

Membership and training application



2021 Membership type and fees: (please check one)

- Associate membership (\$30)
- Junior membership (\$30)
- Individual membership (\$45)
- Family membership (\$50)

Application type (Session 1): (please check one)

- Training (see below for fees)
- Nontraining

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Cell phone: _____ Email: _____

For Family membership: please designate two people 18 or older who will vote on behalf of the family.

Voter 1: _____ Voter: _____

Dogs cannot train unless they have a current up-to-date rabies vaccination.

Dog № 1

Name: _____ Breed: _____

Rabies vaccination (mm/dd/yy) _____ Next due (mm/dd/yy): _____

Dog № 2

Name: _____ Breed: _____

Rabies vaccination (mm/dd/yy) _____ Next due (mm/dd/yy): _____

Training fees

Beginners I, II (10 weeks) \$240

Continuing training (6 months) \$240

Second dog in continuing training \$220

Note: The second-dog discount applies only if you have two dogs in continuing training (Beginners III and above). Dogs in Beginner I or Beginner II are not eligible for the discount package.

Emergency contact information

Your name: _____

Emergency contact name: _____

Emergency contact's phone number: _____

Membership Code of Conduct

I will demonstrate standards of good conduct and principals of good sportsmanship. I understand that my personal conduct as an exhibitor or spectator, and my care and treatment of my dogs is a reflection on the club.

I will be a responsible dog owner and provide a safe, healthy environment for all of my animals, ensuring they are not a public nuisance. Only humane methods will be used when training, exhibiting, or working my dogs. I understand that Tail Blazers Agility Club of the Brandywine Valley, Pa., Inc. (TBAC) does not allow the use of electronic collars on club property or at club events.

I have read and understand the TBAC Code of Conduct and agree to abide by same as indicated by my signature below. In signing this application, I hold harmless TBAC and its Board of Directors, members, and the owners of the premises on which activities are held, from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to me or to my dog(s) while involved in any club activities. I personally assume all responsibility and liability, as I enter the several said premises, for whatever purpose, at my own risk. I certify that the information supplied in this application is complete and correct. I understand that any omission or misstatement herein can be grounds for rejection of this application or immediate termination of membership. I agree to abide by the Constitution and Bylaws, the rules and regulation, and requirements of the AKC and TBAC.

I give TBAC permission to use my name and any photograph of me and/or my dog(s) in any way it deems appropriate for informational and training purposes related to TBAC activities. Such use includes, but is not limited to, use in newspaper or magazine articles about TBAC, use in videos or web pages or Internet site for training or informational purposes concerning TBAC, or use in any other written or nonwritten informational materials concerning TBAC and its activities.

Training Member Certification of Rabies Vaccination

My signature below is affirmation that I have provided true and accurate information regarding the rabies vaccination status of the dog(s) that I will be training. Upon request, I agree to provide a copy of the vaccination certificate(s) to the Training Director.

Training Member Waiver

In consideration of and as inducement to the acceptance of my application for training with TBAC, I hereby waive and release the Tail Blazers Agility Club of the Brandywine Valley Pa. Inc., its employees, officers, members, agents, and the owners of the property from any and all liability of any nature for injury or damage which I or my dog may suffer while attending any training sessions or while on the training grounds or surrounding area. I further agree that the TBAC is not responsible for any losses that may occur while attending any function of the Club. The instructor reserves the right to dismiss from class any handler who in the instructor's opinion exhibits inappropriate behavior or any dog that shows aggressive tendencies towards other dogs or people.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

COVID-19 Waiver of Liability and Informed Consent

- I attest that to the best of my knowledge, I do not have COVID-19 at the time of attending TBAC agility classes in which I am enrolled (hereafter referred to as the “classes”), and understand the risks of unknowing exposure to this and other illnesses by or to myself, my family, other participants, and third parties. I have not been tested and found positive, am not waiting for test results, and do not have symptoms of COVID-19.
- I acknowledge that I have received and read the TBAC COVID-19 Mitigation and Safety Policy and agree that I will not knowingly expose others to any illness I may have or be at risk to have. I will follow all TBAC rules and requirements to reduce any exposure and possibility of contracting or spreading the virus. I will also fully cooperate with and follow any city, county or state guidelines that have jurisdiction in the area in which classes are taking place. If any of the above should change prior to my arrival at the site or during the classes that are the subject of this consent, I will inform my instructor and proceed accordingly in light of the new information.
- I agree that I am attending these classes entirely at my own risk and assume all risk and full responsibility for my own health, well-being, and safety during the classes. I fully agree that TBAC, its leadership, volunteers, instructors and the owners of the property where the classes take place are in no way liable for any present or future COVID-19 exposure incurred at any time by any person, in attendance or not in attendance, during or after the classes. I hereby waive and release TBAC, its leadership, volunteers, instructors and the owners of the property where the classes take place from any and all liability for damages or personal injury to me, my dogs or my property.
- Further, I hereby indemnify and hold harmless TBAC, its leadership, volunteers, instructors, and the owners of the property where the classes take place from any and all claims by or liability to any third party arising out of my participation in the classes. Any liability to anyone for any incident involving myself, the location, or those pets or actions of other participants and spectators will be my sole responsibility and I assume all financial liability and will also assume all and any financial costs associated with my actions.

Please do not come to your lesson if you:

- Feel sick today
- Experience any symptoms associated with COVID-19, including cough, fever, chest pains, or difficulty breathing
- Are at a higher risk for serious complications from COVID-19
- Recently traveled to CDC Level-3 designated countries in the last 14 days
- Traveled on a cruise ship in the last 14 days

By signing this document, you acknowledge and affirm you are and will remain compliant with the parameters outlined above during the course of the classes in which you are enrolled.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Application of fees

The membership fee applies to the full year of 2021. The training fee applies to the six-month training session from January 11, 2021, to July 1, 2021, (for continuing training students).

Membership definitions

Associate: Associate membership is open to anyone 18 or older who wishes to remain connected to the club. Associate members are not eligible to vote or hold office. Associate members do not have work requirements or training privileges. Associate members may upgrade their membership category during the year by meeting the requirements of good standing as stated in Article I, Section 5 of the bylaws and by meeting the requirement of the upgraded category. Date of upgrade will determine eligibility for awards and training fee.

Junior: Junior membership is open to handlers between 7 and 18 years old. Junior members are not eligible to vote or hold office. Training privileges are available upon payment of training fees and the availability of openings in the training program. Junior members must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Individual: Individual membership is open to any handler 18 or older. Individual members are eligible to vote or hold office. Training privileges are available upon payment of training fees and availability of openings in the training program.

Family: Family membership is open to any number of people living in the same household who are 7 or older. Family members 18 or older are eligible to vote or hold office. Family memberships receive two votes. Both voters must be 18 or older and in good standing. A family must declare who will vote at the beginning of the year. Training privileges are available upon payment of training fees. Family members 7 to 18 years old must be accompanied by an adult when training at all times.

Membership requirements

All members must fulfill their working responsibilities and attend two general membership meetings per year in order to remain a member in good standing.

Nontraining members are expected to work at least two classes on one day of a TBAC trial each year.

Training members are required to work three classes per day on four trial days — for a total of 12 classes — out of the total TBAC trial days in a year, in order to train at the rate on this form.

If members find it impossible to fulfill their work responsibilities for a trial, they have the option of enlisting the services of another club member, family member, or friend to work in their place.

Training policies

TBAC is a positive reinforcement training club and will not tolerate any physical correction of dogs.

Training fees will not be refunded once classes have begun.

Alternating dogs do not have to pay a training fee to rotate weekly in a training spot as long as said dogs are registered with TBAC ahead of time and are from one household only. Training levels, as determined by the Training Director, must be comparable for alternating dogs. Members cannot switch classes unless confirmed by the Training Director. All drop-ins must call the Training Director beforehand.