



**YKC ABC AGILITY
(ABC)**



**AGILITY COMPETITIONS
RULES 2024 (CRUFTS 2025)**



A: HANDLERS

1. The following twelve subcategories will be open for members to compete in:

06-11 Years	12-17 Years	18-24 Years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small • Medium • Intermediate • Large 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small • Medium • Intermediate • Large 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small • Medium • Intermediate • Large

2. Only current YKC members may compete YKC Classes.

B: DOGS

1. Standard Kennel Club rules regarding which dogs may enter this agility class apply.
2. Bitches in season will not be allowed to compete in any YKC agility competition.
3. Dogs of any grade may submit points for the YKC ABC Agility competition.
4. A dog may only be entered into this competition once, even if multiple handlers could qualify with the same dog.

C: ABC DISTINCTION

1. To submit points for a dog, it must **NOT** be a Border Collie or any crossbreed that includes Border Collie
 - i. The designation: "Working Sheepdog" is counted as a Border Collie
 - ii. A crossbreed that has characteristics of a Border Collie will be asked to prove that there are no Border Collie in the breeding going back 5 generations.
 - iii. A crossbreed that has unknown lineage will count as a Border Collie if it has characteristics that are associated with a Border Collie
 - a. The judge of the competition will adjudicate if there are any queries regarding the eligibility of the dog

D: ABC AGILITY - WHO QUALIFIES FOR THE FINAL?

1. There will be twelve categories for YKC members to submit points for.
 - i. Each category will have a league table, with the top points scorers in each category being eligible for the final.
 - ii. Each of the categories has a different number of qualification spots up for grabs as seen below:

06-11 Years	12-17 Years	18-24 Years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small (Top 2) • Medium (Top 4) • Intermediate (Top 7) • Large (Top 7) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small (Top 2) • Medium (Top 4) • Intermediate (Top 7) • Large (Top 7) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small (Top 2) • Medium (Top 4) • Intermediate (Top 7) • Large (Top 7)

2. Any unfilled spaces will not be lost and will be added to the other categories as per the "XXXXXX" Document.



E: ABC QUALIFICATION POINTS

1. To qualify for the final, members have to accumulate points in by placing in either:
 - i. YKC Jumping Cup Classes
 - ii. YKC Agility Dog of the Year Classes
 - a. ADOTY classes will take the results from the individual rounds, not the combined score.
2. Points will be awarded for placings in the above competitions as follows:

20 Points for 1 st	15 Points for 6 th
19 Points for 2 nd	14 Points for 7 th
18 Points for 3 rd	13 Points for 8 th
17 Points for 4 th	12 Points for 9 th
16 Points for 5 th	11 Points for 10 th
2 Points for completing the course below 10 th place	

3. Points obtained are taken from ADOTY and YKCJC classes in a given season.
4. You must submit your total points gained via online form.
5. The form will close on 31st October 2024.
 - i. Any entries after this date will not be accepted.

F: HOW MANY DOGS CAN I QUALIFY FOR ABC?

1. While a YKC member may submit points for as many dogs as they wish, the YKC Office will only look at the dog with the highest points total to be used as that member's entry.
 - i. A YKC MEMBER MAY ONLY COMPETE WITH A MAXIMUM OF **ONE** QUALIFIED DOG AT CRUFTS ACROSS ALL HEIGHTS **E.G.:**
 - a. **CORRECT** - 1 x dog in large OR intermediate OR medium OR small
 - b. **INCORRECT** - 1 x dog in each height category
2. A handler is only allowed to swap dogs if they would have qualified another dog in above the ABC points threshold, in this case, they may swap to the other qualified dog.
 - i. This must be reported to the YKC at the earliest opportunity.
 - ii. The cut off for any substitution of entered dogs using this method is 7 days prior to the first day of Crufts.

G: ABC AGILITY AT CRUFTS – FINAL

1. **By entering a YKC class, the YKC member and anyone representing them (parent/guardian etc) agree to abide by the YKC's Code of Conduct.**
2. The final for the YKC ABC Agility competition is held at Crufts in the YKC ring.
3. For the purposes of scoring and awards, all height categories will be removed and YKC members will be completing for places within their age category.
 - i. The dogs must still compete over the correct height obstacles.
 - i. To work out the places for this class, dogs will be ranked first by total number of faults, then by time. The dog with the fewest faults in the fastest time is the winner.
 - a. The rankings of the 3 age categories are separate.
4. The final will be held over a single agility Course.
 - i. This course will be set at grade 3.
5. At Crufts, dogs **MUST** run in strict running order;
 - i. if you are not on the line when your run is due, you will have missed your run
 - ii. The running order for the final will be determined randomly.



6. Sponsorship and logos

- i. Some YKC members have managed to arrange personal sponsorship and branding deals. YKC members who wish to have branding on their clothing at Crufts must follow the below rules.
- ii. The YKC & Kennel Club also have several sponsors in both the YKC ring and the main arena at Crufts.
 - a. To comply with our sponsors, YKC members may **NOT** have branding on display from the following companies:
 - (1) Dog food or treat supplier
 - (2) Car manufacturer
 - (3) Insurance company
 - b. If a YKC member wishes to have branding from a company not on the above list on an item of clothing, that company's branding must be where a breast pocket would be and must be approximately breast pocket size.
 - c. This restriction on branding from 6.ii.a & 6.ii.b only applies in the following locations:
 - (1) Crufts YKC collecting ring, Crufts YKC ring, Crufts YKC Presentation Area.
 - (2) Crufts Main arena collecting ring, Crufts Main Arena, Crufts Main Arena Presentation Area.

H: YKC ABC AGILITY FINAL – PRIZEGIVING

1. The following awards will be presented in the YKC ring for the YKC ABC Agility final

06-11 Years	12-17 Years	18-24 Years
• 1 st to 5 th	• 1 st to 5 th	• 1 st to 5 th

2. All non-placed competitors will receive a finalist rosette when exiting the prize-giving
 - i. To receive this award, members must be present for the prize-giving.