ROM Guidelines

Effective November 20, 2012

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 reports are due at the ROM Secretary's office no later than March 31st of each year.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 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. The issue (date and volume number) and page of the AKC Show results in which the championship is published.
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 1st	20	
Group 2nd	15	
Group 3rd	10	
Group 4th	5	
BIS	20	
National BISS	50	
National BOS	25	
National AOM	10	(must be verified in writing by the show chair)
Regional BISS	40	
Regional BOS	20	
Regional AOM	5	(must be verified in writing by the show chair)
Champions	10 each	(including the 3 or 5 required for ROM)

ROM point additions:

National Select Dog: 15 pts
National Select Bitch: 15 pts
Regional Select Dog: 10 pts
Regional Select Bitch: 10 pts

National Specialty weekend 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

Grand Champion: 20 pts

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.