



Rally Trial Guidelines and Titling International Windsprite Club

A. Rally Guidelines

The Show Chair will specify that World Cynosport Rally Limited (WCRL) rules will be followed, and details will be announced in the premium for each show (*effective 1/1/2026*). Dogs 6 months of age or older are eligible to compete for titles (*effective 3/1/2020*). WCRL rules can be found here: [RallyRegs Single Page](#)

Rally competition is open to any Windsprites (longhair or smooth) registered with the International Windsprite Club (IWC) WHO ARE 6 MONTHS OF AGE OR OLDER. These dogs may be intact or altered. There will be separate classes for Puppies (age 6 months to less than 12 months) and Veteran Dogs (age 9 years and over).

You may enter any class F.E.O. (for exhibition only - no ribbons or placements). "Training" in the ring will be permitted for dogs competing F.E.O: clickers, treats, toys allowed, but NO harsh corrections will be permitted. Be careful not to drop any food on the ground which could distract another participant.

If the Judge is also a Windsprite owner and wishes to compete in the trial, an experienced alternate approved in advance by the show chair/secretary must judge the run. Points will be awarded and applied to leg titles, but no placements for show results. Results should include the points scored and JC (for Judge's Class) in placements (*effective 1/1/2026*).

LEVELS:

- **Introduction.** The focus is on moving through a smooth-flowing course with the dog on-leash while testing proficiency in the basic exercises of heel, sit, stand, down, front, and finish. This class is designed as a positive introduction to Rally sport for those who have just completed training of obedience fundamentals. An Intro course has 10 exercise signs, which includes the bonus exercise sign.
- **Level 1.** The focus is on performing a course designed to demonstrate a foundation in teamwork in the fundamental exercises required for building a strong bond between handler and dog. The moderate length course tests proficiency in performance of a variety of turns and basic exercises demonstrating sit, stand, down, front, and finish with the dog on-leash. A Level 1 course has 14 – 16 exercise signs, which includes the bonus exercise sign.

- **Level 2.** The focus is on performing a course designed to demonstrate confidence in the fundamental skills, while building the dog's willingness to work with their handler off-lead. The moderate length course tests proficiency in the fundamental skills through an expanded array of exercises with the dog off-lead and introduces control skills while working at a distance in preparation for a wider range of behaviors at next level. A Level 2 course has 16 – 18 exercise signs, which includes the bonus exercise sign(s).

B. IWC Titling Requirements

- Rally Obedience Introduction (ROI); 3 legs with qualifying scores of 170 or better on Intro Level courses (*effective 9/1/2023*).
- Rally Obedience Novice (RON); 3 legs with qualifying scores of 170 or better on Level 1 courses.
- Rally Obedience Advanced Level 1 (ROA-1); a total of 6 legs on Level 1 courses, any 3 of which will have scores of 180 or better.
- Rally Obedience Champion Level 1 (ROCH-1); a cumulative total of 9 legs on Level 1 courses, any 3 of which will have scores of 190 or better.
- Rally Obedience Advanced Level 2 (ROA-2); a total of 6 legs on Level 2 courses, any 3 of which will have scores of 180 or better.
- Rally Obedience Champion (ROCH-2); a cumulative total of 9 legs on Level 2 courses, any 3 of which will have scores of 190 or better (*effective 1/1/2026*).

Note: a dog is not required to have a ROI title to compete in Rally Level 1, and a dog is not required to have Rally Level 1 titles to compete in Rally Level 2.