

MASTER AMATEUR RETRIEVER CLUB

INFORMATION FOR MARSHALS AND TEST SECRETARIES ON IDENTIFYING AND TRACKING AMATEUR RESULTS

- Please do not alter your usual procedures for sending marked catalogs to the AKC and MNRC.
- Send the Master Marshal sheet and a marked catalog to Retriever News (aka RFTN.)
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Thank you Test Secretaries and Master Marshals. Beginning March 1, 2016 Amateur handlers began qualifying for the 2017 Master Amateur Invitational. Retriever News is tracking those passes and posting the results on our website masteramateur.com. You can help us and your amateur handlers make this process effective and efficient. The following suggestions are intended to make your jobs easier and the reporting of results more accurate and consistent. As more people complete their EE profile this process will become even more automatic. The updated Master Marshal sheet included in your EE event package is intended to make it easier for all.

Master Marshal:

1. As handlers check in – Ask “And which handler listed will be running the dog?” Circle the correct handler or if not listed add the correct name.
2. If not already noted please ask the handler for the correct Pro P) or Amateur A) designation. .
3. After final series, you can use the Master Marshal’s sheet for Judges for them to mark Qualified dogs. The Marshal Sheet is simply a tool to make reporting results easier and more complete.
4. To make the updating even easier for the Marshal one club simply puts the marshal sheet on a clipboard in the last holding blind and instructs handlers to correct/update their information.

NOTE: If you are unable to confirm the amateur or professional status of a handler, don't worry. The absence of an (A) amateur designation will simply mean that any qualifying score for that handler/dog will not be entered into the list of dogs qualifying for the Master Invitational.

Test Secretaries:

1. The catalog submitted to Retriever News (RN) will be as important as the AKC catalog. The RN catalog must (a) indicate the actual handler; (b) designate A or P; (c) be signed by the judges for each Master flight. ***In lieu of transferring the handler and status information from the Master Marshal's Sheet to the catalog you may simply fold the Master Marshal Sheet into the catalog sent to Retriever News. We suggest you keep a copy of the Master Marshal Sheet or snap a picture of the sheet with your smart-phone.***

Please help the Master Amateur Retriever Club and Retriever News track our dogs qualifications. The information gathered will help us understand trends as they develop in addition to RN being the official tracking service for the MARC

We at MARC understand more effort is required to track amateur passes, and our system will continue to need a bit of fine tuning. However the benefits of this are great and include: more data, the growth of the sport, which enhances amateur handlers, more event participants and additional depth for the judges pool.

THANK YOU!

Any questions? Feel free to call Bob Swift, 803.420.8070 or Macy Swift, 772.584.2453 or ask one of the Master Amateur Retriever Club representatives at the test.