

2019 DKGNA Test Coordinators

Deutsch-Kurzhaar Group North America will be holding tests in 2019 and numerous members have expressed interest in hosting these events as the Test Coordinators. The DKGNA Board of Directors is encouraged that there is so much interest, by our members, in being Test Coordinators. However, the Board of Directors wants to make sure that everyone understands the importance of this position and the responsibilities that come with the job.

When determining where DKGNA holds test we must consider the convenience of our members and the financial viability of the test. The following are some of the things that must be considered:

- There must be the anticipation of enough dogs entering the test to make it viable. Test limits – Derby 6 dogs; Solms/AZP 6 dogs; VGP 4 dogs.
- Can the test be scheduled on a date that will be the most convenience for the handlers, the judges, and highest probability of insuring the success of the test?
- Proximity to Judges to reduce travel cost (may or may not be possible).
- Does the location have the required field/water/forest to conduct the test?
- Does the Test Coordinator have the resources to provide housing, meals, and transportation, at a reasonable cost, for the judges when they are at the test?
- Does the Test Coordinator have the knowledge to do the administrative and clerical work necessary to insure the success of the test? There is a lot of clerical work to assist the judges before, during, and after the test that needs to be done accurately.
- Does the Test Coordinator have the resources to print the forms, test information sheet, test program, judge's books, results sheets and certificates, and prepare the paper work for submission by the judges to the DKGNA Director of Testing?
- Is the necessary game available, at a reasonable price, for the test?
- Is there an area where the participants can have social gatherings before/during/after the test?

We know that many of you would like to hold a test in your area but we need to make sure that everyone understands that this position is the epitome of a lot of work and very little thanks. If you are interested in hosting a test as the Test Coordinator please contact Jörg Kaltenegger, DKGNA Director of Testing at <mailto:TD-DOJ@dkgna.org>; Jeff Martin, DKGNA President at President@dkgna.org; or Tyler Smith, DKGNA Vice-President at VicePres@dkgna.org.