



Pre-Trial Info Sheet

- Briefing starts at 7am. Walk-throughs will begin immediately thereafter. Yes, it's early, but 1,000 runs a day necessitates an early start.
- Walk-throughs, for pre-trial only, will be first come first serve but, they will be broken up into roughly 30 person sections. Someone with a microphone will be in the ring "directing traffic".
- Open and Novice will each get their own walk-through.
For TNG ONLY: Open and Novice can walk with Elite but we will also be having walk-throughs available every 1-2 hours throughout the day, for that ring only.
- Double Run Format. If you entered both rounds of a class, you will walk once and run twice, just like a normal trial.
- Jumpers will run first, followed by Chances, in Ring 1. TNG will be "open all day", but done a little bit differently than previous years (see below).
- Jumpers/Chances ring is Ring 1, nearest the main parking area/facility offices/concessions and it is the **PRIORITY RING**. The run order should always be followed in this ring. It is not AS crucial as during the Main Event (Wed-Sat) but still very important!

- TNG Ring will be the ring on the opposite end of the building. Because of no jump heights or levels, this ring is “open”, no need to follow the run order.
NEW FOR 2026: Only Round 1 runs may be run from start until approx. 12:30pm. Then Round 2 runs may be run from that time until we are done, usually around 5-6pm. (this will be thoroughly explained in the briefing)
 Some things to note for this ring: **Please** do not stack up 10-15-20+ dogs waiting to run and **Please** give everyone room so we do not have any dog on dog issues.
- **MANDATORY** for both rings: Say your dogs **Call Name**, your **Last Name**, and **Which Round** (1 or 2) as you are walking up to the line or while waiting on the line. There are hundreds of dogs in the event and the scribe at the time likely may not know yours.
- ***IMPORTANT NOTE*** Unlike at a standard trial, once you have received ANY fault, you will have until the time clock reaches 60 seconds, on course, before you will be asked to head off the course via a simple “Thank You” by the Judge. If you head out quicker, that is great, but 60 seconds will be the max, regardless of whether it was a 5 point fault or an elimination.
- Q, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, New Title, and NATCH Ribbons are available. Everything except NATCH Ribbons will be self-serve, on a table near the Lower Office/“Ribbon Area”. NATCH Ribbons will be given out by anyone from the “Ribbon Crew” (Jodi Dillard, Cindy Christie, Carol Scranton, etc) We ordered lots of NATCH Ribbons but depending on how amazing everyone is, we may run out. If so, we will make a list next to the self-serve ribbons and we will mail you a ribbon ASAP after the event.
- Worker Sign-Ups will be an old school sheet of paper near the office. Pre-Trial can be a bit fluid, so doing pre-event electronic sign ups, just tends to not work very well. Approximately every 30 dogs, we will call out for the next group of workers to head down to work. You will simply step in the ring and relieve the person currently doing your job. This way, we are not stopping the flow of the trial every 30 dogs to switch workers.