



Kennel Union of Southern Africa

ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES AND SCHEDULES OF THE CONSTITUTION

The additions and amendments to the Articles and Schedules listed below were agreed to by the Federal Council at its meeting of 27-28 June 2026. The Articles will become effective on 01 February 2027 (or as otherwise stated) and the Schedules on 01 October 2026 or as otherwise stated.

Clubs are reminded that in terms of Article 40 of the Constitution, Affiliated Clubs have the right to object to any proposed amendment or part thereof to the Articles, but this does not extend to the Schedules which are governed by Article 41 of the Constitution.

N.B.: The references refer to the Constitution and Schedules on the KUSA website (www.kusa.co.za).

AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES

Article 32 – Public Liability Insurance

Amend to read:

32. Notwithstanding the obligation to every Affiliated Club to participate in and be covered by the Kennel Union's Public Liability Insurance as more fully set out in Article 8.6.6 of the Constitution, nothing hereinbefore contained shall prevent any Affiliated Club from insuring itself and its members against the risk of public liability howsoever arising, providing any such additional protection arising therefrom shall not invalidate such Club's compulsory participation in the Kennel Union's Public Liability Insurance.

[Note: The changes to Article 32 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

Article 39.2 – Indemnity

Amend to read:

- 39.2 No member of the Association shall be answerable for or liable to make good any loss occasioned to or by the Association from any cause whatever, save for any loss as shall arise from a wilful act of dishonesty of the member involved. No member of the Federal Council shall be liable for any act of dishonesty committed by any member or members of the Federal Council unless he was a party thereto.

[Note: The changes to Article 39.2 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

AMENDMENTS TO SCHEDULES

LIST OF SCHEDULES

Amend to read:

Schedule 05E
Regulations for KUSA Registered Special Events
Schedule 05E(24)
KUSA Dog of the Year Competitions

[Note: The amendments to the List of Schedules may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 02 – REGULATIONS FOR CLASSIFICATION, REGISTRATION & TRANSFER OF REGISTERED OWNERSHIP

Recognition of new breed:

- Russian Toy

[Note: The adoption of these breeds is effective upon publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 02 APPENDIX “C” – BREED SPECIFIC LITTER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

Insert NEW:

6. Rottweiler Litters

- 6.8 For litters whelped on or after 1 October 2026, a DNA Profile is required for the Sire, Dam and all puppies in the litter. The DNA sample may only be taken by a registered Veterinarian and be submitted together with the KUSA/Rottweiler Breed Council (RBC) DNA Certification Request Form to the Onderstepoort Veterinary Genetics Laboratory (OPVGL).

For registration purposes, all litters whelped on or after 1 October 2028 will require DNA Parentage Verification for all puppies in the litter. In the case of frozen imported semen, DNA Parentage Verification will be required using the donor Sire's semen for DNA-profiling purposes. Where a bitch has been imported in whelp, the imported Dam, Sire and puppies need to be DNA Parentage Verified. For this purpose, DNA material from the Sire must be sent with the bitch.

[Note: The additions to Regulation 6 are effective 01.10.2026.]

SCHEDULE 03 – REGULATIONS FOR CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS

7. Entry for Exhibition

Amend to read:

- 7.6 A Show Committee may reserve the right to refuse any Show Entry and may exercise such right on good cause and reasonable grounds, but only insofar as it relates to any aspect covered in the Preamble of this Regulation 7, but shall act in strict adherence to any restriction imposed by the Executive Committee on the acceptance of Show Entries for a particular dog received from Registered Owners, Authorised Agents or any other persons, in accordance with Regulation 33.4, as duly advised to Clubs by the KUSA Office. Such restriction shall remain valid until the lifting thereof has been advised by the KUSA Office on behalf of the Executive Committee.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 7.6 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

7.10 Entry by Judges

Amend to read:

- 7.10.1 A Judge may only enter and/or handle a dog in accordance with the Regulations below. If transgressed, automatic disqualification of the dog(s) will apply and the Judge may be liable for disciplinary action under Schedule 01.
- 7.10.1.1 Breed Judges – A Judge may not *enter* a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline at the same Championship Show, under the same licence, as he is officiating. For the avoidance of doubt, an officiating Judge may enter the same discipline, at Championship Shows, at the same venue on the same day held under a separate licence.
- 7.10.1.2 Dogsport Judges – A Judge may not enter a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline at the same Championship Show, under the same licence, as he is officiating, unless specifically permitted by the relevant Dogsport Schedule.
- 7.10.2 A Judge may not handle a dog in any discipline, save and except for Working Disciplines held under the licence of a different Club on the same day at the same venue, as he is officiating. Automatic disqualification of the dog(s) will apply, and the Judge will be liable for disciplinary action under Schedule 01.
- 7.10.2.1 Breed Judges – A Judge may not *handle* a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline at the same Championship Show, under the same licence, as he is officiating. For the avoidance of doubt, an officiating Judge may handle a dog registered in his ownership, at Championship Shows, at the same venue on the same day held under a separate licence.
- 7.10.2.2 Dogsport Judges – A Judge may not handle a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline at the same Championship Show, under the same licence, as he is officiating, unless specifically permitted by the relevant Dogsport Schedule.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 7.10 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

- 7.11 No Ring Steward may handle a dog on the same day as he is officiating before a Judge for whom he was stewarding unless requested by the Judge to exhibit the entry. Automatic disqualification of the dog(s) will apply, and the Ring Steward will be liable for disciplinary action under Schedule 01.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 7.11 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

9. Height and Weight Classes

Amend to read:

- 9.1 Whenever competition is subject to compliance with a height limit, the Show Committee shall provide a properly constructed measuring stick or alternative measuring device. Whenever a Judge calls for a measurement to be taken, the exhibit shall be measured by the Judge while it is standing on a firm, level surface within the show ring. If the exhibit fails to comply with the height limitation to which it is subject, the Judge shall mark his judging sheets accordingly and taking into consideration the requirements of the Breed Standard, make such award as he thinks proper. Failure to comply with the height limit shall not disqualify a dog nor render it ineligible for further competition except where specified in the Breed Standard. In the case of dispute, the decision of the Judge shall be final.
- 9.2 Whenever competition is subject to a desired weight limit, the Show Committee shall provide a weighing instrument and weights (if not electronic), for which a valid certificate of assize is available, for recommended use by the Judge. At the discretion of the judge, before the commencement of judging of each class, the dogs entered in that class shall be weighed by the Judge on a firm, level surface within the show ring. If any exhibit fails to comply with the desired weight limitation required by the Breed Standard, the Judge shall mark his judging sheets accordingly, and, taking into consideration the requirements of the Breed Standard, make such awards as he deems appropriate. In making his awards, the Judge shall have the utmost regard for the preservation of breed type of breed varieties separated by desired weight limitations and take into account factors like conformation to the Breed Standard, general physical condition and marginality of weight deviation.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 9.1 and 9.2 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

16. Exhibition of dogs

Amend to read:

- 16.4 Limited and controlled attraction from outside the Judging Ring will be permitted under the following circumstances:
- 16.4.1. Limited to only one (1) person attracting any exhibit from outside the Judging Ring.
- 16.4.2. Only noiseless objects shall be permitted to be used for purposes of limited outside attraction.
- 16.4.3. Limited outside attraction shall only be permitted during the individual assessment of an exhibit by the officiating Judge and in the final assessment to place a Class, or to award a CC or Best of Breed. For the avoidance of doubt, limited outside attraction as contemplated in Regulations 16.4.1 & 16.4.2 hereof shall not be permitted during the judging of Group or Best in Show Challenges.
- 16.4.4. No animals, whips, man-work or defence equipment shall be used for limited outside attraction.
- 16.4.5. No running around the outside perimeter of the Judging Ring shall be permitted by a person attempting to attract an exhibit inside the ring.
- 16.4.6. All limited outside attraction shall be entirely at the Judge's discretion and under the Judge's control and may be terminated by the Judge at any time or at any stage.
- 16.4.7 Limited outside attraction must accord with accepted principles of good sportsmanship and in adherence to Schedule 09 – Code of Ethics for Members of KUSA – and be practised with due consideration for other exhibitors by not causing them or their dogs to be unduly distracted or disadvantaged.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 16.4 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

20. Appointment and Approval of Judges, Evaluators and FCI-IGP Helpers

Amend to read:

- 20.2 Notwithstanding the provisions of Regulations 20.1.1 and 20.1.2, the Executive Committee may grant special dispensation for a replacement Judge, Evaluator or FCI-IGP Helper to be appointed where a justifiable reason exists, such as illness or a Judge's inability to travel.
- 20.2.1 In the case of a last-minute emergency necessitating the replacement of a Judge, Evaluator or FCI-IGP Helper, the Show Committee must seek the approval of the Chairman of the Executive Committee before appointing a replacement Judge, Evaluator or FCI-IGP Helper, also notifying the KUSA Office.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 20.2 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

- 20.3 In the event of a Judge, having accepted an appointment, not fulfilling such engagement to judge, he shall be required to give his reasons in writing within seven (7) days to the Club Committee with whom he has been contracted and if such reason is considered to be unsatisfactory or if no such reason is submitted, the Club Committee shall request the Club Secretary or any other appointed member of the Club who is a member of the KUSA to submit a complaint to the KUSA in terms of Schedule 01 of the KUSA Constitution.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 20.3 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

21. Challenge Certificates and Reserve Challenge Certificates

Amend to read:

- 21.5 Every Challenge Certificate and every Reserve Challenge Certificate issued by the Kennel Union shall bear the following declaration: "It is my considered opinion that, unless ineligible to be awarded such title, this exhibit is worthy of qualifying for the title of Champion."

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 21.5 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

22. Competition for Best of Breed, Reserve Best of Breed, Best Puppy of Breed and Other Best of Breed Class Awards and Certificates

Amend to read:

- 22.3.1 On completion of Best of Breed judging, and provided that the Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed winners were not entered in the Minor Puppy or Puppy Classes, Best Puppy of Breed will be judged. The exhibits eligible to compete for Best Puppy of Breed shall be the winners of the Minor Puppy and Puppy Classes of either sex, provided they have not been beaten by another Puppy Class winner for the challenge Certificate or Reserve Challenge Certificate. If the Judge is not of the opinion that the puppy selected is worthy of the award of Best Puppy of Breed, he may withhold it.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 22.3.1 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

- 22.7 If the Judge is of the opinion that none of the exhibits eligible for any Best Class in Breed award is worthy of the award, he may withhold it.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 22.7 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

26. Age Restrictions

Amend to read:

No puppy under the age of four (4) months on the first day of the Show shall be eligible for entry.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 26 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

33. Fines and Penalties

Amend to read:

- 33.2 The Executive Committee shall have power to impose a fine upon any exhibitor who makes an error in his Show Entry Form or infringes any provision of these Regulations and withdraw any prizes awarded on the day.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 33.2 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

Insert NEW:

- 33.4 The Executive Committee shall have the power to take such further remedial or punitive action as deemed appropriate to redress instances of discreditable conduct referred to it by the Secretary in terms of Regulation 37.4.1, which shall be limited to Letters of Demand, Letters of Warning, fines, or the imposition of restrictions on Clubs to accept Show Entries for the exhibition of certain dogs at Championship Shows, such restrictions only to be lifted by the Executive Committee once all the conditions of the imposed sanctions have been met.

[Note: The addition of Regulation 33.4 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

37. Fraudulent or Discreditable Conduct

Amend to read:

- 37.1 The Show Committee shall report, in writing, to the Secretary any case of alleged fraudulent or discreditable conduct, and any default or omission at or in connection with a Show which is brought to its notice. Every such report shall be submitted to the Secretary within seven (7) days of the Show, disclosing all information pertaining to the alleged discreditable conduct brought to the attention of the Show Committee and all documents placed in its possession. Additional documentation and information in support of the report may be submitted to the Secretary up to twenty-one (21) days after the Show.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 37.1 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

- 37.3 Without limiting the extent and meaning thereof, discreditable conduct shall include *inter alia* wilfully, by word or letter, attempting to influence exhibitors to boycott a Show, wilfully speaking to or treating a Judge or any Show Official in a disrespectful or contemptuous manner, permitting his exhibit to be attracted from outside the Judging Ring in a manner

and to an extent not contemplated in Regulation 16.4 hereof, failing to pay entry fees or other dues in respect of the Show; wilfully acting or behaving in opposition to these Regulations; making any false declaration upon his Show entry form; failing to comply with any request properly made by a Show Official; any act of cruelty to or neglect of a dog; any disorderly or unseemly conduct at or within the precincts of a Show; making insulting or disparaging remarks of and about any dog, Exhibitor, handler, Show Official, Judge or KUSA Representative at a Show.

[Note: The grammatical changes to Regulation 20.3 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026) but the amendments regarding outside attraction are effective 01.11.2026.]

- 37.4 Upon receipt of every report made in terms of Sub-Regulation 37.1 hereof, the Secretary shall refer the report to the Sub-committee of Inquiry, established in terms of Schedule 01, to assess the nature and severity of the alleged discreditable conduct and, based on such assessment, to either:
- 37.4.1 refer the report and submitted documentation back to the Secretary with a request to enter into correspondence with the offender to demand redress of the alleged discreditable conduct with the recommendation that, should the Secretary's efforts fail to remedy the situation, for the report and submitted documentation to be referred to the Executive Committee to take such remedial or punitive action as deemed appropriate under Regulation 7.6 to redress the alleged discreditable conduct; or
- 37.4.2 refer the report and submitted documentation to a Disciplinary Sub-committee to be considered as a complaint lodged in terms of Schedule 01 (Disciplinary Rules), after which all the provisions of Schedule 01 shall apply thereto, with the exception of the Complaint Deposit, which shall be waived. The Complaint Deposit shall also be waived if the alleged discreditable conduct reported under Regulation 37.1 is towards a person officiating in the capacity of a Judge, Ring Steward or Show Manager at a KUSA-licensed Championship Show.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 37.4 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 04 – REGULATIONS FOR NON-CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS

4. Exhibition of Dogs

Amend to read:

11.4 Limited and controlled attraction from outside the Judging Ring will be permitted under the following circumstances:

- 11.4.1. Limited to only one (1) person attracting any exhibit from outside the Judging Ring.
- 11.4.2. Only noiseless objects shall be permitted to be used for purposes of limited outside attraction.
- 11.4.3. Limited outside attraction shall only be permitted during the individual assessment of an exhibit by the officiating Judge and in the final assessment to place a Class, or to award a CC or Best of Breed. For the avoidance of doubt, limited outside attraction as contemplated in Regulations 11.4.1 & 11.4.2 hereof shall not be permitted during the judging of Group or Best in Show Challenges.
- 11.4.4. No animals, whips, man-work or defence equipment shall be used for limited outside attraction.
- 11.4.5. No running around the outside perimeter of the Judging Ring shall be permitted by a person attempting to attract an exhibit inside the ring.
- 11.4.6. All limited outside attraction shall be entirely at the Judge's discretion and under the Judge's control and may be terminated by the Judge at any time or at any stage.
- 11.4.7 Limited outside attraction must accord with accepted principles of good sportsmanship and in adherence to Schedule 09 – Code of Ethics for Members of KUSA – and be practised with due consideration for other exhibitors by not causing them or their dogs to be unduly distracted or disadvantaged.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 11.4 are effective 01.11.2026]

15. Appointment and Approval of Judges, Evaluators and FCI-IGP Helpers

Amend to read (including heading above):

- 15.3 Notwithstanding the provisions of Regulations 15.2, the Executive Committee may grant special dispensation for a replacement Judge, Evaluator or FCI-IGP Helper to be appointed where a justifiable reason exists, such as illness or a Judge's inability to travel.
- 15.3.1 In the case of a last-minute emergency necessitating the replacement of a Judge, Evaluator or FCI-IGP Helper, the Show Committee must seek the approval of the Chairman of the Executive Committee before appointing a replacement Judge, Evaluator or FCI-IGP Helper, also notifying the KUSA Office.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 15 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 04A – REGULATIONS FOR QUALIFYING AND RE-QUALIFYING SHOWS

9. Entry for Exhibition:

Amend to read:

9.5 In order to constitute a valid entry, the Registered Owner(s) or Authorised Agent of the dog shall submit a separate entry form for every dog entered by them, which shall be signed by the Registered Owner(s) or his/their Authorised Agent or, in the case of an online electronic entry, by insertion of full name and surname, and shall be accompanied by the correct and appropriate fees within the time limitation for the closing of entries.

9.8 Void.

9.9 A Show Committee may reserve the right to refuse any entry and may exercise such right on good cause and reasonable grounds, but only insofar as it relates to any aspect covered in the Preamble of Schedule 03 Regulation 7.

9.13. A Judge may only enter and/or handle a dog in accordance with the Regulations below. If transgressed, automatic disqualification of the dog(s) will apply and the Judge may be liable for disciplinary action under Schedule 01.

9.13.1 Breed Judges – A Judge may not enter or handle a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline at the same Championship Show, under the same licence, as he is officiating. For the avoidance of doubt, an officiating Judge may handle a dog registered in his ownership at Championship Shows, at the same venue on the same day held under a separate licence.

9.13.2 Dogsport Judges – A Judge may not enter or handle a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline at the same Championship Show, under the same licence, as he is officiating, unless specifically permitted by the relevant Dogsport Schedule.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 9 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 05B(02) – REGULATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL WORKING TRIALS AND INTERNATIONAL TRACKING TRIALS (IGP)

1. Licensing and Holding of FCI-IGP

Reinsert text:

1.6 KUSA Registered Helpers (IGP)

Schedule 05J – Regulations for KUSA Registered Helpers (IGP) applies.

[Note: The amendments to Regulation 1.6 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 05C(3) – REGULATIONS FOR HUNT POINT RETRIEVE (HPR) FIELD TRIALS

1.1.3 Stakes

Amend to read:

1.1.3.3 MAIDEN STAKE is confined to dogs which have not been placed first in two (2) previous Maiden Stakes or not been placed first, second or third in a previous Brace, Open, Open Elite, or Championship Stake at a Field Trial for HPR breeds as held under these Regulations and prior to the date of closing of entries and that have passed one of more of the following tests:

1.1.4 Awards

Amend to read:

1.1.4.4 Versatile Field Trial Champion

An HPR Breed dog which has won two (2) HPR Open Elite Stakes, or one (1) Open and one (1) Open Elite Stake in at least two (2) separate Field Trials shall be entitled to carry the prefix CHFT(V) to its name.

1.3.2 The Draw

Amend to read:

1.3.2.5.10 A list of names of owners of all dogs in the Trial, in alphabetical order. The Secretary of the club shall send to KUSA, within one (1) week of the meeting, a copy of the entry card with all awards marked thereon.

1.5 The Powers and Duties of Judges

Amend to read:

1.5.12 The Judges may require a dog to wear a distinguishing-coloured collar.

1.5.13 The Judges shall conclude their deliberations in making a decision as to the final result at the end of a Stake before leaving the field, with sufficient time to be able to run any dogs which the Judges have not been able to sequentially place.

SCHEDULE 05C(6) – REGULATIONS FOR VERSATILE TESTS – POINTING BREEDS

A.3.2.3. SA-Older Dog Elite Test (SA-AZP)

Is designed for Dogs from two (2) years of age and up to six (6) years of age. However, dogs under the age of two (2) are eligible to enter the Test but will receive a specific designation of "Youth" (Y) if passed. The SA-AZP is an advanced ability and performance Test.

Add NEW:

A dog that is over six (6) years of age may enter the SA-Older Dog Elite test at the discretion of the Club holding the Test. Such dog may only receive a Certificate stating that the dog had passed the Test and is not entitled to receive an award designation or be given a title.

A.8.1.2. Contents

Amend to read:

The Schedule shall contain, inter alia:

A.8.1.2.3. The date and venue of the Test. The SA-Novice, SA-AZP and SA-AZP(Y) may be held over two (2) consecutive days and on multiple venues according to the work required.

A.9.1.1 Acceptance of list by FTLC

Amend to read:

A Club holding a Versatile Test shall appoint Judges from the List of Judges for Versatile Tests, as approved by the FC who shall, if permanently domiciled in the KUSA area of jurisdiction be members of the KUSA both at the time of accepting an invitation and undertaking an appointment. A Senior Judge shall be appointed for each Test, who must be an "A" Panel Judge or similarly qualified overseas Judge.

A.9.1.3. Overseas Judges

Amend to read:

Recognised overseas Judges shall be entitled to judge any Test. At least one registered KUSA Judge or the Test Director is required to officiate in any Test at which overseas Judges are appointed.

A.11.5. Requirements for a Versatile Test

Amend to read:

A.11.5.2. The maximum number of dogs to be tested in each of the Tests is limited by the time required to complete the Test. Test Groups may be organised in order to accommodate more entries, but each group must fulfil all of the requirements in these Regulations for a complete Judging Panel, including the number of Judges and a designated Senior Judge. A Test Group may be organised to Test each dog fully through all of the exercises in a Test, or may be divided into a field or water group (if applicable). If the Test is divided into field and water, then the Judges in the field group shall assess the categories of Nose and Obedience under consideration of the water work Judge's evaluation.

Suggested maximum number of dogs per Test or Test Group:

A.11.5.2.1. In a SA-Derby Test, six (6).

A.11.5.2.2. In a SA-Novice Test, five (5).

A.11.5.2.3. In a SA-AZP Older Dog Test, five (5).

A.12.2.4 Running under a Judge who is related:

Amend to read:

A Judge may not judge a dog owned by him (the Judge being the Registered Owner) currently or within a four (4) months period prior to the Test. A Judge may not judge a dog trained by him within a four (4) months period prior to the Test.

A.12.10 COLLARS/LEADS

Amend to read:

All dogs must be kept on a lead and under control when not working. Dogs may not wear any form of collar that resembles training devices.

For reasons of safety, GPS collars without training function are allowed to be worn. The device and the handheld control shall be presented to the Judges and kept by the Judges for the duration of the Test.

During water work, all collars must be removed.

SCHEDULE 05E – REGULATIONS FOR KUSA-REGISTERED SPECIAL EVENTS

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that the abovenamed Schedule will become effective 01.10.2026 but may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).

[Note: The adoption of Schedule 05E may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 05E(15) – REGULATIONS FOR KUSA-REGISTERED SPECIAL EVENTS

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that the abovenamed Schedule was deleted and the contents thereof moved to Schedule 05E.

[Note: The amendments to Schedule 05E(15) may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 05E(15)(1.4) – REGULATIONS FOR THE WORKING & HERDING BREEDS ASSOCIATION GOLDEN REEF DOG and PUPPY OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

Amend title to read:

Regulations for the Working & Herding Breeds Association Golden Reef Dog and Puppy of the Year Competition

1. Licensing and Show Regulations

Amend to read:

The Regulations relating to licensing and all other matters to do with Shows as set out in Schedule 03, (Regulations for Championship Shows) and Schedule 04, (Regulations for Non-championship Shows) of the Constitution of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa shall apply to this Competition insofar as they can be relevant to the Working & Herding Breeds Association Golden Reef Dog and Puppy of the Year Competition and insofar as they do not conflict with the specific terms of this Schedule 05E(15), Regulation 1.4.

2. Scope of Licence

Amend to read:

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

5. Qualifications and Conditions of Entry – Breed

Amend to read:

- 5.1.1 Entry will be strictly by invitation only to the Registered Owner of the dog or bitch in each pure breed of dog, currently recognised by the Kennel Union of Southern Africa for the purpose of classification, registration and competition in the Herding and Working Groups only and which has been awarded the highest number of Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed and/or Best Opposite Sex Certificates at All-breeds Championship Shows in Gauteng, and the Host Club's Championship Show, between weekend 34 in the year preceding this event and weekend 33 in the year in which the event is to be held.
- 5.2 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 Certificates won in the prescribed period and the Entry Fees stipulated 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. **Entry Fees are to cover administration costs and are non-refundable should the entry be unsuccessful.** All valid entries received on or before the closing date will be accepted.
- 5.5.1 Should an exhibitor who had qualified and entered become aware that his dog will not be present for this event, he should immediately notify the Secretary of the Host Club in writing.
- 5.6.2 All exhibitors taking part in this Competition are required to wear a special exhibit number.

6. Judging

Amend to read:

- 6.1 This Competition will be judged in the same manner as would be applicable to judging Groups at a Breed Championship Show, by a Judge or Judges approved by the Kennel Union of Southern Africa, save that four exhibits from each Group will be short-listed and will go forward to be judged in the finals.

7. Prizes and Awards

Amend to read:

7.1 Breed

- 7.1.1 A trophy donated by the Sponsor will be handed to the Winner of the Puppy Competition and to the winner of the Adult Competition to be retained permanently.

Delete:

Regulation 7.2 and 7.3

[Note: The amendments to Schedule 05E(15)(1.4) may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 05E(17) – REGULATIONS FOR DOGS BEST OF THE BEST COMPETITION

Amend to read and adjust order of Competitions:

- 5.4. Child Showmanship Competition: Open to any Child Handler resident as per Regulation 3.1 of this Schedule, who has placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th at all Breed Championship Shows, i.e. Speciality, Group and All-breeds, held by a member Club of DOGSPC under a KUSA licence in the previous calendar year.
- 5.4.1. Child Showmanship Class
For persons of eight (8) but under twelve (12) years of age on the day of the Competition.
- 5.4.1.1. In the event of a Child Handler qualifying for both the Child and Junior Showmanship Classes, qualifications gained as a Child Handler shall be forfeited and such Child may only qualify for the Junior Showmanship Competition.
- 5.5. Junior Showmanship Competition: Open to any Junior Handler resident as per Regulation 3.1 of this Schedule, who has placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th at all Breed Championship Shows, i.e. Speciality, Group and All-breeds, held by a member Club of DOGSPC under a KUSA licence in the previous calendar year.
- 5.5.1. Junior Showmanship Class
For persons of eleven (11), but under eighteen (18) years of age. Open only to Handlers whose eighteenth (18th) birthday does not fall on or before the day on which this Competition is held.
- 5.5.1.1. Qualifications gained as a Child Handler shall be forfeited and such Child may only qualify for the Junior Showmanship Competition.

[Note: Current 5.4. – 5.9. to be renumbered sequentially from 5.6. – 5.11.]

7. Judging

Amend to read and adjust order of Competitions:

- 7.2.1. For the sake of sound administration, the draw shall be undertaken by the DOGSPC Chairman or Vice-Chairman prior to the show date but after the closing date. The one hundred and twenty (120) exhibits will be split by means of a random draw, as equally as possible, into four (4) groups, depending on entry numbers, at the discretion of the DOGSPC Chairman or Vice-Chairman. These lists will be publicised on various social media platforms prior to the event and displayed at the Show venue.
- 7.2.2. For the sake of sound administration, the draw shall be undertaken by the DOGSPC Chairman or Vice-Chairman prior to the Show date but after the closing date. The fifty (50) exhibits will be split by means of a random draw, as equally as possible, into two (2) groups, depending on entry numbers, at the discretion of the DOGSPC Chairman or Vice-Chairman. These lists will be publicised on various social media platforms prior to the event and displayed at the Show venue.
- 7.3. Veteran Breed Competition
- Insert NEW:
- 7.3.1. For the sake of sound administration, the draw shall be undertaken by the DOGSPC Chairman or Vice-Chairman prior to the Show date but after the closing date. All entered Veteran exhibits will be split by means of a random draw, as equally as possible, into two (2) groups, depending on entry numbers, at the discretion of the DOGSPC Chairman or Vice-Chairman. These lists will be publicised on various social media platforms prior to the event and displayed at the Show venue.
- 7.3.2. From each Group of exhibits, the nominated Judge will choose eight (8) exhibits, unplaced, to go forward to the next round. If the entry received only facilitates one group of eight (8) or fewer exhibits, 2nd and 3rd rounds will be forfeited and four (4) unplaced exhibits will be shortlisted for final judging.
- 7.3.3. The shortlisted exhibits qualifying for the 2nd round will then be drawn, one against the other, in a knockout competition. Similarly, the remaining eight (8) for the 3rd round, until four (4) exhibits remain. These 4 exhibits will be judged and placed 1st and 2nd.
- 7.4. Child Showmanship Competition: The Child Handlers will be judged as is normal for a Child Showmanship Competition.
- 7.5. Junior Showmanship Competition: The Junior Handlers will be judged as is normal for a Junior Showmanship Competition.

[Note: Current 7.3. – 7.8. to be renumbered sequentially from 7.6. – 7.11.]

8. Judges

Amend to read:

- 8.2 The number of Judges appointed to judge Breed, Adult, Puppy and/or Veteran, and Showmanship shall be at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

[Note: The amendments to Schedule 05E(17) are effective 01.10.2026.]

SCHEDULE 05E(19A) – REGULATIONS FOR GSD GRAND VICTOR BREED COMPETITION

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that amendments to the abovenamed Schedule will become effective 01.10.2026.

[Note: The amendments to Schedule 05E(19A) are effective 01.10.2026.]

SCHEDULE 05E(19B) – REGULATIONS FOR GRAND VICTOR IGP

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that amendments to the abovenamed Schedule will become effective 01.10.2026.

[Note: The amendments to Schedule 05E(19B) are effective 01.10.2026.]

SCHEDULE 05E(22) – REGULATIONS FOR NAPC TOP DOG

6.3 Disciplines

Amend to read:

6.3.9. Child & Junior Showmanship Competitions

- 6.3.9.1. Any Child Handler and Junior Handler who have won a 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th Place, at all Breed Championship Shows, i.e. Speciality, Group and All-breeds, held by a member Club of NAPC under a KUSA licence in the previous calendar year, in accordance with 6.1.1 above.

6.3.9.2. Child Showmanship Class

For persons of eight (8) but under twelve (12) years of age on the day of the Competition, who have qualified to enter in terms of Regulation 6.3.9.1. of this Schedule.

- 6.3.9.2.1. In the event of a Child Handler qualifying for both the Child and Junior Showmanship Class, in terms of Regulation 6.3.9.1 of this Schedule, qualifications gained as a Child Handler shall be forfeited and such Child shall then only qualify for the Junior Showmanship Competition.

6.3.9.3. Junior Showmanship Class

For persons of eleven (11) but under eighteen (18) years of age. Open only to Handlers whose eighteenth (18th) birthday does not fall on or before the day on which this Competition is held.

- 6.3.9.3.1. Qualifications gained as a Child Handler are invalid as qualifications for Junior Showmanship.

6.3.10. Rally Dog (Master Class)

All dogs who are Rally Dog Champions and have been awarded a Qualifying Certificate in Rally Dog in the Gauteng Province within the 12-month period preceding the Top Dog Competition, are eligible for entry to the competition. The winner and runner-up will be awarded on the day thereof.

[Note: The amendments to Schedule 05E(22) are effective 01.10.2026.]

SCHEDULE 05E(28) – REGULATIONS FOR GSD SPECIALIST CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that amendments to the abovenamed Schedule will become effective 01.10.2026.

[Note: The amendments to Schedule 05E(28) may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 05F – REGULATIONS FOR BREED ASSESSMENTS

Amend to read:

- 9.1.1 GSD Council Breed Assessment (1993, as amended 2026)

- 9.1.2 GSD Council Breed Survey (1993, as amended 2026)

SCHEDULE 05P – ALIGNMENT OF GSD REQUIREMENTS WITH THOSE OF THE FCI

3. Admittance of the Dog

Amend to read:

Trials may only be held by Specialist German Shepherd Dog Breed Clubs that are members of the GSD Liaison Council. Only GSDs registered on the KUSA Primary Breed Register may enter and must comply with the following:

- a. Notwithstanding Regulation A3, there shall be no maximum age limit for admission.
- b. Notwithstanding Regulation A3, the minimum age for admission shall be eighteen (18) months.
- c. An HD certificate had been submitted where the Hip score of C2:C2 was not exceeded.
- d. An ED certificate had been submitted where the Elbow score does not exceed 2.

In addition, Trials held by Specialist German Shepherd Dog Breed Clubs, that are members of the GSD Liaison Council:

- a. Notwithstanding Regulation A7, a Veterinary Nurse is not required to be appointed for the Trial. The Judge and Show Manager should be eminently capable of determining the condition of the dogs that are entered.
- b. Notwithstanding Regulation A6, the Host Club may appoint a foreign FCI-IGP Judge, following the prescribed clearance procedures for foreign Judges.
- c. Notwithstanding Regulation B3, the Obedience component does not have to be complied with at the end of the running exercise.

B) Holding the Endurance Test

Amend to read:

1. Performance of Endurance Test:

The examination is over a distance of 20 kilometres at a rate of 12 to 15 kilometres per hour.

[Note: The amendments Schedule 05P are effective 01.10.2026.]

SCHEDULE 05R – REGULATIONS FOR HEELWORK TO MUSIC

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that amendments to the abovenamed Schedule will become effective 01.10.2026.

[Note: The amendments Schedule 05R are effective 01.10.2026.]

SCHEDULE 05S – REGULATIONS FOR MUSICAL FREESTYLE

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that amendments to the abovenamed Schedule will become effective 01.10.2026.

[Note: The amendments Schedule 05S are effective 01.10.2026.]

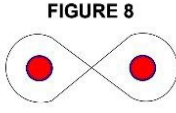
SCHEDULE 05T – REGULATIONS FOR RALLY DOG

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that amendments to the abovenamed Schedule will become effective 01.10.2026.

[Note: The amendments to Schedule 05T may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 05T(A) – RALLY DOG SIGN SET

Amend to read:

 FIGURE 8	131. FIGURE 8 (B) (Was KUSA 133) Two cones are placed 2,5 – 3 meters apart. The team must enter the exercise as decided by the Judge. The team performs a complete figure 8 around the cones, crossing the centre line three times.
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[Note: The amendments to Schedule 05T(A) may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

SCHEDULE 11(A) – REGULATIONS FOR CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (CGC)

5. Management of Canine Good Citizen Tests

Insert NEW:

5.9 Exclusion of Dogs:

The provisions of Schedule 03 Regulation 14 shall apply to Canine Good Citizen events *mutatis mutandis*.

[Note: The amendments to Schedule 11(A) may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

Schedule 10 – Regulations For Breed Judges Learning Programme

11. Entry for Exhibition

Amend to read:

11.1 A Judge may only enter and/or handle a dog in accordance with the Regulations below. If transgressed, automatic disqualification of the dog(s) will apply and the Judge may be liable for disciplinary action under Schedule 01.

11.1.1 Breed Judges – A Judge may not *enter* a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline at the same Championship Show, under the same licence, as he is officiating. For the avoidance of doubt, an officiating Judge may enter the same discipline, at Championship Shows, at the same venue on the same day held under a separate licence.

11.1.2 Dogsport Judges – A Judge may not enter a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline at the same Championship Show, under the same licence, as he is officiating, unless specifically permitted by the relevant Dogsport Schedule.

11.2.1 Breed Judges – A Judge may not *handle* a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline at the same Championship Show, under the same licence, as he is officiating. For the avoidance of doubt, an officiating Judge may handle a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline, at Championship Shows, at the same venue on the same day held under a separate licence.

11.2.2 Dogsport Judges – A Judge may not handle a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline at the same Championship Show, under the same licence, as he is officiating, unless specifically permitted by the relevant Dogsport Schedule.

11.3. A Judge, appointed to judge Junior Showmanship only, may enter a dog registered in his ownership in Breed and Dogsport, and may handle any dog in Breed and Dogsport, on the same day at the same venue, under the same or different licence, as he is officiating.

[Note: The amendments to Schedule 10 may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

TEO MANUAL

Heading – Amend to read:

For the Handling of Incidents of Dog Aggression and Savage Disposition at KUSA-Licensed Shows/ Events and the Procedures for the Issuing and Lifting of a Temporary Exclusion Order (TEO) Against an Implicated Dog

1. Definition of Terms

Insert NEW:

1.1.8 KUSA-licensed Show/Event – means any Show (Championship, Non-championship, Qualifying or Re-qualifying Show), Demonstration, or Event held under KUSA licence or regulated by a KUSA Schedule such as the Companion Events.

[Note: The amendments to the TEO Manual may be implemented on publication of the Minutes (17.07.2026).]

As various amendments become effective the documents published on the KUSA website will be altered accordingly.