

The Association of Bloodhound Breeders

(Founded 1897)

Criteria for the Compilation of

Show Judges Lists

A1 List

For judges who have previously been approved by the Kennel Club to award CC's in the breed, have completed their first appointment and have the support of the Association of Bloodhound Breeders.
(K.C Policy)

A2 List

For judges who fulfil all requirements for the A3 list, have been assessed in accordance with Kennel Club requirements and accepted by the Kennel Club for inclusion on an A2 list, and have the support of the Association of Bloodhound Breeders. **(KC Policy)**

A3 List (Breed Specialists)

Minimum of 7 years judging experience in the Breed and have the support of the Association of Bloodhound Breeders. **(KC Policy)**

To have judged at **one** Breed Club show/s and **one** Breed Club Supported Entry show

To have judged the Breed at **three** Open Shows or Championship Shows without CC's with an adequate geographical spread

To have judged a minimum of **sixty** hounds. **(K C Policy)**

To have attended a seminar given by a K C accredited trainer and passed the relevant examination on K C Regulations and Judging Procedures.

(K C Policy 1st July 2001)

To have attended a seminar given by a K C accredited trainer on conformation and movement. **(K C Policy 1st July 2001)**

7. To have attended at least one breed specific seminar run in accordance with the relevant K C code of best practice and passed an examination and/or assessment where applicable.

(KC Policy 1st July 2001)

8. To have attended a Conformation and Movement “Hands-On Assessment” conducted by a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer and passed the assessment. **(K.C. Policy 1st July 2005)**

9. To have bred and/or owned a minimum of 3 bloodhounds when they obtained their first entry into The Kennel Club Stud Book. (Save in exceptional circumstances) **(K C Policy)**

10. To undertake to write critiques for publication of the bloodhounds judged. **(K C Policy)**

11. To have stewarded at 12 Shows **(K C Policy)**

12. To have attended and observed at least two stakes at Bloodhound Trials

A3 List (Non-Specialists)

1. Minimum of 7 years judging experience in any one breed (to include 5 years in this breed) and have the support of the Association of Bloodhound Breeders. **(K C Policy)**

To have judged bloodhounds at **one** Breed Club show and **one** Breed Club Supported Entry Show

To have judged the breed at three Open Shows or Championship Shows without CC's with an adequate geographical spread.

To have judged a minimum of **fifty** dogs in this breed.

5. To have awarded CC's in at least one other breed (**K C Policy**)

To undertake to write critiques for publication of the bloodhounds judged.

To have attended at least one breed specific judging seminar run in accordance with the relevant K C code of best practice and passed an examination and/or assessment where applicable.

8. To have bred and/or owned a minimum of 3 dogs of any breed when they obtained their first entry into The Kennel Club Stud Book (save in exceptional circumstances) (**K C Policy**)

B List (Breed Specialists)

To have a minimum of **five** years experience owning and exhibiting in this breed and have the support of the Association of Bloodhound Breeders.

To have attended one Kennel Club accredited seminar and passed an assessment where applicable.

To have attended one breed specific judging seminar and passed an assessment where applicable.

To have attended at least one stake at Bloodhound Trials.

To have stewarded for at least 15 classes.

To undertake to write critiques for publication of the bloodhounds judged.

B List (Non-Specialists)

1. To have a minimum of five years judging experience in any one breed

and have the support of the Association of Bloodhound Breeders

To have attended one Kennel Club accredited seminar and to have passed an assessment where applicable.

To have attended one breed specific seminar and to have passed an assessment where applicable.

To undertake to write critiques for publication of the bloodhounds judged

C List (Specialist and Non-Specialist)

For aspirant judges who have shown an interest in the breed and have the support of the Association of Bloodhound Breeders.

Listings would normally include those who have attended seminars, including a Breed Specific seminar, and who have begun stewarding for the breed

KC Notes

Although the above document is advisory, all items listed as Kennel Club Policy must be included and procedures must be in accordance with the Code of Best Practice. The criteria of clubs should be reasonable and transparent. The number of classes/dogs required should be realistic in relation to the size of the breed.

It should be noted that lists should include a minimum of 20% of Non Breed Specialists and it is recommended that consideration be given to the inclusion of Group Judges, relevant to the breed, on A or B lists.

Clubs are particularly reminded that from 1 January 1999, only those judges who are on a 'B' list of a club or above that level were permitted to judge at Open Shows with more than 3 classes for the breed (Stud Book Band E – more than 5 classes). The number of classes required for inclusion on a 'B' list must therefore take account of this and be realistic for the breed otherwise not enough Judges may be available to carry out the Open Show appointments where the breed is scheduled.

Compilation of Judges Lists together with the criteria used in their formulation should be made by a committee or judges sub-committee consisting of at least 75% of persons who award CCs to the breed. Kennel Club opinion letters on the suitability of judges to award CCs for the first time should only be considered by the above committee.

Existing CC judges should not be required to apply for inclusion.

In cases where breeds do not yet enjoy CC status A1 and A2 lists are not required. All other lists should be compiled and must be based upon submitted criteria relevant to the size and status of the breed. It is recommended that consideration be given to the inclusion of Group Judges relevant to the breed on an appropriate list.

Except in the instances of Kennel Club Policy, inclusion on any list is at the discretion of the relevant committee of the club.

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