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South Dakota State University Extension

DOG Showmanship



_____Class #: ____

Dog name:	Breed:			
CRITERIA	DEDUCTIONS	Points Possible	Points Deducted	
Appearance of Handler - Cleanliness and neatness of handler - Appropriateness of apparel	 Not wearing required 4-H apparel Wearing head gear (hats etc.) Wrong showmanship lead 	10		
Grooming of Dog - Brushing (mats, dead hair), nails, clean teeth	Teeth need cleaning Nails need to be clipped Mats, dead hair, not combed, dirty Hair trimmed according to breed	20		
Exhibitor's Handling of Dog - Front Set Up - Judge's side first - Head high (no choking) - Feet should be placed directly beneath the shoulders, toes pointed straight forward (within limits of the breed)	Lead placed incorrectly on dog/held incorrectly Head not held high Feet not placed correctly for breed	20		
Exhibitor's Handling of Dog - Rear Set Up - Legs slightly wider apart than front - Adjust the leg that is most out of line first - Try not to let head drop while setting up hindquarters	 Head not held high while setting up rear legs Feet not placed correctly for breed 	20		
Gaiting - Ability to follow directions in Judge's pattern - Dog always fully visible to Judge in gaiting pattern - Smoothness in turns - Gait proper for breed (when applicable) - Did not finish pattern correctly at end of the pattern - Did not free stack - Ability to exhibit dog's movements according to breed	 Wrong pattern Did not leave the judge in a straight line Handler always between dog & judge Lack of smoothness in turns or changing sides Did not use the whole ring Touched dog on return to judge 	30		
Examination - Stands properly during entire examination; does not sit or move away before or during examination - Does not growl or snap - Did not follow judges directions to set dog up	 A dog that growls or attempts to bite anyone (or another dog) in the ring, will be dismissed Dog seems fearful Dog did not stand properly during examination 	30		
Sportsmanlike behavior and conduct		10		
Ability to work within group		10		
TOTAL POINTS		150		
	Т.	otal Score:		
Tiebreaker: Exhibitor Knowledge - Up to 5 questions asked to each exhibitor	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q5			

Comments:

NOVICE Circle Appropriate Ribbon Placing

Purple	Blue	Red	White
(150-135)	(134-120)	(119-105)	(104 or less)

OPEN Circle Appropriate Ribbon Placing urple Blue Red White

Purple	Blue	Red	White
(150-140)	(139-125)	(124-110)	(109 or less)

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