SCHEDULE 10: APPENDIX 2
JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP COURSE
KUSA BREED JUDGES LEARNING PROGRAMME
(Effective 01-01-2019)

1. REQUIREMENTS

1.1. Any KUSA member in good standing, who has a genuine interest in nurturing and guiding tomorrow’s Handlers through the activity of judging Junior Showmanship, must meet the qualifying criteria listed below.

1.2. A Provisional, Licensed or Senior Judge may study the Junior Showmanship Course simultaneously with one other Level 2 Group or a Breed Specialisation Course.

2. QUALIFYING CRITERIA

2.1. An applicant wishing to apply to join the KUSA Junior Showmanship Course must meet the following criteria:

2.1.1. must be at least 18 years of age
2.1.2. must be a permanent resident of South Africa or Namibia
2.1.3. must be a member in good standing of KUSA
2.1.4. must have at least three (3) years’ demonstrated involvement which must include experience in at least one, preferably more of the following:
   2.1.4.1. participation in Child, Junior or Adult Showmanship competition
   2.1.4.2. ownership within the immediate family unit or co-ownership of a KUSA registered dog
   2.1.4.3. exhibition of a KUSA registered dog to Breed Championship
   2.1.4.4. exhibition of a KUSA registered dog at Championship level
   2.1.4.5. breeding within the immediate family unit or co-breeding a KUSA registered litter
   2.1.4.6. ring stewardship at Championship and/or Non-Championship Shows
   2.1.4.7. membership of a KUSA affiliated Breed or Group Club
   2.1.4.8. ringcraft and/or socialisation training
   2.1.4.9. participation in any canine working discipline
   2.1.4.10. club administration, committee work etc.
   2.1.4.11. show organisation
   2.1.4.12. any other KUSA approved canine activity

3. APPLICATION

3.1. The Applicant must gather the following material in support of his/her application to begin the KUSA Junior Showmanship Course:

3.1.1. a comprehensive Curriculum Vitae recording the following:
   3.1.1.1. motivation for wanting to judge
   3.1.1.2. a summary of involvement in canine and/or handling activities and achievements (See Reg.2)

3.1.2. the completed application form

3.2. This application, together with all supporting documents, must be forwarded to the Judges Education Council (JEC) Administrator.

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3.3. The JEC Administrator will notify the applicant of the JEC’s decision and, if successful, will advise the Applicant on the procedure of paying the registration fee and will supply instructions on how to access the relevant Study Guides.

3.4. Once payment of the registration fee has been processed by the Kennel Union Judges Department, the KUSA Judges Department will advise the Applicant that access has been granted to the restricted area of the KUSA website via the Judges Portal, where information can be downloaded.

3.5. Should the application be unsuccessful, the JEC will provide reasons why it is felt the Applicant is not yet ready to begin the Junior Showmanship Course and will advise in which area(s) the Applicant needs to gain further experience. The Applicant will have the opportunity to reapply once all the qualifying criteria have been met.

4. SUPPORT MATERIAL

4.1. The Candidate will receive access to comprehensive support material that will include Study Guides to:
   4.1.1. cover the material to be examined
   4.1.2. explain how to work through the Junior Showmanship Course
   4.1.3. explain the structure of the examination and how to prepare for it

5. MENTORSHIP AND ASSESSMENT

5.1. The Candidate will be assigned a qualified Mentor, who will guide, advise, support and assess the Candidate’s performance for the duration of the Course.

5.2. The Mentor will be required to attend and observe the judging of at least one (1) of the judging appointments.
   5.2.1. The Mentor will assess and provide feedback and guidance on the Candidate’s ring procedure, consistency, technical knowledge and attitude and behaviour towards the Handler exhibitors.
   5.2.2. The Candidate will be required to liaise with the Mentor on a suitable occasion to conduct the observation and assessment.

6. COURSE REQUIREMENTS

6.1. SEMINAR
   6.1.1. The Candidate must attend at least one JEC approved Seminar on Judging Junior Showmanship, which will include applicable KUSA Regulations. Following the Seminar and assessment, there will be a written and a practical test on all content covered.
   6.1.2. The Candidate must record full details of place, presenter, date and proof of attendance, to be stored in the Portfolio.

6.2. JUDGING APPOINTMENTS
   The Candidate is required to judge:
   6.2.1. a minimum of three (3) Child Handler and three (3) Junior Handler classes at Non-Championship show level.
   6.2.2. a minimum of twelve (12) Handlers in total, distributed as at least six (6) Child Handlers and at least six (6) Junior Handlers.

6.3. REPORTS
   6.3.1. The Candidate completes a standardised report form during his/her judging, in which details and numbers of all the handling exhibitors judged are entered, as well as a brief report on each Child and/or Junior Handler first-prize winner.
   6.3.2. On completion of the judging appointment, the Candidate 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.
   6.3.3. On receipt of the Return of Show Levies form from the Show Secretary, the KUSA Office and JEC Administrator will record and update the Candidate’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.
6.3.4. The assigned Mentor will provide feedback and guidance on the Candidate’s performance and endorse the completed Judging Reports immediately on completion of the judging assignment.
6.3.5. The Candidate must store all Judging Reports in the Portfolio.

6.4. **PORTFOLIO**

6.4.1. On completion of all the Course requirements, the Candidate must submit his/her Portfolio to the assigned Assessor for approval and endorsement.
6.4.2. The contents of the Portfolio must include:
   6.4.2.1. details and proof of attendance of the Junior Showmanship Seminar
   6.4.2.2. the Judging Reports prescribed in Reg. 6.3. above
6.4.3. If the Course requirements have been met adequately and proved in the Portfolio, the assigned Assessor will sign-off the Portfolio and advise the JEC Administrator accordingly.

7. **EXAMINATION: JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP**

7.1. On the approval of the Portfolio, the Candidate may apply to sit the Junior Showmanship examination, usually in June or November.
7.2. The content of the examination shall be based on the Junior Showmanship Study Guide.
7.3. The format of the examination shall be multiple choice questions.
7.4. The Junior Showmanship paper shall carry 100 marks with a minimum requirement of 75%.
7.5. The duration of the examination shall be no longer than 1 hour.
7.6. Exam Candidates will be notified by KUSA of their success or failure in the examination and a percentage mark shall be given.
7.7. If the Candidate is unsuccessful he/she may register to rewrite the examination at any future examination opportunity.
7.8. A re-marking facility will be available on payment of a fee, as determined by the KUSA Office.

8. **FINAL ASSESSMENT**

8.1. On the successful completion of the examination, the Kennel Union will acknowledge the Candidate as a Provisional Junior Showmanship Judge until the requirements of this level have been met.
8.2. The Provisional Junior Showmanship Judge will be required to judge one Championship Junior Showmanship class at which at least four (4) Child and/or Junior Handlers are present and compete.
8.3. If the entry quota is not met, the Provisional Junior Showmanship Judge will need to fill a second Championship appointment in order to make up the balance.
8.4. The JEC reserves the right to assign an Assessor to observe the Provisional Junior Showmanship Judge’s performance and provide feedback on a set of criteria that he/she must meet in order to be approved as a Licensed Junior Showmanship Judge.
   8.4.1. If the assessment criteria are not met, the Provisional Junior Showmanship Judge will need to fill a second Championship appointment with the same assessment criteria as above.
8.5. On successful completion of the final assessment, the KUSA Judges’ Department will acknowledge the Provisional Junior Showmanship Judge as a Licensed Junior Showmanship Judge.

9. **FURTHER STUDY**

9.1. On the successful completion of the Junior Showmanship Course and examination, the Junior Showmanship Judge who is not also a Provisional or Licensed Judge, may sit the Paper 1 for Breed Judges (Canine Physiology and KUSA Regulations) and, if successful, proceed directly to Level 2: Learner Judge.
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