

Pointing Breed Field Trials - Judges' Eligibility Requirements

For all Judges Information please review
Chapter 5 of the [Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedure for Pointing Breeds](#)

Prior to Apprenticeship

Minimum Age: 18 yrs.
Seminar: Strongly recommended
Handling Experience: Must have placed a dog at the level they intend to apprentice

Prior to Judging

Seminar: Strongly recommended
Written Test: Yes – score 85%+
Apprenticeship: Twice at stake to be judged *or higher under 2 different judges
Handling Experience: Must have a record of handling a dog or dogs to 5+ placements in adult stakes in any Pointing Breed field trials, *(Club's responsibility to monitor)* exception being made for persons that have judged 10 or more assignments at AKC field trials.

Field Trial Judges: Approved American Field judges are exempt from apprentice requirements (but are required to take written test).

To Maintain Ability to Judge

Seminars: No requirement
Written Test: No requirement
Frequency of Judging: No requirement

Judges Panel Qualifications

Previous Judging Experience: The two Judges of each stake must have a combined record of having judged at least 5 adult stakes in AKC or American Field

* Note for above use of “or higher” - Stakes are divided into three segments – puppy, derby, and broke dog. Within the broke dog segment, there is no difference between a gun dog and all-age stake for this purpose.