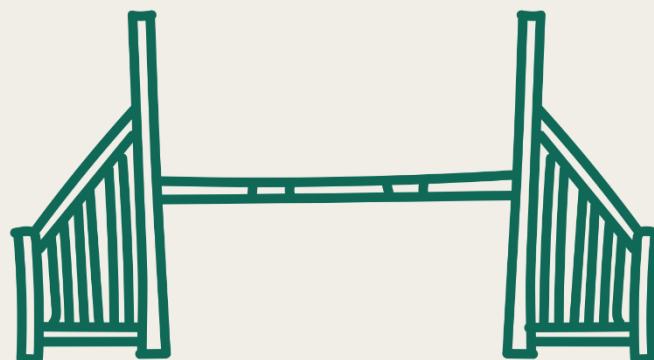
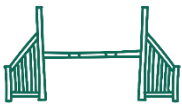




YKC JUMPING CUP
(YKCJC)



AGILITY COMPETITIONS
RULES 2026 (CRUFTS 2027)



A: HANDLERS

1. The following twelve subcategories will be open for members to compete in:

Large Dogs	Intermediate Dogs	Medium Dogs	Small Dogs
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Handler 06-11 Years• Handler 12-17 Years• Handler 18-24 Years	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Handler 06-11 Years• Handler 12-17 Years• Handler 18-24 Years	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Handler 06-11 Years• Handler 12-17 Years• Handler 18-24 Years	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Handler 06-11 Years• Handler 12-17 Years• Handler 18-24 Years

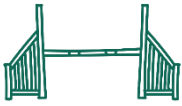
2. Only current YKC members may compete in YKC Classes.
3. Handlers may not be swapped after the closing date of the show.
 - i. This means no on-the-day swapping of YKC handlers at any YKCJC qualifier.
 - ii. If the entered handler is not running the dog, that entered dog must withdraw from the class.
4. Use the YKC member's age on the first day of the show to work out which age category a YKC member should enter.

B: DOGS

1. Standard Kennel Club rules regarding which dogs may enter this agility class apply.
2. Bitches in season will not be allowed to compete in any YKC agility competition.
3. Once a dog has competed with a given YKC handler in a YKCJC qualifier, that dog may only compete with that handler in any future YKCJC qualifiers for the rest of the qualifying season.
4. Dogs of any grade may enter this competition.

C: YKCJC QUALIFIERS

1. **By entering a YKC qualifier, the YKC member and anyone representing them (parent/guardian etc) agree to abide by the YKC's Code of Conduct**
2. The qualification period for **Crufts 2027** is: **01-Nov-2025 till 31-Oct-2026**
3. Unless otherwise specified in this document, YKC Jumping Cup classes will be subject to all in-force Kennel Club regulations for agility competitions. Including, but not limited to:
 - i. (H) General Regulations for Agility Competitions
 - ii. (O) Regulations for The Young Kennel Club
4. To determine the results for this class, dogs will be ranked first by total number of faults, then by time. The dog with the fewest faults in the fastest time is the winner.
 - i. The rankings of the 12 subcategories are separate.
5. The YKCJC qualification class will feature a single jumping round (no contact equipment).
 - i. The course will be set at approx. G3 standard
6. Standard Kennel Club marking will apply.
7. There will be a prize giving ceremony.
8. Members may enter YKCJC competitions even if they have already qualified.
9. YKC Jumping Cup qualifiers are listed on the YKC website
 - i. Only qualifiers listed on the YKC website will be eligible for qualification, please ensure that you are entering a valid YKC qualifier.



YKC JUMPING CUP (YKCJC)

D: YKCJC WHO QUALIFIES FOR THE SEMI-FINAL?

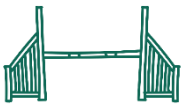
1. **First place** at any YKCJC qualifier during this season will guarantee a space in the semi-final
2. The YKC reserves the right to amend this qualification method if we are vastly oversubscribed for the final at Crufts **OR** if not enough spaces were filled.
 - i. The YKC will only amend qualification criteria in exceptional circumstances.
3. Once qualified, the handler and dog combination is locked in for this year's qualifying season
 - i. The qualified dog may only be handled at Crufts by the same handler that it qualified with
4. The YKC will invite all those who have qualified to enter Crufts via email before Christmas

HOW MANY DOGS CAN I QUALIFY FOR YKCJC?

- ## E:
1. You may qualify as many different dogs across as many heights as you wish for the YKCJC Semi-finals at Crufts **HOWEVER:**
 - i. YOU MAY ONLY ENTER A MAXIMUM OF **ONE** QUALIFIED DOG ACROSS ALL HEIGHTS **E.G.:**
 - a. **CORRECT** - 1 x dog in large OR intermediate OR medium OR small
 - b. **INCORRECT** - 1 x dog in each height category
 2. A handler is only allowed to swap dogs if they have managed to qualify another dog in the YKCJC competition, in this case, they may swap to the other qualified dog.
 - i. This must be reported to the YKC at the earliest opportunity.
 - ii. The cut off for any substitution of entered dogs using this method is 7 days prior to the first day of Crufts.

YKCJC AT CRUFTS – SEMI-FINAL

- ## F:
1. **By entering a YKC class, the YKC member and anyone representing them (parent/guardian etc) agree to abide by the YKC's Code of Conduct**
 2. At Crufts, the YKC will calculate the which age category each competitor shall be in based on the YKC members age on the first day of Crufts.
 - i. This may be a different age category to the one the YKC member qualified in.
 - ii. Handlers who turn 25 before the first day of Crufts are not eligible to compete at Crufts in the YKC ring – any qualifications gained for the YKC will be forfeit.
 3. The semi-final for the YKC Jumping Cup competition is held at Crufts in the YKC ring.
 4. The semi-final will be held over a single jumping Course (no contact equipment).
 - i. This course will be set at grade 3.
 5. At Crufts, dogs **MUST** run in strict running order;
 - i. if you are not on the line when your run is due, you will have missed your run.
 - a. The running order for the semi-final (and final) will be determined randomly.
 - (1) Each of the heights will be grouped together, but the age categories will be jumbled.



G:

CLOTHING, SPONSORSHIP & LOGOS @ CRUFTS

1. Handlers should wear smart athletic wear, with plain black or navy tracksuit bottoms/leggings paired with a short sleeve t-shirt/polo shirt of their choosing.
2. Agility handlers should wear footwear that will enable them to run without slipping on artificial grass.
3. Please note: Any final in the main arena may require you to wear either a replacement t-shirt or sports bib.
4. Some YKC members have managed to arrange personal sponsorship and branding deals. YKC members who wish to have branding on their clothing at Crufts must follow the below rules.
5. The YKC & Kennel Club also have several sponsors in both the YKC ring and the main arena at Crufts.
 - i. To comply with our sponsors, YKC members may **NOT** have branding on display from the following companies:
 - a. Dog food or treat supplier
 - b. Car manufacturer
 - c. Insurance company
 - ii. If a YKC member wishes to have branding from a company not on the above list on an item of clothing, that company's branding must be where a breast pocket would be and must be approximately breast pocket size.
 - iii. This restriction on branding only applies in the following locations:
 - a. Crufts YKC collecting ring, Crufts YKC ring, Crufts YKC Presentation Area.
 - b. Crufts Main arena collecting ring, Crufts Main Arena, Crufts Main Arena Presentation Area.

H:

YKCJC SEMI-FINAL – PRIZEGIVING

1. The following awards will be presented in the YKC ring for the YKCJC Semi-final

06-11 Years	12-17 Years	18-24 Years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st to 5th LRG • 1st to 5th INT • 1st to 5th MED • 1st to 5th SML 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st to 5th LRG • 1st to 5th INT • 1st to 5th MED • 1st to 5th SML 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st to 5th LRG • 1st to 5th INT • 1st to 5th MED • 1st to 5th SML

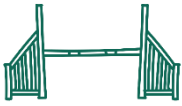
2. All non-placed competitors will receive a semi-finalist rosette when exiting the prize-giving
 - i. To receive this award, members must be present for the prize-giving.

I:

YKCJC AT CRUFTS – QUALIFYING FOR THE GRAND FINAL

1. To qualify for a place in the grand final you must place in the semi-final as follows:
2. In addition, during your semi-final run, you must have scored fewer than 20 total faults and must not have received time faults to qualify for the final.

06-11 Years	12-17 Years	18-24 Years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large Dogs • Intermediate Dogs • Medium Dogs • Small Dogs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large Dogs • Intermediate Dogs • Medium Dogs • Small Dogs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large Dogs • Intermediate Dogs • Medium Dogs • Small Dogs
1st Or 2nd (8 Spaces)	1st Or 2nd (8 Spaces)	1st Or 2nd (8 Spaces)



J: YKCJC AT CRUFTS –THE GRAND FINAL

1. The final for the YKC Jumping Cup competition is held in the main arena at Crufts.
2. The final will be over a single grade 3 jumping course (different to the semi-final).
3. Sponsorship & Branding requirement are the same as the above semi-final.
 - i. Any finalists MAY be asked to wear a sponsor's shirt/over-garment that will be provided by the YKC
4. In the final, for the purposes of scoring, dog height categories are removed and all finalists compete for 1st place in their respective age category.
 - i. Dogs will still compete at their appropriate height obstacles.
5. There will be an overall winner for the competition
 - i. The overall winner will be invited to compete in the Agility Dog of the Year Semi-Final in the YKC ring if they have not already qualified. (No Roll Down)

K: YKCJC GRAND FINAL PRESENTATIONS

1. The following 4 awards will be presented in the main arena immediately after the competition:

06-11 Years	12-17 Years	18-24 Years
1st Place	1st Place	1st Place
All Heights combined	All Heights combined	All Heights combined
YKCJC GRAND FINAL		
OVERALL WINNER		

2. All YKC competitors in the YKCJC Grand Final will receive a YKCJC Finalist Rosette.