

PREMIUM LIST

Coursing Ability Test (CAT)



Licensed by the American Kennel Club

Washington County Fairgrounds

South Field

2463 McConnell Ave, Fayetteville, AR 72704

Saturday, October 10, 2026

(#2026061619, #2026061620)

Sunday, October 11, 2026

(#2026061621, #2026061622)

ENTRIES OPEN - August 28, 2026 at 8:00 am CST

- All entries received before opening date will be returned; online entry required.

PRE-ENTRIES CLOSE - October 5, 2026 at 5:00 pm CDT

LATE ENTRIES CLOSE - October 10, 2026 at 10:00 am CDT

DAY OF ENTRIES ACCEPTED UNTIL 10:00 AM BOTH DAYS

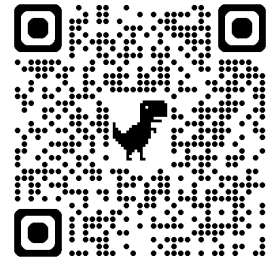
- Entries can be made online only via [Secreterrier.com](https://www.secreterrier.com).
- No entries will be accepted by phone, fax, mail, email or hand delivery.
- Checks will not be accepted, and unpaid entries do not constitute a valid entry.
- No entries may be withdrawn with a refund after pre-entry closing day/time.
- Juniors must provide AKC junior number to be eligible for class discount. Please email test secretary.
- Junior is defined as someone who is less than 18 years of age on the first day of the event.
- Junior must handle dog to be eligible for junior discounted entry fee.
- A separate entry and fees are required for each dog.
- Inquiries may be directed to the Test Secretary.

ENTRY

Fee - \$20 per dog per event for pre-entries, \$25 per dog per event for late and day-of entries. (Day of entries will be placed at the end of the queue.)

Junior Handler Discount - \$15 per dog per event, limit 2 dogs per handler; must have junior handler number to qualify.

Enter online at <https://www.secreterrier.com/events/4101/enter>



TESTS

Hours - Field hours are 7:00 am until all runs are completed. The field will remain open until all dogs checked in by the day's deadline have completed their runs. Early acceptance of dogs for members of the event committee and dedicated workers may begin one hour prior to published test hours.

General Briefing - All present entrants will assemble in a designated location at 8:00 am each day.. At this time, test procedures will be explained and any questions answered.

Check-in - Roll call and inspection will begin following the general briefing. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to be ready when their dog is called to the line. All dogs must be checked in by 10 AM each day.

First dog - First dog will follow the general briefing. Workers' dogs may run prior to the briefing, or where determined best, so they are free to work.

Venue - To be held outdoors on a fully-fenced field. The course is within this fence, but without barriers between running dogs and the run queue. Please keep full control of your dog in line. Tests will be held on mowed pasture grasses and utilize an electric or generator powered continuous loop lure machine. The lure will consist of plastic contrasting in color with the immediate field environment.

DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

Dogs who are twelve (12) months of age or older and are registered with the AKC, have an AKC Limited Registration, have an AKC Canine Partners Listing, have a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), or an approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breed are eligible to participate. Dogs with a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or AKC Canine Partners Listing must be spayed or neutered in order to compete.

Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the inspection committee, they display no signs of physical discomfort and can safely complete the course. Dogs with bandages, sutures, or visible wounds are not eligible.

Deaf dogs and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Dogs that are both deaf and blind are able to participate so long as the handler is in control of the dog at all times, the dog can complete the requirements of the class, and the dog does not appear to be under undue stress in the opinion of the inspection committee.

Bitches in season MAY NOT participate. A refund of entry fees for bitches that come into season after the closing date/time may be obtained by notifying the Test Secretary in writing no later than 30 minutes before the start of the test.



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

SHEILA H. GOFFE, Executive Secretary

TEST CHAIRPERSON	TEST SECRETARY
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FIELD COMMITTEE

Terry Sayre, Jordan Koch, Ashli Draney, Kayla Kimball, Kim Battles

Event committee members are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

SATURDAY TEST #1 & TEST #2 JUDGE	SUNDAY TEST #1 & TEST #2 JUDGE
Terry Sayre Lowell, AR	Christina Wagner Bella Vista, AR

OFFICERS OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS KENNEL CLUB

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Vice President Nodie Williams, Winslow, AR
Secretary Suzanne Miller, Centerton, AR
Treasurer Christina Wagner, Bella Vista, AR

VETERINARIAN ON CALL

Animal Emergency and Specialty Center of Northwest Arkansas

881 Metroplex Dr, Springdale, Arkansas 72762

Hours: Open 24 hours

Phone: (479) 346-4229

Directions: Take Main Dr northwest to Johnson Mill Blvd. Turn right to get on I-49 N, then follow I-49 N to US-412 E in Springdale. Take exit 72 from I-49 N and turn right onto US-412/Sunset Ave. Then turn left onto Metroplex and follow to your destination. (4 miles away from field site.)

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Fire / Ambulance / Police - Washington County 911

LOCAL HOSPITAL

Washington Regional Medical Center

3215 N Northhills Blvd, Fayetteville, Arkansas 72703

Hours: Open 24 hours

Phone: (479) 463-1000

Directions: Take Main Dr northwest to Johnson Mill Blvd. Turn left to get on I-49 S, go 3 miles, and then take exit 67B to N Northhills Blvd in Fayetteville. Take the exit toward AR-140/Gregg St from US-71B S. Follow N Northhills Blvd and E Monte Painter Dr to your destination. (4 miles away from field site.)

WHAT IS THE AKC COURSING ABILITY TEST?

The purpose of the AKC Coursing Ability Test is to provide all dogs and their owners with an enjoyable, healthy activity in which they can participate. Based on the sport of lure coursing, Coursing Ability Tests will serve as an introduction to the sport for all eligible dog owners.

PASSING PERFORMANCE

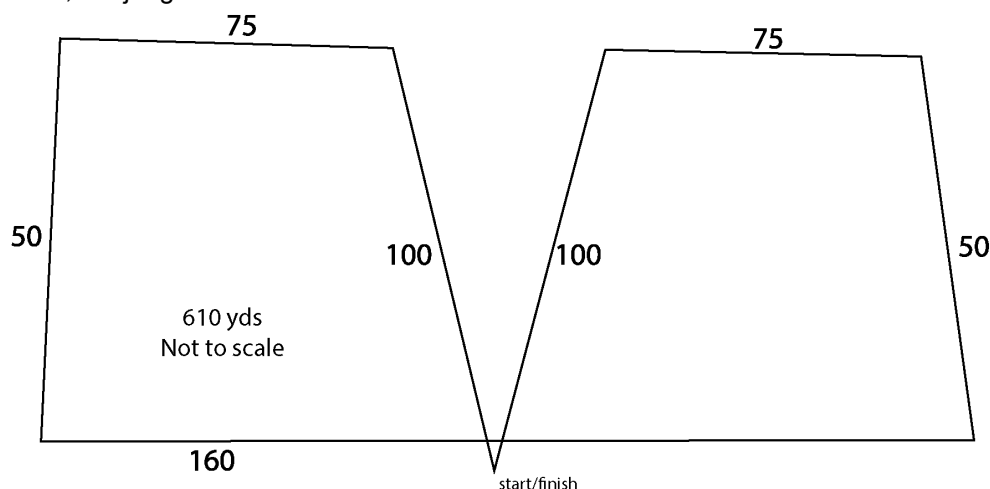
Dogs run singularly (that is, they run alone, and only one time in each event). They chase a lure made of plastic strips through a series of pulleys. The Coursing Ability Test is a pass-fail event. To pass, the dog must complete the course with enthusiasm and without interruption within a set amount of time. The speed and distance of the run required will depend on the size and type of dog.

Dogs under 12" at the withers and/or brachycephalic ("flat-faced") = approx. 300 yards in 1- 1/2 minutes.

Dogs over 12" at the withers that are not brachycephalic = approx. 600 yards in 2 minutes.

The maximum time is not meant to be difficult to achieve, but to prevent a dog that "walks" the course from passing.

The judge keeps the official time and decides the merits of the dog's performance. If there is a question as to which course a dog should run, the judge will decide.



CABT TITLES

Titles will be awarded to dogs that pass the CAT the required number of times; these are suffix titles that will appear on a dog's pedigree with a higher-level title.

- Coursing Ability (CA)- Dog passes the CAT three times under at least two different judges.
- Coursing Ability Advanced (CAA)- Dog passes the CAT ten times.
- Coursing Ability Excellent (CAX)- Dog passes the CAT 25 times.

After CAX is earned a number will be added for each additional 25 passed courses.

RIBBONS & PRIZES

An orange flat ribbon will be given for each qualifying run.

A new title rosette will be available for dogs who earn a new AKC title at this event.

If your dog will be titling at this event, a courtesy email to the test secretary is appreciated to ensure availability of rosettes.



DISCLAIMER

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

Please have a current rabies certificate available for each dog present.

EXHIBITOR CHECK IN AND RUN ORDER

Exhibitors must check in for each test they have entered. At check-in, exhibitors will be directed to inspection. Run order will be assigned upon check in.

IMPORTANT

People and dogs should remain at least 20' from the course after their run to avoid distracting the next dog running the course.

If you want your dog to watch to help build excitement, please keep the entry and exit clear so that competitors can enter without interference. Be respectful of other competitors' needs and give dogs space they need. If another competitor or a member of the event committee asks you to move back, please do so.

Under no circumstances should you cross the course or enter the course unless you are running your dog.

INSPECTION

Before all tests, each entry will be inspected by the event committee for lameness, fitness to compete, and females in season. All dogs to be inspected must be presented without tape, bandages, wrappings, or coverings of any kind, including coats, blankets, etc. If, in the opinion of the inspection committee, any entry is found to be lame, unfit to compete or in season, they shall not be allowed to test, and the applicable entry fees shall be refunded.

RUNNING THE DOGS

Dogs may run without a collar or wear any collar except a choke collar, prong collar, a head halter or an electronic training collar. Any collar tags must be secured for the safety of the dog.

For the safety of the dog and as a courtesy to other entrants, a testing dog should have a **reliable recall**. A penalty of \$10.00 may be assessed for any dog causing an excessive delay of the event if it cannot be recalled or retrieved from the field. Dogs that delay the event because they cannot be recalled by their owners may be refused entry at future events.

The Huntmaster is responsible for field safety and therefore they are in complete charge of all dogs and handlers on the field. In service to this responsibility, they have the authority to stop the lure in any potentially dangerous situation and signal the handler to retrieve a testing dog. Listen to the Huntmaster and follow their instructions promptly and swiftly.

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, and in such instances, applicable entry fees will be refunded.

Dogs must be on lead or crated unless running. A penalty of \$5.00 may be assessed for any loose canines not competing in the course in progress.

OFFICIAL TEST PHOTOGRAPHER



We will have an official photographer on site to take photos of your coursing dogs!

No other professional photographers or camera gear are permitted while our official photographer is here.

Please keep personal photo and video capture to cell phones only.

After the tests, you can purchase professional grade photos. Please visit <https://www.facebook.com/clicksbymoz/> after the tests for updates on when proofs will be ready for viewing.

FACILITIES & CONDITIONS

These pasture fields have no amenities or shade available. Please ensure the comfort of you and your dog by bringing your own portable shade/shelter & water. Restrooms on site.

BE COURTEOUS

Please bring appropriate waste bags and pick up after your dogs.

RULES & REGULATIONS

All exhibitors are responsible for reading and understanding the regulations for CAT. The latest edition is available online at: <https://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/AKC1812-REFCAT.pdf>

Females in season are NOT allowed on the site.

SAFE SPORT

The AKC is committed to creating a safe and respectful sport environment for all. If you need to talk to someone or need help, please call 1-800-656-HOPE (National Sexual Assault hotline) or text HOME to 714-741 for free 24/7 for confidential services from trained crisis counselors.

REFUNDS & CANCELLATIONS

No entry fee will be refunded if the tests cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Field Committee. Entries withdrawn for any reason after closing date, except bitch in season or unfitness to compete, are not eligible for a refund.

Cancellation of entries must be in writing and received prior to the stated close of entries.

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

Persons exhibiting conduct detrimental to AKC/NWAKC/any dogs(s) and/or other person(s) will be asked to leave the field site.

The event-hosting club, its agents, members, representatives, volunteers, etc., assume no 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.

All rights to televise, videotape, advertise, photograph, promote or otherwise exploit this event are vested in the club, or in persons to whom assignments of such rights have been made in writing by the club. All persons and animals attending these shows grant the club the right to use their likeness and voice in any matter without further consent.

Substitution of dogs will be accepted at the time of roll call/inspection. Once inspection is complete, no further substitution will be allowable.

Claims will be arbitrated as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for these tests.

ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

Please make yourself familiar with AKC's Unattended Dogs in Vehicles Policy effective 7/29/26. Also, make yourself familiar with the New World Screwworm and any requirements for the states you will be driving through/coming into, including Arkansas's requirements.

IMPORTANT

By entering these tests, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all courses safely. It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create an unnecessary disturbance or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the field committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made.

HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS

This information is provided as a courtesy, and NWAKC has no affiliation with any listed hotels. Please check all facility rules and regulations before booking.

Days Inn by Wyndham Fayetteville, 523 S Shiloh Dr, Fayetteville, AR 72704 (5 miles from field site)

Phone: (479) 439-1619

RV PARKING

Camping is allowed at the fairgrounds near the coursing field, and RV hookups are available. Contact Washington County Fairgrounds for availability and pricing.

Phone: (479) 587-0847

DIRECTIONS TO THE FIELD



North or South on Interstate 49/540 to Exit 66 - North Garland Ave, Fayetteville, AR. Turn right onto N. Garland Ave. Go 500 yards to stop light at W. Drake St. Turn right onto W. Drake St. and go 300 yards to N. McConnell Rd. Turn left on to N. McConnell Rd, then go 4/10 mile to the main entry to the Washington County Fairgrounds. Drive past the show buildings and park near the gate leading into the south field.