



Russian Toy Club of America, Inc Standing Resolutions

I. Club Operations

1. That the official Russian Toy Club of America logo be used on the website, newsletter, and club stationary. That the logo is copyrighted and may not be used on personal websites or by private individuals without written permission.

II. Official Club Newsletter

1. The official Club shall include all Club business submitted by the Board.
2. Advertisers shall be members in good standing with the RTCA.
3. The Board may approve commercial entities for advertisements that are in harmony with the purpose of the publication.
4. All articles and submissions submitted for the Newsletter must be signed by the author. Author's names will be printed along with every submission.
5. All material submitted for publication must be on a positive and constructive level.
6. Should the Newsletter go to print, ads will be priced in accordance to printers charges. Additional cost may be authorized by a majority vote of the Board if newsletter becomes a printed version and is to be mailed to members.
7. Members will be able to access the Newsletter online in the Member's only section of the website.
8. National Specialty winners, (BOB, BOS, WB, WD and Best Bred By) pictures will be placed in the club newsletter at no cost.
9. The Editor and members/contributors of the newsletter must conform to the guidelines of the Newsletter.

III. Awards

1. The top winning male for a special award as yet to be names. This must be applied for. A form is available on the members' only section of the website.
2. The top winning female for a special award as yet to be named. This must be applied for. A form is available on the members' only section of the website.
3. Top Junior Handler. The Junior Handler, while showing a Russian Toy, that has defeated the highest number of juniors in the open class from January 1st to December 31st of the previous year. This award must be applied for.
4. At the National Specialty one Award of Merit may be given for every seven Russian Toys entered in Best of Breed.
5. At the National Specialty, a Special Award will be given to the Russian Toy judged Best Bred By.



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6. At the National Specialty, a Special Award will be given to the Best Junior Handler.
7. Awards of Merit or Distinction must be applied for. A form is available on the member's only section of the website. Only members may receive these awards.
 - a. Dam of Merit: Three (3) or more AKC champions of record
 - b. Dam of Distinction: Six (6) or more AKC champions of record
 - c. Sire of Merit: Five (5) AKC champions of record
 - d. Sire of Distinction: Ten (10) or more AKC champions of recordThe dam or sire need not be an AKC champion, but must have produced the required number of AKC champion get.

IV. National Specialty

1. Individuals holding the following positions must be members in good standing with the Russian Toy Club of America, Show Chair, Performance Chairs, National Specialty Treasurer.
2. The Host/group Show Chair shall request from the American Kennel Club, Event Plans Department, all applications necessary for a Sweepstakes and National Specialty show. The applications will be made out in the name of the Russian Toy Club of America and the current Board names and addresses listed. The applications should be secured at least eleven (11) months prior to the date of the event.
3. The show chair should become familiar with and comply with all American Kennel Club dates and deadlines in respect to the premium list, show catalog and any other show related matters submitted by the show superintendent.
4. The show chair must be on the show grounds from the opening to the close of the National Specialty.

Trophies

1. All monies specifically donated for trophies must be used for trophies only.
2. Excess trophies are to be inventoried and the list sent to the Club President within one month's time.
3. Excess trophies or leftover trophies must be sent to the following year's Show Chair and may be used at the next National Specialty or used in an auction or for sale at the following year's National Specialty. Any funds generated by these items either at an auction or if they go on sale will go into a fund to be used for trophies at the next National Specialty.

Judges



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1. A list of all judges approved to judge the Russian Toy will be made available to all regular members of the RTCA. From this list, regular members may choose three (3) judges of their choice and send their choice to the Secretary. The three (3) confirmation judges receiving the highest number of votes will be contacted for availability and placed on a ballot which will be published in the newsletter. From this list of three, regular members must choose one and email or mail their choice to the Secretary. The judge with the highest number of votes will judge the next National Specialty. Each regular member will also send to the Secretary two nominations for a Sweepstakes judge. The three Sweepstakes nominees will be placed in the newsletter. Each regular member may then email their first choice to the Secretary. The Sweepstakes nominee with the highest number of votes will be the Sweepstakes judge at the next National Specialty.
2. Ballots for judges will be open for voting for a period of three weeks.
3. Judges for the National Specialty will be asked to not judge Russian Toys for a period of three months prior to the National Specialty.
4. National Specialty judges will not be allowed to judge another National Specialty for a period of seven years.
5. Each Specialty judge shall be given a thank you card and a gift not to exceed fifty (\$50.00) dollars. The gift selection is the responsibility of the host club/group.
6. One night's lodging and one day's meals shall be provided for the Sweepstakes judge. (add on here: once the Club has the ability to pay this. I can leave this out to be added later?)

V. Club Champion Title

Earn a Breed Club Championship!

Our members have the opportunity to earn a Breed Club Championship at dog shows throughout the United States. Once earned, the title of "Junior or Adult Champion" will be recorded and automatically entered on all **RTCA** registration certificates and pedigrees. Upon completion of a championship, you will receive a RTCA Champion Certificate suitable for framing.

The RTCA Championship Point System is based upon the AKC championship point system format. The AKC Point System is universally accepted as the most equitable system under which to win the title of "Champion." The AKC Point System format is the one used at most rare breed dog shows. This Point System ensures that only top quality Russian Toys are able to earn the honor of the title "Club Champion" in front of their names. The RTCA championship points can be earned through all accredited dog show organizations.

Requirements to Become a RTCA Champion:



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Only Russian Toys defeated in competition are counted toward the championship.

The RTCA will offer two types of Championships : Junior and Adult

A Junior Championship to be earned by dogs / bitches between 6 to 12 months of age, earning a total of 10 points with one major of at least 3 points .Points will be retained towards the Adult championship, an additional major of at least 3 points must be earned to finish out the required 15 points to earn the Adult championships.

Note : All Junior champions may not be moved up to the Champion class for Best of Breed.

Each dog must earn a total of 15 points acquired through accredited dog show organizations and with at least three different judges awarding points. (Maximum points awarded per show is 5 points.) Included in these 15 points are at least two shows called majors. Majors are shows with enough Russian Toys competing to be awarded 3 points, 4 points, or 5 points at any one show.. At least two majors have to be won under 2 different judges. Additional points can be earned as single points. For example, two majors with at least 3 points won at two shows (total of 6) and single points from several smaller shows (totaling 9) would equal the required 15 points. The number of points awarded to the winners are based on the number of Russian Toys shown per sex. The dog awarded Best of Winners wins the higher number of points per show. The dog must be a minimum of 1 year old to obtain the status of Adult RTCUSA Champion and pass the required health testing .Points that are earned on dogs less than one year will carry over to the adult championship provided an additional major is earned after the dog is over the required one year age limit .

Calculating Points for Winners Dog or Winners Bitch.

Your dog receives the points according to the number of dogs of your dog's sex competing in the regular classes.

Let's say that your Russian Toy is awarded Winners Dog. After accounting for absent, disqualified, and excused dogs, you determine that a total of 3 dogs competed in the regular classes. Assuming the point schedule listed below, he receives 2 points.

Now it's your turn...

A female Russian Toy wins Winners Bitch. four bitches competed in the regular



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classes. How many points did she earn as Winners Bitch?

Answer: 3 points

Winning More Points In the Breed Competition

Your dog can add to the points won in the Winners Class during the Best of Breed competition. If your dog wins:

Best of Breed

Count the total number of dogs in its sex plus the total number of Champions of both sexes entered in the Best of Breed competition to figure the number of points earned.

Best of Opposite Sex

Count the total number of dogs in its sex plus the total number of Champions of its sex entered in the Best of Breed competition to figure the number of points earned.

Best of Winners

This one is a bit different. If your dog is named Best of Winners, he is awarded the highest point level awarded between Winners Dog and Winners Bitch. Let's say that your Russian Toy beats out his sister for Best of Winners. If you'll remember the female Russian Toy received three points for Winners Bitch and the male Russian Toy received only two points for Winners Dog. Since your male Russian Toy took Best of Winners, he is awarded three points instead of two and receives one of the majors he needs for his championship.

Minimum Age of Dog to Earn Points:

Six months of age.

Who Can Participate: Participation in the RTCA Championship program is open to all RTCA members in good standing and their RTCA, AKC or UKC - registered Russian Toys .

How to Participate:

To participate and to have your Russian Toy's championship points credited towards its Championship, and then you must complete the RTCA "Win Sheet" and return it to the Championship Point Coordinator (Club Secretary). Win Sheets need to be turned in within 2 weeks of the show date, and only those dogs who win Winners Dog, Winners Bitch, Best of Winners, Best of Breed, Best of Opposite, Group Placement, or Best in Show are eligible to receive



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Championship or Ranking points .(Ranking points are not limited to champions only)

Ranking points are won by Russian Toys four months and older at accredited dog shows. The ranking points will determine who is **THE** top ranked Russian Toy for the year for the Club. To be honored with a Certificate at the annual Banquet and Awards dinner .

Championship Points are calculated as follows:

Schedule of Points									
1 Point		2 Points		3 Points		4 Points		5 Points	
Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches	Dog	Bitches
2	2	3	3	4	4	5	5	6	6

Ranking Points are calculated as follows:

Winners Dog - 25 points

Winners Bitch - 25 points

Best of Winners - 0 pts

Best Opposite Sex - 30 pts

Best of Breed - 50 pts plus the number of Russian Toys defeated

Group I - 100 points plus Best of Breed plus number of dogs defeated in Group ring

Group II - 90 pts plus Best of Breed plus number of dogs defeated in Group ring

Group III - 80 pts plus Best of Breed plus number of dogs defeated in Group ring

Group IV - 70 points plus Best of Breed plus number of dogs defeated in Group ring

Reserve Best in Show - 125 pts plus Group plus Best of Breed plus number of dogs

defeated in Best in Show ring

Best in Show - 250 pts plus Group plus Best of Breed plus number of dogs defeated

in Best in Show ring

Please call with any questions regarding the RTCA Championship System. Resolution 2012-1 will become void at the time the Russian Toys become AKC recognized to show in the Toy Group.