



# 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 – CD, PCD, CDX, PCDX, UD, PUTD, OM, OTCH or *equivalent* obedience title from any recognized registry.
- B. Rally – RN, RA, RE, RAE 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 1 point from an instinct level test)
- B. CGC or CGN – 1 point (only 1 point from a general manners test)
- C. TT or TC or ATTS – 1 point (only 1 point from a temperament test)
- D. Medical tests: CEA normal or MDR1 normal/normal or OFA hips excellent – 1 point (only 1 point 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. K9 Nose Work titles from NACSW
- C. Narcotics, Bomb, Agriculture Products Detection\*
- D. Search and Rescue or Professional Tracking Dog\*
- E. 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. Barn Hunt—Titles from Barn Hunt Assoc.—1 point only
- G. Trick Dog—Titles from Do More With Your Dog! Assoc.—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; CKC 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 to the Versatility Director along 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 Organizations Although Not Necessarily Listed Below

<b>Organizations</b>			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	
Organization	Title	Level of Work	OGC	Open Level Chances (Proficient) INTERMEDIATE	
	<b>Agility</b>		OJC	Open Level Jumpers (Proficient) INTERMEDIATE	
			TN-O	Open Level Tunnelers (Proficient)INTERMEDIATE	
			TG-O	Open Level TouchNGo (Proficient)INTERMEDIATE	
AKC			WV-O	Open Level Weavers (Proficient) INTERMEDIATE	
	NA	Novice Agility	EAC	Elite Level Regular (Proficient) ADVANCED	
	NAP	Novice Agility Preferred	EGC	Elite Level Chances (Proficient) ADVANCED	
	NAJ	Novice Jumpers	EJC	Elite Level Jumpers (Proficient) ADVANCED	
	NJP	Novice Jumpers Preferred	TN-E	Elite Level Tunnelers (Proficient)ADVANCED	
	NF	Novice FAST	TG-E	Elite Level TouchNGo (Proficient)ADVANCED	
	OA	Open Agility	WV-E	Elite Level Weavers (Proficient) ADVANCED	
	OAP	Open Agility Preferred	NAS	Novice Level Regular (Skilled) NOVICE	
	OAJ	Open Jumpers Weaves	NGS	Novice Level Chances (Skilled) NOVICE	
	OJP	Open Jumpers Preferred	NJS	Novice Level Jumpers (Skilled) NOVICE	
	OF	Open FAST	TNS-N	Novice Level Tunnelers (Skilled)NOVICE	
	AX	Agility Excellent	TGS-N	Novice Level TouchNGo (Skilled)NOVICE	
	AXP	Agility Excellent Preferred	WVS-N	Novice Level Weavers (Skilled) NOVICE	
	AXJ	Excellent Jumpers	OAS	Open Level Regular (Skilled) INTERMEDIATE	
	AJP	Excellent Jumpers Preferred	OGS	Open Level Chances (Skilled) INTERMEDIATE	
	XF	Excellent FAST	OJS	Open Level Jumpers (Skilled) INTERMEDIATE	
	MX	Master Agility Excellent	TNS-O	Open Level Tunnelers (Skilled) INTERMEDIATE	
	MXP	Master Agility Excellent Preferred	TGS-O	Open Level TouchNGO (Skilled)INTERMEDIATE	
	MXJ	Master Excellent Jumpers	WVS-O	Open Level Weavers (Skilled) INTERMEDIATE	
	MJP	Master Excellent Jumpers Preferred	EAS	Elite Level Regular (Skilled) ADVANCED	
	T2B	Time 2 Beat	EGS	Elite Level Chances (Skilled) ADVANCED	
	MACH	Master Agility Champion	EJS	Elite Level Jumpers (Skilled) ADVANCED	
			TNS-E	Elite Level Tunnelers (Skilled) ADVANCED	
CPE			TGS-E	Elite Level TouchNGo (Skilled) ADVANCED	
	Level #:		WVS-E	Elite Level Weavers (Skilled) ADVANCED	
	1 – Level 1	NOVICE	NATCH	NADAC Agility Trial Champion ADVANCED	
	2 – Level 2	NOVICE	Vers-NATCH	NADAC Versatility Champion ADVANCED	
	3 – Level 3	INTERMEDIATE			
	4 – Level 4	ADVANCED	UKC		
	Game: R- Regular, H – Handler Games, S – Strategy Games, F – Fun Games		UAGI	United Agility I Title	NOVICE
	CL(level #)-(Game)		UAGII	United Agility II Title	INTERMEDIATE
C-ATCH	CPE Agility Trial Champion	ADVANCED	UACH	United Agility Champion Title	ADVANCED
C-ATE	CPE Agility Team Extraordinaire	ADVANCED	UACHX	United Agility Champion Excellent Title	ADVANCED
SpCh	Specialist Champion	ADVANCED	UGRACH	United Grand Agility Champion Title	ADVANCED
SpEx	Specialist Extraordinaire	ADVANCED			
ChST	Champion Standard	ADVANCED	USDAA		
ChCL	Champion Colors	ADVANCED	AD	Agility Dog	NOVICE
ChWC	Champion Wildcard	ADVANCED	SSA	Starters Standard Agility	NOVICE
ChSN	Champion Snooker	ADVANCED	SJ	Starters Jumper	NOVICE
ChJP	Champion Jackpot	ADVANCED	SG	Starters Gambler	NOVICE
ChFH	Champion FullHouse	ADVANCED	SS	Starters Snooker	NOVICE
ChJU	Champion Jumpers	ADVANCED	SR	Starters Relay	NOVICE
ExST	Extraordinaire Standard	ADVANCED	AAD	Advanced Agility Dog	INTERMEDIATE
			ASA	Advanced Standard Agility	INTERMEDIATE

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 I	<i>NOVICE</i>
PJ1	Performance Jumpers I	<i>NOVICE</i>
PG1	Performance Gamblers I	<i>NOVICE</i>
PK1	Performance Snooker I	<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.

RATN	Novice Barn Hunt	<i>NOVICE</i>
RATO	Open Barn Hunt	<i>NOVICE</i>
RATS	Senior Barn Hunt	<i>NOVICE</i>

**Carting**

AWCA

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

**Conformation**

AWCA

CC	Conformation Certificate	<i>NOVICE</i>
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AKC

Ch.	Conformation Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
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Int'l

Int'l Ch.	International Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
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UKC

U-Ch.	UKC Conformation Champion	<i>ADVANCED</i>
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**Flyball**

NAFA

FD	Flyball Dog	<i>NOVICE</i>
FDX	Flyball Dog Excellent	<i>NOVICE</i>
FDCH	Flyball Dog Champion	<i>NOVICE</i>
FDCH-S	Flyball Dog Champion – Silver	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>

NAFA Flyball (Continued)

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>
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>NOVICE</i>
HTD II (stock)	Herding Trial Dog (Int)	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
HTD III (stock)	Herding Trial Dog (Adv)	<i>ADVANCED</i>
HRD I (stock)	Herding Ranch Dog (Std)	<i>NOVICE</i>
HRD II (stock)	Herding Ranch Dog (Int)	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
HRD III (stock)	Herding Ranch Dog (Adv)	<i>ADVANCED</i>
HTAD I (stock)	Herding Trial Arena Dog (Std)	<i>NOVICE</i>
HTAD II (stock)	Herding Trial Arena Dog (Int)	<i>INTERMEDIATE</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>NOVICE</i>
HI (course, livestock)	Herding Intermediate	<i>INTERMEDIATE</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>NOVICE</i>
OTD (stock)	Open Trial Dog I	<i>INTERMEDIATE</i>
ATD (stock)	Advanced Trial Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>
PATD (stock)	Post Advanced Trial Dog	<i>ADVANCED</i>

