

Appendix

GENERAL INFORMATION ON ASFA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The following information is provided here for convenient access. It is not a part of the ASFA Running Rules and Field Procedures for Lure Field Trials. Please see the most recent issue of Field Advisory News, or the ASFA website at www.asfa.org, for the names and addresses of the current ASFA officials.

• Field Advisory News

FAN is the official publication of, and is distributed by the American Sighthound Field Association. FAN is the complete source of current information on the sport of lure coursing, regularly including:

- lure field trial results
- official ASFA news
- list of upcoming trials
- list of ASFA member and affiliated clubs
- schedule of fees
- where to write
- list of available ASFA publications
- new ASFA Field Champions and Lure Coursers of Merit.

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• Applying for ASFA Affiliation

In order for a club to be granted affiliate status with the ASFA and hold sanctioned lure field trials, it is necessary for the club to meet the following requirements in the following order:

- (a) Make proper application to the ASFA Membership Chair. Applications must be accompanied by payment of dues, a list of members and officers of the club, with addresses, and an acceptable club Constitution.
- (b) Obtain approved dates for the holding of two fun lure field trials from the Scheduling Chair, following all current rules and procedures, except that a fun lure field trial and an all-breed field trial can be held on the same day.
- (c) Hold at least two fun trials, following all ASFA running rules except as noted in (f). All entry forms, judges sheets, record sheets, and a copy of the premium list for each trial must be forwarded to the Records Coordinator in accordance with Ch. VI.
- (d) Be in existence for one year or more.
- (e) Be approved by the ASFA as an affiliated club.
- (f) The following rules apply to fun lure trials ONLY:
 1. No per capita fee is submitted with the fun trial results.
 2. Judges need not be recognized nor licensed by the ASFA, but there must be two judges for each breed.
 3. "NO ASFA POINTS SHALL BE AWARDED AT THIS FUN TRIAL" shall be printed on the front cover of the fun trial premium list and entry form.
 4. Provision of a Singles stake is encouraged. (See Singles stake rules - Ch. V, Sec. 8.)
 5. Ribbon colors (if offered). (See Ch. VII, Sec. 2.)
 6. A copy of the approved premium list must be sent to the Membership Chair and to the appropriate Regional Director.

• Applying for ASFA Membership

In order for a club to be granted membership status with the ASFA and have a vote on all matters before the membership, it is necessary for the club to meet the following requirements:

- (a) Make proper application to the ASFA Membership Chair. The application must be accompanied by a current list of members and officers of the club, including addresses, and a current Constitution. Dues must be current with the ASFA.
- (b) The club must have held two separate lure field trials on two separate weekends in each of the previous two years. The results of these trials must have been published in FAN.

The application for membership will be presented to the ASFA Board of Directors, together with the Membership Committee recommendation, for a decision within 90 days after completed filing.

• **Singles Stake Guidelines**

1. Order of running will be determined by random draw and entered onto the record sheet (and draw order, if used) as 1-Y, 1-P, 1-B, 2-Y, etc.
2. Judges will score each hound using one judges sheet for three Singles hounds.
3. Scores shall be posted on the record sheet in the usual manner.
4. Singles stake records shall be forwarded to the Records Coordinator appropriately labeled as such. The per capita fee is due for each hound run.
5. The entry fee is not required to be the same as it is for other stakes.
6. ASFA shall publish first through NBQ of each Singles stakes.
7. Hounds with breed disqualifications and/or hounds that have been disqualified from competition in other stakes are eligible to enter the Singles stake.
8. When a Singles stake is offered, owners of hounds that have not been properly trained should be encouraged to enter this stake.

• **Breed Disqualifications**

Italian Greyhound: Brindle markings. Tan markings such as normally found on black and tan dogs of other breeds.

Pharaoh Hounds: Any solid white spot on the back of neck, shoulder, or any part of the back or sides of the dog.

Rhodesian Ridgebacks: Ridgelessness.

Scottish Deerhounds: White blaze on the head, or a white collar.

Sloughi: Unilateral or bilateral cryptorchid; viciousness or extreme shyness; overshot or undershot; ears erect or with tip drooping forward, or small and folding backwards in a “rose ear;” coat too long and feathering on the tail and/or legs; color not in accordance with the standard; extensive white markings such as parti-color, white socks and white blaze; albinism.

Whippets: Blue or wall eyes; undershot, overshot one-quarter inch or more; coat other than short, close, smooth and firm in texture. Size: dogs 19 to 22 inches; bitches 18 to 21 inches; both to be measured across the shoulders at the highest point; more than one-half inch above or below the stated measurements will disqualify. Whippet height and bite will be checked in accordance with the measurement guidelines approved by the American Whippet Club. These guidelines shall be considered ASFA policy regarding the measurement of Whippet height and bite.

NOTE: There are no disqualifications for the other sighthound breeds.

• **Invitationals**

Each year the ASFA will sanction a series of lure field trials, the purpose of which shall be to promote and further test those hounds that have attained a certain number of points toward their ASFA Field Championship, and those hounds that are ASFA Field Champions or Lure Coursers of Merit of record. These lure field trials consist of the ASFA International Invitational and a series of Regional Invitationals, held in the various ASFA regions. Information regarding the ASFA International Invitational is available from the Corresponding Secretary.

Regional Invitational Policies

(As approved by the Board of Directors, March 2002)

Requesting permission. The club submits a request to its Regional Director at least 4 months prior to the proposed date. This request should include:

- Name of the club
- Proposed date
- Location of trial and description of grounds
- Entry fee
- Additional activities (if any)

Date. A date that has already been approved by the Scheduling Chairman for a trial in that region, or is a priority date in effect for a club, cannot be used unless the club(s) holding the date notifies Scheduling, in writing, that it will relinquish the date for the Regional Invitational. The club(s) relinquishing the date

would retain priority for the following year. After a date has been approved for the Regional Invitational, no other trial shall be held in the region on the same date. A Regional Invitational may be held any time from January to December, but there shall be only one each year in each region.

Entry limits. There shall be no entry limits without prior approval from the Regional Director.

Location and grounds. The trial must be held within the regional boundaries. The grounds must be adequate to accommodate a large trial for the region. Course lengths must be within rule specifications (500 yards or more), but a length in excess of 750 yards is recommended. The grass must be a length that allows the lure operator clear visibility of the lure. Consideration should also be given to accessibility, lodging, refreshments and rest room facilities.

Entry fees. Minimum entry fee is \$10.00 for pre-entries; if late entries are accepted, minimum is \$15.00.

Additional Activities. Activities such as banquets, seminars, dog shows, awards, etc., (if offered) should be listed.

Eligibility. Any hound that has earned at least one ASFA point, or equivalent point in its country of residence, or is a Field Champion of record, is eligible to enter. Proof of non-ASFA title and non-ASFA points for hounds should be in the form of a photocopy of the certificate, or page of formal printing, and included with the entry. An eligible hound may be entered in any number of Regional Invitationals. Limited status breeds may compete in Regional Invitationals. To be eligible for a Regional Invitational, a Limited status entry must have one placement in the Limited stake. Limited status breeds are not eligible to compete in Best in Regional Invitational.

FAN publication. One full page will be available for each Regional Invitational provided the host club submits ad copy at least 90 days before the trial. Two full pages (including photos) will be made available after the trial. The article and photos should be submitted as soon as possible after the trial to ensure timely publication. There is no charge to the host club for these publications.

Per capita fees to ASFA. A per capita fee of \$5.00 per hound will be forwarded to the Records Coordinator with the trial results.

Rosettes and Trophies. ASFA provides rosettes for all placements and ASFA medallions for each Best of Breed winner; the host club must request these from the Regional Director at least 60 days before the trial. The host club may offer additional trophies at the club's own expense or through donations.

General. The premium list shall include both host club and ASFA Officers and Board Members. Judges should be regularly licensed for the breeds that they judge. Equipment provided by the host club should be adequate to handle a large entry for the region. A veterinarian should be on call or at the trial site.

Each year, the Regional Director will review all proposals received from clubs requesting to host a Regional Invitational. The Regional Director shall notify, in writing, the Scheduling Chairman and each club that submitted a proposal after the decision is made.

All additional requirements and exceptions to the ASFA rulebook relating to Regional Invitationals are noted; all ASFA rules shall apply to Regional Invitationals. The ASFA Board of Directors must approve exceptions to any of the above policies.

Consult the ASFA Corresponding Secretary or your Regional Director for more information.

International Invitational Policies

(As approved by the Board of Directors, November 1999)

The chair of the Invitationals Committee shall submit a copy of the current I.I. guidelines to FAN for publication in each March/April issue.

Each year the ASFA will sanction the International Invitational, the purpose of which shall be to promote and further test those hounds that have attained a certain number of points toward their Field Championship and hounds that have earned the Field Champion or Lure Courser of Merit titles.

Each year, the Regional Directors will review all proposals received from clubs requesting to host an International Invitational and present their recommendation to the Board of Directors. After a decision has been made, the Corresponding Secretary shall notify the Scheduling Chairman and each club that submitted a proposal of the decision. The appropriate Regional Director shall serve as a liaison between the host club and ASFA Board.

Requesting permission. The club submits a request to the ASFA Corresponding Secretary two years in advance of the International in question. This request should include:

- Name of the club
- Proposed date
- Approximate location of trial and description of the grounds

- Entry fee
- Additional activities (if any)

Date. International Invitational priority dates will be the 3rd weekend of the year (January) or the 22nd weekend (end of May or beginning of June) following the AKC Corresponding Date Table, unless the 22nd weekend is Memorial Day weekend. In such cases, the spring date shall be on the 23rd weekend.

The International Invitational may be held at any time from January to December except that any club with a corresponding priority date in effect at the time of scheduling the International Invitational must agree, in writing to the Scheduling Chairman, to relinquish the date for the holding of this event. Any club relinquishing the date would retain priority for the following year. During the interim, trials may be held on the 3rd and 22nd weekend (as above) if not used for the International Invitational, but no club shall hold priority on either date until such time as this special policy is ratified or discontinued.

No other trial shall be held on the same weekend within 1,000 miles of the International Invitational. Both Saturday and Sunday will be reserved for the event.

Grounds. The grounds must be adequate to accommodate an entry of 300 or more. Course lengths must be within rule specifications (500 yards or more), but a length in excess of 750 yards is recommended. The grass must be a length that allows the lure operator clear visibility of the lure. Consideration should also be given to accessibility, lodging, refreshments and rest room facilities.

Evaluating proposals. The following system will be used by the Regional Directors when evaluating proposals.

Location. "Sections" are defined as:

- WEST - regions 1, 2, 3 and 10;
- CENTRAL - regions 4, 5 and 6;
- EAST - regions 7, 8 and 9

Rotation schedule calendar:

- 2005 - East 2006 - West 2007 - Central
- 2008 - East 2009 - West 2010 - Central
- 2011 - East 2012 - West 2013 - Central

Any club may submit a proposal to hold the International Invitational. This proposal should be submitted by April 1st, two years before the trial date in question. The host club will be chosen with consideration to the following, listed in order of importance.

- appropriate section of the country for that year
- the club deemed most likely to host the highest quality event
- timely receipt of proposal

If no viable proposal is received from the section with priority before October 1st, two calendar years before the International Invitational in question, all properly submitted proposals received by October 1st will be reviewed with consideration to the following, listed in order of importance.

- the proposal that appears to be likely to result in the highest quality event
- the region that has hosted an International Invitational least recently
- club status (member, longevity, etc.)

The Scheduling Chairman, Records Coordinator, Membership Chairman and the respective Regional Director shall be asked for comments regarding the potential host club and field committee before a final decision is reached. The host club will be approved by the Board of Directors, following the order of preference stated above, no later than December 1st, two calendar years before the event in question, if possible, and each club that submitted a proposal shall be advised of the decision.

Entry limits. As this event is to promote competition of exceptional hounds, the entry shall not be limited and shall be open to all hounds eligible to compete. Any entry limitation must be specifically approved by the Board of Directors.

Entry fees. Minimum entry fee is \$15.00 for pre-entries; if late entries are accepted, minimum is \$20.00.

Additional activities. Activities such as banquets, seminars, dog shows, awards, etc. (if offered) should be listed.

Eligibility. Any hound that has earned at least 20 ASFA points, or equivalent points in its country of residence, or is a Field Champion of record, or has placed in a Regional Invitational, is eligible to enter. Proof of non-ASFA title and non-ASFA points for hounds should be in the form of a photocopy of the certificate, or page of formal printing, and included with the entry. Limited status breeds may compete in International Invitationals. To be eligible for an International Invitational, a Limited status entry must have

one first placement, or two second placements, with competition. Limited status breeds are not eligible to compete in either the Gillette Stake or Best in International Invitational.

FAN publication. Two full pages will be available for announcing each International Invitational provided the host club submits ad copy to the editor at least 90 days before the trial. Three full pages (including photos) will be made available after the trial. The article and photos of each Best of Breed, Best in International Invitational and winner of the Gillette Stake should be submitted as soon as possible after the trial to insure timely publication.

The host club may also circulate the premium list with FAN provided the club submits a copy of the premium list to the editor within the deadlines to ensure timely distribution.

There is no charge to the host club for these publications.

General. The sample premium list should be mailed to the Scheduling Chairman and the Regional Director at least 120 days before the trial and should include both host club and ASFA Officers and Board Members. The approved premium list shall be sent to each club delegate, each judge for the event, and all ASFA Board Members, either by individual mailing or through distribution with FAN (see above). Judges shall be fully licensed for the breed(s) that they judge. Equipment provided by the host club should be adequate to handle an entry of 300 or more per day. The host club is encouraged to recruit lure operators and other members of the field committee and judges from outside the area, whenever possible. A veterinarian should be on call or at the trial site. The ASFA Treasurer shall be a member of all International Invitational finance committees.

The ASFA Treasurer will remit to the International Invitational committee \$1,000 for International Invitational judge's expenses. In addition, a loan up to \$1,000 is available from ASFA for start up costs and will be repaid in full. This money is available up to one year prior to the date of the International Invitational.

After the trial. Within a reasonable time after the International Invitational, the field secretary shall forward the following to the ASFA Corresponding Secretary:

- a copy of the premium list
- catalog (if any)
- a completed and signed I.I. Perpetual Trophy Return Agreement for each perpetual trophy winner.

The Corresponding Secretary shall forward the return agreements to the next International Invitational field secretary; the other information shall be forwarded upon request.

Three sets of International Invitational banners will be passed on to each International Invitational. The trial chair will be responsible for getting the banners to the next year's field trial chair.

Per capita fees to ASFA. A per capita fee of \$6.00 per hound will be forwarded to the Records Coordinator with the trial results.

All additional requirements and exceptions to the ASFA rulebook relating to International Invitationals are noted; all other ASFA rules shall apply to International Invitationals. Exceptions to any of the previously listed policies must be approved by the ASFA Board of Directors.

Consult the ASFA Corresponding Secretary or your Regional Director for more information.

Rosettes and trophies. ASFA provides rosettes and enameled pins for all placements. ASFA provides medals for each flight, stake, Best of Breed, Breeder stake, Kennel stake, Gillette Stake, and Best in International Invitational winner. The host club must request these from the Regional Director at least 90 days before the trial. In addition, the following perpetual trophies are awarded each year to each breed winner:

Saturday

Afghan, Gary Forrester Memorial Trophy
Basenji, Merv Bauer Memorial Trophy
Irish Wolfhound, Kevin Bryson Memorial Trophy
Rhodesian Ridgeback, Marc Gembala Memorial Trophy
Saluki, Bill Henry Memorial Trophy
Scottish Deerhound, Bob Sellers Memorial Trophy
Whippet, Tom Leone Memorial Trophy

Sunday

Afghan, Bandit Memorial Trophy
Azawakh, Cinnamon Memorial Trophy
Basenji, Sheena Memorial Trophy
Borzoi, Pyerun Memorial Trophy
Greyhound, Fantasy Memorial Trophy
Ibizan, Flyer Memorial Trophy
Irish Wolfhound, Joshua Memorial Trophy
Italian Greyhound, "D" Trophy
Pharaoh, Bozo Memorial Trophy
Rhodesian Ridgeback, Ida Trophy
Saluki, Haseeb Memorial Trophy
Scottish Deerhound, Pyns Memorial Trophy
Sloughi, Bouthayna Memorial Trophy
Whippet, Betz Leone Memorial Trophy

Lyle Gillette Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the Gillette Stake winner on Saturday.

The American Whippet Club Perpetual Trophy is awarded to the Whippet representing the breed in the Gillette Stake.

Best In International Invitational. The President's Cup, donated by Arnold Ross, will be awarded to the equivalent of a Best in Field winner on Sunday.

NOTE: When awarding these trophies, please refer to the I.I. perpetual trophies information sheet for assistance in their presentation.

No awards other than the above trophies shall be offered at any International Invitational.

The host club at each I.I. is responsible for obtaining a completed and signed I.I. Perpetual Trophy Return Agreement from each individual who takes possession of a perpetual trophy.* The completed forms shall be forwarded to the Corresponding Secretary. The host club is responsible for contacting the previous year's winner of each trophy and arranging for the trophies to be on the trial site.

* A \$100 fine will be imposed and all points and placements will be held on all hounds owned by an individual who does not return an I.I. perpetual trophy.

The Gillette Stake

The Gillette Stake is a premier event held annually at the International Invitational. This competition is to showcase form and function in our finest sighthounds and to honor the father of the sport of lure coursing in America, Lyle Gillette.

Eligibility. Entry shall be open to hounds that have achieved all of the following:

1. AKC or foreign bench championship, and
2. ASFA Field Championship, and
3. 20 or more ASFA points during the 12 month period prior to the closing date of the International Invitational.

Entry. Each hound must be entered in the Field Champion or Veteran stake on Saturday of the International Invitational. A special entry form for the Gillette Stake must be received by the field secretary by the closing date of regular entries. There is no additional fee for an entry in this stake.

Competition. The Gillette Stake competition will be run on Saturday, following the same procedures as a regular Best in Field. The eligible hound in each breed that receives the highest, qualifying, combined score during regular competition on Saturday will be randomly drawn to run in the Gillette Stake. Ties within a breed, if any, will be run off or forfeited prior to the draw.

The hound receiving the highest score in this one course (more only if required by a tie), shall be the winner of the Gillette Stake.

Judges. One or two judges shall be selected from the ASFA all-breed licensed judges present. The judge(s) need not be published in advance.

Awards. The name of each year's winning hound shall be engraved on the perpetual Lyle Gillette Memorial Trophy, and an ASFA medallion shall be awarded to the winner.

Decisions. The field chairman shall be responsible for all and any decisions regarding this stake, not specifically covered above, unless the chairman has a hound eligible to compete in this stake. Then, all decisions shall be made by the field secretary. If the secretary also has a hound eligible to compete, decisions shall be made by the field committee.

Additional International Invitational guidelines

These guidelines are to be implemented in addition to the rules appearing in the ASFA rulebook appendix pertaining to the Field Trial committee and its members and the official International Invitational guidelines.

Field Trial Chairman

Will provide or arrange for:

- Local club support
- ASFA directional signs
- Access to the field only after an assigned time
- Trash receptacles placed on each field in addition to a central location
- Porto potties placed at each field in addition to a central location (arrange that these be serviced during the weekend)
- Adequate public address system
- Bullhorns for the paddocks
- Walkie-talkies
- All tents/canopies including FTS, judges, paddock, etc.
- Two to three golf carts
- On-site equipped vet
- Equipment: complete inventory of lure equipment with backups for each field (ASFA should purchase 1,000 yards of new string for each field and an additional amount for B.I.I.)
- Arrangements to have the field completely mowed (will pay extra if needed)
- Official photographer
- FAN write-up
- Field Manager
- Site barriers for each paddock waiting area for hounds

Field Trial Secretary

Will provide or arrange for:

- Score posting boards
- Post a draw sheet at each field for those hounds running on that field, both prelims and finals
- Supply a copy of the draw order sheet for each field (listing judge, clerk, paddock, huntmaster, and lure operator) for the field clerk, huntmaster/lure operator
- A head clerk on each field along with an assistant
- Announce and introduce the Gillette Stake hounds at the field before the stake is run with insurance judges do not hear names of hounds.
- Announce and introduce the B.I.I. hounds at the field before the stake is run with insurance judges do not hear names of hounds.

Public Relations

Will arrange for:

- ASFA vendor booth
- Embroidered shirts/hats with logo
- Enameled pins and tote bags
- Judges to receive a free T-shirt
- ASFA I.I. decals
- Supply of ASFA publications

Trophy Chair

Will arrange for:

- Trophies tastefully displayed all/both days
- Each trophy should be identified by its name as it appears in the catalog/premium list
- Each day's list of trophies, along with the description of each, should be available to the person awarding the trophies
- Each trophy shall be described at its presentation at the awards ceremony

Hospitality

Will arrange for:

- Adequate tables/chairs for dinner
- Adequate tables for trophy display
- Two or more food vendors to arrive early
- Food vouchers for judges and helpers for use at breakfast/lunch
- Provide water/sodas and snacks to the fields as needed
- Dinner should always be served after the awards ceremony

In addition, it is recommended that the I.I. committee use a planned time line.

Committees should report their progress to the FTC who, in turn, will update the I.I. progress to the ASFA President.

• **Entering your hound**

1. Only purebred Afghan Hounds, Azawakhs, Basenjis, Borzoi, Greyhounds, Ibizan Hounds, Italian Greyhounds, Irish Wolfhounds, Pharaoh Hounds, Rhodesian Ridgebacks, Salukis, Scottish Deerhounds, Sloughis, and Whippets may be entered in the regular stakes in ASFA lure field trials. All hounds must not be less than one year old on the day of the trial. All entries shall be individually registered with the American Kennel Club, the National Greyhound Association, the Federation Cynologique Internationale, an ASFA-recognized foreign (see policy flyer SEC-10 for a list of these registries) or ASFA Board approved registry, or possess a critique registration number (CRN) from the Society for the Perpetuation of Desert Bred Salukis (SPDBS). The owner of a hound is required to notify the Records Coordinator of any change in registration number.
2. The owner or agent entering a hound in a lure field trial does so at his own risk. The owner or agent and licensed club agree to abide by the rules of the ASFA.
3. The Field Secretary shall decline any late, incomplete, unsigned, unpaid or conditional entries. Each entry must be completed in full and the information given on the form must be that which applies to that entered hound. The entry form must be signed by the owner or agent duly authorized to make the entry.
4. To be eligible to enter the Open stake, a hound must have been certified by a licensed judge within the year preceding the closing date for the entry, or have previously competed in the Open stake. Such certification must indicate that the hound completed one course of at least 500 yards, running with another hound of the same breed (or another breed with a similar running style), and showed no inclination to interfere with the other hound.

The preceding eligibility requirement will be waived for a hound that has earned a lure coursing or racing title from another recognized organization, if such title requires competition, and if a waiver for such title has been approved by the ASFA. The following titles waive the requirement for certification: AKC Field Champion (FC), Senior Courser (SC) or Dual Champion (DC); AWC Award of Racing Merit (ARM); CKC Field Champion (FCh) or Field Champion Excellent (FChX); NAWRA Racing Champion (RCh) or Certificate of Show and Racing Excellence (SRE); NOTRA Oval Race Champion (ORC), Supreme Oval Race Champion (SORC), Junior Oval Racer (JOR) or Senior Oval Racer (SOR); CWA Award of Racing Excellence (ARX), Title of Racing Proficiency (TRP), Superior Racing Award (SRE) or Dual Purpose Champion (DPC); LGRA Gazehound Race Champion (GRC) or Superior Gazehound Race Champion (SGRC); WRA Whippet Race Champion (WRCh), Companion Racer (CR) or Companion Racer Excellent (CRX). A CKC hound certification form may be submitted in lieu of an ASFA hound certification form.

5. No hound may be entered in more than one regular stake at a meet. Designation of stake entered may be changed up until the draw for that breed has begun.

6. Regular and non-regular stakes are described as follows:

(a) OPEN STAKE: Each flight shall consist of entries of only one breed, dogs and bitches; ASFA Field Champions of record of that breed may not be entered.

(b) FIELD CHAMPION STAKE: Each flight shall consist of entries of only one breed, dogs and bitches, who are ASFA Field Champions of record. Hounds whose owner's records show them to be ASFA Field Champions may be entered for a period up to 90 days without official certification. Hounds whose owner's records show them to have met the requirements for the Field Champion title may be changed from the Open stake to the Field Champion stake provided notification is made to the Field Secretary prior to roll call. Hounds determined not to be eligible to compete in the Field Champion stake will forfeit all points and placements earned in that stake toward an LCM.

(c) **VETERAN STAKE:** For any individual hounds whose age exceeds six years, except Irish Wolfhounds, whose age shall exceed five years, and Whippets, whose age shall be at least seven years. The hound certification requirement in (a) above also applies to hounds entered in the Veteran stake have not previously competed in Open. Hounds entered in the Veteran stake may not be entered in any other regular stake in the same lure field trial.

(d) **SINGLES STAKE:** At the option of the host club a Singles stake may be offered. If the host club offers this stake, it must so state in the premium list. All rules for entering regular stake shall apply except when inconsistent with the following:

1. Only hounds found lame or in season at roll call shall be barred from competition in this stake.
2. A hound entered in the Singles stake shall not be eligible to enter the Open and/or Field Champion stake at that trial.

(e) **LIMITED STAKES:** Limited stakes will be offered by all host clubs if there are any breeds approved for Limited status. All rules and procedures pertaining to competition in the Open stake shall apply to Limited stake competition except where inconsistent with the following:

1. Each Limited stake shall consist of entries of only one breed, dogs and bitches. All Limited status breeds will be run in braces or trios, if possible. Scores and placement will be tallied by breed.
2. Limited stake entry is allowed for hounds of breeds that: 1) are considered sighthounds by their national parent club or the parent club from the country of origin but are not eligible for competition in the ASFA regular stakes, and 2) are on the list of such breeds that the ASFA has currently approved for entry. These are: Chart Polskis, Cirneco dell'Etnas, Galgo Espanols, Magyar Agars, Peruvian Inca Orchids, and Portuguese Podengos.

• **Dual Champions and Dual Titlists**

The ASFA shall recognize and make appropriate awards to those hounds who have attained the ASFA Field Championship and an AKC show championship certificate, or the ASFA Field Championship and earned the title AKC Obedience Trial Champion (OTCh). Recipients of said awards shall be known as dual champions.

The ASFA shall also recognize and make appropriate awards to those hounds that have obtained the ASFA Field Championship and any of the following awards:

1. AKC obedience or tracking title
2. AWC Award of Racing Merit certificate
3. NOTRA Oval Racing Champion certificate
4. NOFCA Coursing Champion or Courser of Merit.
5. NACA Coursing Champion or Courser of Merit.
6. LGRA Gazehound Racing Champion certificate.

Recipients of these awards shall be known as dual titlists.

• **Sample Forms**

Following are reduced copies of some standard ASFA forms. Single copies of these, and other forms, as well as sample premium lists and other useful items, are available from the Forms Distribution Chair (see Field Advisory News for details) or on the ASFA website at www.asfa.org.

SAMPLE: Judging Form

SAMPLE: Record Sheet

SAMPLE: Hound Certification Form

SAMPLE: Judging Confirmation Sheet

–**RECORDS COORDINATOR**–

• **Submission of Trial Results**

Current points and placements of individual hounds can be determined by requesting this information in writing from the Records Coordinator. Include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with each request. A field secretary may accept entries of hounds that are pending individual registration. The Records Coordinator will record points and placements earned by such hounds for a limited period of time. For

more information, contact the Records Coordinator or ASFA Corresponding Secretary. This information is also available by requesting through the Hound Record section of the ASFA website at www/asfa.org.

• **Organization of Trial Records for Submission**

The following required items must be promptly sent to the Records Coordinator following each trial, as indicated in Ch. VI:

1. Proper per capita check (current fee for each hound entered which has not been excused as lame or in season at or prior to roll call).
2. One copy of the approved premium list, with corrections to list of judges, if appropriate.
3. All entry forms, judges sheets and record sheets, completely filled out and written legibly.

The preferred order to use in organizing this material for submission is:

1. Per capita check
2. Premium list
3. Field records in the following order:
 - A. Afghan Hound
 1. Open stake
 - a. Entry forms in record sheet order
 - b. Record sheets
 - c. Preliminary course judges sheets in course-number order.
 - d. Final course judges sheets in course-number order.
 - e. Judges sheets from runoffs, if any.
 2. Field Champion stake
 - (a) through (e), as above
 3. Veteran stake (if any)
 - (a) through (e) as above
 4. Best of Breed run judges sheets, if any. (Total scores and blanket colors are posted to the proper record sheet in column labeled "BOB Runoff.")
 - B. Azawakh (follow same order as above).
 - C. Basenji (same as above), etc., by breed in alphabetical order.
 - D. Limited stakes by breed in alphabetical order (same as indicated for Open stake above).
 - E. Singles stake (same as above)
 - F. Best in Field record sheet (filled out completely).
 - G. Best in Field judges sheets in course number order.

Copies of the records submitted must be retained for the club files. It is strongly recommended that the club retain proof of the date of mailing. If the original package is lost in the mail, the trial results can be reconstructed.

• **Filling in the Trial Record Sheets**

The record sheets must be completely and legibly filled out. This includes the complete names of the judges, the call names and registration numbers of the hounds, etc. If an entered hound is not competing, the reason should be entered on the record sheet, as should the reason for any excusal, dismissal, or disqualification. For tie runoffs, the blanket color and total score only should be entered in the "Runoff" column; similarly, for Best of Breed runs, enter only these items in the "BOB Runoff" column.

Following are two examples of filled-in record sheets. The first includes the Open and Field Champion stakes for a breed with a small entry; the second is for Best in Field competition.

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• **Revising the Running Rules**

The procedure for revising the *Running Rules and Field Procedures for Lure Field Trials of the American Sighthound Field Association* is given here. This has been adopted as a Special Rule of Order of the ASFA. As such, it can be amended only by a two-thirds majority vote of a Convention of Delegates, to which prior notice has been given of the proposed amendment. Its provisions can, however, be suspended during a Convention of Delegates by approval of a motion to suspend the rules, requiring a two-thirds

majority vote. (For discussion on the status of such a special rule, see the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*.)

Section 1. Any member club may propose a rules change by submitting a detailed copy of the change to its Regional Director via its club delegate. (Such a proposed change is hereinafter called a proposal.)

Section 2. Sometime within each calendar year any Regional Director who has received rules change proposals in accordance with Section 1 shall call a regional rules conference to consider such proposals. A regional rules conference may be conducted by mail.

Section 3. (a). A proposal which is passed by a regional rules conference which has a majority of the clubs in the region represented is then submitted by the Regional Director within 30 days of the meeting to the ASFA Rules Evaluation Committee. The Regional Director must also submit the proposal to the Field Advisory News for publication within 30 days of the meeting with a notice that this proposal has been generated by the region and submitted to the Rules Evaluation Committee for consideration. At the same time, a copy of the proposal shall also be mailed to each club delegate in the region with a notice that it has been submitted to the Rules Evaluation Committee and to the Field Advisory News.

(b) Proposals submitted to the Rules Evaluation Committee and to FAN must be accompanied by appropriate explanatory material (i.e., "reason" for proposing the rule change and the "effect" of the rule change, if passed).

(c) The Board of Directors may propose a rule change by submitting a detailed copy of the change to the Rules Evaluation Committee via the chair of that committee.

Section 4. The Rules Evaluation Committee shall consist of three individuals appointed by the Board of Directors. The chair of this committee shall be selected by the Board of Directors. The Rules Evaluation Committee may hold a meeting in conjunction with any Board of Directors meeting or may conduct meetings by mail whenever submitted proposals are outstanding.

Section 5. The Rules Evaluation Committee can discuss and/or amend a rule proposal. The committee shall edit all proposals for grammar and agreement with context of the ASFA rulebook. The committee shall investigate any possible contradictions with rules (other than the specific rule being considered for alteration) and shall report these contradictions (if any) with the final version of the proposal. The committee may suggest appropriate options to the proposal. The committee may generate proposals in response to issues raised by Regional Directors or the ASFA Board of Directors. The committee may not reject a properly submitted proposal, but shall have the obligation to recommend action on the proposal to the ASFA Convention of Delegates (see Sections 7 and 8).

Section 6. Proposals passed by the Rules Evaluation Committee as outlined previously shall be submitted to the Field Advisory News for publication with all appropriate explanatory material. Such proposals shall be published with a statement that this final version of the proposal will be submitted to the next Annual Convention of Delegates for a vote.

Section 7. Proposals passed by the Rules Evaluation Committee and published in the Field Advisory News as outlined previously, shall be submitted to the next Annual Convention of Delegates for a vote. Such proposals shall be circulated, with a notice that these proposals will be on the convention agenda, to registered convention delegates, at least 30 days prior to the convention.

Section 8. Only rule change proposals that have followed this procedure will be discussed at the Annual Convention of Delegates. Minor word changes which do not (in the opinion of a majority of REC members present) substantively change the intent of the rule change proposal shall be the only modifications permitted.

Section 9. A proposal that has received a favorable vote at the Annual Convention of Delegates shall be considered a change to the Running Rules and Field Procedures for Lure Field Trials. Such proposals shall be published in the Field Advisory News in the first available issue and shall go into effect January 1 following ratification.

Section 10. Approval of a proposal by the Annual Convention of Delegates shall not necessarily imply that a new edition of the rulebook be published. The Board of Directors will determine when a new version of the rulebook is needed.