



Check List for First Specialty Application

Please read Judging Program Rules Section 2. All requirements must be met at the time of the application. Deadlines for receipt of applications are on the CFA website under Judging Program Resources.

- Prior to your application you must select an approved Mentor.
- Permission to complete a marked judges' book must be obtained. An error free judging book must be completed and submitted to the appropriate Application Administrator and your Mentor.

The following items need to be included in your application:

1. Cover page dated
2. Color Photo
3. Table of Contents with all pages numbered
4. Application signed by Applicant and appropriate Director or Area Chair.
5. Proof of payment of the application fee.
6. Copy of your CFA cattery name registered for at least 5 years prior to application date
7. Copy of first litter registration, must be at least 5 years prior to application date
8. Proof of Breed Council Membership
9. Score Card Section A and Section B
10. Letter of Club Membership including club activities
11. Listing of show production activities
12. Proof of Master Clerk License, or Certified Clerk License.
13. Proof of BAOS attendance within the 2 years prior to application date.
14. Exhibitor Resume—detailed listing by date, club name, location, cats shown.
15. Breed exhibiting experience other than primary breed
16. Proof of custodial care or agenting using the CFA forms to meet the requirements
17. Statement of why you wish to become a CFA judge.
18. Proof of selected Breed focused experiences
 - a. Cattery visits-require write ups and photos
 - b. Breed Focused Experience-Judge Supervised -require write ups and photos
 - c. Breed Focused Experience-Independent -require write ups and photos
19. Application must be submitted in a single PDF format
20. Application should be reviewed by your mentor prior to submission
21. The deadline is 5pm EST on the date listed on the website. Good planning would have your application filed prior to this for review and possible changes needing made, as if the application is not complete on the deadline it will be moved to the next application deadline.
22. Associate Judge specific exceptions should review Judging Program Rules Section 5.

The following items are sent directly to the appropriate Application Administrator:

1. 3 CFA Clubs Recommendation Letters
2. 3 Personal Recommendation Letters
3. Error free marked judges' book

Questions may be addressed to your mentor, the application administrator and any member of the Judging Program Committee.