

# SCA Annual Top Racing Awards Rules



1. Read general rules 1, 2, 6 and 7 from the AYS. They apply to the awards within this category.

2. The following categories will each be awarded a SCA Top Racing Award, along with 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places.

## **Dryland Events:**

- a. Gig Sprint(Speed) racing (Gig is a wheel conveyance as described by the RGO)
- b. Gig Mid-Distance racing (Gig is a wheeled conveyance as described by the RGO)

## **Snow Events**

- a. Skijor racing
- b. Sprint sled racing
- c. Distance sled racing (Distance is defined as meaning races classified as mid distance and/or distance by the Race Giving Organization.)

3. There must be a minimum of 2 applicants for a category, before an award will be given.

4. Points for these awards shall be based on races held during the twelve-month period between July 1<sup>st</sup> and June 30<sup>th</sup> of the application year.

5. Points for these awards shall be based on results from racing events held in the United States or Canada under the direction of the International Sled Dog Racing Association, Inc. (ISDRA) member club or other organized club races run according to standard ISDRA type rules. The race results must be published either in a club newsletter or bulletin or at Sled Dog Central official website ([www.sleddogcentral.com](http://www.sleddogcentral.com)) or the Race Giving Organizations (RGO) official website for verification. Copies of these documents are required with the appropriate paperwork for verification by the Annual Awards Committee.

6. Distinction between an event as “sprint” or “distance” will be based on how the RGO classifies an event, not solely on the distance raced.

7. A verification form for each race competition must be submitted, and must accompany the SCA Top Racing Tabulation form. Either the race marshal/the official race timer may sign the verification form at the completion of the race or the official signature is waived in lieu of copies of published results.

## **8. Requirements for submission:**

- a. A musher may submit one team or an individual Samoyed per category as long as all requirements for the award are met.
- b. A team is defined as being the same Samoyed(s) that race together over the racing season.

- c. A musher may apply for multiple racing awards, across various event categories, if all criteria for each award are met. A musher may submit no more than one application per event category.
- d. Teams must be made up of 75% Samoyeds for **all** type of races to qualify for this award.
- e. Samoyeds submitted as an individual must have run 50% of the submitted races with the same team (defined in 8b) and meet all other criteria.

**9. The following requirements are for dryland sprint, and snow sprint and skijoring events:**

- a. Four races are required per category: gig sprint, sprint sled and skijoring
- b. All **dryland sprint** races must be at least 2 heats. If conditions merit canceling a heat by the RGO, then tabulations will be based on the results of that one heat.
- c. All **snow sprint and skijor** races must be at least 2 heats with minimum of 3 miles per heat. If conditions merit canceling a heat by the RGO, then tabulations will be based on the results of that one heat.
- d. All 100% Samoyed teams will receive 3 extra points per race.
- e. **Formula per race:** actual total race miles divided by your final race time (decimal hours) = your speed = your points per race  
 --To calculate your miles per hour (mph) if the race results are reported in the format: hours: minutes: seconds, HH:MM:SS.s (where hours, minutes and seconds are whole numbers) you first need to convert the time to decimal hours by the following formula:

Decimal hours = hours + minutes/60 + seconds/3600, then you use that value in the "hours" portion of miles per hours (actual total miles race divided by the decimal hours)

- f. **Total points** = sum of your points for the 4 events + 3 pts per race 100% Samoyed team.

**10. Mid-distance dryland gig and distance snow sled race events requirements:**

- a. Two races are required per category: mid-distance gig and distance snow sled.
- b. All 100% Samoyed teams will receive 3 extra points per race.
- c. Formula per race:  
 Your speed (mph) – [(50 – actual total race distance) x 0.012] = adjusted speed (points for race)
- d. One point for every 20 miles traveled in a race will also be added.
- e. Total points = sum of your adjusted speed points per race + 3 points per race that the team was 100% Samoyed + "d" (from requirement above)