

Below is a condensed version of the AKC Rules concerning whether you can enter the A Class or must enter the B class. Please review Chapter 3 in the Rally Rules and Regulations. Link is found on the details portion of online entry form.

### **Novice A**

Dog Does not have **any** AKC Obedience Title  
including optional Titles or Rally Novice Title  
AND

Handler has not handled another dog that has won **any** Rally or Obedience title. AKC

Virtual Obedience titles do not impact the eligibility for a **dog or handler** in this class.

AND

Handler is the owner, member of owner's household or immediate family

### **Novice B**

Does not qualify for Novice A

AND

Has not earned a Leg in Advanced Rally

### **Intermediate**

Dog has earned a Rally Novice Tittle

AND

Dog has not earned the Rally Advanced Title

### **Advanced A**

Dog has earned a Rally Novice Tittle

AND

Dog has not Earned the Rally Advanced Title

AND

Dog has not earned any Obedience title. AKC Virtual Obedience titles do not impact the eligibility for a **dog** in this class.

AND

Handler is the owner, member of owner's household or immediate family

### **Advanced B**

Does not qualify for Advanced A

But

Must have earned Rally Novice Title

Dog can continue to compete in this class indefinitely

### **Excellent A**

Dog has earned the Rally Advanced Title

AND

Dog has not earned the Rally Excellent Title

AND

Dog has not earned any Obedience title. AKC Virtual Obedience titles do not impact the eligibility for a **dog** in this class

AND

Handler is the owner, member of owner's household or immediate family

### **Excellent B**

Does not qualify for Excellent A

BUT

Dog has earned the Rally Advanced Title

Dog can continue to compete in this class indefinitely

### **Master**

Dog must have won the Rally Excellent Title

### **Choice**

**Any dogs are eligible to enter this class and may continue to compete indefinitely. There are no jumps in this class and all signs are judged off leash. Verbal encouragement, multiple commands, and/or inaudible signals using one or both arms and hands are allowed; the handler's arms need not be maintained in any particular position at any time. Penalties will be assessed for handlers clapping their hands, patting their legs, touching the dog or any physical corrections. Failure of the dog and handler to perform the sign correctly on the first attempt will result in a ten-point deduction for an incorrectly performed (IP) sign, and the handler should move along without attempting a retry. For additional scoring information, please reference Chapter 2, Section 30, Scoring.**

**The Choice course will have 15 to 20 signs (Start and Finish not included) with a minimum of three and a maximum of seven stationary signs. Courses will have a minimum of four Master level signs, a minimum of three Excellent level signs, and a minimum of three Advanced level signs. When this class is being judged by the same person judging the Master class, the course will be the same except the jump will be replaced with any other class sign.**

**Section 19. Rally Choice Class Title. The letters RC may be added after receiving 10 qualifying scores under at least two judges.**