



## 2025 Dogs Victoria Agility Top Dog Finalist Selection Criteria

There will be separate competitions for **Top Dog Agility** and **Top Dog Jumping**. The following rules apply to each event:

### General Guidelines:

- Competitors must be **registered with Dogs Victoria** and **residents of Victoria**.
- **Trial Secretaries** must ensure that their results are correctly entered into K9entries. If results are recorded through other entry systems, these must be sent to [vicagilitycomm@gmail.com](mailto:vicagilitycomm@gmail.com) before **31 August 2025**.

**Selection of finalists for each competition will be made on the following basis:**

#### 1. Qualifying Period:

Passes must be gained at trials between **1 November 2024 and 31 August 2025**. The qualifying year has been shortened due to changes in dates, making it crucial for competitors to gain their passes within this timeframe.

#### 2. Eligible Classes for Passes:

Passes will be awarded from **Victorian Master and/or Elite Agility or Jumping classes**.

- **a. Interstate Passes:** A maximum of 3 passes from interstate events (including National events) may be nominated by competitors. These must be submitted by email to [vicagilitycomm@gmail.com](mailto:vicagilitycomm@gmail.com) before **31 August 2025** with copies of pass cards.
- **b. Restricted Trials:** Passes from Restricted Trials are **not eligible**.
- **c. Proof of Passes:** Competitors may be asked to provide proof of passes upon request.

#### 3. Qualifying Placings:

Placings from **1st to 10th** in Master and Elite classes are eligible, in accordance with ANKC Agility Rules.

#### 4. Pass Eligibility:

- **A maximum of 10 Master and/or Elite passes** will be considered for each of Agility and Jumping.
- **A minimum of 6 passes** is required to be eligible for each event.

## 5. Points Allocation for Passes:

Each pass will be awarded points based on the following table:

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
Elite	15	13.5	12	10.5	9	7.5	6	4.5	3	1.5
Master	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

## 6. Finalist Selection:

- Finalists will be determined based on **highest point totals**. The **maximum number of finalists** will be **20 dogs** for each event.
- Tiebreaker:** In case of ties, qualifiers will be determined by a **count back** (1st place, 2nd place, etc.).

## 7. Qualifying by Height:

- The number of qualifiers in each **height group** will be based on the total number of dogs with qualifying passes in **Master and Elite Agility or Jumping** classes during the 2024-2025 season.
- The number of placings eligible will match the number of dogs qualifying for each height.
- There is no guarantee that all height groups will be represented in the finals, depending on the number of passes earned.

## Top Dog Finals:

- The **finals** will consist of one round each of **Master Agility or Master Jumping** and will be held in height categories.
- There will be separate awards for **Top Dog Agility** and **Top Dog Jumping**.
- Finals will be held after **31 August 2025**.
- Dogs may be subjected to pass a **soundness check** before participating in the finals. This check will be performed by a veterinarian selected by the Committee on the day of the competition.
- Bitches in season** are eligible to compete in the finals, but competitors must inform the Committee if their bitch is in season prior to the start of proceedings.