VERSATILE SCHIPPERKE AWARD PROGRAM
Celebrating Success

This program is a way to acknowledge and recognize teams that participate in multiple events; it is a complimentary program to other SCA companion event awards such as Obedience/ Rally/ Agility Top 20. It is to encourage Schipperke owners to show off our unique breed in different activities and venues (at least one owner of record must be a SCA member in good standing).

Both the Versatile Schipperke (VS) and Versatile Schipperke Excellent (VSX) awards allow teams to chart their own path – with 14 categories to choose from, you can select activities that suit your interests, aptitudes, and local availability. Within each category are “*” points – points are cumulative, but not additive within the same line. Using Category 2 as an example: Fido has achieved the Beginner Novice (BN) and Rally Advanced Titles (RA) he counts 1* for BN, 1* for RN (as RN precedes RA) and then 2* for RA for a total of 4* for Category 2. If Fido has RN & URO1, it is still 1* as they are on the same line.

VS requires titles or awards in three categories and a total of 7 points (stars). VSX needs 12 stars from four categories and one of those categories must be from either Category 2 (obed/rally) or Category 3 (agility). Applying for the award is simple – provide an AKC, UKC or applicable title report or certificates, fill out the application, and email the packet to 3chipsandagirl@gmail.com or agilityschimp@gmail.com. If you wish to mail hard copies, contact the committee for the address and do not send original documents.

To obtain your AKC report you need to access (or create) your account at www.akc.org add your dogs, click on Titles and Points, and then Printer Friendly Page. UKC has an online point check system https://www.ukcdogs.com/points-check scans or photos of other title certificates from other registries are also accepted.

For dogs that have achieved VS and VSX in the same year, (Congratulations!) you can either apply for VS or VSX during the calendar year, but not both. Points never expire. Dogs may only earn one VS and one VSX in a lifetime. Because this is new award, teams that completed necessary points for either VS or VSX in 2017 or 2018 may apply now.

Teams will be recognized at the annual awards ceremony, as well as in the SCA National Specialty Catalog. To allow sufficient time for processing, applications are due by December 1. Special Awards provided by donations from the Performance and Companion Dog Event Liaison Committee fund raising campaign.

Coincidentally, AKC recently initiated their Achiever Dog Certificate Program, which is a fantastic prelude to the VS award. Achiever Dog is based on qualifying scores in three different activities, not on titles earned, so while you are on your journey to VS/VSX it’s likely that you’ll be recognized by AKC for your dog’s achievement in multiple sports. You can learn more about Achiever Dog at http://www.akc.org/events/achiever-dog The VS and VSX awards celebrate the intelligence, athleticism, and work ethic of this amazing breed, join us in recognizing your accomplishments and achievements by submitting your VS application.