

THE LABRADOR BREED COUNCIL

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Judging list criteria

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A1 list

BREED SPECIALIST

This list consists of breed specialist judges who have previously **been approved** by the Kennel Club to award Challenge Certificates in the breed and have satisfactorily completed their first appointment, and have the support of the Labrador Breed Council.

NON BREED SPECIALISTS

This list consists of non-breed specialist judges who have previously **been approved** by the Kennel Club to award Challenge Certificates in the breed, and have satisfactorily completed their first appointment, and have the support of the Labrador Breed Council.

A2 list

People who meet the minimum criteria for the A3 list, and who **have satisfied The Kennel Club procedure for A2 judges list** of being assessed at least 3 times by an approved assessor from the official Kennel Club breed list.

Judges whose names appear on the B list or above may ask to be assessed when judging the breed at open shows or at a breed club seminar / assessment day.

A3 list

BREED SPECIALISTS

This list consists of breed specialist judges who are supported by the Labrador Breed Council as being suitable to award Challenge Certificates in the breed if invited to do so. The minimum experience required for the consideration of the proposing club is:

- To have judged Labradors over a period of at least seven years
- To have judged Labradors over a wide geographical area
- To have judged at least One Labrador breed club open shows – The Breed club show must be a qualifying breed club appointment. A qualifying Labrador breed club appointment is a show at which a minimum of 65 dogs were present and judged
- To have judged a minimum of 90 classes of Labradors, to include a least 200 dogs of the breed, and an additional Labrador breed club appointment. *(The 90 classes cannot include the qualifying Labrador breed club open show appointment)*
- To have bred and/or owned a minimum of three dogs when these dogs obtained their first entry in The Kennel Club Stud Book, save in exceptional circumstances
- To have stewarded on at least 12 occasions at separate shows
- To have attended a seminar given by a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer and passed the relevant examination on Kennel Club Regulations and Judging Procedures
- To have attended a seminar given by a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer on Conformation and Movement
- To have attended and passed a “Hands-on Assessment” given by a Kennel Club accredited trainer.
- To have attended at least one Labrador breed specific seminar held in accordance with the relevant Kennel Club Code of Best Practice and passed an examination and/or assessment
- To have attended an Open stake field trial or Open working test and obtained a copy of the event card signed by the chief steward indicating how long the person was at the event.
A judge already awarding CCs in another gundog breed is exempt from this requirement
- **To have not yet been approved by The Kennel Club for inclusion in the A2 List** To have attended an Open Stake Field Trial or Open Working Test and obtained a copy of the event card signed by the Chief Steward indicating how long the person was at the event. A judge already awarding CCs in another gundog breed is exempt from this requirement.

A3 NON BREED SPECIALISTS

This list consists of non breed specialist judges who are supported by the Labrador Breed Council as being suitable to award Challenge Certificates in the breed. The minimum experience required for the consideration of the proposing club is:

- To have awarded CC's in at least one other breed
- To have judged Labradors for five or more years
- To have judged Labradors over a wide geographical area
- To have judged at least One Labrador breed club open shows – The Breed club show must be a qualifying breed club appointment. A qualifying Labrador breed club appointment is a show at which a minimum of 65 dogs were present and judged
- To have judged a minimum of 90 classes of Labradors, to include a least 200 dogs of the breed, and an additional Labrador breed club appointment. *(The 90 classes cannot include the qualifying Labrador breed club open show appointment)*
- To have attended at least one Labrador breed specific seminar held in accordance with the relevant Kennel Club Code of Best Practice and passed an examination and/or assessment
- To have not yet been approved by The Kennel Club for inclusion in the A2 List
- To have attended an Open Stake Field Trial or Open Working Test and obtained a copy of the event card signed by the Chief Steward indicating how long the person was at the event. A judge already awarding CCs in another gundog breed is exempt from this requirement.

B list

BREED SPECIALISTS

This list comprises people who have **been approved by the Labrador Breed Council** to judge the breed at shows where Challenge Certificates are not on offer.

The minimum experience required for the consideration of the proposing club is:

- To have judged Labradors for a minimum of 4 years
- To have judged at least 30 Labrador classes
- To have judged at venues with a proportion beyond the mean geographical area
- To have attended at least one Breed Specific Seminar

BREED SPECIALISTS (OVERSEAS RESIDENTS)

This list comprises people who are resident overseas and **have been approved by the Labrador Breed Council** to judge the breed at shows where Challenge Certificates are not on offer.

The minimum experience required for the consideration of the proposing club is:

- To have judged Labradors for a minimum of 4 years
- To have judged at least 30 Labrador classes (including appointments overseas)
- To have judged at least 8 classes of Labradors in the UK
- To have judged at venues with a proportion beyond the mean geographical area
- To have attended at least one Breed Specific Seminar

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The minimum experience required for the consideration of the proposing club is:

- To have judged Labradors for a minimum of 4 years
- To have judged at least 30 Labradors classes
- To have judged at venues with a proportion beyond the mean geographical area
- To have attended at least one Breed Specific Seminar

C List BREED SPECIALISTS (This list will cease at 31st December 2019, you will then be required to meet the criteria for the JCF system)

This list comprises Breed Specialist Judges who do not qualify for "A" or "B" lists, but who are aspiring judges and have the confidence of The Labrador Breed Clubs to judge up to 5 classes at Open Show level, or 6 classes where a puppy class is scheduled.

The minimum experience required for the consideration of the proposing club is:

- ~ To have shown an active interest in the breed
- ~ To have attended a Labrador Retriever novice judging seminar **and** to have judged (hands on) **10 or more** Labrador Retrievers.

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The minimum experience required for the consideration of the proposing club is:

- ~ To have demonstrated an active interest in the breed
- ~ To have attended a Labrador Retriever novice judging seminar **and** to have judged (hands on) **30 or more** dogs in **another breeds**.