

# We've Got Your Number!

## How to Get An AKC Number So Your Dog Can Earn an Official Title



To compete or earn AKC titles, your dog must have AKC number. We create titles at AKC by attaching the title to the dog's number. This number can be one of 3 types:

1. an **AKC registration number** (your purebred dog has "papers." You would have gotten these from the breeder), or,
2. a **PAL Number (Purebred Alternative Listing)** for purebred dogs of AKC breeds with no papers (such as rescue or shelter dogs), or,
3. an **AKC Canine Partners<sup>SM</sup> number** for mixed breed dogs, or dogs otherwise ineligible for AKC registration such as purebreds from other countries that are not AKC recognized breeds. All dogs can enroll in the AKC Canine Partners program.



**For PAL** (which used to be called ILP), see: [www.akc.org/reg/ilpex.cfm](http://www.akc.org/reg/ilpex.cfm)  
**For AKC Canine Partners**, see: [www.akc.org/canine\\_partners/](http://www.akc.org/canine_partners/)

## *Canine Good Citizen is Now a Title!*

Beginning in January 2013, CGC is a title that can be listed on your dog's record provided the dog has passed the CGC test and has an AKC number (of one of the 3 types above).

For CGC, owners may choose to pay \$8.00 for the CGC certificate only, or the \$20 title fee for having CGC listed as a title on the dog's record. AKC Community Canine (CGCA), the advanced level of CGC, is also an official title.

## *Why get a Title?*

When you get an official title at AKC, you can use the suffixes such as "CGC" or "CGCA" after your dog's name for the world to see your training accomplishments. Titles are listed in show catalogs. And maybe the best part of all is that your dog's name and official titles are listed in the AKC records forever.

**For more Information on  
Earning the CGC or AKC  
Community Canine Titles, see:**  
[www.akc.org/events/cgc/index.cfm](http://www.akc.org/events/cgc/index.cfm)

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Question or Need,  
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