

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 virtual meeting of 25 February 2026. The Articles will become effective on **01 June 2026** (or as otherwise stated) and the Schedules on **01 May 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

None

AMENDMENTS TO SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 01 – DISCIPLINARY RULES

1. General Provisions

Amend to read:

1.5 In terms of Articles 18.1.1 and 18.3 of the KUSA Constitution, Exco establishes a KUSA Sub-Committee of Inquiry (“SCI”) consisting of two (2) persons referred to in Rule 1.5 for the purpose of evaluating and conducting the preliminary assessment of a complaint as well as any Notice of Appeal. The two (2) members of the SCI referred to in Rule 1.4 must be the Secretary of KUSA or his or her duly appointed deputy, and a Legal Adviser appointed by the Federal Council of KUSA (“Fedco”), as Chairman. If the Complainant is the Secretary, he or she must be replaced by the Chairman of Exco.

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

Schedule 02 Appendix “A1”, Appendix “A2”

Amend name of breed to:

Abruzzes and Maremma Shepherd Dog

Insert NEW:

American Bully (Utility Group) (Appendix A1)

Kromforhlanders (Utility Group) (Appendix A1)

Kromforhlanders (Group 9: Companion & Toy Dogs) (Appendix A2)

Schedule 02 Appendix “B” (BREED STANDARDS)

Amend to read:

4. Amendments adopted in terms of paragraph 3 above will be advised to Judges and Members as soon as practicable after the meeting of the Federal Council at which they were reported and be implemented on 1 January or 1 July, except if directed otherwise by the Federal Council arising from changes to nomenclature announced by the country of origin, development or patronage, in which case implementation shall be immediate.

KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards

Amend to read:

New or amended Breed Standards confirmed by Fedco under this Protocol at its June Ordinary Meeting, shall become effective on 1 July of the same year, whereas new or amended Breed Standards confirmed by Fedco under this Protocol at its December Ordinary Meeting, shall become effective on 1 January of the following year, except if directed otherwise by the Federal Council arising from changes to nomenclature announced by the country of origin, development or patronage, in which case implementation shall be immediate.

SCHEDULE 04 – REGULATIONS FOR NON-CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS

(Amendments approved via a Fedco round robin 19.01.2026 to be ratified at Fedco 02-2026)

Regulation 14 – Judging Requirements and Regulations

Amend to read:

14.7 Save and except from the necessary entry by any official of the show and persons assisting disabled or wheelchair bound handlers, the only persons permitted in the ring during judging shall be the Officiating Judge(s), the Learner Judge(s), Steward(s), Ring Clerk/Secretary, and the handlers of exhibits being judged.

Regulation 15 – Appointment and Approval of Judges

Amend to read:

15.6 As far as possible, preference should be given to Learner[/Provisional] Judges to fill appointments at Non-[C]championship shows rather than Licensed Judges. Invitations should also (as far as possible) be extended to Learner Judges in other Provinces.

SCHEDULE 05(C)1 - REGULATIONS FOR RETRIEVER FIELD TRIALS

A.7.1.1 – General Requirements

Amend to read:

A.7.1.1.3: This schedule, which must include details of the proposed Judges, together (item 4.6 with all Judges' Acceptance Forms, must be received by KUSA not later than four months prior to the date of the trial.

SCHEDULE 07 – SUBSCRIPTION & FEES

18.3 Judges' Learning Programme

18.3 Examination Fee Paper I (Conformation Judges) w.e.f. 18.02.2026 R440.00

SCHEDULE 09 APPENDIX "B" – CODE OF CONDUCT FOR JUDGES LICENSED BY THE KENNEL UNION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA (KUSA)

(Amendments approved via a Fedco round robin 19.01.2026 to be ratified at Fedco 02-2026)

Regulation 1 – In General:

Amend to read and renumber 1.16 to 1.17:

1.17 Judges or Evaluators shall not solicit judging or evaluating assignments, either locally or overseas, which includes, without limitation, pleading, asking, petitioning or canvassing for an assignment, either directly, or through an intermediary, in any manner or by any means whatsoever, except for Licensed Judges or Evaluators, Senior Judges or Evaluators and All-breeds Judges volunteering to assist Club Committees in filling the roles at Non-championship Shows pursuant to Schedule 10 Appendix 1 Regulations 3.1.3, 4.1.4 & 5.1.4.

14. Judging Requirements and Regulations

Amend to read:

14.7 Save and except from the necessary entry by any official of the show and persons assisting disabled or wheelchair bound handlers, the only persons permitted in the ring during judging shall be the Officiating Judge(s), the Learner Judge(s), Steward(s), Ring Clerk/Secretary, and the handlers of exhibits being judged.

15. Appointment and Approval of Judges

Amend to read:

15.6 As far as possible, preference should be given to Learner Judges to fill appointments at Non-[C]championship shows rather than Licensed Judges. Invitations should also (as far as possible) be extended to Learner Judges in other Provinces.

SCHEDULE 10 – APPENDIX 1 GROUP COURSE

2.3.2 Module 2: Judging Appointments

Amend to read:

2.3.2.7. On receipt of the Return of Show Levies form from the Show Secretary, the KUSA Office will record and update the Learner Judge's progress and grant clearance for future judging appointments.

2.3.2.8. A minimum of three (3) judging appointments must be observed by a Licensed Judge or the Group Mentor assigned to the Learner Judge by the JEC Assessment Officer, provided a Licensed Judge or the Group Mentor is available to fulfil such observation. If no Licensed Judge or the assigned Group Mentor is available, the Learner Judge would be required to travel to a different Centre to fulfil this requirement.

2.3.7 Module 7: Practical Hands-on Judging Assessment

Amend to read:

2.3.7.1 Under the supervision of two (2) Licensed KUSA Judges with a minimum of five (5) years' experience, together with a JEC-appointed Official, the Learner Judge will undergo a Hands-on Practical Test on a minimum of six (6) breeds listed in Schedule 02 Appendix "A2", fulfilling the following requirements:

- A verbal commentary or feedback on the examination of each breed
- Placement of the exhibits in the breed as if Championship Show regulations were applicable;
- Placement of the breeds in the Group from 1st to 4th, explaining the reasons for the position of each placement.

2.4 Portfolio

Amend to read:

2.4.2 Once the Learner Judge has completed all the requirements of Level 2, the Portfolio is submitted to the KUSA Judges' Department for final review. Once approved, the KUSA Judges' Department must notify the Learner Judge of such successful completion.

DELETE:

~~[2.4.3. If found to have met all requirements satisfactorily, the KUSA Judges' Department will review and submit the Portfolio to the JEC Examination Officer for final approval. Once approved, the KUSA Judges' Department must notify the Learner Judge of such successful completion.]~~

[Note: Regulation 2.4.4 is misnumbered 3.4.3. By eliminating of Regulation 2.4.3, the numbering was automatically rectified.]

6.1.3 Practical Hands-on Judging Assessment

Amend to read:

6.1.3.1 Under the supervision of two (2) Licensed Judges with a minimum of five (5) years' experience, together with a JEC-appointed Official, the Licensed Judge will undergo a Hands-on Practical Test on the relevant breed/s being studied, where verbal commentary or feedback on the examination and placement of each breed being studied will be given to the assessors present.

SCHEDULE 10 – APPENDIX 1 GROUP COURSE APPENDIX A

Reinstate:

The " FCI Groups List " to Annexure "A".

SCHEDULE 10 APPENDIX 3 – BREED SPECIALISATION COURSE

6.5. Module 5: Breed Assignment

Amend to read:

6.5.5.2 Upon completion of the assessment, the Breed Specialist Mentor will forward the Breed Assignment to a second Breed Specialist Judge for further assessment.

6.5.5.3 The Breed Specialist Mentor and the second Breed Specialist Judge must agree on the result of the assessment prior to returning the Breed Assignment to the Learner Judge. Should the said Mentor and second Breed Specialist Judge not agree on the result of the assessment, the Examination Officer will have the final decision.

6.8. MODULE 8: PRACTICAL HANDS-ON JUDGING ASSESSMENT

Amend to read:

6.8.1 Under the supervision of a Licensed Breed Specialist Judge with a minimum of five (5) years' experience in the relevant Breed together with a JEC-appointed Official, the Licensed Judge will undergo a Hands-on Practical Test on a minimum of six (6) exhibits, fulfilling the following requirements:

- A verbal commentary or feedback on the examination of each exhibit
- Placement of the exhibits in the breed as if Championship Show regulations were applicable;

6.9 Portfolio

Amend to read:

6.9.2 Once the Learner Judge has completed all the requirements of the course, the Portfolio is submitted to the KUSA Judges' Department for final review. Once approved, the KUSA Judges' Department must notify the Learner Judge of such successful completion.

DELETE:

~~[6.9.3. If found to have met all requirements satisfactorily, the KUSA Judges' Department will review and submit the Portfolio to the JEC Examination Officer for final approval. Once approved, the KUSA Judges' Department must notify the Learner Judges of such successful completion.]~~

[Note: Schedule 10 Appendix 3 Regulation 6.9.4 renumbered as 6.9.3.]

7. Licensed Judges

Amend to read:

7.2 The Learner Breed Specialist Judge will be required to judge at least one (1) Championship Specialty Show appointment, and such additional Championship Speciality Show appointments as may be set for the individual Breeds for which Breed Specialisation Courses are offered under KUSA Breed Judges' Learning Programme.

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