

The Ring Steward The Judges “Right Hand Man”

Being a ring steward is a challenging but rewarding job. It demands careful thought and planning, a positive attitude, and a watchful eye. A Ring steward keeps the show efficient and moving.

No less than two (2) stewards will be used:

- One in the holding area
- One inside the ring

Ring stewards will be selected from the club membership.

The ring stewards are to have input in setting up the placement of the ring and the holding area while thinking about the flow of traffic around the ring.

- The show ring should always have an entrance and an exit, and everyone should go IN the entrance and OUT the exit.
- Communication between the *steward in the ring* and the *steward in the holding area* is critical.

Basic duties of holding area steward:

- Dogs should be checked for buckle collars and acceptable four foot leads.
- Arm bands need to be on the handlers left arm.
- In the holding area, the steward can also identify the temperament and compatibility of the dogs in the class. *(If needed, change dogs order of entry into the ring to insure more calm/docile dogs are placed between dogs that are challenging and to keep things calm in the ring.)*
- Human aggressiveness is not tolerated and is a disqualification in the show ring.

Basic duties of inside steward:

- Bring the classes to the ring
- Organizing the dogs
- Keeping order within the ring
- Bring ribbons to judge upon placement
- Marking judges books of judges placements

***For in depth details of ring steward procedures etc. be sure to also read**

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