A- Course Sheep Advanced

Description

Time Allowed: 10 minutes for sheep and ducks, 12 minutes for cattle.
Time starts when the handler sends their dog.

Start
The lead is removed at the gate after the gate is closed to the arena. The dog and the handler begin the course at Post C.

Outrun, Lift, Fetch
The dog begins the outrun from Post C. The dog will lift the stock and move the stock down the arena on the far side of the center panels to marker #1.
The handler remains at Post C during the outrun and lift. Once the lift starts the handler may move to the bot-tom corner of the hold/exam pen or remain at Post C. The handler must then maintain their position until the stock reach marker #3.

"Y" Chute
Turn around Post C and move the stock to the "Y" chute with a turn down the arena through the chute to marker #2.

"Z" Chute
Turn towards the far side at marker #2 and move the stock straight through the "Z" chute to marker #3.
Once the stock reach marker #3, the handler moves to hold/exam pen where the handler must remain until the stock are moved to marker #5. Handler may move/stand anywhere along the panel that runs parallel to the center line.

Hold/Exam pen
Turn towards the top at marker #3 and move the stock into hold/exam pen. The dog will settle and hold the stock (up to 1 minute) until the Judge indicates the stock are to be moved out of the pen. After the Hold, the handler may choose to move the stock out of the pen by his/her presence or with the dog. Move the stock to marker #4.

Center-line gate
Turn towards the near side at marker # 4 and move to stock straight across the arena, through the gate to marker #5.
After the stock have reached marker #5, the handler proceeds directly to the exhaust pen gate and may pass through the centerline gate at his/her option.

Pen
Turn towards the top of the arena at marker #5 and move the stock to near the exhaust pen. The dog holds the stock near the exhaust pen but away from the gate while the handler opens the gate. The stock are penned. The handler closes the gate and completes the run.

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Arena size:	Sheep & Cattle			
		Minimum	100 feet x 200 feet
		Maximum	200 feet x 400 feet
	Ducks	Minimum	50 feet x 100 feet
		Maximum	100 feet x 200 feet

Lift Area

The stock should be positioned 30' off the top fence line and approximately 12' to the left of Centerline Gate. Panels for sheep and cattle, 6' to the left of Centerline Gate panels for ducks.

Centerline Gate

Center of panels $^1/_3$ total length of arena.

Panels set 16' apart for sheep and cattle, 6' apart for ducks.

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Y Chute

The top of the chute is at $^2/_3$ the total length of the arena.
The opening is 12' wide for sheep and cattle, 4' wide for ducks.
The alleyway is 4' wide and from 16' to 24' long for sheep and cattle, 2' wide and from 8' to 12' long for ducks.

Hold/Exam Pen

The top edge is at $^2/_3$ total length of the arena. The Hold/Exam Pen is 12' x 12' for sheep and cattle, 4' x 4' for ducks.

Z Chute

$^1/_2$ the arena width. The alleyway is 4' wide for sheep and cattle, 2' wide for ducks.

Start

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