TRIAL CHAIRMEN:

Please review the following information and adhere to all conditions contained therein.

- Please make sure that all participants are members of NSTRA with current dues. You may check your region members on the roster sent with this packet. Out of region members can be verified with a telephone call or e-mail to the office.
- Be sure all your judges and field marshals are current on their memberships and certificates. Judges within your region will be listed on your membership roster. Out of region judges and all field marshals can be verified with a telephone call or e-mail to the office.
- Be careful to dispose of birds properly after trial is over.
- All recognized trials must use game birds for bird release. All birds used in a sanctioned trial must be the same species of game bird for each individual trial.
- Please try to include our sponsor banners in any pictures sent into the office for publication in the magazine.
- Dog and handlers and gunners must remain behind a blind while birds are being released for their brace.
- Enclosed please find a trial entry form with release adopted by NSTRA. While this form will not completely release your region, club and those involved in holding your trial, such as the provider of the horses, 4-wheelers, land, etc., from any liability should an injury and legal action occur, it will definitely help if you are faced with that type of situation. All entrants should fill out and sign a trial entry form for each entry. You may make copies or this form is available on our website at nstra.org.
- If you do not use the above trial entry form, then use the enclosed release form. The elected officers advise each chairman to have this posted, possibly in the blind, or in the hands of the field marshal. A clipboard hung up in the blind with the release form and a signature page is a good way to make sure everyone has signed.
- <u>The release is to be signed by every trial participant, the judges and the bird planter.</u> If the bird planter is a minor, you should have a release signed by his/her parents on file.
- NSTRA national does not provide insurance for your field trials. Please make sure that your trial is covered by your regional insurance or by individual trial insurance. A list of companies that provide this is available from the NSTRA office.
- NSTRA has been notified by several regions that the language being used at many trials is offensive to the gallery. The enclosed "Bad Language" poster should be posted at all field trials near the score sheets so everyone is aware of the consequences of offensive language.
- Make sure all trial reports are completed. We must have the registered #, registered name, sire, dam, breed/sex, call name, whelp date, owner, handler, city and state of the top four placements along with the judges name & judging number and field marshal name and member number. All incomplete trial reports will be held in the office until we receive the completed information. The office will notify the chairman of incomplete or missing information.
- All trial reports are to be received in the office within 10 days of the trial. Late reports cause delays in the magazine printing and incorrect championship dates for the dogs. Please contact the office if you experience an unforeseen delay. Any trial chairman who does not forward their trial report to the NSTRA office within 10 days will not be allowed to chair another trial for up to one year. Per Nat'l Officers mtg. 1/5/96
- Trial reports may be mailed, faxed or e-mailed to the office.