

AKC Titles and Abbreviations

Applies to many different breeds besides German Shorthaired Pointers.

The American Kennel Club has many events in which titles are offered. Dogs who achieve these titles are entitled to have them listed on their pedigrees and certificates, and in event catalogues. These titles become an official part of a dog's record with the AKC.

The following list shows the abbreviations used for earned titles. Some titles are appended to the beginning of a dog's name, and others are appended after the dog's name. Note that titles earned in a foreign country, or under non-AKC rules and regulations, are not shown on an AKC pedigree.

Prefix Titles | BEFORE A DOGS NAME

Prefix:

Conformation Example: CH. Smokey of Happy Hill

Ch. - Champion

Obedience

NOC - National Obedience Champion

OTCH - Obedience Trial Champion

VCCH - Versatile Companion Champion

Tracking

CT - Champion Tracker (TD, TDX and VST)

Agility

MACH - Master Agility Champion

MACH2, MACH3, MACH4, etc. MACH may be followed by a number designation to indicate the quantity of times the dog has met the requirements of the MACH title.

Field Trials

FC - Field Champion

Herding (NOT FOR LABRADORS)

HC - Herding Champion

Dual

DC - Dual Champion (Ch. and FC)

Triple

TC - Triple Champion (Ch., FC and OTCH)

Coonhounds (NOT FOR LABRADORS)

NCH - Nite Champion

GNCH - Grand Nite Champion

SHNCH - Senior Grand Nite Champion

GCH - Senior Champion

SGCH - Senior Grand Champion

GFC - Grand Field Champion

SGFC - Senior Grand Field Champion

WCH - Water Race Champion

GWCH - Water Race Grand Champion

SGWCH - Senior Grand Water Race Champion

Suffix: | BEHIND DOGS NAME

Obedience Example: Smokey of Happy Hill.CD,TD.

CD - Companion Dog

CDX - Companion Dog Excellent

UD - Utility Dog

UDX - Utility Dog Excellent

VCD1 - Versatile Companion Dog 1

VCD2 - Versatile Companion Dog 2

VCD3 - Versatile Companion Dog 3

VCD4 - Versatile Companion Dog 4

Lure Coursing (NOT FOR LABRADORS)

JC - Junior Courser

SC - Senior Courser

NA - Novice Agility
OA - Open Agility
AX - Agility Excellent
MX - Master Agility Excellent
NAJ - Novice Jumpers with Weaves
OAJ - Open Jumpers with Weaves
AXJ - Excellent Jumpers with Weaves
MXJ - Master Excellent Jumpers with Weaves

Hunting Test

JH - Junior Hunter
SH - Senior Hunter
MH - Master Hunter
Herding Test
HT - Herding Tested
PT - Pre-Trial Tested
HS - Herding Started
HI - Herding Intermediate
HX - Herding Excellent

Earthdog (NOT FOR LABRADORS)

JE - Junior Earthdog
SE - Senior Earthdog
ME - Master Earthdog