritacco
Starter Novice A/B/C	Rick Ritacco	Starter Novice A/B/C	Rick Ritacco
Novice A/B/C	Rick Ritacco	Novice A/B/C	Rick Ritacco

**Trial Committee**

**Please direct all inquiries concerning the trials to the Trial Secretary.**

<b>Trial Secretary</b> Valerie Bernhardt - 570-296-7820 <a href="mailto:meadowru@ptd.net">meadowru@ptd.net</a>	<b>Trial Chairperson</b> Beth Kofler - 570-491-2333 <a href="mailto:englishsetters@hotmail.com">englishsetters@hotmail.com</a>
<b>CDSP Representative</b> Beth Kofler	

## SPECIAL NOTICE

**\*\***Trial schedule has been modified so that competitors will not need to stay all day, thereby minimizing the number of people gathered at one time. Times are approximate and subject to change.

Trial 1				
Utility	A	B	C	Judge: Rick Ritacco
Open	A	B	C	Judge: Rick Ritacco
Followed By Trial 2				
Utility	A	B	C	Judge: Rick Ritacco
Open	A	B	C	Judge: Rick Ritacco
PM Trial 1				
Starter Novice	A	B	C	Judge: Rick Ritacco
Novice	A	B	C	Judge: Rick Ritacco
Followed By Trial 2				
Starter Novice	A	B	C	Judge: Rick Ritacco
Novice	A	B	C	Judge: Rick Ritacco

## Facility, Check-In, Crating, and Food

Doors open at 8:00AM each day. Please do not arrive prior to this time. Judging will begin at 9:00AM each day. Initial confirmation will be sent after receipt of mailed entry with payment. Final confirmation and running order per trial will be sent by email after the closing date.

Please be prepared to work out of your car to allow us to follow the social distancing guidelines and ensure your and our safety. Remember to bring shade, water, fans, etc. for you and your dog's comfort.

Entries limited to 35 runs per trial. Any changes to entries, including cancellations, will be accepted until the closing date, March 8, 2023. Changes must be sent to the Trial Secretary by e-mail or in writing. There will be **no** changes made day of trial, **no exceptions**, so please check your entry carefully. Cancellations received after final confirmations have been sent will not be eligible for a refund of fees.

If you earn a title prior to the final closing date, and need to move up in level or class, please email the trial secretary immediately. Level move ups will be allowed between trials. Move ups from the A or B class to the C class are **mandatory**. Move-ups at the trials must be submitted to the Chief Scorekeeper or Trial Secretary using the Move Up Form provided at the trials.

Please bring your own lunch and beverages, there is no food close by at this time.

### Awards

Placement rosettes will be awarded to the top four (4) high scoring teams in all classes. Qualifying ribbons will be awarded to each team in all classes that achieve a qualifying score. **A rosette will be awarded to High in Trial and High Combined in Trial for each trial, exhibitor must be present to receive their rosette.**

Level title (SN-C, CD-C, CDX-C, UD-C, UDX-C, VT-C), Individual Level Championship title (ASN-C, CD-CCH, CDX-CCH, UD-CCH, VT-CCH), and Obedience Championship title (OTCH-C) rosettes will be awarded. **Please note that title rosettes will be reserved for exhibitors who indicate Anticipated Title(s) on their entry.** Titles earned at the trial but not indicated on the exhibitor entry will be provided as soon as possible after the trial.

### Directions to the Show Site

**From NJ:** Route 206 North over the Delaware River Toll Bridge. Turn right onto Rt. 209 North. At the light in Milford, continue straight onto Rt. 6 West. Stay on Rt. 6 for 7 miles to the Shohola Business Center on the right.

**From NY & Matamoras, PA:** I-84 West to Exit 46 (Milford Exit - Old Exit 10). At the end of the ramp, turn RIGHT onto Route 6 West and follow for 5 miles to the Shohola Business Center on the right.

**From PA & Points West of Milford:** I-84 East to Exit 46 (Milford Exit - Old Exit 10). At the end of the ramp, turn LEFT onto Route 6 West and follow for 5 miles to the Shohola Business Center on the right.

**From Hawley/Honesdale/Lake Wallenpaupack Area:** Take Route 6 East. The Shohola Business Center will be on your LEFT 5.5 miles past (east of) the intersection of Rt. 6 and Rt. 434.

Ample off street parking and areas to exercise your dog. **It is your responsibility to clean up after your dog.**

## Local Accommodations

**Microtel Inn & Suites** – 845-692-0098  
19 Crystal Run Crossing, Middletown, NY 10941  
35 min to site

**Super 8 Motel** – 845-692-5828  
563 Route 211 East, Middletown, NY 10940  
35 min to site

**Best Western** – 570-491-2400  
120 Route 6 & 209, Matamoras, PA, 18336, Exit 53 off rte 84 - 20 min to site

**Since many hotel policies change on dogs being allowed in their rooms, please check at time of booking your room for their policy.** Please have your canine companions on their best behavior, so these hotels will want our business again. We recommend dogs be crated in your room when you are not there. And, as always, pick-up after your dog!

## Notice to Competitors

Competitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of CDSP rules and regulations (see [www.companiondogssportsprogram.com](http://www.companiondogssportsprogram.com)), including but not limited to the following rules regarding entry:

- This trial is open to a dog at least six months of age, including purebred and non-purebred, except bitches in season or dogs with disabilities, injuries, or illnesses which may cause the dog pain or great discomfort, or dogs exhibiting signs of aggression that threaten the safety of other dogs or humans.
- Dogs must be shown by a member of the owner's immediate family: mother, father, spouse, life partner, sibling, child, grandparent, or grandchild.
- All dogs shall be shown in a flat buckle or snap collar, or properly fitted Martingale (limited slip) collar. No choke collar, prong collars, shock collars, harnesses, Martingale leads, or head collars are allowed.
- All dogs must be registered with CDSP on the day of competition. See [www.companiondogssportsprogram.com](http://www.companiondogssportsprogram.com) to complete the registration form and submit it to the CDSP office.
- Safety shall always be of foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times. Handlers, through entry at this event, accept full responsibility for themselves and the actions of their dogs.
- The organizing committee may refuse any entry for any reason.
- THERE SHALL BE NO REFUND for entries withdrawn after the closing date or in the event a dog and/or handler are dismissed from competition, regardless of reason for such dismissal. A dog who suffers an injury and/or illness or bitches that come into season after the closing date may be eligible for a 100% refund of their total entry fee. Written request for refund must be made to the Trial Secretary BEFORE the end of each event. Please provide documentation from your veterinarian/physician within 7 days of the Trial closing date. There will be no refunds if the trial has to be cancelled for any reason.
- Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. There will be a \$35.00 service charge for returned checks. Payment of entry fees and service charges shall be made in cash or money order within 30 days of postmark of notice of returned check where notification is received after event date. Any unpaid fees or shortfalls must be paid prior to the start of the event or entry is cancelled without recourse by owner/handler.
- No entry fees will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, Act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strike, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizers.
- All competitors through entry at this event grant to Companion Dog Sports Program, their representatives, agents, and assigns, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate my and the dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia or identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission, or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known and waive any and all rights relative thereto.
- All competitors through entry at this event grant to Companion Dog Sports Program, their representatives, agents, and assigns, hereby release CDSP, the hosting club, their representatives, agents, and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality, or any similar right.
- Competitors shall have the right to videotape portions of this event for their personal use only. No portion of this event may be videotaped for commercial or other purposes.
- Dogs must remain under control and on leash at all times while on trial site grounds. Please pick up after your dog and yourself.

## CDSP Class Descriptions

For a complete description of the CDSP rules, regulations, performance guidelines, explanation of exercises, etc. go to [www.companiondogssportsprogram.com](http://www.companiondogssportsprogram.com). To learn more and chat with other CDSP exhibitors, you can join the CDSPobedience Yahoo! Group by sending a message to [CDSPobedience-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:CDSPobedience-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).

## A, B, and C Classes

### Starter Novice:

- A** - Shall be for dogs who have not earned any other obedience title in any registry and does not have a qualifying score (Q) in Novice in any obedience registry.
- B** - Shall be for dogs who have earned a Beginner Novice (BN) obedience title or equivalent in any registry and does not have a qualifying score (Q) in Novice in any obedience registry.
- C** - Shall be for dogs who have earned a CDSP Starter Novice title (SN-C) in either the A or B class and does not have a qualifying score (Q) in Novice in any obedience registry.

### Novice:

- A** - Shall be for dogs who have not earned any other obedience title in any registry.
- B** - Shall be for dogs who have earned an obedience title in any registry.
- C** - Shall be for dogs who have earned a CDSP Novice title (CD-) in either the A or B class.

### Open:

- A** - Shall be for dogs who have earned the CDSP Novice obedience title (CD-C).
- B** - Shall be for dogs who have earned the CDSP Novice obedience title (CD-C) and/or any other Open obedience titles in any registry.
- C** - Shall be for dogs who have earned a CDSP Open title (CDX-C) in either the A or B class.

### Utility:

- A** - Shall be for dogs who have earned the CDSP Open obedience title (CDX-C).
- B** - Shall be for dogs who have earned the CDSP Utility obedience title (UD-C) and who wish to earn a CDSP Utility Dog Excellent title (UDX-C) and a CDSP Obedience Trial Championship title (OTCH-C).
- C** - Shall be for dogs who have earned the CDSP Utility obedience title (UD-C) and who wish to earn the CDSP Utility Championship obedience title (UD-CCH).

### Versatility:

- A** - Shall be for dogs who have earned the CDSP Novice Championship obedience title (CD-CCH).
- B** - Shall be for dogs who have earned the CDSP Novice Championship obedience title (CD-CCH) and any other Open or Utility qualifying leg or obedience title in any registry.
- C** - Shall be for dogs who have earned a CDSP Versatility title (VT-C) in either the A or B class.

## Jump Heights

Dogs are not required to be measured the day of the trial or prior to judging. However, judges have the option to measure any dog prior to his/her performance if the dog appears to be entered in a group lower than might be indicated by his/her registered shoulder height. Jump heights may also be modified based on physical challenges that a particular dog may face.

Height at withers	High/Bar Jumps (inches)
5.5" and under	4
8.0" and under	6
11.0" and under	8
13.5" and under	10
16.0" and under	12
19.0" and under	14
21.5" and under	16
24.0" and under	18
27.0" and under	20
Over 27"	22

Veteran dogs (seven years and older) may jump 2" lower than regular jump height indicated on above chart.

**Note:** If modifying your dog's jump height, select the modified height on your entry and check the box to indicate modified height. You must also submit an Exercise Modification Form to be signed by the trial judge and attached to your score sheet. An Exercise Modification Form must be completed for each trial.

The Exercise Modification Form can be completed online then printed from the following link:

[http://www.companiondogssportsprogram.com/index\\_htm\\_files/CDSPExerciseModFormV1\\_2.pdf](http://www.companiondogssportsprogram.com/index_htm_files/CDSPExerciseModFormV1_2.pdf).

**Official Companion Dog Sports Program Entry Form**  
**Tri-State Dog Obedience Club • March 25, 2023**  
**Entries Open: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 by postmark**  
**Entries Close: Wednesday, March 8, 2023**

**Entries will be accepted via online entry (preferred method)**  
<http://tristatedogobedienceclub.org/cdspentryform.shtml>  
**or regular mail (complete form w/ Agreement).**

Send completed form below with check made payable to TSDOC to:  
**Valerie Bernhardt, Attn: CDSP, 145 Schoolhouse Drive, Milford, PA, 18337**

**Dog Information** Entry forms are per team; please submit a **full 2-page entry for each team to be entered.**

Call Name:	Registered Name:	Breed:
CDSP Reg. #:	Circle Jump Height*: (Check this box if circled height is modified height: <input type="checkbox"/> ) <b>4" 6" 8" 10" 12" 14" 16" 18" 20" 22"</b>	
<i>Dogs must have a CDSP registration number. Entries will not be accepted or considered valid without a registration number. To register, go to <a href="http://www.companiondogsportsprogram.com">www.companiondogsportsprogram.com</a>.                  *If modification for jump height is being submitted, please circle the <b>MODIFIED</b> jump height on entry form and bring completed Exercise Modification Form to trials for submission to the Trial Secretary.</i>		

**Owner/Handler Information**

Owner's Name:	Handler's Name:
	(if different from Owner; must be an immediate family member)
Address:	City: State: Zip:
Phone Day: Evening:	E-Mail:

Regular mail entries are accepted on a first-come-first-serve basis. E-mail confirmations will be sent out shortly after your entry has been received. Please include a valid e-mail address with mailed entry.

**Trial Entry Information**  
 Circle A, B, or C for each class entered.

Tri-State Dog Obedience Club						
Saturday, March 25, 2023						
Trial 1				Trial 2		
Utility	A	B	C	Utility	A	B C
Open	A	B	C	Open	A	B C
Starter Novice	A	B	C	Starter Novice	A	B C
Novice	A	B	C	Novice	A	B C

If you would like to volunteer, **check this box** and you will be contacted if your help is needed.

**Entry Fees**

<b>Total Number of Classes Entered:</b> _____ \$25.00 per entry (\$23 if received by 2/15/23) Make checks payable to <b>TSDOC</b> .	<b>\$</b>
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[tristatedogobedienceclub.org/cdspentryform.shtml](http://tristatedogobedienceclub.org/cdspentryform.shtml)

**I anticipate earning the following title(s):**

<b>Trial 1 (Circle title/Add # if necessary)</b>		<b>Trial 2 (Circle title/Add # if necessary)</b>	
<b>SN-C</b>	<b>ASN-C # _____</b>	<b>SN-C</b>	<b>ASN-C # _____</b>
<b>CD-C</b>	<b>CD-CCH # _____</b>	<b>CD-C</b>	<b>CD-CCH # _____</b>
<b>CDX-C</b>	<b>CDX-CCH # _____</b>	<b>CDX-C</b>	<b>CDX-CCH # _____</b>
<b>UD-C</b>	<b>UD-CCH # _____</b>	<b>UD-C</b>	<b>UD-CCH # _____</b>
<b>VT-C</b>	<b>VT-CCH # _____</b>	<b>VT-C</b>	<b>VT-CCH # _____</b>
<b>UDX-C</b>	<b>OTCH-C</b>	<b>UDX-C</b>	<b>OTCH-C</b>

**Please note that title rosettes will be reserved for exhibitors who indicate anticipated title(s) on their entry.**  
Titles earned at the trial but not indicated on the exhibitor entry will be provided as soon as possible after the trial.

**GENERAL AGREEMENT**

I (we) agree that Tri-State Dog Obedience Club has the right to refuse this entry for any cause, which the organizing committee alone shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, of the holding of the event, and of the opportunity to have the dog participate and/or to be judged, I (we) agree to hold the organizing committee, the hosting club(s), Companion Dog Sports Program, including their members, officers, directors, agents and employees, sponsors of the event, and owners of the premises upon which the event is held and their employees, harmless from any claim for loss or injury that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim. I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, appearance, theft, damage, or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes. I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify 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 resulting at any time there from, 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, howsoever such injuries, death, or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.

I (we) further acknowledge that I (we) have read, understand, and will abide by the Official Rules and Regulations of Companion Dog Sports Program and the provisions for entry as set forth in the Trial Schedule of which this entry form is a part. I (we) acknowledge and represent that the information supplied by me (us) herein is correct to the best of my (our) knowledge; if any portion of this information is found to be invalid or insufficient to establish the validity of my (our) entry, such finding shall render my (our) entry invalid in its entirety, for which there shall be no refund of fees paid. Further, I (we) represent that I am (we are) the owner(s) of the dog listed hereon, or that I (we) am are a family member of the dog's owner as stated and allowed in the CDSP rules, and that I (we) shall hold the hosting club(s) and CDSP, including their officers, directors, employees and agents and their sponsors, harmless from any liability or claim made by dog's owner.

Further, I (we) hereby grant to Companion Dog Sports Program, Tri-State Dog Obedience Club, their representatives, agents, and assigns, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate my and the dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia or identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission, or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known. I (we) hereby release CDSP, the hosting club(s), their representatives, agents, and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality, or any similar right.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Legal Guardian signature for junior or minor entries:

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**This signed and dated Agreement must accompany your entry form.** Entries must also be received with correct fees by the closing date at the address provided. Entries will not be accepted by overnight mail.