



Apprentice Evaluation Form By Approved Draft Judge

***To be completed by each of the Approved Judges and returned to the
BMDCA Draft Chair within 10 days of the Draft Test.***

Apprentice Judge: _____

Evaluator: _____ Co-Judge: _____

Test Host Club: _____ Test Date: _____

With what tasks did the Apprentice participate and assist (circle all that apply):

Equipment check

Handlers Briefing /Walkthrough

Stewards Briefing

Post Test Calling of Patterns

For each of these items, please elaborate on the abilities demonstrated by the Apprentice or any suggestions you made to them. Add pages as needed.

Pre-test Observations

When and how did the Apprentice first contact you about their assignment? Comment on your first impressions, their attitude, and their approach to working as part of the judging team.

Discuss the Apprentice's display of their knowledge and understanding of the elements required in developing the maneuvering course when you discussed their initial course plans. Did they provide maneuvering courses that could be (or were) used at the test, or did the courses require considerable modification?

Be sure to attach the Apprentice's maneuvering course plans (2 different plans), your critique of each, and any amended plans the Apprentice makes. Please include any comments you have on your discussion of these courses and the second set of plans.

Test Day Observations

In considering the maneuvering course and the pretest check of the freight haul, how did the Apprentice display understanding and consideration of conditioning, training and safety concerns for the teams?

Depending upon their readiness, an Apprentice may participate in, and assist with the equipment check, handler/steward briefings, and walkthrough. Describe their proficiency in completing their tasks. Did they demonstrate a clear understanding of the regulations? Were they able to answer questions? Did they understand all the steps involved in the processes? Were they able to communicate clearly and succinctly with handlers?

Calling Maneuvering Pattern for Post Test Team(s)

Teams called (please give the number of each)

Novice _____ Open _____ Novice Brace _____ Open Brace _____

Describe in detail the Apprentice's ability to call patterns. Include reference to ability to communicate clearly with handlers (i.e., could they hear and understand the Apprentice's instructions?); Were the instructions clear and timely given for all exercises? How did the Apprentice recover from any mistakes or miscommunications in calling the pattern?

Overall Performance

If a question arose that was not directly spelled out in the regulations, describe the circumstances and Apprentice's response.

How willing was the apprentice to learn and involve themselves in all elements of the test? Did they ask questions regarding regulations, performance, evaluation of teams, test administration? Please cite specific examples.

Did you provide the Apprentice with constructive criticism? How receptive were they to candid comments on their performance and need for improvement?

During the post-test conversation with your Co-Judge and Apprentice, what did the Apprentice think were their strengths and challenges? What would you add to this list?

Any praise or concerns you have regarding this Apprentice not addressed above?

Signed _____ Date _____

Send to the BMDCA Draft Chair within 10 days of the test. Phil Atkinson, 422 Sugar RD, Bolton, MA 01740