



NAHRA REGIONAL FIELD TESTS – Qualifications and Entries

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Reference to original NAHRA rules Section 9, Par. 1, 1-10*

The NAHRA Regional Field Test aims to identify and celebrate the success of Started, Hunter, and Intermediate dogs. This policy does not address Senior dogs since qualified dogs are invited to the NAHRA Invitational.

Regions can schedule a Regional Field Test event for Started, Hunter, and Intermediate dogs that meet certain criteria during the qualification period. All regional-qualified dogs that pass the Regional Field Test shall:

- be named to the NAHRA HUNTING RETRIEVER TEAM for that particular year and
- receive a special Regional Qualified ribbon that may be red, white, and blue.
 - The Regional Qualified ribbon is the level they qualified for the regional
 - e.g., Started Qualifier = Started Regional Ribbon
 - Also, a second regular ribbon for passing a higher-level stake

Qualification Period

- Points for the Regional Field Test will be accumulated within a regionally determined *qualifying year*, which runs from one (1) day after the previous Regional Test to two (2) weeks prior to the current year's event.

Qualification Criteria

- Dogs that reside in the Region
- Four qualifications in a stake during the qualification period
 - 10 or more points in the Started category
 - 10 or more points in the Hunter category
 - 20 or more points in the Intermediate category

During the Regional Field Test, qualified dogs may enter the stake for which they met the qualification criteria or enter at any level above. For example:

- Regional Started qualifiers could run Started or Hunter or Intermediate
- Regional Hunter qualifiers could run Hunter or Intermediate
- Regional Intermediate qualifiers could run Intermediate or Senior