

CROYDON AND DISTRICT OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB

# TROPHY POLICY

(Effective June 2021)

## 1. Application

This policy applies to trophies awarded by the Croydon and District Obedience Dog Club Inc. (CDODC).

## 2. Definitions

In this document these terms have the following meanings:

<b>ANKC</b>	ANKC refers to the Australian National Kennel Council, the administrative body for canine affairs in Australia.
<b>Committee</b>	Committee refers to the CDODC management committee, as elected annually at the CDODC annual general meeting. The Committee consists of the CDODC President, Vice President/s, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and General Committee members.
<b>Champion</b>	Champion is a title awarded to a dog who has attained champion level in their relevant discipline, as determined by the criteria designated by the relevant discipline and its governing body.
<b>Grand Champion</b>	Grand Champion is a title awarded to a dog who has attained grand champion level in their relevant discipline, as determined by the criteria designated by the relevant discipline and its governing body.
<b>Financial CDODC Member</b>	A Financial CDODC Member is a person who was a paying or life member during the relevant Financial Year.
<b>Financial Year</b>	CDODC's financial year commences on the first day of April each year and concludes on the last day of March the following year.
<b>Standard Course Time</b>	Standard Course Time is an agility term referring to a time set by the judge, within which a dog is required to complete the relevant course to be clear of time faults.

### **3. Procedure for Trophy Application**

- 3.1. In order to apply for a trophy, a Financial CDODC Member must provide their discipline coordinator with all the information they require to assess their eligibility.
  - 3.1.1. If eligible for a perpetual trophy, a Financial CDODC Member must specify the trophy for which they are applying and attach copies of any passes which qualify them for that award.
  - 3.1.2. If a pass is required to be presented to the discipline coordinator, each pass must be accompanied by a photocopy of the appropriate pass cards and given to the discipline coordinator by 31 March in the relevant year.
  - 3.1.3. Application for agility trophies require, in addition to copies of pass cards, submission of records which indicate the date of all passes attained, the class in which passes were attained, the placing for all passes and time taken to complete the course as compared to the Standard Course Time.
- 3.2. If there is no coordinator for a relevant discipline, a Financial CDODC Member must instead provide the trophy coordinator with all the information they require to assess their eligibility. The trophy coordinator may request Committee assistance on all questions of eligibility.
- 3.3. In the event of a tied score where a single recipient or limited recipients can receive an award, a count back will be made to determine the successful candidate/s, unless another method of recipient determination is otherwise specified.

### **4. Additional Criteria for Trophy Candidates**

- 4.1. In order to be considered for a trophy, a Financial CDODC Member must meet the following criteria in addition to the requirements of the relevant award:
  - (a) The Financial CDODC Member must have been a Financial CDODC Member in the Financial Year for which the trophy is claimed in addition to the current Financial Year;
  - (b) During the relevant Financial Year, the Financial CDODC Member and their relevant dog must have attended CDODC on at least 25% of CDODC's training days, as determined by and at the discretion of their discipline coordinator or, if not applicable, the trophy coordinator; and
  - (c) Regular attendance at CDODC must have included assisting with the set up and/or pack up of equipment, as determined by their discipline coordinator or, if not applicable, the trophy coordinator.

## **5. Trophies**

### **5.1. Champion and Grand Champion Trophies**

5.1.1. Champion and Grand Champion trophies are awarded on ANKC-approved discipline-determined criteria, as specified by each discipline's governing body.

5.1.2. Plates or trophies will be presented to Champions and Grand Champions in the following disciplines:

- (a) agility;
- (b) conformation;
- (c) dancing with dogs;
- (d) obedience;
- (e) rally;
- (f) tracking;
- (g) track and search; and
- (h) any other ANKC-approved discipline.

### **5.2. Title Trophies**

5.2.1. Title trophies are awarded on ANKC-approved discipline-determined criteria, as specified by each discipline's governing body.

5.2.2. Title trophies will be presented in all ANKC-approved disciplines.

5.2.3. In any Financial Year, CDODC may award a Financial CDODC Member one title trophy per discipline in recognition of all titles obtained during the relevant Financial Year for that discipline.

5.2.4. Title trophies are awarded irrespective of the time taken to attain same, provided the handler was a Financial CDODC Member at the time of gaining all passes.

### 5.3. Perpetual Trophies

5.3.1. Perpetual trophies are trophies awarded on CDODC-determined criteria and are awarded on an annual basis unless otherwise stated.

5.3.2. Perpetual trophies will be presented in the following disciplines:

- (a) agility;
- (b) flyball;
- (c) obedience;
- (d) rally; and
- (e) any other ANKC-approved discipline upon which the Committee resolves to grant a perpetual trophy.

#### 5.3.3. AGILITY

##### 5.3.3.1. Sub-Disciplines

The sub-disciplines of agility shall be agility, jumping, and games. Agility trophies shall be awarded on the basis of these sub-disciplines unless otherwise stated.

##### 5.3.3.2. Ties in Award Points

(a) *Games*

In the event of a tie between Financial CDODC Members in the sub-discipline of games, the recipient of the relevant award will be determined on the basis of places (first, second, third, etc) gained in respect of each pass relevant to the games award.

(b) *Agility and Jumping*

- i. In the event of a tie between Financial CDODC Members in the sub-disciplines of agility and jumping, the recipient of the relevant award will be determined on the basis of time taken to complete each relevant course.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Due to the use of height categories in agility and jumping events, consideration of placing (first, second, third, etc), as in games events, would not be appropriate. Such determinations would not provide for an even playing field as more dogs may compete in some height categories than others.

- ii. For each pass relevant in attaining the award, the time taken for the dog to complete the course shall be divided by the Standard Course Time and multiplied by 100 (**Percentage Time**).
- iii. The Percentage Time for each relevant pass shall be added together and the Financial CDODC Member with the lowest cumulative Percentage Time shall be deemed the award recipient.

(c) *Trillian Trophy*

In the event of a tie between Financial CDODC Members for the Trillian Trophy, the recipient will be determined by the discipline coordinator/s, who must take into account:

- i. in the sub-discipline of games, places (first, second, third, etc) gained in respect of each pass relevant to the award, in accordance with clause 5.3.3.2(a);
- ii. in the sub-disciplines of agility and jumping, the time taken to complete each relevant course as compared to the Standard Course Time, in accordance with clause 5.3.3.2(b); and
- iii. the class in which each pass was achieved.

5.3.3.3. **Trillian Trophy**

- (a) The Trillian Trophy shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have:
  - i. gained the most points in any combination of sub-disciplines during the relevant Financial Year; and
  - ii. both competed in an agility trial of any sub-discipline for the first time during the relevant Financial Year.
- (b) In determining the number of points earned by a Financial CDODC Member and their dog:
  - i. every pass gained in any sub-discipline, regardless of level, is considered as one point; and
  - ii. there is no limit to Novice or Excellent passes which may be considered.

5.3.3.4. **Games**

**Best Games Dog Award**

- (a) The Best Games Dog Award shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the most points in the sub-discipline of games during the relevant Financial Year.
- (b) In determining the number of points earned by a Financial CDODC Member and their dog, every pass gained in the sub-discipline of games, regardless of level, is considered as one point.

5.3.3.5. **Agility**

(a) **Best Agility Dog Award**

- i. The Best Agility Dog Award will be awarded where less than two Financial CDODC Members compete in the sub-discipline of agility in each of the classes of Novice, Excellent and Master.
- ii. The Best Agility Dog Award shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the most points in the sub-discipline of agility during the relevant Financial Year.
- iii. In determining the number of points earned by a Financial CDODC Member and their dog:
  - A. every pass gained in the sub-discipline of agility, regardless of level, is considered as one point;
  - B. a maximum of five Novice passes may be considered; and
  - C. a maximum of six Excellent passes may be considered.

(b) **Best Novice Dog Award – Agility**

- i. The Best Novice Dog Award - Agility will be awarded where more than two Financial CDODC Members compete in the sub-discipline of agility in each of the classes of Novice, Excellent and Master.
- ii. The Best Novice Dog Award - Agility shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the most points in the sub-discipline of agility class of Novice during the relevant Financial Year.

- iii. In determining the number of points earned by a Financial CDODC Member and their dog:
  - A. a maximum of five Novice passes may be considered; and
  - B. each pass will be considered as one point.
- (c) **Best Excellent Dog Award – Agility**
  - i. The Best Excellent Dog Award - Agility will be awarded where more than two Financial CDODC Members compete in the sub-discipline of agility in each of the classes of Novice, Excellent and Master.
  - ii. The Best Excellent Dog Award - Agility shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the most points in the sub-discipline of agility class of Excellent during the relevant Financial Year.
  - iii. In determining the number of points earned by a Financial CDODC Member and their dog:
    - A. a maximum of six Excellent passes will be considered; and
    - B. each pass will be considered as one point.
- (d) **Best Master Dog Award – Agility**
  - i. The Best Master Dog Award - Agility will be awarded where more than two Financial CDODC Members compete in the sub-discipline of agility in each of the classes of Novice, Excellent and Master.
  - ii. The Best Master Dog Award - Agility shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the most points in the sub-discipline of agility class of Master during the relevant Financial Year.
  - iii. In determining the number of points earned by a Financial CDODC Member and their dog:
    - A. all Master passes will be considered; and
    - B. each pass will be considered as one point.

5.3.3.6. **Jumping**

(a) **Best Jumping Dog Award**

- i. The Best Jumping Dog Award will be awarded where less than two Financial CDODC Members compete in the sub-discipline of jumping in each of the classes of Novice, Excellent and Master.
- ii. The Best Jumping Dog Award shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the most points in the sub-discipline of jumping during the relevant Financial Year.
- iii. In determining the number of points earned by a Financial CDODC Member and their dog:
  - A. every pass gained in the sub-discipline of jumping, regardless of level, is considered as one point;
  - B. a maximum of five Novice passes may be considered; and
  - C. a maximum of six Excellent passes may be considered.

(b) **Best Novice Dog Award – Jumping**

- i. The Best Novice Dog Award - Jumping will be awarded where more than two Financial CDODC Members compete in the sub-discipline of jumping in each of the classes of Novice, Excellent and Master.
- ii. The Best Novice Dog Award - Jumping shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the most points in the sub-discipline of jumping class of Novice during the relevant Financial Year.
- iii. In determining the number of points earned by a Financial CDODC Member and their dog:
  - A. a maximum of five Novice passes will be considered; and
  - B. each pass will be considered as one point.

(c) **Best Excellent Dog Award – Jumping**

- i. The Best Excellent Dog Award - Jumping will be awarded where more than two Financial CDODC Members compete in the sub-discipline of jumping in each of the classes of Novice, Excellent and Master.

- ii. The Best Excellent Dog Award - Jumping shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the most points in the sub-discipline of jumping class of Excellent during the relevant Financial Year.
  - iii. In determining the number of points earned by a Financial CDODC Member and their dog:
    - A. a maximum of six Excellent passes will be considered; and
    - B. each pass will be considered as one point.
- (d) **Best Master Dog Award – Jumping**
- i. The Best Master Dog Award - Jumping will be awarded where more than two Financial CDODC Members compete in the sub-discipline of jumping in each of the classes of Novice, Excellent and Master.
  - ii. The Best Master Dog Award - Jumping shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the most points in the sub-discipline of jumping class of Master during the relevant Financial Year.
  - iii. In determining the number of points earned by a Financial CDODC Member and their dog:
    - A. all Master passes will be considered; and
    - B. each pass will be considered as one point.

#### 5.3.4. FLYBALL

##### 5.3.4.1. Novice Award

The Flyball Novice Award shall be awarded to a Financial CDODC Member and their novice flyball dog where they have met the following criteria:

- (a) The relevant dog has competed with the Croydon Rockets Flyball Team for the first time during the relevant Financial Year; and
- (b) They have demonstrated a high level of commitment, improvement, achievement and contribution towards the Croydon Rockets Flyball Team.

#### 5.3.4.2. **Tyson Award**

The Flyball Tyson Award, in recognition of Tyson CDX AD FDX, shall be awarded to a Financial CDODC Member and their dog when meeting the following criteria during the relevant Financial Year:

- (a) They have made an outstanding contribution to the Croydon Rockets Flyball Team; and
- (b) They have competed in at least one Australian Flyball Association sanctioned flyball competition as a member of the Croydon Rockets Flyball Team.

#### 5.3.5. **OBEDIENCE**

##### 5.3.5.1. **CDODC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Trophy – Community Companion Dog (CCD) Class**

- (a) The CDODC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Trophy shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have attained their CCD title with the highest aggregate score from their first three passes.
- (b) The CDODC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Trophy is awarded irrespective of the time taken to attain the CCD title.

##### 5.3.5.2. **R.M. Legge Trophy – Novice (CD) Class**

- (a) The R.M. Legge Trophy shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have attained their Novice title with the highest aggregate score from their first three Novice passes.
- (b) The R.M. Legge Trophy is awarded irrespective of the time taken to attain the Novice title.

##### 5.3.5.3. **CDODC 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Trophy – Open (CDX) Class**

- (a) The CDODC 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Trophy shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have attained their Open title with the highest aggregate score from their first three Open passes.
- (b) The CDODC 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Trophy is awarded irrespective of the time taken to attain the Open title.

##### 5.3.5.4. **K.M. Smith Trophy – Utility Dog (UD) Class**

The K.M. Smith Trophy shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have attained the highest individual number of points scored in any UD class during the last Financial Year.

5.3.5.5. **George Todd Trophy – Utility Dog Excellent (UDX) Class**

The George Todd Trophy shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have attained the highest individual number of points scored in any UDX class during the last Financial Year.

5.3.5.6. **Cunningham Trophy**

The Cunningham Trophy shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have attained the highest score in any individual obedience trial run by CDODC during the last Financial Year.

5.3.6. **RALLY**

5.3.6.1. **Kerry Salomon Trophy – Rally Novice**

- (a) The Kerry Salomon Trophy shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the highest aggregate score from the three qualifying passes to achieve their Novice Title.
- (b) The Kerry Salomon Trophy is awarded irrespective of the time taken to attain the Rally Novice title.

5.3.6.2. **Bobbee Terrill Trophy – Rally Master**

- (a) The Bobbee Terrill Trophy shall be awarded to the Financial CDODC Member and dog who have gained the highest aggregate score from the seven qualifying passes to achieve their Rally Master title.
- (b) The Bobbee Terrill Trophy is awarded irrespective of time taken to attain the Rally Master title.

5.3.6.3. **Rally Advanced/Excellent Trophy**

- (a) The Rally Advanced/Excellent Trophy shall be awarded to a Financial CDODC Member and dog who have achieved the Rally Advanced Excellent title.
- (b) The Rally Advanced/Excellent Trophy is awarded irrespective of time taken to attain the Rally Advanced Excellent title.
- (c) The Rally Advanced/Excellent Trophy may be awarded to more than one Financial CDODC Member in any given year.

5.3.6.4. **Marjy Grosvenor Trophy – Rally Champion**

- (a) The Marjy Grosvenor Trophy shall be awarded to a Financial CDODC Member and dog who have achieved the Rally Champion title.
- (b) The Marjy Grosvenor Trophy is awarded irrespective of time taken to attain the Rally Champion title.
- (c) The Marjy Grosvenor Trophy may be awarded to more than one Financial CDODC Member in any given year and is awarded in addition to a Champion Trophy.

## **6. Records to be Maintained**

A record of all trophy recipients shall be kept regularly updated on the CDODC database and records system.

## **7. Policy Review**

This policy is to be reviewed as the Committee sees fit to establish its continuing value and relevancy.