

REGULATIONS FOR THE THE DEREK CERONIO WORKING & HERDING DOG OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

Schedule 5E (15)(1.4)

1. Licensing and Show Regulations

The regulations relating to licensing and all other matters to do with Shows as set out in Schedule 3, (Regulations for Championship Shows [Breed]) and Schedule 4, (Regulations for Non-Championship Shows [Breed]), Schedule 5A, (Obedience Classes) and Schedule 5B, (Working Trials – Classic), of the Constitution of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa shall apply to this competition far as they can be relevant to the Golden Reef Working & Herding Dog Of The Year Competition and so far as they do not conflict with the specific terms of this Schedule 5E(15), Regulation 1.4.

2. Scope of Licence

A Club which is qualified to hold a Championship Show in the calendar year in which it is intended to hold the Golden Reef Working & Herding Dog Of The Year Competition may hold the event named in this Schedule in conjunction with such Championship Show or separate therefrom.

3. Eligibility of Dogs for Competition

Any dog may compete which is:

Registered with the Kennel Union of Southern Africa on the Breed Register, and whose eligibility is not in conflict with the Regulations hereunder described or has not been disqualified or suspended from competition by the Kennel Union of Southern Africa.

4. Host Club

Until or unless the Schedule 5E (15)(1.4) is amended or altered the Host Club for this event shall be designated as

WORKING & HERDING BREEDS ASSOCIATION GOLDEN REEF

5. Qualifications and Conditions of Entry – Breed

- 5.1.1 Entry will be strictly by invitation only to the registered owner of the dog or bitch in each pure breed of dogs, currently recognised by the Federal Council of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa for the purpose of classification, registration and competition, Schedule 2 of the Constitution of the Kennel Union in the Herding and Working Groups only and which has been awarded the highest number of Best of Breed Certificates awarded at all Breed Shows in the Transvaal, and the Host Club's Championship Show, in that breed between weekend 34 in the year preceding this event and weekend 33 in the year in which the event is to be held.
- 5.1.2 Three (3) points will be awarded for the Best of Breed and two (2) points for a Best Opposite sex and/or Reserve Best of Breed where it may be ascertained. The highest number of points obtained for a dog and bitch will qualify for the event, in the event of a tie, both will qualify.
- Potential exhibitors are required to complete an entry form as prescribed by the Committee of the Host club and dispatch such form, together with photocopies, not original documents, of the Best of Breed Certificates won in the prescribed period and entry fee shown on the show schedule, to the Secretary of the Host club or such other person as shall be nominated by the Host Club on or before the closing date for entries to The Working and Herding Breeds Association, Golden Reef Championship Show in the year in which the event is being held. Should the entry not be successful, the entry fee will be refunded to the

- exhibitor. All entries postmarked on or before the closing date will be accepted provided they are received within five days of the closing date.
- 5.3 Qualifying exhibitors will be invited to attend the Working and Herding Dog of the Year Competition.
- 5.4 Attendance at this competition is at the sole expense of the exhibitor.
- 5.5.1 Should a qualifying exhibitor become aware that his entry will not be present for this event, he should immediately notify the Secretary of the Host Club in writing.
- 5.5.2 When a dog is not present at the Competition, issue of a Working and Herding Breeds Association Dog of the Year Qualifying Certificate will be withheld unless the notification required in Section 5.5.1 above is accompanied by a Veterinary Certificate.
- 5.6.1 All exhibitors are required to dress in a manner befitting this prestige event and no jeans or T-shirts will be worn in the show ring.
- 5.6.2 All exhibitors taking part in this competition are required to wear a special bib displaying their exhibit number.
- 5.7 It is a condition of entry that exhibitors may not use their dogs or the award for the purpose of advertising any similar product without having obtained prior permission of the sponsor in writing.

6. Judging

The Breed Section of this competition will be judged in the same manner as would be applicable to judging groups at a Championship, by a judge or judges approved by the kennel Union of Southern Africa, save that four dogs and four bitches will be short listed and will go forward to the finals, to be judged by an independent judge.

7. Prizes and Awards

- 7.1 Breed
- 7.1.1 A floating trophy donated by the Sponsor will be handed to the Winner of the Competition to be held for one year.
- 7.2 Obedience
- 7.2.1 A floating trophy will be awarded to the owner of the dog or bitch securing the highest qualifying marks in Class C at Obedience Shows in the Transvaal in the year in which it is being held. If a similar number of certificates are obtained, an average of the points obtained will be taken and the highest average mark will be declared the winner.
- 7.2.2 In the event that there are no applications for entry, the prize or prizes shall be withdrawn.
- 7.3 Working Trials (Classic)
- 7.3.1 A floating trophy will be awarded to the owner of the dog or bitch securing the highest qualifying marks in Tracker III and/or police Dog. If tied, an average will be taken and the highest will be declared the winner.

8. Sponsorship

This event may be sponsored permanently or on an annual basis by any organisation acceptable to both the Federal Council of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa and the Host Club. In years when the event is sponsored the title may be preceded by the name of the Sponsor. Should either the Club or the Sponsor wish to disassociate themselves with the event, this may not be done so as to prejudice the holding of the event in that year or any succeeding years. For this reason a contract must be drawn up between the Club and any Sponsor establishing the rights and obligations of both should either or both wish to withdraw from associating with this competition.

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