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Tryouts Scoring Protocol

For each of the 5 Rounds, Candidates will be ranked based on faults first (**course faults plus time faults**) then by their total score (Time plus faults). The lowest scoring run will be dropped. Final Point total will be based on the best 4 out of 5 runs. Yards per second (YPS) will be tracked for each round for each dog and will be used when selecting dogs to run in Individual for AWC.

Rules and Regulations

To ensure reliable scoring, the FCI Judge will use the FCI Rules as defined in the document, *Agility Regulations of the Fédération Cynologique Internationale*, which will be in effect at the 2025 EO, SOAWC, JOAWC, and AWC events. Scoring will be adjusted to reflect all FCI rule changes that directly affect the 2025 events. For a copy of the FCI Agility Regulations refer to: <http://fci.be/en/Agility-45.html>).

Sanctioned Course Times

Sanctioned Course Time (SCT) for each round will be calculated by averaging the top two fastest times (before faults) and then adding **5%**.

Time Faults

Time faults are awarded based on the SCT as noted above. The actual amount of time over SCT will be added into the **Candidate's Faults** for the score for the Round. For example, if the SCT is 35:00 and Dog/Handler time is 36:05; 1.05-time faults will be awarded.

Course Faults

Faults on Course

A course fault (e.g., missed contact, dropped bar, etc.) **will have a fault value of 3.**

Refusals

Refusals will be faulted, and each refusal will **have a fault value of 3.**

FCI Course Faults		
Course Faults	Definition	Tryout Penalty
Knockdowns	When negotiating an obstacle, it is a fault each time any part of the obstacle (pole, wing, brick, long jump board, etc.) is knocked down.	fault value of 3
Refusals	The following actions are faulted with a refusal: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A dog that stops in front of an obstacle.• A dog that turns away from or runs by an obstacle, jumps between the tire and its frame, or goes under the pole of a jump.• A dog that puts its head or a paw in a tunnel and comes back out again.• A dog that jumps over a tunnel or jump wing.• A dog that takes the long jump from the side.• A dog that runs under or jumps over a contact obstacle.• Each incorrect weave entry is penalised with a refusal.	fault value of 3.



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FCI Course Faults		
Course Faults	Definition	Tryout Penalty
Contact Areas	A-frame and Dog Walk Seesaw - The dog must touch down contact with at least one paw or part of its paw. Seesaw - On the See-Saw, the dog must touch the up and down contact with at least one paw or part of its paw.	fault value of 3
Breakaway Tire	Tire breaks away when the dog goes through.	fault value of 3

Elimination

Eliminations in a Round will result in a fault score of 100 for that Round.

Reasons for Course Eliminations

Course Elimination Criteria	Notes
Wrong Course	Taking of obstacles out of sequence (an “off course”). Includes taking an obstacle in the wrong direction.
Exceeding maximum course time	Sanctioned Course Time (SCT) x 1.75 seconds
Dog taking or touching obstacles out of sequence	An off course or wrong course.
Dog taking an obstacle in the wrong direction	An off course or wrong course.
Non-completion of an obstacle, including the weave poles	The obstacle must be completed correctly before negotiating the next obstacle; failure to do so results in elimination penalty on the next obstacle.
Back-weaving	Back-weaving (more than 2 gates) results in an elimination penalty.
Replacing the dog at the start after it crosses the start line	Unless instructed to do so by the judge.
Starting the run before the judge’s start signal	
The handler leaves the ring (unless instructed by the judge)	
Handler interacting with equipment	Includes knocking down obstacles, as well as going over or under obstacles.
Dog fouls, leaves the ring, is no longer under control, or is constantly snapping at the handler.	
Handler holding something in his/her hand; Harsh handling of a dog.	

Points Placement Ranking

All dogs will be pooled together for Points Placement scores, whether applying for EO, AWC, SOAWC. For each Round, dogs will be ranked based on their score. The number of points available will be determined by the number of entries in each height. The number of Point Placement will be the number of dogs the entered for each height as of the start of Round 1.

The Points Placement ranking will be used as follows:

- Dogs will be ordered by ranking for each run based on their **faults score** (course faults + time faults) then by their total score (Time plus faults). This means that runs with 0 faults will be ranked first. Then points will be assigned in descending order.
- Points given will be the same for Agility and Jumping runs.
- Dogs earning an elimination will not earn Placement Points.

For Example: if there are 12 dogs entered in the height, the maximum points available per round is 12.

Example of Points Assigned for Agility and Jumping Run Placements



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Points per Placement												
Rank	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Points	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

Cumulative Points Ranking

The total Placement Points for the best 4/5 runs for each Candidate/dog team will be combined for a total cumulative points. These will be ranked in descending order to determine final cumulative ranking.

Posting of Results

Results will be posted for each Round. It is the Candidate's responsibility to check their results following each Round.

A list of results for all Candidates in each Round, Points Placement standings for each Round, and cumulative points will be posted following the completion of every Round.

SELECTION

To be considered for a spot on the EO/AWC team, the Dog/Handler team must run at least one Jumpers and one Agility round at Tryouts. If a Dog/Handler team switches to FEO at any time during Tryouts, their application for a spot on the EO/AWC team is nullified and they cannot be offered a spot.

EO ATC Selection

Refer to the table on above, **Points Assigned for Agility and Jumping Run Placements**, for an overview of the scoring system.

The ATC Selection Committee will allocate and approve entry for 32 dogs to the EO event (maximum of 8 dogs in any height category) selected through the Tryout process. Selection will be determined by jump height category for Large, Intermediate, Medium, and Small as explained below.

Note: Each handler can compete with maximum of 4 dogs at the EO.

Large, Intermediate, Medium, and Small Dog Selection – Win On (8 Spots) per Height

The top 8 Candidates in Cumulative Overall Points in each height will earn spots on the EO team. Any ties in Cumulative Points Placement will be decided by the total amount of points earned over all 3 Agility Rounds. The Candidate with the highest total in the 3 Agility Rounds will be ranked higher in the cumulative points. The Candidate (dog/handler team) must achieve a score in at least one round to be offered a spot on the EO team.

Reserve Positions

Two Reserve spots will be named per jump height. The Reserve can be called upon if a change occurs within the EO ATC roster. Changes may occur due to handler or dog injury, failure to meet veterinary requirements, etc.

Being named Reserve does not guarantee a competition spot on ATC if a competing member withdraws. ATC Team Management reserves the right to select from within the competing Team members if this is in the best interest of ATC.

AWC ATC Selection

Refer to the table above, **Points Assigned for Agility and Jumping Run Placements**, for an overview of the scoring system. The ATC Selection Committee will allocate and recommend to ATC Team Management entry to the AWC of Candidates selected through the Tryouts process as follows:

- 4 Candidates per size category (Small, Medium, Intermediate, Large) for the AWC Team event.



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- A maximum of 12 Candidates for the AWC Individual competition, with a maximum of 6 per size category (Small, Medium, Intermediate, Large).
- YPS will be tracked for each dog for each Round to be used by the Selection Committee to help determine which dogs will run the Individual event at the AWC.

Selected Candidates will be offered competition spots for the “Team Event” **and/or** the “Individual Event” at the AWC.

The final Team and Individual rosters will be given to the AWC Trial Secretary by the Team Leader just before the AWC event begins on September 17, 2025.

Team Event

The **top 3 Candidates** in each jump height will earn **Win On spots for Team** based on their overall Cumulative Points Placement ranking. Any ties in overall Cumulative Points Placement will be decided by the total amount of points earned over all 3 Agility Rounds. The Candidate with the highest total in the 3 Agility Rounds will be ranked higher in the cumulative points.

The final team spot will be decided by the Selection Committee based on the following:

Large, Intermediate, Medium, Small

- Candidates must finish in the top 25% in at least 1 Round.
- YPS for all 5 Rounds will be tracked.
- Type of faults

Individual Event

There are 12 total Individual spots available for ATC at the AWC. A maximum of 6 can be from any single height category. **One spot in Each height Category** (Small, Medium, Intermediate, Large) will be awarded a win-on.

One Win On spot will be awarded to the Candidate that places 1st in the overall Cumulative Points Placement ranking. If a candidate turns down their individual win-on spot, the Selection Committee will award the individual spot using the same criteria as the remaining Individual Spots as outlined below.

The remaining 8 Individual spots will be determined by the Selection Committee based on the following:

Large and Intermediate

- Candidates must finish in the top 5 in at least 1 Round.
- YPS for all 5 Rounds will be tracked.
- Type of faults

Small and Medium

- Candidates must finish in the top 3 in at least 1 Round.
- YPS for all 5 Rounds will be tracked.
- Type of faults

Reserve Positions

Two Reserve Candidate per jump height category is permitted on the FCI AWC entry. The Reserve can be called upon if a change occurs within the AWC ATC Team Event and/or Individual Event rosters. Changes may occur due to handler or dog injury, failure to meet veterinary requirements, etc.

Being named Reserve **does not guarantee a competition spot on the Team** if a competing member withdraws. ATC Team Management reserves the right to select from within the competing Team members if this is in the best interest of the Team. If an additional team member needs to be added to the roster at a later date, the ATC Management



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reserves the right to select the next dog/handler team that best compliments the team. Tryout results and how the dog/handler teams are currently running at the time this decision is required will be considered.

Special Consideration

If a Dog/Handler is unable to attend Tryouts, does not complete at least one jumper and one agility round at Tryouts, or is required to pull from Tryouts, an application for special consideration can be submitted. The reasons why the dog/handler was unable to attend, or complete Tryouts will need to be outlined in the application form. If this involved an injury to the dog or dog pregnancy, a veterinary note outlining the issue and supporting that the dog will be fit to compete at the EO/AWC level by one month before the competition date, must be submitted with the application. The completed and full application must be submitted **within 3 days after the completion of Tryouts**. This will be reviewed by the Management Team. If approved, the dog/handler information will be forwarded to the Selection Committee to be included in their consideration for selection for an Individual spot on the AWC team or a spot on the EO Team. Please note that consideration for a spot does not guarantee a spot.

A dog is eligible for Special Consideration if the dog/handler team has previous international experience or experience competing at that level. A video of two jumpers and two agility runs from an international event is required. If the dog/handler team was not part of a Canadian Agility team (of any organization), the video runs must be at the A3 level if in Europe, ISC level or from the US Open in the US, or from the Canadian Open. The course map must be submitted with the videos. Videos must be within 12 months of Tryouts 2025.