

Game Steward Responsibilities, Before the Test

Two to three months before the test, make arrangements for the Bird Man. Include in the estimated requirements enough ducks to support the Hunt Test stakes and WC/WCX water series.

About a month before the test, confirm arrangements with the Bird Man. As soon as the entries for the test close, calculate the exact requirement for the number required to support the test. With the Chairman and the Gun Captain, coordinate the arrangements for producing fresh killed birds for the first series of the first test day.

Game Steward Responsibilities, Day Before the Test

Confirm arrival of birds. The Bird Man delivers to the site, and has access. Birds are generally left in the barn.

Be at the test grounds when the Judges set up the tests, or check with the Chief Marshal/Stakes Marshals to determine which stakes will require live flyers on the first series, and where.

Arrange to have birds moved off-site for protection over night (night before test and each subsequent night), since the site is no longer secure from vandalism.

Game Steward Responsibilities, Day of the Test

Arrive at the test site at first light. Based on the requirements of the Chief Marshal/Stake Marshal from the test set up the prior day, arrange for the appropriate numbers of fresh killed and live flyers at the first series of each Stake.

Throughout the day, coordinate with the Chairman and the Stake Marshals to assure that birds are available as the series change in the various stakes. Decide where birds which are no longer usable should be placed prior to disposing of them.

At the end of the first day, make certain that all birds are returned to the test headquarters area. Sort the birds which can be used the following day from those that need disposal. Arrange for removing remaining live birds to a secure location off site.

Coordinate with the Chairman/Chief Marshal of the WC/WCX/Pee Wee Hunter Stakes regarding the number of ducks to support that event on Sunday.

At the conclusion of all the tests, insure that all usable ducks are wrapped in newspaper. Arrange for disposal of the remainder.

Game Steward's Responsibilities, After the Test

Update this Job Description to add anything important that was missing or should be clarified.