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Do You Have A Buddy On The Farm? Enter Them In MFBF's Inaugural Farm Dog Photo Contest

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MARLBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS – Nov. 22, 2021 – Do you have a farm dog that follows you around the barnyard, works alongside you, and provides constant companionship? Honor them this winter by entering them in MFBF's Inaugural Farm Dog Photo Contest before the Dec. 15 deadline!



The contest is sponsored by [The Pet Food Institute](https://www.petfoodinstitute.com) and prizes will be awarded for 'Farm Dog of the Year,' and four separate sub-categories. To enter, please email MFBF Director of Government and Public Affairs Katelyn Parsons at katelyn@mfbf.net with your full name, full mailing address, email address, a short bio on your dog that includes their name, age, and gender, and at most three photos of your farm dog. In one photo, the dog must be helping on the farm. This contest is meant to honor farm dogs, not house companions.

"Farm dogs work alongside their owners and become trusted, loyal companions," said MFBF Promotion and Education Committee Chair Meg Gennings. "Our farmers can spend hours many hours alone while working in the field and around their barns. The dogs that work alongside them offer a non-judgmental ear and friend to lean on."

Farm Dog of the Year will be judged as a People's Choice award, where MFBF will post photos of the dogs on their Facebook page and the pup with the most reactions will receive this title. For the other categories, MFBF staff will serve as a panel of judges to determine winners of each category.

Those categories, in addition to Farm Dog of the Year, include the following:

- Hardest Worker
- Best Dressed
- Best Napper
- Best Buddy

For more information, please visit: <https://mfbf.net/mfbfs-inaugural-farm-dog-photo-contest/>

We look forward to seeing your entries!

About Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation

The Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation is a non-profit organization representing nearly 6,000 family members across the Commonwealth. MFBF is an advocate for farmers, run by farmer members who develop policies through its grassroots process. Its mission statement is to "strengthen a diverse agricultural community by supporting and advocating for Massachusetts farm families." Its vision is to "envision a world with plentiful high-quality agricultural products, productive open land, and a robust and prosperous farming community. We are committed to working with like-minded groups to achieve these goals." For more information about the Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation, please visit www.mfbf.net.

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