

ROM Guidelines

Effective May 2015

General Requirements for ROM and ROM-*Excellent*

- ROM Awards are for ATCA members only.
- Applicants must be either a dog's Breeder or Owner. ROM Certificates will be presented to both the Breeder and Owner if each is a member of ATCA.
- ROM or ROM-Excellent applications are due at the ROM Secretary's office by January 15th each year. Applications received after January 15th will be listed on the ROM list for the following year.
- Applications should be on an Official ATCA application form and include a 3 generation pedigree of the applicant.
- Applications should be complete when submitted, that is, data for all 3 or 5 champions should accompany a single application for an ROM; all the qualifying wins, champions, etc. for an ROM-Excellent should accompany a single application. Applications will not be accepted incomplete and/or not on an Official Application Form with a 3 generation pedigree.
- Points for either ROM or ROM-Excellent are cumulative, but once the ROM-Excellent is achieved, no further points will be maintained by the ROM Secretary.
- Separate listings of Sires and Dams holding a ROM or ROM-Excellent title will be published annually, and dogs will be listed in alphabetical order.
- The ROM Secretary will mail certificates once a year. Any application received after January 15th is eligible to receive a certificate at the current year's National specialty if received 3 weeks prior to the National, however it will not be added to the ROM lists until the year in which it was applied.
- New recipients of either the ROM or ROM-Excellent title will be recognized at the Annual Awards Banquet in conjunction with the ATCA National Specialty.
- Wins at only AKC licensed events are eligible to be counted for the ROM or ROM-Excellent titles.
- Offspring from frozen semen will be eligible in accumulating the necessary points for sires and dams, providing such offspring are duly registered with the AKC.

ROM Requirements

- Dams of Merit: 3 AKC Champion Offspring
- Sires of Merit: 5 AKC Champion Offspring

Verification of championships for each offspring and a 3-generation pedigree of the Sire or Dam being submitted on an Official Application form for an ROM title must be sent to the ATCA ROM Secretary.

Championships are verified by one of 3 methods:

1. Providing a copy of the Championship certificate.
2. A copy of ALL Official marked catalog pages from the AKC web site for each win towards Championship.
3. An AKC printout of the show records of the offspring.

ROM- *Excellent* Requirements

- **Dams of Merit:** 125 points and a minimum of 3 AKC Champion offspring
- **Sires of Merit:** 250 points and a minimum of 5 AKC Champion offspring

Point System for ROM- *Excellent*

Group 1 st	20
Group 2 nd	15
Group 3 rd	10
Group 4 th	5
BIS	20
National BISS	50
National BOS	25
National Select Dog	15
National Select Bitch	15
National AOM	10 (must be verified in writing by show chair)
Regional BISS	40
Regional BOS	20
Regional Select Dog	10
Regional Select Bitch	10
Regional AOM	5 (must be verified in writing by show chair)
Champions	10 each (including 3 or 5 required for ROM)
Grand Champion	20 each
Supported Entry BOB	30 pts (National Specialty Weekend)
Supported Entry BOS	15 pts (National Specialty Weekend)
Supported Entry Select Dog	5 pts (National Specialty Weekend)
Supported Entry Select Bitch	5 pts (National Specialty Weekend)

Points are cumulative and can be compiled in any combination using Champion Offspring, Group Placements and BIS/BISS wins as long as the minimum point total is met or exceeded. As an example, if a dog won a Regional Specialty held in conjunction with an All Breed Club and then went on to win the group and BIS, it would earn points for its sire and dam for the Specialty win, group win, and Best in Show win. (40+20+20=80) Points can be accumulated and added to a Sire or Dam total after the initial award ROM. An application should not be submitted until it is complete.