

# NOMAD

## Northern Magic Agility Dogs MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### MEMBERSHIP STRUCTURE/DUES

**\$30 Working Member (20 hours per year)**

**\$35 Working Family**

**\$15 Jr. Handler (under 17)**

**\$75 Supporting Member**

**\$85 Supporting Family**

Send this form along with a check payable to "NOMAD" to:  
Judy Kessler, 320 Shaker Hill Road, Starksboro, VT, 05487

If you have membership questions, contact Judy Kessler at 802-434-3136. For other questions, contact NOMAD president, Lynne von Trapp at 802-253-7673 or one of the Steering Committee members listed at the end of this form.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been doing agility? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your agility experience (classes, seminars or trials attended)?

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How did you hear about NOMAD? \_\_\_\_\_

Working memberships may be fulfilled by serving on committees, working at trials and other club events  
**COMMITTEES**

**NADAC Trial Committee:** Plans the NADAC trial. Create the format for the trial and plan/coordinate all logistics and aspects of the trial (premium creation, registration, site preparation, equipment, judges, volunteer workers, hospitality and more!). There are many big and small jobs to be done. Experience is not necessary!

**USDAA Trial Committee:** Plans the USDAA trial. Create the format for the trial and plan/coordinate all logistics and aspects of the trial (premium creation, registration, site preparation, equipment, judges, volunteer workers, hospitality and more!). There are many big and small jobs to be done. Experience is not necessary!

**Practice/Lessons Committee:** Organizes summer and winter practices, arranges for sites, schedules facilitators

**Membership Committee:** Welcomes new members to the club by handling applications, plans orientations, assigns mentors and coordinates the Buddy program. Develops initiatives to keep the membership application and renewal process streamlined. We will have 1 or 2 meetings a year. Most issues and discussions are handled through email.

**Equipment Committee:** Keeps track of the location of the equipment and maintains the equipment. Suggests and makes recommendation for the purchase of new equipment. Responsible for assuring equipment is trial-ready and delivered to trial site.

**Demo:** Find places and organize the events for demonstration of agility for the public. They are now a regular feature at the Champlain Valley Fair. There are many jobs to do both before and the day of a demo.

**Outreach/Jr. Handler:** This is directed toward humans under 17 who want to participate in the sport. Develops program to go into the schools to educate students and the public about positive training and agility. They have held a jr. handler class and hope to develop seminars or other training events for members under 17.

**Seminar Committee:** The seminar committee each year plans seminars, workshops, and possibly camps. This is an exciting committee to be on. We invite top competitors/instructors to present the seminars. These seminars are for all members of the club. The committee has 1-2 meetings a year and does some of the planning via e-mail. There are many jobs to be done at the seminars (refreshments, setting courses, instructor hospitality, etc.). To be able to run the seminars we ask committee members to put some time in, working at the seminars.

### **I am interested in joining the following committee(s):**

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An Agility Buddy is a NOMAD member who has offered to be a mentor to a newbie, or not so newbie. Your buddy can help you with the many questions that come up when getting started in agility, such as questions about seminars, filling out premiums, differences between the trial sanctioning organizations, and help with goals and training issues.

### **Would you like to be paired with an Agility Buddy?**

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**If you would like to attend NOMAD Practice sessions, please fill out a Dog Information form for EACH dog you wish to bring. Please read and sign the waiver included on the dog information form.**

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### **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

The corporate charter of Northern Magic Agility Dogs (NOMAD) states NOMAD's purpose:

"Educating the public about humane training and treatment of dogs through the sport of dog agility, and promoting the human-canine bond. Every NOMAD activity shall be open to all dogs with appropriate training."

NOMAD members receive a monthly newsletter and may participate in weekly NOMAD practice sessions at various locations. NOMAD practice sessions are open to all dogs that have completed 12 weeks of agility training, or the equivalent, and have a working familiarity with all standard agility obstacles. All NOMAD members are invited to attend NOMAD agility demonstrations and seminars, and are expected to volunteer time setting up and maintaining equipment and helping with NOMAD's trials and other activities.