



Kennel Union of Southern Africa

SCHEDULE 5B (02)

KUSA REGULATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL WORKING DOG TRIALS AND INTERNATIONAL TRACKING DOG TRIALS

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This Schedule is to be read in conjunction with Appendix B – Guidelines for International Working Dog Trials and International Tracking Dog Trials of the F.C.I. This Schedule describes Special KUSA Regulations as provided for by “Special Regulations: The LAO is entitled to expand (modify) general regulations for their area (country).” When the guidelines, as issued by the FCI, are altered by the FCI for the exercises concerned then the KUSA will *mutatis mutandis* amend this for immediate implementation in the KUSA area of jurisdiction. Notwithstanding anything as issued by the FCI the provisions of this Schedule and the relative KUSA Schedule as laid down in the Constitution will apply.

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1. LICENSING AND HOLDING OF IPO

1.1 Licensing and Show Regulations

The regulations relating to licensing and to all other matters to do with shows as set out in Schedule 3 (Championship Shows) and Schedule 4 (Non-Championship Shows) of the Constitution of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa (KUSA) shall apply to IPO as far as they can be relevant to IPO and as far as they do not conflict with the specific terms of Schedule 5B (2) (IPO).

1.2 Scope of Licence

The license may include any one or more of the following grades. All the exercises contained in the REGULATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL UTILITY DOG TRIALS AND THE INTERNATIONAL TRACKING DOG TRIAL OF THE FCI. These Rules were approved by the FCI General Committee in Rome on April 13 2011. They are effective from January 1st 2012. A club entitled to hold a Championship Show may hold a Championship IPO Show not more than once in any calendar year under the same license as a Championship Breed Show or under the same license as another Championship Event or under a separate license. Before applying to hold a Qualifying Show, a new Club must have held two (2) Non-Championship Shows. The provisions in Schedule 4A (Regulations for Qualifying Shows) shall apply to Qualifying Shows (IPO) as far as they can be relevant to IPO. The minimum number of dogs present and exhibited shall be as per the minimum number of dogs for a trial.

1.3 Marks, Qualifications and Rating

1.3.1 a dog can qualify in the different grades as set out in the Regulations for the International Utility Dog Trials and the International Tracking Dog Trial of the FCI. All the exercises contained in the REGULATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL UTILITY DOG TRIALS AND THE INTERNATIONAL TRACKING DOG TRIAL OF THE FCI at Non-Championship Shows. No certificate will be issued.

1.3.2 The owner of any dog may use only the most senior qualification achieved in abbreviated form, as an appendage to the dog's registered name. The abbreviations to be used are: (BH VT, BHZA, IPO ZTP, IPO VO, IPO I, IPO II, IPO III, and FH1, FH2.) All the exercises contained in the REGULATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL UTILITY DOG TRIALS AND THE INTERNATIONAL TRACKING DOG TRIAL OF THE FCI In order to have the qualifications placed on any registration records, a copy of the (Record Card) Workbook must be submitted to the KUSA.

1.3.3 The points and ratings scored are not to be part of the dog's title or registered name.

1.3.4 The dog must always compete in the highest trial grade reached, except when no placing or qualification is associated with the trial. This means that once a dog has competed in a grade, it can no longer compete in a lower grade.

1.4 IPO (SA) Champion

1.4.1

The title IPO (SA) Champion to a dog that has received three (3) Qualifying certificates in IPO 3 from at least (two) 2 different KUSA Licensed IPO judges with a minimum score of 80 points in discipline A and B and minimum score of 90 in Discipline C and a TSB of Pronounced.

1.4.2 The title IPO (SA) Champion shall be awarded to a dog that has been awarded the title KUSA National IPO Dog for..... (Year) and such dog shall receive a certificate to this effect from the KUSA.

1.5 Eligibility of Dogs for Competition

1.5.1 Any dog registered or recorded by the KUSA may enter.

1.5.2 No dog can be entered in any IPO Trial unless it has been issued with a (Dog Qualifying Record Card (IPO) KUSA, and no dog can be entered "Registration Applied For" (RAF), or "Transfer Applied For" (TAF), under the terms of Schedule 3, Regulation 7 where applicable.

2. MANAGEMENT OF IPO

2.1 Management of IPO

2.1.1 Trial Manager: The Trial Manager will have made provision for sufficiently large terrains to hold all Phases of the trial. (Discipline A, tracking, at tracking grounds and Discipline B and C at one venue)

2.1.2 Misbehaviour of Dogs at a Trial

2.1.2.1 In a case where the judge must submit a report to KUSA, such report shall be sent to the KUSA within seven (7) days of the close of the trial.

2.2 Number of Dogs to be judged

2.2.1 If the number of entries is excessive, the committee of the Club holding the IPO trial shall appoint an extra Judge or Judges whose name/s shall be communicated to the KUSA for approval. This must satisfy the requirements of the FCI regulations for IPO trials of not more than 36 phases to be judged by any judge in one day.

2.2.2 In the situation described in 2.2.1 the Show Committee must allocate an entire "Phase" or "Phases" to be judged by the individual Judge as stipulated in the REGULATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL UTILITY DOG TRIALS AND THE INTERNATIONAL TRACKING DOG TRIAL OF THE FCI under trial judges, e.g. one Judge judges the complete Discipline A, another Judge judges the complete Discipline B, one or both Judges judge Discipline C. Any competitor qualifying under this Regulation will have his record card and certificates signed by all the Judges who judged his dog.

2.3 General attitude and conduct of the Handlers

2.3.1 Either the owner or his deputy may handle the dog but it must be the one or the other. Once the dog has commenced work, an owner must not interfere with his dog if he has deputised another person to handle it.

2.3.2 The dog's (IPO Qualifying Record Card) IPO Workbook has to be presented to the Trial Manager before the start of the trial.

2.3.3 In all exercises the left side of the Handler will be regarded as the working side. If the Handler suffers from a physical disability the Handler may work the dog on the right hand side, provided he notifies the Judge before the commencement of the judging at the trial.

2.4 Conditions

It is the responsibility of the Trial Manager and of the Judge/s to ensure that all dogs competing in a Grade compete under the same conditions as far as this is practical.

2.5 Weather

Cancellation of a Trial or any part of a Trial shall be at the discretion of the Trial Manager in consultation with the Judge/s.

2.6 Starting Time

All competitors shall be informed of the starting time of their Grade when judging commences, and competitors and dogs in each Grade shall be present at the site of a Trial at least thirty (30) minutes before that time. Any competitor who is not present thirty (30) minutes prior to the informed starting time may be considered by the Judge as withdrawn.

2.7 Order of competition

2.7.1 Void

2.7.2 Based on the initial draw in Grades II and III the competitors will be taken to the tracking ground in groups of three (3) or four (4), where a second draw will define the order of tracking for that group so that they are unaware of the specific Track Layer whose track their dog will be required to follow. Communication with the Track Layer is forbidden.

2.8 Track laying

No track shall be laid by a Track Layer who is a member of the same household as the owner or the Handler of the dog. The age of the track is to be calculated from the time the Track Layer commences the laying of the track.

2.9 Helpers (IPO)

Only Registered Helpers (IPO) may assist at any IPO Trial. Before approving a foreign Helper (IPO), the KUSA shall be satisfied that such Helper is recognized and approved in his country of permanent residence

The only helpers permitted to officiate at KUSA IPO trials are:

2.9.1 KUSA Registered helpers

2.9.2 Helpers registered with any FCI affiliated organization.

Helpers will be subject to confirmation from the organization to which they are registered

2.10 Competition by Officials at Shows

A KUSA Representative may not enter, exhibit or handle a dog registered in his name at any KUSA Licensed event held at the same venue on the day that he is officiating, nor in the same Discipline held under the same licence on any day.

2.11 Catalogue Numbers

Handlers must display catalogue or entry numbers prominently on their person when competing.

3. JUDGING IPO

3.1 Knowledge of Regulations

All Handlers are expected to have a thorough knowledge of the Regulations for the Grade in which they are competing.

3.2 Dogs tested separately

Each competing dog will be tested separately except where the Description of Exercises specifically provides otherwise.

3.3 Judging Appointments

3.3.1 In the event of any KUSA IPO Judge not carrying out an IPO judging appointment for a period of three (3) years or more, he will be required to act as a Learner Judge (IPO) once with a KUSA Licensed Judge (IPO) and submit one (1) satisfactory report to the officiating KUSA Licensed Judge (IPO) before he can accept a further IPO judging appointment.

3.3.2 Void

3.3.4 A Judge may refuse to proceed with judging if the correct procedures of the FCI IPO regulations are not adhered to.

3.3.5 The FCI section headed "Trial Judges" states that "Any form of criticism regarding the evaluation can lead to dismissal from the site..." Under KUSA regulations this may lead to a report by the Judge of unsporting behaviour.

3.3.6 The FCI section headed "Trial Judges" describes the procedure for submitting a complaint and states that "In justified cases, regarding a violation of the trial regulations on the judge's part and not a judge's decision, a complaint can be filed within eight days."

This FCI ruling is invalid, as it is in conflict with the KUSA regulations for complaints about shows.

3.3.7: Where there is a conflict between the Regulations for the International Utility Dog Trials and the International Tracking Dog Trial of the FCI and KUSA Schedules and administration, the KUSA Regulations will apply insofar as they do not alter the FCI IPO Trial rules.

3.4 Intervals

No mandatory intervals are required between judging appointments.

3.5 Uniformity

For the purpose of international uniformity the method of judging must remain within the spirit of these Regulations.

3.5.1 The Judge must adhere to the specific directives for evaluation which are given in the Description of Exercises.

3.5.2 All dogs which qualify shall be placed in preference to any dog which has not qualified, although the unqualified dog may have scored a higher aggregate of marks in the Grade.

3.6 Qualification and Training for National Organization Judges

3.6.1 For the purpose of this regulation the term "Learner Judge" means a person not yet qualified to judge at a particular trial and who accompanies the appointed licensed Judge (IPO) at a trial and independently, and without consultation with the appointed Judge or any other person, marks the competitors in the Trial as if he were the appointed Judge. A Learner Judge's marks will have no bearing on the results of, or the awards made at a Trial and are not to be made known to the competitors. The Learner Judge's marking is solely to enable him to prepare a report as described in these Regulations.

3.6.2 Before a person can act as a Learner Judge (IPO) he must:

3.6.2.1 Have Qualified Two (2) dogs to at least IPO Grade I or one (1) dog to IPO 2 level.

3.6.2.3 Be proposed by letter from a KUSA affiliated IPO Training Club which hosts KUSA licensed IPO trials and be accepted by, the Provincial Council IPO Sub-committee in which area he resides. Where there is no such Provincial Council IPO Sub-committee, the proposal is to be made directly to the National Council IPO Sub-Committee. Where there is no such National Council IPO Sub-committee, the proposal is to be made directly to the KUSA.

3.6.2.4 Make an application in writing to the Provincial Council IPO Sub-committee in which area he normally resides. Where there is no such Provincial Council IPO Sub-committee, the proposal is to be made directly to the National Council IPO Sub-committee. Where there is no such National Council IPO Sub-committee, the proposal is to be made directly to the KUSA.

3.6.2.5 Pass a written examination with a pass mark of 80%, consisting of:

A. fifteen (15) questions from Schedule 3

B. Forty (40) questions from Schedule 5B (2) (IPO)

C. Ten (10) questions on Anatomy, Conformation and motion (dynamics) of dogs

For standardisation, this examination is to be set by the National IPO Sub-committee. The examination is to be marked by the National IPO Sub-committee. If no committees exist, the KUSA shall oversee this. In all cases the exam shall be set and marked by a KUSA Licensed Judge (IPO).

3.6.3 National Organization IPO Judges Qualification Route A

The Provincial Council IPO Sub-committee, or where there is no such committee, the National Council IPO Sub-committee, or where there is no such committee, the KUSA, will then allocate the Learner Judge to a Licensed Judge (IPO). No more than two (2) people may be Learner Judges at any single trial.

3.6.4 The learner judge have to submitted a written report and his mark sheets. The report has to justify the marks allocated on the mark sheet, describing at least 15 dogs. This report has to cover at least (10) dogs participating in grade 3 and the rest can be made up by any combination of Grade 1, 2 and 3 dogs. The fifteen (15) dogs the Learner Judge has to report on can be accumulated over several trials as long as the minimum number of entries as set out in 3.6.9 are met. Within thirty (30) days of the Trial, the Learner Judge must submit his report to the Officiating Licensed Judge.

3.6.5 The officiating KUSA Licensed Judge shall, within 30 days of receiving the report, submit the report and mark sheets to the Provincial IPO Sub-Committee, together with the Licensed Judge's comments on the Learner Judges performance. The reports, mark sheets, Officiating KUSA Licensed Judge's comments, together with the Provincial IPO Sub-Committee letter of dis/approval will be forwarded to the National IPO Sub-Committee, or where there is no such committee, to KUSA, and recorded before being forwarded to KUSA for ratification.

3.6.6 In cases of doubt, the Chairman National Council IPO Sub-committee will contact the Licensed Judge to discuss any contentious points. If necessary the Learner Judge may be asked to present himself to an Examining Committee composed of two (2) Licensed Judges appointed by the National Council IPO Sub-committee, who will then discuss with him the doubtful points in the report. The results of this meeting will decide whether the report is passed or failed. Where necessary this may be done by electronic means.

3.6.7 The above system will apply to all reports.

3.6.8 All reports become effective when received by KUSA and tabled by the Executive Committee of the KUSA.

3.6.9 No report by a Judge/Learner Judge shall be considered unless a minimum of four (4) dogs competed and are reported on in detail. The report must contain detailed comment on the performance of all the dogs entered in the trial.

3.6.10 When a Learner Judge's report is approved; his Record Card must be endorsed accordingly by the Chairman of his Provincial IPO Sub-Committee. Where there is no such Provincial Council IPO Sub-Committee, the endorsement is to be made by the Chairman of the National Council IPO Sub-Committee. Where there is no such National IPO Sub-committee, the endorsement is to be made by the KUSA. When the requirements as set out in 3.6.4 are met, the Judge will send the endorsed Record Card to KUSA for the issue of his IPO Judge's Licence. No Judge shall accept an appointment to judge any Trial for which his Record Card has not been endorsed.

3.6.11 **National Organization IPO Judges Qualification Route B.**

Learner Judges will be given the opportunity to become Licensed IPO National Organization Judges by participating successfully completing the following process.

- A. Attend a Judges seminar presented by the FCI Utility Dog Commission area representative.
- B. Judges independently a minimum of 5 dogs in IPO 3 conditions at a workshop during the FCI Judges seminar weekend.
- C. Write a report, the report must contain detailed comment on the performance of all 5 dogs.
- D. IPO Judges Qualifying Panel consisting of:
 - FCI Utility Dog Commission area representative for Africa.
 - Two senior Licensed KUSA IPO Judges. This IPO Judges Qualifying panel will scrutinize the Learner Judges Mark sheets. If found to be acceptable the Learner Judge will be asked to submit a written report within 30 days of the workshop. This report will be scrutinised by the two local judges on the IPO Judges Qualifying panel.

The National IPO Subcommittee must receive the reports for ratification and send their findings to KUSA for the issuing of the Licence within 30 days of receiving the reports.

3.6.12 All Judges, if permanently domiciled in the KUSA area of jurisdiction, are to be members in good standing of the KUSA, both at the time of accepting an invitation and undertaking an appointment.

3.6.13 Appointment of Judges normally resident outside the area of jurisdiction of the KUSA will be considered by the Executive Committee of the KUSA in the light of the Judge's qualifications recognised by the appropriate canine authority in the Judge's country of permanent residence and in terms of Schedule 3 Regulation 34.4.

3.6.15 Whenever an exam must be set or marked or a report be assessed by any Sub-committee either Provincial or National, such committee must have as a member a licensed KUSA IPO III Judge. In the event that this is not possible the Sub-committee or KUSA shall refer the tasks of assessment or scrutiny of reports, setting and marking of exams to a KUSA licensed IPO III Judge for recommendation of approval or rejection to KUSA.

3.6.16 **Qualification of International IPO Judges**

To be recognized by the FCI as an international IPO performance judge, the applicant must meet the following minimum requirements:

1. Minimum age: having reached the South African legal capacity.
2. At the time of the application he must have qualified at least two dogs to the highest test level - IPO 3
3. Have judged, or entered a dog successfully at a national or international championship level
4. The applicant must be appointed by his FCI-Local Organisation (KUSA); he must have passed National IPO Subcommittee reviews.

The candidate must have:

- a) In-depth knowledge of the rules is one of the most important factors in assessing and qualified a IPO performance judge. He must know the FCI Working Dog Rules in their entirety and must be confident with each department, to be able to assess and make the right decisions.

- b) The practical training must enable the applicant to acquire complete knowledge of all provisions, as well as scenarios that may occur on the working field.

The practical training consists of the successful Judging of at least 10 competitions, in which the candidate is gaining confidence. This is a prerequisite for the written examination.

3.6.17 Qualification of Judges for all versions of BH and Endurance Test

- 3.6.17.1 Candidate Judges for BH must follow the same acceptance procedure as for all IPO judges.
- 3.6.17.2 Once satisfying the acceptance procedure and having passed the learner judge theory exam, the candidate must act as a learner judge twice in any of the BH versions permitted, with a licensed KUSA IPO 3 judge.
- 3.6.17.3 The candidate must score the dogs entered and submit the score sheets to the officiating KUSA licensed IPO 3 judge.
- 3.6.17.4 The candidate must write a report on all the BH dogs entered in the trial.
- 3.6.17.5 These reports are to be handed to the officiating judge within 30 days who must in turn, consider and report satisfaction or not within 30 days of receiving them and if the reports are considered satisfactory, the same process as for IPO reports must be followed.
- 3.6.17.6 Judges passed for BH versions may only judge BH and Endurance Test and only if at least 4 BH entries are taking part.
- 3.6.17.7 In any event, a minimum of 8 BH dogs and at least 2 trials must be reported on before a candidate can be qualified.

3.7 Qualifying Record Card

3.7.1 All dogs must be registered or recognized with the KUSA before such card is issued. Proof of registration is to be given to the person who issues the card. For dogs that are registered on the Obedience and Trial Dogs Record, the cards shall be marked by a double line crossing from top left to the bottom right.

3.7.2 All dogs must have an IPO Dog Qualifying Record Card.

3.7.3 Affiliated clubs are restricted to issuing cards to their own members. Persons who are not members of the affiliated clubs may obtain Record Cards from their local Provincial Council IPO Sub-committee. In areas where there is no such Provincial Council IPO Sub-committee, the Record Cards may be obtained from the National IPO Sub-committee. Where there is no such National IPO Sub-committee, the Record Cards may be obtained directly from the KUSA.

3.7.4 The cards are to be issued by the Provincial Council IPO Sub-committee to affiliated clubs. Each card must bear a Provincial Council Alpha Indicator and be numbered and recorded in order to identify the issuing club. In areas where there is no such Provincial Council IPO Sub-committee, the Record Cards will be issued to affiliated clubs by the National IPO Sub-committee. Where there is no such National IPO Sub-committee, the Record Cards will be issued to affiliated clubs directly by the KUSA.

3.8 Marking of Competitors

As each dog completes a Phase, his score must be entered by the Judge on his score sheet and the score must be made known to the Handler. Scores may not subsequently be changed except to correct arithmetical errors. The scores awarded and commented on by the Judge should also be made known to the spectators as soon as it is practically possible.

3.9 Announcement of Results

After the scores are totalled and winners decided, before announcing the placings, the Judge will inform the public as to the total number of points required for a perfect score. He shall then announce the competitors who have qualified in the Trial and their score as well as the scores of other competitors.

3.10 Adhering to Regulations

No judge shall require any dog or Handler to do anything or penalise a dog or Handler for failing to do anything which is not required by these Regulations or by this Schedule 5B(2)(IPO).

3.11 Judge's Orders

Judge's verbal orders must be clear to enable everyone to follow the judging.

3.12 Events outside the Regulations

In the event of circumstances arising not covered by the Guidelines for International Working Dog Trials and International Tracking Dog Trials of the F.C.I. (Appendix B), then the KUSA Rules and Regulations apply. In the event of circumstances arising not covered by the KUSA Rules and Regulations, the Judge of the Grade will have discretionary powers to make a ruling subject to confirmation by the KUSA. In such instances the Judge must submit a written report setting out all details to the KUSA within fourteen (14) days of the Trial.

3.13 Judging IPO FH

Only licensed IPO Judges may Judge IPO FH.

4. APPENDIX

4.1 Appendix A – Commands in Different Languages

Verbal commands are brief orders given in a normal voice, consisting of one single word. The commands can be given in any language. The same command must be used for the same task at all times. Examples of these commands are given in the following table.

German	English	Afrikaans	Dutch	French
Such	Seek/Track	Soek	Zoek	Piste
FuB	Heel	Voet	Volg	Au pied
Sitz	Sit	Sit	Zit/Halt	Assis
Platz	Down	Af/Le	Af/Liggen	Coucher
Hier	Come	Kom/Hier	Kom/Hier	Lci/Viens
Steh	Stand	Staan	Staan	Debout
Bring	Fetch	Bring	Apporte	Rapporte
Aus	Out/Leave	Los/Gee	Los	Halte/Donne

Hopp	Jump/Over	Oor/Spring	Hoog/Spring	Saute/Aller
Voraus	Go out/Away	Vooruit	Vooruit	En Avant/Vas
Revier/Voran	Search/Around Go ahead	Gaan om	Revieren	Cherche

4.2 Notes for the execution of the Regulations for the International Utility Dog Trials and the International Tracking Dog Trial of the FCI.

4.2.1 The minimum number of participants is four handlers.

4.2.1.1 Participation of bitches in season. Whilst bitches in season may participate, they must do their B and C work after all other dogs entered, work is completed. Note: That a “none participating” dog or bitch is to be used for the distraction in B work.

4.2.1.2 Qualification in the part exercises is recorded in the official workbook. These may be added to whatever is offered on any schedule, and are stand alone. In particular, the UPr 1, UPr2 and UPr3, and APr 1, APr2 and APr3, can be worked with the IPO dogs being trialled for wherever there is a down stay and distraction.

4.2.1.3 Only qualifications listed in the Regulations for the International Utility Dog Trials and the International Tracking Dog Trial of the FCI, may be entered in the workbook by KUSA recognized judges or judges from FCI member countries.

4.2.2 Regulations for the International Utility Dog Trials and the International Tracking Dog Trial of the FCI.



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