

A- Course Sheep Intermediate

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 is placed at Post C. The handler may move to any location on the centerline between Post B and Post C.

Outrun, Lift, Fetch/Drive

The dog begins the outrun from Post C. The dog lifts and moves the stock down the arena on the far side of the center panels to marker #1 (Post C).

The handler may move within the zone between Posts B & C during the outrun, lift and fetch. After the fetch to Post B, it is the handler's option in which manner marker #1 is reached: drive, fetch or a combination of both. The handler must stay on the centerline and be at or near (within 15 feet of) Post C before attempting the "Y" chute.

"Y" Chute

Turn around Post C and move the stock to and through the "Y" chute to marker #2. The handler remains at Post C until the stock have exited the "Y" chute.

The handler may move after completion of the "Y" chute but must remain in the zone between Post B and Post C until the stock reach marker #5.

"Z" Chute

Turn towards the far side at marker #2, then move stock through the "Z" chute to marker #3. Hold/Exam pen – Turn towards the top at marker #3 and move the stock into the Hold/Exam pen. The dog will allow the stock to settle and hold them (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.

Centerline gate

Turn towards the near side at marker #4 and move the 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 in a location near the exhaust pen but away from the gate while the handler opens the gate. The stock is penned. The handler closes the gate and completes the run.

COURSE A

INTERMEDIATE

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Arena size:

Sheep & Cattle

Minimum

100 feet x 200 feet

Maximum

200 feet x 400 feet

Ducks

Minimum

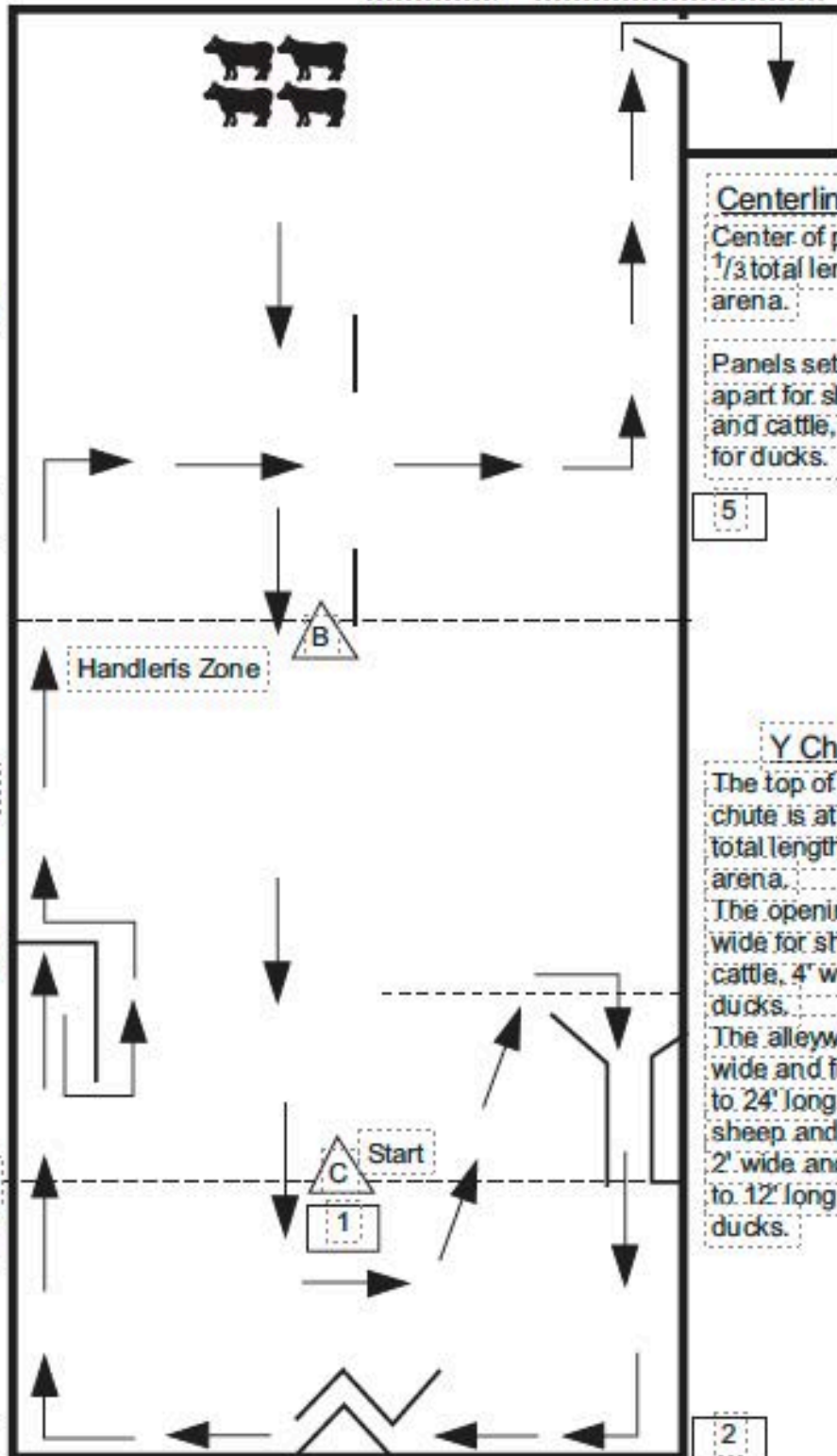
50 feet x 100 feet

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 $\frac{1}{3}$ total length of arena.

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

Y Chute

The top of the chute is at $\frac{2}{3}$ 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 $\frac{2}{3}$ total length of the arena. The Hold/Exam Pen is 12' x 12' for sheep and cattle, 4' x 4' for ducks.

Z Chute

$\frac{1}{2}$ the arena width. The alleyway is 4' wide for sheep and cattle, 2' wide for ducks.