

RRCUS PREFERRED AGILITY RANKINGS

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Preferred Agility rankings will be determined using the same calculation that is used for Regular Agility except the calculations will be applied only to Qualifying runs at Preferred jump height.

The formula for calculating the RRCUS Preferred Agility rankings from AKC Agility Qualifying scores is as follows:

Total Points = Full Seconds Under SCT + (# of QQs x 10)

SCT = Standard Course Time

QQ = Preferred Standard (STD) and Preferred Jumpers With Weaves (JWW) Qualifying runs earned at same trial

Rules applying to formula:

1. This formula applies to Qualifying runs (Qs) in Preferred STD and Preferred JWW classes at all levels (Novice, Open, Excellent, Master).
 - a. For each of the STD and JWW classes in Preferred Novice, Open, and Excellent levels, only the first 3 Qs earned per class per level will be counted toward ranking in the calendar year.¹
 - b. There is no limit to the number of Qs that will count from Preferred Master STD & JWW classes.
2. **One Point** is earned for each full second under SCT.
 - a. If a Q is over SCT, that Q will earn 0 points based on time (but is still eligible to earn points as part of a QQ, per Rule #3 below).
 - b. Note: the “score” assigned by AKC to a Q—which ranges from 85 to 100—does not contribute to the calculation of points in the RRCUS ranking system (see Example below**).
3. **10 Points** are earned for each QQ earned (the two Qs that comprise a QQ do not need to be at the same level, but they must both be in Preferred classes).

Example calculation:

Ridgeback A at Trial 1			
RESULTS	SCORE OF Q (per AKC)**	TIME	POINTS EARNED
Preferred Novice STD—Q	85	15 seconds <i>over</i> SCT	0
Preferred Open JWW—Q	95	5 seconds under SCT	5
Ridgeback A earns a QQ for RRCUS ranking			10
TOTAL POINTS earned for RRCUS Preferred Ranking for Ridgeback A:			15

*Note: Standings for Preferred Agility will be updated periodically, showing the top 20 placements. **RRCUS members** whose dogs are in the **Top 10** of the end-of-year standings will be presented with Preferred Agility awards at the next RRCUS National Specialty Awards Dinner.*

Qualifying scores are directly provided from the AKC to the Agility statistician, Kelly Pierson. Comments and questions can be sent to Kelly via e-mail at: kellypierson0309@gmail.com

¹ A maximum of 18 Preferred non-Master level Qs can count toward a dog's ranking in one year:
3 in Preferred Novice STD + 3 in Preferred Novice JWW + 3 in Preferred Open STD + 3 in Preferred Open JWW + 3 in Preferred Excellent STD + 3 in Preferred Excellent JWW = 18 Preferred non-Master level Qs.