

Acronyms & Abbreviations

AKC Titles and Abbreviations

Suffix Titles

AJP Excellent Agility Jumpers With Weaves "A" Preferred:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Excellent A Jumpers With Weaves Preferred class under at least 2 different judges. [Agility Trial]

AX Agility Excellent:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Excellent A Agility class under at least 2 different judges. [Agility Trial]

AXJ Excellent Agility Jumper:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Excellent A Jumpers With Weaves class under at least 2 different judges. [Agility Trial]

AXP Agility Excellent "A" Preferred:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Agility Excellent "A" Preferred Class under at least 2 different judges. [Agility Trial]

BN Beginner Novice:

The letters BN may be added after a dog's name when it has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Beginner Novice classes at 3 licensed or member obedience trials. [Obedience Trial]

CD Companion Dog:

The letters CD may be added after a dog's name when it has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Novice classes at 3 licensed or member obedience trials. [Obedience Trial]

CDX Companion Dog Excellent:

The letters CDX may be added after the name of each dog that has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Open classes at 3 licensed or member obedience trials. [Obedience Trial]

FTC FAST Century:

Requires the MXF title plus one hundred Excellent B FAST agility class qualifying scores of 60 points or greater. The FTC title initials will be followed by a numeric designation indicating the quantity of times the dog has met the requirements of the FTC title. (e.g. FTC2, FTC3, etc.) [Agility Trial]

FTCP FAST Century Preferred:

Requires the MFP title plus one hundred Excellent B FAST agility class qualifying scores of 60 points or greater. The FTCP title initials will be followed by a numeric designation indicating the quantity of times the dog has met the requirements of the FTCP title. (e.g. FTCP2, FTCP3, etc.) [Agility Trial]

GN Graduate Novice

The letters GN may be added after a dog's name when it has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Graduate Novice classes at 3 licensed or member obedience trials. [Obedience Trial]

GO Graduate Open

The letters GO may be added after a dog's name when it has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Graduate Open classes at 3 licensed or member obedience trials. [Obedience Trial]

HI Herding Intermediate:

Three qualifying scores in the Intermediate classes from 3 different judges at 3 different trials [Herding Trial]

HIAdsc Herding Intermediate Course A (ducks, sheep, cattle):

Three qualifying scores in the Intermediate Course A classes using Ducks (HIAd), Sheep (HIAs) or Cattle (HIAc) from 3 different judges at 3 different trials [Herding Trial]

HIBdsc Herding Intermediate Course B (ducks, sheep, cattle):

Three qualifying scores in the Intermediate Course B classes using Ducks (HIBd), Sheep (HIBs) or Cattle (HIBc) from 3 different judges at 3 different trials. [Herding Trial]

HICs Herding Intermediate Course C (sheep):

Three qualifying scores in the Intermediate Course C classes using Sheep (HICs) from 3 different judges at 3 different trials. [Herding Trial]

HS Herding Started:

Three qualifying scores in the Started classes 3 different judges at 3 different trials. [Herding Trial]

HSAdsc Herding Started Course A (ducks, sheep, cattle):

Three qualifying scores in the Started Course A classes using Ducks (HSAd), Sheep (HSAs) or Cattle (HSAc) from 3 different judges at 3 different trials

[Herding Trial]

HSBdsc Herding Started Course B (ducks, sheep, cattle):

Three qualifying scores in the Started Course B classes using Ducks (HSBd), Sheep (HSBs) or Cattle (HSBc) from 3 different judges at 3 different trials

[Herding Trial]

HSCs Herding Started Course C (sheep):

Three qualifying scores in the Started Course C classes using Sheep (HSCs) from 3 different judges at 3 different trials. [Herding Trial]

HT Herding Tested:

For a title, a dog must qualify twice under 2 different judges. Dog may qualify twice in one day at the same event provided he/she is judged by different judges. [Herding Trial]

HX Herding Excellent:

Three qualifying scores in the Advanced classes from 3 different judges at 3 different trials [Herding Trial]

HXAdsc Herding Advanced Course A (ducks, sheep, cattle):

Three qualifying scores in the Advanced Course A classes using Ducks (HXAd), Sheep (HXAs) or Cattle (HXAc) from 3 different judges at 3 different trials. [Herding Trial]

HXBdsc Herding Advanced Course B (ducks, sheep, cattle):

Three qualifying scores in the Advanced Course B classes using Ducks (HXBd), Sheep (HXBs) or Cattle (HXBc) from 3 different judges at 3 different trials

[Herding Trial]

HXCc Herding Advanced Course C (sheep):

Three qualifying scores in the Advanced Course C classes using Sheep (HIAs) from 3 different judges at 3 different trials

[Herding Trial]

MFP Master Excellent FAST Preferred

Master Excellent FAST Preferred: For a title, dog must earn 10 qualifying scores in Excellent B FAST Preferred agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

MJP Master Excellent Jumpers With Weaves "B" Preferred:

For a title, dog must earn 10 qualifying scores in Excellent B Jumpers with Weaves Preferred Agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

MX Master Agility Excellent:

For a title, dog must earn 10 qualifying scores in Excellent B Agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

MXF Master Excellent FAST

For a title, dog must earn 10 qualifying scores in Excellent B FAST agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

MXJ Master Excellent Jumpers with Weaves:

For a title, dog must earn 10 qualifying scores in Excellent B Jumpers with Weaves Agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

MXP Master Agility Excellent "B" Preferred:

For a title, dog must earn 10 qualifying scores in Excellent Agility Preferred "B" class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

NA Novice Agility:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Novice A and/or B Agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

NAJ Novice Agility Jumper:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Novice A and/or B Jumpers with Weaves class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

NAP Novice Agility Preferred:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in the Novice Agility Preferred class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

NF Novice FAST

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Novice A and/or B FAST agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

NFP Novice FAST Preferred

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Novice A and/or B FAST Preferred agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

NJP Novice Jumpers With Weaves Preferred:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in the Novice Jumpers With Weaves Preferred class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

OA Open Agility:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Open Agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

OAJ Open Agility Jumper:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Open Jumpers with Weaves class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

OAP Open Agility Preferred:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Open Agility Preferred class under at least 2 different judges. [Agility Trial]

OF Open FAST

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Open FAST agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

OFP Open FAST Preferred

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Open FAST Preferred agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

OGM Obedience Grand Master

The letters OGM may be added after a dog's name when it has earned the 10th level of the Obedience Master title. Only one OGM title will be awarded.

[Obedience Trial]

OJP Open Jumpers With Weaves Preferred:

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Open Jumpers with Weaves Preferred class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

OM Obedience Master

The letters OM may be added after a dog's name when it has earned a total of 200 OM points awarded to dogs earning a 190 or better from the Open B and Utility B classes based on the schedule of points established by the AKC Board of Directors. The OM will be followed by a numeric designation indicating the number of times a dog has met the requirements of the OM title up to 10.

[Obedience Trial]

PAX Preferred Agility Excellent

For a title, a dog must achieve 20 double qualifying scores obtained from the Preferred Excellent B Standard agility class and the Preferred Excellent B Jumpers with Weaves class. Qualifying in both the Preferred Excellent B Standard agility class and the Preferred Excellent B Jumpers with Weaves class on the same day equals one (1) double qualifying score.

[Agility Trial]

PT Pre-Trial Tested:

The American Kennel Club will issue a Pre-Trial Tested certificate to an eligible dog, and will permit the use of the letters PT after the name of a dog that has been certified by two different Judges to have qualified by passing two licensed or member club Pre-Trial tests. Dog may qualify twice in one day at the same event provided he/she is judged by different judges.

[Herding Trial]

RN AKC Rally® Novice:

The letters RN may be added after a dog's name when it has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Novice classes at 3 licensed or member rally trials.

[Rally Trial]

RA AKC Rally® Advanced:

The letters RA may be added after a dog's name when it has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Advanced classes at 3 licensed or member rally trials.

[Rally Trial]

RE AKC Rally® Excellent:

The letters RE may be added after a dog's name when it has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Excellent classes at 3 licensed or member rally trials.

[Rally Trial]

RAE AKC Rally® Advanced Excellent:

To earn an RAE title, the dog must have earned qualifying scores in both Advanced B and Excellent B classes at 10 separate licensed or member rally trials.

A numeric designation will indicate the number of times the dog has met the RAE requirements, i.e. RAE2, RAE3, etc.

[Rally Trial]

T2B Time 2 Beat:

To earn the T2B title, the dog must receive 15 qualifying scores from the regular Time 2 Beat class and 100 points based on the Time 2 Beat point schedule listed in the Regulations for Agility Trials.

[Agility Trial]

T2BP Time 2 Beat Preferred:

To earn the T2BP title, the dog must receive 15 qualifying scores from the preferred Time 2 Beat class and 100 points based on the Time 2 Beat point schedule listed in the Regulations for Agility Trials.

[Agility Trial]

TD Tracking Dog:

Dog has been certified by two judges to have passed a licensed or member club TD test or at a combined TD/TDX test, or at a combined TD/VST test or a TD/TDX/VST test.

[Tracking Test]

TDX Tracking Dog Excellent:

Dog has been certified by two judges to have passed a licensed or member club TDX test or at a combined TDX/VST test, or a combined TD/TDX test or a combined TD/TDX/VST test.

[Tracking Test]

THD Therapy Dog Title:

Dog must be certified/registered by an AKC recognized therapy dog organization and perform 50 therapy dog visits.

TQX Triple Q Excellent:

Requires the XF title. In order to acquire the Triple Q Excellent title, a dog must receive qualifying scores from the Excellent B Standard Class, the Excellent B Jumpers with Weaves Class and the Excellent B FAST Class on the same day at 10 separate licensed agility trials.

[Agility Trial]

TQXP Triple Q Excellent Preferred:

Requires the XFP title. In order to acquire the Triple Q Excellent Preferred title, a dog must receive qualifying scores from the Excellent B Standard Preferred Class, the Excellent B Jumpers with Weaves Preferred Class, and the Excellent B FAST Preferred Class on the same day at 10 separate licensed agility trials.

[Agility Trial]

UD Utility Dog:

The American Kennel Club will issue a Utility Dog certificate for each registered dog, that has been certified by 2 obedience trial judges as having received qualifying Utility scores at three licensed or member obedience trials.

[Obedience Trial]

UDX Utility Dog Excellent:

To earn a Utility Dog Excellent title, the dog must have received qualifying scores in both Open B and Utility B at 10 separate licensed or member obedience trials.

The letters UDX will be followed by a numeric designation indicating the number of times a dog has met the requirements of the UDX title as defined in the Regulations. (UDX2 for 20 qualifying scores, UDX3 for 30 qualifying scores, UDX4 for 40 qualifying scores, etc.)

[Obedience Trial]

VCD1 Versatile Companion Dog 1:

Must complete CD, NA, NAJ, TD
or CD, NAP, NJP, TD

[Obedience Trial / Agility Trial / Tracking Test]

VCD2 Versatile Companion Dog 2:

Must complete CDX, OA, OAJ, TD
or CDX, OAP, OJP, TD

[Obedience Trial / Agility Trial / Tracking Test]

VCD3 Versatile Companion Dog 3:

Must Complete UD, AX, AXJ, TDX
or UD, AXP, AJP, TDX

[Obedience Trial / Agility Trial / Tracking Test]

VCD4 Versatile Companion Dog 4:

Must complete UDX, MX, MXJ, VST
or UDX, MXP, MJP, VST

[Obedience Trial / Agility Trial / Tracking Test]

VER Versatility

The letters VER may be added after a dog's name when it has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Versatility classes at 3 licensed or member obedience trials.

[Obedience Trial]

VST Variable Surface Tracking:

Dog has been certified by both judges to have passed a licensed or member club Variable Surface Tracking test or at a combined TD/VST test or at a combined TDX/VST test or at a combined TD/TDX/VST test.

[Tracking Test]

XF Excellent FAST

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Excellent A FAST agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

XFP Excellent FAST Preferred

For a title, dog must earn 3 qualifying scores in Excellent A FAST Preferred agility class under at least 2 different judges.

[Agility Trial]

AKC Titles and Abbreviations

Prefix Titles

Ch. Champion:

Dogs must acquire 15 points, including 2 majors won under different judges and at least one point under a third different judge.

[Conformation]

GCH Grand Champion:

Completion of the title requires all of the following:

Twenty five Grand Championship points

Three majors won under three different judges

At least one or more points won under a fourth judge

Must have defeated at least one other AKC Champion of Record at three shows

[Conformation]

HC Herding Champion:

For a title, dog must receive 15 points with at least two 1sts carrying championship points, 1 of which must be for 3 pts. or better.

[Herding Trial]

MACH Master Agility Champion:

In order to acquire the title, a dog must achieve a minimum of 750 championship points and 20 double qualifying scores obtained from the Master Standard Agility class and the Master Jumpers With Weaves class.

[Agility Trial]

NAC National Agility Champion:

The winner of the annual National Agility Championship shall be entitled to be designated National Agility Champion of _____(year).

[National Agility Championship]

NOC National Obedience Champion:

The winner of the annual National Obedience Invitational shall be entitled to be designated National Obedience Champion of _____(year)

[National Obedience Invitational]

OTCH Obedience Trial Champion:

Dog must have won:

100 points;

Dog must receive at least one first place Open B, one first place Utility and a third first place ribbon in either class

First places must be awarded by 3 different judges

Must be at all-breed events One of the required first places may have been won at a Specialty Show.

Open B must have 6 in competition. Utility must have 3 in competition

[Obedience Trial]

PACH Preferred Agility Champion:

In order to acquire the title, a dog must achieve a minimum of 750 championship points and 20 double qualifying scores obtained from the Master Preferred Standard Agility class and the Master Preferred Jumpers With Weaves class.

[Agility Trial]

PNAC Preferred National Agility Champion:

The winner of the annual National Agility Championship in each Preferred class jump height shall be entitled to be designated Preferred National Agility Champion of _____(year).

[National Agility Championship]

TC Triple Champion:

Any dog that has been awarded the title of Dual Champion (DC) and the title of Obedience Trial Champion (OTCH) or Tracking Champion (CT) or Agility Champion (MACH or PACH) may be designated as a Triple Champion.

VCCH Versatile Companion Champion:

Effective January 1, 2001, title will precede the name of the dog that completes a OTCH, MACH or PACH and CT.

[Obedience Trial / Agility Trial / Tracking Test]

DC Dual Champion:

Any dog that has been awarded the title of Champion of Record (Ch.) may be designated as a "Dual Champion," after it has also been awarded the title of Field Champion (FC) or Herding Champion (HC)

[Conformation / Field Trial / Herding Trial]