



Revised December, 2011

At the December 10, 2011, meeting of the State Dog PDC, the following changes were approved. These changes will take place in 2012. The Beginner A and Beginner B changes will be based on ribbon placing at the 2011 county qualifying show.

1. Dogs in the Beginner A and Beginner B classes will also be able to wear (1) a head halter such as a Gentle Leader or Snoot Loop or (2) a harness with a chest leash attachment such as an Easy Walk Harness in the show ring. Dogs in the Graduate Beginner class and up will need to wear either the slip collar or plain buckle collar as listed in the Obedience Guidelines.
2. A 4-Her may train in Beginner A for only one year. If the 4-Her does not receive a blue ribbon in Beginner A at the county qualifying show or State Dog Show, they may move to Beginner B the following year. If the 4-H'er and dog does not receive a blue ribbon in Beginner B at the county qualifying show or State Dog Show, they may stay in Beginner B until receiving a blue ribbon or the 4-H member may choose to advance to the Graduate Beginner class. Once the 4-H'er has received a blue ribbon in Beginner A or Beginner B, they will advance to the Graduate Beginner class
3. This change was made to the Rally Rules regarding the Pre-Novice Class: Must include 8-12 signs, with 2 - 3 stationary signs. Previously it stated 1-2 stationary signs.
4. Revised the Agility Release Form to make it more user friendly. Please use this revised form from now on.

Please refer to the documents attached to  
Obedience Rule book

<http://www1.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-H/projects/docs/dog-obed-rules.pdf>

Rally Rules and Guidelines book

<http://www1.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-h/projects/docs/Dog-Rally-Obedience-Rules-Guidelines.pdf>

Agility Release form

<http://www1.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-h/projects/docs/dog-agility-release-form.pdf>

All are found on the 4-H Dog project page

<http://www1.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-H/projects/animal-science/dog/>