



Continuing Education Policy Statement

Revision ~ April 2016

NACQJ Certified Judges are committed to the continual growth of the Certified Judges program. The integrity of the NACQJ Certified Judge designation is maintained through commitment to the update process. A structured certification update procedure with continuing education recommendations is standard procedure for all Certified Judges. A judge who fulfills the continuing education requirements demonstrates his/her commitment to expanding their basic knowledge to remain current in the art and craft of quilt making.

The initial certification is updated after three years and every three years thereafter. The update process requires achievement in each of the following areas - Commitment to Participation in Judging, NACQJ activities, and Continuing Education.

I. Commitment to Participation

At least three Commitment to Participation activities are expected during the three-year period preceding the CJ Update.

Every Certified Judge participates in three judging-related activities within the update period. These activities include but are not limited to judging, lectures, judging consultant, or mock judging demonstrations. Teaching by the CJ is not in itself continuing education (and should not be listed), however, the CJ may list any research done to enable them to teach or lecture.

II. Continuing Education Activities

At least three Continuing Education activities are expected during the three-year period preceding the CJ Update.

These activities can be pursued either through a formal or independent study process. Study topics include: quilt history, quilt-making techniques, judging, color, and design.

III. NACQJ Activities

At least three NACQJ activities are expected during the three-year period preceding the CJ Update.

Commitment to the Certified Judges Program is demonstrated by participating in NACQJ activities including but not limited to candidate paperwork review, candidate panel review, and candidate mentoring, judges' aide at the NACQJ partner shows, Master Quilt judging, and committee work. (See attached Addendum)

NACQJ Judges Certification Update Form

Please completely fill out and return pages 2 and 3. See page 4 for suggested activities.

Name: _____ NQA/NACQJ ID # _____ Year Certified _____

Address: _____ Phone # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail: _____

Please list **only activities completed in the three-year period preceding the CJ Update**. Enter all activities in a list or bulleted format under each of the categories. Include additional pages as needed. See Addendum (Page 4) for examples/suggested activities.

I. Commitment to Judging

List at least three Commitment to Judging activities completed during the three-year period preceding this CJ update. Include with each entry the date, sponsor, location and state, number of items judged and other judges as applicable.

II. Continuing Education, Independent Research and Study

List at least three Continuing Education activities completed during the three-year period preceding the CJ update. Include with each entry the date, location, title of the workshop, seminar, lecture, and instructor.

III. NACQJ and Other Unpaid Volunteer Work

List at least three NACQJ activities completed during the three-year period preceding the CJ update.

IV. Inactive Period (If Applicable)

Inactivity in judging or professional growth due to unforeseen circumstances such as health issues, family emergencies, life changing events) give a brief explanation:

V. Future Educational Plans

List areas of study or development you intend to pursue during the next three years

I wish to be:

_____ **Active**

_____ **Withdrawn:** I wish to withdraw from the CJ program. My name will be removed from the web site and the mailing list

Signature _____ Date _____

Please mail the complete form by March 1st to:

NACQJ Certified Judge Coordinator
Kate Eelkema
2973 Cedar Crossing
Minnetonka, MN 55305

Participation, Professional Development

Art
Color
Construction Techniques
Design and Composition
Juror of Quilt Exhibit
Judging
Judging Retreats
Judging Technique Studies
Research done by the CJ to prepare them for teaching/lecturing/writing
Quilting
Specialty Techniques
Historical or Cultural Studies

Independent Research and Study

Books
DVD Instruction
Historical or Cultural studies
Internet Classes/Lectures
Magazines
Museums
Publications
Shows/Galleries
Study Groups
Workshops/Lectures
Writing class participant
Author/Writings

Unpaid Volunteer Work and NACQJ Activities

Guild Affiliation, Guild officer position
National quilting organization work
Judging committee participation
Judging issues (problem solving)
Master Quilt judging or observation
Candidate Mentoring
Observing other Quilt Judging
NACQJ Partner Show participation
Review candidate paperwork or participate in candidate panel
CJ Committee work