

## 5. National Competition Scoring System

For competitors in a National Championship event, objectives have not changed. For standard and jumpers rounds the emphasis is first running clean and second running quickly. In gamblers the emphasis is on obtaining the highest number of points in the opening and then successfully completing the closing gamble. (One difference is there is no minimum number of points required in the opening to be eligible for the points awarded for a successful closing gamble).

### 5.1. An Example:

In order to demonstrate the use of the National Championship Scoring System the following sections will work through scoring a National event, class by class illustrating the different options that may occur. This fictitious National Championship will use the following dogs/handlers:

Dog Height	Arm Band	Call Name
8 inch	1801	Jet
16 inch	1601	Fly
16 inch	1602	Seth
20 inch	2001	Kyrie
20 inch	2002	Cobb
20 inch	2003	Able
20 inch	2004	Cain

The dogs and courses used here as examples are not intended as real world examples and any similarity to dogs real or fictitious is purely coincidental.

*NOTE: When calculating SCT for Standard, Jumpers and closing Gamble times, all numbers should be rounded to the nearest whole second. Also applicable to the 20% added for Veterans in all classes, the 20% additional closing gamble time for mini dogs, and the %10 additional closing time for medium dogs. The calculated time is rounded up if 0.5 sec, or >0.5 sec or down if <0.5 sec.*

#### 5.1.1. Standard

In the first standard event to be judged by John Wayne, the course has a yardage of 168 yards, which results in an open standard course time (SCT) of 54 seconds, medium SCT of 60 seconds and a mini SCT of 65 seconds.

This allows AAC to fill out the upper section of a Standard Score Sheet with the following information:

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Event Name	National Standard Event #1
Event Base Points	100
SCT Open	54
SCT Medium	60
SCT Mini	65
Total Yards	168
Judge	John Wayne

The dog information above will be filled in beforehand. Adding in the information above, the standard event score sheet will appear as show below (some columns have been eliminated for brevity):

Arm Band	Call Name	Base Points	SCT	Course Time	Time Faults	Time Bonus	Course Faults	Total Faults	National Event Points
8 inch dog									
0801	Jet	100	65						
16 inch dogs									
1601	Fly	100	60						
1602	Seth	100	60						
20 inch dogs									
2001	Kyrie	100	54						
2002	Cobb	100	54						
2003	Able	100	54						
2004	Cain	100	54						

Dog runs with no course faults and under the SCT

Jet, a mini 8" dog, runs with zero faults and in 54 seconds. Jet's SCT minus course time would be (65-54). As it is a positive number there are 0 time faults, and a time bonus of 11 seconds are awarded. Jet did not receive any course faults, so the course faults and total faults are zero. Jet's Regional Championship points are therefore the base points plus the time bonus.

(100 +11 = 111).

Dog runs with course faults and under the SCT.

Fly, a medium 16" dog, takes a wrong course penalty (20), a non-completion penalty (20) and a refusal (5), but runs in 51 seconds. Fly received 45 course faults so her total faults are her time faults (zero) plus her course faults (45), which equals 45. Fly's National points are therefore the base points (100) minus her total faults (45). Although Fly has a time bonus she does not receive it, as she did not run clean so her National Championship points are 55.

$(100 - 45 = 55)$

Dog runs with no course faults but over the SCT.

Cobb, a 20" dog, runs with zero course faults but in 67 seconds. Cobb's time faults are course time minus SCT or  $(67-54)$  equals 13. A positive number is recorded as time faults. Cobb ran clean so his total faults are just the time faults and his National Championship points are the base points minus his total faults and equals 93.

$(100 - 13 = 87)$

Dog runs with course faults and over the SCT.

Able runs with 2 bars down (5 faults each) in 63 seconds. Able has time faults  $(63-54)$  equals 9 and also has 10 course faults, so her total National Championship points are equals 81.

$(100 - 19 = 81)$

Arm Band	Call Name	Base Points	SCT	Course Time	Time Faults	Time Bonus	Course Faults	Total Faults	National Event Points
8 inch dog									
0801	Jet	100	65	54.00	0	9.00	0	0	111.00
16 inch dogs									
1601	Fly	100	60	51.00	0	9.00	45	45.00	55.00
1602	Seth	100	60	62.00	2.00	0	0	2.00	98.00
20 inch dogs									
2001	Kyrie	100	54	52.00	0	2.00	10	10.00	90.00
2002	Cobb	100	54	67.00	13.00	0	0	13.00	87.00
2003	Able	100	54	63.00	9.00	0	10	19.00	81.00
2004	Cain	100	54	37.00	0	17.00	0	0	117.00

### 5.1.2. Jumpers

A jumpers round is scored in a manner similar to a standard round. The only difference is that the base point value for a jumpers round is 75 points. As the standard round and jumpers round are similar, no example will be provided.

### 5.1.3. Gamblers

Our fictitious gamblers round will be judged by Jean-Luc Picard. The gamblers course will have a 40 second opening. For closing times: Open: 15 seconds, Medium: Open +10% (16.5 seconds rounded up to 17 seconds), Mini: Open+20% (18 seconds). This fills in the top of the event score sheet as follows:

Event Name	National Gamblers Event # 1
Successful Gamble Points	35
SCT Open	55 (40 sec. opening plus 15 sec. closing)
SCT Medium	57 (40 sec. opening plus 17 sec. Gamble)
SCT Mini	58 (40 sec. opening plus 18 sec. Gamble)
Total Yards	N/A
Judge	Jean-Luc Picard

The dog information would appear like this:

Arm Band	Call Name	SCT	Course Time	Time Bonus	Course Points (x1.2 for vets)	Gamble Points	National Event Points
8 inch Dogs							
0801	Jet	58					
16 inch Dogs							
1601	Fly	57					
1602	Seth	57					
20 inch dogs							
2001	Kyrie	55					
2002	Cobb	55					
2003	Able	55					
2004	Cain	55					

The following scores will describe the possible scoring options:

Dog runs and completes the gamble under time (successful gamble).

Seth amasses 37 points in the opening and completes the gamble successfully in a total of 54 seconds (this includes the opening time). Seth would then receive National points of 37 points for the opening plus 35 points for a successful gamble plus 3 points for the 3 seconds less than the SCT it took for him to complete the course for a total of 74.5 National Championship points.

$$(37 + 35 + 3 = 75)$$

Dog runs and completes the gamble over time (failed gamble).

Kyrie amasses 49 points in the opening and completes the gamble but not before the whistle blows at a total time of 59 seconds. Kyrie's National Championship points are therefore 49 points for the opening plus zero for the failed gamble plus a zero time bonus.

$$(49 + 0 = 49)$$

Dog runs and does not successfully complete the gamble.

Able amasses 34 points in the opening but fails the gamble quickly so that her time is 42 seconds. Able's National points would therefore be 34 points for the opening plus zero for the failed gamble plus zero time bonus because she did not successfully complete the gamble, for 34 National Championship points total.

$$(34 + 0 = 34)$$

This would result in this completed Gambler Event sheet:

Arm Band	Call Name	SCT	Course Time	Time Bonus	Course Points (x1.2 for vets)	Gamble Points	National Event Points
8 inch Dogs							
0801	Jet	58	48.00	10.00	29	35	74
16 inch Dogs							
1601	Fly	57	55.50	1.50	23	35	59.50
1602	Seth	57	54.00	3.00	37	35	75.00
20 inch dogs							
2001	Kyrie	55	59.00	0	49	0	49.00
2002	Cobb	55	57.00	0	4	35	39.00
2003	Able	55	42.00	0	34	0	34.00
2004	Cain	55	46.00	9.00	54	35	98.00

NOTE: Veteran dogs will have their CP (points earned in the opening) multiplied by 1.20. Their opening time will be 40 seconds, but they will receive 20% more gamble time in accordance with AAC Rules. Points earned for successful completion of the gamble will be 35. (Gamble points will not be multiplied by 1.20.)

**5.1.4. Aggregate Results**

Points earned in each event will be transferred to the National Aggregate Sheet and after all events are run the total National points will be summed for each dog.

Arm Band	Call Name	Standard Event #1	Standard Event #2	Jumpers Event #1	Jumpers Event #2	Gamblers Event #1	Gamblers Event #2	National Event Points
8inch dogs								
0801	Jet	111.00	45.00	55.00	78.00	74.00	32.00	395.00
16 inch dogs								
1601	Fly	55.00	60.00	70.00	35.00	59.50	69.00	348.50
1602	Seth	98.00	30.00	65.00	12.00	75.00	32.00	312.00
20 inch dogs								
2001	Kyrie	90.00	35.00	70.00	35.00	49.00	29.00	308.00
2002	Cobb	87.00	25.00	55.00	55.00	39.00	24.00	286.00
2003	Able	81.00	72.00	40.00	15.00	34.00	23.00	265.00
2004	Cain	117.00	90.00	4.00	10.00	98.00	84.00	403.00

This would mean that in the 8 inch division the placing would be:

1<sup>st</sup> Jet

This would mean that in the 16 inch division the placing would be:

1<sup>st</sup> Fly

2<sup>nd</sup> Seth

And in the 20 inch division the placing would be:

1<sup>st</sup> Cain

2<sup>nd</sup> Kyrie

3<sup>rd</sup> Cobb

4<sup>th</sup> Able