**Veterinarian Approval**

No dog with a physical or mental condition that would significantly impair their performance may participate in any Utah 4-H Dog Agility Event. Some examples of these include (but are not limited to) hip dysplasia, disc problems, severely slipped stifles, shoulder problems, overweight, advancing age, aggression, or severe anxiety.

The Utah 4-H Dog Program has the following height divisions based on the dog’s height at the withers. Dogs are measured during check-in for the event and placed in their appropriate class based on height, age, and experience of both dog and handler.

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| Height Division | Dog’s Height at Withers | Jump Height | Jump Width |
| **A**  *Standard* | 10” or less | 4” | 8” |
| 10” to but not including 14” | 8” | 16” |
| 14” to but not including 18” | 12” | 24” |
| 18” to but not including 32” | 16” | 32” |
| Novice – 32” and over | 16” | 32” |
| Pre – Open and above - 32” and over | 20” | 40” |
| **B**  *Modified* | Puppy and dogs less than 15 months | 4” | 8” |
| Aged dogs (typically 8 years and older) | 4” | 8” |

**Please initial the age verification and recommended height division, and the assessment of the** **dog**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Age Verification and Recommended Height Division (please print age and division) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ This dog is **healthy of body and mind** and I see **no reason to exclude** from participating in an agility course appropriate for his/her height, *regardless of physical appearance, breed type, or age*.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ This dog is healthy of body and mind, **but has certain conditions and should participate in a modified division** for puppies or aged dogs. These conditions are listed below:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ This dog has conditions that **I deem unsafe or unhealthy for participation** in Agility. These conditions are listed below:

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As the consulting veterinarian, I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge including age and ability to compete in the standard or modified divisions, or be excluded from any participation in Agility.

Veterinarian Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Professional Practice \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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