2026 Fidelis Cup Scoring and Prize Money

The Fidelis Cup is intended to reward **overall performance, speed, and control**, not a single run.

Prize money is awarded **daily**, based on combined performance across multiple classes. Each event weekend (Saturday/Sunday) offers **up to $1,000 total prize money** (**$500 per day**).

Eligibility

· The handler and dog team must be the same across all classes entered.

· Competitors may enter any or all eligible classes. However, only the **best four (4) weighted run scores** will be used.

· All classes are eligible for prize money scoring:

Agility: A1, A2, A3   **Jumping:** J2-1, J2-2, J3

· To be eligible for prize money on a given day, a dog must have **at least one non-eliminated (non-E) run** in an eligible class. Dogs with no non-eliminated runs are not eligible for prize money and will not be ranked.

Daily Combined Scoring

For each dog the **best four (4) weighted run scores** are summed to determine the daily total.

Adjusted Time

Each eligible run is scored using **Adjusted Time**, which combines speed and accuracy:

Adjusted Time = Raw Time + faults

- Standard faults and Refusals will each be scored 5 points each
- Eliminated runs (E) receive **no score**.

Normalized Run Points

To allow fair comparison across different courses, each run is normalized **within its jump height and class**:

Run Points = 100 × (Fastest Adjusted Time ÷ Dog's Adjusted Time)

- The fastest non-eliminated run in each height/class earns 100 points.
- All other runs are scored proportionally.

Run points are then weighted to reflect course difficulty:

- **Level 1 (A1): × 0.60**
- **Level 2: × 1.00**
- **Level 3: × 1.25**

Placings and Tie-Breakers

Dogs are ranked **within their jump height** by daily combined score.

Ties are broken in the following order:

1. Greater number of Level 3 non-eliminated runs
2. Lower total faults across counted runs
3. Faster adjusted time on the highest-level agility run

Prize Money Allocation

Daily prize money is allocated by jump height based on the **number of unique dogs entered** in eligible classes at that height.

If a jump height:

- has no entries, or
- has no eligible scores (all runs eliminated),

then prize money allocated to that height is returned to the **overflow pool** and redistributed.

Any unawarded prize money is redistributed among jump heights with eligible results, proportional to participation at those heights.

Payout Depth

Per jump height:

- **1–4 dogs:** pay 1 place
- **5–9 dogs:** pay 2 places
- **10+ dogs:** pay 3 places

Payout splits:

- **1 place:** 100%
- **2 places:** 65% / 35%
- **3 places:** 50% / 30% / 20%

NOTE: These rules apply to the Fidelis Cup scoring ONLY and do not affect standard class placements, qualifications, or titles.