

GENERAL PROTOCOLS FOR AKC NATIONAL AGILITY CHAMPIONSHIP WEEK

As of March 17, 2021

The following is an overview of the protocols that must be followed at the AKC National Agility Championship <https://www.akc.org/sports/agility/events/akc-national-agility-championship/> taking place at the Tulsa Expo Center on March 23-28, 2021

Please refer to the AKC website for the National Agility Championship for the most current rules and policies. All information is **subject to change** at the discretion of the American Kennel Club, Inc.

- There will be no public access to the Event. Only Approved Attendees may enter the venue. Approved attendees include judges, exhibitors, event staff, media production staff, handlers, handlers' assistants, owners of entered dogs, and vendors.
- As an Exhibitor, you must fill out and bring a completed Waiver (to be posted at a later date) in order to enter the venue on the first day entering the facility. Minors must have their own signature as well as signature of a parent or legal guardian on the Waiver.
- Exhibitors must also fill out and bring a completed Your Covid-19 Self-Declaration form (to be posted at a later date) on the first day entering the venue in order to gain access to the Event. Minors must have their own signature as well as signature of a parent or legal guardian on the Your Covid-19 Self-Declaration.
- Attendees traveling with exhibitors must also have their temperature checked by Event staff each day before entering the venue. You will receive a sticker each day to prove that your temperature has been checked at the official entrances.
- On the first day you enter the venue, you will receive a wristband after submitting your Waiver, Your Covid-19 Self-Declaration form and temperature check. You must keep your wristband and temperature sticker on at all times for the duration of your stay. If your wristband is lost or broken, you must re-submit all forms and have your temperature checked again. If you lose your sticker you must go back to the COVID check-in area to get another one.
- Everyone will be required to correctly wear a mask at all times while on Event grounds, in stall /crating areas, all inside and outdoor locations. This extends to while running in the rings. Face shields will only be allowed if a mask is also worn. No gaiter style masks will be allowed. Please review and be familiar with the AKC Face Mask Policy. Failure to follow this policy will result in dismissal from the grounds which could also include a misconduct hearing
- Everyone will be required to follow social distancing guidelines. This means maintaining six feet of distance from others, not congregating at ringside, and remaining within designated set-ups.
- Exhibiting will be "Show and Go". There will be no spectating of competition classes that you are not entered in. There will be no ringside/bleacher seating permitted at this time, including the Challenger and Final rounds.

- Unless you are getting ready to run or just finished running, please return to your stall/crating area if you remain in the buildings. You may be ringside to assist another handler. Vendors will be available for shopping during the day. Capacity in the vending area will be monitored. Once finished running for the day please plan to leave the show grounds.
- You may place your leash in your pocket, wear it or there will be a leash runner to move your leash to the out-gate for use at the completion of your runs.
- Expect “limited contact enhancements” for social distancing purposes. This includes not gathering ringside, cashless transactions, paperless gate and result displays and discontinued social gatherings.
- AKC is putting extra effort into cleaning and sanitation for additional safety measures. Please bring cleaning supplies for your own stall/crating area.

These protocols have been put in place to protect the health and safety of everyone at the AKC National Agility Championship and to ensure AKC's ability to host this event. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us hold a safe event to celebrate you and your dog's accomplishments.

The AKC Agility Department