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PROCEDURAL EXAM (A)

Refer to “*Rules, Policies and Guidelines for Conformation Dog Show Judges*” and “*Rules Applying to Dog Shows*”

Mark your answers on the answer sheet and submit along with the application in the enclosed envelope.

1. A judge may withhold a ribbon if:
 - A. the dog has only one testicle but is not one year old.
 - B. the dog lacks sufficient merit.
 - C. the dog has been altered by surgical means.
 - D. the dog proves to be oversize or undersize for the class in which it is entered.
2. After you place your dogs, but before you mark your book, a competing exhibitor lodges a protest alleging that your first place dog is lame. In this situation, you:
 - A. deny the protest since it is impermissible to protest lameness.
 - B. call the veterinarian to assist you in making the determination.
 - C. regait the dog and if it is lame, excuse the dog, marking your book accordingly.
 - D. disqualify the dog.
3. You are judging a class of fourteen dogs and have marked your judge's book that entry #25 is absent. Then entry #25 arrives late and asks permission to enter your ring. You grant permission and do the following:
 - A. continue judging without noting the late arrival in your book.
 - B. mark your judge's book accordingly and then continue judging.
 - C. good procedure dictates that you never allow a late entry to enter your ring once you have begun to judge.
 - D. ask your steward to mark your judge's book and continue judging.
4. A protest may be made against a dog you are judging:
 - A. by an individual outside the ring.
 - B. by an exhibitor in the ring up until the time you have marked the judge's book.
 - C. by an exhibitor still in competition in the ring prior to every dog in the class being individually examined and gaited.
 - D. at any time during the judging of that breed.
5. You are judging an Open Dog class of 20 dogs. You have examined and gaited each dog individually. You are interested in further consideration of eight dogs and wish to see those eight dogs gait again. You should:
 - A. gait ten dogs to be certain you have not missed a good entry.
 - B. only regait dogs you are considering.
 - C. gait all twenty dogs again because it would be discourteous to do otherwise.
 - D. ignore your desire and decide on the four placements by having the entire class go around the ring since individually gaiting dogs takes too much time.

6. When judging Best of Breed competition, awards are designated in the following order:
- A. Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Best of Winners, Select Dog, Select Bitch.
 - B. Best of Winners, Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Select Bitch, Select Dog.
 - C. Best of Breed, Best of Winners, Best of Opposite Sex, Select Dog, Select Bitch.
 - D. Select Dog, Select Bitch, Best of Opposite Sex, Best of Winners, Best of Breed.
7. After one attempt at measuring an exhibit is unsuccessful due to the dogs' unwillingness to stand for measurement you should:
- A. accept the most accurate of your attempts and make the appropriate notations in your judge's book.
 - B. disqualify the dog because it could not be measured.
 - C. excuse the dog and note in your book, "Unable to examine/measure."
 - D. determine not to measure the dog and continue judging.
8. A judge must excuse any dog that
- A. menaces.
 - B. threatens.
 - C. exhibits any sign that it may not be examined in the normal manner.
 - D. all of the above.
9. A beginning judge should pass on a minimum of
- A. 15 dogs an hour.
 - B. 25 dogs an hour.
 - C. 18 dogs an hour.
 - D. 20 dogs an hour.
10. A judge with regular status in any breed should judge at least
- A. 20 dogs an hour.
 - B. 30 dogs an hour.
 - C. 25 dogs an hour.
 - D. 35 dogs an hour.
11. When doing your individual examination of a dog, you should:
- A. vary your technique.
 - B. examine each in approximately the same systematic manner.
 - C. examine the better ones more completely.
 - D. none of the above.
12. When judging the Best of Breed/Variety competition; which of the following entries are not eligible to be awarded Select:
- A. entries moved up to Best of Breed/Variety
 - B. non-Champion 1st place from Non-Regular class
 - C. winners dog/winners bitch.
 - D. all of the above.
13. A dog lunges to attack you as you approach in your examination, you must
- A. disqualify the dog.
 - B. excuse the dog.
 - C. send the exhibitor to the end of the line for reexamination later.
 - D. ask the exhibitor if the dog is safe to examine.

14. If you are a permit judge, upon arriving at the show
- A. you should tell the Superintendent that you are a permit Judge.
 - B. you should contact the Show Chairman and inform him/her that you are a permit Judge.
 - C. it is your responsibility to contact the AKC Field Rep at that show, advise him/her you are a permit judge and check back with him or her prior to leaving for the day.
 - D. there is no reason for you to notify anyone as to your permit status
15. You are not certain of the precise wording of a disqualifying fault, when confronted with a dog that may have the fault, you:
- A. make the necessary decision and continue judging.
 - B. ask the steward to obtain the Dog Book from the superintendent and read the appropriate section of the standard to you.
 - C. read the standard and then make the necessary decision.
 - D. none of the above.
16. A judge will not be approved to judge which of the following at events within 30 days and 200 straight line miles of each other:
- A. the same group.
 - B. the same breed.
 - C. Best in Show.
 - D. all of the above.
17. Judges may now solicit assignments to judge:
- A. True.
 - B. False.
18. A judge may allow a late arrival into the ring:
- A. up until all dogs have been gaited.
 - B. whenever they want.
 - C. up until the book has been marked.
 - D. they may not allow late arrivals.
19. Judges are allowed to handle dogs not owned or co-owned by them or a member of their immediate family.
- A. True
 - B. False
20. Judges and household members may own or co-own dogs solely for the purpose of handling.
- A. True
 - B. False
21. Cell phones & other electronic devices may be used in the ring to access breed standards.
- A. True
 - B. False
22. You are judging one day of a four-day cluster. A dog owned by you may be exhibited at the show on the other days.
- A. True
 - B. False

23. Weight or measurement of an exhibit can take place how many times at a single event?
- A. twice
 - B. once
 - C. up to three
 - D. all three levels (breed, group and best in show)
24. Once both legs of the wicket have been set at the desired height the wicket should be verified by:
- A. exhibitor
 - B. judge and exhibitor
 - C. steward
 - D. all of the above
25. Your Winners Dog does not return to the ring for Best of Breed judging. You should:
- A. award the Winners Bitch Best of Winners since she automatically beats the dog.
 - B. call in the Reserve Winners Dog, and make a note in your book explaining why, initialing it properly.
 - C. excuse the Winners Bitch, and make an appropriate notation in your book.
 - D. not award Best of Winners, and note in your book that "Winners Dog did not return for BB", initialing it properly.



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Enter your name, judges number, breed, and the date above. Please fill in the box for the correct answer like the sample below. **Mail in just the answer sheet in the enclosed envelope.**

Sample

0. ☐ A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D

Your Answers

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