

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

Junior Showmanship classes are non-regular classes which are judged solely on the ability and skill of Juniors in handling their dogs as in the breed ring. Members of the judging community are reminded that the purpose of Junior Showmanship Competition is twofold: to introduce and encourage Juniors to participate in the sport of dogs; and to provide Juniors with a meaningful competition in which they can learn, practice, and improve in all areas of handling skill and sportsmanship. It is important that judges of Junior Showmanship Competition understand the definition and purpose of these classes and take seriously their role in guiding the future guardians of the sport. **JUDGES ARE EXPECTED TO HAVE A GENUINE INTEREST IN JUNIORS AND IN JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP COMPETITION.**

The Junior Showmanship Judging Guide is an overview of information for each breed to be used when judging Junior Showmanship. The priority is the end result and how the junior presents their dog relative to its breed. There are many different styles and methods, and the quality handler will adapt to their respective dog.

Judges should anticipate Juniors to have bait, brushes, combs, water buckets, ice, etc... where applicable. The use of bait or lack thereof should not be penalized and/or awarded, but the overuse may be considered as well as the absence of equipment necessary in extreme conditions.

Grooming: The dog should be groomed and trimmed in the manner associated with the breed for conformation. Juniors are not to be evaluated on the quality of their grooming, rather that an effort was made. Judges may not disqualify or excuse from competition ANY Junior for the manner in which a dog is groomed or trimmed in Junior Showmanship Competition.

Juniors exhibiting “wet mouthed” breeds should be expected to have a cloth to dry the dog’s mouth for presentation.

Table dogs: Never “go down” to the floor to touch a table breed, exhibit must be re-tabled to touch a second time. Never place two dogs on the table simultaneously.

Ramps are to be used at the discretion of the judge for ramp approved breeds only. Great consideration should be given to safety in reference to the junior and the size of their dog prior to the use of the ramp. By Board policy, Sussex Spaniels, Basset Hounds, Bulldogs, Chow Chows and Chinese Shar-Pei **MUST** be judged on the ramp in Junior Showmanship classes.

Juniors should be expected to properly display the mouth to the judge as it correlates to their respective breed.

Bite = show front

Teeth = show front and all side teeth

Mouth = show front, side teeth and open mouth.

Thumb exam – Thumb is used to feel bite. Mouth not to be pried open. The flat of the thumb carefully run over the front of the mouth and to feel the very slight undershot bite and not block nasal passages. Junior to demonstrate or describe technique.

Sparring – Do **NOT** spar in Junior Showmanship.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
SPORTING	American Water Spaniel 	Floor or Ramp at judge's discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Tail may or may not be held by handler—slightly above or below level of back.
	Boykin Spaniel 	Floor, Table or Ramp at judge's discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Lead may be removed during exam. Tail may or may not be held by handler—slightly above or below level of back.
	Brittany 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead or hand. Tail may or may not be held by handler—slightly above or below level of back.
	Chesapeake Bay Retriever 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Tail may be held as an extension of the back.
	Clumber Spaniel 	Floor or Ramp at judge's discretion	Bite	Slow Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead and holding the tail. Tail held level or slightly below backline. Ears forward for expression.
	Cocker Spaniel 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Lead may be removed during exam. Ears may be pulled forward so judge can see neck. Tail may be held out elevated but not erect.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

GROUP	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Curly-Coated Retriever 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may or may not be held by handler – slightly above or below level of back.
	English Cocker Spaniel 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Lead may be removed during exam. Ears may be pulled forward so judge can see neck. Tail may be held out elevated but not erect.
	English Setter 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Lead may be removed & ears may be pulled forward to see neck. Head up by lead or hand and tail held as an extension of spine.
	English Springer Spaniels 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Lead may be removed & ears may be pulled forward to see neck. Head held up by lead or hand and tail held elevated but NOT erect.
	Field Spaniel 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Lead may be removed & ears may be pulled forward to see neck. Head up by lead or hand and tail held as an extension of spine.
	Flat-Coated Retriever 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may or may not be held by handler – slightly above or below level of back.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

GROUP	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	German Shorthaired Pointer 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	<p>Stacked “traditionally”.</p> <p>Head may be held by lead or by hand and tail may be held elevated but not erect.</p> <p>Handler sometimes tickles tail stub to keep it out.</p>
	German Wirehaired Pointer 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	<p>Stacked “traditionally”.</p> <p>Head may be held by lead or by hand and tail may be held elevated but not erect.</p> <p>Handler sometimes tickles tail stub to keep it out.</p>
	Golden Retriever 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	<p>Stacked “traditionally”.</p> <p>Head may be held by lead or by hand.</p> <p>Tail may be held extended slightly above or below level of back. Loose lead preferred.</p>
	Gordon Setter 	Floor	Bite	Trot	<p>Stacked “traditionally”.</p> <p>Lead may be removed & ears may be pulled forward to see neck.</p> <p>Head up by lead or hand and tail held as an extension of spine.</p>
	Irish Red & White Setter 	Floor	Bite	Trot	<p>Stacked “traditionally”.</p> <p>Lead may be removed & ears may be pulled forward to see neck.</p> <p>Head up by lead or hand and tail held as an extension of spine.</p>
	Irish Setter 	Floor	Bite	Trot	<p>Stacked “traditionally”.</p> <p>Lead may be removed & ears may be pulled forward to see neck.</p> <p>Head up by lead or hand and tail held as an extension of spine.</p>

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Irish Water Spaniel 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail typically not held by handler.
	Labrador Retriever 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head up by lead or hand and tail may or may not be held by handler as an extension of the spine.
	Lagotto Romagnolo 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite, Teeth & Mouth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Tail may be held out or slightly below the level of the back.
	Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head up by lead or hand and tail may or may not be held by handler as an extension of the spine.
	Pointer 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Lead may be removed during exam. Head up by lead or hand under jaw and tail held as an extension of spine.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Spinone Italiano 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held slightly below the backline.
	Sussex Spaniel 	Ramp mandatory	Bite	Slow Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head and tail may be held. Tail to be held at the level of the back.
	Vizsla 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head may be held by lead or by hand and tail may be held elevated but not erect.
	Weimaraner 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head may be held by lead or by hand and tail may be held up.
	Welsh Springer Spaniel 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Lead may be removed during exam. Head held up by lead or hand and tail held elevated but NOT erect.
	Wirehaired Pointing Griffon 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head may be held by lead or by hand and tail may be held as an extension of the backline or slightly elevated. Handler sometimes tickles tail stub to keep it out.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Wirehaired Vizsla 	Floor	Bite, Teeth & Mouth	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head may be held by lead or by hand and tail may be held near the horizontal.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
HOUND	Afghan 	Floor	Bite	Fast Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Traditionally presented with head held high by lead or hand and tail held high with hand or on its own, Head held high while gaiting.
	American English Coonhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	American Foxhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	Basenji 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Handler holds head by lead and ensures tail is tightly curled on back.
	Basset 	Ramp mandatory	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Folds of skin can be held over the head during exam. Tail to be held high.
	Beagle 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.

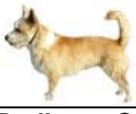
JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Black & Tan Coonhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	Bloodhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally. Folds of skin can be held over the head during exam.
	Bluetick Coonhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	Borzoi 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail not held.
	Cirneco dell’Etna 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail not held.
	Dachshund 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail may be held as an extension of spine.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	English Foxhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	Greyhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead or hand and tail not held.
	Harrier 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	Ibizan Hound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead and tail not held.
	Irish Wolfhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead or hand and tail not held.
	Norwegian Elkhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Handler holds head by lead and ensures tail is tightly curled on back and ears are erect.
	Otterhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead and tail held high.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen 	Floor or Table at judge's discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	Pharaoh Hound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead or hand and tail not held.
	Plott Hound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	Portuguese Podengo Pequeno 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression.
	Redbone Coonhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	Rhodesian Ridgeback 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead and tail not held. Ears forward for expression.
	Saluki 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead and tail not held.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Scottish Deerhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail not held.
	Sloughi 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Tail not held.
	Treeing Walker Coonhound 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	Whippet 	Floor, Table or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail not held. Ears forward when alerted only, otherwise relaxed.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
WORKING	Akita 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail held naturally or by handler over back. Traditionally baited forward to accentuate arch of neck and to “hood” the ears. Kneeling not recommended.
	Alaskan Malamute 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held naturally or by handler over the back but not curled tightly.
	Anatolian Shepherd Dog 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Kneeling not recommended.
	Bernese Mountain Dog 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Head and expression emphasized.
	Black Russian Terrier 	Floor	Bite, Teeth & Mouth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Kneeling not recommended.
	Boerboel 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Head and expression emphasized Kneeling not recommended.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Boxer 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Traditionally baited forward to accentuate arch of neck and ears up for expression. Handler may tickle tail stub to keep it out.
	Bullmastiff 	Floor	Bite	Moderate trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Head and expression emphasized. Kneeling not recommended.
	Cane Corso 	Floor	Bite, Teeth & Mouth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Kneeling not recommended.
	Chinook 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and tail not held.
	Doberman Pincher 	Floor	Bite, Teeth & Mouth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Traditionally baited forward to accentuate arch of neck and ears up for expression. Handler sometimes tickles tail stub to keep it out.
	Dogue de Bourdeaux 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and emphasized. Kneeling not recommended.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	German Pinscher 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears held or up naturally for expression. Handler sometimes tickles tail stub to keep it out.
	Giant Schnauzer 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears held or up naturally for expression. Handler sometimes tickles tail stub to keep it out.
	Great Dane 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears held or up naturally for expression.
	Great Pyrenees 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead or hand and present with ears relaxed.
	Greater Swiss Mountain Dog 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Kneeling not recommended.
	Komondor 	Floor	Bite, Teeth & Mouth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Kneeling not recommended.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Kuvasz 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead with ears forward for expression.
	Leonberger 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead with ears forward for expression.
	Mastiff 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Head and expression emphasized. Kneeling not recommended.
	Neapolitan Mastiff 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Walk, trot, gallop and pace	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Head and expression emphasized. Kneeling not recommended.
	Newfoundland 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead with ears forward for expression.
	Portuguese Water Dog 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally. May pull hair away from eyes on approach. Two trims - Lion and Retriever

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Rottweiler 	Floor	Bite, Teeth & Mouth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Head and expression emphasized. Kneeling not recommended.
	Saint Bernard 	Floor	Bite	Slow Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Head and expression emphasized.
	Samoyed 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears erect for expression.
	Siberian Husky 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead Ears forward and erect for expression.
	Standard Schnauzer 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Hallmark head (beard & eyebrows) and tail accentuated. Handler may stroke tail up.
	Tibetan Mastiff 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Handler may prop tail on back. Kneeling not recommended.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
TERRIERS	Airedale Terrier 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held high by hand or on its own.
	American Hairless Terrier 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held out or slightly below the level of the back.
	American Staffordshire Terrier 	Floor or Ramp (eff 3/1/17) at judge’s discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression.
	Australian Terrier 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears erect for expression and tail to be held high by hand or on its own.
	Bedlington Terrier 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Slow trot, fast walk	Stacked “traditionally” with front legs wider apart at the chest than at the feet. Head held up by lead. Tail may be held below the level of the back.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Border Terrier 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Tail may be held elevated above the backline but not erect.
	Bull Terrier 	Floor	Bite	Fast walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears erect for expression and tail may be held as an extension of the back.
	Cairn Terrier 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Should move freely and easily on a loose lead, Ears erect for expression and tail to be held high by hand or on its own.
	Cesky Terrier 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Tail may be held.
	Dandie Dinmont Terrier 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Tail may be held as an extension of the backline.
	Glen of Imaal Terrier 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Fast walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Tail may be held elevated above the backline but not erect.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Irish Terrier 	Floor or Ramp at judge's discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held high by hand or on its own.
	Kerry Blue Terrier 	Floor or Ramp at judge's discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held high by hand or on its own.
	Lakeland Terrier 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held high by hand or on its own.
	Manchester Terrier 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Fast walk	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held out or slightly below the level of the back.
	Miniature Bull Terrier 	Table or Floor at judge's discretion	Bite	Fast walk	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead. Ears erect for expression and tail may be held as an extension of the back.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Miniature Schnauzer 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held high by hand or on its own.
	Norfolk Terrier 	Table	Bite	Fast walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held high and straight by hand or on its own.
	Norwich Terrier 	Table	Bite	Fast walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears erect for expression and tail to be held erect by hand or on its own.
	Parson Russell Terrier 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Walk or slow trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Tail may be held by hand level or slightly above the backline, but never below the horizontal or erect.
	Rat Terrier 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held.
	Russell Terrier 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Tail may be held by hand level or slightly above the backline, but never below the horizontal or erect.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Scottish Terrier 	Table	Bite	Fast walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held erect vertically or with a slight curve forward by hand or on its own. Tail should not be held over the back.
	Sealyham Terrier 	Table	Bite	Fast walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held erect and straight by hand or on its own.
	Skye Terrier 	Table	Bite	Fast walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and tail not typically held. Due to hair over eyes – judge should speak to dog before reaching to touch the Skye head. Handler should push fall away.
	Smooth Fox Terrier 	Table	Bite	Fast walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held erect by hand or on its own Tail should not be held over the back or curled.
	Soft Coated Wheaten 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail should be gently pushed forward.
	Staffordshire Bull Terrier 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite	Fast walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail may be held as an extension of the back.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Welsh Terrier 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Fast walk	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held high by hand or on its own.
	West Highland White Terrier 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Fast walk	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead. Ears erect for expression and tail to be held erect and high by hand or on its own. Tail should not be held curled over the back.
	Wire Fox Terrier 	Table	Bite	Fast walk	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead. Ears forward for expression and tail to be held erect by hand or on its own Tail should not be held curled over the back

Sparring – Do NOT spar in Junior Showmanship.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

Thumb exam – Thumb is used to feel bite. Mouth not to be pried open. The flat of the thumb carefully run over the front of the mouth and to feel the very slight undershot bite and not block nasal passages. Junior to demonstrate or describe technique.

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
TOYS	Affenpinscher 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held.
	Brussels Griffon 	Table	Thumb exam - Junior to demonstrate or describe	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held.
	Cavalier King Charles Spaniel 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Parent Club recommends: DO NOT hand Stacked EXCEPT on examination table. Tail typically not held.
	Chihuahua 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears erect and upright for expression. Tail may be held up and out or in a loop over back.
	Chinese Crested 	Table	Hairless - Bite Powderpuff – Bite, Teeth	Walk or trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears erect and upright for expression.
	English Toy Spaniel 	Table	Thumb exam - Junior to demonstrate or describe	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail typically not held.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Havanese 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears forward for expression and tail held over the back naturally or by handler. Gaited at a natural speed on a loose lead.
	Italian Greyhound 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail typically not held.
	Japanese Chin 	Table	Thumb exam - Junior to demonstrate or describe	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears forward for expression and tail held over the back naturally or by handler.
	Maltese 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held over the back.
	Manchester Terrier 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held out or slightly below the level of the back
	Miniature Pinscher 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Papillon 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held over the back.
	Pekingese 	Table	Thumb exam - Junior to demonstrate or describe	Slow walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held over the back.
	Pomeranian 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held over the back.
	Poodle 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead or hand and tail may be held. 3 trims in Conformation (Puppy, Continental & English Saddle), Sporting trim also acceptable - no DQ for trim.
	Pug 	Table	Thumb exam - Junior to demonstrate or describe	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears forward for expression and tail may be held curled over back.
	Shih Tzu 	Table	Bite	Walk-Never raced or strung up	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held over the back.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Silky Terrier 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held.
	Toy Fox Terrier 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held.
	Yorkshire Terrier 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
NON-SPORT	American Eskimo Dog 	Table (all sizes)	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held over back.
	Bichon Frise 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail must be held over back by hand or naturally.
	Boston Terrier 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression.
	Bull Dog 	Ramp mandatory	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head normally held by hand under jaw. Front set wide with rear set closer. Head to be emphasized in presentation.
	Chinese Shar-Pei 	Ramp mandatory	Bite & Mouth to show tongue	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held over the back. Ears high and forward for expression.
	Chow Chow 	Ramp mandatory	Bite & Mouth to show tongue	Fast walk or slow trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held over the back. Ears forward for expression.
	Coton de Tulear 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Dalmatian 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held as an extension of the back.
	Finnish Spitz 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail must be held over back by hand or naturally.
	French Bulldog 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead and ears forward for expression.
	Keeshond 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail must be held over back by hand or naturally.
	Lhasa Apso 	Table	Bite	Fast walk or slow trot Tail carried well over back	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail must be held over back by hand or naturally.
	Löwchen 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Fast walk or slow trot Tail carried well over back	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held by hand over back in tea cup fashion.
	Norwegian Lundehund 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Poodle 	Miniature - Table Standard - Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead or hand and tail may be held. 3 trims in Conformation (Puppy, Continental & English Saddle), Sporting trim also acceptable - no DQ for trim.
	Schipperke 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears very erect for expression.
	Shiba Inu 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Fast walk or show trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail must be held over back by hand or naturally.
	Tibetan Spaniel 	Table	Bite	Walk	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held by hand over back.
	Tibetan Terrier 	Table	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held by hand over back.
	Xoloitzcuintli 	Table-Toy & Miniature Floor-Standard	Hairless - Bite Coated – Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears strongly erect for expression.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
HERDING	Australian Cattle Dog 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Ears pricked when alert. Tail typically not held.
	Australian Shepherd 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression.
	Bearded Collie 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead or hand under chin. Presented with relaxed ears. Tail typically not held.
	Beauceron 	Floor	Bite, Teeth & Mouth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held. Kneeling not recommended.
	Belgian Malinois 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held.
	Belgian Sheepdog 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Belgian Tervuren 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held.
	Bergamasco 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead. Tail may be held.
	Berger Picard 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held. Kneeling not recommended.
	Border Collie 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held.
	Bouvier des Flandres 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held. Kneeling not recommended.
	Briard 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held. Kneeling not recommended.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Canaan Dog 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held.
	Cardigan Welsh Corgi 	Table	Bite	Fast walk or slow trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression.
	Collie 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Predominately free Stacked. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held.
	Entlebucher Mountain Dog 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression.
	Finnish Lapphund 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held over the back. Ears forward for expression.
	German Shepherd Dog 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked as pictured. Temperament test NOT EXPECTED when judging Junior Showmanship. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Rear set up – Right leg forward, left leg back. Tail typically not held.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Icelandic Sheepdog 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held over the back. Ears forward for expression.
	Miniature American Shepherd 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression.
	Norwegian Buhund 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail must be held over back by hand or naturally.
	Old English Sheepdog 	Floor	Bite	Slow Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead or hand under chin. Presented with relaxed ears. May pull hair away from eyes on approach.
	Pembroke Welsh Corgi 	Table	Bite	Fast walk or slow trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression.
	Polish Lowland Sheepdog 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held by lead or hand under chin. Presented with relaxed ears.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Pulik 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Tail may be held by hand over back.
Effective 7/1/2016	Pumi 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail may be held.
	Pyrenean Shepherd 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression.
	Shetland Sheepdog 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Predominately free Stacked. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held.
	Spanish Water Dog 	Floor or Ramp at judge’s discretion	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and tail not held. Ears relaxed.
	Swedish Vallhund 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked “traditionally”. Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
Misc	Azawakh 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead and tail not held.
	Belgian Laekenois 	Floor	Bite, Teeth & Mouth	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail typically not held.
	Dogo Argentino 	Floor	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead. Kneeling not recommended.
	Grand Basset Griffon Vendeen 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead or hand and tail held up high or dog holds tail naturally.
	Nederlandse Kooikerhondje 	Table	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING GUIDE

	BREED	EXAMINE ON	ORAL EXAM	GAITING SPEED	PRESENTATION
	Norrbottenspets 	Floor or Ramp at judge's discretion	Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held by lead and ears forward for expression. Tail must be held over back by hand or naturally.
	Peruvian Inca Orchid 	Table-Small & Medium Floor-Large	Hairless - Bite Coated – Bite, Teeth	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead.
	Portuguese Podengo 	Floor	Bite	Trot	Stacked "traditionally". Head held up by lead and ears forward for expression.