DIVISION 6011.1 – 4-H DOG BOWL  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2015 Newmarket Hall

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State 4-H Dog Program Advisory Committee  
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Check-in Begins 10:00 a.m. at Newmarket Hall  
Dog Bowl & Skillathon begins not earlier than 10:30 a.m.

Participants must be checked in at least 30 minutes prior to their class beginning.

GENERAL RULES

The primary objective of the Dog Bowl contest is to provide an educational opportunity for youth enrolled in 4-H dog projects to demonstrate their knowledge of dog related subject matter in a competitive setting where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail.

1. See General State Fair rules for rules applying to 4-H Exhibitors.

2. 4-H Dog Bowl Team entries should be made electronically by the JULY 10th Animal Science deadline with the Kentucky State Fair Entry Department. Instructions and web address will be provided later. Register teams by individual's name (Description Section, list county team, i.e. Fayette County Junior Team 1, Fayette Co. Jr. Team 2). Individual members may be declared at registration on the day of the event however, all bowl team members must register for the individual skillathon class to participate on the bowl team event. All bowl team members must participate in both the skillathon (Division 6011-2) and the bowl portions. Bowl Teams need to register separately as individuals for the Skillathon portion. Note: Team members should be confirmed at check-in using the form from your county extension agent or submitting a typed list.

3. Age groups are based on age as of January 1st of the current 4-H year. Junior Team members must be between the ages of 9-13 years old. Senior Team members must be between the ages of 14-19 years old. Junior team members may be moved up to make a complete Senior team; senior team members may NOT be moved down to junior level. Any junior 4-H’er moving up to participate on the senior bowl team should be registered in the senior class of the Skillathon portion, use the senior score sheet and materials to be counted on the team. They may not participate as a junior in any other dog bowl portion for this event. Junior youth moving up to senior bowl team at registration will be moved to senior class for this event and also for skillathon class portion.
4. There will be a Junior and Senior Division in this contest. Each county may enter more than one team in each division. A team will consist of three (3) members and designate one alternate member. All Dog Bowl teams are to remain in the area of the event until they are eliminated. A minimum of three team members must be present and participate in both the skillathon class and bowl portions to participate for top three placings.

5. **Alternates shall not be seated at the panel and may not participate in the match unless:**

   a. One of the regular members is unable to participate in a contest.

   b. The Moderator disqualifies one of the regular members during One-on-One questions for responding two times to questions directed to another contestant.

   c. If an alternate is seated following the removal of a regular contestant, the team member removed becomes the alternate and become ineligible to return to that particular match. The team member removed and the alternate remain eligible to participate in further matches. Alternate may participate in the skillathon portion as an individual, but their scores will not count toward the team unless they become a member of the team.

6. Contestants must be currently enrolled in a 4-H Dog Project approved by the Extension Agent of their respective county.

7. A Team Captain should be designated and seated nearest the Moderator as Player Number 1.

8. A single elimination format will be used for an even number of teams registered or double elimination format will be used for an odd number of teams registered. The format will be announced on the date of the event. Each match will be divided into three (3) parts based on time and number of questions.

   a. The first part will be a Skillathon format on breed, parts and equipment identification or other dog educational materials using photographs setup on a table or displayed or projector. Each team will compete as individuals on their team. The three (3) scores for each team will be counted as the team score. Participants will be allowed up to 5 minutes per station to complete the identification. No conversation between team members will be allowed during this portion. **Bonus questions** answered correctly will be used to break ties for the total scoring of the bowl team.
b. The second part will be a bowl format with regular questions and toss-up questions to which any team member may respond. Correct response is worth one (1) point. Bonus questions will be directed to team answering the toss-up question correctly. For the Bonus question, a 10 second period is permitted for Team consultation to determine the answer. At the end of the 10 second period, the Team Captain or designee will answer. All parts of the Bonus question must be answered correctly to be awarded points. **Bonus questions** are worth two points (2). No penalty for incorrect answer. Opposing team will have an opportunity to answer the question for points if the original team misses the question.

c. The third part will be One-on-One questions, which are directed to one member of each team. Beginning with Player Number 1, questions will rotate to each team member until all players have answered one question. Each correct response is worth two (2) points.

9. When the Moderator announces the first question, no part of the question will be repeated nor will any additional information be given to the contestant. If a buzzer is activated during the reading of any question, the Moderator immediately will cease reading the question. If the question is missed, the opposing team may have an opportunity to answer the question. The Moderator will read the entire question.

10. After completion of the question, teams have 5 seconds to buzz in. The answer should start within 5 seconds of being acknowledged. All parts must be answered correctly to receive points for the team.

11. The top three team places in each class will be determined based on highest accumulated points of the bowl round plus the scores of the skillathon for the three team members. If there is a tie it may be broken using the following format (a) then (b) then (c);
   a) The Skillathon bonus scores for each of the three (3) team members will be included in the final scoring for the team; b) From the general question and answer portion, bonus points from all three (3) team members; (c) If a tie is still unbroken, there will be a five question run off to determine the winner in the class.

12. Decisions made by the judge are final.
13. Resources used for the development of the questions will be from the following reference materials: National 4-H Cooperative Curriculum System, Inc. (4HCCS - Dog 1, 2, and 3); The AKC Complete Dog Book (current edition); Dog Owner’s Home Veterinary Guide (current edition); AKC Rules Regarding Registration and Dog Shows (current edition) www.akc.com.

14. 1st, 2nd and 3rd team place will be awarded in the Junior and Senior Division, using the Dog Bowl scores. All participants will receive participation ribbons. No premium will be paid.

15. Grand and Reserve Champion Winners: Winners will be awarded in junior and senior Division, using both Dog Bowl (team) and Skillathon (individual) combined scores for individuals in junior and senior classes.