

2023 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

_____ \$75 Working Member _____ \$150 Supporting Member
_____ \$37.50 Junior Member _____ Founding

Mail this form with check payable to CATS by February 1 to:
CATS Treasurer c/o Monadnock Humane Society
101 W. Swanzey Road Swanzey NH 03446

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

I consent to having my name, address, email, and phone listed in the CATS membership list, which is provided **only** to members and will enhance communication between members: _____ Yes _____ No

Dog Names _____

List all dogs that may participate in CATS' activities. Must be current on rabies vaccinations.

I am interested in the following committees. (See last page for list of committees) _____

In consideration of the acceptance of this renewal, I agree to the following for this year:

1. I 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 agree to the following expectations of being a Club member:

All Members: I. Try to attend at least two of our six membership meetings each year.

Working Members:

- I. Serve in an active role on a committee and,
- II. Work one spring or fall equipment migration and,
- III. At least twice per year:
 - a. Assist with physical setup or breakdown for a Club trial (requires moving equipment) or,
 - b. Serve as a daylong dedicated worker at a Club trial (includes breaks to run your own dog)

I will assist with these trials in 2023 – please mark your calendar:

_____ March 25-26 CPE indoors, @ AK9C in Amherst, NH
 _____ June 2-4 USDAA at MHS
 _____ Sept 16-17 CPE at MHS
 _____ Oct 7-8 USDAA at MHS

3. I hereby certify that my dog or other dogs 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 of the state in which the dog resides.
4. 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, fittings, 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.
5. 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.
6. 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 Club philosophy, I 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.

I 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. Bylaws available at <https://canineagility.org/cats-by-laws>

Print name: _____

Signature: _____

Date

**Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian of Minor (if member/participant is under the age of 18)*



CATS MEMBERSHIP 2023

Keep this Information

Membership Renewal Process:

- Member completes this form.
- Member submits renewal form with dues and renewal is complete once received by 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:

- Use of CATS arena and agility equipment (must have equipment safety orientation and be an Advanced Handler or be supervised by an Advanced Handler)
- Discount on MHS agility classes
- Discount on CATS agility seminars
- Access to CATS agility classes
- Discount on trial entries for trial workers
- 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

CATS Committees:

Equipment: Manages and maintains Club's agility equipment.

Event: Plans and carries out CPE, NADAC, and USDAA sanctioned agility trials. Includes liaisons.

Grounds: Conducts maintenance of the outdoor arena and surrounding areas

Finance: Manages Club's budget.

Audit: Conducts annual audit of the books.

Librarian & Historian: Manages book 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.

Seminar & Training: 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 rainbow bridge memorials.

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

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