

**ROM Excellent**  
**Application for Award for Sire or Dam**

**Name of Maltese for which this ROMX application is submitted.**

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**Sex** \_\_\_\_\_ **AKC Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Register of Merit Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Maltese offspring who received Best In Show or National Specialty Best In Show win to qualify the above named sire/dam for this ROMX.**

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**Win awarded (check one):**

**Best In Show** \_\_\_\_\_ **National Specialty Best In Show** \_\_\_\_\_

**Show Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Award** \_\_\_\_\_

**The following information is attached to verify the above listed win.**

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**Name of all owners of Maltese for which this application is made.**

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**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

# **Explanation of ROMX and Verification:**

## **Explanation:**

The American Maltese Association offers a Register of Merit Excellent (ROM Excellent or ROMX) award to any Maltese owned or bred by an AMA member achieving that status. The criteria is as follows:

A Maltese who has already qualified and receive an ROM may add the “X”, if one of its offspring has won an all-breed or a National Specialty Best In Show. This award is retroactive for any Maltese that already has an ROM title. The award must be applied for under the same rules as applying for an ROM. A separate certificate especially for ROMX will be awarded to those qualifying.

## **Verification:**

1. The verification of a National Specialty Best of Breed win can be done through submitting a picture, as the sign will say Best of Breed and American Maltese Association records will confirm the award.
2. With an all-breed Best in Show win, since the picture will not identify which Maltese is actually winning the award, Gazette verification is necessary. The American Kennel Club does have records that an individual owner can request and submit to verify that a particular Maltese went Best in Show.
3. Verification for an all-breed Best in Show must be done through American Kennel Club records provided at the time of application.
4. A National Specialty Best In Show win is easier to verify and a picture of the award must be provided at the time of application