



# VERSATILITY PROGRAM

*Anytime a fee is required, please use a check payable to AWCA*

## TITLE REQUIREMENTS

Purpose – To promote the versatile nature of the Collie. Originally bred as a working stock dog, the Collie developed a wide range of talents. The Versatility Program recognizes AWCA Collies that have proven their competence as versatile working dogs.

**VERSATILITY COMPANION (VC)** – Title to be earned by gaining 5 points from a minimum of 3 categories.

**VERSATILITY COMPANION EXCELLENT (VCX)** – Title to be earned by gaining 10 points from a minimum of 5 categories; at least 2 points from 2 different categories must be earned from Intermediate level work (e.g. CDX, HA, OA, etc.).

**VERSATILITY CHAMPION (VCH)** – Title to be earned by gaining 15 points from 6 categories; at least 2 points from 2 different categories must be earned from Advanced level work (e.g. UD, HX, AX, etc.).

**GRAND VERSATILITY CHAMPION (GVCH)** – Must have earned a VCH plus any 3 of the following 4 titles: Stock Work, HX or higher; Obedience, UD or higher; Scent Work, TDX or higher, or 3 live, cadaver, narcotics, explosives, or agricultural finds, documented by authorities; Canine Sports—Agility, AX or AXJ or its equivalent or higher.

## I. STOCK WORK

**(A maximum of 6 points possible from this category; 2 points maximum from Novice level titles, 2 points maximum from Intermediate level titles, 2 points maximum from Advanced level titles)**

(If your organization wishes to hold a sanctioned AWCA Herding Instinct Test, send a Priority Mail stamp with your request for the AWCA Herding Instinct Program to the Stock Work Coordinator.)

- A. AWCA – HTD, HTDX, HTCH
- B. ASCA – STD, OTD, ATD, PATD, RD, RTD, WTCH
- C. AKC – HT, PT, HS, HI, HX, HC
- D. AHBA – HCT, JHD, HTD I, II, III, HRD I, II, III, HTAD I, II, III, HTCH
- E. Working Farm or Ranch Dog\*

## II. OBEDIENCE

**(A maximum of 6 points possible from this category; 2 points maximum from Novice level titles, 2 points maximum from Intermediate level titles, 2 points maximum from Advanced level titles)**

- A. Obedience – BN, CD, PCD, GN, CDX, PCDX, GO, VER, UD, PUTD, OM, OTCH or equivalent obedience title from any recognized registry.
- B. Rally – RN, RA, RE, RAE, RM, RACH or equivalent rally title from any recognized registry.

## III. SOUNDNESS

**(A maximum of 4 points possible from this category with 1 point only from any one of the medical tests listed. Only Novice level points available in this category)**

- A. AWCA HC or other herding instinct certification (certificate required) – 1 point only from an instinct level test
- B. CGC, CGCA, CGCU, or CGN – 1 point only from a general manners test
- C. FDC
- D. TT, TC, ATTS, or ATT – 1 point (only 1 point from a temperament test)
- E. Medical tests: CEA normal; MDR1 normal/normal; OFA hips or PennHips excellent – 1 point only from a medical test

## IV. SCENT WORK

**(A maximum of 6 points possible from this category; 2 points maximum from Novice level titles, 2 points maximum from Intermediate level titles, 2 points maximum from Advanced level titles)**

- A. Tracking – 1 point for each title at all levels from AKC, CKC, ASCA, or other recognized registry (e.g. TD, TDX, VST, CT)
- B. Nose Work titles from recognized organizations
- C. Barn Hunt titles from recognized organizations; 1 Novice point, 1 Intermediate point only
- D. Narcotics, Bomb, Agriculture Products Detection\*
- E. Search and Rescue or Professional Tracking Dog\*
- F. Water Rescue\*

## V. DRAFT WORK

**(A maximum of 6 points possible from this category; 2 points maximum from Novice level titles, 2 points maximum from Intermediate level titles, 2 points maximum from Advanced level titles)**

- A. Sledding – Sled Team Member (STM), Sled Lead Dog (SLD); a copy of the AWCA Sledding Program may be obtained by sending \$2.00 (check made payable to AWCA) and business-size SASE to the Draft Work Coordinator.
- B. Ski-Journing\*
- C. Carting (CRT, CRTX); a copy of the AWCA Carting Program may be obtained by sending \$5.00 (check made payable to AWCA) to the Draft Work Coordinator.
- D. Backpacking – Backpack Dog (BPD, BPDx, BPW, BPGW); a copy of the AWCA Backpacking Program may be obtained by sending \$1.00 (check made payable to AWCA) and business-size SASE to the Draft Work Coordinator.

\*These activities should be verified in writing on 3 separate occasions by 3 separate officials (dog club officer, licensed judge, park ranger, etc.) unrelated to the owner of the dog.

## VI. ASSISTANCE WORK

**(1 point for each type of work or service or title earned. Guide, Hearing, & Service Dogs are considered Advanced level work)**

- A. Guide Dog\*\*
- B. Hearing Dog\*\*
- C. Service Dog\*\*
- D. Social Dog Program (SOC I, SOC II, SOC III); Therapy Dog Program (THR I, THR II, THR III); a copy of the AWCA Social Dog Program or the AWCA Therapy Dog Program may each be obtained by sending \$1, check made payable to AWCA, and a business-size SASE to the Social/Therapy Program Coordinator.
- E. Heroic Feats (Documented)

\*\*Certification from the training center or private trainer, and letters from veterinarians, librarians, postal workers, etc., required to document the dog's work plus 1 full year of documentation with photographs or videos or DVDs of the dog working in various public access situations, written statements by witnesses such as: doorkeepers, postal workers, veterinarians, etc., written description and photos/videos/DVDs of the dog's specific skills utilized by the human partner.

## VII. CANINE SPORTS

**(A maximum of 6 points possible from this category; 2 points maximum from Novice level titles, 2 points maximum from Intermediate level titles, 2 points maximum from Advanced level titles)**

- A. Agility – Agility titles from recognized organizations
- B. Flyball – Flyball titles from recognized organizations
- C. Scent Hurdle – Scent hurdle titles from recognized organizations
- D. Frisbee – Frisbee titles from recognized organizations
- E. Lure Coursing – Titles from AKC Coursing Ability program—1 point only
- F. Trick Dog—Titles from recognized organizations.—maximum of 2 points

## VIII. CONFORMATION

**(1 point for each CH from an approved registry/organization; e.g. AKC, CKC, FCI)**

- A. Conformation Championship (CH)
- B. Conformation Certificate (CC) – To obtain the title CC (which is placed after the dog's name) the dog must be examined by 5 judges (2 group, 1 a breeder of a champion Collie) and the CC forms filled out (exception: a pointed dog, neutered, elderly, infirm, or otherwise ineligible for the breed ring with show records of wins under 5 judges accepted). A copy of the AWCA Conformation Certification Program may be obtained by sending \$2.00, check made payable to AWCA, and a business-size SASE to the Conformation Coordinator. **NOTE:** To earn multiple Versatility points in this category, titles must be earned in different countries (Example, AKC CH or AWCA CC – 1 point; KKC CH – 1 point; etc.).

## IX. PUBLIC RELATIONS

**(A maximum of 2 points possible from this category: 1 point from 6 different dates of participation in the same activity; or 1 combination point from 6 different dates of participation in mixed activities – any combination of them. Only Novice level points available in this category)**

- A. Education\*\*\* – Active participation in demonstrations, seminars, clinics, Scottish Festivals.
- B. Entertainment\*\*\* – Modeling (with dog under command for professional assignment, i.e., published print ads (no show photos), TV commercials, runway); acting; drill teams; square dancing; freestyle dance (rehearsed performance before an audience); parades.
- D. Precision Work (PWI). For program requirements, send \$1.00, check made payable to AWCA, and SASE, to the Public Relations Coordinator.
- C. Open

\*\*\*AWCA Public Relations Verification form required plus one additional piece of documentation – may include 1 or more of the following: copy of photo taken at an event (required for modeling); copy of dated flyer of an event; news clipping or any writeup of an event in a publication; copy of letterhead letter from an organization involved in event. Send SASE to coordinator for verification form.

To apply for points, photocopies of title certifications and/or verifications should be submitted to the appropriate program coordinator along with a large SASE. When you have sufficient points in the required number of categories, submit photocopies of your point slips along with your completed Versatility Title Request form to the Versatility Director with a \$5.00 check payable to AWCA for each title (VC, VCX, VCH, GVCH).

## List of Titles from Recognized Organizations and Their Designations as Novice/Intermediate/Advanced Level Work. Comparable Titles Are Recognized from Canadian & Other Organizations Although Not Necessarily Listed Below

Organizations			CPE Agility (Continued)		
AKC	American Kennel Club		ExCL	Extraordinaire Colors	ADVANCED
AHBA	The American Herding Breed Association		ExWC	Extraordinaire Wildcard	ADVANCED
APDT	The Association of Pet Dog Trainers		ExSN	Extraordinaire Snooker	ADVANCED
ASCA	The Australian Shepherd Club of America		ExJP	Extraordinaire Jackpot	ADVANCED
AWCA	American Working Collie Association		ExFH	Extraordinaire FullHouse	ADVANCED
CCA	The Collie Club of America		ExJU	Extraordinaire Jumpers	ADVANCED
CDSP	Companion Dog Sports Program				
CKC	Canadian Kennel Club		NADAC		
CPE	Canine Performance Events			O – Outstanding, S – Superior (O or S can precede a title for additional designation)	
NACSW	National Association of Canine Scent Work		NAC	Novice Level Regular (Proficient)NOVICE	
NADAC	North American Dog Agility Council		NGC	Novice Level Chances (Proficient)NOVICE	
NAFA	North American Flyball Association		NJC	Novice Level Jumpers (Proficient)NOVICE	
U-FLI	United Flyball League International		TN-N	Novice Level Tunnelers (Proficient)NOVICE	
UKC	United Kennel Club		TG-N	Novice Level ToughNGo (Proficient)NOVICE	
USDAA	United States Dog Agility Association		WV-N	Novice Level Weavers (Proficient)NOVICE	
			OAC	Open Level Regular (Proficient) INTERMEDIATE	
			OGC	Open Level Chances (Proficient) INTERMEDIATE	
			OJC	Open Level Jumpers (Proficient) INTERMEDIATE	
			TN-O	Open Level Tunnelers (Proficient)INTERMEDIATE	
			TG-O	Open Level TouchNGo (Proficient)INTERMEDIATE	
			WV-O	Open Level Weavers (Proficient) INTERMEDIATE	
			EAC	Elite Level Regular (Proficient) ADVANCED	
			EGC	Elite Level Chances (Proficient) ADVANCED	
			EJC	Elite Level Jumpers (Proficient) ADVANCED	
			TN-E	Elite Level Tunnelers (Proficient)ADVANCED	
			TG-E	Elite Level TouchNGo (Proficient)ADVANCED	
			WV-E	Elite Level Weavers (Proficient) ADVANCED	
			NAS	Novice Level Regular (Skilled) NOVICE	
			NGS	Novice Level Chances (Skilled) NOVICE	
			NJS	Novice Level Jumpers (Skilled) NOVICE	
			TNS-N	Novice Level Tunnelers (Skilled)NOVICE	
			TGS-N	Novice Level TouchNGo (Skilled)NOVICE	
			WVS-N	Novice Level Weavers (Skilled) NOVICE	
			OAS	Open Level Regular (Skilled) INTERMEDIATE	
			OGS	Open Level Chances (Skilled) INTERMEDIATE	
			OJS	Open Level Jumpers (Skilled) INTERMEDIATE	
			TNS-O	Open Level Tunnelers (Skilled) INTERMEDIATE	
			TGS-O	Open Level TouchNGO (Skilled)INTERMEDIATE	
			WVS-O	Open Level Weavers (Skilled) INTERMEDIATE	
			EAS	Elite Level Regular (Skilled) ADVANCED	
			EGS	Elite Level Chances (Skilled) ADVANCED	
			EJS	Elite Level Jumpers (Skilled) ADVANCED	
			TNS-E	Elite Level Tunnelers (Skilled) ADVANCED	
			TGS-E	Elite Level TouchNGo (Skilled) ADVANCED	
			WVS-E	Elite Level Weavers (Skilled) ADVANCED	
			NATCH	NADAC Agility Trial Champion ADVANCED	
			Vers-NATCH	NADAC Versatility Champion ADVANCED	
			UKC		
			UAGI	United Agility I Title	NOVICE
			UAGII	United Agility II Title	INTERMEDIATE
			UACH	United Agility Champion Title	ADVANCED
			UACHX	United Agility Champion Excellent Title	ADVANCED
			UGRACH	United Grand Agility Champion Title	ADVANCED
			USDAA		
			AD	Agility Dog	NOVICE
			SSA	Starters Standard Agility	NOVICE
			SJ	Starters Jumper	NOVICE
			SG	Starters Gambler	NOVICE
			SS	Starters Snooker	NOVICE
			SR	Starters Relay	NOVICE
			AAD	Advanced Agility Dog	INTERMEDIATE

  

Organization	Title	Level of Work
	<b>Agility</b>	
AKC	NA	Novice Agility
	NAP	Novice Agility Preferred
	NAJ	Novice Jumpers
	NJP	Novice Jumpers Preferred
	NF	Novice FAST
	OA	Open Agility
	OAP	Open Agility Preferred
	OAJ	Open Jumpers Weaves
	OJP	Open Jumpers Preferred
	OF	Open FAST
	AX	Agility Excellent
	AXP	Agility Excellent Preferred
	AXJ	Excellent Jumpers
	AJP	Excellent Jumpers Preferred
	XF	Excellent FAST
	MX	Master Agility Excellent
	MXP	Master Agility Excellent Preferred
	MXJ	Master Excellent Jumpers
	MJP	Master Excellent Jumpers Preferred
	T2B	Time 2 Beat
	MACH	Master Agility Champion
CPE	Level #:	
	1 – Level 1	NOVICE
	2 – Level 2	NOVICE
	3 – Level 3	INTERMEDIATE
	4 – Level 4	ADVANCED
	Game: R - Regular, H – Handler Games, S – Strategy Games, F – Fun Games	
	CL(level #)-(Game)	
	C-ATCH	CPE Agility Trial Champion
	C-ATE	CPE Agility Team Extraordinaire
	SpCh	Specialist Champion
	SpEx	Specialist Extraordinaire
	ChST	Champion Standard
	ChCL	Champion Colors
	ChWC	Champion Wildcard
	ChSN	Champion Snooker
	ChJP	Champion Jackpot
	ChFH	Champion FullHouse
	ChJU	Champion Jumpers
	ExST	Extraordinaire Standard

USDAA Agility (Continued)

AJ	Advanced Jumper	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
AG	Advanced Gambler	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
AS	Advanced Snooker	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
AR	Advanced Relay	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
MAD	Master Agility Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
SAM	Standard Agility Master	<i>ADVANCED</i>
JM	Jumper Master	<i>ADVANCED</i>
GM	Gambler Master	<i>ADVANCED</i>
SM	Snooker Master	<i>ADVANCED</i>
RM	Relay Master	<i>ADVANCED</i>
ADCH	Agility Dog Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
TM	Tournament Master	<i>ADVANCED</i>
SACH	Standard Agility Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
JCH	Jumpers Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
GCH	Gamblers Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
SCH	Snooker Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
RCH	Relay Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
PD1	Performance Dog I	<i>NOVICE</i>
PS1	Performance Standard 1	<i>NOVICE</i>
PJ1	Performance Jumpers 1	<i>NOVICE</i>
PG1	Performance Gamblers 1	<i>NOVICE</i>
PK1	Performance Snooker 1	<i>NOVICE</i>
PD2	Performance Dog II	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
PS2	Performance Standard II	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
PJ2	Performance Jumpers II	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
PG2	Performance Gamblers II	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
PK2	Performance Snooker II	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
PD3	Performance Dog III	<i>ADVANCED</i>
PS3	Performance Standard III	<i>ADVANCED</i>
PJ3	Performance Jumpers III	<i>ADVANCED</i>
PG3	Performance Gamblers III	<i>ADVANCED</i>
PK3	Performance Snooker III	<i>ADVANCED</i>
APD	Accomplished Performance Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
ATD	Accomplished Tournament Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
ASD	Accomplished Standard Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
AJD	Accomplished Jumpers Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
AGD	Accomplished Gamblers Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
AKD	Accomplished Snooker Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>

**Backpacking**

AWCA	BPD	Backpacking Dog	<i>NOVICE</i>
	BPDX	Backpacking Dog Excellent	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
	BPW	Backpacking Wilderness	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	BPGW	Backpacking Grand Wilderness	<i>ADVANCED</i>

**Barn Hunt**

Barn Hunt Assoc. or AKC	RATN	Novice Barn Hunt	<i>NOVICE</i>
	RATO	Open Barn Hunt	<i>NOVICE</i>
	RATS	Senior Barn Hunt	<i>NOVICE</i>
	RATM	Master Barn Hunt	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>

**Carting**

AWCA	CRT	Carting	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
	CRTX	Carting Excellent	<i>ADVANCED</i>

**Conformation**

AWCA	CC	Conformation Certificate	<i>NOVICE</i>
AKC	Ch.	Conformation Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
Int'l	Int'l Ch.	International Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
UKC	U-Ch.	UKC Conformation Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>

**Flyball**

NAFA	FD	Flyball Dog	<i>NOVICE</i>
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NAFA Flyball (Continued)

FDX	Flyball Dog Excellent	<i>NOVICE</i>
FDCH	Flyball Dog Champion	<i>NOVICE</i>
FDCH-S	Flyball Dog Champion – Silver	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
FDCH-G	Flyball Dog Champion – Gold	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
FM	Flyball Master	<i>ADVANCED</i>
FMX	Flyball Master Excellent	<i>ADVANCED</i>
FMCH	Flyball Master Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
ONYX	Onyx Title	<i>ADVANCED</i>
FGDCH	Flyball Grand Champion Hobbes Award	<i>ADVANCED</i>

U-Fli

	Levels: Level 1 – I, Level 2 – II, Level 3 – III	
TF-(Level)	Top Flight	<i>NOVICE</i>
TFE-(Level)	Top Flight Executive	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
TFP – (Level)	Top Flight Premier	<i>ADVANCED</i>
TFFC-(Level)	Top Flight First Class	<i>ADVANCED</i>
TFWC-(Level)	Top Flight World Class	<i>ADVANCED</i>
TFX-(Level)	Top Flight Extreme	<i>ADVANCED</i>
TFU-(Level)	Top Flight Ultimate	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	Top Flight Expert	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	Top Flight Ace	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	Top Flight Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	Top Flight Specialist	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	Top Flight Elite	<i>ADVANCED</i>

**General Manners**

AKC	CGC	Canine Good Citizen	<i>NOVICE</i>
	CGCA	Community Canine	<i>NOVICE</i>
	CGCU	Urban Canine	<i>NOVICE</i>
	FDC	Farm Dog Certification	<i>NOVICE</i>
CKC	CGN	Canine Good Neighbor	<i>NOVICE</i>

**Herding**

AWCA	HC	Herding Instinct Certification	<i>NOVICE</i>
	HTD	Herding Trial Dog	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
	HTDX	Herding Trial Dog Excellent	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	HTCH	Herding Trial Championship	<i>ADVANCED</i>

AHBA

	Stock: s- Sheep, d – Ducks, g – Goats, ge – Geese, c - Cattle		
	HCT (stock)	Herding Capabilities Test	<i>NOVICE</i>
	JHD (stock)	Junior Herding Dog	<i>NOVICE</i>
	HTD I (stock)	Herding Trial Dog (Std)	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
	HTD II (stock)	Herding Trial Dog (Int)	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	HTD III (stock)	Herding Trial Dog (Adv)	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	HRD I (stock)	Herding Ranch Dog (Std)	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
	HRD II (stock)	Herding Ranch Dog (Int)	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	HRD III (stock)	Herding Ranch Dog (Adv)	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	HTAD I (stock)	Herding Trial Arena Dog (Std)	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
	HTAD II (stock)	Herding Trial Arena Dog (Int)	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	HTAD III (stock)	Herding Trial Arena Dog (Adv)	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	HTCh	Herding Trial Championship	<i>ADVANCED</i>

AKC

	Course (a - Course A, b – Course B, c – Course C)		
	Livestock (s - sheep, c – cattle, d – ducks)		
	HT	Herding Tested Dog	<i>NOVICE</i>
	PT	Pre-Trial Tested Dog	<i>NOVICE</i>
	HS (course, livestock)	Herding Started	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
	HI (course, livestock)	Herding Intermediate	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	HX (course, livestock)	Herding Excellent	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	HC	Herding Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>

ASCA

	Stock: s – Sheep, d – Ducks, c - Cattle		
	STD (stock)	Started Trial Dog	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
	OTD (stock)	Open Trial Dog I	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	ATD (stock)	Advanced Trial Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	PATD (stock)	Post Advanced Trial Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	RD	Ranch Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	RTD (stock)	Ranch Trial Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
	WTCH	Working Trial Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>

