## **REQUIREMENTS FOR Certification as:**

## **REGIONAL PDI JUDGE**

1. Applicant must be a regular or associate member of the USPCA.

2. Applicant must have a minimum of three (3) years experience as a police K-9 handler. Applicant must have handled or trained a police service dog that has obtained a PDI certification in a recorded sanctioned USPCA certification trial.

3. Applicant must have judged a minimum of three (3) regional certifications in not less than a 2year period, covering all phases of obedience, agility, article search, box search and criminal apprehension. (Criminal Apprehension includes with and without gunfire)

4. A total of not less than thirty-five (35) K9 teams must be judged over this period in each phase.

5. The Regional Executive board will provide a letter showing approval of the applicant wishing to become a certified judge. The application will be submitted on-line at www.uspcak9.com and must be submitted at least 60 days prior to the next scheduled Executive Board Meeting.

6. The committee will review the application and make a recommendation to the National Executive Board, who will approve or disapprove the application. If approved, the applicant will receive a Regional Certified Judge Certificate.

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Note: It is the responsibility of the applicant to keep track of the numbers of dogs that they have judged.