AGILITY TEAM GB

2028 TRY-OUT QUALIFICATION

Agility Team GB – OPEN TO ALL

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Introduction

The Agility Team GB Selection Process is designed to include dogs and handlers competing at an International level. It is designed to be an "Open for All" selection, provided that partnerships have achieved, or are close to achieving, a level that will enable them to compete at international events.

List of Abbreviations

- AWC – Agility World Championship.
- EO – European Open.
- JAO – Junior Agility Open Championship.
- JOT – Junior Agility Open Try Out.
- OSC – Open Show Case.
- PSQ – Pre-selection Qualifier.
- TO1 – Try Out Weekend 1.
- TO2 –Try Out Weekend 2.

Key Dates

Event	Dates
Qualification Period	1 April 2027 – 1 November 2027
FCI Championship Measuring. WR11 7SA.	January 2028 (TBC)
Open Showcase for EO & AWC (OSC)	5 February 2028
Junior Pre-Selection Qualifier (PSQ) incorporating Junior Open Showcase (JOSC)	6 February 2028
Try Out Weekend 1 (TO 1)	19 & 20 February 2028
Try Out Weekend 2 (TO 2)	18 & 19 March 2028
JAO Try Out (JOT)	25 & 26 March 2028
Teams Announced	Before 7 April 2028
Team Day (EO & AWC)	22 April 2028 (TBC)
Team Day (JAO)	23 April 2028 (TBC)
EO Team Day	29 May 2028
JAO Camp	30 May - 1 June 2028
EO (Finland)	27 - 30 July 2028
JAO (TBC)	TBC 2028
AWC Team Day & JAO Debrief	28 August 2028
AWC (GB)	19 – 24 September 2028
EO & AWC Debrief (Venue TBC)	15 October 2028 (T.B.C.)

This document sets out the criteria **for qualifying for** the Agility Team GB Tryouts commencing in February 2028.

The rules and regulations of the 2028 Try out process will be announced by the end of November 2027

Eligibility for Try Outs 2028.

ALL dogs in ALL heights trying out for Agility Team GB must have **obtained an official FCI Championship measure BEFORE 31st JANUARY 2028.**

EO/AWC

Achieve at least one of the following between April 1 2027, and November 1 2027.

- An IQ Class win, achieved in the dog's FCI height category with zero faults
- An IQ Top Two Overall placement achieved in the dog's FCI height category with five faults or less.
- 2027 AWC or EO Team member who competed, or was a travelling reserve (attending the event), at the 2027 EO or AWC.
- 2027 JAO Team member who competed, or was a travelling reserve (attending the event), at the 2027 JAO who is no longer eligible for JAO 2028 due to age.

All qualifying results must be achieved in the dog's FCI height category. The only exception to this rule will be if a dog has had a GB height classification before competing in the IQs, but the subsequent FCI Championship measure differs; in that case, the dog will be allowed to change height and run at its FCI height in the Try Out process.

To be eligible to attend the Agility Team GB Try Out process in 2028, **ALL partnerships MUST compete** (run both classes) **at a minimum of two (2) International Qualifiers** during the qualification dates. Please note that 2027 IQ results will be considered in the 2028 Team selections, and therefore handlers are encouraged to compete in as many as possible.

In addition, the Open Showcase will be held on 5th February 2028. This will have automatic Win On Places to qualify for the 2028 Try Out Process. (Exact details to be announced in the OSC schedule released in the latter months of 2027).

To be eligible to enter the 2028 Open Showcase, one of the following is required,

- The dog's date of birth must be after 31st July 2024
- Provide evidence that the partnership was unable to compete in Agility from April through September 2027. (i.e. a veterinary letter or a doctor's letter)
- Partnerships must have competed at a minimum of FOUR International Qualifiers (run both classes) in 2027.

(Please note that if partnerships do not meet one of the above criteria, they are ineligible to enter the OSC. If they do enter and are ineligible, they will not be permitted to run and will not be eligible for a refund.)

In addition, Agility Team GB Management may select dogs that do not meet the above criteria to join the process due to extenuating circumstances, as determined by the management team or based on results from the Open Showcase 2028.

JAO.

Handler requirements;

- 2010 or later date of birth.
- Young Royal Kennel Club Member.

Who has achieved at least one of the following:

- Qualified for the Young Royal Kennel Club Agility Dog of the Year Semi-Finalist 2028, who competes at Grade 2 or above by 1st October 2027 and has achieved 20 Agility Warrant points.
- 2027 Junior or Adult Team member who competed at the 2027 JAO, EO or AWC, or was a travelling reserve attending the event.
- Junior Open Showcase 2028 Qualifying result (Exact details to be announced in the OSC schedule released in the latter months of 2027).

All qualifying results must be achieved in the dog's FCI height category. The only exception is if a dog had a GB height classification before qualifying for the ADOTY 2028 Semi Final, but the subsequent FCI Championship measure differs; in that case, the dog may change height and run at its FCI height in the Try Out process.

In addition, the Agility Team GB Management may select dogs who have not met the above criteria to join the process due to extenuating circumstances as determined by the management team.

Additional Information

The Agility Team GB Management reserves the right to invite additional dogs to enter the Try-Out Process.

ALL dogs in ALL heights trying out for Agility Team GB must have **obtained an official FCI Championship measure BEFORE 31st JANUARY 2028.**

If your dog has not attended an FCI Championship and received a measure there, then you must attend the FCI Championship measuring session held in the UK. It is intended this will be held in January 2028.

Please note, the invitation to compete at an Agility Team GB Try Out event, and the invitation to represent The Royal Kennel Club ("RKC") at an International Championship is extended entirely at the RKC's sole discretion. The RKC reserves the absolute right to withdraw, revoke, or terminate any invitation, regardless of any competition results obtained, along with any associated authority to act or speak on behalf of the RKC, at any time, with immediate effect, for any reason or no reason (without cause), and without prior notice. Upon receipt of written notice of withdrawal, the Participant shall immediately cease all representative activities, statements, and use of the RKC's name, branding, team clothing or intellectual property. Regarding the "Win On" spots mentioned throughout this selection document, the win on equates to winning an Invitation with the above conditions in place.

Please note, any handler withdrawing from a Team place, for any reason, must notify the Team Manager by email. The handler must receive written confirmation from the Team Manager clarifying whether the withdrawal will affect their eligibility for the following year's Tryout process.