



AKC Scent Work Judge's Mentorship Certification

This form is for AKC Scent Work Judge Candidates, to provide proof of their optional Mentorship under an Expert Judge.

Section 1: To be completed by Judge Candidate

1	Candidate Name: _____	AKC Judge No. (if any): _____	
2	Expert Judge's Name: _____	AKC Judge #: _____	
3	Approximate length of Mentorship: _____		
4	Approximate number of contacts during Mentorship Period (Minimum 6): _____		
5	Type of contacts (check all that apply):	Email	Phone
6	What topics were addressed in these contacts? (check all that apply):		

General

- Science of Scent
- How Odor Moves
- Scent Vessels
- Odor Preparation
- Handler Discrimination Classes
- The Judge's Role at the Trial
- Cleaning Contamination

Dealing with Clubs/Exhibitors

- Judging Contracts
- Utilizing Stewards
- Handling Spectators
- Handling Upset Exhibitors
- Prohibited Collars/Harnesses

Course Design

- Hide Placement- Difficulty
- Hide Placement- Vessels/Concealment
- When to Relocate a Hide- Demo Dog
- When to Relocate a Hide- Contamination
- Odor "Cooking Time"
- Boundaries and Spectator Areas
- Containers- Cardboard Boxes
- Containers- Other
- Buried Containers
- Line of Sight Issues
- Accessibility Issues

Judging the Search Performance

- The Score Sheet
- Alert Confirmation for Accessible Hides
- Alert Confirmation for Inaccessible Hides
- When Faults are Appropriate
- When NQ Faults are Appropriate
- When a Re-Run is Appropriate
- ADA Accommodations

Mentorship Certification Form

Section 2: To be completed by Expert Judge

1 Please provide a few comments about the candidate and your interactions:

I certify that I acted as a mentor for the candidate listed above.

Signature:

Date:

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Office Use ONLY:

Does the expert judge believe this candidate is ready to be licensed?

Date of contact: