

PREMIUM LIST AND ENTRY FORM

AKC FARM DOG CERTIFIED TEST

PRESENTED BY THE ATLANTA KENNEL CLUB, INC

FOUR AKC LICENSED FARM DOG CERTIFICATION TESTS

1ST EVENT: # 2021080832 2ND EVENT: # 2021080833

3RD EVENT: # 2021080836 4TH EVENT: # 2021080837

Friday & Saturday April 16-17, 2021

AT THE **GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIRGROUNDS & AGRICENTER**
401 Larry Walker Pkwy., Perry, GA 31069-1367

Farm Dog Certification Tests – **Open to All Breeds**

The AKC Farm Dog Certified (FDC) Test is open to all dogs at least 9 months of age that are individually registered with the AKC, recorded in the FSS program, dogs with PAL numbers, or neutered dogs enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners program. Females in season may not participate. Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to enter provided, in the opinion of the judge, they display no signs of physical discomfort and can safely complete the entire course.

PRE-Entries Close: WEDNESDAY, March 31, 2021 at 5:00 pm

at the home of the test secretary

Carol Simmons - 6224 Mt. Salem Circle, Flowery Branch GA 30542

After this time, entries cannot be accepted, cancelled or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 14, Section 6 of the Dog Show Rules and Chapter 3, Section 1 of the Regulations for Herding Tests and Trials.

FDC Entries Limited to 25 runs per event.

Day of entries will be accepted, if maximum limit is not reached at closing.

Judges Gail LaBerge (64087) Buford, GA 30519

Susan Ray (106761) Franklin, GA 30217

Patty Anne King (10759) Newnan, GA 30263

These events will be held indoors in a Climate Controlled arena.

Test Hours: 8 AM until 6 PM

VETERINARIAN WILL BE ON SITE DURING THE EVEN

Complete Farm Dog Certification information can be found at www.akc.org

<http://www.akc.org/sports/herding/farm-dog-certified-test/>



American Kennel Club 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

Farm Dog Certification Test Committee

Chairperson: Cathy Ochs-Cline

Test Secretary: Carol Simmons

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ENTRY INFORMATION – FARM DOG TEST

ENTRY FEES: Pre-entries: \$30/PER DOG / per RUN, includes AKC \$3.50 recording fee.

Make checks payable to Atlanta Kennel Club, Inc.

Day of entries will be taken from 8:00 AM provided there is space available in the test.

Day of entry fee will be \$35/per dog/per run; Cash, CC or Pay Pal / Pay at Cluster office.

Please note it takes two test passes to earn the title, so cost is per test.

Confirmations and judging schedule will be sent by e-mail only.

Drawing for running order will be made at the trial secretary's address on Thursday, April 1, 2021, at 7:00 PM. All fees payable to **Atlanta KC**, includes \$3.50 AKC recording fee per dog/per run

If sending entries overnight, make sure to sign waiver that allows the delivery person to leave packages without a signature. Requiring a signature will only delay receipt of your entries.

Returned Checks do not constitute a valid entry and will be subject to a \$35 collection fee. Owners are responsible for errors in making out entry forms and no entry will be refunded in the event of such errors or cancellation of entries after the published closing date. Please type or print clearly & carefully the information on entry forms to eliminate errors. The Trial Secretary is not responsible for illegible (in the opinion of the Trial Sec) entry form information. Atlanta KC may decline entries and may remove any dog on any account of disease, viciousness or other cause, and no one shall have any claim against the aforementioned group or any official or member thereof. Entry fees will not be refunded in the event a dog is absent, not allowed to compete in the entered test, disqualified, excused by a Veterinarian or Judge, or barred from competition by action of the Trial Committee. If because of riots, civil disturbance or acts beyond the control of the management it is impossible to open or complete the Test, no refund will be made. When entry limits are reached, all additional entries received prior to closing will be added to an alternates list in the order entry was received. The alternates list will be used to fill vacancies that occur in the drawn running order, with the first alternate entry replacing the first vacancy in the event entered. A signed Consent and Release from Liability form must accompany each entry. Failure to do so will result in you and your dog being barred from entering the grounds and competing in these trials.

PRIZES: Each dog that passes a Farm Dog Certification Test will receive a dark green ribbon and a toy provided by the Atlanta Kennel Club.

Dogs that pass Farm Dog Certification Tests under two different judges are eligible for a Farm Dog Certified Title. An application form for the title is included in the premium list for the convenience of exhibitors. Owners will need to complete the application form and send it and the appropriate fee to the American Kennel Club; the Atlanta KC will not do this submission for exhibitors, but will help FAA and 4-H students with the form.

DIRECTIONS TO SHOW SITE: The site is the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter, located off of I-75 Exit 135 at Perry GA.

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION: Handler Meeting 8:30 AM & 2:00 PM

- **Check in will begin at 8:00 AM & 1:30 PM**
- **Tests will begin at 9:00 AM & 2:30 PM**
- **Day of Entries must pay first at Cluster Office in Roquemore Lobby** where you may pay with Credit card, Pay Pal or cash (please bring exact change to avoid touching)

- Dogs must wear a secure, well-fitting, flat collar during the test evaluation and be held on a proper fixed-length leash at all times while on the farm site unless confined in a crate, kennel or vehicle. The leash shall be four to six feet in length. No prong or electronic collars, head halters, harnesses or flexi-leads are permitted on the premises.
- NO FLEXI-TYPE RETRACTABLE LEASHES ALLOWED on site.
- You are responsible for picking up after your dogs and disposing of waste in the proper receptacles. A failure to do so could result in you and your dog being dismissed from the trial grounds and be barred from competing.
- Under no circumstances will dogs be allowed to disturb the resting herding or farm stock nor to interfere outside the testing area with another dog's performance in the test areas. The Judge may request the removal of any dog from the immediate test area at any time, if she determines the presence of the dog presents a risk to livestock, other dogs or persons on the farm.
- **Bitches in season may not enter.**
- No dog may be entered in two classes on the same course with the same judge at any Test.
- Dogs must be ready for judging. Neither the Club nor the Course Director will be responsible or obligated to furnish any services for notifying exhibitors or their agents of class judging.
- The Groups sponsoring these events, the course director, their agents, officers, club members and committee members shall assume **NO RESPONSIBILITY** for injury to you, children or dogs. **YOU ENTER AT YOUR OWN RISK.**
- **All dogs must have current vaccinations for rabies, distemper, parvo. Please bring a copy of rabies certificate or current tag with you.**
- These tests are held on state property. You must obey all rules.
- Children must be accompanied by and kept under the direct supervision of an adult at all times.
- Please follow parking directions.
- Bring your own chair and water for your dogs. See notes below re chair use

COVID PROTOCOLS: Please review the protocols as outlined in the Premium List for the Peach Blossom Cluster www.onofrio.com - and www.akc.org/sports/herding/farm-dog-certified-test/ Covid Guidelines as listed at AKC Best Practices for Farm Dog will also be observed

- Parking for Farm Dog will be provided near the Grooming Bldg (Sheep and Swine 2) - follow signs from the East Gate entry to Grooming & FD Parking
- Exhibitors and Judges are asked to wear masks for the protection of everyone
- Please do not congregate in groups and practice social distancing at all times
- The Agricenter Restrooms provided will be cleaned frequently
- Hand sanitizing stations will be available in convenient locations
- Common surfaces and test touch points will be sanitized regularly
- Workers will wear disposable gloves as much as possible
- Bring your own pens and pencils to fill out any paperwork
- Bleachers are available in the arena bldg - practice social distancing
- A digital copy of your score sheet may be provided upon request
- Please leave the arena following the judging of your dog
- Greeting the judge exercise: exhibitors are asked to wave or air high five signal
- Jump on Bale of Hay: Avoid touching - point or hand signal instead as encouragement
- During supervised separation exhibitors are asked to stand instead of using chairs
- Text messaging system may be used to alert exhibitors when their number is up to enter the test site - be sure to list your cell number on your entry for the secretary
More info on accessing this method will be provided with your entry confirmation or by contacting the secretary
- We encourage you to apply for your FDC Title via email to performanceevents@akc.org

STAY SAFE - ENJOY YOUR DOGS

**OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB HERDING / ENTRY FORM
AKC LICENSED FARM DOG CERTIFICATION TEST
Show Giving Club: Atlanta Kennel Club inc**

Friday

April 16, 2021 Test 1 Event #2021080832 Test 2 Event #2021080833

Saturday

April 17, 2021 Test 3 Event #2021080836 Test 4 Event #2021080837

GA National Fairgrounds and Agricenter, Perry, GA

Entry fees: \$30 per dog/per run which includes \$3.50 AKC recording fee

Pre-Entries close Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at 5:00 PM.

Mail entries with fees payable to Atlanta KC to

Carol Simmons, 6224 Mt Salem Circle, Flowery Branch, GA 30542

You must WAIVE SIGNATURE on express entries.

I enclose \$_____ for entry fees. **IMPORTANT-** Read and sign and include the AGREEMENT with your entry along with the Release of Liability form. Your entry cannot be accepted without fees, agreement, and release.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!

AKC Registered Name of Dog: _____

Call Name: _____

Breed: _____

Variety: _____

Registration #: _____

Sex: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Circle one: AKC ILP/PAL NO. FSS NO. FOREIGN NO. List Country: _____

Sire: _____

Dam: _____

Name of Breeder(s): _____

Actual Owner(s): _____

Owner's Address: _____

City: _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Junior Handler Name (If Any) _____

Junior Handler Number (must have) _____

I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner w 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 event, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this event and entry form and further agree to be bound by the "Agreement" printed on the reverse side of this 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.

Signature of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry:

Telephone: _____ **CELL #** _____ **Email:** _____

AGREEMENT (MUST be included with entry form)

I, (we) acknowledge that the "rules Applying to Registration and Dog Shows" and the "rules for Herding Tests & Trials" have been made available to me (us) and that 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 prizes, 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 and/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. I (we) will pay for any injuries or the replacement value in this event of serious injury to the livestock caused by my (our) dog. I (we) agree that the determination of whether the injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). 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 therefrom, 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 THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN ITS PREMIUM LIST) 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.

Printed Name _____

Printed Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club website: www.akc.org

For complete information on the Farm Dog Certification test including scoresheets, videos, and regulations, go to <http://www.akc.org/sports/herding/farm-dog-certified-test/>

PAGES 4, & 5 of this premium list are required for valid entries

FARM DOG CERTIFIED TEST
12 Elements

The Farm Dog Certified Test consists of 12 situations that a dog might encounter in a typical farm environment. All of the exercises are done on-leash.

Test 1: Greet the judge
The handler approaches the judge with the dog at their side on a loose lead. The dog must not jump, or show aggression or excessive shyness.

Test 2: Walk around the farm and a passive stranger
The handler walks the dog on a loose lead at least 200 feet around a variety of objects and near a sitting person.

Test 3: Jump on hay/straw bale
Handler instructs the dog to jump on a bale and stay until released by the judge.

Test 4: Walk past farm animals
Handler walks the dog on a loose lead in view of penned farm animals.

Test 5: Walk over or through unusual surfaces
The handler walks the dog over three unusual surfaces, such as a plastic tarp, a sheet of plywood, and metal grating lying flat on the ground.

Test 6: Supervised separation
The handler places the dog in a crate and walks out of sight for a minimum of 1 minute.

Test 7: Pass through a gate
The dog stays while the handler opens the gate, passes through on the handler's command, and stays while the handler closes the gate.

Test 8: Handler feeds livestock
The dog is tethered while the handler approaches and feeds livestock in an enclosure.

Test 9: Reaction to another dog
The dog remains stationary on a loose lead while another dog is walked by twice, about 10 feet away.

Test 10: Reaction to noise distraction
The dog is exposed to two common farm sounds (such as hammering nails, leaf blowers, tractor engine, etc.) and must not panic.

Test 11: Dog approaches livestock
The handler approaches penned livestock with the dog on a loose lead. The dog may not lunge or be fearful or aggressive to the stock.

Test 12: Physical examination
The handler examines the dog for plant material or debris collected while working on the farm—examining the ears, eyes, mouth, coat, and toes.

Test items 2-11 may be conducted in a different order than listed.


AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

The American Kennel Club is dedicated to upholding the integrity of its registry, promoting the sport of purebred dogs, and breeding for type and function. Founded in 1884, the AKC and its affiliated organizations advocate for the purebred dog as a family companion, advance canine health and well-being, work to protect the rights of all dog owners and promote responsible dog ownership.

www.akc.org
click "events" then "herding"

To locate a club near you visit:
www.akc.org/clubs/search/index.cfm

Farm Dog Certified Contact Info:

Email: performanceevents@akc.org

Event Applications or Results
919-816-3908

Title Requests
919-816-3816

FDC Judges
919-816-3904

Email: performancejudges@akc.org

 **AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB**

FARM DOG CERTIFIED TEST



Photo by Allison Rife



Photo by Hannah Johnson

The application to receive the Farm Dog Certified certificate can be found at

<http://images.akc.org/pdf/FDC Title Application.2.2017.pdf>

and is included in this premium list as well. You will need the information below:

Date	Club Name	Location	
4/16-17/2021	Atlanta KC	AKC Judges Farm Dog Certified Test	Perry, GA
Event FRI AM # 2021080832		Event FRI PM # 2021080833	
Event SAT AM # 2021080836		Event SAT PM #2021080837	



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FARM DOG CERTIFIED TITLE APPLICATION

If a dog passes the Farm Dog Certified Test on two occasions under two different judges, the owner may apply for the suffix Farm Dog Certified (FDC) title by submitting this title application form. Applying for the title is up to the discretion of the owner. To apply an owner must submit this completed form along with a \$20 recording fee. Upon verification, the title will be recorded on a dog's record, a title certificate issued and the title will appear on a dog's pedigree. Please be aware that event superintendents /secretaries may, but are not required to, include the FDC title in event catalogs. Please note that the date appearing on the title certificate will be the most recent date listed below.

Owner Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Phone: _____

_____ Email: _____ Dog's

Registered Name: _____ AKC Reg. or

Canine Partners Listing #: _____ Breed: _____ Please provide two
qualifying tests:

1. _____
Date Club Name Event # Location

2. _____
Date Club Name Event # Location

Please enclose payment: \$20.00

Payment: Appropriate recording fee, plus any additional charges for Certificates or Pedigrees by check or money order made payable to: **American Kennel Club**. If paying by credit card:

Cardholder Name: _____

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Security Code: _____ Total to be Charged: \$_____

Signature Authorization: _____