

# Rally

These are some of the significant changes or clarifications. Please ensure you review the entire Rally Handbook.

## 1.3.1 Collars

Collars may not have embellishments such as jewels, studs or hanging attachments such as tags

Collars may be removed with the leash at levels not requiring a leash

## 1.4.2 Streams

“A” Stream is eliminated; “B” Stream is for Base titles; “C” Stream is for Championship titles

## 1.5.5 Scoring

Competitors will have 3 months from the date of the trial to report any discrepancy between what is on their score sheet and the online record

## 2.1 Regular Category – Base Titles

Once a Novice title is earned, competitors may enter Advanced or Versatility

New Intermediate level (optional level) requires Novice title

## 2.2 Regular Category – Championship Titles

New Grand Master Champion title

Changes to the titling structure for Championship titles. During 2025, these titles can still be earned under the 2024 structure.

## 2.3 CARO Lifetime Achievement Award - CLAA

Awarded upon completion of the top Rally and Working Titles – Grand Master Champion and Working Honours

Champion. In 2025, CLAA will be awarded upon completion of the Master Champion and Working Champion titles.

## 2.4 Regular Category – Supreme Championship Titles

New title - Supreme Advanced Champion

## 2.6 Brace Category – Championship Titles

Brace Championship title structure brought in line with Regular Category

## 2.7 Team Category – Base Titles

Team minimum score now 170 (in line with other categories)

## 2.8 Team Category – Championship Titles

Team C stream now in effect with same structure as Regular Rally and Brace

## 3.1 General Items

Any unrequired position performed during a station results in an NQ

## 3.2.7 Food and Physical Praise

Treat bags and training aprons are not allowed in the ring

## 3.4.7 Moving Sit, Down or Stand

Moving Down or Sit Walk Around – dog must have completed assuming the position by the time the handler reaches the tail of the dog

## 7.1 Excellent Course Requirements

Excellent will a minimum of 5 signs from Excellent, minimum of 3 signs from Advanced and may have 1 or 2 obstacles.

## 8.1 Versatility Course Requirements

Versatility will have 3 to 4 side changes and requirements to use a number of signs from each level

## 9.1 Versatility Excellent Course Requirements

Versatility Excellent will have 3 to 4 side changes and and requirements to use a number of signs from each level

## New Signs

Effective April 1, 2025 unless otherwise indicated

### Novice:

130 Diagonal Right (Jan 1, 2025)

131 Diagonal Left (Jan 1, 2025)

### Advanced:

221 Diagonal Loop Right (Jan 1, 2025)

222 Diagonal Loop Left (Jan 1, 2025)

223 Call Dog

### Excellent:

315 Right Turn – 2 Steps – Down

316 Left Turn – 2 Steps – Down

317 Call Front – Walk Around – Leave Dog

318 Right Turn – Back Up 2 Steps

319 Left Turn – Back Up 2 Steps

320 Moving Sit – Walk Around

### Versatility:

443 Diagonal Right (Jan 1, 2025)

444 Diagonal Left (Jan 1, 2025)

### Versatility Excellent:

535 Diagonal Loop Right (Jan 1, 2025)

536 Diagonal Loop Left (Jan 1, 2025)

539 Call Dog

537 Right Turn – 2 Steps – Down

538 Left Turn – 2 Steps – Down

540 Call Front – Walk Around – Leave Dog

541 Right Turn – Back Up 2 Steps

542 Left Turn – Back Up 2 Steps