

2011 Purina Endurance Qualification Changes

Currently the Endurance trial entry qualifications read as follows:

Entry into this trial is based on all points earned within a dog's home region from June 1 to May 31, except points earned from placements in the final "Top 4" of a National Championship trial or Regional Championship trial (qualifying rounds do count). Each region is allotted a quota based on the number of trials that the region held in the same time frame. No invitations will be sent. (Change voted on by the Board of Directors, October 28, 2008)

Since this trial is limited to either 64 or 128 dogs due to the endurance format, we have voted to include the following dogs so that we may be certain to obtain the 128 dogs needed to ensure a successful and profitable trial. The qualification levels will be tiered. The original qualifications as listed above, with the qualification period of June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011, will be the 1st round of qualified dogs to be taken.

2nd tier will be any dog who has earned a NSTRA open championship (18 points, 9 of which must be 1st place points) up through May 31, 2011.

3rd tier will be any dog who has points in any region during the qualification period of June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011 (except placements in the final "Top 4" of a National Championship trial or Regional Championship trial).

4th tier will be any dog who has an open/amateur placement (including 4th place) in any region during the qualification period of June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011. Dogs will be taken in order of date the entry was received in the office.

If we receive more than 128 entries prior to the due date, the last entries from the 4th tier will go on the bye list. As with other National trials, any qualified entries received after May 31, 2011 will be placed on the bye list in order of receipt. Telephone and e-mail entries must be received in the office by 5:00 pm Eastern on July 15, 2011. No after hours messages will be accepted.

Please note: Do not enter dogs with no NSTRA placements as we will not be opening up this trial further.

We would also like to thank you for your interest in the Endurance trial and the feedback we have received regarding the entry qualifications for this trial. We look forward to your entries.

Sincerely,

NSTRA National Officers