



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 Virtual meeting of 4 & 5 December 2020. The Articles will become effective on **01 February 2022** and the Schedules on **01 April 2021** 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 2 – INTERPRETATION OF TERMS

Add NEW:

“Companion Event” means a particular activity or competitive canine event detailed in Schedule 11, which may be held by any Affiliated Club qualified to do so in terms of the KUSA Constitution.

Amend to read:

“Working Disciplines” mean all Disciplines other than Breed and Companion Events.

AMENDMENTS TO SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 3 – REGULATIONS FOR CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS

Regulation 21 - Challenge Certificates and Reserve Challenge Certificates

Add NEW:

21.9 Whenever twenty (20) or more dogs of one sex in a breed are exhibited, not necessarily in the same Class, and all such dogs are eligible to compete for the Challenge Certificate and a Reserve Challenge Certificate is awarded, the Reserve Challenge Certificate shall be a “1-point” Certificate; in all other cases, the Reserve Challenge Certificate shall not carry any point value. In this context “exhibited” shall mean entry of the dog into the ring with the intention of being exhibited, irrespective of subsequent exclusion by the Judge, or withdrawal by the exhibitor, for any reason whatsoever.

Effective 01.04.2021

SCHEDULE 5B (01) REGULATIONS FOR WORKING TRIALS (CLASSIC)

Regulation 2.12.5 “A” Frame

Amend to read:

The “A” Frame consists of two (2) board faces each with a height of 1.9m and a width of 1.2 - 1.5m connected (hinged) at the top. These measurements are suitable for dogs measuring Large but must be adjusted as per Annexure A and B for dogs measuring into the Small and Medium categories. At ground level these boards are separated by such a distance that the vertical heights for each class are as follows:

CD 1.60m, TDI 1.80m, TDII 1.80m, PD 1.80m.

Each board of the “A” Frame is fitted with three (3) climbing ledges (fillets) of 2.4 x 4.8cm. The “A” Frame shall have a non-slip surface.

Regulation 2.12.6

Amend to read:

The dimensions stated in sub-paragraphs 2.12.3, 2.12.4 and 2.12.5 may be varied in the Companion Dog Grade and in all Tracker Dog Grades in the category Working Trials (Classic) only as follows:

Dogs height at withers	Clear Jump	Long Jump	"A" Frame height
Companion Dog			
Small: Dogs up to and including 35 cm	30 cm	50 cm	1 m
Medium: Over 35 cm up to and including 45 cm	40 cm	1.0 m	1.5 m
Large: Dogs over 45 cm	70 cm	1.4 m	1.6 m
Tracker Dog I and II, Police Dog			
Small: Dogs up to and including 35 cm	35 cm	60 cm	1 m
Medium: Over 35 cm up to and including 45 cm	45 cm	1.2 m	1.5 m
Large: Dogs over 45 cm	80 cm	2.0 m	1.8 m

Effective 01.04.2021

SCHEDULE 5B (04) REGULATIONS FOR WORKING UTILITY DOG**Regulation 2.17 "A" Frame**

Amend to read:

The "A" Frame consists of two (2) board faces each with a height of 1.9m and a width of 1.2 - 1.5m connected (hinged) at the top. These measurements are suitable for dogs measuring Large but must be adjusted as per Annex A for dogs measuring into the Small and Medium categories.

Each board of the "A" Frame is fitted with three (3) climbing ledges (fillets) of 2.4 x 4.8cm. The "A" Frame shall have a non-slip surface.

Regulation 2.18

Amend to read:

The dimensions may be varied in the Working Utility Dog stake only as follows:

Dogs height at withers	Clear Jump	Long Jump	"A" Frame height
Small: Dogs up to and including 35 cm	30 cm	50 cm	1 m
Medium: Over 35 cm up to and including 45 cm	40 cm	1.0 m	1.5 m
Large: Dogs over 45 cm	70 cm	1.4 m	1.6 m

Effective 01.04.2021

SCHEDULE 5C – REGULATIONS FOR FIELD TRIALS**NEW SCHEDULE 5C (05) – REGULATIONS FOR GUNDOG HUNTING TESTS**

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that the above new Schedule will become effective on 01.04.2021 and will be published on the KUSA Website as timeously as possible

NEW SCHEDULE 5C (06) – REGULATIONS FOR VERSATILE TESTS – POINTING BREEDS

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that the above new Schedule will become effective on 01.04.2021 and will be published on the KUSA Website as timeously as possible

SCHEDULE 5E (18) - REGULATIONS FOR THE SA ROTTWEILER SIEGER SHOW**Regulation 7. 1 Judging**

Amend to read:

Judging shall be as at a Specialist Rottweiler Club Championship Show with the first four (4) dogs being placed in each section of the Competition. The ZA Youth Sieger Competitions shall be judged before the ZA Sieger Competitions all Sieger titles are to be awarded before Best Puppy In Show, Best In Show and Reserve Best In Show. All Rottweiler Sieger Shows shall be grading and critiquing shows.

Regulation 8 Judges

Amend to read:

Any Judge or Judges selected to judge this competition shall be Kennel Union Panel Rottweiler Judges, who are also Rottweiler Breed Council Specialist Grading and Critiquing Judges or, in the case of foreign Judges, qualified to grade and critique as Specialist Judges, in their own countries of permanent residence. Specialist Rottweiler Judges from a list of countries which for the time being is: Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Belgium, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Switzerland who are also approved by KUSA.

Alternatively, any Judge from any country where he/she has judged at the IFR World Show or the ADRK World Family Show within the last 10 years, and who is also approved by KUSA in consultation with the RBC. A judge having judged at one of these two events is deemed to have met the Specialist Judge requirements.

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SCHEDULE 5E (21) – ROTTWEILER SPECIALIST CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Regulation 5.1.2.2 Judges

Amend to read

Alternatively, any Judge from any country where he/she has judged at the IFR World Show or the ADRK World Family Show within the last 10 years, and who is also approved by KUSA in consultation with the RBC. A Judge having judged at one of these two events is deemed to have met the Specialist Judge requirements.

Regulation 6.4 Classes

Add NEW

The order of judging starts at the youngest Class, being the Baby Puppy Class, followed by older Classes, with first 4 dogs being placed in each section of the Competition. Best Baby Puppy in Show, Best Puppy in Show, Best Junior in Show (if offered), Best in Show and Reserve Best in Show in this order. Any Novelty Classes will be judged after Best in Show.

All Rottweiler Specialist Shows shall be Grading and Critiquing Shows.

Effective 01.04.2021

SCHEDULE 5E (25) – REGULATIONS FOR THE ROTTWEILER REGIONAL SIEGER SHOW

Regulation 8 Judges

Amend to read:

Any Judge or Judges selected to judge this competition shall be Kennel Union Panel Rottweiler Judges, who are also Rottweiler Breed Council Specialist Grading and Critiquing Judges or, in the case of foreign Judges, qualified to grade and critique as Specialist Judges, in their own countries of permanent residence. Specialist Rottweiler Judges from a list of countries which for the time being is: Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Belgium, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Switzerland who are also approved by KUSA.

Alternatively, any Judge from any country where he/she has judged at the IFR World Show or the ADRK World Family Show within the last 10 years, and who is also approved by KUSA in consultation with the RBC. A judge having judged at one of these two events is deemed to have met the Specialist Judge requirements.

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SCHEDULE 5M – REGULATIONS FOR FLYBALL

Regulation 4 Definitions

Add NEW Regulation 4.8.2

No additional person besides the actual handler may release or assist the dog in navigating the course. An additional person to help catch the dog in the runback area, holding a dog or revving-up a dog/dogs before running is permitted within the limits of the maximum number of allowed persons in the ring as per 5.1.1.3.

Add NEW Regulation 4.8.3

An additional person other than the handler guiding a dog into the lane or running alongside the dog as it runs will not be permitted even if this person is outside the ring. In case of a first offense, the judge shall give a warning. Any offense thereafter will result in the loss of the heat.

Regulation 5.1.1.3

Amend to read:

Optionally a team may have up to three other participants in the ring to aid the team of which a maximum of two runners. A team may therefore have a maximum of 8 people in the ring (4 competing handlers, 3 support members either to check crosses, record times or runners and a box loader). At no time may these optional participants interfere with the judges, the opposing team, or physically aid the dogs competing as per regulation 4.8.

Regulation 10.10.2 Flyball Box

Add NEW clause:

The addition of any object, that could be considered a potential training aid or prop, attached to the front elevation of the box, whether temporary or permanent, is not allowed. This does not include tape or a painted stripe / band on the front of the box if the surface is still flat following such application. Any attached object may only be used during warm-up and must be removed prior to the first race.

Regulation 12.3 The start

Amend to read:

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12.3.1 The first dogs in each team will be released on the judge's whistle. Subsequent dogs will only be allowed to pass the start/finish line once the preceding dog has passed the start/finish line with any part of its body. The dog must return with the ball in its mouth, see regulation 12.4.1

12.3.2 In instances where the Electronic Judging System is used, the start will be visual, acoustic or a combination of both.

Where a light tree is used to count down the start:

A sequence of at least 3 amber / yellow lights or 1 red and 2 amber / yellow lights will flash at one second intervals. The time will start once the green light lights up. The aim is for a team to release their start dog so that this dog crosses the start line as close as possible after the green light lights up. The first dog may not cross the start line with any part of its body before the timing of the race begins.

A false start is indicated when the start dog crosses the start line before the green light lights up (also referred to as an early start).

When a team has a false start, the first dog of the team has to re-run at the end.

Practice start: Only during their first two races of a tournament and upon entering the arena, may teams request a practice start from the judge before the warm-up period is over. The practice start will take place immediately after the warm-up period and prior to the first heat of the race. Only one dog per team may run a practice start and props are not permitted during practice starts.

Regulation 16.-Penalties

Regulation 16.1 b)

Amend to read:

b) In the event of using the EJS light tree to signal the start: If a dog or handler's feet cross the Start / Finish line before the start is signalled, the dog must re-run. Dog reruns

Regulation 16.17

Amend to read:

Should any hurdle be knocked down, the heat shall be stopped for safety reasons and the hurdle returned to the upright position. The heat will be re-run. No penalty.

Regulation 16.18

Amend to read:

The heat shall be stopped for broken boards/hurdle to prevent injury to the running dogs. The heat will be re-run.

No penalty.

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SCHEDULE 5R HEELWORK TO MUSIC (HTM)

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that amendments to the above named Schedule will become effective on 01.4.2021 and will be published on the KUSA Website as timeously as possible.

SCHEDULE 5S MUSICAL FREESTYLE (MF)

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that amendments to the above named Schedule will become effective on 01.4.2021 and will be published on the KUSA Website as timeously as possible.

SCHEDULE 10 - REGULATIONS FOR KUSA BREED JUDGES LEARNING PROGRAMME

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that amendments to the above named Schedule will become effective on **01.01.2021** and will be published on the KUSA Website as timeously as possible.

SCHEDULE 10 - APPENDIX 1 - GROUP COURSE

Notice is hereby given in terms of Article 41 of The Kennel Union Constitution that amendments to the above named Schedule will become effective on **01.01.2021** and will be published on the KUSA Website as timeously as possible

SCHEDULE 10 – APPENDIX 2 – KUSA JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP LEARNING PROGRAMME

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SCHEDULE 10 – APPENDIX 3 – BREED SPECIALISATION COURSE

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