TIME 2 BEAT
New AKC Class

Time 2 Beat (T2B) is a combination course of Standard and Jumpers With Weaves. While dogs of any skill level (i.e., novice, open, excellent) are allowed to compete in T2B, to be successful you will need to demonstrate an advanced level of skills.

Course design should encourage speed and flow. Only three turns of 180 degrees on a course will allowed. No turns greater than 180 degrees are allowed. All spacing of obstacles must meet the requirements of a Standard AKC course. Overall challenge level will be a minimum of 5 challenges and a maximum of 9 challenges with a minimum 3 side switches.

Seventeen to nineteen obstacles will be used on the course. A mix of three obstacles consisting of the weave poles and either the A-frame, seesaw or both will be required to be used in the course design. At least one contact and one set of 12 weave poles must be used. One set of 12 weave poles or one A-frame or seesaw may be taken twice to meet the requirement. Only one spread jump (i.e., triple or double) is allowed, but it may be used twice to encourage flow in the course design. One or two open tunnels can be used on course. The course can only have dogs going through an open tunnel(s) a maximum of two times (one tunnel twice or two tunnels once). Open Tunnels are optional. The rest of the obstacles are comprised of bar jumps, one bar jumps and the tire. Jumps must be at least 50% winged. No dog-walk, table, chute, panel jump, broad jump or dummy tunnels will be allowed. The minimum useable course area must be at least 8,000 square feet.

Judging - Dogs are judged by jump height, not by class.

No Refusals - There will be no refusals or run-outs (R) scored in TTB.

Wrong courses will be called and will result in a non-qualifying score (NQ). The hand signal for the wrong course will be an open hand as it is in the Standard and JWW’s classes.

Weave poles need to be completed in three (3) attempts or less, or a failure to perform fault (F) will be called. An attempt is when the sequence is broken before the dog completes the weave poles correctly from start to finish. Although runouts and refusals will not be scored, if the dog does something that would normally be scored as a runout or a refusal, that will count as one attempt and the dog has to be brought back to the beginning of the weave poles to try again. If the dog does not complete the weave poles in 3 attempts the judge should signal an F and tell the handler to go on to the next obstacle.

Mandatory Eliminations and Excusals will apply in TTB as they do in the Standard and JWW's classes (contact that aids the performance, dog fouling the ring, etc.).

Times: MCT (Maximum Course Time) will be
50 seconds for the 20, 24 & 26 inch jump heights
55 seconds for the 16 inch jump height
60 seconds for the 4, 8 & 12 inch jump heights

Preferred Times: There will be no additional time for the Preferred Class, since it will be a Preferred dog that sets the Time To Beat for the preferred dogs in that jump height.

Scoring: A qualifying time will be one second less than MCT (Maximum Course Time) for each jump height (as listed above). Times will be truncated (round down), so a time of 49.99 seconds would be 49 seconds.

A qualifying score (Q) is a run that is under MCT and is clean with no faults.

To earn a TTB title a dog will need 15 Qs and one hundred points.

Points are awarded as follows: The first place dog will earn 10 points. All other qualifying dogs with a time that is within 10% of the time of the first place dog will receive 9 points. A qualifying dog whose time is within 20% of the fastest time, the Time To Beat, will earn 8 points, and so on all the way down to 90%.

Points and Qs start over after each TTB title is earned. Titles will be TTB, TTB2, TTB3, and so on.