

Master National and MARC Reciprocity - By Law Change



1. MARC has always allowed an amateur handled dog that passes the Master National to earn two (2) passes to the current qualifying period. However, the By Laws only allowed two (2) passes to be credited even if the amateur handled dog passed both national events.
2. The MARC Board has agreed to change its By Laws to allow an amateur handled dog that passes both the Master National and Master Amateur Invitational to be credited with four (4) qualifying passes to the following Invitational.
3. The current Master National ballot question would also result in full reciprocity. In other words, an amateur handled dog that passes both national events would be credited with four (4) qualifying passes for the Master National, as well the Master Amateur Invitational.
4. The MARC Board is in the process of amending its By Laws accordingly and will publish the revised language shortly. This is being accomplished in advance of the Master National vote on the change to its By Laws and to help clarify the MARC position
5. Regardless of the Master National ballot outcome, the amateur MARC member whose dog is handled by an amateur MARC member qualifies at both national events in the qualifying period; then your dog would be credited with four (4) qualifying master passes for the next Master Amateur Invitational.
6. The changes recognize the achievements of these talented Master Hunters. The change will also allow dogs to qualify by running fewer weekend tests, thus providing some small relief to the number of dogs entering weekend tests.

Thank you,
Bob Swift, *MARC President, and the MARC Board of Directors*