

What Do All the CKC Abbreviations & Titles mean?

Conformation Titles – the dog is judged against its breed standard for its conformation, movement and how well it exemplifies the breed.

CH – Champion: A dog must obtain 10 points from various judges against other dogs of its breed to obtain its Championship

GCh – Grand Champion: a championship plus a minimum of 20 points earned at the breed level, including at least one Best of Breed and a minimum of two wins of at least two points each.

GChEx – Grand Champion Excellent: a championship plus a performance title (Herding Instinct and CGN don't count) and 100 points required, including one Best of Breed at a National Specialty or a Best in Multi-Breed Specialty or a Best in Show. All earned being awarded Best of Breed or at the group level.

Field Trial Titles – bird hunting dogs compete against each other in their given breed in various hunting scenarios. Retrieving.

AFC – Amateur Field Trial Champion or AFTCH

CFC – Canadian Field Champion

CAFC-Canadian Amateur Field Champion

FT/AFTCH – Field Trial Champion/Amateur Field Trail Champion

NAFTCH – National Amateur Field Trail Champion

NFTCH – National Field Trial Champion

GMH -Grand Master Hunter –field test for retrieving breeds. MH required.

FC-Field Champion

FD-Field Dog

FDJ-Field Dog Junior

FDX-Field Dog Excellent

NFC- National Field Champion JFTR –

Junior Field Trail Retriever QFTR –

Qualified Field Trail Retriever

Hunt Test Titles – dogs are judged against a standard – not each other – and have to complete various hunting scenario tasks in order to achieve titles. In and out of water.

JH – Junior Hunter

SH – Senior Hunter

MH – Master Hunter

NMH – National Master Hunter

Working Certificate Titles – Retrieving Tests in and out of water.

WC – Working Certificate

WCI – Working Certificate Intermediate

WCX – Working Certificate Excellent

WS – Working Spaniel : flushing and retrieving tests

Obedience Titles – titles that you achieve points on how well your dog responds to certain commands and obstacles as well as retrieving tests and heeling exercises.

PCD – Pre-Companion Dog

CD – Companion Dog

CDI – Companion Dog Intermediate

CDX – Companion Dog Excellent

UD – Utility Dog

UDX – Utility Dog Excellent

OTCH – Obedience Trail Champion

OTCHX – Obedience Trail Champion Excellent

MOTCH – Master Obedience Trail Champion

GMOTCH- Grand Master Obedience Trail Champion Obedience

RN – Rally Novice

RA – Rally Advanced

RE – Rally Excellent

RAE – Rally Advanced Excellent

Agility Titles – dogs competing over a course of various obstacles as swiftly as possible

AgN – Agility Novice

AgI – Agility Intermediate

AgX – Agility Excellent

AgMX – Agility Master Excellence

AgNJ – Agility Novice Jumper

AgIJ – Agility Intermediate Jumper

AgXJ – Agility Excellent Jumper

AgMXJ – Agility Master Excellent Jumper

AgMCH – Agility Master Champion

AgNS – Agility Novice Selected

AgIS – Agility Intermediate Selected

AgXS – Agility Excellent Selected

AgMXS – Agility Master Excellent Selected

AgNJS – Agility Novice Jumper Selected

AgNJS – Agility Intermediate Jumper Selected

AgXJS – Agility Excellent Jumper Selected

AgMXJS – Agility Master Excellent Jumper Selected

AgMCHS – Agility Master Champion Selected

AgNV – Agility Novice Veterans

AgIV – Agility Intermediate Veterans

AgXV – Agility Excellent Veterans

AgMXV – Agility Master Excellent Veterans

AgNJV – Agility Novice Jumper Veterans

AgIJV – Agility Intermediate Jumper Veterans

AgXJV – Agility Excellent Jumper Veterans

AgMXJV – Agility Master Excellent Jumper Veterans

Field Titles for Sight and Scent Hounds – hounds compete on a track and speed is factor

NC –Novice Courser

FCH – Field Champion – lure coursing sight hounds

FCHX – Field Champion Excellent – lure coursing sight hounds

FTCH – Field Trial Champion – hunting by scent (Beagles)

Field Titles for Pointing Dogs – Pointing breeds in the sporting group are judged on their working ability in the field.

FD Field Dog

FDJ – Field Dog Junior

FDX – Field Dog Excellent

NSD – National Shooting Dog

NASD – National Amateur Shooting Dog

Field Titles for Flushing Dogs – dogs are judged on their flushing and retrieving of fallen game birds

WS – Working Spaniel

NSC – National Spaniel Champion

NASC – National Amateur Spaniel Champion

Herding Titles – dogs are judged on their ability to work with livestock and herd them

HT – Herding Tested

HS – Herding Started

HI – Herding Intermediate

HA – Herding Advanced

HTT – Herding Tending Tested

HTS – Herding Tending Started

HTI – Herding Tending Intermediate

HTA – Herding Tending Advanced

HX – Herding Excellent

HCHA – Herding Champion Arena

HCHS – Herding Champion Stock Dog

HCHT – Herding Champion Tending

SDS – Stock Dog Started
SDI – Stock Dog Intermediate
SDA – Stock Dog Advanced

Tracking Titles – dogs track a scent trail over various terrain

TCH – Tracking Champion
TD – Tracking Dog
TDX – Tracking Dog Excellent
UTD – Urban Tracking Dog
UTDX – Urban Tracking Dog Excellent

Earthdog Titles – smaller terrier breeds that are bred to undermine rodent dens compete against a set standard

JE – Junior Earthdog
ME – Master Earthdog
SE – Senior Earthdog

Hauling Titles – dogs haul carts

BDD - Brace Draft Dog
BDDX – Brace Draft Dog Excellent
DD – Draft Dog
DDX – Draft Dog Excellent

Miscellaneous Titles

CGN – Canine Good Neighbour: a series of tests to determine if a dog is well trained and obedient in public.
TD – Therapy Dog
TDI – Therapy Dog International

TT – Temperament Tested: the dog must pass certain tests that indicate if it has a stable temperament.

Performance Placement Titles

BIF – Best in Field: awarded to the top coursing hound at a trial.

HIT – High in Trial: the dog that performs the best at an obedience trial