

## **2008 Grand Prix of Dog Agility<sup>®</sup> World Championships - Local Qualifier**

This class is open to all competitors other than those who are entered in the *Performance National Standard* qualifier at this event, regardless of titles earned or skill level. The Grand Prix is a single-round tournament featuring the sport in its basic form. The course includes obstacles as set forth in Chapter 3 of USDAA Rules and Regulations for standard agility, except that no table obstacle shall be used. Standard scoring shall be applied utilizing time standards generally ranging from 3.50 yards per second to 3.75 yards per second for competitors in the 22" and 26" height classes, from 3.10 to 3.40 yards per second for competitors in the 16" height class and 2.85 to 3.05 yards per second in the 12" height class.

### Awards

Competitors that earn five (5) or fewer faults shall earn a qualifying score. In addition, the first place qualifying handler/dog team in each height class shall earn a "bye" voucher, permitting them to directly advance to the final round of a regional championship. A double maroon and white ribbon shall be awarded to all qualifiers.

## **2008 Performance National Standard<sup>SM</sup> Championships - Local Qualifier**

This class is open to all competitors other than those who are entered in the Grand Prix qualifier at this event, regardless of titles earned or skill level. This qualifier is a single-round tournament featuring the Performance Program in its basic form. The course includes obstacles as set forth in Chapter 7 of USDAA Rules and Regulations for standard performance class, except that no table obstacle shall be used. Standard scoring shall be applied utilizing time standards generally ranging from 3.30 yards per second to 3.55 yards per second for competitors in the 16" and 22" height classes, from 2.95 to 3.25 yards per second for competitors in the 12" height class and 2.75 to 2.95 yards per second in the 8" height class.

### Awards

Competitors that earn five (5) or fewer faults shall earn a qualifying score. In addition, the first place qualifying handler/dog team in each height class shall earn a "bye" voucher, permitting them to directly advance to the final round of a regional championship. A double maroon and pink ribbon shall be awarded to all qualifiers.

NOTE: When a local qualifier is held in conjunction with an agility test where all levels of titling are NOT being offered, 'bye' vouchers will not be awarded.

## **2008 Grand Prix of Dog Agility<sup>®</sup> and Performance National Standard<sup>SM</sup> Championships – Regional Championship**

This class is open to all competitors that have earned a qualifying score at a local qualifier event. The Regional Championship is a two-round tournament consisting of a preliminary and a final round. All qualified competitors not submitting a "bye voucher" with their entry must compete in the preliminary round. A competitor who is utilizing a "bye" voucher may elect to run in the preliminary round without affecting their qualification for the final round. Bye vouchers must be used under the following stipulations: Only the handler earning the "bye" is eligible to utilize the "bye" when entering any Regional Championship with that dog. Although a handler/dog team may earn more than one "bye", each "bye" is non-transferable, can be used only once and must be redeemed with entry to a Regional Championship along with fees due for the class. Further, the handler earning a "bye" with a dog must be the same throughout the qualification process when the "bye" voucher is redeemed for entry with that dog. In a situation where the competitor must qualify at a local qualifier held after the closing date of a Regional in order to be eligible for entry at that Regional, the competitor MUST notify the show secretary immediately if a voucher will be applied to the Regional. Failure to do so will render the voucher invalid for that Regional only.

### Awards

Competitors that earn five (5) or fewer faults in the preliminary round shall earn a qualifying score which applies both to further progression into the final round of the regional championship as well as to the quarterfinals of the World Championship and to the dog's lifetime records. Competitors that earn five (5) or fewer faults in the final round may earn "byes" into the semifinals or finals of the World Championships based upon their placement in the final round. First through third place in each jump height shall receive a placement rosette, with all semifinalists receiving semifinalist rosettes. See the complete rules & regulations for Regional and World Championships, which are hereby incorporated by reference.

Further program eligibility in the World Championships shall be determined as follows: Where a competitor has qualifying scores in Championship Program tournaments and Performance Program tournaments, a competitor must enter all Championship Program tournaments unless the total number of qualifications earned in all Performance Program tournaments is greater.