



AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB®

RAT TERRIER

The Rat Terrier will be accepted into the Terrier Group and eligible for competition in regular breed classes on **June 26, 2013**.

Upon completion of the exam with a passing grade and payment of the \$25 fee, all Terrier Group judges will receive automatic approval to judge this breed at shows held after June 26, 2013. Two or more missed questions or one DQ question is considered failing and you will be advised to retake the breed exam. If the exam is not passed on the second attempt it will result in the removal of the Group. (See Judging Approval Process effective, March 1, 2012)

Additional breed applications submitted for the balance of the Terrier Group received prior to June 24, 2013 will be required to be interviewed and a payment of \$25 on this breed at the time of the scheduled interview by the office. Applicants who fail the interview by the Executive Field Representative will not be approved to judge the Rat Terrier and as a result, regardless of the Judges Review Committee's decision on the balance of the group applied, will not be approved to judge the Terrier Group.

Individuals wishing to apply using the **Adjunct Method** must submit an application and a processing fee. Judging Operations will start accepting applications between **January 7, 2013 and June 24, 2013**. Those who miss the deadline must apply under the current system. Applications are available on the website or contacting Judging Operations.

APPLY UNDER THE ADJUNCT SYSTEM

AKC approved judges who can demonstrate significant background in the breed may apply to judge under the Adjunct System. Examples of "significant background" would be:

- Experience in owning, breeding, exhibiting and handling the breed.
- Background in judging multiple events with a significant number of entries.

First time applicants must have 10-12 years breeding experience, take and pass the Procedural and Anatomy Exams, have judged at AKC or Non-AKC events at least six times and stewarded at least 6 times at AKC® member or licensed events. (Procedural and Anatomy Exams must be requested through Judging Operations and submitted with application).

Applicants who meet these requirements may apply by requesting an application from Judging Operations in North Carolina at 919-816-3862 or judgingops@akc.org. Application may also be downloaded from www.akc.org/dog_shows_trials/conformation/judging_information.cfm