

CJC INTENSIVE CRITIQUE FORM (Updated 29/10/2025)

Trainee Judge's Name: _____

Conducted at: _____ Specialty ☐ Other ☐

Date: ____/____/____

Breed: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____

Colour: _____

- **Both the Trainee and Accredited Assessor MUST** physically examine and gait the critiqued dog. **(Max 3 critiques per Accredited Assessor)**
- The Assessor **MUST** view the **Trainee's physical examination** of the dog and comprehensively discuss with the Trainee / Aspirant judge the completed critique based on the dog critiqued.
- **Hold a conversation** allowing the Trainee to **"Talk the dog"** critiqued and recognise the dog's virtues and areas they would like to see improved.
- The discussion with the Assessor is to develop a greater understanding of the individual dog that was critiqued based on the breed standard and to further develop the Trainee's / Aspirant's assessment skills and the ability to **"Talk the dog"**.
- Trainees **MUST** use the CJC Intensive Critique Form for **ALL** critiques (general and speciality).

Maximum of one (1) intensive critique per breed required. [Total of fifteen (15), to be submitted to the group leader for practical exam approval. *Refer Dogs Victoria regulation 7.14*]

1. Overall impression – To include Breed Hallmarks, Proportions, Character, Temperament

2. Head – To include eyes, ears, expression and mouth

3. Neck, Front Assembly, Feet:

4. Body – To include Topline and Underline

5. Hindquarter, Tail Set and Carriage:

6. Coat – Colour and Texture

7. Gait.

Accredited Assessor Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

ACCREDITED ASSESSOR'S OBSERVATION FORM

Accredited Assessor's Name: _____

Trainee Judge's Name: _____

Assessment Conducted at: _____ ☐ ☐

Assessment Date: ____/____/____

Breed: _____

Time assessment commenced: _____

Part A: Physical Examination of the Dog - Assessment Criteria	Yes	No
Did the Trainee approach the dog in a manner appropriate for the breed?	☐	☐
Did the Trainee establish a verbal communication with the handler?	☐	☐
Did the Trainee go over the dog correctly maintaining a tactile presence with the dog?	☐	☐
Did the Trainee move the dog to assess the gait?	☐	☐

Part B: Verbal Assessment whilst examining dog - Assessment Criteria	Yes	No
During the physical examination of the dog, did the Trainee describe its anatomy with reference to the Glossary of Terms if required?	☐	☐

Part C: Post Physical Examination discussion with Accredited Assessor - Assessment Criteria	Yes	No
Was the Trainee able to recognise breed type, shape, balance and soundness?	☐	☐
Was the Trainee able to recognise breed hallmarks?	☐	☐
Was the Trainee able to recognise the dog's strengths and weaknesses in relation to the breed standard?	☐	☐
Did the Trainee demonstrate an understanding of the breed specific gait?	☐	☐

Part D: Written Critique - Assessment Criteria	Yes	No
Using correct terminology and referencing the standard in their own words, did the Trainee discuss the entire dog?	☐	☐

Feedback

Time assessment concluded: _____

Assessment Result:

Competent	☐	Not Yet Competent	☐
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Assessor's Signature: _____ Date: _____