

BRTCA ANNUAL AWARDS

The following Annual Awards are being offered to the Members of the Black Russian Terrier Club of America to acknowledge the accomplishments of our members and their dogs for the period January 1, 20__ to December 31, 20__ (unless otherwise noted).

The criteria for eligibility to receive any award:

1. The nominated Black Russian Terrier must be owned or co-owned by a BRTCA member in good standing at the time the accomplishment/title/certificate is earned, applied for and received. All activity for which the dog is being nominated for must occur while the owner/co-owner is a BRTCA member in good standing. In the case of a co-owner who is not a BRTCA member or not in good standing, the award will only name the BRTCA member.
2. All nominations/applications and supporting documentation as required for a BRTCA Annual Award must be received by the designated party as published each year.
3. Unless otherwise noted, award criteria is based upon AKC titles EXCEPT in the instance that AKC does not offer a corresponding title in the event (such as ring sports). **Because of UKC's change of their Black Russian Terrier breed standard to allow colors other than black in the conformation ring, UKC titles and/or accomplishments will no longer be accepted or considered towards any BRTCA award.**

AWARDS

BREEDER AWARDS

1. **TOP SIRE AWARD**. Awarded to the owner of the Black Russian Terrier sire producing the *highest percentage of all progeny produced* which have (a) achieved an AKC championship AND (b) received an OFFA CHIC number and PASSED all four required health tests.* In addition to the criteria set out above, the Black Russian Terrier nominated must also (a) be an AKC champion, (b) have its OFFA CHIC number and (c) PASSED all four required health tests.*
2. **TOP DAM AWARD**. Awarded to the owner of the Black Russian Terrier dam producing the *highest percentage of all progeny produced* which have (a) achieved an AKC championship AND (b) received an OFFA CHIC number and PASSED all four required health tests.* In addition to the criteria set out above, the Black Russian Terrier nominated must also (a) be an AKC champion, (b) have its OFFA CHIC number and (c) PASSED all four required health tests.*
3. **REGISTER OF MERIT (ROM) AWARD**. Awarded to the owner of a Black Russian Terrier sire producing 5 AKC Champions of Record and to the owner of a Black Russian Terrier dam producing 3 AKC Champions of Record. In addition to the criteria set out above, the Black Russian Terrier nominated must also (a) be an AKC champion, (b) have its OFFA CHIC number and (c) PASSED all four required health tests.*
4. **REGISTER OF MERIT EXCELLENT (ROMX) AWARD**. Awarded to the owner of the Black Russian Terrier sire producing 8 champions of record and to the owner of a Black Russian Terrier dam producing 6 champions of record. In addition to the criteria set out above, the Black Russian Terrier nominated must also (a) be an AKC champion, (b) have its OFFA CHIC number and (c) PASSED all four required health tests.*
5. **RED STAR REGISTER OF MERIT (RSROM) AWARD**. Awarded to the owner of the Black Russian Terrier sire producing 5 champions of record and to the owner of the Black Russian Terrier dam producing 3 champions of record AND the 5 or 3 champion progeny have also passed OFFA CHIC certifications and received a CHIC number. In addition to the criteria set out above, the Black Russian Terrier nominated must also (a) be an AKC champion, (b) have its OFFA CHIC number and (c) PASSED all four required health tests.*
6. **RED STAR REGISTER OF MERIT EXCELLENT (RSROMX) AWARD**. Awarded to the owner of the Black Russian Terrier sire producing 8 champions of record and to the owner of the Black Russian Terrier dam producing 6 champions of record AND the 8 or 6 champion progeny have also passed OFFA CHIC certifications and received a CHIC number. In addition to the criteria set out above, the Black Russian Terrier nominated must also (a) be an AKC champion, (b) have its OFFA CHIC number and (c) PASSED all four required health tests.*

*Hips, elbows, eyes, heart

CONFORMATION AWARDS

7. **TOP SHOW DOG (ALL-BREED)** per Canine Chronicle. To the owner of the Black Russian Terrier who has defeated the most number of dogs in all breed competition at AKC licensed all-breed shows as calculated and published by Canine Chronicle. (All breed competition includes Best of Breed, Group, and Best in Show competition.)
8. **TOP SHOW DOG (BREED)** per Canine Chronicle. To the owner of the Black Russian Terrier who has defeated the most number of Black Russian Terriers in breed competition at AKC licensed shows as calculated and published by Canine Chronicle. (Breed competition includes Best of Breed and Specialty Best in Show wins.)
9. **TOP NOHS (BREED)** per Canine Chronicle (ranking period September 22 to September 21 of next year). To the owner of the Black Russian Terrier who has defeated the most number of dogs in all breed/breed competition at AKC licensed all-breed shows as calculated and published by Canine Chronicle.

PERFORMANCE AWARDS

The purpose of the BRTCA Performance Award Program is to encourage participation and to acknowledge the accomplishments of Black Russian Terriers as a working breed.

Obedience and Rally Awards

10. **TOP NOVICE OBEDIENCE DOG** per Front & Finish (First & Foremost Rating System). To the owner of the #1 ranked Black Russian Terrier earning a qualifying score of 170 or more points competing in AKC Novice A/B Obedience competition during a given competition year as calculated and published by Front & Finish.
11. **TOP OPEN/UTILITY OBEDIENCE DOG** per Front & Finish (First & Foremost Rating System). To the owner of the #1 ranked Black Russian Terrier earning a qualifying score of 170 or more points competing in AKC licensed shows in AKC Open and/or Utility competition during a given competition year as calculated and published by Front & Finish.
12. **TOP RALLY NOVICE DOG** per Front & Finish. To the owner of the #1 Black Russian Terrier competing in AKC Rally Obedience competition who places 1st through 4th in any Rally Novice A & B Classes during a given calendar year.
13. **TOP RALLY INTERMEDIATE DOG** per Front & Finish. To the owner of the #1 Black Russian Terrier competing in AKC Rally Obedience competition who places 1st through 4th in Rally Intermediate Class during a given calendar year.
14. **TOP RALLY COMBINED DOG** per Front & Finish. To the owner of the #1 Black Russian Terrier competing in AKC Rally Obedience competition who places 1st through 4th in Rally Advanced A&B and Rally Excellent A&B classes during a given calendar year.
15. **TOP RALLY ADVANCED DOG** per Front & Finish. To the owner of the #1 Black Russian Terrier competing in AKC Rally Obedience competition who places 1st through 4th in Rally Advanced A & B Classes during a given calendar year.
16. **TOP RALLY CHOICE DOG** per Front & Finish. To the owner of the #1 Black Russian Terrier competing in AKC Rally Obedience competition who places 1st through 4th in Rally Choice Class during a given calendar year.
17. **TOP RALLY MASTER DOG** per Front & Finish. To the owner of the #1 Black Russian Terrier competing in AKC Rally Obedience competition who places 1st through 4th in Rally Master Class during a given calendar year.

Beginner Performance Dog Award ("BPD"), Performance Dog Award ("PD") and Performance Dog Excellent ("PDX") Award

The **Beginner Performance Dog Award ("BPD")**, the **Performance Dog Award ("PD")** and the **Performance Dog Excellent Award ("PDX")** are awards which may be earned from cumulative points acquired over a period of years, but may be earned more than one time (annually) when new titles and points are earned, except that the BPD may only be earned one time. A dog may earn a PD and then, upon accumulating additional points, apply for a PDX. In such a case, the same titles that were used for points for the PD may be used again for the PDX; thus a dog with sufficient points for a PD may then earn the remaining 4 points and apply for a PDX, however in adding these additional points, they must come from different Groups, unless otherwise specified in these rules. To receive a second PD title, however, none of the original titles or awards used for the first award of PDX may be reused toward the second PD award. A dog earning more

than one PD or PDX will have the second and subsequent titles listed as PD2, PDX2, PD3, PDX3, etc. as done by AKC for dogs earning multiples of the same title. Point requirements will be met the year in which the minimum required points have been reached for that award, and application for the award must be made that year.

18. **BRTCA Beginner Performance Dog (BPD)** shall be awarded to the owner of the dog earning an RN or BN or higher (Groups 2-3), a CGC, TT or ATAN (or higher) (Group 17), and the earning of any other two titles from two other Performance Groups (Groups 1-16) not counted for the first requirement. A dog who has previously or simultaneously earned a PD or PDX is not eligible for the BPD Award.

19. **BRTCA Performance Dog (PD)** shall be awarded to the owner of the dog accumulating 14 points from the table below. The points must be earned from at least three of the different Sport Groups (Groups 2-16) and Temperament (Group 17). Group 1 points count toward an award, but do not count as a "Sport Group." Conformation points do not count towards a Performance Dog Award.

20. **BRTCA Performance Dog Excellent (PDX)** shall be awarded to owner of the dog accumulating 18 points from the table below. The points must be earned from at least four of the different Sport Groups (Groups 2-16). Group 1 points count towards an award, but do not count as a "Sport Group." Conformation points do not count towards a Performance Dog Excellent Award. Once a dog has earned a PDX, he may start over in earning either the PD or the PDX, but no titles used for the previous awards shall be counted for any new application.

21. **BRTCA Top Performance Dog (TPD)** is computed using the point schedule for PD/PDX awards. The TPD shall be awarded to the owner of the dog applying for or that has already earned a BPD, a PD or a PDX award that has accumulated the highest total points for any and all titles, certificates and awards earned during the subject year. If no dog applies for or already has a BPD, PD or PDX, then the award would go to the dog that has applied for one or more performance awards having the highest number of total points. Unlike the point calculations for BPD, PD or PDX awards, earned points towards the TPD are cumulative for all titles within a group. For example, in Group 3 (Rally) a dog earning an RE (5 points) and an RAE (6 points) in the same year could only use the highest point value (RAE 6 points) towards a PD/PDX. For calculation of the TPD, the points are cumulative and would count as 11 points.

QUALIFICATIONS

To qualify for the PD and PDX Awards, points must be accumulated from at least four different Sport Groups (Groups 2-16) from the list below. Group 1 will count for points toward these awards, but will not be considered a "Sport Group." No conformation points count for this award. Except for Groups 6, 10, 15, 16 and 17, points earned are not cumulative within the Group, and the highest point value for which the dog is eligible will be the total number of points for that dog from that specific Group. For example, if a dog earns a CD and a CDX, the dog would be awarded points only for the CDX in calculating points. For Groups 6, 10 and 15, points earned are not cumulative within a specific sport. For example, the dog will be awarded only the highest number of points for which he is eligible within Schutzhund/IPO sport, but he may earn additional points in this Group for a different sport, i.e. French Ring or Belgium Ring. For Group 16, a dog may earn points for all that apply. For Group 17, a dog may earn the highest number of points for ATTS/ACAL1, the highest number of points for which he is eligible for CGCA/CGCU/AKC TT/ATAN, and a point for CGC. When applying for these awards, documentation must include proof of titles, and if requested, a description of the sport or activity and/or rules of the sanctioning organization.

POINT SCHEDULE

Group 1 – Special Performance Awards

High In Trial for any of the included sports in any Group in this list	5
High Combined Score in Rally or Obedience	4
High Triple Q score in Rally	4
#1 National Ranking for Rally or Obedience based on Front & Finish ratings or AKC Reports	3
Any all-breed or working group ranking for Obedience or Rally based on Front & Finish ratings or AKC Report	3
Any other Rally or Obedience ranking based on Front & Finish ratings or AKC Reports	2
#1 National Rating in any Protection Sport	3

Group 2 – Obedience

OM, OGM, Ver. or equivalent	7
OTCH, UOCH or equivalent	6
UD/UDX or equivalent to include Preferred classes	5

Graduate Open to include Preferred classes	4
CDX to include Preferred classes	4
BH (Begleithund Test)	4
Graduate Novice to include Preferred classes	3
CD to include Preferred classes	2
Beginner Novice	1
Group 3 – Rally	
RATCH	7
RM	6
RAE	6
RC	5
RE	5
RA	4
RI	3
RN	2
Group 4 – Agility	
MACH	6
PAD, PJD, T2B, TQE (to include Bronze, Silver, Gold & Century)	5
MX, MXJ, MXF (all to include Bronze, Silver, Gold & Century)	4
AX, AJX, XF	3
OA, OAJ, OF	2
NA, NAJ, NF	2
ACT 2	1
ACT 1	1
Group 5 – Tracking	
CT	6
VST	5
TDX, TDU	4
FH2	4
TD	3
FH1	3
Group 6 – Coursing	
<u>CAT</u>	
CAX2 and higher	5
CAX	4
CAA	3
CA	2
<u>FastCat</u>	
FCAT2 and higher	5
FCAT	4
DCAT	3
BCAT	2
Group 7 – Barn Hunt	
RATCHX	5
RATCH	4
RATM	3
RATS	2
RATO	2
RATN	1
Group 8 – Dock Diving (including NADD)	
DNX, DJX, DSX, DMX, DEX	4
ANX, AJX, ASX, AMX, AEX	4
DNA, DJA, DSA, DMA, DEA	3
ANA, AJA, ASA, AMA, AEA	3

DN, DJ, DS, DM, DE	2
AN, AJ, AS, AM, AE	2
Group 9- Water Sports/Water Rescue	
WRDX (Water Rescue Dog Excellent)	5
WRD (Water Rescue Dog)	4
WD (Water Dog)	3
Group 10 – Protection Sports/Aptitude	
<u>IPO/Schutzhund</u>	
IPO3, SCH. III, PSA 1, ZKS 1	6
IPO2, SCH. II, PSA 2, ZKS 2	5
IPO1, SCH I, PSA 3, ZKS 3	4
AD	1
<u>French Ring</u>	
KNPV PH3, MR Brevet 3	6
KNPV PH2, MR Brevet 2	5
KNPV PH1, MR Brevet 1	4
Brevet	1
<u>Belgium Ring</u>	
Policehund	6
NVBK CAT 1	6
NVBK CAT 2	5
NVBK CAT 3	4
<u>Protection Aptitude</u>	
ACAL3	4
ACAL2	3
Group 11 – Carting/Drafting	
CX	5
CI, DDX, Brace DDX	4
CS, DD, Brace DD	3
Group 12 – Weight Pull	
WPS - Weight Puller Superior	4
WPE – Weight Puller Excellent	3
WP – Weight Puller	2
Group 13 – Trick Dog	
TKPE	5
TKP	4
TKA	3
TKI	2
TKN	1
Group 14 – Scent Work	
Detective	7
Master Elite SCME, SIME, SEME, SBME, SWME, SHDME	6
Master SCM, SIM, SEM, SBM, SWM, SHDM	6
Excellent Elite SCEE, SIEE, SEEE, SBEE, SWEE, SHDEE	5
Excellent SCE, SIE, SEE, SBE, SWE, SHDE	5
Advanced Elite SCAE, SIAE, SEAE, SBAE, SWAE, SHDAE	4
Advanced SCA, SIA, SEA, SBA, SWA, SHDA	3
Novice Elite SCNE, SINE, SENE, SBNE, SWNE, SHDNE	2
Novice SCN, SIN, SEN, SBN, SWN, SHDN	1

Group 15 – Community Service

SEARCH AND RESCUE

Search & Rescue – SAR –W or equivalent	5
Search & Rescue- SAR-U2	4
Search & Rescue – SAR-U1	3

THERAPY DOG (AKC Title Required)

Therapy Dog – THDD	5
Therapy Dog – THDX	4
Therapy Dog – THDA	3
Therapy Dog – THD	2
Therapy Dog – THDN	1

OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICE

Police K-9, Bomb Dog, Drug Dog – certification required	5
Service Dog – certification of service dog required	3

Group 16 – Miscellaneous Titles/Certification

Farm Dog Certification	2
Herding Instinct Test	1

Group 17 – Temperament

ATTS Temperament Test, ACAL1	3
CGCA, CGCU, AKC TT, ATAN	2
CGC	1

VERSATILITY AWARDS

The purpose of the BRTCA Versatility Award Program is to encourage participation and to acknowledge the accomplishments of Black Russian Terriers as a versatile breed. The **Beginner Versatility Dog Award (“BVD”)** the **Versatility Dog Award (“VD”)** and the **Versatility Dog Excellent Award (“VDX”)** are **one-time awards** acknowledging the working versatility of the Black Russian Terrier. **Point requirements will be met the year in which the minimum required points have been reached for that award, and application for the award must be made that year.** A dog may earn a BVD only if it has not earned a VD or a VDX previously or simultaneously. A dog may earn a VD and then, upon accumulating additional points, apply for a VDX. In such a case, the same titles that were used for points for the VD may be used again towards the VDX; thus a dog with sufficient points for a VD may then earn the remaining five points and apply for a VDX, however the new points must not be from the same Group unless otherwise allowed under these rules.

To qualify for the Versatility Awards, points must be accumulated from Group 1 (conformation), Group 17 (Temperament) and at least three other Groups. Except for Groups 6, 10, 15, 16 and 17, points earned are not cumulative within the Group, and the highest point value for which the dog is eligible will be the total number of points for that dog from that specific Group. For Groups 6, 10 and 15, points earned are not cumulative within a specific sport. For example, the dog will be awarded only the highest number of points for which he is eligible within Schutzhund/IPO sport, but he may earn additional points in this Group for a different sport, i.e. French Ring or Belgium Ring. For Group 16, a dog may earn points for all that apply. For Group 17, a dog may earn the highest number of points for ATTS/ACAL1, the highest number of points for which he is eligible for CGCA/CGCU/AKC TT/ATAN, and a point for CGC. When applying for these awards, documentation must include proof of titles, and if requested, a description of the sport or activity and/or rules of the sanctioning organization.

21. **BRTCA Beginner Versatility Dog (BVD)** shall be awarded to the owner of the dog who has met the following requirements: (1) Earned at least one AKC championship point; (2) obtained either an RN or a BN or higher rally or obedience title; (3) obtained at least a CGC or a TT or higher; (4) earned at least one other title from one of the Groups listed below.

22. **BRTCA Versatility Dog (VD)** shall be awarded to the owner of the dog accumulating 15 points from the table below. The points must be earned from Group 1 (conformation), Group 17 (temperament) and from a minimum of three other sport groups (Groups 2-16).

23. **BRTCA Versatility Dog Excellent (VDX)** shall be awarded to the owner of the dog accumulating 20 points from the table below. The points must be earned from Group 1 (Conformation) and Group 17 (Temperament) and from a minimum of three other sport groups (Group 2-16).

POINT SCHEDULE

Group 1 – Conformation

AKC GCH.-P/NOHS Platinum	7
AKC GCH.-G/NOHS Gold	6
AKC GCH. -S/NOHS Silver	5
AKC BIS/BISS	5
AKC GCH.-B/NOHS Bronze	4
AKC GCH.	3
Top 100 All-Breed All Groups (per Canine Chronicle)	3
Top 100 All-Breed Working Group (per Canine Chronicle)	3
Top 5 Breed Ranking (per Canine Chronicle)	3
Top 5 Breed Owner-Handler (per Canine Chronicle)	3
Top Owner-Handler All-Breed All Groups (per Canine Chronicle)	3
Top 10 Breed Ranking (per Canine Chronicle)	2
Top 15 Breed Owner Handler Ranking (per Canine Chronicle)	2
AKC Ch.	2
AKC Certificate of Merit (CM)	1
AKC Puppy of Achievement (POA)	1

Group 2 – Obedience

OM, OGM, Ver. or equivalent	7
OTCH	6
UD/UDX or equivalent to include Preferred classes	5
Graduate Open to include Preferred classes	4
CDX to include Preferred classes	4
BH	4
Graduate Novice to include Preferred classes	3
CD to include Preferred classes	2
Beginner Novice	1

Group 3 – Rally

RATCH	7
RM	6
RAE	6
RC	5
RE	5
RA	4
RI	3
RN	2

Group 4 – Agility

MACH	6
PAD, PJD, T2B, TQE (to include Bronze, Silver, Gold & Century)	5
MX, MXJ, MXF (all to include Bronze, Silver, Gold & Century)	4
AX, AJX, XF	3
OA, OAJ, OF	2
NA, NAJ, NF	2
ACT 2	1
ACT 1	1

Group 5 – Tracking

CT	6
VST	5
TDX, TDU	4
FH2	4
TD	3
FH1	3

Group 6 – CoursingCAT

CAX2 and higher	5
CAX	4
CAA	3
CA	2

FastCat

FCAT2 and higher	5
FCAT	4
DCAT	3
BCAT	2

Group 7 – Barn Hunt

RATCHX	5
RATCH	4
RATM	3
RATS	2
RATO	2
RATN	1

Group 8 – Dock Diving (including NADD)

DNX, DJX, DSX, DMX, DEX	4
ANX, AJX, ASX, AMX, AEX	4
DNA, DJA, DSA, DMA, DEA	3
ANA, AJA, ASA, AMA, AEA	3
DN, DJ, DS, DM, DE	2
AN, AJ, AS, AM, AE	2

Group 9- Water Sports/Water Rescue

WRDX (Water Rescue Dog Excellent)	5
WRD (Water Rescue Dog)	4
WD (Water Dog)	3

Group 10 – Protection Sports/AptitudeIPO/Schutzhund

IPO3, SCH. III, PSA 1, ZKS 1	6
IPO2, SCH. II, PSA 2, ZKS 2	5
IPO1, SCH I, PSA 3, ZKS 3	4
AD	1

French Ring

KNPV PH3, MR Brevet 3	6
KNPV PH2, MR Brevet 2	5
KNPV PH1, MR Brevet 1	4
Brevet	1

Belgium Ring

Policehund	6
NVBK CAT 1	6
NVBK CAT 2	5
NVBK CAT 3	4

Protection Aptitude

ACAL3	4
ACAL2	3

Group 11 – Carting/Drafting

CX	5
CI, DDX, Brace DDX	4
CS, DD, Brace DD	3

Group 12 – Weight Pull	
WPS - Weight Puller Superior	4
WPE – Weight Puller Excellent	3
WP – Weight Puller	2
Group 13 – Trick Dog	
TKPE	5
TKP	4
TKA	3
TKI	2
TKN	1
Group 14 – Scent Work	
Detective	7
Master Elite SCME, SIME, SEME, SBME, SWME, SHDME	6
Master SCM, SIM, SEM, SBM, SWM , SHDM	6
Excellent Elite SCEE, SIEE, SEEE, SBEE, SWEE, SHDEE	5
Excellent SCE, SIE, SEE, SBE, SWE, SHDE	5
Advanced Elite SCAE, SIAE, SEAE, SBAE, SWAE, SHDAE	4
Advanced SCA, SIA, SEA, SBA, SWA, SHDA	3
Novice Elite SCNE, SINE, SENE, SBNE, SWNE, SHDNE	2
Novice SCN, SIN, SEN, SBN, SWN, SHDN	1
Group 15 – Community Service	
<u>SEARCH AND RESCUE</u>	
Search & Rescue – SAR –W or equivalent	5
Search & Rescue- SAR-U2	4
Search & Rescue – SAR-U1	3
<u>THERAPY DOG</u> (AKC Title Required)	
Therapy Dog – THDD	5
Therapy Dog – THDX	4
Therapy Dog – THDA	3
Therapy Dog – THD	2
Therapy Dog – THDN	1
<u>OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICE</u>	
Police K-9, Bomb Dog, Drug Dog – certification required	5
Service Dog – certification or service dog services provided	3
Group 16 – Miscellaneous Titles/Certification	
Farm Dog Certification	2
Herding Instinct Test	1
Group 17 – Temperament	
ATTS Temperament Test, ACAL1	3
CGCA, CGCU, AKC TT, ATAN	2
CGC	1

OTHER AWARDS

24. **EARNED TITLE/CERTIFICATE.** To the owner of the Black Russian Terrier earning any title/certificate (championship, performance event, temperament).

25. **OWNER AWARD FOR HEALTH TEST INITIATIVE (CHIC).** To the owner of the Black Russian Terrier receiving a CHIC certificate for genetic health testing through the Orthopedic Foundation of America.

26. **CERTIFIED THERAPY/SERVICE DOG.** To the owner of the Black Russian Terrier whose dog has been certified as a therapy or service dog and/or performs community service (pet visitation/school education, etc.)

27. **SPECIAL ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD.** To the owner of the Black Russian Terrier achieving a special accomplishment for performance or service to the community (such as achieving a Best in Show at an AKC all-breed show; a community service award, etc.)