

Lone Star Hunting Retriever Club
Requirements for Recommendation as HRC Apprentice Judge
Started, Started to Seasoned, and Seasoned to Finished, and Upland

1. Must be a member in good standing with the HRC, Inc. and United Kennel Club, Inc. Provide copy of current HRC membership card and one dog's UKC registration.
2. Must be an active, participating member for at least two years and be in good standing with the Lone Star HRC. Must regularly attend LSHRC training days and club meetings. Must have volunteered and worked at the most recent LSHRC Hunt Test. LSHRC treasurer will verify dues are current.
3. Prospective judge will complete a LSHRC "Request for Recommendation" form and return to LSHRC President.
4. Must have successfully completed a state approved Hunters' Safety Course. Must provide copy of certificate with request form. Must have demonstrated good gun safety at LSHRC training days, licensed hunt test, and while hunting with fellow LSHRC members.
5. Has attended two HRC Judges and Handlers Seminars with at least one in the current or past year. Verify with HRC National Secretary.
6. Is thoroughly knowledgeable and compliant with all rules in the current UKC/HRC Rulebook.
7. Must have owned, trained, handled, and titled (with the exception of an SHR or UH title) his/her dog in the specified category of judging, and be able to provide a copy of a passed point slip earned within the prior ten years.
- 7a. Must be an avid upland or waterfowl hunter.
8. The individual agrees to uphold the Judges Code of Ethics as printed in the UKC Rulebook; and it is understood and agreed that the Judge License may be withdrawn, suspended, revoked, or not renewed by HRC, Inc. in its sole discretion and judgment at any time, with or without cause.
9. Exhibits patience with dogs and handlers at LSHRC events and licensed hunt tests.
10. Able to work well with others; ie: other judges, bird technicians, hunt test committees, and hunt test participants.
11. Able to take criticism and make necessary adjustments and corrections while apprenticing under another judge or judges.
12. Able to remain calm and collected in the face of an angry handler. Not short or ill-tempered.
13. Required: Present a full hunt test set up at the level they are requesting to judge, during a club training day. Present a handler's meeting – including gun safety demonstration. Must set up either a land or a water test, and explain why marks, blinds, diversions, walk ups, poison birds, factors, line, should be placed where proposed. Also, what will it prove to the judge about the dog being judged? A judge's sheet will be completed for each dog run.
14. Current LSHRC Officers, training coordinator, and most recent hunt test chairman will render all decisions concerning recommendation of prospective judge/judges. Agreement need not be unanimous, but a

general consensus to approve should be reached by the vast majority of the above individuals.

15. Prospective judge will be given an opportunity with club officers to discuss reasons for approval or rejection. Rejected requests can be re-evaluated after six months.

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