How to Count Points at AKC Dog Shows
This document has been created for you by the American Kennel Club® to help you understand the point schedule and how Championship points are counted. The American Kennel Club requires a dog to obtain a total of 15 points with two major wins (a major win is worth three points or higher) to become a champion. The majors must be won under different judges and at least one other judge must award some of the remaining points – so you need to win under at least three different judges.

You will see how to figure the points when your dog or bitch wins the Winners Class, Best of Winners, Best of Opposite Sex or Best of Breed.

Winners Dog – WD; Winners Bitch – WB; Best of Breed – BOB
Best of Opposite Sex – BOS; Best of Winners – BOW

How to Figure Points for Winners Dog and Winners Bitch
In the show catalog you will see a schedule of points for your breed that will look similar to this:

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Remember, point schedules vary by show location. If you are not at the show, make certain you get the points schedule for the event region where your dog won. Refer to the Schedule of Points.

To figure your points, count dogs competing in the regular classes of your dog’s sex. Then compare that number to the point schedule in your catalog.

EXAMPLE:
Total of class dogs
Total of class bitches
Total of Champion dogs
Total of Champion bitches

All Other Breeds & Varieties

How To Figure Points If Your Class Dog or Bitch Goes Best of Opposite Sex
Count class dogs in your sex plus all Champions and move ups, only of the same sex, that competed for Best of Breed.

EXAMPLE:
Total of class dogs
Total of class bitches
Total of Champion dogs
Total of Champion bitches

All Other Breeds & Varieties

How To Figure Points For Best of Winners
Count points first for Winners Dog, then for Winners Bitch. Whichever is awarded Best of Winners will receive the highest number.

EXAMPLE:
Total of class dogs
Total of class bitches
Total of Champion dogs
Total of Champion bitches

All Other Breeds & Varieties

How To Figure Points If Your Class Dog or Bitch Goes Best of Breed
Count regular class dogs in your sex, plus all move ups and Champions of both sexes entered for Best of Breed competition. Absentees do not count.

EXAMPLE:
Total of class dogs
Total of class bitches
Total of Champion dogs
Total of Champion bitches

All Other Breeds & Varieties

Sample
Work through the following examples and see if your answers are correct. We have put together a sample judge’s sheet to help you understand some of the possibilities.

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WINNERS WITHHELD        RESERVE WITHHELD
PLEASE ENTER CATALOG NUMBER IF AWARDED
I certify that in my opinion the WINNER 5 & RESERVE 9 are deserving of championship points on this day.

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WINNERS WITHHELD        RESERVE WITHHELD
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I certify that in my opinion the WINNER 20 & RESERVE 6 are deserving of championship points on this day.

BEST OF BREED COMPETITION

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WD goes BOB over the WB (2 pts in dogs and 3 pts in bitches = 3 pts for BOW)
WB goes BOW over the WD (2 pts in dogs and 3 pts in bitches = 3 pts for BOW)

TIPS: You only get the highest point count – you can not combine dogs and bitches points together.

Example: WD gets 2 pts and BOW is 3 pts. The award is 3 pts, not 5 pts.

WD (3 pts); WB (4 pts)
WD goes BOB (5 pts); WB goes BOB (5 pts)
WD goes BOS (5 pts); WB goes BOS (5 pts)
WD goes BOW over WB (4 pts); WB goes BOW over WD (4 pts)
WD goes BOW; WB goes BOS - Points for WD are (5 pts)

We hope the foregoing has helped you understand the point system, thus adding to your enjoyment of dog shows.

Now go to the Schedule of Points and work the above scenarios for your breed.

Should you have additional questions please refer to Chapter 16, Section 1, Rules Applying to Dog Shows.