

CKC changes for 2020

Note: To identify changes in the rulebook see dates in the side column eg (12-05-19) this means this change was motion 12, at the May meeting of the BOARD and was made in 2019. Look for the -19 to pick up the rule changes for 2020. You will see other numbers in the column that end in 16. These were the changes made in the 2017 rulebook.

New Category

Senior Handlers and Handlers with Disability – Section 2.12

- Senior handlers (65 years and over) and handlers with disability may request a modified course time or a modified points requirement (PAD) (see tables below).
- Proof of disability or age will not be requested by the host club. A handler must indicate on the entry form if entering as senior/disabled handler (check S/D box) to receive modified times/reduced number of points.
- The handler's dog shall be entered at its current competition jump height and category. (Time and points concession is for the handler)
- For Standard, JWW, Steeplechase and J&T, the score table will subtract the time prior to scoring the run, regardless of whether the dog was under the SCT for that division and category or not. (2.12.4)
- For PAD, the score table will add 3 points prior to scoring the run. (2.12.5)

Modified Course Times

CLASS	MODIFIED TIME (More Time Allowed)
Standard, JWW, Steeplechase, J&T	If course is under 150 yards, subtract 5 seconds from dog's time. If course is 150 yards or more, subtract 10 seconds from dog's time.

Reduced Points Requirement for Pad

LEVEL	REDUCED POINTS REQUIREMENT
Novice	3 points less (add 3pts to dog's total)
Intermediate	3 points less (add 3pts to dog's total)
Excellent/Master	3 points less (add 3pts to dog's total)

New Class

For Fun Only

- At the owner's discretion, dogs are able to run in For Fun Only (FFO) class in any category. The owner would be allowed to take their dog into the ring with a toy. Toys are allowed but the toy must be identified to the judge prior to entering the ring. A maximum course time of 60 seconds would be allotted.
- FFO entries must meet all eligibility rules as dogs running for Qualification. FFO runs may be allowed at the same or a lesser fee at the club's discretion.
- A handler may choose to enter a dog FFO in any class, in any trial, at any performance level and at any jump height. Obstacle repetition is permitted without dismissal. They are not allowed to enter the same

class again for a qualifying run. Dogs must attempt to run the course as numbered and are under the same judging criteria as dogs that are running for qualification.

New Title

Grand Agility Master Champion (G.Ag.M.Ch)

The Grand Agility Master Champion recognizes dogs that show consistency and versatility across all classes of the CKC agility program. (section 8.20)

The CKC will permit the use of the letters G. Ag.M.CH. signifying Grand Agility Master Champion title, to be used in connection with and before the name of each dog which has met the requirements for that title as hereinafter provided

To be permitted to use Grand Agility Master Champion title a dog must earn the following number of qualifying scores.

- 50 Qualifying scores in the Master Excellent Standard Class
- 50 Qualifying scores in the Master Excellent Jumpers with Weaves Class
- 25 Qualifying scores in the Master Excellent Points and Distance Class
- 25 Qualifying scores in the Steeplechase Class

Selected and Veterans will earn a title with the letter S or V after the title.

Qualifying scores previously earned in these classes will be used towards this title.

Competitors

- New category for Senior/Disabled Handlers (2.12)
- New option to run For Fun Only with toy at any height and in any class (8.1.7)
- Temporary Competition Number (TCN) used for dogs not registered with the CKC (replaces "Listed") (6.1.2)
- Entry clarification: handlers may opt to enter their dog to jump at a higher height than their measured height for all Regular classes (8.5.2)
- Height cutoff changes for dogs 11" and under. Dogs measuring 11' and under jump a Regular height of 8". The Selected/Veteran height will be 4" (8.5.1)
- A select list of breeds, or mixed breed dogs that resemble these breeds in relation to weight to shoulder height ratios, are permitted (but not required) to jump either ONE or TWO jump height(s) lower than the designated shoulder height when they show in the Selected division. (See rulebook 8.5.5 for list)
- The CKC will permit the use of the letters AG.M.CH2, and so on signifying an Agility Master Champion earned a second time, third or fourth time, to be used in connection with and before the name of each dog (8.19.4)
- New title Grand Agility Master Champion GAgMCh (see section 8.20)
- No toys that make a squeaking sound are permitted within 15ft of the ring (9.1.1)
- Time from end of walkthrough to first dog may range from 3-5 minutes or if the first 3 dogs of a class are at gate wanting to start, judging may begin. (10.11.1)
- Time judging starts must be announced at the end of the walkthrough.

Clubs

- A judge shall not be required to judge more than 300 runs per day. 12 courses per day limit removed. (3.2.5)
- Judges are permitted to send complete courses for a trial electronically to the Superintendent of the trial up to 2 days prior to a trial. (3.4.2)

- Requirement to send unmarked catalog to CKC at end of trial removed. Marked catalog only required (6.15.1)
- Ensure score table is aware of the new time/points concession for Senior/Disabled handlers (2.12.4, 2.12.5)
- Handlers may opt to enter their dog in a higher height division than measured height for all Regular classes (8.5.2)
- Height cutoff changes for dogs 11" and under. Dogs measuring 11' and under jump a Regular height of 8". The Selected/Veteran height will be 4" (8.5.1)
- A select list of breeds, or mixed breed dogs that resemble these breeds in relation to weight to shoulder height ratios, are permitted (but not required) to jump either ONE or TWO jump height(s) lower than the designated shoulder height when they show in the Selected division. (See rulebook 8.5.5 for list)
- Dogs are not permitted to move up to the next level in a class if the second class is within the same trial (same event number) (1.2.4d)
- The CKC will permit the use of the letters AG.M.CH2, and so on signifying an Agility Master Champion earned a second time, third or fourth time, to be used in connection with and before the name of each dog (8.9.4)
- New title Grand Agility Master Champion GAgMCh (see section 8.20)
- No toys that make a squeaking sound are permitted within 15ft of the ring (9.1.1)
- Tunnels MUST have a minimum number of bags securing each tunnel. For 15 feet tunnels, it must be a minimum of 4 sets of bags. For 20 feet tunnels, it must be a minimum of 5 sets of bags. (9.6.1.d)
- Wall jump and Broad jump are now permitted to be used. These are optional for the club to provide. Construction specifications added to the Rulebook. (Appendix A – 14,15)
- Saloon-door type of tire now approved for use. (AKA European Tyre). Dimensions must conform to current tire specifications. (Appendix A – 12)
- Teeter drop redefined to match AAC. The plank is balanced so that it hits the ground in about 2-3 seconds when a 3 pound weight is placed 24" (60.96 cm) from the raised end. (Appendix A – 3)
- Time from end of walkthrough to first dog may range from 3-5 minutes or if the first 3 dogs of a class are at gate wanting to start, judging may begin. (10.11.1)
- Time judging starts after the end of the walkthrough must be announced.

Premium List Additions:

- S/D box must be added to the Premium list to allow Handlers to choose Senior/Disabled entry if desired
- Add choice of FFO (For Fun Only) to entry form. FFO runs may be allowed at the same or a lesser fee at the club's discretion. (8.1.6)
- Ring size and surface to be used for each course and height and type of ring enclosure and type of the exit gate if used. (4.1.3.p)
- Whether the club is making the wall or the broad jump available for use. If they are not used in all rings or classes which rings or classes may be using them. (4.1.3.v)
- Temporary Competition Number (TCN) used for dogs not registered with the CKC (replaces "Listed") (6.1.2)
- If a dog is injured after entry has been submitted to the Trial Secretary, a Veterinarian's certificate, certifying the dog was injured before a 3 day period preceding the trial, must reach the Trial Secretary on or before the start of the trial. The trial-giving club may refund the entry fee, but will keep a service charge and TCN fee. The refund and the terms thereof must be clearly stated in the premium list. (6.11.1)

Judging Changes

- A judge shall not be required to judge more than 300 runs per day. 12 courses per day limit removed. (3.2.5)
- Judges are permitted to send complete courses for a trial electronically to the Superintendent of the trial up to 2 days prior to a trial. (3.4.2)

- Judging of FFO entries – competitor must show toy (if used) to the judge prior to entering the ring. Competitors are allowed a maximum of 60 seconds in the ring. Brief gate to announce FFO and brief timekeeper on maximum time allowed.
- Tunnels MUST have a minimum number of bags securing each tunnel. For 15 feet tunnels, it must be a minimum of 4 sets of bags. For 20 feet tunnels, it must be a minimum of 5 sets of bags. (9.6.1.d)
- Performance criteria added for Wall and Broad jump (9.16, 9.17)
- 4-paw safety rule removed.
- Refusal definition added for contact equipment judging. 3 attempts only allowed on the entrance of a contact obstacle (10.2.1, 10.2.2, 10.5.2)
- Repetition of contact obstacles after they are considered complete, earns an excusal (10.7.1.e)
- Teeter drop redefined to match AAC. The plank is balanced so that it hits the ground in about 2-3 seconds when a 3 pound weight is placed 24" (60.96 cm) from the raised end. (appendix A – 3)

Design Considerations

- At the Novice level, a C-shaped tunnel is now permitted after a control obstacle (weaves, table, contact) as long as there is a minimum of 10ft between tunnel entrances and the correct entrance is always at the shorter distance. (9.6.1.b)
- Wall Jump and Broad jump added to the permitted obstacle list as optional obstacles.
- All levels – if a spread jump is the final obstacle on course there must be a minimum of 21ft to the ring barrier.
- Novice changes (11.2, 11.3, 11.4):
 - Wall and Broad jump may not be used in Novice
 - Novice Standard may use one of double jump OR ascending spread OR triple jump.
 - Triple/ascending jumps are not allowed in Novice JWW
 - Novice challenges redefined.
 - A 180 degree turn may be used anywhere on course in Novice – one time only.
 - Distance to options in Novice reduced to 21ft
 - Tunnels may be placed under dogwalk or A-frame provided they do not create a handler restriction or tunnel discrimination
- Intermediate changes (11.5, 11.7):
 - Wall jump is interchangeable with the Panel jump
 - Broad jump added as extra optional spread jump
 - Number of weave poles increased to 12 only.
 - Tunnels placed under dogwalk or A-frame may extend a maximum of 3ft on the side of the expected handler path
- Excellent/Master changes (11.8, 11.10):
 - Wall jump is interchangeable with the Panel jump
 - Backside approach to the wall jump is not permitted.
 - Broad jump may be used in place of ascending/triple jump
 - 21ft required before and after a spread jump
- PAD changes (13.1.6, 13.1.7):
 - The distances will be measured from the distance line to the path the dog would take i.e., middle of the frame and to the wing of a jump that is closest to the distance line.
 - Weave pole judging clarified for bonus section
 - Wall jump and Broad jump not to be used
- Steeplechase changes (14.1.5):
 - Wall jump and Broad jump not to be used
- Jumps & Tunnels changes (16.1, 16.5):
 - Wall jump and Broad jump not to be used