



# Special Reward Classes



Please note that you may only enter a **maximum of 3** Rally classes. Please read the Eligibility section carefully, especially if you are entering Veteran. All special classes are capped at 50 entries.

## Guidelines for all Special Reward Classes

All the Special Classes this year allow the use of rewards and aim to provide the opportunity for handlers to reward their dogs in a competitive ring set-up. Rewards may be food and/or a silent toy at the handler's choice. All special reward classes will provide a minimum of 3 rewarding opportunities, at least one of these will allow rewarding in place at the end of a static exercise.

Each class will include at least one reward area which will contain a table or box to allow the handler to pre-place their reward(s) if they wish. Rewards may also be carried concealed upon the handler's person, but not carried in the hand. Food rewards should be throwable food (i.e. that will not break up) in a sealed container.

## Scoring for Special Reward Classes

All the special classes will be scored in the same way as a standard class. However, for the special classes only, the following will earn a 10-point deduction instead of an "NQ":

- Touching the dog to prompt an exercise
- Exceeding course time (unless an EMR for time has been approved)
- Consistently tight lead
- Handler misses or does not attempt an exercise

*Please note that Special classes are not Qualifying classes so do not count towards titles or progression.*

## Special 'RALLYMPICS' Reward Fun Class



Open to competitors from all Levels.

This year we are celebrating the Paris Olympics with a themed fun class. The judge may include exercises from all levels, with possibly some added extras in the form of unique exercises and additional twists.

*NB: If our judge chooses to use a jump and a dog under 12 months is entered, then the pole will be laid on the ground for that dog.*

## Special Level One Plus Reward Class

Open to dog and handler teams who do not yet have a Level 3 title.

There will be 8-12 exercises from Levels 1-3, all of which must be able to be performed on lead. There will be a minimum of 2 static positions and a maximum of 8. There will be no separate Bonus Exercise as the judge will award bonus points for effective use of your rewards. The judge may choose to use a bonus exercise within the course.

The course may be worked on or off lead at the handler's choice. If working on-lead there will be a section which can be attempted off lead if the handler wishes. The judge will indicate where to remove, and then reattach, your dog's lead.

## Special Level Three Plus Reward Class

Open to all dog and handler teams over 12 months old, however, this class is aimed at those working Level 3 and above so will be worked off lead.

There will be 12-17 exercises from all Levels, but limited to a maximum of 2 Level 5 exercises and 2 Level 6 exercises. There will be between 2 and 12 static positions and a maximum of 2 jump exercises. There will be no separate Bonus Exercise, instead bonus points will be awarded for effective use of rewards, however, the judge may choose to use a bonus exercise within the course.