

# Application Criteria

- The owner must be a member of CTCC in good standing.
- In the case of co-owned dogs, the owner applying for the award must be a CTCC member in good standing at the time of application.
- Deceased dogs are eligible if the owner was a member of CTCC in good standing during the lifetime of the dog.
- All necessary documentation must be completed and submitted to the Versatility Award Committee for review.
- Only Cairn Terriers are eligible for the Versatility Award.



## Purpose of the Versatility Award Program

- To recognize and preserve the inherent traits of Cairn Terriers.
- To encourage participation in activities showcasing the traits characteristic of Cairn Terriers.
- To enrich the lives of our dogs.
- To recognize the achievements of owners and their dogs.
- To acknowledge the hours of work, patience and dedication given by owners in the process of earning titles.

Submit completed application forms to:

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Cairn Terrier Club  
of Canada

Versatility Award  
Program

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The Versatility Award Application Form  
is available on the Cairn Terrier Club of  
Canada website.

[www.cairnterrierclub.ca](http://www.cairnterrierclub.ca)

## Fearless, assertive, hardy, determined, agile, intelligent and playful!

Cairn terriers were originally bred as working dogs, assisting farmers in ridding fields of vermin. They were bred to work independently and problem-solve on their own without direction from handlers. Cairn Terriers excel at activities like earthdog and barn hunt, which replicate the purpose for which they were bred. With hard work and good training, Cairns can also excel in many other activities far removed from the purpose for which they were bred. Participating in activities with your Cairn will enrich your lives and strengthen the bond you share as a team.



## Categories

1. Conformation
2. Earthdog and Barn Hunt
3. Scent Sports: Tracking, Scent Detection
4. Obedience, Rally Obedience
5. Agility
6. Athletics: Flyball, Scent Hurdling, Lure Coursing
7. Entertainment Events: Tricks, Theatrical Performance
8. a) Temperament, Therapy Work and Service Dog  
b) Miscellaneous Titles and Achievements

### CTCC Versatility Award requires:

- 7 or more points
- activities from at least 3 Categories

### CTCC Versatility Excellent Award requires:

- 12 or more points
- a minimum of 2 points in each of 4 Categories. (Where there is more than one activity in a Category, the 2 points must be achieved in a single activity, with the exception of Category 8 where the two points may be accrued from different activities.)
- at least one title in Conformation or Earthdog/Barn Hunt



## Guiding Principles

Earning the awards is challenging, but achievable.

Points are awarded for achievement, not just for effort.

Not all titles are awarded points and not all titling organizations are recognized.

For some titling organizations, only higher-level titles are awarded points.

No additional points are awarded for titles higher than those listed in the tables.

Versatility Excellent Award recipients must show engagement in a variety of dog sport activities, and also demonstrate advancement beyond a beginner's level in several of these activities.

Versatility Excellent Award recipients must also show that the dog conforms to the breed standard in structure/temperament and/or function, so must have earned a conformation or an earthdog/barn hunt title.