

Borzoï Club of America

Register Of Merit Program

I. What is a Register Of Merit.

The Register Of Merit (ROM) is a title awarded by a breed's parent club to recognize sires and dams whose offspring have earned a notable number of titles in conformation and/or performance competition. The Register Of Merit title is a permanent suffix to the dog's registered name. The Borzoï Club of America will award qualifying sires and dams one of the following Register Of Merit titles: ROM, ROM-C, ROM-P, ROMX, ROMX-C, or ROMX-P.

II. How A Sire Or Dam Qualifies For A BCOA Register Of Merit Title.

There are 25 conformation and performance titles listed in the BCOA Register Of Merit "Titles & Points Table" along with the points that each title is worth. These are the only titles that are counted in the BCOA Register Of Merit program.

A sire or dam (1) Must have a minimum number of offspring, with each offspring having at least one of those 25 titles, and (2) The points from those offspring's titles must add up to a minimum number of points.

Titles earned by the sire or dam do not count.

Title	Requirements	Requirements
ROM	Points are from both conformation & performance titles. Less than 75% of the points are from either conformation titles or performance titles.	A sire must have a <u>minimum of 5 titled offspring</u> who have earned titles totaling at least <u>80 points</u> . A dam must have a <u>minimum of 3 titled offspring</u> who have earned titles totaling at least <u>50 points</u> .
ROM-C	75% to 100% of the points are from conformation titles.	
ROM-P	75% to 100% of the points are from performance titles.	
ROMX	Points are from both conformation & performance titles. Less than 75% of the points are from either conformation titles or performance titles	A sire must have a <u>minimum of 10 titled offspring</u> who have earned titles totaling at least <u>160 points</u> . A dam must have a <u>minimum of 6 titled offspring</u> who have earned titles totaling at least <u>100 points</u> .
ROMX-C	75% to 100% of the points are from conformation titles.	
ROMX-P	75% to 100% of the points are from performance titles.	

III. How Points Are Calculated.

Using the BCOA Register Of Merit "Titles & Points Table", list the points for each offspring's title. Then add up the total points earned by all the offspring. If the total points equals or exceeds the minimum points required, the sire or dam qualifies for one of the Register of Merit (ROM) or Register of Merit Excellent (ROMX) titles. When the points are from both conformation and performance titles, multiply the total points times 75%, dropping any fraction; then compare that result to the points from conformation titles, and to the points from performance titles, to determine if the dog gets a "-C" or "-P" title.

Example #1: Dam "Sassy" has 5 offspring who are all AKC Conformation Champions, with no performance titles. The 5 CH titles are worth 10 points each, for a total of 50 points. "Sassy" is awarded a "ROM-C".

Example #2: Dam "Natasha" has 3 offspring with these titles.

FC. Michael FCH LCM ORC	14 points (10 points for lure coursing titles, 4 points for ORC)
CH. Olivia CDX	16 points (10 points for CH, 6 points for CDX)
Peter OAJ CC SGRC	<u>25 points (6 points for OAJ, 10 points for CC, 9 points for SGRC)</u>
total	55 points (10 points from CH, and 45 points from performance titles)

"Natasha" is awarded a "ROM-P", as 45 points are from performance titles and that is more than 75% of the total points (75% of 55 is 41.25 or 41).

Example #3: Sire "Ivan" has 5 offspring with these titles.

CH. Almaz	10 points
CH. Blisti CD	14 points (10 points for CH, 4 points for CD)
CH. Contessa FCH	17 points (10 points for CH, 5 points for FCH and 2 points for Dual Titlist)
CH. Dimiti CDX, NA, OAJ	22 points (10 points for CH, 6 points for CDX, 6 points for agility titles)
CH. Nadia CM	<u>22 points (10 points for CH, 10 points for CM and 2 points for Dual Titlist)</u>
total	85 points

"Ivan" is awarded a "ROM". Neither the 52 points from conformation titles nor the 33 points from performance titles are 75% or more of the total points (75% of 85 is 63.75 or 63).

IV. How To Apply To The Register Of Merit Program.

Mail the Register Of Merit Application with proof of parentage and proof of titles to the BCOA Statistician of the Register of Merit Program. AKC registration numbers must be provided for all dogs listed on the Register Of Merit Application. The person submitting the application does not need to be the owner of the sire or dam for which the Register Of Merit title is being sought. The person submitting the Register Of Merit application does not need to be a member of BCOA, however non-BCOA members must submit a non-refundable \$10 fee to cover the cost of processing and the certificate. Make check payable to BCOA and mail to the Statistician along with the application and supporting documents.

Proof of Parentage is one of the following:

- A copy of the dog's registration papers.
- A copy of the page from the AKC Awards listing the dog as a new titlist and the dog's sire and dam.
- A copy of the AKC provided "list of offspring".
- Other proof approved by the BCOA Board.

Proof of Title is one of the following:

- A copy of the dog's title certificate.
- A copy of a page from the official publication of the organization listing the dog as a new titlist and the title obtained.
- Written correspondence from the person in charge of keeping the records of the organization and an address or email address at which this person can be contacted to verify the title.
- Copies of information published in the "Borzoi Champions" books.
- Other proof approved by the BCOA Board.

Statistician for the Register of Merit Program.

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"Titles & Points Table"

Conformation Titles

AKC Conformation Champion (CH)	10 points	
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Performance Titles

Lure Coursing Titles		Points	Comments
AKC Field Champion (FC)		5	Maximum of 10 points per dog for lure coursing titles. A dog will get points for EITHER an ASFA or AKC title, but not both (a dog with a FC and a FCH would get 5 points). A dog with a FC and a LCM would get 10 points.
AKC Lure Courser Excellent (LCX)		10	
ASFA Field Champion (FCH)		5	
ASFA Lure Courser Of Merit (LCM)		10	

Open Field Coursing Titles		Points	Comments
NOFCA Coursing Champion (CC)		10	Maximum of 10 points per dog for open field titles.
NOFCA Courser of Merit (CM)		10	
NACA Coursing Champion (NACC)		10	
NACA Courser of Merit (NACM)		10	

Racing Titles		Points	Comments
LGRA Gazehound Racing Champion (GRC)		4	Maximum of 9 points per dog for racing titles. The first title is worth 4 points. The second title is worth 4 or 5 additional points. A dog with a GRC and ORC would get 8 points. A dog with an ORC and a SORC would get 9 points.
LGRA Supreme Gazehound Racing Champion (SGRC)		9	
NOTRA Oval Racing Champion (ORC)		4	
NOTRA Superior Oval Racing Champion (SORC)		9	

Dual Titlist	Points	Comments
AKC Conformation Champion with one of the Lure Coursing, Open Field Coursing or Racing titles listed above.	2	Maximum of 2 points, which will be split between conformation and performance for the purpose of ROM calculations.

AKC Obedience Titles		Points	Comments
Companion Dog (CD)		4	Maximum of 10 points per dog for obedience titles. A dog gets the points for the highest obedience title he has earned. A dog who earns an CD, and then a CDX gets a total of 6 points.
Companion Dog Excellent (CDX)		6	
Utility Dog (UD)		8	
Utility Dog Excellent (UDX)		9	
Obedience Trial Champion (OTCH)		10	

AKC Rally Obedience Titles		Points	Comments
Novice (RN)		2	Maximum of 5 points per dog for Rally obedience titles. A dog gets the points for the highest Rally obedience title he has earned. A dog who earns an RN, and then an RA gets a total of 3 points.
Advanced (RA)		3	
Excellent (RE)		4	
Advanced Excellent (RAX)		5	

AKC Agility Titles		Points	Comments
Novice (NA or NAJ)		4	Maximum of 10 points per dog for agility titles. A dog gets the points for the highest agility title he has earned. A dog with a NA title and a NAJ title gets 4 points. A dog with NA, NAJ and OA titles gets 6 points.
Open (OA or OAJ)		6	
Excellent (AX or AXJ)		10	

Application For A BCOA Register Of Merit Title

PRINT or TYPE the following information

Sire or Dam's Registered Name

Sex

AKC Registration Number

List the offspring, one dog per line, and the offsprings' titles. Include only the titles recognized by the BCOA Register Of Merit program. The 25 recognized titles are in the "Titles & Points Table" (see instructions). Use additional sheets if needed. Mail application with documentation for parentage & titles to the Statistician: Barbara Ewing, 17 County Road A16C, Las Vegas, NM, 87701, along with a \$10 processing fee if applicant is not a BCOA member.

AKC Registration Number

Registered Name of Dog & Titles

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Please sign & date below. By signing this, you are authorizing the Statistician of the BCOA Register of Merit program, to verify this information & to publish any or all of it. Your signature further certifies that the information submitted with this application represents, to the best of your knowledge, all ROM recognized titles earned by this dog's offspring. You further agree that in the future, should enough additional titles be earned to change the ROM title of this dog, you will submit, in a timely manner, a supplemental application in order to have the dog classified correctly.

_____ (_____) _____
Printed Name of Person Submitting this Application Phone

Address

Email (optional)

I certify that the information listed is correct.

_____ Date
Signature of Person Submitting this Application