



We are pleased to announce the 3rd Annual
JUNIORS Division in the
2023 AKC Trick Dog National Competition

It's Virtual!!

We are pleased to announce the AKC Trick Dog National Competition for 2023. The competition is Virtual so that trainers everywhere may participate.

- As in previous years, Elite Performer dogs will perform a routine.
- The new Juniors division is for young handlers 17 years old and under.
 - Age divisions for Juniors are 9 years and under, 10 to 13 years old, and 14 to 17 years old.
 - Juniors will compete with the highest level of Tricks title that the dog has earned (Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, Performer, and Elite Performer).
- Juniors do not have to perform a routine, unless the dog is at the Elite Performer level. This means that in all classes but Elite Performer, Juniors may submit a video of the dog performing one trick after the other with no story.

Dogs must have earned a title by the entry opening date (August 1, 2023, 5:00 pm, EST) to enter this exciting AKC Trick Dog event for Junior handlers. The title must have been awarded by AKC before entering the competition.

How it works: Submit a video to AKC of your dog performing at least 10, and not more than 15, tricks. The tricks may include props and music.

Juniors may use a new video, or a video previously submitted to AKC for review to earn your title. Videos submitted to the 2021 or 2022 competitions may not be resubmitted. The video for Juniors may be one continuous video, or short videos of each trick may be edited together.

Juniors may submit only one video (per dog) to the competition. Juniors may enter up to two dogs with one video each.

When: To enter, submit your video between Tuesday, August 1 and Monday, October 2, 2023. Judges will judge the submissions and the winner will be announced in November 2023.

Winners in each age group of the Juniors AKC Trick Dog Competition will receive a trophy. All qualifiers for the competition will receive a rosette. The winners will be featured in AKC media.

For more details and the competition rules, see: <https://www.akc.org/sports/trick-dog/>

For questions, email: trickdog@akc.org

ENTRIES OPEN: Tuesday, August 1, 2023

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: Monday, October 2, 2023

Here is the 2022 Competition medal.
All qualifiers in 2023 will receive a 2023 medal.

