



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 held on 29 & 30 June 2019. The Articles will become effective on **01 February 2020**, and the Schedules on 01.10.2019 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 3 – OBJECTS

Article 3.2

Amend to read:

to promote Breed Health and to encourage the responsible not-for-profit breeding and showing of purebred dogs, thereby to ensure that their functional health and physical features meet the Standard set for each Breed, enabling them to work and carry out the distinctive functions for which they were bred.

Article 3.19

to make and enter into bilateral or unilateral agreements with National Governing Bodies of Canine Affairs in other countries of the world, pursue membership of International Canine Organisations, and establish agreements or relationships with Clubs, Societies and other Organisations domiciled within the KUSA area of jurisdiction, or outside thereof, including those that have their own Breed Registries, all with a view to achieving cooperation in canine affairs and, where applicable, mutual recognition in relevant spheres of canine activities;

ARTICLE 19 – REVIEW AND INVESTIGATORY COMMITTEES

Renumber Article 19 as 19.1 and Insert NEW:

Article 19.2

The Federal Council Chairman, when ordering the establishment of a Review and Investigatory Committee, may suspend any member, the workings and functioning of any Club, Provincial Council, Committee, Sub-Committee established in terms of the KUSA Constitution or the approved Constitution of an affiliated Club or PC, for the duration of the Investigation and on the conditions and disempowerment regulation required for the Investigation to be finalised and recommendations to be considered by the Chairman of the Federal Council, who may alter the recommendations and order the implementation and enforcement thereof.

ARTICLE 21 - JURISDICTION OF THE KENNEL UNION

Article 21.4

Amend to read:

Every Club, Society, Association or other Organisation and the members thereof domiciled within the KUSA area of jurisdiction with whom agreement has been made in terms of Article 3.19 shall not contravene the KUSA Code of Ethics and, when participating in any KUSA-licensed Event, shall be deemed to have submitted and agreed to be bound by this Constitution and all the applicable Rules, Regulations and Schedules thereof, including obligations incurred by KUSA under the terms of any agreements, arrangements or memberships entered into or acquired in terms of Article 3.19.

ARTICLE 22 – RECOGNISED SHOWS

Amend to read:

A Recognised Show is one held under a Kennel Union Licence or one held by any canine organisation or body with which KUSA has a relationship through contract, affiliation or other arrangement as envisaged in Article 3.19 of the KUSA Constitution. Awards gained at such a show/event may be added to a dog's registered name as a prefix or suffix, in terms of this Constitution or any agreement entered into by the Kennel Union.

ARTICLE 43 - INTERPRETATION

Article 43.2

Amend to read:

The decision of the Federal Council upon all questions of interpretations and its decision upon any matter affecting or relating to Affiliated Clubs, dogs registered at the Kennel Union, recognised dog Shows, Judges and Judges' affairs and agreements, affiliations or other arrangements referred to in Article 3.19 of the KUSA Constitution and any other matter whatsoever which is not provided for in this Constitution or any Schedules, Rules, Regulations and By-Laws, shall be final and binding.

AMENDMENTS TO SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1 – DISCIPLINARY RULES

Effective 01.10.2019

Introduction

Amend to read:

The Federal Council ("Fedco") of KUSA has under the provisions of Article 6 read with Articles 3.6, 3.17, 3.18 and 3.19 of the KUSA Constitution, made the Disciplinary Rules as contained in this Schedule

Rule 1 - General Provisions

Rule 1.16

Amend to read:

The SCI or the DSC may extend any period determined in these Rules for doing any act.

Rule 1.20

Amend to read:

The standard of proof required by the DSC and FAC when determining whether a Respondent or Appellant is guilty of any misconduct arising out of a complaint lodged in terms of these Rules, is determined by the members thereof, having fully acquainted themselves with the facts and circumstances germane to the complaint.

Rule 4 - Foundation for a Complaint

Rule 4.1.9

Amend to read:

any members or persons or Club Committee or PC responsible for the maladministration of, or failure to properly execute the duties conferred on him, her or them after he, she or they have or has been elected or appointed to serve on any Club Committee or PC, or any other Council, Committee or Sub-Committee established in terms of the KUSA Constitution;

Rule 4.1.10

Amend to read:

any member or person who has served or is currently serving as an elected or appointed official on a Club Committee, PC, other Council, Committee or any Sub-Committee established in terms of the KUSA Constitution or the approved Constitution of an affiliated Club or PC and who, within thirty (30) days of ceasing to function as a duly appointed or elected official of any of the aforementioned Committees, wilfully or negligently fails on request to properly hand over to the appointed or elected Secretary of such a Committee any records, accounts, bank accounts, money, property, assets, membership lists or any article or document necessary for the proper running and administration of such a Committee, that are in his or her possession or under his or her control.

Rule 5 - Procedure for Bringing a Complaint

Rule 5.2

Amend to read:

A complaint together with the applicable complaint deposit to the amount set out in Schedule 7 to the KUSA Constitution must be lodged with the Secretary within five (5) days or otherwise determined as provided for in Rule 1.16 of the occurrence of the event, act, conduct, default or omission that forms the subject thereof or, from the time when the matter which is the subject of the complaint was discovered.

Rule 5.6

Amend to read:

In relation to Rule 5.2, the SCI may, on application by a Complainant and proof that it was not reasonably possible to have had knowledge of the subject matter of the complaint, allow the Complainant to lodge the complaint together with the complaint deposit as determined in Rules 1.16 and 5.2.

Rule 5.7

Amend to read:

If the issues raised by a Complainant are the subject of a pending criminal case or civil action, the SCI may stay the complaint until such time as the action or case is resolved or determined by a final court judgement or as otherwise may be determined by the SCI.

Rule 11 - Penalties

11.1.5

Amend to read:

disqualification from judging at, or taking part in the management of, a Show, Obedience Class, Working Trial or Field Trial or other event held under KUSA licence or as may be determined by any agreement or affiliation referred to in Article 3.19 of the KUSA Constitution;

11.2

Amend to read:

If the Respondent is a person officiating or judging at a Show or an event held under KUSA licence, or held in consequence of, or in accordance with, the provisions of Article 3.19 and/or Article 22 of the KUSA Constitution, or that is sanctioned by KUSA in terms of a valid judging contract or by official appointment, one or more of the following penalties, where applicable, may be imposed by the DSC for a complaint with regard to the execution of such an appointment or judging contract:

11.2.2

Amend to read:

suspension or exclusion from officiating or judging at, or having any official connection with, or participating in an official capacity in, a Show, Obedience Class, Working Trial or Field Trial or other event held under KUSA licence, or held consequence of, or in accordance with, the provisions of Article 3.20 and/or Article 22 of the KUSA Constitution or from acting as an officer of a Club;

11.2.3

Amend to read:

disqualification from judging at, or taking part in the management of, a Show, Obedience Class, Working Trial or Field Trial or other event held under KUSA licence, or held consequence of, or in accordance with, the provisions of Article 3.20 and/or Article 22 of the KUSA Constitution;

11.3

Amend to read:

If the Respondent is a Club or PC, or any member or person who has been elected or appointed to serve on any Club Committee or PC or on any other Council, Committee or Sub-Committee established in terms of the KUSA Constitution, and such Respondent is found to be responsible for any maladministration of, or failure to properly execute his or her official duties in that capacity, or found to be in violation of the Code of Conduct for Elected or Appointed Officials of KUSA, one or more of the following penalties may be imposed by the DSC:

11.3.2

Amend to read:

In the case of a member or person who has been elected or appointed to serve on any Club Committee or PC or any other Council, Committee or Sub-Committee established in terms of the KUSA Constitution and who was found to be responsible for any maladministration of, or failure to properly execute, his or her official duties in that capacity –

11.3.2.1

Amend to read:

despite any other provision of the Constitution, immediate removal of a Member or person as a Club Committee Member or Member of the PC or member of any other Council, Committee or Sub-Committee established in terms of the KUSA Constitution, either permanently or for a specified period, after which the Member or person may be re-elected or appointed; or

Rule 13 - Publication

13.1

Amend to read:

In consequence of any complaint made under these Rules, Fedco and Exco may publish relevant details regarding any matter heard by a DSC, or any appeal heard by a FAC, in order to inform KUSA Members, KUSA-affiliated Clubs, foreign National Canine Organisations or Clubs affiliated to them, the Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI), Government Departments or National Sports Control Bodies, or persons associated with any of these. Such publication may be made on the official KUSA website or in any other publication or communication that is appropriate.

13.3

Amend to read:

Fedco and Exco may extend publication of any lists referred to in Rule 13.2 by circulating them to KUSA-affiliated Clubs, foreign National Canine Organisations or Clubs affiliated to them, the Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI), Government Departments or National Sports Control Bodies, or persons associated with any of these. Such publication may be made on the official KUSA website or in any other publication or communication deemed appropriate.

Effective 01.10.2019

SCHEDULE 2 - REGULATIONS FOR THE CLASSIFICATION, REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER OF THE REGISTERED OWNERSHIP OF DOGS

Schedule 2 Regulation 15 – Membership Required Prior to Registration

Regulation 15.1.2:

Amend to read:

The provisions enumerated in this regulation in relation to Membership and Affixes shall apply to all applications for the registration of dogs in the Kennel Union Breed Registers, the Breed Appendix Registers, Emerging Breed Register and the Field Trial Registers for Pointers and Setters.

Effective 01.10.2019

Schedule 2 Appendix “B” Breed Standards

Amend to read:

1. For each Breed listed in Appendix 'A' of this Schedule, there shall be a written description called a Breed Standard, save and except where a single Standard has been adopted for those Breeds where the varieties are distinguished by coat type and/or size. The Breed Standards shall be published separately from, but form part of, this Appendix to Schedule 2.
2. Once adopted, a Breed Standard may not be altered or amended, save for the correction of spelling errors, conversion of measurements, or the insertion of omissions from the Standard by the country of origin, development or patronage, as the case may be.
3. Should notification be received that a Breed Standard accepted by KUSA has been altered or amended, save in terms of paragraph 2 above, by the country of origin, development or patronage such amendments shall automatically be adopted in accordance with the KUSA Breed Standards Protocol and advised to the Federal Council at its first practicable meeting.
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, whichever is feasible.

Schedule 2 Appendix “C” - Breed Specific Registration Requirements

Amend to read:

BREED SPECIFIC LITTER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

Microchipping – refer to Schedule 2 Reg. 1.1.5

1. ALASKAN MALAMUTE LITTERS
 - 1.1 Dam and Sire are positively identified by microchip before any X-ray examination is made. The microchip identification number is included on all developed X-ray film/digital image and on the certificate.
 - 1.2 Only Alaskan Malamutes with hip scores of A1, A2, B1 or B2 may be mated to Alaskan Malamutes with hip scores of C1 or C2. Alaskan Malamutes with hip scores of A1, A2, B1 or B2 may be mated to each other.
 - 1.3 At the time of whelping, the Dam is twenty-two (22) months of age or older.
2. DOBERMANN LITTERS
 - 2.1 Dam and Sire are positively identified by microchip before any X-ray examination is made. The microchip identification number is included on all developed X-ray film/digital image and on the certificate.
 - 2.2 The breeder is the current holder of a KUSA-registered Affix (Kennel Name).
 - 2.3 Only Dobermanns with hip scores of A1, A2, B1 or B2 may be mated to each other.

3. GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG LITTERS

- 3.1 Dam and Sire are positively identified by microchip before any X-ray examination is made. The microchip identification number is included on all developed X-ray film/digital images and on the certificate.
- 3.2 The breeder is the current holder of a KUSA-registered Affix (Kennel Name).
- 3.3 At the time of mating, the Sire is eighteen (18) months of age or older.
- 3.4 At the time of whelping, the Dam is twenty-two (22) months of age or older.

From 01.07.2019, Stud Dogs must comply with the following:

- 3.5 HD C2:C2 or better
- 3.6 ED 2,2 or better
- 3.7 DNA profiled

- 3.8 From 01.01.2020:
Breed Grading of Good (G) or better
IGP 1 or better

From 01.07.2019, Bitches must comply with the following minimum requirements:

- 3.9 HD C2:C2 or better
- 3.10 ED 2,2 or better
- 3.11 DNA profiled
- 3.12 From 01.01.2020:
Breed grading of Good (G) or better
Working Qualification of BH before a second litter can be registered.

4. GIANT SCHNAUZER LITTERS

- 4.1 Dam and Sire are positively identified by microchip before any X-ray examination is made. The microchip identification number is included on all developed X-ray film/digital image and on the certificate.
- 4.2 Only Giant Schnauzers with hip scores of A1, A2 and B1 may be mated to Giant Schnauzers with hip scores of B2, C1 or C2. Giant Schnauzers with hip scores of A1, A2 and B1 may be mated to each other.

5. RHODESIAN RIDGEBACK LITTERS

- 5.1 Dam and Sire are positively identified by microchip before any X-ray examination is made. The microchip identification number is included on all developed X-ray film/Digital image and on the certificate.
- 5.2 Only Rhodesian Ridgebacks with hip scores of A1, A2 may be mated to Rhodesian Ridgebacks with hip scores of B1. Rhodesian Ridgebacks with hip scores of A1 or A2 may be mated to each other.

6. ROTTWEILER LITTERS

- 6.1 Dam and Sire are positively identified by microchip before any X-ray examination is made. The microchip identification number is included on all developed X-ray film/Digital image and on the certificate.
- 6.2 Dogs must be presented for hip and elbow x-rays. At the time of x-ray a dog must be 18 months of age or older.
- 6.3 At the time of mating, the Sire is eighteen (18) months of age or older.
- 6.4 At the time of whelping, the Dam is twenty-two (22) months of age or older.
- 6.5 Only Rottweilers with hip scores of A1, A2, B1, B2 may be mated to Rottweilers with hip scores of C1 or C2. Rottweilers with hip scores of A1, A2, B1 or B2 may be mated to each other.
- 6.6 The elbow X-ray results must be submitted with the hip X-ray results, but are for record purposes only.

7. WEIMARANER LITTERS

- 7.1 Dam and Sire are positively identified by microchip before any X-ray examination is made. The microchip identification number is included on all developed X-ray film/digital image and on the certificate.
- 7.2 Only Weimaraner with hip scores with A1, A2 and B1 may be mated to Weimaraner with hip scores of B2, C1 and C2. Weimaraner with hip scores of A1, A2 and B1 may be mated to each other.

8. BIEWER TERRIER REGISTRATIONS

- 8.1 Biewer Terriers must be DNA profiled and be DNA Parentage Verified, for acceptance for registration on any KUSA register.
Only DNA Parentage Verification Certificates issued by the Onderstepoort Veterinary Genetic Laboratory (OPVGL) will be accepted. The dog's microchip number must appear on the DNA Parentage Verification Certificate.
- 8.2 In the case of Biewer Terriers that are imported, DNA material will be required to be submitted to OPVGL for the issuing of a DNA Typing Certificate which must reflect the dog's microchip number, DNA Profile Number and DNA ID

Number. Applications for registration of imported Biewer Terriers will only be accepted if the required DNA Typing Certificate is attached to the KUSA Registration Application Form. (DNA Parentage verification is not required for imported Biewer Terriers).

8.3 All Certificates of Registration issued to Biewer Terriers registered or re-registered with the Kennel Union must bear the OPVGL DNA Profile Number & DNA ID Number of the dog.

Effective 01.10.2019

Schedule 2 Appendix "E" Breed Specific Requirements for Imported and Exported Dogs Reg 2.1.4 Rottweilers – Imported

Insert NEW under the list of institutions lodged with KUSA by the RBC (Serbia):

Veterinarska ambulanta NS Vet

SCHEDULE 3 – REGULATIONS FOR CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS

Regulation 1.1.1 (Preamble)

Amend to read:

The Executive Committee shall have the authority, delegated by the Federal Council, to grant, withhold or cancel permission to hold any Show and to issue licences therefor in accordance with the Regulations relating thereto:

Regulation 5 - Show Schedules

Regulation 5.8.6

Amend to read:

for exhibition only, all exhibits must be entered in at least one (1) Breed Class

Effective 01.10.2019

Schedule 3 – Appendix 3 – KUSA Official Show Entry Form

Flyball – amendments.

SCHEDULE 4 – REGULATIONS FOR NON-CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS

Regulation 6 – Show Schedule Catalogue

Insert NEW:

6.1.10 Name of Show Manager

Effective 01.10.2019

SCHEDULE 5B(2) REGULATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL WORKING TRIALS AND INTERNATIONAL TRACKING TRIALS (IGP)

All reference to "Record Card" in the above Regulations is replaced with "Workbook".

Regulation 3.3 – Judging Appointments

3.3.2

Amend to read:

IGP Licenced Judges are required to attend at least one Refresher Seminar every 3 years to maintain their Judging status. (In the event of any KUSA IGP Judge not attending a Refresher Seminar in a 3 year period or longer, he or she will be required to act as a Learner (IGP) Judge once with a KUSA Licensed Judge (IGP) and submit one (1) satisfactory Report to the officiating KUSA Licensed Judge (IGP) before he or she can accept a further IGP judging appointment.)

Effective 01.10.2019

SCHEDULE 5F (9.1.7) AND (9.1.8) BOXER BREED ASSESSMENT & SURVEY PROCEDURES

All references to "SABOX" to be amended to read "FBCSA BC"

Regulation 3.1 Eligibility

Amend to read:

3.1 To be eligible for entry in a breed survey or breed assessment, a Boxer must:

- be registered in the KUSA Breed Register
- be at least 15 months old on the day of the evaluation;
- be healthy and in good condition;
- be positively identifiable by means of a microchip;
- have been examined and certified for hip dysplasia and be no worse than C2
- have been examined and certified free of cardiac disorders and to conform to the requirements as set out by the FBCSA BC from time to time;
- if a male, have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum.

- 3.2 Dogs belonging to the breed assessors or manwork assailants officiating at a Breed Assessment/Breed Survey (and their immediate families) may not be entered at that event.
- 3.3 Bitches in season may participate in a Breed Assessment/Breed Survey, provided they are kept strictly apart from all other participants during the entire event. Bitches in season will be evaluated after all the other dogs. The survey manager and breed assessor must be informed immediately on her arrival if a bitch is in season.
- 3.4 Pregnant and nursing bitches may not participate in a Breed Assessment/Breed Survey.

Regulation 5 - Documentation Required

Amend to read:

On the day of the assessment the owner or handler of the dog entered must present the following documentation to the breed assessor for verification:

- A certified copy of the dog's KUSA registration certificate
- A certified copy of the certificate from the Department of Radiology, University of Pretoria (Onderstepoort) or a KUSA accredited scrutineer, indicating that the dog entered had been examined and scored for hip dysplasia.
- Reports of any previous / unsuccessful assessment or survey in which the dog participated.

Effective 01.10.2019

SCHEDULE 5G – REGULATIONS FOR DOG CARTING

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 01.10.2019 and will be published on the KUSA Website as timeously as possible.

SCHEDULE 5L - REGULATIONS FOR AGILITY CLASSES

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 01.10.2019 and will be published on the KUSA Website as timeously as possible.

SCHEDULE 5R - DOG DANCING HEELWORK TO MUSIC (HTM)

Regulation 15 Judges

Qualification of judges

Amend to read:

- a. Attend a Judging Workshop / Training Course and be allocated a Mentor (who shall be a Senior Judge) provided by the appropriate KUSA Sub-Committee.
 - After a recorded meeting with their Mentor to discuss the process, they will be considered Learner Judges and be eligible to move on to the next step. This report must be submitted to KUSA.
- b. Shadow judge a minimum of 4 live events and submit a Report for scrutiny to their Mentor and Judge of the day. The Mentor will provide a written comment on the submitted report. On approval of these Reports they will be considered Junior Judges and be eligible to move on to the next step.
- c. Judge a minimum of 2 live events under the supervision of a Senior Judge and submit a report to the judge of the day for scrutiny and approval for each event. On approval of these Reports they will be considered Senior Judges and be eligible to judge competitions.
- d. Attend at least one Judging Workshop / Training Course in every two-year cycle.
 - Failure to judge in a two-year cycle will result in a Judge needing to co-judge a minimum of one live event and submit a Report for scrutiny and approval.
- e. delete altogether

Effective 01.10.2019

SCHEDULE 5S DOG DANCING – MUSICAL FREESTYLE (MF)

15. Judges

Qualification of Judges

Amend to read:

- a. Attend a judging Workshop / Training Course and be allocated a Mentor (who shall be a Senior Judge) provided by the appropriate KUSA Sub-Committee.
 - After a recorded meeting with their Mentor to discuss the process, they will be considered Learner Judges and be eligible to move on to the next step. This report must be submitted to KUSA.
- b. Shadow judge a minimum of 4 live events and submit a Report for scrutiny to their Mentor and Judge of the day. The Mentor will provide a written comment on the submitted report. On approval of these Reports they will be considered Junior Judges and be eligible to move on to the next step.
- c. Judge a minimum of 2 live events under the supervision of a Senior Judge and submit a report to the Judge of the day for scrutiny and approval for each event. On approval of these Reports they will be considered Senior Judges and be eligible to judge competitions.
- d. Attend at least one Judging Workshop / Training Course in every two-year cycle.

- Failure to judge in a two-year cycle will result in a Judge needing to co-judge a minimum of one live event and submit a Report for scrutiny and approval.

e. delete altogether
Effective 01.10.2019

CODE OF CONDUCT AND PRACTICE FOR KUSA JUDGES – APPENDIX A OF SCHEDULE 9

Under “In General”

1. Judges shall maintain continuous and unbroken membership of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa throughout their judging career as contemplated in Article 25.2 of the Kennel Union Constitution.
2. Judges shall be mindful of their elevated and respected status in dogsport and in all their actions and dealings set an example for all participants in the sport.
3. In their communications with officials, exhibitors and competitors, Judges shall act with dignity, finesse and decorum and their conduct in all interactions shall be above reproach.
4. In accepting assignments, whether local or foreign, Judges act as ambassadors of the Kennel Union and in word and deed shall take the utmost care to neither embarrass themselves, nor the Kennel Union.
5. Judges shall not accept an invitation to judge unless they can declare with a reasonable degree of certainty that they would be able and fulfil the assignment and be fit to do so in accordance with the expectations of the show-holding Club or entity.
6. Judges who need to withdraw from an assignment for whatever reasons need to give notice of their intentions to withdraw at the earliest possible opportunity and in a manner prescribed by their contract.
7. Judges shall ensure that their arrangements regarding reimbursement of expenses by show-holding Clubs or entities are clear and unambiguous, thereby to ensure that they do not cause embarrassment or discontent.
8. Judges shall not claim any expenses from a show-holding Club or entity to which they are not entitled and cannot provide proof of entitlement.
9. Judges shall embrace continued education as an integral part of judging and undertake self-motivated learning throughout their judging careers.
10. Judges shall keep themselves apprised of changes to the Kennel Union’s regulatory framework applicable to Judges and judging.
11. Judges shall keep themselves apprised of changes to the FCI’s regulatory framework applicable to Judges and judging and apply these regulations in an FCI judging environment unless they are in conflict with the Kennel Union’s regulations.
12. Judges shall be meticulous in noting changes to Breed Standards of breeds they are licensed to judge and apply these changes once they become effective.
13. At shows held under the Regulations of the FCI, Judges shall meticulously and consistently apply FCI Breed Standards to all the breeds they are contracted to judge.
14. Judges shall not interpret any Breed Standard in a manner which conflicts with the functional health of the dog.
15. Judges shall not solicit judging assignments, either locally or overseas, which includes, but is not limited to, pleading, asking or canvassing for an assignment, either directly, or through an intermediary.
16. Judges shall not solicit the entry of any Dog, Exhibitor and/or Competitor.

17. Judges shall not travel to a show with a person who will be exhibiting a dog under them.
18. Judges shall not accept accommodation from a person who will be exhibiting a dog under them.
19. Judges shall avoid socialising with exhibitors who are likely to exhibit dogs under them prior to the show.
20. If placed in an unavoidable compromising position as a result of a relationship with an exhibitor, Judges shall encourage those exhibitors responsible for creating an awkward situation by leaving them conflicted, or rendering their awards suspect, to do a "lap of honour", instead of subjecting their dogs to assessment and placement.
21. It is suggested that, during a discernible period (at Judges' discretion) preceding any judging assignment, Judges shall refrain from acting as a spectator to the judging of the dogs they are likely to judge in such scheduled assignment.
22. In deference to the principles of neutrality and impartiality, Judges shall exercise the utmost discretion when discussing dogs likely to be judged by them, or by other Judges, with any person, as not to show favour or prejudice of any kind.
23. Similarly, in upholding the principles of neutrality and impartiality, Judges shall exercise sound judgement when commenting on dogs likely to be judged by them, or by other Judges, on Social Media, as not to reveal predilection or dislike.
24. When commenting on dog- or dogsport-related issues, Judges shall use Social Media advisedly and prudently and confine their opinions to reasoned discourse based on fact and refrain from speculation, innuendo and aspersion.
25. Judges shall not criticise the work of other Judges, either verbally, in print or on Social Media.
26. Judges shall not indulge in offensive or slanderous conduct aimed at discrediting the Kennel Union or the FCI.
27. Judges' licences are granted at the sole discretion of the Kennel Union and, in securing such licence, the Licensee (Judge) assumes a fiduciary relationship with the Licensor (KUSA), and part of any such relationship is that the Licensee shall not act *contra* the interests of his principal (KUSA). It should be understood that a licence is granted at the behest of the Licensor and can be suspended at any time and that, although KUSA welcomes constructive criticism or the airing of grievances through the appropriate channels, it will not tolerate being besmirched on Social Media and its reputation tarnished by persons to whom its licences have been entrusted in good faith.

Under "In the Ring"

Amend to read:

28. Judges shall be courteous, polite and respectful towards Exhibitors and/or Competitors, Ring Steward or Club Officials.
29. Judges shall be punctual for assignments and avoid inconveniencing Exhibitors, Competitors or Show Officials through lateness.
30. Judges shall not leave the showgrounds before they have completed all their assigned duties.
31. Judges shall not consult the show catalogue before or during a judging assignment.
32. Judges shall assess dogs or their performance in a thorough, competent, systematic and kind manner.
33. When judging, Judges shall exercise the highest degree of objectivity and discard any knowledge of a dog's background or ownership.
34. Having regard for the weather, Judges shall dress in a manner which creates a professional, yet comfortable, appearance in the ring, avoiding bulky or noisy accessories.
35. Judges shall not smoke or drink alcohol in the ring.
36. Although it's permissible for Judges to have electronic devices in the ring for the review of a breed standard when necessary, such devices shall otherwise remain switched off and under no circumstances shall Judges take telephone calls, or receive and send text messages, while in the ring.

37. Judges shall not address handlers by their name in the ring.
38. Judges shall complete all the requirements of an assignment diligently and efficiently, with regard for time constraints imposed by the show-holding Club.

SCHEDULE 10 - KUSA BREED JUDGES LEARNING PROGRAMME

SCHEDULE 10 - APPENDIX 1 - GROUP COURSE

2.3.3. Judging Appointments:

Amend to read:

The rationale for this module is to gain practical experience in the multi-skilled task of judging at Conformation Shows. The writing of brief reports encourages the finding of sound reasons for judging decisions and promotes a culture of positive judging.

2.3.3.1. The Learner Judge may accept and will be cleared for Judging Appointments on the successful completion of the Breed Tests and Breed Hallmarks Assignment. (See Regs. 2.3.1. and 2.3.2.)

2.3.3.2. The Learner Judge will need to judge: a) at least eight (8)* different Breeds in the chosen Group b) at least sixty (60)** exhibits c) at a minimum of three (3) Non-Championship Shows, at least two (2) of which must cover the whole Group, subject to Regulations 2.3.3.4 and 2.3.3.8 below.

2.3.3.3. No more than twenty (20) exhibits in one Breed* may be credited to the quota.

2.3.3.4. At least one (1) of the Judging Appointments must be in a different geographical Centre from the one in which the Learner Judge is based; more if possible.

2.3.3.5. The Learner Judge completes the standardised Report form during his/her judging, in which details and numbers of the exhibits judged are entered, as well as a brief report on each Best of Breed winner.

2.3.3.6. On completion of the Judging Appointment, the Learner Judge must request the Show Secretary to endorse the Report form. The Show Secretary will acknowledge having signed off on said report form in the normal Return of Show Levies form, which is required to be forwarded to the KUSA Office and the JEC Administrator as per normal procedure.

2.3.3.7. On receipt of the Return of Show Levies form from the Show Secretary, the KUSA Judges' Department and the JEC Administrator will record and update the Learner Judge's progress and grant clearance for future Judging Appointments. No clearance for future Judging Appointments shall be granted without this procedure having been completed correctly.

2.3.3.8. A minimum of three (3) Judging Appointments must be observed by an Assessor assigned to the Learner Judge, which Appointments may only take place in the geographical Centres of Gauteng, Western Cape, or KwaZulu-Natal, in accordance with the administrative division set out in Schedule 3 Regulation 2.1.1.

2.3.3.9. The Assessor will provide feedback and guidance on the Learner Judge's performance and sign off the completed Judging Reports immediately on completion of the Judging Appointment.

2.3.3.10. The Learner Judge must store all his/her judging reports in the Portfolio.

2.3.3.11. On the successful completion of the required three (3) assessments, the Learner Judge may continue to judge, without assessment, in any geographical Centre in order to make up the required quota, if not yet achieved.

2.3.3.12. On completion of all requirements outlined under Judging Appointments 2.3.3. above, the Learner Judge may continue to judge at Non-Championship Shows in any geographical Centre, without assessment, or writing of Reports, until the Learner Judge feels ready to sit the examination.

*(*Note: For purposes of calculating the number of Breeds for quota requirements, one Breed, regardless of varieties within that Breed or number of individual Breed Standards published, counts as **one** Breed.)*

*(**Note: The total Breed entry recorded in the Learner Judge's Reports, as confirmed in the Return of Show Levies form, will be credited towards the final total requirements of 60 exhibits across all varieties).*

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SCHEDULE 10 - APPENDIX 3 - BREED SPECIALISATION COURSE

6.3. JUDGING APPOINTMENTS

The rationale for this module is to gain practical experience in the multi-skilled task of judging at Conformation Shows. The writing of brief Critiques encourages the finding of sound reasons for judging decisions and promotes a culture of positive judging.

6.3.1. The Learner Judge may accept and will be cleared for judging appointments on the successful completion of the Breed Test and Breed Hallmarks Assignment (See Regs. 6.1. and 6.2. above).

6.3.2. The Learner Judge will need to judge:

- 6.3.2.1. at least forty (40) exhibits of the relevant Breed, on which brief Critiques are written
- 6.3.2.2. at a minimum of two (2) Non-Championship Shows of which at least one (1) must be a Specialty Show, subject to Regulations 6.3.3 and 6.3.7 below.
- 6.3.3. At least one (1) of the Judging Appointments must be in a different geographical Centre from the one in which the Learner Judge is based; more if possible.
- 6.3.4. The Learner Judge must complete the standardised Critique form during his/her judging, in which details and numbers of the exhibits judged are entered, as well as a brief Critique on each exhibit judged.
- 6.3.5. On completion of the Judging Appointment, the Learner Judge must request the Show Secretary to endorse the Critique forms. The Show Secretary will acknowledge having signed off on Critique forms in the normal Return of Show Levies form, which is required to be forwarded to the KUSA Office and the JEC Administrator as per normal procedure.
- 6.3.6. On receipt of the Return of Show Levies form from the Show Secretary, the KUSA Judges' Department and JEC Administrator will record and update the Learner Judge's progress and grant clearance for future Judging Appointments. No clearance for future Judging Appointments shall be granted without this procedure having been completed correctly.
- 6.3.7. The Judging Appointment at the Specialist Show must be observed by the assigned Breed Specialist Assessor (see 4.3.), which Appointment may only take place in the geographical Centres of Gauteng, Western Cape, or KwaZulu-Natal, in accordance with the administrative division set out in Schedule 3 Regulation 2.1.1.
- 6.3.8. The assigned Breed Specialist Assessor will provide feedback and guidance on the Learner Judge's performance and endorse the completed Critiques immediately on completion of the judging assignment.
- 6.3.9. The Learner Judge must store all Critiques in the Portfolio.
- 6.3.10. On completion of all requirements outlined in Reg 6.3. – Judging Appointments, the Learner Judge may continue to judge at Non-Championship Shows in any geographical Centre without assessment or writing of Critiques until the Learner Judge feels ready to sit the examination.
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