



## Colorado 4-H Dog Level Progression Chart

### 4-H Dog Showmanship Class Placement\*

Division	Class Name	Class Registration Eligibility	Class Registration Progression
<b>Junior Division</b>	<b>Junior Novice</b>	This class is for exhibitors who are 8 –10 years old as of December 31 of the previous year, are in their 1st year of participation in the project and have no prior experience with any other dog showing entity (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.).	<p style="text-align: center;">Exhibitor can only stay in this class for 1 year.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*For 2021 ONLY, exhibitors who were in their first 4-H dog year in 2020 may remain as first year exhibitors for 2021 OR may choose to move up to the Open class.</p>
	<b>Junior Open</b>	This class is for exhibitors who are 8-10 years old as of December 31 of the previous year and have previous experience in Showmanship. (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.)	Exhibitor can stay in this class until age changes.
<b>Intermediate Division</b>	<b>Intermediate Novice</b>	This class is for exhibitors who are 11-13 years old as of December 31 of the previous year, are in their 1st year of participation in the project and have no prior experience with any other dog showing entity (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.).	<p>Exhibitor can only stay in this class for 1 year. *For 2021 ONLY, exhibitors who were in their first 4-H dog year in 2020 may remain as first year exhibitors for 2021 OR may choose to move up to the Open class.</p> <p>If exhibitor wins the Overall Intermediate class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trials, exhibitor <b>MUST</b> move up to the Master Showman Class to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials.</p>
	<b>Intermediate Open</b>	This class is for exhibitors who are 11-13 years old as of December 31 of the previous year and have previous experience in Showmanship (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.).	<p>Exhibitor can stay in this class until age changes EXCEPT if exhibitor places 1st – 10th (1st-5th for 2020) in this class at State 4-H Dog Trials the exhibitor <b>MUST</b> move to the Intermediate Advanced class to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials.</p> <p>If exhibitor wins the Overall Intermediate class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trials, the exhibitor <b>MUST</b> move to the Master Showman Class to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials.</p>
	<b>Intermediate Advanced</b>	This class is for exhibitors who are 11-13 years old as of December 31 of the previous year, and placed 1st – 10th in Intermediate Open at State 4-H Dog Trials prior to 2020 <b>OR</b> for exhibitors age 11-13 as of December 31 of the previous year who placed 1st-5th at the 2020 State Dog Trail in Intermediate Open.	Exhibitor can stay in this class until age out. If exhibitor wins the Overall Intermediate class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trials, exhibitor <b>MUST</b> register in the Master Showman Class to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials.

Division	Class Name	Class Registration Eligibility	Class Registration Progression
Senior Division	Senior Novice	This class is for exhibitors who are 14-18 years old as of December 31 of the previous year, are in their 1st year of participation in the project and have no prior experience with any other dog showing entity (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.).	Exhibitor can only stay in this class for 1 year. *For 2021 ONLY, exhibitors who were in their first 4-H dog year in 2020 may remain as first year exhibitors for 2021 OR may choose to move up to the Open class.  If exhibitor wins the Overall Senior class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trial, exhibitor <b>MUST</b> register in the Master Showman Class to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials.
	Senior Open	This class is for exhibitors who are 14-18 years old as of December 31 of the previous year and have at least one year showmanship experience with any entity (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.).	Exhibitor can stay in this class until age changes EXCEPT if exhibitor places 1st – 10th (1st-5th for 2020) in this class at State 4-H Dog Trials this year the exhibitor <b>MUST</b> move up to the Senior Advanced class to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials the following year.  If exhibitor wins the Overall Senior class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trial, the exhibitor <b>MUST</b> move up to the Master Showman Class to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials the following year.
	Senior Advanced	This class is for exhibitors who are age 14-18 years old as of December 31 of the previous year if exhibitor and dog have placed 1st – 10th in Senior Open prior to 2020. <b>OR</b> for exhibitors age 14-18 years old as of December 31 of the previous year who placed 1st-5th at the 2020 State 4-H Dog Trial in Senior Open.	Exhibitor can stay in this class until age out unless exhibitor wins the Overall Senior class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trials, exhibitor <b>MUST</b> register in the Master Showman Class to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials the following year.
Masters Division	Master Showman	This class is for exhibitors who are age 11-18 as of December 31 of the previous year (Intermediates and Seniors) who have won the Overall Grand Champion or Reserved Grand Champion in Intermediate or Senior Showmanship at a previous State 4-H Dog Trial.	Once exhibitors are qualified for the Master Showman class, they can stay in this level with the same dog until they age up, age out, or get a new dog. If an exhibitor in the Master Showman class ages up from Intermediate to Senior, or gets a new dog, they may elect to move down to an Advanced Showmanship level with approval from the County Dog Superintendent. Once an exhibitor has won Grand Champion Master Showman, they are required to show in Master Showman for their remaining years as a 4-H exhibitor with the same dog they won Grand Champion.

**\* Counties are encouraged to follow the 4-H State Dog Trails rules as closely as possible. Please note that some counties may have differences and it is important that exhibitors learn both their county and state rules to ensure success in qualifying for 4-H State Dog Trail Fair. Counties have the discretion for class placement. However, 4-H State Dog Trial rules may prohibit eligibility for 4-H State Dog Trial entry.**

**\*For 2021 ONLY, exhibitors who were in their first 4-H dog year in 2020 may remain as first year (Novice) exhibitors in their appropriate age level OR may choose to move up to the Open class for their appropriate age level.**

