

Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston
Working Certificate Requirements

The Working Certificate (WC) test offered by LRCGB follows the regulations set by The Labrador Retriever Club Inc. In addition, LRCGB has designed two advanced test levels aimed at demonstrating the dog's progress toward the skills required at the Senior Hunter level (Working Certificate Intermediate, WCI) or Master Hunter level (Working Certificate Excellent, WCX). WCI and WCX are NOT titles recognized by LRC.

From the LRC:

The Working Certificate requirements shall be designed to establish that the dog is not gun-shy: accordingly, the dog will be expected to retrieve a shot game bird at a distance of 50 yards or greater... the dog will be expected to retrieve two ducks from swimming water in immediate succession to establish the dog's willingness to reenter water...Steadiness is not required ...

Qualification:

Any dog that has satisfactorily completed both a land and water series in a field trial licensed by The American Kennel Club, or has received placement or judge's award of merit in a field trial sanctioned by The American Kennel Club, has successfully completed an AKC Junior Hunter Title, or has achieved at least one (1) leg on a Senior or Master Hunter Title shall be deemed to have satisfied the working certificate requirements. In addition, a working certificate requirement may be satisfied by establishing to the satisfaction of any current member of the Club's Board of Directors that the dog in question has performed in accordance with the minimum requirements set forth above.

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

WC: Single (live flyer) on land, back to back singles in water, 50 yard retrieves, light cover; not gun shy, steadiness not required, delivery to hand not required, no dress code

WCI: Double on land and on water or land/water, 75-100 yard retrieves, moderate cover, decoys, no blind, on-lead honor; not gun shy, steady off lead, delivery to hand, boat may be used, proper hunting attire or dark clothing required

WCX: Triple on land and triple on water or land/water, 100+ yard retrieves, 50-75 yard blind(s) on land and/or water (outside the marks), diversion shot, duck calls, decoys, off-lead honor; not gun shy, steady off lead, delivery to hand, boat may be used, proper hunting attire or dark clothing required.