

Replace existing section with "ACDCA Versatility Titles" section following. Primary points of change are adding Rally (with restrictions), updating responsibilities to coincide with current committees, correct wording on dog eligibility to not conflict with current practice of allowing ILP dogs to participate, inclusion of FAST agility titles, requiring a herding title for VCh, and providing a means for current members to qualify dogs who met requirements for titles while owners were not members.

ACDCA Versatility Titles

- I. The following Australian Cattle Dog Club of America Versatility Titles shall be recognized:
 - Qualified Worker (QW)
 - Versatile Qualified Worker (VQW)
 - Versatile Qualified Worker Excellent (VQWX)
 - Versatility Champion (VCh)
- II. The ACDCA award year shall be from January 1st through December 31st.
- III. To be eligible for an ACDCA Versatility Title, the dog must be recognized by the American Kennel Club as an Australian Cattle Dog and the owner or a co-owner must be a member in good standing of the Australian Cattle Dog Club of America when requirements for a Versatility Title are met.
- IV. Special circumstances: Upon completion of a new qualifying title meeting all requirements, a current member may apply to the Awards/Performance Committee Chair requesting a Versatility Title be awarded to a dog having previously met qualifying title requirements when the owner/co-owner did not meet membership requirements.
- V. The Awards/Performance Committee is responsible for verification of qualifying titles earned (see requirements below) and owner membership requirements prior to compiling a list of all dogs earning QW, VQW, VQWX, and VCh titles during the award year. This list shall be the sole verification for all awards related to ACDCA titles.
- VI. For qualifying titles earned, the *American Kennel Club Awards* publication and/or electronic reports supplied by the American Kennel Club shall be sole verification. It shall be the owner's responsibility to ensure that all errors are corrected and published by the American Kennel Club.
- VII. The Awards/Performance Committee shall provide certificates to dogs meeting title requirements.

ACDCA Versatility Title Requirements

Versatility Titles recognize a dog's versatility as evidenced by completion of AKC titles in different venues. All dogs meeting the requirements and receiving ACDCA Versatility Titles will be recognized at the National Specialty Awards Banquet each year for the prior award year's achievements.

AKC Venues and Titles Qualifying for ACDCA Versatility Titles

1. Conformation (CH)
2. Obedience (CD or higher)
3. Herding (HT or higher)
4. Agility (NA/NAP/NAJ/NJP NF/NFP or higher)
5. Tracking (TD or higher)
6. Rally (RA or higher – may not be used in combination with Obedience for QW or VQW)

Qualified Worker (QW)

Awarded to a dog that earns a combination of two titles from two different venues from the above list. (see Rally restriction above) The QW title will appear after the dog's registered name.

Versatile Qualified Worker (VQW)

Awarded to a dog that earns a combination of three titles from three different venues from the above list. (see Rally restriction above) The VQW title supersedes the QW title and will appear after the dog's registered name.

Versatile Qualified Worker Excellent (VQWX)

Awarded to a dog that earns a combination of four titles from four different venues from the above list. At least one of the titles MUST be CDX, HI, OA, OAP, OAJ, OJP, OF, OFP, TDX, VST or RAE. The VQWX title supersedes the VQW title and will appear after the dog's registered name.

Versatility Champion (VCh)

Awarded to a dog that earns a combination of four titles from four different venues from the above list. One of these titles MUST be an advanced level title of UD, HX, AX, AXJ, AXP, AJP, or CT. In addition, the four qualifying titles must include a herding title. This title supersedes the VQWX and will appear before the dog's registered name.