



## 2021 UPMAS Rules

### **Ultimate Performance Miniature American Shepherd**

The Ultimate Performance MAS competition is offered to showcase the amazing abilities of the Miniature American Shepherd. Unlike the traditional MVMAS program, Ultimate Performance Miniature American Shepherd changes from year to year, depending on which events are offered. A Miniature American Shepherd is attentive and animated, showing strength and stamina combined with unusual agility, which allows for working over a variety of terrain. This highly versatile, energetic dog makes an excellent athlete with superior intelligence and a willingness to please those to whom he is devoted. Dogs must be AKC registered Miniature American Shepherds to participate.

New dog sports may be added in the future to further demonstrate the amazing abilities of the Miniature American Shepherd. Hosting clubs must offer at least 3 events.

### **ULTIMATE PERFORMANCE Miniature American Shepherd SCORING**

To qualify for the Ultimate Performance MAS (UPMAS) in 2021, one must qualify in at least 3 of the following categories (any level including instinct) at Nationals: AKC Herding Instinct/Test/Trial, AKC Agility, AKC Obedience, AKC Rally, AKC Scent Work, NADD Dock Diving, UpDog, and AKC Fast Cat.

Placements will be awarded for 1st – 4<sup>th</sup>, and all UPMAS qualifiers will receive a special award. The 1st Place winner will earn the title “Ultimate Performance Miniature American Shepherd”. If the 1st place Ultimate Performance MAS is also the 1st place dog for MVMAS, they will be given the Iron Dog award. Iron Dog prize to be sent after Nationals, as there may or may not be a winner each year.

Point Calculation: Points are totaled from all event categories offered.

If there is a tie, the 1st tiebreaker is to take the most categories with a Q, 2nd tiebreaker is to take the highest Herding score, 3rd tiebreaker is to take the fastest Herding time and 4th tie breaker is the number of classes entered.

A scorekeeper/chairperson will be assigned by MASCUSA or the Hosting Club. Scores will be available for exhibitors to double check as soon as practicable after each eligible competition is completed. It is the owner/handler's responsibility to check the scores as posted, and report to the UPMAS chairperson any discrepancy no later than Saturday,

May 29, 2021, at 6:00 PM. Discrepancies may only be filed by the handler for the event where there is a discrepancy. The UPMAS awards will be presented at the Award Ceremony. Judges placements/decisions for all events are final. Awards for UPMAS are final once presented. The UPMAS Chairperson will keep records for at least 1 year after the event.

## **ULTIMATE PERFORMANCE Miniature American Shepherd ENTRANTS**

Ultimate Performance MAS entrants must be AKC registered, and 6 months of age as of the 1st day of the competition. Individual events may have additional age criteria.

Event Categories – only the highest score for each category will be used. Dogs must compete at their most recent competitive levels, in each event.

## **SPECIAL ULTIMATE PERFORMANCE MAS RECOGNITION**

Participating in the Ultimate Performance MAS is an adventure in itself. A certificate will be awarded to recognize and encourage the following participants/dogs in addition to regular awards listed above:

Junior Handler Awards - The handler must show the dog in all events in order to be eligible for Junior Handler awards. Multiple handlers may handle the dog for Veteran.

Best Junior UPMAS - Highest Score (Handler Age 9-11)

Best Junior UPMAS - Highest Score (Handler Age 12-14)

Best Junior UPMAS - Highest Score (Handler Age 15-17)

Best Veteran Dog UPMAS – Highest Score (Veteran - Dog Age 7+)

# Ultimate Performance Miniature American Shepherd

## Points Schedule

EVENT	CLASS	POINT VALUE	POINTS ALLOWED
HERDING	INSTINCT	1	6
HERDING	HERDING TESTED	2	
HERDING	PRE-TRIAL	3	
HERDING	STARTED (Sheep or Ducks)	4	
HERDING	INTERMEDIATE (Sheep or Ducks)	5	
HERDING	ADVANCED (Sheep or Ducks)	6	

OBEDIENCE	BEGINNER NOVICE OBEDIENCE	1	6
OBEDIENCE	NOVICE OBEDIENCE (Regular & Preferred)	2	
OBEDIENCE	GRADUATE NOVICE OBEDIENCE	3	
OBEDIENCE	OPEN OBEDIENCE (Regular & Preferred)	4	
OBEDIENCE	GRADUATE OPEN OBEDIENCE	5	
OBEDIENCE	UTILITY (Regular & Preferred)	6	

RALLY	NOVICE RALLY	1	5
RALLY	INTERMEDIATE RALLY	2	
RALLY	ADVANCED RALLY	3	
RALLY	EXCELLENT RALLY	4	
RALLY	MASTER RALLY	5	

AGILITY	NOVICE STANDARD (Regular & Preferred)	2	6
AGILITY	OPEN STANDARD (Regular & Preferred)	4	
AGILITY	EXCELLENT STANDARD (Regular & Preferred)	5	
AGILITY	MASTER STANDARD (Regular & Preferred)	6	
AGILITY	NOVICE JWW (Regular & Preferred)	2	
AGILITY	OPEN JWW (Regular & Preferred)	4	
AGILITY	EXCELLENT JWW (Regular & Preferred)	5	
AGILITY	MASTER JWW (Regular & Preferred)	6	

FAST CAT	MPH <15	1	5
FAST CAT	MPH =>15 and <20	2	
FAST CAT	MPH =>20 and <25	3	
FAST CAT	MPH =>25 and <30	4	
FAST CAT	MPH =>30+	5	

SCENT WORK	NOVICE (Containers, Interior, Exterior, Buried, HD)	1	5
SCENT WORK	ADVANCED (Containers, Interior, Exterior, Buried, HD)	2	
SCENT WORK	EXCELLENT (Containers, Interior, Exterior, Buried, HD)	3	
SCENT WORK	MASTERS (Containers, Interior, Exterior, Buried, HD)	4	
SCENT WORK	DETECTIVE	5	

DOCK DIVING	Less than 5'	1	5
DOCK DIVING	Equal to or greater than 5' and < 10'	2	
DOCK DIVING	Equal to or greater than 10' and < 15'	3	
DOCK DIVING	Equal to or greater than 15' and < 20'	4	
DOCK DIVING	Equal to or greater than 20'	5	

DISC DOG	THROW 'N GO - Less Than 10 Points	1	5
DISC DOG	THROW 'N GO - 10 Points to < 20 Points	3	
DISC DOG	THROW 'N GO - 20 Points or Greater	5	
DISC DOG	FRIZGILITY - Less than 40 Points	1	
DISC DOG	FRIZGILITY - 40 Points to < 60 Points	3	
DISC DOG	FRIZGILITY - 60 points or Greater	5	
DISC DOG	4WAYPLAY - Less than 5 points	1	
DISC DOG	4WAYPLAY - 5 points to < 10 points	3	
DISC DOG	4WAYPLAY - 10 Points or Greater	5	

Notes: 1) Only the Highest Q per "color" counts. If there are 2 trials, the Highest Q overall will count.

2) This is a master point schedule for the Ultimate Competition. Not every event will be held every year.



## 2021 MASCUSA Nationals

### Ultimate Performance Miniature American Shepherd Entry Form

#### ULTIMATE PERFORMANCE MAS ENTRANTS

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- Ultimate Performance Miniature American Shepherd Competition (UPMAS)

ENTRY FEE PER DOG: \$32.00

or \$25.00 each when entering both UPMAS & MVMAS.

Pre-Entry Only - Due May 8, 2021

Name of Dog: \_\_\_\_\_

AKC Reg. #: \_\_\_\_\_

Call Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Handler Number \_\_\_\_\_

Actual Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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Check if applies to your Entry below...

- Best Junior UPMAS - Highest Score (Handler Age 9-11)  
 Best Junior UPMAS - Highest Score (Handler Age 12-14)  
 Best Junior UPMAS - Highest Score (Handler Age 15-18)  
 Best Veteran Dog UPMAS – Highest Score (Veteran - Dog Age 7+)

Make check out to **MASCUSA** and mail check and entry form to:

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