



TEST DAY FIELD MARSHAL CHECKLIST

TEST DATE _____

SENIOR JUDGE _____

FIELD MARSHAL _____

ASSISTANT FIELD MARSHAL _____

TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 WALKIE CHANNEL # _____

TASKS BEFORE THE TEST		FM	AFM
VERIFY & COLLECT	Pick up Field Marshal Packet from Test Secretary upon arrival	X	
	Verify single-shot gun, Kent Field Blanks, live ammo, and first aid kit are in the club trailer or staging area	X	
	Verify all required birds are onsite and bird steward is assigned (responsible for humane bird care)	X	
	Confirm radios work and deliver to Senior Judge, Head Bird Planter, and Field Marshal		X
	Verify all attendees sign-in. Handlers, bird planters, other helpers, spectators/guests must all sign-in. Confirm any non-NAVHDA observers fill out Insurance Waiver.		X
	Verify handlers, bird planters, gunners, and judges are present		X
TASKS DURING THE TEST		FM	AFM
INTROS & INSTRUCTIONS	Introduce yourself and head bird planter to Senior Judge and receive Judge's instructions	X	X
	Deliver first aid kit and stocked Judge's Cooler . Have two bird bags prepared for judges in case additional birds are needed during the test.	X	
	Confirm bird planters understand instructions and have all necessary supplies before heading to site	X	
	Give Handlers the Running Order		X
	Gather handlers for the Judge's instructions while bird planters plant for the first dog	X	
GOOD TO HAVE: ear plugs, sunscreen, bug spray, binoculars, antibacterial wipes			
TASKS DURING THE TEST		FM	AFM
ALL TEST ELEMENTS	Be sure handlers, judges, bird planters, and other helpers know where each test segment will be held. If travel is necessary, organize a caravan to prevent people from getting lost.	X	
	Stage dogs and handlers so they are ready when the judges want them		X
	Make sure the Mead field gate (road between fields) is CLOSED during tests	X	X
	With the help of bird planters and your assistant, have the next event set up and ready	X	X
TASKS AFTER THE TEST		FM	AFM
HAND OUT & CLEAN UP	Give SCORE CARDS to each handler before scores are read. (In the box provided for the field marshal.)		X
	Set up or hand out PURINA DOG FOOD samples for handlers at pavillion		X
	Remind handlers we may have GARMIN DISCOUNT CERTIFICATES available. Contact the Test Secretary if interested.	X	
	PICK UP and RETURN supplies or equipment that will not remain set-up for the next day. <i>The skiff and trailer can remain where it is.</i>	X	X
	BIRDS. Confirm that bird planters have brought all live and dead birds to the staging site. A bird steward will see to their care or disposal.	X	
	RADIOS. Collect radios from the senior judge and head bird planter and return to trailer.		X
	LAST DAY. Bring in pools and signs.	X	

NATURAL ABILITY (NA) TEST INSTRUCTIONS

FIELD	EQUIPMENT & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED			
	Distraction Gunner Single-shot Gun Kent Field Blanks Judge's Cooler First Aid Kit 2 Judge Bird Bags			
		Gather equipment needed from list above	FM	
		Remind each handler to bring water for the dog during the field search and verify dogs are not wearing an e-collar	FM	
		Distraction gunner should be ready to fire 2 shots. The Judge will tell distraction gunner when to fire each shot.		AFM
		NA Field Search is 20 MINUTES. Note the start time on the running order to keep track of when to have the next handler ready.	FM	AFM

WATER	EQUIPMENT & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED			
	Pick-up dog (& handler) Bin of Bumpers Bucket of Rocks Dead/Live Bird Judge's Cooler First Aid Kit			
		Gather equipment needed from the list above; confirm bird planters have dead/live bird	FM	
		Be sure pick-up dog and handler are not in the path of the dogs coming or leaving water	FM	AFM

TRACK	EQUIPMENT & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED			
	Judge's Cooler First Aid Kit			
		Confirm that bird planters have the pheasants	FM	
		Stage dogs so that they are ready for the next track	FM	AFM

UTILITY TEST (UT) & GUN DOG TEST (GDT) INSTRUCTIONS

The Gun Dog Test is similar to the Utility Test with a few exceptions.

Exceptions are noted below. Use the UT Test checklist for GDT.

GDT FIELD: Search time is 25 minutes.

GDT WATER (Steady by Blind & Retrieve of Duck): No decoys are used. GDT dogs will go last as the decoys need to be removed from the water.

EQUIPMENT & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED				
FIELD	Gunnery Bird Planters Crate for Dead Birds Judge's Cooler First Aid Kit			
	Gather equipment needed from the list above	FM		
	Remind each handler to bring water for the dog during the field search and verify dogs are not wearing an e-collar	FM		
	Field Search is 30 minutes for UT (25 minutes for GDT). Note the start time on the running order to keep track of when to have the next handler ready.		AFM	
	Take dead or used birds from Judges and place them into the designated crate (dirty/used)	FM	AFM	

EQUIPMENT & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED				
WATER (DUCK SEARCH)	(2) Single-shot guns Steel Shells Judge's Cooler First Aid Kit			
	Gather equipment needed (above) and confirm the bird planters have the live ducks	FM		
	Confirm that the skiff with life vest and paddle is at the duck search water. If not, contact the test director or volunteer coordinator.	FM	AFM	
	Confirm if judges/handlers are okay with people in the gallery - if not, direct spectators out of gallery	FM		

EQUIPMENT & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED				
WATER (STEADY BY BLIND)	Distraction Gunner Pick-up Dog (2) Single-shot guns Box of Kent Field Blanks Winger Blind & Decoys Judge's Cooler First Aid Kit			
	Gather equipment needed and verify the bird steward has the dead ducks	FM		
	Confirm the blind, winger, and decoys are set up at designated site; <i>if not, gunners can set up when they are not in the field.</i>		AFM	
	Confirm Winger has been tested; utilize pick-up dog for winger test.	FM		
	Confirm Distraction Gunner has talked to the judge for instructions.	FM		

EQUIPMENT & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED				
DRAG TRACK	Judge's Cooler First Aid Kit Duck Dispatch Kit			
	Confirm the bird planters have the ducks, rubbing alcohol, and syringe to dispatch if needed	FM		
	Stage dogs so they are ready for the next track	FM	AFM	