



American Chinese Crested Club, Inc.

ACCC Judges' Mentor Program

In response to AKC's request to provide them with a list of Parent Club-approved mentors for aspiring Chinese Crested judges, the ACCC Officers and Board of Directors and the Judges' Education Committee has compiled the following requirements to become an ACCC-approved mentor.

An Individual Must:

1. Be a member in good standing of the American Chinese Crested Club, Inc.
2. Have documented 12 (Twelve) years in the Breed
3. Either be an approved AKC breeder-judge;
OR a breeder meeting the requirements set forth by AKC for Judges' approval
4. Attend ACCC's Judges' Education Seminar
5. View ACCC's the ACCC Board Approved PowerPoint on the Chinese Crested
6. Submit a Mentor Qualification Application form to ACCC's Judges' Education Committee for review and receive written approval from the JEC and the ACCC Officers and Board of Directors
7. And/or, in the case of extenuating circumstances, be approved by the JEC/ACCC Board upon review of extenuating circumstances.

Please note that these requirements are more stringent than those proposed by AKC. As the mentors are ACCC-approved, it was felt that mentors should be ACCC members. The mentor workshop will include such topics and miscellaneous requirements such as an individual may not mentor a class in which he or she has a Crested in competition; how to stimulate and answer all questions by adhering to the Standard for Chinese Cresteds; never offering a comment contrary to what appears in the Standard; not offering opinions about people, specific dogs, and kennels; how to answer questions; things to consider and discuss; etc.



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RINGSIDE OBSERVATION MENTORING UPDATE

Approved Chinese Crested mentors will want to be aware of the recent revision to the Ringside Observation parameters established by the American Kennel Club. To quote the notice as published in the *Judges' Newsletter*:

"Effective immediately, qualified mentors will be allowed to participate in Ringside Observation on days they have entries in the breed they are teaching until the class at which they have an entry assembles. From that time on they are to refrain from further interaction."

This, of course, allows approved mentors to be more easily available since many mentors are also Chinese Crested exhibitors. But, exhibitors as mentors must clearly understand that as their class assembles, they **MUST** remove themselves from any area of mentoring. As a requirement set forth by AKC, it automatically becomes a requirement of the American Chinese Crested Club, Inc.

How to Become a Mentor

If you feel you meet the requirements listed above, and wish to join the list of ACCC - approved mentors, please send a letter requesting an application to:

AMERICAN CHINESE CRESTED CLUB, INC.

Sharon McCadam, Corresponding Secretary

2901 East Section Street

Mount Vernon, WA 98274-6101

Or email your request for an application to be sent to you – firacres@comcast.net