

## JUNIOR HANDLER CERTIFICATE REGISTRATION FORM

Certification#	
For Club use Only	

American Bully Kennel Club P.O. BOX 2677 Spotsylvania, VA 22553

nild's Full Name:
nild's Date of Birth:
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## **DIVISIONS:**

<u>Half-pint Showmanship Class:</u> Children 2-4 years of age as of January 1st of that current calendar year. Parents are required to accompany their child and dog in to ring to ensure the safety of handlers and their dogs. All junior handlers will receive a participation ribbon.

<u>Limited Showmanship Class:</u> Children 4-8 years of age as of January 1st of that current calendar year. Placing should be at least 1st through 3rd, with every child also getting a participation ribbon.

<u>Novice Showmanship 8-13</u>: Children 8-13 years of age as of January 1st of that current calendar year who have not won three 1st place ribbons, with competition. After three 1st places wins continuing into open division.

Open Showmanship 8-13: Children 8 years to 13 years as of January 1st of that current calendar year that have won three or more 1st place ribbons in the Novice division. Junior Handlers 13 years of age (as of January 1st) may move up to Open division, or if child has not earned at least one 1st place in the Open 8-13 division, child may opt to enter Novice 13-18. If child has earned one or more 1st place ribbons in Open 8-13, child must move to Open 13-18.

Novice Showmanship 13-18: Children 13-18 years of age as of January 1st of that current calendar year that have not won three 1st place ribbons in novice or one 1st place ribbon in Open.

<u>Open Showmanship 13-18:</u> Children 13-18 years of age as of January 1st of that current calendar year that have won three or more 1st place ribbons in Novice or one first place ribbon in Open.

<u>Best Junior Handler:</u> First place winners from Novice 8-13, Open 8-13, Novice 13-18 and Open 13-18 compete for best overall Junior Handler. Half-pint and Limited participants are not eligible to show in this class.

## **ELIGIBLE DOGS:**

Any dog, whether intact or altered, with or without registration papers may be entered in this class. The handler is the only participant of the team that is being evaluated.

## **NOTE TO PARENTS:**

It is extremely critical that you exercise care when choosing a dog for your child to handle. Dogs can be very excited when in the ring, therefore please choose a dog that is experienced, mannerly, and that your child has a rapport with. It is of utmost importance that we avoid any injuries or incidents that may negatively impact our children and/or the dogs. If you have questions about whether a dog is suitable for the age/size/experience of the child, please contact one of the ABKC judges listed at www.theabkcdogs.org