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### **PLEASE NOTE:**

*Titles are strictly the domain of Dogs Australia (ANKC), therefore DogsNT will no longer be updating this Section.*

*Dogs Australia (ANKC) title qualification requirements listed in this Section may not be current. It is the responsibility of the Member to keep themselves updated regarding Title requirements. (04/08/2020)*

### **INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION TO VIEW CURRENT DOGS AUSTRALIA TITLES:**

1. <https://dogsaustralia.org.au/members/rule-regulations/rules/>

**SCROLL:** *Simply scroll down until the Discipline required is located – i.e. Canine Scent Work, Agility, Obedience etc and click on the relevant Document you require. All details of Titles per the relevant discipline will be found within the Rules Document. (04/08/2020)*

2. **CONFORMATION SHOWING:** *If information regarding Titles for Conformation Showing is required – please click on the following link:*

<https://dogsaustralia.org.au/members/rule-regulations/regulations/> then scroll down to **Part 5 Conformation Show/s.**

*All details regarding Titles per Conformation Showing will be found within the Document you require.*

If you require any assistance regarding title information, please contact the Dogs NT Office.

➔ Contact details can be found here: <http://www.dogsnt.com.au/contact-us/>

## **SECTION 8 TITLES**

### **8.1 GENERAL**

- 8.1.1 No Award using the words "Champion", or other recognised ANKC Title will be approved for any animals not registered on the General Register.
- 8.1.2 ANKC Challenge and other Certificates awarded by a Recognised Body shall be considered with an application for a Title.
- 8.1.3 On application to, and payment of the prescribed Fee, the NACA may grant the following Titles:

### **8.2 CHAMPION**

- 8.2.1 The owner of a dog registered with the ANKC which:
- (a) wins not fewer than four challenge certificates/best of breed certificates under no fewer than four (4) different Judges at four different exhibitions; and
  - (b) gains a total of 100 points may apply for such dog to be known as a Champion

### **8.3 GRAND CHAMPION TITLES**

- 8.3.1 "Grand Champion" and use the letters of "GRAND CH." Before the name of a dog with a total of not less than a thousand (1000) points with one challenge being received after 1/1/98.

### **8.4 OBEDIENCE**

- 8.4.1 **"COMPANION DOG", "COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT"; "UTILITY DOG"** and the use of the letter's **"CD"** or **"CDX"** or **"UD"** after the name of a dog which has received three (3) Qualifying Scores of not less than 170 points under not less than two (2) different judges for each Title.
- 8.4.2 Only the highest Title may be used after the name of the dog.

### **8.5 OBEDIENCE CHAMPION**

- 8.5.1 **"OBEDIENCE CHAMPION"** and the use of the letters **"OC"** before the name of a dog when it has gained the appropriate qualifications as set out in the ANKC Obedience Rules.

### **8.6 TRACKING**

- 8.6.1 **"TRACKING DOG"** and **"TRACKING DOG EXCELLENT"** and the use of the letters **"TD"** or **"TDX"** after the name of a dog which has qualified on Tests 1 and 2 for "Tracking Dog", and has qualified on Tests 3, 4 and 5 for "Tracking Dog Excellent" under not less than two (2) different judges for each Title.

8.6.2 **"TRACKING CHAMPION"** and the use of the letters **"TC"** before the name of the dog when it has gained the appropriate qualifications as set out in the ANKC Tracking Rules.

## 8.7 **AGILITY**

8.7.1 **"AGILITY DOG", " AGILITY DOG EXCELLENT", "AGILITY DOG MASTER"** and the letters **"AD", " ADX"**, after the name of a dog which has qualified under at least two different judges, and the letters **"ADM"** after the name of the dog which has qualified under at least three different judges at the following specified number of trials: AD - 3; ADX - 5; and ADM - 7.

**"JUMPING DOG", "JUMPING DOG EXCELLENT", "JUMPING DOG MASTER"** and the letters **"JD" "JDX"** after the name of the dog which has qualified under at least two different judges, and the letters **"JDM"** after the name of the dog which has qualified under at least three different judges at the following specified number of trials: JD - 3; JDX - 5; and JDM - 7.

## 8.8 **RETRIEVING**

8.8.1 In each year there may be held not more than one (1) Championship Retrieving Trial.

8.8.2 A **"Qualifying Certificate"** is not a Prize or Title, but may be awarded, at the discretion of the judge in any Stake consisting of at least three (3) Retrieves, to dogs that have completed the Stake to the judge's satisfaction having shown that they are under reasonable control and not "hard-mouthed". A Qualifying Certificate may be awarded to a dog only once. If a dog is eligible to receive the award at a later Trial, no Certificate will be issued. No letters are added to the dog's name.

8.8.3 A **"Certificate of Merit"** is not a Prize but may be awarded at the discretion of a Judge to dogs in Championship, All Age and Restricted Stakes, provided the competitors have completed the Stake and, in the opinion of the judge, have acquitted themselves with exceptional merit, in all runs. The letters "C.M." may be added after the name of the dog. A Certificate of Merit' carries no Championship points.

8.8.4 **"Novice Retrieving Trial Dog"** and the letters "NRD" and/or **"Restricted Retrieving Trial Dog"** and the letters "RRD" may be awarded to those dogs which are not eligible to compete in those Stakes because of wins in those Stakes or wins/placings in higher Classes.

8.8.5 **"RETRIEVING TRIAL CHAMPION"** and the use of the letters "RTC" after the name of a dog which has received at least twelve (12) points in Non-Slip Retrieving Trials by -

- (a) winning outright a Championship Stake or similar Stake (National Championship) or,
- (b) by winning outright two (2) All Age Stakes; or
- (c) by being placed 2nd in two (2) Championship or similar (National) Stake; or
- (d) by winning outright one (1) All Age Stake and being placed 2nd in a Championship Stake or similar (National) Stake.

8.8.6 Not more than one (1) of the following Titles may be used as part of the registered name of a dog - "CM" or "RTC."

## **8.9 FIELD TRIALS**

8.9.1 In each year there may be held not more than one (1) Championship Field Trial Stake for the following groupings of dogs: -

- a) Pointers and Setters
- b) Spaniels and Retrievers

8.9.2 **"Field Trial Champion"** and the letters "FTC" after the name of a dog, which has qualified in accordance with the ANKC Field Trial Rules.

## **8.10 DUAL & TRIPLE CHAMPIONS**

8.10.1 The Title of "Dual Champion" may be awarded to a dog which has been awarded a bench Championship and an Obedience or Retrieving or Field Championship.

8.10.2 The Title of "Triple Champion" may be awarded to a dog which has been awarded a bench Championship and any two (2) of Obedience, Retrieving or Field Championship.

## **8.11 CERTIFICATES**

8.11.1 A Championship Certificate shall be issued in respect of each application for the titles Champion, Grand Champion, Obedience Champion, Retrieving Trial Champion, Field Trial Champion, Dual and Triple Champion granted by the NACA.

8.11.2 No title to a dog's name shall be used unless by permission of the NACA.