

# **REQUIREMENTS for Certification as:**

## **TRACKING 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 a police service dog that has obtained a TRACKING or TRACKING EXCELLENCE certification in a recorded sanctioned USPCA certification trial.
3. Applicant must have judged a minimum of two (2) regional certifications in not less than a 2-year period.
4. A total of not less than ten (10) K9 teams must be judged over this period.
5. The Regional Executive board will provide a letter showing approval of the applicants wish to become a certified judge. The application will be submitted on-line at [www.uspcak9.com](http://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 Certified Tracking Judge Certificate.

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