



NAHRA JUDGES TEST

The following questions are general in nature and apply to all General Procedures, Regulations and Field Procedures for NAHRA Hunting Retriever Field Tests effective January 1, 2018.

Please complete this test and send the answer key with the completed Judges Application.

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Be sure to allow up to four (4) weeks for processing. The decision of NAHRA shall be final and no appeal shall be allowed.

IMPORTANT: All Applicants must be NAHRA members.

1. NAHRA judges are representatives of the NAHRA hunting retriever program.
 - a. True
 - b. False

2. Judging a dog's performance is under the sole jurisdiction of the judges.
 - a. True
 - b. False

3. During a Started test, two dogs engage in a dog fight. What actions should a Judge take?
 - a. Break up the fight and continue
 - b. Remove both dogs off of the grounds
 - c. May remove from further participation either dog deemed a danger
 - d. Report the incident to the Field Trial Committee
 - e. All of the above
 - f. a. & d.
 - g. c. & d.

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4. Live birds released for the trailing test may not be.
 - a. Shackled
 - b. Wing clipped
 - c. Restrained
 - d. Cut to bleed
 - e. All of the above

5. A recast may be granted when:
 - a. The handler requests it
 - b. In the opinion of the judges they feel there was confusion.
 - c. The dog re-heels on its own
 - d. The test committee requests it

6. Which marking concept is NOT acceptable for Hunter?
 - a. Double mark
 - b. Right to left
 - c. Wipe out/with 30 degree separation
 - d. All of the above

7. It is required to have a safety briefing with all participants prior to an upland hunting test that utilizes live ammo.
 - a. True
 - b. False

8. A test dog is permitted to wear a flat buckle collar while making a retrieve.
 - a. True
 - b. False

9. Which would apply to the hunter level:
 - a. Steady off lead, deliver to hand
 - b. Deliver to hand, held by one hand, and an honor
 - c. Steady off lead, deliver to the point of origin
 - d. None of the above

10. At the flush, the handler has until the first shot is fired, or should be fired to have the dog under control during an upland test.
 - a. True
 - b. False

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11. Diversions are appropriate for Intermediate when they are used:
- On the return of the second retrieve
 - On the return of the first retrieve
 - On the way out for the first mark
 - On the way out for the second mark
 - All of the above
12. Dogs must deliver to hand in Started.
- True
 - False
13. A judge may decide to have the dog not retrieve a diversion bird.
- True
 - False
14. Hunter is based on _____ tests.
- 3
 - 6
 - 5
 - 4
15. If a dog creeps, judges can instruct a handler to re-heel their dog before being released to retrieve.
- True
 - False
16. If the required shot (pop) is from the point of origin then the bird can be no more than _____ yards away.
- 25
 - 35
 - 45
 - 55
17. A qualifying score for Senior is _____/60.
- 40
 - 42
 - 46
 - 48

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18. At the Intermediate level when there are repeated cast and whistle refusals a judge _____ consider this grounds for elimination.
- Can
 - Can not
19. The Working Upland Retriever Test has __ tests, __ of which are upland hunts.
- 6,2
 - 5,2
 - 4,1
 - 6,2
20. A qualifying score for a Started pass is _____/50.
- 38
 - 35
 - 37
 - 40
21. The NAHRA concept is designed to:
- Confront dogs with trick problems
 - Compete against one another for placements
 - Simulate a real hunting situation
 - Test the dogs natural ability
 - Both A and B
 - Both C and D
 - All of the Above
22. To err on the side of caution, when setting up an upland test with a flush, it is suggested that a dog shall not get within ___ yards of the trap or other mechanical flushing device.
- 5
 - 15
 - 10
 - 20
 - None of the above
23. If a handler is expelled from a test, the dog(s) they are handling may continue with another handler.
- True
 - False

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24. What must happen if the judges choose to run a double blind during the Senior Upland Retriever Test?
- Double blinds are not permitted
 - Each dog must have a blind bird planted for them (No Piles)
 - There must be a diversion or poison bird used
 - None of the above
25. The following is required at a Senior Field test.
- Double blind
 - A “brace” during the upland
 - Honor
 - Hunt-it-Up
 - All of the above
 - None of the above
26. Upland game birds must be used during the upland and trailing tests.
- True
 - False
27. Maximum distance for a Senior water blind is _____ yards.
- 125 yards
 - 90 yards
 - 75 yards
 - 100 yards
28. A shot is not required for the Senior upland test.
- True
 - False
29. Diversion birds during an Intermediate blind are not to be used.
- True
 - False
30. The minimum qualifying score for Intermediate is _____/60.
- 44
 - 48
 - 50
 - 52

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31. In Senior, a diversion bird is permitted:
- When a dog is on the way out for the third bird
 - On the return of any of the marks
 - Only on the return of the third mark
 - All of the above
32. Trails for Hunter must be _____ yards minimum, and _____ yards maximum.
- 25, 50
 - 20, 40
 - 30, 75
 - 30, 50
33. Which does not apply for a proper Intermediate set up:
- Land marks of 60 and 95 yards with 45 yard land blind from a different line area
 - Water marks of 35 and 52 yards
 - 50 yard water blind
 - Trail off of marks simulating a crippled bird
34. An Intermediate upland test is hunting a cut corn field. Halfway through the field, a bird is shot not seen by the dog. The dog is to run the land blind and then continue upland hunting to the end of the field. Is this in compliance with the Rule Book?
- Yes
 - No
35. Diversion birds can be scored as marked retrieves.
- True
 - False
36. A shot will be fired when each bird is at the top of the arc.
- True
 - False
37. Which would cause a Senior dog to be disqualified:
- Dog is standing to stop on a flush
 - Dog indicated it can follow scent but does not deliver a bird to hand
 - On the flush dog stops initially but proceeds to move with the intent to retrieve as the bird falls and does so without being released by the judge
 - Both B and C

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38. Lethargy, barking, jumping around, excessive disobedience may be marked down.
- True
 - False
39. A dog is not eligible for entry in a test category, if handled by a member of the judges immediate family
- True
 - False
40. There are a total of ____ marks in Started.
- 2
 - 4
 - 5
 - 6
41. A qualifying score for a Senior Upland Retriever Test is ____/50.
- 35
 - 40
 - 38
 - 39
42. The maximum water mark distance for Started is ____ yards.
- 35
 - 50
 - 75
 - 100
43. Which statement is false for the Hunter category:
- Moderate commands are allowed to steady a dog
 - Repeated “hard mouthing” can be grounds for elimination
 - Dogs will not be placed on a remote sit
 - Handler can be required to carry an empty shotgun
44. Braces are allowed during a Working Upland Retriever Test.
- True
 - False
45. Should a “poison” bird be retrieved after the blind retrieve is completed?
- Yes
 - No

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46. Interrupting marked retrieves with a blind retrieve is allowed.
- True
 - False
47. A flush will occur during the upland test in Intermediate.
- True
 - False
48. In a trailing test, Hunter level dogs must:
- Deliver to hand upon locating a bird
 - Indicate scent by nose to ground
 - Trail a minimum of 30 yards
 - Both A and B
 - Both A and C
49. In Started, there must be 3 land marks.
- True
 - False
50. In Intermediate, if a dog is brought under immediate control on a controlled break it is considered a _____ fault.
- Major
 - No fault because it was stopped
 - Minor
 - Serious
51. Each mark is to have a separate and clearly defined area of fall.
- True
 - False
52. The following statement(s) are untrue.
- Simultaneous fall of birds may be used
 - Judges can determine the selection in which a dog must retrieve the marks
 - Honors are required
 - Hunt-it-Up's may be used in the Senior Field Test
 - All of the above
 - None of the above

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53. A dog that has been interfered with will not be granted a rerun.
- True
 - False
54. In order to pass a NAHRA test a dog needs a combined average of _____ percent or better.
- 75
 - 85
 - 65
 - 80
55. If a bird sinks during the water test, a No Bird can be determined by the:
- Marshal
 - Field test committee
 - Handler
 - Judges
 - All of the above
56. Working and Senior Upland Retriever tests must include a trail and a hunt-it-up.
- True
 - False
57. Which is not permitted in Started:
- Make a retrieve wearing a collar
 - Land retrieves up to 75 yards
 - Voice commands for encouragement that are within reason
 - Presenting game unfit for the table
 - A & C
 - A & D
58. Intermediate dogs must have the following:
- Perseverance
 - Ability
 - Desire
 - All of the above
59. Handler guns may be used to point out gunners and/or bird boys.
- True
 - False

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60. While under judgement, dogs may not wear
- Vests
 - Boots
 - Articles of clothing
 - All of the above
61. Blind retrieves can be included with the marking test in Intermediate.
- True
 - False
62. A diversion bird is thrown as a Senior dog is returning from the 1st retrieve of a triple water marking test. Is that in compliance with the Rule Book?
- Yes
 - No
63. To qualify in an Intermediate test the dog must complete _____ separate tests.
- 3
 - 4
 - 6
 - 8
64. Intermediate land blinds will not exceed _____ yards.
- 75
 - 80
 - 60
 - 50
65. Female dogs in season may be allowed to run last.
- True
 - False
66. Dogs requiring help from the bird boy will _____.
- Be granted a rerun
 - Be disqualified
 - Have points deducted from score
 - Be given a no bird

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67. A diversion birds purpose is to:
- Divert the dogs course, attention, or focus
 - Restrict a retrieve until it delivers the blind retrieve
 - Confuse the dog
 - All of the above
68. In regards to the performance of the dog, the decision of the judges is final.
- True
 - False
69. A _____ is when any dog that goes to the area of a fallen bird during a marking test and establishes a hunt, then leaves that area and establishes a hunt in the area of another fall.
- Walkup
 - Blind
 - No-go
 - Diversion
 - Switch
70. A brace is required during the Senior upland test.
- True
 - False
71. In Hunter, dogs may be placed remotely at a point away from the handler.
- True
 - False
72. During the Senior Upland Retriever Test, blind retrieves shall not exceed _____ yards.
- 125
 - 100
 - 150
 - 200
73. A Senior land marking test with a water blind incorporated within the series. The scenario is 3 birds fall, as the dog returns with the 1st bird another bird is shot falling across a pond. It is said to be a cripple, not seen by the dog and must be retrieved next. Is that in compliance with the Rule Book?
- Yes
 - No



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1.	a.	b.					
2.	a.	b.					
3.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	g.
4.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.		
5.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
6.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
7.	a.	b.					
8.	a.	b.					
9.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
10.	a.	b.					
11.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.		
12.	a.	b.					
13.	a.	b.					
14.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
15.	a.	b.					
16.	a.	b.	C.	d.			
17.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
18.	a.	b.					
19.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
20.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
21.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	g.
22.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.		
23.	a.	b.					
24.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
25.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	
26.	a.	b.					
27.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
28.	a.	b.					
29.	a.	b.					
30.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
31.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
32.	a.	b.	c.	d.			

33.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
34.	a.	b.					
35.	a.	b.					
36.	a.	b.					
37.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
38.	a.	b.					
39.	a.	b.					
40.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
41.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
42.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
43.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
44.	a.	b.					
45.	a.	b.					
46.	a.	b.					
47.	a.	b.					
48.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.		
49.	a.	b.					
50.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.		
51.	a.	b.					
52.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	
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54.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
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56.	a.	b.					
57.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	
58.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
59.	a.	b.					
60.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
61.	a.	b.					
62.	a.	b.					
63.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
64.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
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67.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
68.	a.	b.					
69.	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.		
70.	a.	b.					
71.	a.	b.					
72.	a.	b.	c.	d.			
73.	a.	b.					

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