

ACLC CARES Point System

Species Registration

- **Ten points** will be awarded for each species registered with the ACLC CARES Program. Registration points may only be earned once per species.(Yellow Dot)

- **Ten additional points** will be earned for each species registered with the main CARES program via their on-line registration system. Any species registered with the main CARES Program will automatically be registered with the ACLC CARES Program, however, there have been many issues getting species registered with the main program. Relying on this method of registering for the ACLC CARES Program can result in delays of many months. Thus, it is best to register for both programs separately.

Article

- **Ten Points** will be awarded for an article published in Tank Tales, describing the maintenance and breeding of a CARES species registered by the member. (Green Dot)

Longevity

- **Five points** will be awarded for each consecutive year a species has been maintained.(Red Dot) For example, a species is registered in 2020 - you get 10 points for registration for 2020. On the first anniversary of registration, you get 5 points toward the the 2021 awards. On the second anniversary, you get 10 points towards the 2022 awards, etc.

- **Five points** will be awarded each year a species is donated to the ACLC auction.(Blue Dot) Donation shall consist of a sexable pair or no less than 6 young at least one inch in total length (or half grown if adult size is less than 2 inches). Limit 5 points per species per year.

Proof that the species is still being kept can be confirmed by the following methods:

- (1) Donation of species to an ACLC auction
- (2) A dated video showing the species is alive and swimming in your tanks, submitted to the CARES chair
- (3) Bring an example of the species that is mature enough to identify to a meeting for confirmation by the BAP or CARES chair, or an executive officer of the club.

Distribution

- **Five points** will be awarded each time a species is registered in the ACLC CARES program from fish provided by the caretaker at an ACLC auction. (Orange Dot)

- **Ten points** will be awarded for each species distributed to other clubs. (Purple Dot) A copy of your auction report from that club after the auction will be evidence of distribution in that club or a witness from the ACLC club at that auction. Fish provided shall consist of a sexable pair or no less than 6 young at least one inch in total length. Limit of 10 points per species per club per year. For example, a member provides a species to NJAS - gets 10 points. The member provides the same species to PVAS - gets another 10 points.

Awards

CARES Member of the Year award will go to the person who accumulates the most points in the CARES program during the calendar year.

A plaque will be awarded for each species that has been maintained for 5 years and for which each of the major goals of the program have been achieved for the species (registration, breeding, distribution to ACLC, distribution to another club, an article written for Tank Tales).