BRACCO ITALIANO

TO: SPORTING GROUP JUDGES

FROM: JUDGING OPERATIONS

DATE: JANUARY 4, 2022

RE: BRACCO ITALIANO

The Bracco Italiano will be accepted into the Sporting Group and eligible for competition in regular breed classes on June 29, 2022.

To maintain group status, all judges eligible to judge the Sporting Group competition are required to complete the breed standard exams with a passing grade and a submission of $35, per the Board approved Judging Approval Process. Please visit the AKC Canine College to enroll and take the breed standard exam; all resources are linked within each breed exam. (standards, table and ramp breed list, oral exam chart)

- Judges approved for all breeds within this group – the applicable breed will be added to the list of eligible breeds to judge at shows held after June 29, 2022.

Upon completion of this exam with a passing grade and submission of $35 fee, Sporting Group judges will receive automatic approval to judge the breed at shows held after June 29, 2022. One DQ question is considered failing, and you will be advised to retake the breed exam, until a passing grade is achieved.

If the exam is not purchased and completed by January 31, 2022, it will result in the removal of the Sporting Group approval until requirement has been satisfactorily completed. (See Judging Approval Process effective, January 1, 2019)

Individuals wishing to apply using the Adjunct Method must submit an application, between January 4, 2022 and June 29, 2022. Those who miss the deadline must apply under the current system.

Additional breed applications submitted for the balance of the Sporting Group received prior to June 29, 2022 will be required to complete the breed standard exams, submission of $35 fee and interviewed. Applicants, who fail the interview by the Executive Field Representative will not be approved to judge the applicable breed and as a result, regardless of the Departments’ decision on the balance of the group applied, will not be approved to judge the Sporting Group.

AKC approved judges who can demonstrate significant background in the breed may apply to judge under the Adjunct System. Examples of “significant background” would be:

- Experience in owning, breeding, exhibiting and/or handling the breed.
- Background in judging multiple events with a significant number of entries.

Application, and information, may be found here. If you have any questions, please contact Judging Operations.