



# **AGILITY CLUB OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**AKC All-Breed Fast CAT  
American K9 Country  
336 RT 101 Amherst NH 03031**

**Saturday & Sunday  
September 14 & 15, 2024**  
Fast CAT: 2024686409 and 2024686410  
2024686411 and 2024686412

**Entries open Wednesday, July 17, 2024 at 12:00 PM  
Entries close Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

**2 Fast CAT Tests on each day  
Day of show entries will be accepted until 3:00 PM as space allows  
Event hours: Site opens at 7:00 AM  
First Dog Runs at 8:00 AM  
Trial Closes 30 minutes after last dog runs.**

**Dogs must be at least 12 months of age  
and individually registered with the AKC.**

**This includes all AKC registered purebreds, Foundation Stock Service (FSS), Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) and AKC Canine Partners. Spayed or neutered dogs, or dogs with breed disqualifications, may be entered.**



## **CERTIFICATION**

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

Gina M. DiNardo, Executive Secretary

## Officers of the **AGILITY CLUB OF NEW HAMPSHIRE (ACNH)**

Guylaine Doyon	President
Mark Giles	Vice-President
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### **Event Committee**

Emily Mathews, Diane Gregoire, Lynda Hamilton, Lyndsay Kelly, Jennifer Kachajian and all members of ACNH  
*(The event committee may change and substitutions made with available club members)*

### **Test Chair**

Emily Mathews, 1 Watercress, CT, Coventry RI 02816 401-426-8676 [emilymathews0620@gmail.com](mailto:emilymathews0620@gmail.com)

### **Test Secretary**

Guylaine Doyon, 5 Pepper Bush Way, South Windsor, CT 06074 [bebedoyon@gmail.com](mailto:bebedoyon@gmail.com)

### **Lure Operators**

American K9 Country Employees

### **Inspection Committee**

Diane Gregoire, Lynda Hamilton, Emily Mathews, Lindsay Kelly and other members of ACNH

**Entry fee for each dog/per test \$25**

**Make checks payable to: **ACNH****

**A fee of \$25.00 will be assessed for any check returned for insufficient funds.**

**Mail entries to: Guylaine Doyon, Event Secretary  
5 Pepper Bush Way, South Windsor, CT 06074  
(860) 214-8311 [bebedoyon@gmail.com](mailto:bebedoyon@gmail.com)**

**Please enter the correct run number on entry form if only entering one run  
We anticipate full capacity and will not issue "NO SHOW" refunds for any reason**

**Overnight entries MUST NOT require a signature.**

**Entries received before the specified opening day  
or that are incomplete, unsigned or conditional will not be accepted.  
Day of show entries will be accepted until 3:00 PM as space allows.**

Tests will be held concurrently.  
We will be using a block schedule running order.

Tests will begin promptly at 8:00 AM with workers' dogs and will continue until all runs are completed.  
**Check in is required 30 minutes prior to your time block run time.**

THESE TESTS WILL BE HELD ON AN ARTIFICIAL TURF TRACK WITH A SOFT SAND CATCH PEN. TRACK IS LOCATED NEAR THE DOCK DIVING POOL AREA AND WILL UTILIZE AN ELECTRICAL OR GENERATOR POWERED CLOSED LOOP LURE MACHINE. CONTINUOUS FENCING WILL ENCLOSE THE COURSE AND THE RUN OUT.

We will be using a continuous loop lure that will run down the center of the track and will return without obstructing the exit. The lure will consist of plastic bags contrasting in color to the immediate field environment.

There will be no on-site trial briefing.

It is the responsibility of each entrant to be ready when their dog is called to the line. Be sure that your catcher has a leash. Approximately 25 dogs will be scheduled to run each hour.

PLEASE leave the grounds to allow adequate parking for the next block of competitors when your runs are finished.

**CHECK IN AND INSPECTION:** Check in will occur on a rolling basis throughout the day. The two Fast CAT Tests each day will be run CONCURRENTLY, so a dog entered in both tests will run twice within approximately an hour. Exhibitors will be given an approximate start time and should be available for check in 30 minutes before run time. Check in is immediately followed by inspection for fitness, lameness and bitches in season. Every female dog will be inspected. The dog owner will be required to wipe the dog with a tissue to show the dog is not in season.

Coursing is an athletic activity that can tax a dog's physical strength. Dogs that are overweight and/or out of condition may be at greater risk for injury and exhaustion. The Inspection Committee has the authority to disallow a dog's entry into a test. Entry fees will be refunded.

All dogs will be measured by a wicket to verify handicaps at check in.

Bitches in season and lame and unfit dogs will be excused with entry fee refunded. Please do not bring bitches in season to the test.

**ALL DOGS RUN AT THE SOLE RISK OF THE OWNER**

Please bring shade and water for your dog(s)

### **AWARDS**

A light blue participation ribbon will be awarded to each dog attaining a qualifying run.

New title rosettes will be awarded for BCAT, DCAT, FCAT and FCAT#.

Please notify the trial secretary, via email or include the information with your entry form, if you anticipate earning a new title. We will TRY to have enough rosettes available at the trial.

### **EMERGENCY VET**

#### **VETERINARIAN ON CALL**

Veterinary Emergency Center of Manchester (24 Emergency Care)  
2743 Brown Ave Manchester NH 603-666-6677

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendations to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases and have appropriate vaccinations.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

These hotels have graciously agreed to accept our well-mannered dogs. A pet deposit may be required. Please check with hotels for policies and restrictions. Please behave responsibly. Any exhibitor who allows his/her dog(s) to be unattended in a room or to damage any hotel property and does not immediately contact the hotel management to make proper restitution will be subject to Event Committee action which could result in the loss of AKC privileges. This also applies to cleaning up after your dog at the hotel grounds. At the time this premium was created, the following hotels were accepting dogs. **Policies can change. Please verify that dogs are still being accepted when making reservations.** AMERICAN K9 COUNTRY has negotiated corporate rates with some of these hotels. Be sure to ask if there is an American K9 Country discount.

**Holiday Inn Manchester Airport**, 2280 Brown Ave., Manchester, NH 03103 (603) 641-6466, no pet fee, Use corporate ID 100322829 for discount (9 miles)

**WoodSpring Suites**, 2 Executive Park Drive, Merrimack, NH 03054 (603) 417-4900, (refrigerator and microwave)

**Homewood Suites**, 1000 Perimeter Road, Manchester, NH 03103 (603) 668-2200, additional pet fee, full kitchens in every suite and free hot breakfast (10 miles)

**Towne Place Suites**, 686 Huse Road, Manchester, NH 03102 (603) 641-2288, no pet fee, within walking distance to Olive Garden (10 miles)

AK9C now offers RV dry camping April through November. Ten 25' wide x 40'- 50' long crushed stone parking pads with synthetic turf potty yards. \$30/night. First come first serve. Spots are not assigned. To reserve go to: <https://americank9country.square.site/>

### **Directions to Site: American K9 Country 336 Rt. 101 Amherst NH 03031 GPS: 336 Horace Greeley Highway**

**FROM THE SOUTH (Nashua)** - Everett Turnpike North to Manchester / I-293/101 West. Follow signs towards Rt 101 West (Bedford-Milford) / AK9C is located on Rt. 101, approximately 6 miles from the Rt. 114 interchange. \*\*\* AK9C is on the right - 2 miles after Murphy's Taproom, across from Camp Road at the blinking yellow light.

**FROM THE SOUTH (Boston)** - North to Manchester I-293 to 101 West / Follow signs towards 101 West (Bedford-Milford). See \*\*\* above.

**FROM THE NORTH (Concord)** - South to I-293 toward 101 West. Follow signs towards 101 West (Bedford-Milford). See \*\*\* above.

**FROM THE EAST COAST** - West towards Manchester/Bedford / Follow Rt. 101 West (Bedford-Milford) AK9C is located on Rt. 101, approximately 6 miles from the Rt. 114 interchange. See \*\*\* above.

**FROM THE WEST** - 101 East towards Manchester/Bedford. Watch for Salzburg Square Shopping Complex. AK9C is approximately 1 mile on left, passed Salzburg Square, across from Camp Road at blinking yellow light.

# **\*\*PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOGS\*\***

## **Be respectful of the property and other entrants.**

Not AKC registered? –Visit the American Kennel Club website and enroll your dog online

<http://www.akc.org/dog-owners/canine-partners/enroll/>

### **FAST CAT BASICS**

#### **WHAT IS Fast CAT?**

Fast CAT, unlike the CAT, is not pass/fail, but a timed 100-yard dash after a lure past a start line and over a finish line. Break Beam Timers will be used for this event. If the timers become inoperable, we have stop watches as a backup system.

#### **HOW DOES MY DOG RUN Fast CAT?**

Be sure to “warm up” your dog prior to your run. It is equally important to give your dog a “cool down” walk after the run. This will add to the health and well-being of your dog.

**Each dog runs one at a time.** The dog is held at the start line by the releaser on a course that is completely fenced. Upon word/signal from the Huntsperson, the coursing lure is activated prompting the dog to follow by chasing it to the finish line and into a catch pen. A catcher (often the primary owner) is waiting in the catch pen with a leash to restrain the dog at the end of the run. Once the dog is restrained, they leave the area immediately. Because 20-24 dogs need to run each hour, releasers and catchers must be prompt in getting to their respective locations on time.

**ACCORDING TO AKC RULES:** Handlers are not permitted to run with a dog during an official run but must remain either at the start or finish area of the course. Handlers are not to allow dogs to be enticed through the course with anything other than the lure during its official run. NO mechanical devices including whistles, horns, bull horns, etc. or toys including the waving of objects to lure the dog to the finish line are allowed. You MAY CHEER and use the dog’s name.

**COLLARS:** Dogs may run without a collar or wear any type of collar except choker collars, electronic training collars, or head collars. Collars should be snug. Hanging tags pose a safety concern and should be secured to the collar with tape or by another means. Dogs may run muzzled if desired. Clips or rubber bands may be used to keep long hair from falling across the dog’s field of vision.

#### **HOW DOES MY DOG EARN AN AKC TITLE FOR A Fast CAT?**

The time of the dog’s run is converted to miles per hour (MPH) and then multiplied by a handicap based on the dog’s height at the withers to award points.

FORMULA:  $204.545 / \text{RUN TIME} = \text{MPH}$

- 18” or greater = Handicap is 1.0
- 12” up to less than 18” = Handicap is 1.5.
- Under 12” = Handicap is 2.0

FORMULA:  $\text{MPH} \times \text{HANDICAP} = \text{POINTS}$

Titles are earned by accumulating points. The following titles will be awarded: BCAT = 150 points; DCAT = 500 points; FCAT = 1,000 points; and FCAT followed by a number (e.g. FCAT2) for every additional 500 points. These suffix titles will appear on a dog’s pedigree with a higher-level title superseding a lower-level title.

## **Top 20 by Breed by Year**

The AKC Fast CAT website features the Top 20 fastest dogs by breed for each year. Dogs must complete at least 3 qualifying runs in each calendar year to qualify for **the Top 20**. The standings will be updated as event results are processed at [https://www.apps.akc.org/apps/fastcat\\_ranking/](https://www.apps.akc.org/apps/fastcat_ranking/)

## **NOTICES**

All dogs entered must be 12 months of age or older on the day of the test.

Dogs should be warmed up before and cooled down after running. Have plenty of water for your dogs.

### **ALL DOGS RUN AT THE SOLE RISK OF THE OWNER**

Dogs must be on lead or crated unless running. You are responsible for controlling your dog(s). You must bring your own crates and water dishes.

There will be a \$5 fine assessed for any loose dog not taking part in the course in progress, for anyone caught not picking up after their dog, or for leaving garbage on the grounds.

**Bitches in season and lame dogs will be excused.**

This is a rain-or-shine outdoor event. Please plan accordingly. Please bring your own shade, chairs, and water.

Cool Down Station: Water hoses and kiddie pools will be available throughout the days. Dogs are welcome to cool down, as necessary

On-site toilets (port-o-potties) are available.

**NO ONE** will be allowed on the field without the express permission of the event chairman, except the appointed event committee.

All AKC rules regarding sportsmanship and conduct apply. Anyone exhibiting unsportsmanlike behavior will be excused from the field and may be subject to further disciplinary action.

Any person, upon reasonable complaint, may be asked to leave the grounds by the event committee and may be disciplined by the AKC. Children must be under control of their parent(s) or guardian(s) at all times.

ACNH and its members, American K9 Country and Feel The Rush Trials are not to be held responsible for any accidents at these tests. The event committee reserves the right to bar known aggressive dogs from the event site.

The event-hosting club, the ACNH, its agents, members, representatives, volunteers, etc., assume no liability or responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors, handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children or spectators before, during, or after this event.

The ACNH at their discretions has the right to cancel any event without notice due to inclement weather or unsafe field conditions which it deems an endangerment to the dogs or their owners.

Please bring your own food and beverages or visit one of the several food establishments nearby.



**AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB FAST CAT ENTRY FORM**  
**ENTRIES RECEIVED EARLY/ INCOMPLETE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Please select one or more trials to enter

**no refunds after closing date**

**Entry Fees: 1/\$25 2/\$50 3/\$75 4/\$100**

**Entries open July 17, at 12:00 PM Entries Close September 4, 2024 at 6:00 PM**  
**DAY OF SHOW ENTRIES ACCEPTED UNTIL 3:00 PM as space allows**

Saturday September 14, 2024 RUN #1 [ ]

Saturday September 14, 2024 RUN #2 [ ]

Sunday September 15, 2024 RUN #1 [ ]

Sunday September 15, 2024 RUN #2 [ ]

**ENTRY FEES ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Make Checks to: [ACNH](#)**

**Mail Entries to: Guylaine Doyon, 5 Pepper Bush Way, South Windsor, CT 06074**

**IMPORTANT: FILL OUT ALL BOXES**

Club: Agility Club of New Hampshire		Date: September 14 & 15, 2024	
Location: American K9 Country Amherst, NH		Event type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast CAT Trial	DOG HEIGHT at withers Check one <input type="checkbox"/> under 12" <input type="checkbox"/> 12"- under 18" <input type="checkbox"/> 18" & above
Class: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAST CAT			
Breed:		Sex:	Date of Birth:
<input type="checkbox"/> AKC No. <input type="checkbox"/> PAL/ILP No <input type="checkbox"/> Canine Partner		AKC Reg No:	
Full Name of Dog:		Call Name:	
Sire:		Name of Releaser:	
Dam:		Name of Catcher:	
Actual Owner(s):			
Owner's Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:

## AGREEMENT

I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of this dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry. I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club in effect at the time of this trial, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this trial, and entry form. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. The entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prize money, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents superintendents or event secretary and the owner or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC approved judge, judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog. Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend 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 at any time resulting 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, however such, injuries death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons. **I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.**

**IN ADDITION, ACNH and its members, Feel The Rush Trials and American K9 Country will not be held responsible if COVID 19 is contracted at this show.**

Signature of Owner or her/his Agent duly authorized to make the entry:

E-mail Address:

Telephone:

By signing above, I acknowledge that the ACNH is not a liable party.