

Entries close at 6:00 p.m., October 9, 2024 after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, or altered, except as specifically allowed in the current BMDCA Draft Test Regulations.

To Enter Online: Pay Entry fee online (link below) and email the completed Entry Form and Weight Certificate (if required) to: Candace Brewer, [c.brewer1031@gmail.com](mailto:c.brewer1031@gmail.com)

To enter by mail: Make checks payable to BMDCGTC and mail fee with entry form to: Candace Brewer, Draft Test Secretary, 807 74 1/2 Ave N, Brooklyn Park, MN 55444

If sending by overnight, registered or certified mail envelopes must be released without a signature. Signature required entries MAY NOT be accepted

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## Premium List

### Bernese Mountain Club of America, Draft Test



**Hosted by the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Greater Twin Cities**

**Carver Park - Springview Area**

6920 Springview Dr, Waconia, MN 55387

October 19 & 20, 2024

Judges:

**Saturday (10/19/24) & Sunday (10/20/24)**

Mary Dowski (Emmitt, ID)

Bob Schmidt (Wasilla, AK)

This is an ALL-Eligible Dogs Draft Test(s)

*These tests are held in accordance with the January 2023 BMDCA Draft Test Regulations*

## **Officers of the BMDCGTC**

President - Coleen Carroll

Vice President - Karen Johnson

Secretary - Catherine Fors

Treasurer - John Lang

Board of Directors - Shannon Cihlar, Debra Gilroy, Julie Latterell, Dawn Simpson, Candace Brewer

## **Draft Test(s) Committee**

Test Chairs Julie Latterell

3018 Aquila Ave N

Crystal, MN 55427

[jlatterell2@gmail.com](mailto:jlatterell2@gmail.com)

Carol Manley

4030 Pine Beach Rd

Brainerd, MN 56401

[bcmanley@brainerd.net](mailto:bcmanley@brainerd.net)

Test Secretary Candace Brewer

807 74 1/2 Ave N

Brooklyn Park, MN 55444

[c.brewer1031@gmail.com](mailto:c.brewer1031@gmail.com)

Members - Shannon Cihlar, Karen Johnson, Nancy Mayer

## **Location**

Carver Park - Springview Area, 6920 Springview Drive, Waconia, MN 55387

## **Schedule**

To be determined after close of entries

Self-check In: Bring equipment to ringside.

Equipment check, walk through course.

Judging begins after check in and walk through.

To Be Announced: Lunch break will be taken at the judges' discretion.

## **Refreshments & Lunch**

Morning hospitality will be available. Lunch will be potluck both days, and everyone is encouraged to bring a dish or snack to share. If you are unable to bring a dish, a donation will be gratefully accepted.

## **Awards**

Each team with a passing performance will receive an award. All participating teams will receive a ring favor.

## **Veterinarian**

BluePearl Pet Hospital (952) 942-8272

7717 Flying Cloud Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55344

## **Weather**

Minnesota is notorious for potentially having any of the four seasons in October. However, it usually is comfortable Fall weather (potential heat, wind, rain, snow) ☺

## **Spectators**

We welcome spectators! Un-entered dogs may also be present but must be leashed or crated & under control at all times. Please show courtesy to the working dogs by keeping all dogs at a reasonable distance from the ring, & do not allow them to foul the freight haul.

REMEMBER TO ALWAYS PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOGS.

**Absolutely no alcoholic beverages or glass permitted at the test site by City Ordinance.**

## **Mountain Dog Club of America Draft Test Purpose**

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America Draft Tests are a series of exercises designed to develop and demonstrate the natural abilities of purebred Bernese Mountain Dogs in a working capacity involving hauling. The Bernese Mountain Dog has historically functioned as a draft dog in various capacities, and performance of these exercises is intended to demonstrate skills resulting from both inherent ability and training which are applicable to realistic work situations. Efficiency in accomplishment of tasks is essential. It is also desirable that the dog evidence willingness and enjoyment of his work in a combination of controlled teamwork with his handler and natural independence.

## **Regulations**

**Draft Test Regulations:** Entrants are responsible for obtaining the BMDCA Draft Test Regulations (revised as of Jan 2023) and being familiar with them.

## **Waiver of Rights**

*Animals in Distress:* The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. reserves the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked vehicle or crate, and all persons attending these dog events hereby waive any claim for damages against the clubs for such removal. The Club regards the health, safety and life of any dog on the show grounds to be paramount to other property or privacy rights. We will attempt to reach the responsible party but cannot guarantee contact will be made before action is taken.

## **Class Entry Details**

- There will be a limit of 24 entries per test.
- Entry fees **\$35** for each single dog team and **\$55** for a brace team
- A separate entry form must be filled out for each dog of a brace team and then submitted together. Even though two entry forms are required for each brace team, each brace team will be counted as one entry in the Draft Test entry limit. Entry forms on fillable online.
- If more than 24 entries are received, they will be prioritized per the following order:
  1. Untitled BMDs
  2. Titled BMDs without Advanced/Master titles in the entered class
  3. Titled BMDs with Advanced/Master titles in the entered class
  4. Untitled other dogs
  5. Titled other dogs without Advanced/Master titles in the entered class
  6. Titled other dogs with Advanced/Master titles in the entered class
- *Note: For brace teams, the dog with the lowest level title in the entered class determines the team's priority. If a brace has a BMD and a non-BMD, it is considered a "BMD team" for the above.*
- *Note that "titled" means titled in the entered class.*
- Running Order: A separate random draw to determine the running order for each class for each test.
- Entrants must notify the Draft Test Secretary if a dog has earned a title in the entered class, including if the title is earned after the entry has been submitted.

## **Attention Exhibitors**

- The following classes will be offered: Novice, Brace Novice, Open and Brace Open.
- Handlers must provide their own rigs, harnesses, and tie-downs or other means of securing a load on their particular draft rig.
- Handlers must bring their own weight. Weight will be verified via scale at the test site.
- Entered dogs must be 24 months old or older on the day of the Draft Test.
- Bitches in season are not permitted to compete. (Refunds will be given for bitches in season or injured dogs with a vet cert required at the discretion of the club.)
- The two dogs of a brace team need not be owned by the same person or by the handler.

## **Weight Certificates**

Each Open or Brace OPEN entry shall include the DWC weight certificate or a certificate that includes the same information that is contained in the DWC WC (available on the BMDCA website) and be signed and dated within 60 days prior to each Draft Test date. The handler is solely responsible for having a valid Weight Certificate. An incorrect Weight Certificate may result in the loss of any qualifying runs.

## **To Enter Online:**

1. Pay Entry fee: [PayPal.Me](https://www.paypal.com)
  - a. Single Dog Team \$35.00
  - b. Brace Dog Team \$55.00
2. Complete Entry Form for each dog/class entered  
Use fillable online capability and print out.  
(Multiple days for one class can be marked on one entry form)
3. Weight Certificate if applicable for class entered
4. Email Completed Entry Form to: Candace Brewer, [c.brewer1031@gmail.com](mailto:c.brewer1031@gmail.com)

## **Entries by Mail**

1. Make checks payable to BMDCGTC
  - a. Single Dog Team \$35.00
  - b. Brace Dog Team \$55.00
2. Complete Entry Form for each dog/class entered.  
Please type entry form or use fillable online capability and print out.  
(Multiple days for one class can be marked on one entry form)
3. Weight Certificate if applicable for class entered
4. Mail Completed Entry Forms & Fees to:  
Candace Brewer  
807 74 1/2 Ave N  
Brooklyn Park, MN 55444

## **Hotel Information - PLEASE call to check rates and pet policies**

### **Dog-Friendly Accommodations**

#### **Comfort Inn & Suites**

511 Marschall Road  
Shakopee, MN 55379  
952-445-9779  
Pet fee: \$20/pet  
26 minutes to draft test site

#### **AmericInn by Wyndham**

4100 12th Avenue East  
Shakopee, MN 55379  
952-641-7809  
Pet fee: \$25/pet  
28 minutes to draft test site

#### **Hampton Inn**

4175 Dean Lakes Boulevard  
Shakopee, MN 55379  
952-641-3600  
Pet fee: \$50/stay  
29 minutes to draft test site

## Driving Directions (yellow on the map)

### From the East:

Proceed through the Twin Cities

Take Highway 7 West to Highway 11/Victoria Road

Take a left on Highway 11 to Grimm Road.

Grimm road turns into a gravel road and then turns back into pavement

Take a left on Springview Drive to the test site

### From the West:

From Waconia

Turn left onto Victoria Drive/Highway 11

Turn left onto Grimm Road

Turn left onto Springview Road to the test site

### From the South (Shakopee):

from Great Plains Boulevard turn left onto Arboretum Boulevard

Turn right onto Victoria Drive/Highway 11

Turn left onto Grimm Road

Turn left onto Springview Drive to the test site



# BMDCGTC DRAFT TEST 2024 ENTRY FORM

## Close of Entries

- Entries close at 6:00 PM (CST), Wed, Oct 9, 2024, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled or altered, except as specifically allowed in the current BMDCA Draft Test regulations.
- Entrants will receive confirmation by via e-mail.
- One form per dog/class entered. Multiple days for the same class can all be marked on one entry form.
- **Entries will not be processed until all forms and payment are submitted**

<b>Breed:</b>			<b>Sex:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		
<b>Class:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice	<input type="checkbox"/> Brace Novice:	<input type="checkbox"/> Dog 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Dog 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Open	<input type="checkbox"/> Brace Open: <input type="checkbox"/> Dog 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Dog 2
<input type="checkbox"/> Open Weight Certificate Enclosed		<b>In Entered Class Dog Is:</b>		<b>In Entered Class:</b>	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Titled <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Titled		<input type="checkbox"/> Dog Could Earn Advanced Title	
<input type="checkbox"/> Test 100 Saturday, Oct 19, 2024		<input type="checkbox"/> Test 200 Sunday, Oct 20, 2024			
<b>Registered Name</b> (please include titles)					
<b>Call Name</b>			<b>Berner-Garde #</b> (required)		
<b>Date of Birth</b>			<b>DNA #</b> (Nationals Only)		
<b>Registration #</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> American Kennel Club <input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Kennel Club		
<b>Breeder</b>					
<b>Sire</b>					
<b>Dam</b>					
<b>Actual Owner(s)</b>					
<b>Owners Address</b>					
<b>City</b>			<b>State</b>	<b>Zip</b>	
<b>Telephone</b>			<b>E-mail</b>		
<b>Name of Participant</b>					
<b>I have read, understand, and agree to the Entry Agreement.</b> Check Box:				<input style="width: 30px; height: 30px;" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Date</b>
<b>SUBMITTING THIS FORM CONSTITUTES YOUR AGREEMENT TO THE TERMS OF THE ENTRY AGREEMENT</b>					

# ENTRY AGREEMENT

I understand that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry. I agree that I am solely responsible for the actions of myself and the dog ("the dog") that accompanies me in relationship to this entry.

In consideration of the acceptance of my entry and the opportunity to participate in this event, I agree to **HOLD HARMLESS and INDEMNIFY** the following listed parties from any claim for loss, damage or injury alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly by my actions or by the actions of the dog in relationship to this event : the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America (BMDCA) and the event-giving club, their members, officers, and agents; the owner and/or leaser of the premises; any provider of services at this event; any employees or volunteers of the parties listed here, and any BMDCA Draft Judge judging at this event. I personally assume **all responsibility and liability** for any such claim. I agree to be responsible for any loss and expense (including legal fees) incurred by any of the listed parties based on claims related in any way to my participation or the actions of the dog in relationship to this event, whether the claims are made by third parties or by myself.

Additionally, I agree to assume the sole responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury (including death) to myself or to the dog in relationship to this event. I agree to **RELEASE, INDEMNIFY and promise not to sue** the parties listed above for any such loss, damage or injury to myself or the dog, regardless of the cause, and whether or not the loss, damage or injury may have been caused by the negligence of the listed parties.

**I AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE BMDCA BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE BMDCA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.**

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I agree to abide by rules and regulations of the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America (BMDCA) in effect at the time of this BMDCA Draft Test and by any additional rules appearing in the premium list for this event. I certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. **I also certify that all the information I provide with this entry is true and correct.** This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I agree to conduct myself in accordance with all such Rules and Regulations (including all provisions applying to discipline) and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them.

**BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA  
DRAFT TEST WEIGHT CERTIFICATE**

NAME OF VET CLINIC: \_\_\_\_\_

OWNER/HANDLER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DOG'S CALL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**VET CLINIC TO FILL IN BY HAND:**

I verify on \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ : Weighed \_\_\_\_\_ lbs.  
*(date)* *(dog's call name)* *(insert weight)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(Signature** of Vet Clinic employee witnessing weight of dog)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Position of Vet Clinician)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print name of Vet employee signing this form)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Clinic Phone #)

Please provide **Vet Clinic Stamp** below, **with name and address of the Clinic**, OR have the information above printed/provided on the Vet Clinic's letterhead.

VET STAMP HERE: