# USASA Record of Merit Program Rules

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| ROMX I Sire - 10 titles: | Conformation, Obedience/Rally or Performance*  
*Must have at least one title from each category* |
| ROMX II Sire - 15 titles: | Conformation, Obedience/Rally or Performance*  
*Must have at least two titles from each category* |
| ROMX III Sire - 25 titles: | Conformation, Obedience/Rally or Performance*  
*Must have at least three titles from each category* |
| ROMX I Dam - 5 titles: | Conformation, Obedience/Rally or Performance*  
*Must have at least one title from each category* |
| ROMX II Dam - 8 titles: | Conformation, Obedience/Rally or Performance*  
*Must have at least two titles from each category* |
| ROMX III Dam - 10 titles: | Conformation, Obedience/Rally or Performance*  
*Must have at least three titles from each category* |

## RULES

### Titles recognized:

- Effective January 1, 2003:
  
  Only AKC titles will be honored. For questions pertaining to titles earned prior to 2003, please contact Kathrin Johnson at rainydayaussies@aol.com

- Acceptable titles for progeny:
  
  Progeny may only count one conformation title, one obedience title, one rally title and one performance title per area (one agility, one herding, one tracking). To be clear - you may count a CD or a CDX, but not both. At most, a dog can contribute the following: CH, CD or CDX, RE or RAE, NA or NAJ, TD, and one accepted herding title (see list of qualifying titles). Titled ILP dogs may not be counted as progeny.

### Applications:

Please follow these directions for applying for ROM and/or HOF status:

- Applications for a ROM award must be filled out on the USASA Record of Merit Application Form. Please fill out the entire form, including clearly indicating for which awards you are applying. Application must be accompanied by an AKC Progeny Report (available from AKC in the online store).
• Applications that are not legible, or are missing one of the required components, will not be accepted.

• Emailed applications will not be accepted.

• Please mail completed applications to: Kathrin Johnson, 6814 114th Street, Lubbock, TX 79424.

• Have questions? Please address them to Kathrin Johnson at rainydayaussies@aol.com

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

Recognition:
All applications will be processed as they are received. Once approved, ROM awards will be published in the next issue of the Journal.

Applicable AKC Titles for the USASA ROM program:

• Conformation
  o CH – Champion

• Obedience (1 per dog) – Obedience Category
  o CD - Companion Dog
  o CDX - Companion Dog Excellent
  o UD - Utility Dog
  o UDX - Utility Dog Excellent

• Rally (1 per dog) – Obedience Category
  o RE – Rally Excellent
  o RAE – Rally Advanced Excellent

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

• Herding (1 per dog) – Performance Category
  o HS - Herding Started
  o HI - Herding Intermediate
  o HX - Herding Excellent
  o HC - Herding Champion

• Tracking (1 per dog) – Performance Category
  o TD - Tracking Dog
  o TDX - Tracking Dog Excellent
  o VST - Variable Surface Tracker
  o CT – Champion Tracker