

NSW STATE TEAM MEMBERS FOR THE 2020 NATIONAL AGILITY TRIAL (Western Australia)

NSW State Senior & Junior Team Selection criteria

The Dogs NSW Agility Committee has determined the criteria to select the NSW Agility Senior Team members to represent NSW in the NATIONAL AGILITY TEAM EVENT to be conducted in Western Australia, May 2020 to be:

1. Handlers & Dogs **MUST** Nominate on the approved form of their intention to complete in the NSW Team Selection rounds and these forms are to be submitted to Dogs NSW Agility Committee prior to the first round.
 2. Titles - Minimum requirement for dogs are ADX + JDX
 3. Handler-dog teams must compete in **both** (ADM + JDM) classes at a minimum of four (4) selection trials (except if Judging or Bitch is in season or whelping- see note).
 4. NSW State Team will comprise five handler-dog teams plus one reserve team - The Dogs NSW Agility Committee will select one WILD Card entry from the 2019 Dogs NSW Dog of the Year Finals – this will be the Best combined scores for both Agility & Jumping
 5. Scoring- Results will be taken from both ADM and JDM classes (see notes below). Handler & Dog must complete 4 selections trials (at minimum) – if 5 or more selection trials completed than the worst scores will be dropped.
Note: After having entered a selection trial, withdrawal from ADM and/or JDM Class will attract DQ equivalent point scores, unless a valid written explanation received by the Dogs NSW Agility Committee.
- 5(a) Team positions determined by: 1) Disqualification Average; 2) Fault Average; 3) Score Average after eligibility check

The Nationals Working Group will be running a Junior Teams event at the 2020 Agility Nationals.

The Junior Teams event will be run under the same rules as the standard Teams event with the exceptions of:

- Teams will consist of a maximum of 2 handlers and 2 dogs from each State/Territory
- Both team scores will count. In the event that a Team only has one handler/dog then the average score of all dogs' results will be used for the missing handler/dog
- Teams may be formed as a State or Territory Pair - for example if the NT has only one junior handler eligible/attending and Tasmania has only one junior handler eligible/attending they may join together and form the NT/Tas Junior Nationals Team.
- Handlers are to be aged a minimum of 7 years and under 18 as at 26 May 2020 - 31 May 2020 Inclusive. Eg: A 17 year old is eligible as long as they don't turn 18 until after May 31 2020.
- A maximum of up to TWO teams per State/Territory will be allowed (this is ONLY in the case of where there are **more than 2** eligible junior handlers who would like to compete in the teams event)

- Dogs entered must have (at minimum) been co-trained and co-handled by the Junior handler prior to the event to an **Excellent Level or very close to Excellent level** (ie should have their Novice titles OR be NO LESS than one qualification away from titling in NOVICE – the organising committee reserves the right to confirm the qualifications of the dog and the right to not accept an entry if the dog is deemed to not be at the appropriate level)
- The closing date for entries will be announced when the full schedule for the whole event has been confirmed, approved and released.

The course will be adjusted as required for each dog's height (200, 300, 400, 500 or 600). To run the event a minimum of 3 Teams is required.

Handlers must be a member (or family member) of their State Member Body. Junior Handlers must attend the 2020 National Agility Trial with the consent of their Parent or Guardian.

For NSW:

- The Junior Handler team selection will follow the same rules of selection, with Junior Handlers competing in **both** ADX and JDX
- There will be 2 handlers/team selected with a maximum of 4 handlers in total.

Selection Trials in 2019:

20 July	-	Coffs Harbour Dog Training Club – Saturday AM
03 Aug	-	Manly & District Kennel & Dog Training
04 Aug	-	Northern Suburbs Dog Training Club
17 Aug	-	Newcastle All Breeds Dog Training Club – Saturday
31 Aug	-	Spring Fair
07 Sep	-	State Agility Titles (First heat of Agility and Jumping)
12/13 Oct	-	Clarence Dog Sports Inc
26/27 Oct	-	Agility Dog Club of NSW

Note to Judges: If you are unable to compete at a team selection trial(s) due to judging commitments, email the Agility Committee in advance with alternate trial(s) where you will compete in ADM and JDM classes. 27 October 2019 latest trial allowed.

Note for Bitches in Season or whelping: If your bitch is unable to complete in one or two of the selection rounds due to being in Season or Whelping, you can nominate up to 2 alternative trials where you can compete in ADM or JDM classes – the latest trial allowed for alternative trials is 27 October, 2019.

Application form can be accessed here:

<http://bit.ly/teamNSW2020>

Scoring per ADM and JDM class:

- ADM clear round: Score = (SCT subtract Course time) e.g. SCT 60s, Course Time 46.65s. Score 13.35
- JDM clear round: Score = (SCT subtract Course time) x2 e.g. SCT 40s, Course Time 34.65s. Score 10.70
- Round with faults: Score = negative Total Faults e.g. 15 Total Faults. Score = -15
- 3 Refusals = 1 DQ; Score = - 50
- DQ or 3 Refusals= DQ: Score = - 50