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POINTING BREED HUNT TEST CALL BACK PROCEDURE

It has been brought to the attention of the AKC that there can be uncertainty regarding how to judge the performance of a dog selected to point in order for another dog to demonstrate its ability to honor in the senior and master levels at Pointing Breed Hunting Tests. The following is the correct procedure to follow in this situation. This does not apply to dogs working together during their original brace; those dogs are to be held accountable for all their actions during the entire advertised length of their brace.

Set Up and Judging of Pointing Breed Hunting Test Call Backs

Ideally, a dog that requires a retrieve in order to complete the test level should be used to point and retrieve in front of another dog that requires an honor. In that case both dogs are under judgment and have the possibility of passing or failing depending on their actions. In the event there is a dog requiring an honor and no dog that requires a retrieve, a “set up dog” must be selected to point and retrieve. This dog shall not be considered under judgment during its role as a “set up dog”. If the dog participated in the test, a judge must not raise or lower the scores assigned during the original brace given the “set up dog’s” performance in a call back.