



# CDSP Sanctioned Obedience Trial

**Saturday, August 26, 2023**

**Sunday, August 27, 2023**

This is a titling event under CDSP rules and regulations. It is open to all breeds of dogs, including mixed breeds. For more information, please visit [www.companiondogsportsprogram.com](http://www.companiondogsportsprogram.com)

**As of this printing – MASKS will be OPTIONAL in and out of the ring**

## Judges

**Sheila Bennett and Rick Ritacco**

**Starter Novice, Novice, Open, Utility Classes offered (A, B, & C)**

## Host and Location

MasterPeace Dog Training, 264 Fisher St., Franklin, MA 02038

[www.masterpeacedog.com](http://www.masterpeacedog.com) (508) 553-9300

Trials will be held indoors on rubber, matted flooring – one ring  
Crating will be indoors with nearby parking for those who wish to crate out of their cars.

**Entries open Saturday, 10 June 2023**

No telephone, email, or fax entries will be accepted

**Closing Date: July 22nd or when entries have filled**

Move ups accepted according to CDSP Rules

Each trial will be limited to **40** entries

Doors Open at 7:00 am on Saturday and Sunday - General briefing at 8:00 am-Judging will follow the briefing. Classes will be grouped (see below) with Trial 1 followed by Trial 2 (competitors can then leave). Afternoon (or as soon as AM trials are done) trials will be handled the same – minimizing the number of folks inside.

## Trial Schedule – Saturday, 26 August 2023

**Saturday, 8/26**

**AM Trials 1 and 2**

|         |              |                |
|---------|--------------|----------------|
| Trial 1 | Start Novice | Sheila Bennett |
|         | Novice       | Rick Ritacco   |

|             |         |              |                |
|-------------|---------|--------------|----------------|
| Followed by | Trial 2 | Start Novice | Rick Ritacco   |
|             |         | Novice       | Sheila Bennett |

**Saturday, 8/26**

**PM Trials 1 and 2**

|         |         |                |
|---------|---------|----------------|
| Trial 1 | Utility | Rick Ritacco   |
|         | Open    | Sheila Bennett |

|             |         |         |                |
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| Followed by | Trial 2 | Utility | Sheila Bennett |
|             |         | Open    | Rick Ritacco   |

## Trial Schedule – Sunday, 27 August 2023

### Sunday, 8/27

### AM Trials 3 and 4

Trial 3 Start Novice Sheila Bennett  
Novice Rick Ritacco

Followed by Trial 4 Start Novice Rick Ritacco  
Novice Sheila Bennett

### Sunday, 8/27

### PM Trials 3 and 4

Trial 3 Open Sheila Bennett  
Utility Rick Ritacco

Followed by Trial 4 Open Rick Ritacco  
Utility Sheila Bennett

**CDSP Obedience Representative:** Patty Sontag  
**Trial Chairperson and Trial Secretary:** Karen Squier [keeshond32@gmail.com](mailto:keeshond32@gmail.com)

### Entries

Entry Fee: \$27 per entry

Entry limit: 40 dogs total in each trial (this includes all classes)

### **Entries must be sent to:**

Karen Squier, 26 Merganser Way, Walpole, MA 02081 (new address)

Questions: [keeshond32@gmail.com](mailto:keeshond32@gmail.com)

### **Checks must be made payable to MasterPeace Dog Training**

Entry confirmations and Judging Program will be sent via email approximately 1 week before the trial date. If you do not have email, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your entry.

### **Directions to MasterPeace Dog Training:**

Find your best route to exit #43 (old exit 17) off Rte. 495. Follow Rte. 140 South for approximately 1 mile. Turn right onto Fisher Street and go to the end, passing over the railroad tracks. We are the last building on the left.

**Very important note!** If you are coming from the south on 495 N, and choose to take Exit 44 (old exit 16) according to MapQuest: DO NOT TAKE Sugarbeet off of Union. It is a dead-end that does not cut through to Fisher. Instead, pass by Sugarbeet and take the next left off of Union, which is McCarthy.

### **Food**

Hospitality **will be available for Show Staff and Volunteers (depending on Covid 19 guidelines)**

### **Local Hotels:**

Holiday Inn Express: 508-634-1054, Milford, MA (Pets \$35/Night)

Hampton Inn: 608-520-2999, Franklin, MA (accepts service dogs only)

Best Western & Exec. Residency, 508-553-3500, Franklin, MA (Pets \$25)

### **Emergencies**

#### **Human**

Milford Regional Medical Center  
14 Prospect Street, Milford, MA  
508-473-1190

#### **Veterinary**

**Tufts**  
**525 South Street, Walpole, MA**  
**508-668-5454**

For information about CDSP exercises and jump heights, as well as complete rules and regulations, please visit the official website at [www.companiondogsportsprogram.com](http://www.companiondogsportsprogram.com)

### **Notice to Competitors**

Upon submission of the entry, competitors acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of CDSP Obedience rules and regulations, including, but not limited to, the following rules regarding entry.

1. Safety shall always be the foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times. Handlers through entry in this event, accept full responsibility for themselves and the actions of their dogs.
2. Dogs must remain under control at all times whether on or off leash while on show grounds. Day kenneling only is permitted.
3. **Crates may be left overnight, in the designated crating area, at your own risk.**
4. All dogs must be registered with CDSP Obedience to compete. A registration form can be obtained on the CDSP website; it must be sent DIRECTLY to CDSP upon completion. **Entries cannot be accepted without a valid CDSP registration number.** [http://www.companiondogsportsprogram.com/index\\_htm\\_files/dog\\_registration\\_form\\_fillable.pdf](http://www.companiondogsportsprogram.com/index_htm_files/dog_registration_form_fillable.pdf)
5. This trial is open to all dogs over the age of six months including purebred and non-purebred dogs. Dogs with disabilities may compete provided that they do not show evidence of being in pain. Dogs with bandages, stitches, injuries, illnesses, or open wounds may not compete. Bitches in season and dogs exhibiting aggression that threatens the safety of other people or dogs may not compete.
6. **Dogs must be shown by a member of the owner's immediate family.**
7. Dogs must be shown in a flat buckle or snap collar, or a properly fitted martingale collar. Choke collars, prong collars, shock collars, training harnesses, or head collars are not permitted. Body harnesses may only be used when a medical issue makes it a necessity. A veterinarian's note stating the need will be required. Collars may have tags; leashes must be no longer than 6 feet.
8. Our facility provides an area for crating and warm up, as well as an outside area for exercise. We request that there be no dogs in the spectator area except for the dog that is next in the ring and those who are passing through on the way in or out of the building.
9. Owners with disabilities are encouraged to compete. Exercise modifications can be made as long as they do not change the principal component of the exercise. Modification forms must be completed and submitted to the judge for approval before the start of the class.
10. Handlers may use praise and encouragement during all exercises except the silent signal exercise (when giving the signals themselves) in Utility. For rules regarding the use of praise, please visit [www.companiondogsportsprogram.com](http://www.companiondogsportsprogram.com)
11. Upon completion of each exercise, after the judge says, "Exercise Finished," but before moving on to the next exercise, the handler may give the dog a food reward. The food must be contained in the handler's pocket; food may NOT be used as a lure. For official rules on the use of food, please visit [www.companiondogsportsprogram.com](http://www.companiondogsportsprogram.com)
12. By submitting this entry, all competitors waive any and all rights relative to picture taking and video broadcast of this event. Competitors at this event shall have the right to videotape portions of the event to be used for personal use only. No portion of this event may be videotaped for commercial or other purposes.
13. This event will be held indoors on rubber, matted flooring.
14. The organizing committee has the right to refuse any entry for any reason.
15. **THERE SHALL BE NO REFUND for entries withdrawn after the closing date or the trial fill date** or in the event that the dog and/or handler are dismissed from the competition. A dog or handler who suffers an injury and/or illness, or bitches that comes into season after the closing date may be eligible for a 50% refund of their total entry fee. Written request must be made to the trial secretary before the end of the event, **August 27, 2023**. You are required to provide documentation from your veterinarian or physician. **There will be no refunds if the trial has to be cancelled for any reason.**
16. No entry fees will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed due to reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, Act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strike, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizers.
17. There will be a \$25.00 service charge for all returned checks. In the event that notification is received after the event date, payment of entry fees and service charges shall be made in cash or money order within 30 days of notification. Any fees not received within 30 days of notice result in cancellation of the event results. No reinstatement of results is possible, and all awards must be returned within 10 days of notification or the dog's registration is suspended pending restitution. Any unpaid fees or shortfalls must be paid before the start of the event or entry in cancelled without recourse by the owner/handler.
18. PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG AND YOURSELF.

## Classes

- Starter Novice A Class is for dogs who have not earned any obedience title in any registry and DOES NOT have a qualifying score in Novice in ANY registry
- Starter Novice B Class is for dogs who have earned a Beginner Novice Obedience Title or equivalent in any registry and DOES NOT have a qualifying score in Novice in ANY registry.
- Starter Novice C Class is for dogs who have earned and CDSP Starter Novice title in either the A or B class and DOES NOT have a qualifying score in Novice in ANY registry.
- The Novice A Class is for dogs who have not earned any other obedience title in any registry.
- The Novice B Class is for dogs who have earned an obedience title in any registry.
- The Novice C class is for dogs who have earned a CDSP Novice title (CD-C or CD-H) in either the A or B Class.
- The Open A Class is for dogs who have earned the CDSP Novice Obedience title (CD-C or CD-H)
- The Open B Class is for dogs who have earned the CDSP Novice Obedience title (CD-C or CD-H) and/or any other Open Obedience title in any registry.
- The Open C class is for dogs who have earned a CDSP Open title (CDX-C or CDX-H) in either the A or B class.
- The Utility A class is for dogs who have earned the CDSP Open Obedience title (CDX-C or CDX-H).
- The Utility B/C classes are for dogs who have earned the CDSP Utility Obedience title (UD-C or UD-H).
- The Versatility A class is for any dog who has earned a CD-C and has not earned any Open or Utility qualifying legs and/or titles
- The Versatility B class is for any dog who has earned a CD-C and has earned any Open or Utility qualifying legs and/or titles
- The Versatility C class is for any dog who has earned the VT-C title in either the A or B class.
- **Dogs may not enter the Starter Novice and the Novice class in the same trial.**
- **Dogs may enter Utility B and Utility C in the same trial.**

## Awards

A qualifying ribbon will be awarded to each team who earns a score of 170 or higher in each class (185 for the "C" classes). Placement ribbons will be given to the top four scoring teams in each class. A, B, and C Classes are placed separately.

First Place-Blue

Second Place-Red

Third Place-Yellow

Fourth Place-White

New Title Rosettes will be given to any team earning a new title at our trials.

A Rosette will be awarded for **High-in-Trial**, upon completion of each trial, to the highest scoring team. In the event of a tie in score, a run-off will occur.



A **High Combined** Rosette will be awarded upon completion of each trial for the highest scoring team from a combination of any two Classes (i.e., Open and Utility, Novice and Open, etc.) (Starter Novice is excluded)





# Official CDSP Trial Entry Form

Entries open Saturday, **10 June 2023**

Closing Date: **22 July 2023** or when entries have been filled

Entries must be sent to:

Karen Squier, **26 Merganser Way, Walpole, MA 02081** (new address)

Checks must be made payable to MasterPeace Dog Training

## Dog Information:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Call Name:   | CDSP Obedience Registration Number:               |
| Registered Name with CDSP Obedience:   |   |
| Jump Height (see official jump height chart)<br>High Jump _____ Dog's Height: _____<br>Broad Jump _____ <b>Pls fill in for move up purposes</b>  | Obedience already earned (rally titles excluded): |
| Breed of Dog:  | Dog's Date of Birth (if known)                    |
| Entries cannot be accepted without a CDSP registration number. Please be sure to include a valid email or self-addressed, stamped, envelope if you don't have an email address for run orders. |   |

## Handler Information

|          |        |
|----------|--------|
| Name:    |        |
| Address: |        |
| Phone:   | Email: |

PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY – EMAIL ADDRESSES IN PARTICULAR

Thanks

Please circle indicate A, B, or C for each class you are entering

**Saturday, 26 August 2023**

**Sunday, 27 August 2023**

**Morning Trial 1 to begin at 8:15 am**

Starter Nov:    A            B            C

Novice            A            B            C

**Morning Trial 2 to immediately follow**

Starter Nov:    A            B            C

Novice:            A            B            C

**Morning Trial 3 to begin at 8:15 am**

Starter Nov:    A            B            C

Novice:            A            B            C

**Morning Trial 4 to immediately follow**

Starter Nov:    A            B            C

Novice:            A            B            C

**Afternoon Trial 1 to follow AM trials**

Utility:            A            B            C

Open:             A            B            C

**Afternoon Trial 2 to immediately follow**

Utility:            A            B            C

Open:             A            B            C

**Afternoon Trial 3 to follow AM trials**

Open:             A            B            C

Utility:            A            B            C

**Afternoon Trial 4 to immediately follow**

Open:             A            B            C

Utility:            A            B            C



A **High Combined** Rosette will be awarded upon completion of each trial for the highest scoring team any combination of two classes in one trial (starter novice excluded)



This entry form is not valid unless the dog/handler information page, the trial entry form, and the agreement and signature page have all been completed, signed, dated, and received. (3 pages total)

**Fees**

|  |    |
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| Trial Entry Fees: \$27.00 x number of classes = total fees | \$ |
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**New Title Information:**

If you anticipate earning a new title at this trial, please circle to let us know what you hope to earn so we can purchase ribbons accordingly.

**NOVICE:**        CD-C            CD-CCH        **STARTER NOVICE:**        SN-C        ASN-C

**OPEN:**            CDX-C            CDX-CCH

**UTILITY:**        UD-C            UDX-C\_\_        UDX- CCH\_\_        OTCH-C\_\_

I (we) agree that MasterPeace Dog Training has the right to refuse this entry for any cause, which the organizing committee alone shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, of the holding of the event, and of the opportunity to have the dog participate and/or be judged, I (we) agree to hold the organizing committee, the host, Companion Dog Sports Program, and the owners of the premises upon which the event is being held and their employees and sponsors, harmless from any claim for loss or injury that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the event premises or grounds near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim. I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, death, or otherwise, and from any claim for danger or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, appearance, theft, damage or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes. I (we) hereby assume sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify 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, resulting at any time there from, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or an account of damage to property arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, howsoever such injuries, death, or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other person.

I (we) further acknowledge that I (we) have read, understand, and will abide by the CDSP Obedience official rules and regulations, and the provisions for the entry as set forth in the Obedience test schedule of which this entry form is a part of. I (we) acknowledge and represent that the information supplied by me (us) herein is correct to the best of our knowledge; if any portion of this information is found to be invalid or insufficient to establish the validity of my (our) entry, such findings shall render my (our) entry invalid in its entirety, for which there is no refund of fees paid. Further, I (we) represent that I am (we are) the owner(s) of the dog listed hereon, or that I (we) am (are) a family member of the dog's owner as stated and allowed in the CDSP rules, and that I (we) shall hold MasterPeace Dog Training and CDSP, and their employees and sponsors, harmless from any liability or claim made by dog's owner.

Further, I (we) hereby grant to Companion Dog Sports Program, MasterPeace Dog Training, their representatives, agents, and assistants, all rights and permission to use or appropriate my and the dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, and other indicia or identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission, or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known. I (we) hereby release CDSP Obedience, the host, their representatives, agents, and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality, or any similar right.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Legal Guardian signature for junior or minor entries:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Jump Heights**

| Height at withers | High/Bar Jumps<br>(inches) | Broad Jump<br>(inches) | #<br>boards |
|-------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| 5.5" and under    | 4                          | 8                      | 1           |
| 8.0" and under    | 6                          | 8                      | 1           |
| 11.0" and under   | 8                          | 16                     | 2           |
| 13.5" and under   | 10                         | 20                     | 2           |
| 16.0" and under   | 12                         | 24                     | 2           |
| 19.0" and under   | 14                         | 28                     | 3           |
| 21.5" and under   | 16                         | 32                     | 3           |
| 24.0" and under   | 18                         | 36                     | 3           |
| 27.0" and under   | 20                         | 40                     | 3           |
| Over 27"          | 22                         | 44                     | 3           |

**NOTE:** Veteran dogs (seven years and older) may jump 2" lower than regular jump height indicated on above chart.

# Volunteer for the Trial

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

If you have attended a CDSP trial, you know that it takes quite a few volunteers to run these trials. We are hoping that you will be able to help for some of the classes at our trial. Please indicate the classes entered (don't volunteer for a class you are entered in), and what jobs you believe you can help with. We will explain all jobs if you haven't had an opportunity to help at a CDSP Trial.

Thank you for volunteering.

I am entered in the following Classes

**Saturday** Trial 1: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday** Trial 3: \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday** Trial 2: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday** Trial 4: \_\_\_\_\_

## Novice/Starter Nov. Class Jobs

\_\_\_\_ Distraction Steward

\_\_\_\_ Jump Setter (bar jump)

## Utility Class Jobs

\_\_\_\_ Set out Scent Articles

\_\_\_\_ Gloves (2 people needed)

## Open Class Jobs

\_\_\_\_ Distraction Steward

\_\_\_\_ Jump Setter (high jump and broad jump)

## General Jobs

\_\_\_\_ Ribbons (pull ribbons together and bring to the ring)

\_\_\_\_ Set up (can you help us get the rings set up, ribbons out, etc)

\_\_\_\_ Clean up on Sunday (can you give us a hand at the end?)

We are hoping to keep our volunteers to a minimum – Hoping that one or two people from each level will help out in the other level showing in the same time (AM or PM trials). For example – two Starter Novice folks will help with the jump and the distraction steward. Or Two Open handlers will help with Utility, and two Utility folks will help with Open.