

REGISTER OF MERIT COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

PURPOSE:

BHCA Register of Merit recognition is granted to Basset Hounds that meet the listed 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 shall 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, Scent Work, Hunting Performance Test & Therapy Dog.

Obedience titles shall be CD or higher., and Rally titles should be RA or higher.

Scent Work titles shall be SWN 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 the BHCA.

PROCEDURE:

The ROM Chairman is responsible for confirming, via the AKC's free online dog search service (https://shop.akc.org/account/login?return_url=%2Faccount#/dog-search), the title status of each offspring that has received an AKC Conformation, Field Trial, Companion (Agility, Obedience, Rally, Tracking, Scent Work), Therapy Dog, and Hunting Performance Test title of every ROM sire and dam applicant. The yearly application deadline is set with consideration of the BHCA Nationals dates.

When a sire or a dam acquires the necessary number of get, the notation ROM is allowed and they are added to the ROM roster.

Each year the names of the new ROM sires and dams, without regard to ownership, are submitted to the Tally-Ho Chairman and to the Board of Directors along with any additions or corrections from previous listing.

Certificates will be announced at the BHCA Annual Awards Banquet. It is the responsibility of the ROM Chair to mail all certificates to the listed owners. New ROM sires and dams (those eligible to receive certificates) will be acknowledged 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.

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