



## **AMERICAN SIGHTHOUND FIELD ASSOCIATION**

### **Apprentice Judging Requirements and Procedures**

1. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older.
2. Applicants must be in good standing with the ASFA
3. Applicants must have a general knowledge of the coursing abilities of purebred sighthound breeds recognized by the ASFA and have a current copy of the "Running Rules and Field Procedures for Lure Field Trials".
4. Applicants must be familiar with ASFA rules and policies. The ASFA Policies may be downloaded from the ASFA website [www.asfa.org](http://www.asfa.org). You may also download a rulebook from the ASFA website [www.asfa.org](http://www.asfa.org).
5. Applicants must have participated in lure field trials in some official capacity and have lure coursing or open field coursing experience. The applicant must have participated in lure field trials a minimum of three consecutive years during which time the applicant has served at ten or more field trials in an official position.
6. If the above requirements are met, an applicant should request an application packet from the Chair of Judges Licensing.
7. When apprentice judging, always request permission from the Field Trial Chairman and the Judge prior to judging. It is strongly recommended you contact each of them prior to the day of the trial so they can be prepared to work with you.
8. Review ASFA rules and policies before judging.
9. Have enough copies of the "Judging Confirmation Statements" with you so each Judge you work with can fill out and sign a separate form. One sheet is included with this packet, so make copies.
10. Pre-Licensing requirements direct you to judge each of five breeds. You must judge the entire breed through Best of Breed (and all runoffs) at least three different times, under three different judges at three separate trials.
11. You are responsible for maintaining your records. When you have completed all of the above listed requirements: (a) fill out the enclosed application form, (b) mail with a \$30.00 check made out to "ASFA" directly to the Chair of Judges Licensing, and (c) include all judges confirmation sheets and your judging sheets. *Check the ASFA Website for the address of the current Chair of Judges Licensing at [www.asfa.org](http://www.asfa.org).*
12. Then you will be sent an open-book exam on ASFA rules that you must pass with a minimum score of 85%.
13. Once you complete the above requirements, your name will be published in two consecutive reports on the ASFA website as "Applied for Provisional Status". Unless negative correspondence is received during this process, you will then be licensed as a Provisional Judge.

**For more information**

**Please e-mail the Chair of ASFA Judges Licensing**

**At [judgeslic@asfa.org](mailto:judgeslic@asfa.org)**