

2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

\$60 Member	\$30 Junior	Founding*

Please complete and send pages one and two along with a check made out to CATS for your membership renewal fee by February 1, 2018 to:

Kristen Trombly, PO Box 10022, Swanzey, NH 03446

Name:	Date:	_
Address:		_
City, State, Zip:		
Phone 1:	Phone 2:	-
Email address:		_
I certify that my dog(s) a	re current on their rabies vaccinations.	
(Please list all dogs that may participate in CATS activities. Must be current on rabies vaccinations.)		
Which committees are y	ou interested in serving on? (see list attached)	_
What would you like to	do to help CATS be a great club in 2018?	_

*Founding Members are exempt from paying dues, but must submit signed Membership Renewal: Judy Davis, Chris Frado, Linda Guinane, Rob Phillips, Sheila Phillips, and Leslie Vassall. Thank you, Founders!

In consideration of the acceptance of this application, I/we agree to the following:

- 1. I, the club member/handler/participant, agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Canine Agility Training Society (CATS) and any other corresponding rules and regulations and procedures for any class, event, activity or meeting.
- 2. I hereby certify that my dog(s) (or other dog(s) brought by me to a CATS function) is not a hazard to persons, other animals, or property and that the dog's rabies and other vaccinations will be kept current in accordance with the requirements(s) of the state in which the

dog resides.

- 3. I acknowledge all hazards presented by events, classes, activities, meetings and corresponding event premises, including, but not limited to, the condition of the flooring, footing, stairways, walks, halls, lighting, security measures or lack thereof, electrical appliances, fitting(s), show rings, parking areas, and the presence of unfamiliar animals and people; the participant and owner assume the entire risk of any harm arising from these.
- 4. I hereby release CATS (including officers, directors, employees and members thereof) and that of any sites, training centers and other sites used for CATS club activities and hold them harmless from all present and future loss, injury, damage, claims, demands and liabilities involving the dog, event, or event premises. I hereby specifically assume sole responsibility for, and agree to all expenses (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law on any of the aforementioned parties for damages because my/our participation in CATS activities, events or meetings, howsoever such injury, or death may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.
- 5. Furthermore, as a CATS member: I agree to work with my dog in agility training in a manner that never threatens his/her safety or well-being. I recognize that it is important that a dog not lose confidence or be physically harmed as a part of his/her participation in the sport of agility and will do all I can to keep training and practice safe and fun. In keeping with the club's philosophy, I further agree to train my dog using positive, reward-based methods that are advocated by CATS as well as the national agility sanctioning organizations of this country.

Further, in respect for the Club concern that member conduct be "in the best interest of the Club..." (CATS By-Laws, Article VIII, "Discipline"), by submission of this membership application, I/we agree to abide by the following Code of Conduct:

- 1. Treat others with dignity and respect, as beings inherently worthy of esteem, honor, and high regard, irrespective of our many differences.
- 2. In our words and actions, strive to create and maintain a positive and harmonious atmosphere at the club, one that will enhance the bond we seek to develop with our dogs as we train them, and that will promote fellowship and goodwill toward each other.
- 3. In our interactions with each other, practice personal integrity, accept responsibility for our actions, and when we disagree, communicate with courtesy, act ethically, and above all, strive to seek and tolerate a constructive outcome.

I have read, understand, and acknowledge the above Agreement, and agree to abide by it and by the CATS club Bylaws.

Print Name:	
Signature of Member/Handler/Participant	Date
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian of Minor if m	ember/participant is under 18 years of age.

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Membership Renewal Process:

- Applicant completes this form.
- Application is submitted with dues and renewal is complete once received by the Treasurer.
- Junior Membership dues are half price. Junior members must be at least 7 years old and are Juniors until their 18th birthday.

Member Benefits:

- Attend meetings, vote on club business, serve on the Board of Directors, and if at least 18 years
 of age may be an Officer.
- Attend social functions
- Receive CATS digital communications
- Wear CATS logo
- Use CATS training equipment (requires member be identified as, or be supervised by, an Advanced Handler as determined by the Training Committee)
- Pay discounted fees for MHS Agility classes as allowed in the current CATS/MHS contract
- Receive CATS discounted entry for CATS-sponsored trials in exchange for trial work.
- Attend CATS Training Seminars at member-only fee.

CATS Committees:

Equipment: Manages & maintains club's agility equipment and training grounds

<u>Event:</u> Plans and carries out CPE, NADAC, and USDAA sanctioned agility trials. Includes Liasons.

Finance: Manages club's budget.

Audit: Conducts annual audit of the books.

<u>Librarian & Historian</u>: Manages book and magazine collection, records club history and policies.

Membership: Recruitment and orientation of new members, oversees committee assignments.

Nominating: Recruits and nominates members for the Board of Directors.

<u>Seminar & Training</u>: Plans and carries out training seminars and practices primarily for club members.

Show & Go: Plans and carries out show & go events for members and non-members.

Social: Plans and carries out social functions, maintains memorials.

Social Media: Administers Website, online calendar, Facebook page, Google Groups.

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