

Irish Wolfhound Club of America, Inc.



Guidelines for the IWCA Versatility Program

The purpose of this IWCA Versatility program is to encourage and acknowledge the achievements of Irish Wolfhounds and their owners in a variety of established activities. The Versatility Certificate or Versatility Certificate Excellent are given to those members' hounds that have earned the required titles and awards.

Points are not cumulative in any one group (i.e., the UD title entitles the dog to 5 points - the CD and CDX cannot be added in), except in Group I (Miscellaneous). Only the points for the more difficult/higher point title will be awarded within a group (i.e., Beginner Novice Obedience + Rally Novice + Trick Dog Novice does not equal 5 points but rather 2 points for the highest individual title in Group B). The VC Committee will review applications for point credit in activities not listed in any group on an individual basis. Maximum number of credits is 2 in Group H. Information supplied to the VC Committee must include proof of credit, rules of sanctioning organization and an explanation of the sport or activity for additional miscellaneous titles. If a new sport or activity becomes popular, it may be given its own category and moved out of the miscellaneous category.

Versatility Certificate (VC)

1. A minimum of 10 versatility points must be earned.
 - a. A minimum of 2 points must come from Group A
 - b. A minimum of 3 points (i.e., a total of 6 points) must come from two of the following groups:
Group B, Group C, Group D, Group E, Group F or Group G
 - c. A maximum of 2 points may come from Group H

2. Points must be earned in not less than three of the Groups, excluding Group H

The requirement of 2 points from Group A is waived upon proof of neuter/spay or if the IW is on an AKC Limited Registration, in which case these 2 points may come from any other Group except Group H.

Versatility Certificate Excellent (VCX)

1. A minimum of 15 versatility points must be earned.
 - a. A Versatility Certificate (VC)
 - b. A minimum of 3 points must come from Group B or C
 - c. A minimum of 3 points must come from Groups E, F or G
 - d. A maximum of 2 points may come from Group H
2. At least 4 of the required points must come from either Group B, C, E, F or G. This shows excellence in at least one area.

An application can be submitted for any living Irish Wolfhound (or within 6 months of their death) whose owner is a member in good standing of the Irish Wolfhound Club of America. Points may have been earned over more than one calendar year.

Group A – Conformation

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| AKC Grand Champion | 5 points |
| AKC Champion | 4 points |
| 10 points and both majors | 3 points |
| 5 points and one major | 2 points |
| Foreign Champion | 2 points |

Group B – Obedience/Rally/Trick Dog

Obedience

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| OTCH, OM, UDX, UD | 5 points |
| CDX | 4 points |
| CD | 3 points |
| BN, Foreign Obedience Title | 2 points |

Rally

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| RACH, RM, RAE | 5 points |
| RE | 4 points |
| RA | 3 points |
| RI | 2.5 points |
| RN | 2 points |

Trick Dog

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| Trick Dog Performer/Advanced (TKP/TKA) | 2 points |
| Trick Dog Intermediate (TKI) | 1.5 points |
| Trick Dog Novice (TKN) | 1 point |

Group C – Tracking/Scent Work

Tracking

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|----------------------|----------|
| TDX, VST | 4 points |
| TD, TDU | 3 points |
| Tracking Certificate | 2 points |

Scent Work

| | |
|---|----------|
| Container, Interior, Exterior, Buried, Handler Discrimination Divisions | |
| Master (SCM, SIM, SEM, SBM, SHDM) | 4 points |
| Excellent (SCE, SIE, SEE, SBE, SHDE) | 3 points |
| Advanced (SCA, SIA, SEA, SBA, SHDA) | 2 points |
| Novice (SCN, SIN, SEN, SBN, SHDN) | 1 point |

Group D – Agility

Standard or Jumpers with Weaves/Regular or Preferred

| | |
|--|----------|
| MACH, PACH, Master (MX, MXP, MXJ, MJP) | 5 points |
| Excellent (AX, AXP, AXJ, AJP) | 4 points |
| Open (OA, OAP, OAJ, OJP) | 3 points |
| Novice (NA, NAP, NAJ, NJP) | 2 points |

Group E – Lure Coursing

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|---|----------|
| ASFA Lure Courser of Merit 2 or higher/ AKC LCX II or higher | 5 points |
| ASFA Lure Courser of Merit/ AKC LCX or AKC Master Courser | 4 points |
| ASFA/AKC Field Champion | 3 points |
| AKC Senior Courser | 2 points |
| AKC Junior Courser | 1 point |
| Foreign Field Champion Title | 2 points |
| AKC Coursing Ability Test titles (CA and above) | 1 point |

Group F – Racing

| | |
|---|----------|
| NOTRA Supreme Oval Racing Champion | 4 points |
| NOTRA Oval Racing Champion | 3 points |
| NOTRA Senior Oval Racer | 2 points |
| NOTRA Junior Oval Racer | 1 point |
| LGRA Superior Gazehound Racing Champion | 4 points |
| LGRA Gazehound Racing Champion | 3 points |
| LGRA Senior Straight Racer | 2 points |
| LGRA Junior Straight Racer | 1 point |
| AKC Fast CAT titles (BCAT and above) | 1 point |

Group G – Open Field Coursing

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| NACA/NOFCA Courser Champion | 5 points |
| NACA/NOFCA Courser of Merit | 4 points |
| NACA/NOFCA 50+ points | 3 points |
| NACA/NOFCA 20+ points | 2 points |

Group H – Temperament

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|---|------------|
| CGC Advanced/Urban (CGCA/CGCU) | 1.5 points |
| Canine Good Citizen (CGC) | 1 point |
| Farm Dog Certified (FDC) | 1 point |
| Temperament Tested/AKC Temperament Test (ATT) | 1 point |
| Therapy Dog (THD) and above | 2 points |
| Therapy Dog Novice (THDN) | 1 point |

Group I – Miscellaneous

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|---|----------|
| Best of Breed in National Specialty | 2 points |
| High in Trial – National Specialty | 2 points |
| Best in Field – National Specialty | 2 points |
| High Scoring IW LGRA – National Specialty | 2 points |

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Versatility Certificate Application

Registered Name _____ AKC Number _____

Sire & Dam _____

Owner's Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Breeder(s) _____

| | Points | Date Earned | Points Earned |
|--|--------|-------------|---------------|
| Group A – Conformation | | | |
| AKC Grand Champion | 5 | _____ | _____ |
| AKC Champion | 4 | _____ | _____ |
| 10 points and both majors | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| 5 points and one major | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| Foreign Champion | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| | | | |
| Group B – Obedience/Rally/Trick Dog | | | |
| <u>Obedience</u> | | | |
| OTCH, OM, UDX, UD | 5 | _____ | _____ |
| CDX | 4 | _____ | _____ |
| CD | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| BN, Foreign Obedience Title | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| | | | |
| <u>Rally</u> | | | |
| RACH, RM, RAE | 5 | _____ | _____ |
| RE | 4 | _____ | _____ |
| RA | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| RI | 2.5 | _____ | _____ |
| RN | 2 | _____ | _____ |

| | Points | Date Earned | Points Earned |
|---|--------|-------------|---------------|
| Group B – Obedience/Rally/Trick Dog (continued) | | | |
| <u>Trick Dog</u> | | | |
| Trick Dog Performer/Advanced (TKP/TKA) | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| Trick Dog Intermediate (TKI) | 1.5 | _____ | _____ |
| Trick Dog Novice (TKN) | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| Group C – Tracking/Scent Work | | | |
| <u>Tracking</u> | | | |
| TDX, VST | 4 | _____ | _____ |
| TD, TDU | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| Tracking Certificate | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| <u>Scent Work</u> | | | |
| Container, Interior, Exterior, Buried, Handler Discrimination Divisions | | | |
| Master (SCM, SIM, SEM, SBM, SHDM) | 4 | _____ | _____ |
| Excellent (SCE, SIE, SEE, SBE, SHDE) | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| Advanced (SCA, SIA, SEA, SBA, SHDA) | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| Novice (SCN, SIN, SEN, SBN, SHDN) | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| Group D – Agility | | | |
| Standard or Jumpers with Weaves/Regular or Preferred | | | |
| MACH, PACH, Master (MX, MXP, MXJ, MJP) | 5 | _____ | _____ |
| Excellent (AX, AXP, AXJ, AJP) | 4 | _____ | _____ |
| Open (OA, OAP, OAJ, OJP) | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| Novice (NA, NAP, NAJ, NJP) | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| Group E – Lure Coursing | | | |
| ASFA Lure Courser of Merit 2 or higher/ AKC LCX II or higher | 5 | _____ | _____ |
| ASFA Lure Courser of Merit/ AKC LCX or AKC Master Courser | 4 | _____ | _____ |
| ASFA/AKC Field Champion | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| AKC Senior Courser | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| AKC Junior Courser | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| Foreign Field Champion Title | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| AKC Coursing Ability Test titles (CA and above) | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| Group F – Racing | | | |
| NOTRA Supreme Oval Racing Champion | 4 | _____ | _____ |
| NOTRA Oval Racing Champion | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| NOTRA Senior Oval Racer | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| NOTRA Junior Oval Racer | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| LGRA Superior Gazehound Racing Champion | 4 | _____ | _____ |

| | Points | Date Earned | Points Earned |
|---|--------|-------------|---------------|
| Group F – Racing (continued) | | | |
| LGRA Gazehound Racing Champion | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| LGRA Senior Straight Racer | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| LGRA Junior Straight Racer | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| AKC Fast CAT titles (BCAT and above) | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| Group G – Open Field Coursing | | | |
| NACA/NOFCA Courser Champion | 5 | _____ | _____ |
| NACA/NOFCA Courser of Merit | 4 | _____ | _____ |
| NACA/NOFCA 50+ points | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| NACA/NOFCA 20+ points | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| Group H – Temperament | | | |
| CGC Advanced/Urban (CGCA/CGCU) | 1.5 | _____ | _____ |
| Canine Good Citizen (CGC) | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| Farm Dog Certified (FDC) | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| Temperament Tested/AKC Temperament Test (ATT) | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| Therapy Dog (THD) and above | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| Therapy Dog Novice (THDN) | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| Group I – Miscellaneous | | | |
| Best of Breed in National Specialty | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| High in Trial – National Specialty | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| Best in Field – National Specialty | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| High Scoring IW LGRA – National Specialty | 2 | _____ | _____ |

Requirements must be met by December 31 and submitted no later than March 30 of the following year.

Attach all photocopies of awards and certificates to this application and mail to:

David Berzins, Versatility Program Chair, 2131 S. Aldrich St., Milwaukee, WI 53207

Alternatively, awards, certificates, and the application may be scanned and sent electronically to: dberzi@yahoo.com with IWCA Versatility Application as a subject heading.

Application for: VC _____ VCX _____

Date

Signature of Owner

IWCA Information: Date received _____ Title awarded _____ Date awarded _____