



CKC AGILITY TEAM CANADA

2022 Guide to Tryouts Participation Requirements

CKC Agility Team Canada (ATC) will select teams of dogs and handlers to represent Canada at the FCI European Open Agility Championships (EO) in 2022.

CKC ATC Tryouts 2022

The CKC ATC Selection Committee will allocate and approve entry through the Tryout process for 28 dogs and handlers to the EO event.

Any handlers (Candidates) interested in earning a spot on CKC ATC must attend CKC ATC Tryouts to be held:

- **Date:** Saturday – Sunday, April 16-17, 2022.
- **Venue:** Dynamo Dogsports, 9519 49 Street NW, Edmonton, Alberta T6B 2L8 (indoors on Crown King Agility matting).
- **Judge:** International FCI Judge Tamás Tráj will design the courses, and if possible, travel to Canada to judge.

Purpose

To provide a competition format for handlers and their dogs to demonstrate their skills and international competition potential. Handlers and dogs will be tested on various performance elements. The Tryouts format will help the Selection Committee to:

- Make decisions on who will be named to the CKC ATC EO Team for 2022.
- Identify new talent across Canada.
- Kick off the CKC ATC EO Team 2022 fundraising initiatives.

Format

The event will be run over 2 days and include 3 Standard Agility courses and 2 Jumpers (with weaves) courses in total. Standard and Jumpers courses will be different for the Large dogs and Medium/Small dogs.

Tryouts will be open to other agility handlers to attend as a skill-building/development opportunity. These entrants will be classed as “For Exhibition Only” (FEO). FEO run scores will be available; but will not be included in the competition scoring. If the event fills (the maximum number of runs that can be judged is reached), then preference for Tryouts entry spots will be given to Candidates applying for CKC ATC.

Tryout Judging Rules

Tryout judging rules are based upon the *FCI Agility Regulations* that will be in effect at the 2022 EO event. (For a copy refer to: <http://fci.be/en/Agility-45.html>).

Any EO CKC ATC participation requirements for jump heights and the dog’s age are based on these rules. It is the Candidate’s responsibility to take these factors into consideration when entering Tryouts.

Tryout Scoring and Selection for CKC ATC EO

For information about the scoring and selection process, a separate document titled, *2022 CKC ATC Tryouts Scoring for EO Team Candidates* is available. You will find this document:

- On CKC ATC website (www.ckcagilityteam.ca), click Tryouts in the upper right menu bar.
- In Files on Facebook Group titled, *2022 Tryouts for EO AWC CKC Agility Team Canada*.
- By contacting the Team Leader at ckcatcdocuments@gmail.com, and requesting a copy of the Scoring Document.



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FCI Jump Heights

The jump heights at Tryouts will be the same as those outlined within the *FCI Agility Regulations*.

Three categories presently exist for international competitions:

| Jump Height Category | Dog Measurement | Tryouts Jump Height | FCI Heights |
|----------------------|--|---------------------|-------------|
| Small | Dogs measuring less than 35 cm (13 3/4") at the withers. | 12" | 30 cm |
| Medium | Dogs measuring 35 cm (13 3/4") or more and less than 43 cm (16-7/8") at the withers. | 16" | 40 cm |
| Large | Dogs measuring 43 cm (16 7/8") or more at the withers. | 24" | 60 cm) |

Dog Measurement

All Small and Medium dogs competing a Tryouts that do not have a previous FCI event (EO or Agility World Championship) measurement will be measured by the Tryouts Judge. These dogs are expected to be able to stand appropriately to be measured by the Tryouts Judge.

Candidates with dogs that measure over the jump height entered for Tryouts must be willing to jump at the correct Tryouts jump height or run FEO. Dogs on the borderline of the height cut-offs can enter at the lower height; however, these dogs must be prepared to jump at the higher height if required following measurement at Tryouts.

Standing for Exam

In addition, all dogs competing at Tryouts (Small, Medium, and Large) are expected to "stand for examination" by the Tryouts Judge or other designate approved by CKC ATC Team Management. This is intended to familiarize prospective CKC ATC members with the vet checks conducted before the EO event.

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2022 COVID-19 Protection Requirements – Province of Alberta

To enter an indoor recreational venue – Alberta law requires Entertainment, Event and Recreation Facilities to adhere to mandatory vaccination requirements. This includes facilities hosting dog agility trials.

As of September 20, 2021, by order of the province, all persons attending an organized event must be vaccinated. Proof of double vaccination including valid QR code must be provided before entering the Dynamo Dogsports facility (details will be provided about the procedure in the 2022 CKC ATC Tryouts Premium). This includes anyone entering the arena, for any reason.

2022 CKC Agility Title and Trial Participation Requirements

- **There are no CKC agility title requirements** for CKC ATC EO Team Candidates and their dogs.
- **There are no minimum CKC agility trial participation requirements** for CKC ATC EO Team Candidates and their dogs.
- **We encourage prospective Candidates to show support for the CKC** by attending and/or volunteering at local CKC agility trials where pandemic restrictions allow. Get a head start on title and trial participation requirements that will be in place for 2023.



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General Eligibility Requirements

- All Candidates participating in or watching the Tryouts event must demonstrate extremely good sportsmanship all times.
- All Candidates must complete the **Intent to Apply** process outlined on page 4.
- All Candidates must be Canadian citizens or residents of Canada for the past 24 months.
- All Candidates must be CKC members in good standing.
- All CKC ATC EO applicant dogs must be CKC Registered or have a Miscellaneous Registration (MSC), Performance Event Number (PEN), or a Canine Companion Number (CCN).

CCN Registered Dogs: Mixed breeds are required to have a CCN number in accordance with the CKC Policy of spay/neuter and have a CKC approved microchip. Details for a CCN are outlined in the *CKC Policy & Procedures Manual*, Chapter 6: a) In order for a dog to receive a Canine Companion Number the following criteria must be met: (1) The dog must be either a mixed breed or unrecognized breed as defined herein. (2) Mixed breed dogs must be spayed or neutered. Unrecognized breeds are not required by CKC to be spayed or neutered. (3) The dog must be identified with a Canadian Kennel Club approved microchip.

- The Candidate competing with the dog at Tryouts must be the only handler who will compete with the dog at the EO.
- All Candidates with Small and Medium dogs will follow the jump height measurement specifications as outlined by the FCI Agility Regulations.
- All Candidates must be willing to acquire any documentation for themselves (i.e., valid passport as well as travel visa for Russia), and their dog (i.e., official Canadian Food Inspection Agency veterinary certificate) required for travel/entry into the European Union (EU), Belgium, and Russia.
- In accordance with FCI Agility Regulations, all CKC ATC EO Team applicant dogs must be 24 months or older on the day the EO competition begins to be eligible to participate at the EO (July 28-31, 2022).
- A parent or legal guardian must accompany any Candidate under the age of 18 years to Tryouts and to the EO event, at their own expense.

Note: Dogs with Docked Tails and/or Cropped Ears

European Open 2022

- Dogs with docked tails **are not allowed** to compete at the EO in 2022.
- Dogs with cropped ears **are not allowed** to compete at the EO in 2022.



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Intent to Apply Submission

Step 1: Send in Intent to Apply email by **Friday, February 18, 2022 (by 12:00 a.m. EST)**.

This is simple! Email the Team Leader, Sue Miller, at ckcatcdocuments@gmail.com, and include the following information:

- Candidate – Name and CKC Member number. Proof of double vaccination against COVID-19 including QR Code.
- Dog(s) – Call name, breed, age, sex, date of birth, and FCI jump height (small 12”, medium 16”, or large 24”), and CKC Registration number or MISC, PEN, or CCN number.

We will add you to the Tryouts Facebook group to make sure you receive any updates and news.

Step 2: Review the Code of Conduct for CKC ATC EO Team Candidates in the application for the CKC ATC EO Team.

Step 3: Submit your EO Team Application by **Wednesday, March 16, 2022 (by 12:00 a.m. EST)**. Include the following materials with your submission:

- Scanned copy of your dog’s **CKC Registration certificate**.
- **Large, Medium, and Small** – Fill out and scan the Application Form and Code of Conduct Agreement for the EO Team.
- **Medium and Small Only** – Complete, scan, and include the Official Dog Height Certification Form with your application.

Submit them by email to ckcatcdocuments@gmail.com. Blurry or dark photo images will not be accepted.

Step 4: Enter Tryouts through Dynamo Dogsports at <https://dogsport.org/>.

- **Early Bird** entries for Tryouts are due on **Tuesday, March 15, 2022 (by 12:00 a.m. EST)**.
- **Tryouts entry closes** on **Wednesday, March 30, 2022 (by 12:00 a.m. EST)**.

Important Dates Checklist

| Key Dates for Tryouts Entry and the CKC ATC Application Process | |
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| Intent to Apply for CKC ATC – EO Team | |
| Intent to Apply Email Deadline: | Friday, February 18, 2022 (by 12:00 a.m. EST) |
| Tryouts Entry Submission | |
| Tryouts Early Bird Entry Submission: | Tuesday, March 15, 2022 (by 12:00 a.m. EST) |
| Tryouts Entry Deadline: | Wednesday, March 30, 2022 (by 12:00 a.m. EST) |
| CKC ATC EO Application | |
| Application Deadline: | Wednesday, March 16, 2022 (by 12:00 a.m. EST) |
| 2022 FCI Agility Event Dates and Locations | |
| FCI European Open | |
| July 28-31, 2022 (Sentower Park, Opglabbeekallinn, Belgium) | |