

USASA Record of Merit Rules

Record of Merit (ROM) Program	
ROM I SIRE	10 titled offspring from one category: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, or Performance *
ROM II SIRE	15 titled offspring from one category: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, or Performance *
ROM III SIRE	25 titled offspring from one category: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, or Performance *
ROM I DAM	5 titled offspring from one category: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, or Performance *
ROM II DAM	8 titled offspring from one category: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, or Performance *
ROM III DAM	10 titled offspring from one category: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, or Performance *
Record of Merit Excellent (ROMX) Program	
ROMX I SIRE	10 titles: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, and Performance * <i>Must have at least one title from each of the three categories.</i>
ROMX II SIRE	15 titles: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, and Performance * <i>Must have at least two titles from each of the three categories.</i>
ROMX III SIRE	25 titles: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, and Performance * <i>Must have at least three titles from each of the three categories.</i>
ROMX I DAM	5 titles: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, and Performance * <i>Must have at least one title from each of the three categories.</i>
ROMX II DAM	8 titles: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, and Performance * <i>Must have at least two titles from each of the three categories.</i>
ROMX III DAM	10 titles: Conformation, Obedience/Rally, and Performance * <i>Must have at least three titles from each of the three categories.</i>
* Performance includes: Agility, Herding, and Tracking.	
ROM I, II and III titles will include a suffix for the area attained in (i.e. ROM-P I for performance)	
Hall of Fame Excellent Sire or Dam	
Any sire or dam who has completed ROM I, ROM II, ROM III, ROMX I, ROMX II, and ROMX III will be given the designation Hall of Fame Excellent (HOFX) Sire or Dam.	

RULES

Titles recognized:

- ✦ USASA, AKC, and recognized Foreign Registry earned titles will be honored. *(If titles are not USASA or AKC earned titles, you will be required to provide copies of certificates of titles earned from those organizations.)* Effective Jan. 1, 2003 - All titles earned on or after Jan. 1, 2003, to be used towards ROM titles, must be AKC titles.
- ✦ A progeny cannot count both a foreign and an AKC title if they are identical titles. *(i.e. a progeny may not count both a Can. CH. and an AKC CH.)*
- ✦ A progeny may only count one conformation title, one obedience title, and one performance title in each area (agility, herding, tracking). *(i.e. a progeny may not count both a CD and a CDX, but may count a CH., CDX, NA, TD, and HI.) [See attached list for accepted titles.]* Titled ILP dogs may not be counted as progeny.

Applications: Applications for a Record of Merit award must be filled out on the USASA "Request for Record of Merit" form, and accompanied by a legible copy of an "AKC Progeny Report" (available from AKC), copies of AKC title certificates, or other official verification of titles from AKC (which include titles and, sire and dam information), as well as copies of certificates of titles earned from other organizations. Any applications submitted that are not legible, or on the USASA "Request for Record of Merit" form will be returned to sender. Please use one form per dog. (Forms may be copied.) No fee is necessary.

Applicants accepted: The USASA Program is for USASA members only. Certificates will be awarded accordingly.

Recognition: Qualifying dogs will be recognized at the USASA Nationals Annual Meeting each year, and results will also be posted in the next published AS Journal. All submissions must be postmarked by Feb.15 of that year. The ROM year will run from Nationals to Nationals.

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Applicable AKC Titles for the USASA ROM program:

- Conformation
 - CH - Champion

- Obedience (*1 per dog*)
 - CD - Companion Dog
 - CDX - Companion Dog Excellent
 - UD - Utility Dog
 - UDX - Utility Dog Excellent

- Rally (*1 per dog*) – Obedience
 - RE – Rally Excellent
 - RAE – Rally Advanced Excellent

- Agility (*1 per dog*) - Performance
 - NA - Novice Agility *OR* NAP – Novice Agility Preferred
 - NAJ - Novice Jumpers with Weaves *OR* NJP - Novice Jumpers with Weaves Preferred
 - OA - Open Agility *OR* OAP - Open Agility Preferred
 - OAJ - Open Jumpers with Weaves *OR* OJP - Open Jumpers with Weaves Preferred
 - AX - Agility Excellent *OR* AXP - Agility Excellent Preferred
 - AXJ - Excellent Jumpers with Weaves *OR* AJP - Excellent Jumpers with Weaves Preferred
 - MX - Master Agility Excellent *OR* MXP - Master Agility Excellent Preferred
 - MXJ - Master Excellent Jumpers with Weaves *OR* MJP - Master Excellent Jumpers with Weaves Preferred

- Herding (*1 per dog*) - Performance
 - HS - Herding Started
 - HI - Herding Intermediate
 - HX - Herding Excellent
 - HC - Herding Champion (*prefix*)

- Tracking (*1 per dog*) - Performance
 - TD - Tracking Dog
 - TDX - Tracking Dog Excellent
 - VST - Variable Surface Tracker
 - CT – Champion Tracker (*prefix*)