

American Herding Breed Association
Application for Herding Trial Judge/Herding Tester

Name:

Address:

Occupation:

Home phone:

Work phone:

E-mail::

Applying for: ___ Judge ___ Tester

1. How many years have you been actively involved in herding?

2. What dog breed(s) have you trained for herding work?

3. What dog breed(s) have you trialed?

4. Indicate the extent of your experience with each type of livestock (extensive = used on a daily basis; moderate = used on a weekly or occasional basis; limited = used on a few occasions; none = never used): Ducks /geese/ turkeys, sheep/ goats, and cattle ---

PLEASE PROVIDE A WRITTEN DESCRIPTION ON YOUR EXPERIENCES working or handling various livestock.

Include if you have/haven't trialed a dog, and any other experiences such as raising this type of livestock or scribing/scorekeeping/student judging with another judge on that kind of course /stock.

Ducks/Geese/ Turkeys:

Sheep/Goats

Cattle:

5. Have you been actively involved in trialing in the past 8 years? Yes ___ No ___.

If yes, approximately how many trials do you enter per year? _____. On what types of courses have you competed?

ISDS ___ ASCA ___ AHBA ___ AKC ___ Other (specify)

6. Indicate the level(s) at which you have competed (list titles earned if applicable), giving names(s) of dog(s) involved:

7. Have you personally trained a dog to compete successfully in competitive trials at an intermediate or advanced level?

Yes ___ No ___. If yes, list your best wins or placements, giving name of dog, breed, date of trial, sponsoring organization, type of course:

8. Have you attended stock dog clinics given by other professionals in the field? Yes ___ No ___. If yes, please indicate the names, places of clinics, and dates:

9. Have you ever given clinics in herding? Yes ___ No ___. If yes, for how long? _____. How many? _____. Breeds participating:

10. Have you ever held classes in stock dog training/handling? Yes ___ No ___. If yes, for how long have you taught? _____. Estimate how many students you have had since you began:

Indicate the level(s) of training reached in your classes: Novice ___ Intermediate ___ Advanced/Open ___.

11. Indicate the type of daily practical work you do with your dog(s):

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12. Are you currently qualified as a herding trial judge by any organization? Yes___ No___. If yes, indicate organization:
13. Have you been actively judging trials in the past 8 years? Yes___ No___. If yes, estimate the number of assignments per year:_____.
14. Which types of courses have you judged: ISDS___ ASCA___ AKC___ Other (specify)
15. Are you approved by any organization as a tester for judging herding tests or herding instinct tests? Yes___ No___. If yes, indicate organization:
16. Have you ever judged herding instinct or ability on dogs other than your primary breed? Yes___ No___. Which breeds?
17. Do you wish to test___/ judge___ : All breeds___ Specified breeds only (list):
18. Indicate names of two judges you have scribed/student-judged with at AHBA events, including date, sponsor, place of event, and course.
19. Please list books and articles on herding which you have read, magazines to which you subscribe, videos you have viewed:
20. Do you have other qualifications or expertise that you feel qualifies you to test and/or judge all herding breeds? Include any experience you have in other areas of animal training or care, and any experience in other fields of instruction:
21. Please briefly summarize how you generally conduct a test, including how you deal with a keen but essentially nonaggressive dog, a potentially aggressive dog, a timid or uninterested dog.
22. Please briefly summarize what you look for in a passing dog.
23. Please briefly summarize what you look for in judging a dog's performance at trials.
24. Do you have any additional comments?

As a judge, your name will be released to breed clubs sponsoring tests. May we release your address? Yes___ No___.
Your phone number? Yes___ No__.

Please list three references (AHBA judges) who are familiar with your herding background. Include names, addresses, email address if possible, and phone numbers:

I have read the AHBA rules and guidelines, and if accepted as a tester or judge, I will abide by those rules and guidelines at AHBA events. I will test and judge all breeds impartially and in an unprejudiced manner, to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Signature: _____

Dated: _____

Send to: AHBA Secretary, karentrimble1965@gmail.com, Karen Trimble, 8621 Summer Song Circle, Fair Oaks Ranch, TX 78015