## NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGE'S BALLOT FOR VOTING

## ELECTION GUIDELINES

- **Conformation – Top 5 individuals will be listed on the ballot with the person receiving the highest number of votes.**
- **Futurity/Maturity and Sweepstakes – Top 3 individuals will be listed on the ballot with the person receiving the highest number of votes to be listed first.**
- **The judge who received the most votes will be contacted first, if unable to accept, the next qualifying person on the list is contacted until the assignment is filled.**
- **Judge's elections are handled as a secret ballot electronically.**
- **Any nominee who qualifies in more than one judging category shall be placed for vote in the category for which he or she received the highest number of nominations. *In case of a tie, the nominee shall be contacted and given the option to choose the category for which he or she wishes to run**
- **Judge's bios to be included on Judges Ballot for National Specialty Selection.**
- **After the results of the election are tabulated, the Recording Secretary will notify the APC Officers and Directors.**
- **The Show Chair will secure the judge and then notify the results to the Recording Secretary.**
- **The Show Chair will communicate with the National Specialty judges. If the role of the Show Chair has not been filled, the judges will receive communications from a generic APC email address. The sender will not include in the communications his or her name or any other identifying information but will contact the winner of each category to ascertain their acceptance of the assignment and compliance with APC stipulations, if for any reason cannot comply, they will be removed. 20230404-29 PM**
  a) **No conflict with Westminster Kennel Club.**
  b) **Agrees not to judge Pointers in the continental U.S. for (12) twelve months prior to the National.**
  c) **"Nat Spec Conformation Judges Compensation: 1. The National Specialty judge can charge no more than $300 per day of judging. 2. All travel expenses will be paid such as Air Travel, mileage, meals, hotel and transportation to and from hotel.**
  d) **Sweepstakes and Futurity/Maturity judges may be compensated up to a total of $250.00**
  e) **Juniors Judges, if separate, will be offered a gift in lieu of expenses paid.**
- **The Companion Chair & his/her committee shall select the judges for Obedience, Rally & Agility with Boad approval. Total judge's expense may not exceed $250.00 without prior board approval. Approve National Specialty agility judge fee and expenses not to exceed $500 before additional Board approval is required.**
- **Where AKC approval is required, no event or information pertaining to an event will be published in any format without stating the event as "Pending" until the APC has AKC approval.**
- **Hunt Test and Field Trial judges will be approved by NFTSC for field events held in conjunction with National Specialty) Total judge's expense may not exceed $250.00 without prior board approval. 20240409-13 PM**