



## Certified Wine Judge with Merit Program Application

The Wine Judge with Merit Program, CWJM, is an opportunity for Certified Wine Judges to be recognized for their continuing education efforts and Wine Judge activities each year they enroll in the program. All candidates who register and attain **15** or more continuing education units (CEUs) within the current year will be awarded the post-nominal as part of their professional signature certificate, and lapel pin. Each applicant must Judge a minimum of two separate competitions to be eligible. The program begins each year in January and continues through December 15th. Early submission (by October 15<sup>th</sup>) is available if you wish to be recognized at our National AWS Conference. Candidates will be able to submit their completed required application to the Director of Education, [directoreducation@americanwinesociety.org](mailto:directoreducation@americanwinesociety.org), for verification and approval. Regular submission and approval of a Wine Judge with Merit application is due by December 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. Certified Wine Judges have the opportunity to apply for this program every year. Make sure to fill out the documentation for each of the qualifying events, and attach any certifications.

The registration fee is \$50

### The Continuing Education Units are awarded as follows:

- A. Manage a Competition or are a Head Judge, 2 Units/competition \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units
- B. Judge a competition, 1 Unit/competition, (unlimited) \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units
- C. Work the back room of a Competition, 1 Unit/competition, (unlimited) \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units
- D. Judge a Competition in another country, 2 Units/competition (unlimited) \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units
- E. Teach a wine education class, educational seminar or presentation.  
1 Unit/session, Maximum of 4 units, (not including WJCP/WineSmarts) \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units
- F. AWS Education Staff, (e.g., Instructor, Coordinator, Committee  
Member or Program Director) from WJCP, WineSmarts, NTP, WSET, 2 Units \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units
- G. Participate as a Judge on WJCP Zoom Calls, 1 Unit, for a minimum of 3 calls \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units
- H. Complete a class or accredited educational seminar WSG, SWE, WSET, Court of Master  
Sommeliers, 2 Units each, maximum of 4 units \_\_\_\_\_  
a. \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units

I. Have a recognized certification or wine credential (CSW, WSET, Sommelier, Wine Scholar Guild, Enology Degree, 2 units (rolls over each year, maximum of 4 units)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units

J. Attend AWS conference sessions and the Judge continuing ed seminar, 2 units

\_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units

K. Currently employed in the wine trade (e.g., Sommelier, Sales Rep, Winery, Winemaker, hospitality trainer, Wine tour guide or operator, 2 Units

\_\_\_\_\_  
Total Units

### **Total Accumulated CEU's**

\_\_\_\_\_

I attest that all the information I have provided is complete and accurate regarding my activities as a Certified Wine Judge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature/date

Successful Completion of Certified Wine Judge with Merit requirements

\_\_\_\_\_  
AWS Director of Education

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

The Director of Education will acknowledge each Certified Wine Judge with Merit at our Annual AWS Conference (if application has been received by October 15<sup>th</sup>) and Certificate given at National Conference or mailed to those not in attendance. All names read at conference regardless of attendance. Regular year end submissions for approval will be notified and or receive their certificates by January 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Qualifying Information Page for Wine Judge with Merit Program**

#### **A. Manage a Competition or Head Judge 2 Units each competition**

Name of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Web site: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Judge a competition**

1 Unit

Name of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**Judge a competition**

1 Unit

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Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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1 Unit

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Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**Judge a competition**

1 Unit

Name of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Work back room of competition**

1 Unit

Name of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates of competition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**Work back room of competition**

1 Unit

Name of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**D. Judge a Competition in another country**

2 Units

Name of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**Judge a Competition in another country**

2 Units

Name of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**E. Teach a Wine Education Class** 1 Unit

Name of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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1 Unit

Name of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**Teach a Wine Education Class**

1 Unit

Name of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**Teach a Wine Education Class**

1 Unit

Name of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of class: \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**F. AWS Education Staff, (e.g., Instructor, Coordinator, Committee Member or Program Director) 2 Units Please Identify your position**

WJCP \_\_\_\_\_

Winesmarts \_\_\_\_\_

NTP \_\_\_\_\_

WSET \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**G. AWS Judge Program Zoom Call** 1 Unit

Date of Call \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Call \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Call \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**H. Class or accredited Seminar** 2 Units

Describe \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Accreditation Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Accreditation Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**I. Certification** 2 Units

Name/Level of Certification \_\_\_\_\_

Accreditation Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name/Level of Certification \_\_\_\_\_

Accreditation Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**J. Attending AWS Conference and CWJ continuing Education Program** 2 Units

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**K. Actively employed in Wine Trade** 2 Units

Trade: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of employment \_\_\_\_\_

Verification contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Information you want to share or need more room to add units:

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