

The MBDCA's Proposal To Include Mixed Breed Dogs in AKC Companion Events

- Mixed breed participation would be similar to the PAL/ILP; Mixed Breed dogs would be issued a Companion Event Identification Number that is acceptable for entering all AKC Companion Events.
- Mixed Breed dogs must be spayed or neutered before applying for a Companion Event Identification Number; proof of this would be required with the application.
- In printed material, all Mixed Breed dogs would be referred to as "Mixed Breed" – no specific breed mixes would be used.
- Mixed Breed dogs may compete on an equal basis in all AKC Companion Events: Obedience, Rally Obedience, Tracking, and Agility with purebred dogs. Mixed Breed dogs would enter and show in the same classes and compete for the same titles and prizes.
- Mixed Breeds are eligible to attain the highest levels of titles or honors in any sport they participate in, such as OTCH, MACH, CT, etc.
- Mixed Breeds will not participate in pure bred specialties; however, they may hold specialties of their own, including a National Specialty.
- For the first two years after AKC's adoption of this proposal, clubs may elect to include Mixed Breeds in their Companion Events at the host club's discretion. Clubs that choose to exclude Mixed Breeds must provide just cause, in writing, when submitting their event application. After two years, clubs will include Mixed Breed dogs in all companion events without exception.

For questions and comments about this proposal, please contact

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