

Judges Competency Framework – Education Guidance Document

Attaining JCF Level 1 is a one-time achievement for a judge. JCF Levels 2-4 are achieved on a breed-by-breed basis. All education must be completed in the order listed below

Level	Education required	How is this delivered?	Who organises this?
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a Kennel Club Requirements of a Dog Show Judge seminar and pass the Regulations and Judging Procedures Exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer with a multiple-choice exam Pre-course learning is available on the Kennel Club Academy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clubs throughout country with assistance from Accredited Trainers, or the Accredited Trainer directly
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend and pass the Kennel Club Points of a Dog Assessment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer with assessment Pre-course learning is available on the Kennel Club Academy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clubs throughout country with assistance from Accredited Trainers, or the Accredited Trainer directly
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend Kennel Club Conformation and Movement Seminar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By Kennel Club Accredited Trainer. No exam Pre-course learning is available on the Kennel Club Academy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clubs throughout country with assistance from Accredited Trainers, or the Accredited Trainer directly
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Kennel Club Critique Writing seminar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online via the Kennel Club Academy (due to be launched in 2018) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judge completes seminar online via their KC Academy account
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a Breed Appreciation Day for the relevant breed and pass a Multiple-choice Breed Standard Exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A respected breed speaker should deliver the presentation on the breed The exam should be set and marked by the breed club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each breed club will be required to hold one event at least every two years. BADs must be run in accordance with the Code of Best Practice for the Running of a Breed Appreciation Day (and subsequent Multiple-choice Breed Standard Examination)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass an 'Eye for a Dog' Assessment (this only needs to be done once) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kennel Club organised assessment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kennel Club will publish dates of these assessments on the Kennel Club Academy
3*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake three one-to-one mentoring sessions with three different mentors for the relevant breed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can take place at shows as a ringside observer, judging special award classes, student judge or breed mentoring event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breed Education Co-ordinator will pair up mentors and mentees
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be successfully observed judging at a breed club show or breed supported entry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> While judging show 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breed Education Co-ordinator will arrange for observer to attend show breed clubs should support a minimum of two shows per year
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure Regulations and Judging Procedures Exam is passed within/every five years on the Kennel Club Academy 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend and pass the Kennel Club Breed Competence Assessment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practical assessment with five dogs to be placed in a mock class. Assessed by two breed specialists and two non-breed specialists 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kennel Club with the assistance of the Breed Education Co-ordinator and breed supporters
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure Regulations and Judging Procedures Exam is passed within/every five years on the Kennel Club Academy 		
4 CC Judge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure Regulations and Judging Procedures Exam is passed within/every five years on the Kennel Club Academy 		
5 Group Judge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If wishing to proceed to the next Level, will need to undertake the process from Level 2 for each subsequent breed to achieve the threshold requirements Ensure Regulations and Judging Procedures Exam is passed within/every five years on the Kennel Club Academy 		
6 BIS Judge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure Regulations and Judging Procedures Exam is passed within/every five years on the Kennel Club Academy 		
7 All Breed Judge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure Regulations and Judging Procedures Exam is passed within/every five years on the Kennel Club Academy 		
<p><i>*Have bred and/or owned a minimum of three dogs when they gained first entry in the Kennel Club Stud Book (one time qualification</i> <i>*Attend the appropriate sub-group Field Trial event for gundog breeds/GSD online exam)</i></p>			