



The 1-TDC Invitational

March 27th – March 30th, 2025

Canlan Sports Lake Barrington
28156 W Northpointe Pkwy,
Barrington, IL 60010

By Invitation Only

Seeded lottery draw and International places
open:
25th November 2024

Seeded lottery draw and International places
close:
15th December 2024

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1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final

Agility Biathlon

Games Challenge

Pentathlon

Challenger Round

All Galican equipment supplied by Run It! Is available to purchase and take home after the event at a great discounted rate. Please contact islandlife101@hotmail.com



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➤ **Ring description**

Ring size 100' x 150' – 4 Rings are in use during the competition:
4 Indoor arena rings with Astro turf flooring,

➤ **Measuring**

There will be no measuring at this event due to you qualifying at a specific height.

➤ **Vendors**

Only pre booked and paid vendors and sponsors will be allowed to provide goods and services on the show ground. For further information please contact Katie at Katie.ukiusopen@gmail.com

➤ **Competitor T-shirts**

Each handler will receive a free event T-shirt with their entry into the 1-TDC Invitational. Please select your desired t-shirt size during the entry process. Additional T-shirts can be ordered for \$26.00 at the same time. T shirts are Unisex in size.

➤ **Crating Selection**

Please see the crating section below for detailed information to book your spot. Crating reservations open January 23rd at 12:01AM EST and are only available through email to Tara.ukiusopen@gmail.com. Emails received before January 23rd will be disregarded.

➤ **Emergency Veterinarians:**

Companion Animal Specialty and Emergency Open 24 hours

1095 Pingree Rd 120, Crystal Lake, IL 60014 US

Tel: 8154799119

<https://www.casehospital.com/site/home>

Please call before attending and if it's an emergency please try and call en route so they can prepare.

➤ **NAI Announcements**

Keep up to date with information before the event:

1-TDC Invitational Facebook page:

[1-TDC Invitational Facebook Page](#)

Keep an eye out on our web page:

[1-TDC Invitational webpage](#)

See all the event documents as they are published on the NAI

2025 Documents page:

[1-TDC Invitational Documents](#)

Further details of the event app will be in the confirmation letter.

➤ **Directions**

Click on this link, then click directions and enter your starting destination.

[Directions to Canlan Sports](#)

➤ **Hotels & RV's**

RV spots will be available from Wednesday at 2pm. There are no RV facilities on site, RVs will be parked in the venue parking lot. The venue building and facilities will not be open outside of the event competition hours therefore please only consider an RV spot if you are self-sufficient.

There are approximately 26 spots available for RV's which will be drawn as a lottery i.e. there is no advantage in applying early. These are dry spots i.e. no hook up, no water, no sewage. You must be fully self-sufficient to utilize these. Please review all the RV information at [1-TDC RV Information](#). We will shut applications on the 31st December and applicants will be notified shortly after this by email.

These hotels state that they allow dogs. **Please make sure you check their current policy when you contact them to enquire about reservations.**

Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites Lake Zurich-Barrington

197 South Rand Road, Lake Zurich, IL 60047

Comfort Inn Crystal Lake

595 Tracy Trail, Crystal Lake, IL 60014

Super 8 by Wyndham Crystal Lake

577 Crystal Point Drive, Crystal Lake, IL 60014

➤ **Entering the event**

ICE Invites The winners of each overall ICE will receive an invite from the UKI office in September and must enter the event by September 30th, 2024. If an invitation is not accepted or a dog wins multiple places, then the place will NOT roll down to a lower place. This position at the event will be added to the seeded lottery draw.

If you qualify at one of the Opens you will be given a letter with all the details of how to enter. **You have until the date on your letter to provide all the information requested and then pay for your entry. If you do not do this then you will forfeit your invitation. Due to the complexity of the Invitational, there are no exceptions to this.**

If you did not receive a letter, please email 1-tdc@ukagilityinternational.com immediately after the event stating the event, the class, the height and the result you believe qualified for the 1-TDC Invitational.

Seeded place application

To enter the seeded lottery draw click here:

[1-TDC Seeded Lottery Applications](#)

International Place application

To apply for an International place click here:

[1-TDC International Lottery Applications](#)



Entry fee: \$275

Class Name	Summary of Classes
Games Challenge	Snooker round and Gamblers round with the results combined.
Agility Biathlon	Jumping round and an Agility round with the results combined
Pentathlon	Two Jumping rounds, two Agility rounds and a Steeplechase round with the results combined. Faults are converted to seconds on a 1:1 ratio.
Challenger Round	Agility class that is a one-off round for those that have not qualified for the 1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final. The winner of this class gains a place in 1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final.
1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final	Qualifying from the three events, Biathlon, Pentathlon and Games. The Final will be a one off agility class as a stand-alone result.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE – classes are subject to change based upon event entry. If entering, please be prepared to run in any of the events Thursday through to Sunday. Classes may change days. There are no refunds available due to schedule changes.

Wednesday Check in 2.30 – 5.30pm Crating set up 4pm to 6pm	
Thursday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Games Challenge Snooker (2 rings) – Pentathlon Agility 1 (2 rings) – Pentathlon Jumping 1 (4 rings) 	Friday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Biathlon Jumping (2 rings) – Pentathlon Agility 2 (2 rings) – Pentathlon Jumping 2 (4 rings)
Saturday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Games Challenge Gamblers (2 rings) – Biathlon Agility (2 rings) – Pentathlon Steeplechase (4 rings) 	Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Challenger Round (4 rings) – 1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final

General Competition Rules

- Entry is by invite only.
- The primary invite is to partnerships that have achieved a level of success at the UKI Canadian Open, the UKI West Coast Open or the UKI US Open. Overall International Agility Challenge winners will also gain a primary invitation. See qualification table below.
- A second invite will be for 100 dogs from a seeded lottery and International handlers. See details below
- Dogs and handlers must be registered with UKI.
- Each class has a separate competition for each jump height.
- Dogs may only compete in one height throughout the whole event.
- Dogs may only compete in the height they qualified for. There will be no height changes allowed.
- Dogs may only compete with one handler through the entire event.
- Classes will be run in strict running order. Running orders will be randomly drawn for the first round of each class. Failure to be at the line for your turn will result in Elimination and unable to run in the class.
- Classes will be run under UKI rules and regulations with additional rules detailed below. Any further amendments will be posted on the UKI web page and Facebook page.
- In the event of a tie for a top 3 overall podium, a runoff will be required. In the event a competitor chooses not to run in a runoff, they forfeit their place and the higher place will go to the other competitor. If both competitors do not want to run in a runoff, a coin toss will determine the placings.
- In the event of a tie to determine running order in the next round, a coin toss will determine the running order.
- A no-show in any class or any round of a combined class will result in disqualification from that Class, including prizes and awards.
- Eliminations in classes except where specified below, will receive 50 faults and a 50 second course time.
- No results from this event will go towards the qualifying for next year's event and/or count towards UKI level progression.
- NFC and the Repeat & Move On (RMO) are not allowed during any run at this event.
- UKI reserves the right to rule at the event on anything not covered in these rules and in any exceptional circumstances. Rule changes will be posted.
- Courses may have up to 22 obstacles at this event.
- Minimum and maximum distances (dogs path according to CRCD) will be adhered to.
18' minimum – 33' maximum to & from tunnels,
18' minimum – 30' maximum to all other equipment,
Maximum 30' measured from obstacle to obstacle regardless of side taken to a backside and a 180 wrap,
Distances average 28'.
- This venue is a smoke free and vape free venue. Anyone found smoking on vaping anywhere on site, will be asked to leave the event immediately with no refund provided.
- The 1-TDC Invitational Show Management is committed to safety and is determined to provide premier equipment, running surface and course design. However, unforeseen circumstances may arise that are out of our control. By entering this event you accept that you have a personal choice not to run in any class if for any reason you believe there are safety issues due to differing opinions on course design and/or environmental factors. You agree by entering this event that you have no comeback or right for refund on any course you do not wish to run due to course design and/or environmental factors.



Games Challenge

- Consists of a Snooker round and a Gamblers round with the results combined.
- Cumulative scoring: highest number of points wins with time as tie breaker only, in all aspects of the Games Challenge
- Running order for both rounds will be a random draw.
- Eliminations (dogs not stopping the timers by going over the finish jump) will score 0 points with 100 seconds as the course time.
- Eliminations in either round will not be placed in the Games Challenge.
- In the event of a tie for the Games Challenge Champion, the scores from the Gamblers round will determine the winner. If there is still a tie in the top 3, the dogs will compete in a run-off on the Gamblers course.

Agility Biathlon

- Consists of a Jumping round and Agility round with the results combined.
- Cumulative scoring: least faults win with time as tie-breaker only, in all aspects of the Biathlon.
- Running order for both rounds will be a random draw.
- Double Eliminations will not be placed in the Agility Biathlon. An E in one round does not preclude you from a podium place.
- In the event of a tie for the Agility Biathlon Champion, the scores from the Agility round will determine the winner. If there is still a tie for a podium place, the dogs will compete in a run-off on the Agility course.

Pentathlon

- Consists of 2 jumping, 2 agility and 1 Pentathlon steeplechase round.
- Scoring is cumulative over all rounds,
- Obstacle faults will be converted into seconds (5 faults = 5 seconds) and time faults added on a 1:1 ratio for all classes in this event
- An elimination in any Pentathlon class is 50 faults plus dogs that are eliminated will be given a course time of 50 seconds, regardless of the standard course time.
- The maximum course faults a dog can accumulate is 50, whether by elimination or other combined course faults. The maximum total score that can be accumulated in a single class is 100, so any dog scoring over this will have their score changed to an Elimination.
- Running order for all rounds will be a random draw.
- In the event of a tie for the combined results, the result from the steeplechase round will decide the winner. If there is still a tie, the results from previous classes will be used in the following order: agility 2, jumping 2, agility 1, jumping 1. If this does not produce an outright winner, there will be a run-off on the Pentathlon steeplechase course.
- The Pentathlon Steeplechase must include 12 (twelve) weave poles and an A-frame, both of which may be taken up to 2 (two) times each. Other obstacles allowed: pipe tunnel, jumps, tire, spread jumps, wall, and long jump. A dogwalk and seesaw cannot be included.

Challenger Round

- This class will be made up of dogs that have not qualified for the 1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final
- Consists of an Agility class that is a one-off round.
- Least faults win with time used as a tie breaker.
- The winner qualifies to run in the 1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final. They will run first in the Final.
- Eliminations cannot progress from the Challenger Round

1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final

- Consists of an Agility class that is a one-off round.
- Least faults win with time as tie-breaker only.

Progressing to the final:

- A top 3 placement in the Overall results of the Games, Biathlon or Pentathlon automatically qualifies for the final.
- For the remaining places, the top 30% of the event entry or top 10 in each height, whichever is higher, will progress to the final. These places will be calculated from the three events using cumulative points, a points system will be used where first place equals 1 point, second place equals 2 points, third place equals 3 points, scoring down to last place.
- The exact number for each height will be announced after the entry has closed.
- Where dogs have an equal score, the points will be added together and divided by the number of dogs. For example, if a dog were tied on 20th & 21st place they would both score 20.5 points (20+21/2=20.5.)
- For dogs that have received a double elimination in the biathlon and games this split point formula will be /used. For example. If there are 25 dogs in a height and 21st to 25th have a double elimination, they would each get 23 points. (21+22+23+24+25/5=23).
- The lowest combined points total will qualify for the final in order.
- If a podium place qualification has also achieved a points place qualification, the place will roll down on the points total and not from the podium placement.
- In the case of a tie for the last qualification place the result from the Biathlon overall will decide the result. If there is still a tie, the results from Pentathlon followed by the Games will decide the result. If there is still a tie both dogs will progress to the Final.
- Running orders for the Final will be reverse order of the qualification points placements. If there are any ties on points then the running orders for these will be randomly seeded. For example, if places 2, 3 and 4 have the same points, those 3 could be in any order in the running orders.



Qualification for the 1-TDC Invitational 2025.

Event Invites

The overall winner in each height of an INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE EVENT (ICE) will be invited.

(110 partnerships)

390 dogs will be invited due to their results at the Canadian Open, the West Coast Open and the US Open in 2024.

The below percentage splits were calculated by;

1. Adding up the TOTAL entry of these three events in 2023
2. Calculating the percentage of this total entry, entered at each event.

For 2025 the following numbers will be invited.

Event	% of invited entry	Anticipated number of dogs being invited
Canadian Open	23%	90
West Coast Open	20%	78
US Open	57%	222

(Please note these numbers will be reviewed and recalculated each year.)

Once the entry has closed for each Open, UKI will publish the exact number of dogs from each height and how they qualify for an invite. Results will be taken from the overall podiums of these events. Invites do not roll down if the place is not accepted, but will be added to the seeded random draw.

An example of how many dogs are invited PER HEIGHT.

- If 1000 dogs enter the US Open and 100 dogs (10% of entry) have entered the 24" jump height. (Calculated from the total number of dogs in that height entered at the Open, not in a specific class)
- 222 dogs are invited from the US Open & 10% of that is 22.
- 22 dogs will be invited from the 24" US Open results.

Canadian Open & US Open	Placements Used.			
	National Final	Biathlon	Masters Final	Games
Number of Dogs Invited in a height				
1	1st	0	0	0
2	1st	1st	0	0
3	1st	1st	1st	0
4	1st	1st	1st	1st
5	1st & 2nd	1st	1st	1st
6	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st	1st
7	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st
8	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd
9	1st – 3rd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd
10	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd
11	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st & 2nd
12	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd
13	1st – 4th	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd
14	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd
15	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 3rd
16	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th
17	1st – 5th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th
18	1st – 5th	1st – 5th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th
19	1st – 5th	1st – 5th	1st – 5th	1st – 4th
20	1st – 5th	1st – 5th	1st – 5th	1st – 5th

(This formula will be used until the desired numbers are achieved.)

For example, in your height, if 14 dogs are invited to the 1-TDC Invitational from the US Open, you need to come in the top 4 in the National Final or Biathlon or the top 3 in the Masters Final or Games.

West Coast Open	Placements used.			
	Number of Dogs Invited in a height	Pentathlon	UKI Stakes	Masters
1	1st	0	0	0
2	1st	1st	0	0
3	1st	1st	1st	0
4	1st	1st	1st	1st
5	1st & 2nd	1st	1st	1st
6	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st	1st
7	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st
8	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd
9	1st – 3rd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd
10	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st & 2nd	1st & 2nd
11	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st & 2nd
12	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd
13	1st – 4th	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd
14	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 3rd	1st – 3rd
15	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 3rd
16	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th
17	1st – 5th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th
18	1st – 5th	1st – 5th	1st – 4th	1st – 4th
19	1st – 5th	1st – 5th	1st – 5th	1st – 4th
20	1st – 5th	1st – 5th	1st – 5th	1st – 5th

(This formula will be used until the desired numbers are achieved.)

For example, in your height, if 3 dogs are invited to the 1-TDC Invitational from the West Coast Open, you need to win either the Pentathlon, the UKI Stakes or the Masters.

Seeded Lottery Draw and International Invites.

After the conclusion of the 2024 US Open, applications will open for 14 days for the Seeded Lottery Draw and International Invites. The Seeded Lottery Draw and International Invites are for those who DID NOT win a place at any of the ICE or the Three Open's. This is not a first come first served process, so there will be no need to apply immediately on the opening date.

International Places

20 places will be available to partnerships not residing in North America or Mexico. If there are more than 20 applications, UKI will decide which 20 partnerships are invited. If there are less than 20 applications, the unused spots will be added to the Seeded Lottery Draw.

Seeded Lottery Draw

Once the event invites and International Places have been finalized, any remaining spaces available to achieve an entry of 600 dogs (approximately 80 places) will be available. These will NOT be divided by height. Applications will be divided into Seeded Groups using results achieved at UKI events. On application, partnerships must state the result that puts them in the highest seeded group. (You can only be in one group)



Seeded Groups

Groups A through F will be from results from US and Canadian UKI Cups and Classics held between 1st October 2023 and 30th September 2024.

- GROUP A will be from partnerships that gained a 1st, 2nd or 3rd Overall at a CUP
- GROUP B will be from partnerships that gained a 1st or 2nd at a CUP in the Biathlon or Games or Masters
- GROUP C will be from partnerships that gained a 1st or 2nd at a CLASSIC Pentathlon.
- GROUP D will be from partnerships that gained a 1st or 2nd at a CLASSIC in the Biathlon or Masters.
- GROUP E will be from partnerships that gained a 1st or 2nd Overall at a FESTIVAL.
- GROUP F will be from partnerships that gained a 1st or 2nd at a FESTIVAL in the Biathlon or Masters

The remaining groups (apart from P & Q) will be from percentage calculations from an OVERALL result in one of the following events:

- 2024 Canadian Open. National Final or Biathlon or Masters Final or Games
- 2024 US Open. National Final or Biathlon or Masters Final or Games
- 2024 West Coast Open. Pentathlon or UKI Stakes or Masters or Games

From this data the applicants will be split into the following groups:

- GROUP G will be from partnerships in the top 20% of a class.
- GROUP H will be from partnerships in the top 30% of a class.
- GROUP I will be from partnerships in the top 40% of a class.
- GROUP J will be from partnerships in the top 50% of a class.
- GROUP K will be from partnerships in the top 60% of a class.
- GROUP L will be from partnerships in the top 70% of a class.
- GROUP M will be from partnerships in the top 80% of a class.
- GROUP N will be from partnerships in the top 90% of a class.
- GROUP O will be from partnerships in the top 100% of a class.
- GROUP P will be from partnerships that entered an Open but not an Invitational qualifying event.
- GROUP Q will be from partnerships that did not enter any Open

How to Calculate Your Percentage.

Your placement, divided by number of dogs entered, times 100.

For example: If there were 50 dogs in your height in a class and your placement was 13th, you would be in the top 30% group, Group D. ($13/50 \times 100 = 26\%$) (26% is in the top 30% but not the top 20% 😊)

The dogs will be invited in order of their seeded group until all places are filled. Once the number of spaces available is greater than the number of dogs in a group, a random lottery draw will take place in that group. For example: If there are 100 places and 40 dogs are in group A, 40 dogs in group B and 40 dogs in group C, then ALL dogs in group A & B will be invited and a random draw of 20 dogs will take place from group C.

Byes to be Gained for Future Events from the 1-TDC Invitational

Biathlon Overall Winner

Winner in each height gains the following byes.

1. Automatic bye into the UKI Stakes final at the West Coast Open 2025
2. Round 2 bye at the Canadian Open 2025
3. Guaranteed run in the Biathlon Agility at the US Open 2025

Pentathlon Overall Winner

Winner in each height gains the following byes.

1. Automatic bye into the Masters Final at the US Open 2025
2. Automatic bye into the Masters Final at the Canadian Open 2025
3. Guaranteed run in the Pentathlon Steeplechase at the West Coast Open 2025

Games Overall Winner

Winner in each height gains the following byes.

1. Guaranteed run in the Gamblers at the Canadian Open 2025
2. Guaranteed run in the Gamblers at the West Coast Open 2025
3. Guaranteed run in the Gamblers at the US Open 2025

1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final Winner

Winner in each height gains the following byes.

1. Automatic bye into the UKI Stakes final at the West Coast Open 2025
2. Guaranteed run in the Pentathlon Steeplechase at the West Coast Open 2025
3. Guaranteed run in the Gamblers at the West Coast Open 2025

4. Automatic bye into the National Final at the US Open 2025
5. Automatic bye into the Masters Final at the US Open 2025
6. Automatic bye into the Speedstakes Final at the US Open 2025

7. Automatic bye into the National Final at the Canadian Open 2025
8. Automatic bye into the Masters Final at the Canadian Open 2025
9. Guaranteed run in the Gamblers at the Canadian Open 2025

WAO Win on Spot.

In the 8", 12", 16", 20" and 24" height categories there will be one win on spot to the 2026 World Agility Open for the partnership to compete in all 3 individual events. The partnership may choose to run for their country at the WAO, thus gaining their country an extra dog in that height, or the partnership may choose to run at WAO under the Wildcard flag.

The win on spot will use the same scoring system as the qualification for the 1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final.

From the overall result in the Biathlon, the Games, the Pentathlon and the 1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final, using cumulative points, a points system will be used where first place equals 1 point, second place equals 2 points, third place equals 3 points, scoring down to last place. The partnership with the lowest points total gains the Win on Spot. In the event of a tie for the Win On Spot, the result from the 1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final will decide the winner. If there is still a tie, the results from event will be used in the following order: Biathlon and then Pentathlon.

If the winner of the Win on Spot is ineligible or declines the position at WAO, the spot will NOT roll down to the second place partnership.

To claim the WAO spot in 2026 the winning partnerships need to email WAO on info@worldagilityopen.com by May 31st, 2025 to inform them of your details and whether you wish to represent your country or run as a wildcard at the 2026 event.

Schedule and Running Orders

The event will run over 4 full competition days (Thursday – Sunday) with a crating set up from 4-6pm on Wednesday. It is the competitor's responsibility to be available for their class and running order. All runs for this event will be in strict running order. **Failure to run in the order assigned will result in elimination.** It is the handler's understanding with multiple dogs that they are entering a competition that does require strict running order and no advantage will be given to these handlers over handlers with only one dog.

The exact class schedule will be determined after the entry has closed & processed. This information will be posted on the UKI 1-TDC Invitational Facebook Page and on the UKI website.

Groupings

This event will run under a group system for the majority of the event to help eliminate clashes. There will always be one group off per rotation for the purpose of lending a hand to run the rings.

The groups will be created in a random manner with the main goal to achieve an equal number of dogs in each group.

Change of Handler

Partnerships are invited to The 1-TDC Invitational and therefore there are no change of handlers permitted.

Withdrawing after entry

Once an entry and payment has been received there will be no refunds for ANY reason. However, if you notify UKI and your spot is filled by someone on the reserve list, you will receive a 90% refund. 14 days prior to the event (12th March 2025) is the cutoff date where reserves can be called.

Managing Conflicts for Handlers with Multiple Dogs in Non Seeded Classes

In the Biathlon, Pentathlon, Games and Challenger events all runs will use a random draw to produce the running order. Every attempt will be made for handlers with multiple dogs to have several dogs between each of their dogs in the running orders. This will be done by striving to achieve the following:

A gap of 10 dogs (9 dogs between their runs) will be created by moving the first-drawn dog earlier in the running order. If this does not achieve a 10-dog gap then the second-drawn dog will be moved down in the running order.

If there are not enough dogs in the class to achieve the 10-dog gap the biggest gap possible will be created. If this gap does not achieve the minimum 10 dog gap, then a break of 5 minutes will be given. The 5-minute countdown will start as the handler's first dog crosses the finish line; the handler must enter the ring with their second dog before the countdown is complete. If a handler has dogs in different height divisions, and the 10 dog gap cannot be achieved, the 5 minutes will run through while the jump heights are being changed. Please be aware, it is not always possible to give multiple dogs within a group the full dog gap. You will not be given more time than explained above.

Multiple dog conflicts in the 1-TDC Invitational Blue Ribbon Final:

In the final a handler has earned their running order and the advantage this brings. However, in previous UKI events the majority of handlers have chosen to create a gap in their running orders. We will therefore automatically move your first dog to a spot earlier in the running order to create a gap of 10 dogs (9 dogs between their runs). If this is unable to be achieved, the 5-minute rule will be used. Handlers who wish to keep their seeded running order must notify the office before 5.30pm on Wednesday of the event. Please note, handlers who chose not to move their dogs will not be given any additional time between their runs. If you keep your running order and are back to back, you will have 60 seconds to switch to your next dog.

-----**IMPORTANT**-----

By entering more than one dog in this event, handlers indicate their acceptance of these rules.

BY ENTERING UKI EVENTS, COMPETITORS AGREE TO:

UK Agility International Rules and Regulations apply to the whole event and all people and dogs must comply with these at all times. As a competitor it is your responsibility to be aware of the rules and regulations as they stand at the time of the show. This show will run under the current edition UK Agility International rules found on the UKI web page. Each competitor acknowledges through their entry to the UKI event that their participation is a privilege and not a right.

Competitors through submission of entry acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of **UK Agility International rules and regulations** including but not limited to the following rules regarding entry:

All dogs and handlers must be registered with UK Agility International to compete. UK Agility International's official rules & regulations are available to view free from the UKI web page. If you or your dog is not already registered, please register online at www.ukagilityinternational.com

All dogs are entered at this show at their owners' risk and whilst every care will be taken the show management and UKI will not accept responsibility for loss, damage or injury however caused to dogs, persons or property while at the UKI event.

Dogs under 18 calendar months of age on the day of the show are not eligible to compete in the West Coast Open.

A dog shall be withdrawn from competition without refund if it is: suffering from any infectious or contagious disease, interfering with the safety of any person or other animal or if it is likely to cause itself damage or its welfare is in danger if it continues competing.

It is expressly understood that competitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs, children and guests. Any competitor whose dogs, children, or guests create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior, will at the discretion of the show management, be asked to remove the offending dogs, children, guests from the event grounds. No refunds of fees will be made in such a case.

There will be no refunds for entries withdrawn and neither in the event a dog and/or handler is dismissed from the competition, regardless of the reason for dismissal providing this was within accordance of UK Agility International rules and regulations.

It is the competitor's responsibility to be available for their class and running order. Handlers working more than one dog in a class **must ensure that the dogs compete in the sequence in which they are drawn.** Failure to do so will result in elimination.

Dogs left in hot cars, or dogs appearing to be in distress, will be dealt with as seen fit by the Show Management.

Should a judge be unable to fulfill the appointment to judge, the show management reserves the right to appoint another judge. Should circumstances so dictate the show manager, in consultation with the Judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes and the circumstances surrounding them must be reported to UK Agility International. In the event of abandonment of the show through circumstances beyond our control, the SHOW MANAGEMENT may defray such expenses from the entry fee to cover the cost of the show preparation. These accounts will then be made public.

Rules of Conduct:

UKI promotes dog agility pursuant to regulations consistent with international standards as a competitive, spectator sport. All competitors, officials, and event personnel shall conduct themselves in a professional and sportsmanlike manner consistent with the foregoing statement of purpose and seek to uphold, and enhance where possible, the image of the sport and UKI through such conduct and actions including on social media platforms.

By virtue of their entry, competitors acknowledge and agree to comply with all UKI rules and regulations and agree to accept any sanctions that are imposed for failure to comply. The judge has responsibility for determining when it is appropriate to excuse a dog and competitor from the ring. The show officials have responsibility for determining when an infraction should result in a verbal warning,

written warning and/or expulsion of a competitor, dog, or any person from the event by conducting the procedure outlined in the UKI rule book. UKI head officials, through further investigation, may impose sanctions including suspension or expulsion from future events.

The following is a partial list of infractions on which the judge or trial officials will take action: Abuse of a dog on the grounds; actions that may have the appearance of abuse of a dog; willful misconduct or interference with a competitor's right to show; any acts of poor sportsmanship; violation of procedural rules; compulsive, correctional training on the grounds; willful misrepresentation on entry forms; willful misrepresentation of animals; dog aggression; failure to exercise diligence in the control of the behavior of their dog including a dog clearly not under the control of the handler ; concerns for the welfare of a dog or who is unfit for competing; intimidation and/or impolite confrontation of judges, event officials, event helpers, or other competitors; creating excessive delays as a failure to respect the authority of event officials.

Social Media Conduct

Cyber bullying of any kind towards UKI, trial management & staff, competitors, judges, helpers or volunteers will not be tolerated. Examples of cyber bullying include but are not limited to, communications that seek to intimidate, manipulate, falsely discredit, put down, try to control, rudely confront, demand, and comments that try to incite further issues. Further, UKI is committed to maintaining an environment that is built on mutual respect and is free from racism, discrimination and harassment. In keeping with this goal, any behavior that is hateful towards race, color, religion, creed, national origin or ancestry, ethnicity, sex, and gender will not be tolerated. Any of these cases may sanction removal from all associated social media pages and even lead to expulsion of UKI events and even further expulsion of organization membership.

Refund Policy

Entries will not be accepted, changed, or altered after the closing date or capping level has been reached except for the purpose of moving to a higher level. A full refund is available for any membership that is not older than 14 days from the creation of the account date. Once an entry and payment has been received there will be no refunds for ANY reason. However, if you notify UKI and your spot is filled by someone on the reserve list, you will receive a 90% refund. 14 days prior to the event (12th March 2025) is the cutoff date where reserves can be called. After this date there will be no refunds for any reason whatsoever. See crating section for refund policy. RV's are excluded from this policy. There will be no cost if refund money is to be left in your UKI account. If a refund is requested, a 5% administration fee for a credit card refund will be assessed, per transaction.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. **There will be a \$30.00 service charge for returned checks.** Payment of entry fees and service charges shall be made before a competitor may compete. Any unpaid fees or shortfalls to a UK Agility International account must be paid prior to the start of the event. Any fees not received within 30 days of notice shall be reported to UK Agility International. UK Agility International will suspend a dog's/handler's registration until fees are paid in full.

Payment of entry fees and Instant Account Top up Fees shall be made directly to the UKI member account, or via payment directly to the trial before a competitor may compete. If your UKI account owes money on the closing date and when entries are processed, please be sure you have arranged for payment to be made directly to the show. UK Agility International will suspend a dog's/handlers' registration, until fees are paid in full. In addition, this failure will result in your UKI account being suspended.

Additional administration charges may be imposed to a member's account due to negligence that result in administration time to correct. Possible infractions, not limited to, are submitting incorrect trial entry information, including incorrect handler and dog number, creating duplicate membership or dog accounts. Charges are based on an hourly rate of \$20 per hour.

Media & Sponsor Rights Release

Through the entry into this event, all competitors grant to UKI and its affiliated companies, representatives, agents and assigns, all rights and permission to use or appropriate his/her and their dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia of identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission or distribution in any format or media known now or in the future. Further, I hereby release UKI and its affiliates, representatives, agents and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of publicity, right of personality, or any similar right. Sponsors of UKI events may email entrants with their product and or service information. If a competitor does not wish to receive emails from these sponsors, they must email becky@ukaagility.com before the close of the trial entry date to declare this, ensuring they receive a receipt email that this information has been received by the trial management.

Bitches in season may compete at the event. No BIS pants are allowed. A mat must be used on the start line provided by the show management however the handler is responsible for notifying the ring of the need for the mat. Although we will do our best to supply non slip mats, competitors take responsibility for any potential risk of starting their dog on a mat. You must notify the event management at check-in if your dog is in season or as soon as this happens during the event. Competitors must note this on check-in board if running orders have already been produced. As to not to give BIS an advantage, they will continue to run at their assigned run order placement. This allowance is in concurrence with UKI rules.

In the event of extraordinary circumstances outside of the event management's control, the event show management team reserve the right to alter the scheduling and event rules.

All Judges' decisions are final. Absolutely no video review or video challenge is permitted by the competitor. Please be sure you understand the Rules of Conduct explained above. No handler may approach a judge to question a call either during, immediately after or anytime throughout the event. Any calls in question, the competitor must only ask the Ring Manager.



2025 1-TDC Invitational Crating Selection

Crating locations are in high demand & we don't want you to lose out, so please read all the information & follow the instructions to avoid this.

Crating

- ❖ **Premium Crating Spaces:** All crating spaces will be indoors and climate controlled. The spaces are approximately 4' x 5'. Each crating space is \$110 for the event. No other crating will be allowed inside the arena. (Reactive or disruptive dogs may not be crated in this area). The crating area is on a wooden basketball floor so you must provide waterproof tarps/mats to put your crate on. Anyone found not using these will have their crates removed from the area with no refund.

All crating requests are to be submitted through email to Tara Baggerman tara.ukiusopen@gmail.com

Crating Selection requests open on Thursday January 23rd at 12:01AM EST and close Saturday March 1st at 12:01 AM EST

Requests received before this date will not be considered. All crating requests will be reserved on a 'first email received' basis from the opening date. Once all available spaces are filled, all remaining requests will be placed on a wait list and you will be notified of this. If you cancel your crating before 1st March, there will be a \$5 fee to process your refund. Should you cancel your crating for any reason after March 1 including due to injury or illness, we will only be able to issue a 90% refund if we can fill your spot from the waiting list. This will be via PayPal (regardless how you paid). If we are unable to fill your spot, there will be no refund.

Group Crating requests

Individual competitors who would like to crate together (groups of 2 or more) must designate a 'crating leader' to submit a group crating request on their behalf. The crating leader will request the desired spaces for your group and submit one payment for all of them

Steps to reserve your Crating Selection

Step 1.

- If you are requesting an individual space then Email Tara with your crating request: tara.ukiusopen@gmail.com. If you wish to request a space with one or more other person, then you must designate a crating leader to email Tara with the total number of spaces required.

Step 2.

- Upon Tara's receipt of your email, a confirmation from Tara that your email has been received and confirmed will be sent within 48 hours. From this, you will have 7 days to submit full payment either through postal mail as follows: Payable to **CDogsFly Agility**, c/o Tara Baggerman, PO BOX 591, Greenfield Center, NY 12833
- OR - you may PayPal fees directly to lessons@ukagility.com.
- ALL PAYPAL FEES MUST BE PAID BY YOU and you must reference "NAI Crating". If fees are not fully covered, you will be required to pay the shortfall at check in at the event.
- If you are in a group, then the crating leader must submit one payment for the total number of spaces requested. Individual payments must not be made.
- Email Tara proof of your payment receipt from PayPal.
- Fee's not received within the 7 days will result in the loss of your requested crating space.

Step 3.

- Once full payment is received you will receive a final confirmation email from Tara.

Waiting to sign up for crating space at the NAI?

It is not recommended that you wait until arriving at the NAI to request a crating/stall space. There is no guarantee that spaces will still be available. After the close for reservations of March 1st – all further requests will pay an additional \$20 per rental space.

PLEASE NOTE

You will receive a reply within 48 hours of your initial email from Tara to notify you that your email has been received and to confirm your crating request. If you do not receive an email after 48 hours, please immediately follow up again & if there is still no response, likely the email has not been received. Your next step is to immediately email UKI here:

ukiusopen.info@gmail.com. In the case of a group reservation only the crating leader should be following up.

Following up with your email to ensure it has been received is your responsibility – we unfortunately won't be able to do anything about requests that did not reach us. **Please be sure your spam blockers accept Tara's email address.**

Temporary crating space will be available near the individual rings for those running multiple dogs.

PLEASE Get Involved! Volunteers play an essential role in making sure each area of the 2025 1-TDC Invitational runs smoothly. We need YOU to help once again make it a successful event. There will be assigned groups each day with one group in each rotation not competing. This fabulous layout will allow you the opportunity to volunteer and participate in receiving worker vouchers for each class that you help with. These vouchers can be redeemed at the concessioners or any of the wonderful vendors at the event. Also, we will have a daily worker raffle, with some fabulous worker giveaways from our vendors, sponsors or businesses! We promise you'll have plenty of time for your runs and we know you'll have a great time and lots of fun!

If you know of someone who is not running a dog and would be interested in being a bigger part of the NAI, **please contact Katie Oilschlager at Katie.ukiusopen@gmail.com**

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