

**THE AMERICAN ROTTWEILER CLUB TOP DOG AWARDS – HOW POINTS ARE CALCULATED**  
**(Effective 1/1/17)**

The American Rottweiler Club calculates statistics for the Top Rottweilers in the following areas: Conformation, 2 areas of Agility - Regular & Jumpers with Weaves; Carting; Herding; Obedience; Rally; as well as Junior Handlers.

An ARC Medallion and Certificate shall be awarded to the #1 dog in each area; all other rankings will receive a Certificate. Medallions and Certificates will only be awarded to those dogs whose owner is a current ARC member and was during the year the title was earned. However, all Top Dog recipients, whether or not the owner is an ARC member, will be listed in the Top Dog Evening Catalog and will be recognized that evening. All Top Ten Junior Handlers shall be awarded Medallions and Certificates.

The top Rottweilers in each level of titles will be based upon numbers of dogs defeated. If one or more dogs/Juniors receive the same number of points, they will be considered tied for that place and the dog(s) with the next number of points would be in the next place, i.e. dog A & B have 60 pts. and are tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place; dog C has 59 pts, he will be in 4<sup>th</sup> place. Placements 1 thru 10 will be recognized as noted in the paragraph above.

**A dog must have a minimum of 5 points to be in the Final Rankings in all areas, except Carting – Excellent and all Team Levels and Junior Handlers where the minimum does not apply.**

**CONFORMATION**

The ARC Top Twenty and Top 10 Dogs and Bitches Conformation Awards are based on the number of Rottweilers defeated through Best of Breed and Best of Opposite Sex wins at AKC licensed shows from January 1st through December 31st, as reported in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports. The number defeated is calculated as follows:

- BOB      Number of Rottweilers in competition, minus 1.
- BOS      Number of Rottweilers in competition of the same sex, minus 1. Should the BOS defeat or be the Best of Winners, then both sexes of class entries are counted, plus the number of Specials of the same sex, minus one.
- SELECT   Rottweilers receiving an ARC Select Award at the ARC National Specialty receive 5 points less than winner of Best of Opposite Sex. The Rottweiler Dog & Bitch receiving an AKC Select at the ARC National Specialty receive 3 points less than winner of Best of Opposite Sex. No points are awarded for receiving an AKC Select at any other shows.

**JUNIOR HANDLERS**

The Top 10 Junior Handler Awards are based on placements and wins in Junior Showmanship Competition at AKC licensed shows from January 1st through December 31st, as reported in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports. There is only 1 award level, with all Junior Showmanship Classes being combined. The points are calculated as follows:

- PLACEMENT      The Junior must place in a class, then 1 point is counted for each Junior defeated in the class.
- BEST JUNIOR      Total number of Juniors in the show, minus 1.
- RESERVE BEST JUNIOR      Total number of Juniors in the show competing for Reserve, minus 1.

**AGILITY**

The points for the ARC Top Dog Agility Awards (Standard & Jumpers With Weaves) are based on class placements and wins at AKC licensed trials from January 1st through December 31st, as reported in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports. There are 6 levels of awards: Novice Standard; Open Standard; Excellent/Master Standard, Novice Jumpers with Weaves; Open Jumpers with Weaves; Excellent/Master Jumpers with Weaves, with Regular & Preferred classes being combined at each level. The points are calculated as follows:

- PLACEMENT      The dog must place in a class, then 1 point is counted for each dog defeated in the class, i.e. if a dog was 2nd in a Novice Preferred 20" class that had 15 entries, the dog would earn 13 points (15 total class entries minus 2 (1st place dog & dog itself).
- HIGH IN TRIAL      This is counted at the ARC National Specialty - Armetale Day ONLY. A HIT win is calculated as minus 1 point from the shows total entry (Standard - Regular & Preferred and Jumpers With Weaves - Regular & Preferred Classes only) as listed in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports. The winner's name of this award will be taken from the ARC National Specialty Supplement.
- RESERVE HIT      This is counted at the ARC National Specialty - Armetale Day ONLY. A Reserve HIT win is calculated as minus 2 points from the shows total entry (Standard - Regular & Preferred and Jumpers With Weaves - Regular & Preferred Classes only) as listed in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports. The winner's name of this award will be taken from the ARC National Specialty Supplement.

**AGILITY – FAST & TIME 2 BEAT**

The American Rottweiler Club does not calculate statistics for the Agility FAST or Time 2 Beat Classes. These classes will not be eligible for either the High In Trial or Reserve High In Trial at the ARC National Specialty, nor will the number of entrants be used to calculate the total number of entries for the High In Trial and Reserve High In Trial awarded to Agility – Standard and/or Jumpers with Weaves.

**CARTING: SINGLE & TEAM**

The points for the ARC Top Dog Carting Awards are based on class placements and wins at ARC approved Carting Tests from January 1st through December 31st, as reported to the ARC Carting Coordinator. There are 6 levels of awards: Started; Intermediate; Excellent; Started-Team; Intermediate -Team; Excellent-Team. The points are calculated as follows:

- PLACEMENT      The dog must place in a class, then 1 point is counted for each dog defeated in the class, i.e. if a dog was 1st in a Carting Started class that had 10 entries, the dog would earn 9 points - 10 total class entries minus 1 (dog itself).

HIGH IN TRIAL A HIT win is calculated as minus 1 point from the test's total regular entry as reported to the ARC Carting Coordinator.  
RESERVE HIT **This is counted at the ARC National Specialty - Armatale Day ONLY** A Reserve HIT would be calculated as minus 2 points from the test's total regular entry as reported to the ARC Carting Coordinator.  
TEAMS A team counts as one entry.

### **HERDING**

The points for the ARC Top Dog Herding Awards are based on class placements and wins at AKC licensed trials from January 1st through December 31st, as reported in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports. There is only 1 award level, with all Herding Classes being combined. The points are calculated as follows:

PLACEMENT The dog must place in a class, then 1 point is counted for each dog defeated in the class, i.e. if a dog was 1st in a Herding Started A Sheep class that had 7 entries, the dog would earn 6 points (7 total class entries minus 1 (dog itself)).  
HIGH IN TRIAL A HIT win is calculated as minus 1 point from the show's total entry as listed in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports.  
RESERVE HIT Reserve High In Trial would be calculated as minus 2 points.

### **OBEDIENCE**

The points for the ARC Top Dog Obedience Awards are based on class placements and wins at AKC licensed Obedience Trials from January 1st through December 31st, as reported in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports. There are 3 levels of awards: Novice; Open; Utility. The points are calculated as follows:

PLACEMENT The dog must place in a class, then 1 point is counted for each dog defeated in the class, i.e. if a dog was 1st in an Open B Obedience class that had 10 entries, the dog would earn 9 points (10 total class entries minus 1 (dog itself)).  
HIGH IN TRIAL A HIT win is calculated as minus 1 point that from the show's total regular entry as listed in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports.  
RESERVE HIT **This is counted at the ARC National Specialty - Armatale Day ONLY** A Reserve HIT would be calculated as minus 2 points from the show's total regular entry as listed in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports. The winner's name of this award will be taken from the ARC National Specialty Supplement.

**Note:** High In Trials are based on regular obedience classes only; optional titling and non-regular classes are not counted.

### **RALLY**

The points for the ARC Top Dog Rally Awards are based on class placements and wins at AKC licensed Rally Trials from January 1st through December 31st, as reported in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports. There are 3 levels of awards: Novice; Advanced; Excellent. The points are calculated as follows:

PLACEMENT The dog must place in a class, then 1 point is counted for each dog defeated in the class, i.e. if a dog was 4th in an Advanced A class that had 23 entries, the dog would earn 19 points (23 total class entries minus 4 (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3rd place dogs & dog itself)).

THERE ARE NO HIGH OR RESERVE HIGH IN TRIALS IN RALLY, EVEN AT THE NATIONAL SPECIALTY.

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