



# AGS Certified Judge Application

Date & Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for showing interest in the American Gourd Society's standardized judging and applying standardized judging procedures and standards.

You will be qualified as an Apprentice Judge at the completion of this class, will receive credentials, and will have your name added to the AGS website list of Apprentice and Certified Judges qualified to judge AGS-sanctioned gourd competitions. You will have 2 years to complete the additional requirement of judging or clerking at an AGS sanctioned competition.

**There is no charge for the instruction itself**, but your non-refundable tuition fee will help purchase and mail your personalized official nametag and help defer the cost of class materials. Your official certified judge nametag will be created and mailed to you home address following the completion of the class and judging experience.

This seminar will familiarize you with the AGS Judging Guidelines, provide hands-on judging, and provide guidance in using AGS standardized criteria. Bring a note paper & pen, a flexible ruler and a small flashlight to class as well as your reading assignment.

Contact person (Sponsor): \_\_\_\_\_

**Name** (First & Last) as it should appear on your nametag. Please print:

**Mailing Address:** Street or PO Box, City, State & Zip

**Phone**

**Email**

**Future Contact**

I agree that my contact information may be made available to potential competition planners

**Tuition Expense** (The check can be collected at the completing of the class or mailed in advance)

I have enclosed a check for \$15 (made payable to: **American Gourd Society**)

Send this application and check to: The AGS Certification coordinator:

**Diane Frankenfield, 9097 Deer Hill Rd., Belews Creek, NC 27009-9712**

(itsagourdlife@gmail.com)

**AGS Membership Status**

Yes, I am a current member of the American Gourd Society

No, I need to join or renew  I have included a separate check for the \$15 AGS membership fee

**Deadline:** Please mail application & check(s) to Dian Frankenfield at the address listed above

**OR** give this application and check to the class contact person who will for them to the coordinator.

**Prework:** Your sponsor will email the documents to you to read prior to attending this class. If you do not receive these materials, you can print a copy of the AGS Judging Handbook and 2016 AGS Judging Guidelines by Category from the website, <http://www.americangourdsociety.org/judging.html>.