

REGISTER OF MERIT COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

PURPOSE:

Register of Merit recognition is given to Basset Hounds that meet the following requirements without regard to ownership:

When a sire or a dam has met one of the requirements listed below, the suffix title of ROM is added to the registered name.

Option #1 - Any AKC title within the original four basic AKC events: Conformation, Field Trial, Obedience, & Tracking. Obedience titles should be CD or higher.

Sires: 7 (must include 4 from either Conformation or Field Trial)

Dams: 5 (must include 3 from either Conformation or Field Trial)

Option #2 - Any AKC or BHCA recognized title in any of these event areas: Conformation, Field Trial, Obedience, Tracking, Agility, Rally, Hunting Performance Test & Therapy Dog. Obedience titles should be CD or higher, and Rally titles should be RA or higher.

Sires: 9 (must include 4 from either Conformation or Field Trial)

Dams: 7 (must include 3 from either Conformation or Field Trial)

If an offspring is a multiple titleholder, only one title may be counted for BHCA ROM purposes

Certificates are sent only to the owner(s) of the new ROM sires and dams who at the time the certificate is issued is a member(s) in good standing of BHCA.

PROCEDURE:

The ROM Chairman is responsible for keeping track of the producing record of every sire and dam whose get receive an AKC Conformation, Field Trial, Companion (Agility, Obedience, Rally, Tracking), or Therapy Dog title. The Hunting Performance Test Chair is responsible for advising the ROM Chair of any Hunting Performance Titles earned for the current qualifying calendar year.

1. Each month when data from the AKC is received, the sire and dam of every titleholder listed that month is recorded.
2. These records are kept on a 3 x 5 inch card in a large file box. Blue or green cards are used for dogs, white for bitches. Alternatively, these records may be kept in a computer file.
3. When a sire or dam's first titled get is listed by the AKC, a 3x5" card is prepared (or entry made in a computer file) for that sire or dam. The newly titled get's name and the month and year of the AKC data is recorded

4. As subsequent offspring complete their titles, they are added to their parents' listings.
5. When a sire or a dam acquires the necessary number of get, the notation ROM is placed above their name on the card and they are added to the ROM roster.
6. Each year the names of the new ROM sires and dams, without regard to ownership, are submitted to the Yearbook Chairman by June 1st along with any additions or corrections from previous listing.
7. Certificates will be announced and given out at the BHCA Annual Awards Banquet to all eligible members who are in attendance. It is the responsibility of the ROM Chair to mail those not presented at that time.
8. New ROM sires and dams (those eligible to receive certificates) will be acknowledged twice a year in the Tally-Ho. Periodically, ROM forms may be placed in Tally-ho requesting that anyone who has knowledge of an eligible ROM producer from the past not listed yet or owners of newly eligible ROM sires and dams submit this information to the Chairman. This serves a two- fold purpose - - to include past producers whose names have been missed and as a double check of the records for current producers.

The revisions in these guidelines will go into effect beginning with the January 2014 year

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