# DOGS

***Sonoma County 4-H***

Name: _____ Date: _____

Guidelines for Project Proficiency Award
Intermediate:

| | Date Completed | Leader's Initials |
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| **PART 1** | | |
| 1. To qualify for the Advanced level, member must have met the requirements of the Beginning and Intermediate levels. | _____ | _____ |
| 2. Identify three (3) breeds from each of the six groups of dogs recognized by AKC. | _____ | _____ |
| 3. Explain the terms: angulation, stifle, dew claws, inbreeding, line breeding, outcross. | _____ | _____ |
| 4. Keep detailed records for three (3) months of expenses (feed, vet bills, grooming supplies). | _____ | _____ |
| 5. Explain problems of hip dysplasia and the type of dogs affected by it. How can it be detected and can it be prevented? | _____ | _____ |
| 6. Discuss OFA testing. How it is done (at what age, by whom, etc.) and why it should be part of a conscientious breeding program. | _____ | _____ |
| 7. Know two types of hereditary eye problems. | _____ | _____ |
| 8. Tell how you would choose a mate for your dog if it was to be bred. | _____ | _____ |
| Include a discussion on ethics of "breeding for show only". | _____ | _____ |
| 9. Know the amount of protein and type of feed best suited for a pregnant dog and for puppies, five to eight weeks old. | _____ | _____ |
| 10. Show how to fill out a pedigree form and explain how to register a dog with AKC. | _____ | _____ |
| 11. Know the responsibilities of dog ownership and the problems of producing puppies, finding good homes for them and the expenses of raising a litter of puppies. Discuss the ethnics of "Puppy Farms". | _____ | _____ |
| **PART 2** | | |
| 1. Explain Novice, Open and Utility classes. | _____ | _____ |
| 2. What are the titles given for completing the above classes (receiving three (3) qualifying scores? | _____ | _____ |
| 3. What does heel free mean? Drop on recall? | _____ | _____ |
| 4. Show how an obedience score sheet is filled out. | _____ | _____ |
| 5. How do you make a training session interesting to your dog so it doesn't become bored? | _____ | _____ |
| 6. Demonstrate heeling free and a figure eight. | _____ | _____ |
| 7. Help as a Junior Leader or Teen Leader in your dog project. | _____ | _____ |
| 8. Demonstrate proper grooming for your breed of dog. | _____ | _____ |
| 9. Show how to stack your dog for a showmanship class. | _____ | _____ |
| 10. Show in four (4) fairs or dog shows (3 must be 4-H shows). Show in two (2) showmanship or handling classes. | _____ | _____ |

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