

## **Retriever Field Trials – Judges' Eligibility**

### **Current Requirements**

Any person in good standing with the American Kennel Club, 18 year of age or over may be approved to judge Retriever Field Trials. The individual must take and pass a written test with a score of 85% or better. It is strongly recommended that such individuals have an extensive background in the sport.

The experience required to judge an all-age stake carrying championship points has been amended effective July 1, 2009 as follows:

No person who has not previously judged an all-age stake shall be approved to judge a stake carrying championship points unless that person has satisfied at least one of the following requirements: a) Completion of two assignments as an Apprentice Judge; or b) Completion of one assignment as an Apprentice Judge and experience as the judge of two, or more, minor stakes; or c) Experience as the handler of a dog in fifteen or more all-age stakes in the previous three years resulting in the award of a judges' award of merit or a place in, at least, one such stake.

There are no on-going requirements to maintain eligibility.