The 2021 American Boxer Club (ABC) National Week will work with state and local governments and public health authorities prior to the start of the week to determine risks and mitigation measures.

**On-Site Process and Procedures**

ABC will require temperature monitoring for volunteers, officials, exhibitors, and service providers at delivery of signed waiver. Anyone with a temperature of 100.4 or higher will not be allowed to enter the grounds. **Everyone entering show grounds will be required to wear a mask. Signage to this effect will be posted at the entrance and throughout the grounds. After receipt of signed waiver and successful required temperature check individuals will be provided a wristband. Wristbands must be worn at all times inside the show room. If you lose your wristband or require a replacement you will need to complete a new signed waiver and successfully complete a new required temperature check.**

The following individuals will not be permitted on the show grounds:

- An individual who exhibits COVID-19 symptoms,
- An individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last two weeks, or
- An individual who has been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last two weeks.

The ABC will post signage that displays all applicable federal, state, and local regulations, requirements, and orders as well as WHO recommendations and CDC guidelines as they relate to mass gatherings and sporting events in effect at the show.

Signage will be posted at all entrances to the show grounds which identifies the symptoms of COVID-19 and states the following:

- To protect others from possible transmission of the virus, anyone who exhibits COVID-19 symptoms or has been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last two weeks (exception, healthcare personnel who have treated patients using appropriate medical-grade PPE during the course of performing professional duties), cannot enter the show grounds. These individuals are encouraged to contact their health care provider immediately for further medical advice and must obtain documented clearance from their health care provider before entering the show grounds. Participants must assume responsibility for themselves and their own staff (e.g. assistants, etc.).
- Recommendations about good hygiene along with informing participants and others about ways to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission.
**Social Distancing & Limiting Entries**

The ABC shall enforce social distancing requirements throughout the show grounds at all times, including but not limited to the following:

- Prohibit the public, spectators, and non-essential personnel such as guests from being on the show grounds. Non-participants will not be allowed inside the show area.

- Organize dog and exhibitor arrivals and departures to limit contact between people, (e.g. show time is 10am, please leave the area immediately after you show and not return unless you have another dog to show in another time slot)

- Arrange judges’ and other officials’ areas to comply with social distancing requirements.

- Restrict show office and judges area access to essential personnel only. Limited entry will be considered if necessary.

- Extra activities will be limited and subject to the same rules and regulations

- Regardless of the scope of the limitation, the limiting of entries must be done on a first come, first served basis and relevant information will be posted on the Superintendent’s website.

- Configure grooming to comply with social distancing requirements.

**Enforcement Authority**

Stewards, Club members, and AKC officials will inform individuals when they are not in compliance with the regulations and requirements in effect at the show and shall report such situations to the Club Officials and AKC. The ABC has the authority to remove from the facility any person who does not comply with the regulations and requirements in effect.

If an individual needs an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, request should be submitted, along with documentation of the disability and need for accommodation, to the Show Chair at address provided in premium. Requests for accommodation will be reviewed on a confidential basis with a medical consultant.

Participants are required to comply with these and any additional requirements at all times while present on show grounds. Failure to do so may result in expulsion from the grounds.

These requirements are in effect immediately and until further notice, however, they are subject to revisions as the COVID-19 environment changes.

**Recommended Best Practices for ABC**

The following Recommended Best Practices have been provided to help all personnel identify possible risks and developing measures to mitigate those risks:

- Limit the number of entrances and exits to the show area to manage the number of individuals accessing the show grounds. All entrances and exits must be manned to limit access.

- Use radio and cell phone communication methods as much as possible and communicate important information frequently throughout the show grounds.
• Provide hand sanitizing stations with access to soap and water or alcohol based hand sanitizer at several areas through the grounds.

• Provide hand sanitizer to all officials, ring crew, clean up and medical officials. Ensure frequent cleaning and sanitizing of bathrooms, provide soap and water or alcohol based hand sanitizer in bathrooms.

**Ring Procedure**

• All dogs enter on one side of the ring and exit on the other side. Follow signage.

• Dogs will stand at designated spots when waiting to be judged and when judge is examining the dog, the exhibitor and dog will move up to the next line and do their individual movement and return to the end of the line. The judge will point to the dog for its placement while standing in the lines (spaced 6 feet away from the other dogs). Provide markers to delineate 6 feet spacing between people in any waiting lines (e.g., markers on floor or gaiting).

**Armbands Procedure**

• There will be tables inside our building for you to pick up your numbers.

• Ring Stewards and armband pickup locations **WILL NOT** have catalogs available. Be certain you know your dog’s armband number and class.

• There will be an entrance to the building and an exit to keep distancing, to the extent possible.

• Please do not gather in the building.

• **Please be on the lookout for Armband Procedure updates**

**Parking Considerations**

• Parking area will be maintained completely separate from show area. RV parking is separate from regular auto parking. Parking area is no less than 15 feet from show area.

• RV’s will be parked no less than 15 feet apart. They will all be parked facing the same direction to ensure maximum separation of RV entrance/exits.

• Automobiles will be parked in a separate area and will be parked no less than 6 feet apart.

• There will be no gatherings of any kind at any time allowed in any parking area.

**Catalog Procedures**

• Ring Stewards and armband pickup locations **WILL NOT** have catalogs available.

• Prepaid catalogs will be available for pickup at the shows.
• A limited number of catalogs will be available for purchase at the show. **Pre-order strongly suggested.**