

## 9. Annual Awards

### 9.1 General Policies (1/6/96 amended 6/01/01, 7/3/04, 7/2/10, 3/17, 3/8/25)

- 9.1.1 Any AKC Pomeranian that is owned or co-owned by at least one APC member, who has been a member for one calendar year and is in good standing with the Club shall be eligible for APC Awards and/or Certificates of Award.
- 9.1.2 The Awards Chair will receive a list of newly approved members monthly from the Membership Chair. (2/18)
- 9.1.3 APC shall pay for the Top Pomeranian reports required to compile monthly and end of year reports as reported by AKC.
- 9.1.4 APC shall pay for the Top Pomeranian awards reports, Breed and All-Breed, six times annually to be published in The Pomeranian Review. (11/19)
- 9.1.5 The competition year for the Annual Awards shall be January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>.
- 9.1.6 All titles, placements, dogs defeated, qualifying scores and/or points acquired shall be compiled and verified as reported by AKC with the exception of Scent Work as defined in section 9.10.
- 9.1.7 The APC shall give Annual Awards in the following categories: amended 7/24/10, 7/23/12, 1/16/19, 12/19)

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| 9.1.7.1 Breed – Dog         | 9.1.7.12 Obedience   |
| 9.1.7.2 Breed – Bitch       | 9.1.7.12.1 Novice    |
| 9.1.7.3 All-Breed – Dog     | 9.1.7.12.2 Open      |
| 9.1.7.4 All-Breed – Bitch   | 9.1.7.12.3 Utility   |
| 9.1.7.5 Owner Handled       | 9.1.7.13 Rally       |
| 9.1.7.6 Bred-By Exhibitor   | 9.1.7.13.1 Novice    |
| 9.1.7.7 Breeder             | 9.1.7.13.2 Advanced  |
| 9.1.7.8 Exhibitor           | 9.1.7.13.3 Excellent |
| 9.1.7.9 Sire                | 9.1.7.13.4 Master    |
| 9.1.7.10 Dam                | 9.1.7.14 Agility     |
| 9.1.7.11 Junior Showmanship | 9.1.7.14.1 MACH      |
|                             | 9.1.7.14.2 PACH      |
|                             | 9.1.7.15 Tracking    |
|                             | 9.1.7.16 Scent Work  |

9.2 Top Winning Pomeranians shall be awarded to the dog and/or bitch as noted in section 9.1.7 with the highest points as reported by AKC during the APC Awards year except as noted below.

9.2.1 Tracking. In case of a tie, the award will be given to the Pomeranian with a published track in the highest competition level.

9.3 Juniors. The Top 10 Junior Handlers receive a Certificate, and a Rosette with their name, placement and year on it. ((3/12/07, amended 1/16/19, 12/10)

9.4 Bred-By Exhibitor shall be awarded to members finishing at least two (2) of their Pomeranians in the Bred-By Exhibitor class during the APC awards year.

9.5 Breeder, Exhibitor (8/7/07, amended 6/22/09, 7/26/10, 3/19 12/19)

9.5.1 The Top 10 breeders and exhibitors shall be awarded to the APC member who bred and/or co-bred the most Pomeranians that completed titles in conformation, obedience, agility, and tracking competition during the APC awards year. No offspring may be counted more than one time.

9.6 Sire & Dam

9.6.1 Qualifying Titles

9.6.1.1 Champion – CH

9.6.1.2 Companion Dog – CD

9.6.1.3 Tracking – TD

9.6.1.4 Rally Advanced – RA

9.6.1.5 Agility. The first title earned in any of the following categories:

9.6.1.5.1 Novice Agility – NA

9.6.1.5.2 Novice Agility Preferred – NAP

9.6.1.5.3 Novice Agility Jumpers – NAJ

9.6.1.5.4 Novice Jumpers Preferred

9.6.1.6 Scent Work Detective

9.6.2 No offspring may be counted more than one time.

9.6.3 Top Producing Sire shall be awarded to the Pomeranian dog whose offspring complete the most titles during the APC awards year. Minimum of 4 offspring to qualify.

9.6.4 Top Producing Dam shall be awarded to the Pomeranian bitch whose offspring complete the most titles competition during the APC awards year. Minimum of 3 offspring to qualify.

9.7 Top Obedience Pomeranian is based on OTCH points earned. If there is not a Pomeranian that gets OTCH Obedience, Master points are used next, and if no OM points, the most number of UDX legs.

- 9.8 Top Rally Pomeranian is based on the total number of points and triple Q's dogs have earned from the Rally Master, Rally Excellent B, and Rally Advanced B classes. Dogs must have qualified and earned points in one of these classes to be eligible to be included on these reports; or must have earned at the least one triple Q. If there is not a Pomeranian that gets RACH points, Triple Q's are used next and if no Triple Q's points, the highest scores in RAE.
- 9.9 Top Dog in Agility events is based on the total number of points dogs have earned from either the Regular or Preferred Master Standard & Jumpers with weaves classes. Dogs must have competed and qualified in Regular or Master Standard & Jumpers with Weaves classes.
- 9.10 Top Scent Work Pomeranian will be determined by the number of qualifying scores in the [www.wesmellbetter.com](http://www.wesmellbetter.com) website. If there is a tie in the dogs' qualifying scores, the top dog will be awarded to the one that has more qualifying scores in higher levels.
- 9.11 Trophies
- 9.11.1 The Top Ten winners in all categories will be read and presented their trophies at the National Specialty Awards banquet. Titlist certificates for those dogs will be provided. Co- Owners that attend the National can pick up these certificates at their leisure from the Awards Chair or their delegate during the Specialty. The remainder will be mailed. <sup>(7/3/05, amended 2/18, 1/16/19)</sup>
- 9.11.2 The APC shall award Trophies for Top Breed Dog & Bitch, Top All-Breed Dog & Bitch, Top Owner Handled, Top Junior, Top Obedience, Top Rally, Top Agility, Top ScentWork, Top Tracking, Top Bred-By Exhibitor, Top Sire, and Top Dam.
- 9.11.3 APC will offer the co-owners of a dog that will be receiving an Annual Award trophy the option of purchasing, at their expense, their own copy of the award. The order and purchase price must be sent to the Annual Awards Chairperson by the deadline set by him/her. <sup>(5/1/02)</sup>
- 9.11.4 If there is a tie for the Top Category, then each winner be awarded a trophy. <sup>(4/03)</sup>
- 9.12 Certificates <sup>(3/8/09, amended 8/23/10, 1/16/19)</sup>
- 9.12.1 Only at a member's request shall the APC award Certificate of Awards to members completing AKC approved titles.
- 9.12.2 The APC shall award Certificates of Award for the Top 10 in all Categories except for Obedience, Rally, Agility, Tracking, Scent Work. <sup>(amended 1/26/10)</sup>
- 9.12.3 The APC shall award a Certificate of Award for the Top Pomeranian in Obedience, Rally, Agility, Tracking, Scent Work and the following subcategories: Obedience Novice, Open, and Utility. Rally Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master.
- 9.12.4 Breeder and Exhibitor Achievement recipients shall receive a plaque that has their name, kennel name, and year they became a member with ten (10) spots to place a tag with the years they were in the appropriate category. <sup>(2/18)</sup>
- 9.12.5 Awards or Certificate of Awards shall NOT be given out if an individual winner cannot be determined or verified by the Awards Committee.
- 9.12.6 All non-AKC recognized awards and sub-categories of awards that APC votes to acknowledge, be recognized by presenting a Certificate of Award, unless otherwise changed to a Trophy Award by a Board vote. <sup>(2/7/04)</sup>