

RULES EVALUATION COMMITTEE
Rules Changes effective 1/1/2016

The following rules changes were approved by the 2015 Annual Convention of Delegates. They will go into effect on January 1, 2016. *Russ Jacobs, Chair, REC*

(1) Ch III Judging

Section 3. No judge shall handle a hound in the stake or stakes where he is officiating. No hound may be entered in a stake where a judge is officiating if the hound is owned or co-owned by that judge, or if the hound is owned or co-owned by a member of that judge's immediate family or residence. Such hounds may be entered at that meet in other stakes where the judge is not officiating. No Judge shall officiate at a certification course for any hound which he/she owns or co-owns or which is owned or co-owned by a member of that Judge's immediate family or residence.

(2) Ch XI Licensing of Judges

Section 4. Provisional Status (seeking regular license)

(a) During the period for which a provisional license is granted, the applicant is free to accept judging assignments. (On all premium lists, announcements, flyers, and so forth, an asterisk preceding the judge's name shall denote provisional.) The provisional license encompasses all breeds, but at no time shall a person judge more than four breeds in addition to Singles stakes and Limited stakes, for which he is not regularly licensed at any one trial without special dispensation as stated in Section 8 of this chapter. This provision applies both to Regional Invitationals and to standard trials.

(3) CH XI Licensing of Judges

Section 7 (b) If the ASFA records indicate that a person has not judged at a trial in the preceding two years, the license shall lapse and the judge shall lose all previous status. Except that, if a licensed judge shall be stationed outside of the United States by a branch of the U.S. Military, and such service makes it impossible for him or her to judge ASFA trials, the time spent out of the U.S. shall not be counted as part of the two year inactive period. Additionally, if there are extenuating circumstances such as, for example, serious illness on the part of the judge or his or her family, making it impossible for him or her to judge ASFA trials during the two year inactive period, the judge may apply during the period of inactivity to the Chair of Judges Licensing for a suspension of some or all of the two year period. The Chair of Judges Licensing may recommend to the Executive Committee of the ASFA Board of Directors that some or all of that two year time period not be counted as part of the two year inactive period. The final decision as to whether some or all of that period of time be waived shall be made by the Executive Committee of the ASFA. In either case, the Board of Directors of the ASFA shall be notified of such action promptly.

(4) Chapter XI, Section 4, subsection (b) Section 4. Provisional Status (seeking regular license)

(b) Any person seeking a regular license for a breed must judge the performance of ~~seven~~ a minimum of five or more hounds per trial in one stake in that breed for three breeds.

1. at a minimum of three trials; and
2. under three or more different licensed judges.

(5) Chapter XI, Section 5. Licensing for Additional Breeds. Any judge regularly licensed in at least three breeds may seek an additional breed by meeting the following requirements:

- (a) Judge provisionally the breed for which the license is sought at no less than three trials with three different licensed judges. (Judging ~~seven~~ five hounds per ~~breed-stake~~ breed-stake is a requirement for the first three breeds only and does not apply to any breeds thereafter.)