

American Dahlia Society

Application for Judge

Name of Applicant _____ Date _____

Address _____ Email _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Telephone _____/_____/_____

1. Applicant is a member in good standing of the ADS either by a participating Society or by a single/family membership ☐ Society Name _____.

Candidate ☐

1. Must be a member of the American Dahlia Society before they are recognized as entering the Judging Program.
Yes ☐ No ☐
2. The individual is considered to be a Candidate after completing the first judging class and satisfactorily passing a test given by the Judging Chair for the individual's society/conference.
Yes ☐ No ☐
3. Once the individual has met the requirements for Candidate, they will be included in the society/conference report for the annual Judging Roster.
Yes ☐ No ☐

Accredited ☐

1. Applicant has exhibited dahlias for five (5) years.
Yes ☐ No ☐
2. Applicant has passed a written examination on judging dahlias based on the current ADS Judging Manual, the ADS Classification and Handbook of Dahlias and the ADS Seedling Scorecard.
Yes ☐ No ☐
3. Applicant has served as a Candidate Judge in at least five (5) dahlia shows in the last three (3) years.
Yes ☐ No ☐
4. Applicant owns a current ADS Judging Manual.
Yes ☐ No ☐

Senior ☐

1. Applicant has served four (4) years apprenticeship as an Accredited Judge.
Yes ☐ No ☐
2. Applicant has judged at a trial garden or seedling bench, judging at least once per year for the past four (4) years.
Yes ☐ No ☐
3. Applicant has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Evaluation Chair their ability to use an ADS Evaluation Scorecard in judging seedlings.
Yes ☐ No ☐
4. Applicant is able to properly classify as to size, type and color.
Yes ☐ No ☐
5. Applicant has demonstrated their ability to identify the current competition a seedling competes against, either from memory or from the ADS Classification and Handbook of Dahlias.
Yes ☐ No ☐
6. Applicant has taken the Senior Judge's test.
Yes ☐ No ☐

I hereby recommend the above applicant. _____

Conference or Society Judging Chair

Send to the ADS Accreditation Chair, email or US mail (see Bulletin)