



**BORZOI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.  
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 Borzoi 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**

The only titles that are counted in the BCOA Register Of Merit program, are listed on page three, in the BCOA Register Of Merit “Titles & Points Table” along with the points that each title is worth.

A sire or dam (1) Must have a minimum number of offspring, with each offspring having at least one of the titles listed on page three, and (2) The points from those offspring’s’ titles must add up to a minimum number of points as listed in the table on this page). Titles earned by the sire or dam do not count.

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

**III. How Titles Are Determined**

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 (including

any points from the offspring's ROM-C and ROMX-C titles), and to the points from performance titles (including any points from the offspring's ROM-P and ROMX-P titles), to determine if the dog gets a "-C" or "-P" title. Any "Dual Titlist" points, and points from the offspring's ROM and ROMX titles are divided equally between conformation and performance for the purpose of determining if the sire or dam gets "-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	16 points (11 points for FC, FCH & LCM titles, 5 points for ORC)
GCH. Olivia CDX, ROM-P	21 points (12 points for GCH, 6 points for CDX, 3 points for ROM-P)
Peter OA, OAJ, CC, CM	<u>18 points</u> (6 points for OA & OAJ, 12 points for CC & CM)
Total	55 points (12 points from conformation and 43 points from performance titles)

"Natasha" is awarded a "ROM-P", as **43** points are from performance titles and that is more than 75% of the total points (75% of 55 is 41.25 or 41). (Note that the ROM-P for offspring Olivia, is a performance title).

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

CH. Almaz ROM	13 points (10 points for CH, 3 points for ROM)
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</u> (10 points for CH, 10 points for CM and 2 points for Dual Titlist)
Total	88 points

"Ivan" is awarded a "ROM". The 3 points for the ROM title and the 4 points for the two Dual Titlist are split equally, with 3.5 points added to the 50 points from conformation titles, and 3.5 points added to the 31 points from performance titles. Neither the 53.5 conformation total nor the 34.5 performance total is 75% or more of the total points (75% of 88 is 66).

#### 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 ROM 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" (from akc.org/store "Progeny Report").
- 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.
- Print of the AKC provided "Points and Awards" for a dog (go to akc.org/store).
- 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.

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## Borzo Club Of America Register Of Merit Program "Titles & Points Table"

### Conformation Titles

AKC Conformation Champion (CH)	10 points	Plus 1 additional point for each additional GCH level (bronze, silver, gold, platinum). 16 points maximum.
AKC Grand Champion (GCH)	2 points	

### Performance Titles

Lure Coursing Titles	Points	Comments
AKC Field Champion (FC)	5	<p>A dog will get 5 points for either an AKC FC or an ASFA FCH.</p> <p>A dog with both the FC and FCH titles would get a 1 point bonus for a total of 6 points.</p> <p>A dog with the FC and LCM titles would get 11 points. A dog with the FCH and LCX titles would get 11 points.</p> <p>A dog with both the LCX and LCM titles would get a 2 point bonus for a total of 12 points.</p> <p>12 points maximum for lure coursing.</p>
AKC Lure Courser Excellent (LCX)	10	
ASFA Field Champion (FCH)	5	
ASFA Lure Courser Of Merit (LCM)	10	
Both the FC and FCH titles	1 point bonus	
Both the LCX and LCM titles	2 points bonus	

Open Field Coursing Titles	Points	Comments
NOFCA Coursing Champion (CC)	10	<p>A dog with both a CC &amp; CM or equivalent would get a 2 point bonus for a total of 12 points.</p> <p>12 points maximum for open field coursing.</p>
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)	5	<p>The first title is worth 5 points. The second title is worth 5 additional points. A dog with a GRC and ORC would get 10 points. A dog with an ORC and a SORC would get 10 points. Maximum of 10 points per dog for racing titles.</p>
LGRA Supreme Gazehound Racing Champion (SGRC)	10	
NOTRA Oval Racing Champion (ORC)	5	
NOTRA Superior Oval Racing Champion (SORC)	10	

AKC Obedience Titles	Points	Comments
Beginner Novice (BN)	3	<p>Maximum of 10 points per dog for obedience titles.</p> <p>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.</p>
Companion Dog (CD)	4	
Graduate Novice (GN)	5	
Companion Dog Excellent (CDX)	6	
Graduate Open (GO)	7	
Utility Dog (UD)	8	
Utility Dog Excellent (UDX)	9	
Obedience Trial Champion (OTCH)	10	

AKC Rally Titles	Points	Comments
Rally Novice (RN)	2	<p>Maximum of 8 points per dog for Rally obedience titles.</p> <p>A dog gets the points for the highest Rally obedience title he has earned. A dog who earns an RN, and then an RI gets a total of 3 points.</p>
Rally Intermediate (RI)	3	
Rally Advanced (RA)	4	
Rally Excellent (RE)	5	
Rally Advanced/Excellent (RAE)	6	
Rally Master (RM)	7	
Rally Champion (RACH)	8	

AKC Agility Titles	Points	Comments
Novice (NA or NAJ or NF)	4	<p>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.</p>
Open (OA or OAJ or OF)	6	
Excellent (AX or AXJ or XF)	10	

### Other Titles

Dual Titlist	Points	Comments
AKC Conformation Champion with 1 of the lure coursing, open field coursing or racing titles listed.	2	Only performance titles listed above are counted. Points split equally between conformation and performance

Register Of Merit Titlist	Points	Comments
ROM, ROM-C, ROM-P	3	<p>See page 1, paragraph III, for how the offspring's ROM titles are used to determine if the sire/dam gets a -C or -P title.</p>
ROMX, ROMX-C, ROMX-P	5	