

Chapter 7 Veteran Level

Unless stated otherwise in the following guidelines, all APDT Rally guidelines shall apply.

Eligibility

- Veteran Level is open to all dogs over the age of 8 with a valid APDT Rally registration number.
- Junior handlers may enter and show in this class with a valid Junior registration number. A separate Junior's course is not required.

Titles and Awards

- The title designation for this class is RLV
- In order to receive the RLV, three qualifying scores of 170 or higher, earned under two different judges are required as per General Rules and Guidelines.
- The Award of Excellence can be earned as per General Rules and Guidelines.
- A Championship title may be earned in this class. The title designation is RLVX. The RLVX can be earned after earning the RLV title and requires 5 qualifying scores of 170 or higher.
- The RLV title is not a pre-requisite for any other title nor is a title in any other class a pre-requisite for the Veteran's Class.
- Dogs entered in the Veteran's Class may also be entered in RL1, RL2 and/or RL3 levels (A/B classes)
- Qualifying ribbons, placement rosettes and Championship rosettes shall be awarded according to the guidelines set forth in Chapter 8 of the General Guidelines.

Course Design

- A Veteran Level course will consist of 12 exercises from any Level, plus Start, Finish and a Bonus Exercise from any Level. However, the following exercises cannot be used on a Veteran's course:
 - Halt-Leave Dog-Send Over Jump
 - Moving Backup
 - Moving Down
 - Sit-Down-Sit
 - Halt Leave Dog-Down on Recall
- A Veteran Level course can be the first 12 exercises of any Level course.
- Stationary exercises should not exceed 1/3 of the total number of exercises.
- Min. ring size is 40 x 50 ft.

Judges

- All Level 3 judges are automatically approved as Veteran class judges.

Scoring Guidelines

- All applicable Level 1,2,3 guidelines apply with the following exceptions:
 - Food may be given at any time during an exercise or between exercises.
 - Minimum course time does not apply.
 - One additional cue per exercise may be given without penalty.
 - Jump height may be set at any height without a modification form.

This class is performed off-leash.