

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SCHEDULE 10, SCHEDULE 10 APPENDIX 1 and SCHEDULE 10 APPENDIX 3

Motivation: The motivation for the changes to the above JEC Schedules is twofold:

- To provide for the inclusion of the so-called TEO Manual as compulsory Study Material for the JEC exams as part of the KUSA Regulations Section
- To provide for the specific Schedules which form part of the Study material for the KUSA Regulations Section of the of the exams
- To regulate a solution for the difficulties some Learner Judges following Breed Specialisation Courses are experiencing in judging the prescribed number of dogs due to a lack of local Non-Championship Shows offered for the breeds in question at which judging appointments may be obtained.

The first problem is easily overcome, by simply slotting a reference to the TEO Manual into Schedule 10 Reg. 5.5, Schedule 10 Appendix 1 Regs. 1.5.2.2 & 2.5.2.2 and Schedule 10, Appendix 3 Reg. 7.3.1. The reason for making the TEO Manual part of the compulsory Learning Material for examination purposes is that few Judges are familiar with the prescribed procedure for dealing with Dog Aggression in the showing, resulting in the chaos as experienced at the 2021 Port Elizabeth Kennel Club Championship Show. During its recent Appeal Hearing, the Fedco Appeals Committee (FAC) identified this as a major problem and requested that it be brought to the attention of the Executive Committee and the Federal Council to take pre-emptive steps to hopefully avoid a recurrence. Making the TEO Manual compulsory Learning Material for Breed Judges' exams is one such pre-emptive step.

Currently, Schedule 10 Appendix "1" (Group Course) and Schedule 10 Appendix "3" (Breed Specialisation Course) only identifies the study material for exams as "KUSA Regulations". To avoid confusion and unhappiness with exam content, it is believed that the JEC needs to be more specific in mentioning the specific Schedules which need to be studied, if only in part.

The second amendment proposes that it be regulated that, in certain instances where the lack of local Non-Championship Shows for a specific Specialisation Breed proves to be an impediment to the progress of Breed Specialisation Judges, the JEC should have the discretionary latitude, on a case-by-case basis, to accommodate a Judge to use a quota of dogs judged in a foreign country as part of his learning experience for judging and critiquing purposes. Each case needs to be assessed on its own merits and, if a concession is granted, it will only be to Level 4 Judges, with the dogs counting towards the judging and critiquing quota to be set by the JEC in advance of the foreign appointment. The latitude required for the JEC needs to be accommodated in amendments to Schedule 10, Appendix 3 (Breed Specialisation Course) with the addition of new Regs. 6.2.4 & 6.2.7 and a consequential amendment to Reg. 6.2.8.

In addition to Schedule changes to provide for the above two outcomes, the JEC is aware that the following Study Guides need to be amended:

- How to work through Level 1
- How to work through Level 2
- Breed Assignment Guides for Rottweiler, GSD & Bull Terrier

The urgency in requesting Fedco to clear the amendments by round robin is to be able to already use the TEO Guide as examination material in the November 2022 exams and to

expeditiously deal with certain problems around Judges struggling to get prescribed numbers due to a lack of Non-championship Shows offered for certain Specialisation Breeds.

The amendments to the Schedules requested from Fedco are set out below:

Insertions in **[underlined bold type in square brackets]**

SCHEDULE 10 (KUSA BREED JUDGES' LEARNING PROGRAMME)

5. FOREIGN JUDGING APPOINTMENTS

- 5.1 All clearances are processed directly between the KUSA Office and the foreign Canine Authorities.
- 5.2. When an invited Judge has been cleared for the breeds or Groups he/she has been invited to judge, the KUSA Office will forward a 'Letter of Clearance' to the foreign Canine Authority, with a copy to the invited Judge.
- 5.3. Any Judge who has been cleared previously to judge a particular breed or Group in a foreign country, and did so, will be automatically cleared again unless his/her membership has lapsed or he/she has been suspended from judging for any reason.
- 5.4. All other Judges will only be recommended for foreign judging if they have reached Level 4: Licensed Judge for the relevant breed or Group requested to be judged by that foreign Canine Authority.
- 5.5. It should be noted that foreign judging appointments will not count towards the Kennel Union judging qualifications, **with the exception of Breed Specialisation concessions as specifically provided for in Schedule 10 Appendix 3 Reg. 6.2.4.]**

SCHEDULE 10 APPENDIX 1 (GROUP COURSE)

1.5 EXAMINATION: PAPER 1

- 1.5.1. On the successful completion and assessment of the Course Introduction and the Open-book Worksheet, the Candidate Judge may apply to sit the first examination, Paper 1, without reference books or material, held usually in June or November.
- 1.5.2. Paper 1 is a combined examination that comprises two (2) sections:
 - 1.5.2.1. Canine Physiology (150 marks)
 - 1.5.2.2. KUSA Regulations **(50 marks), for which the following need to be studied:**
 - **The Articles (content applicable to Members & Judges);**
 - **Schedule 1 – Disciplinary Rules (content specifically applicable to Judges);**
 - **Schedule 3 – Regulations for Championship Shows;**
 - **Schedule 3A - Regulations for International Dog Shows;**
 - **Schedule 4 – Regulations for Non-Championship Shows;**
 - **Schedule 4A – Regulations for Qualifying Shows and Re-Qualifying Shows;**
 - **Schedule 9 – KUSA Code of Ethics applicable to KUSA Members in general and Schedule 9 Appendix “A” - Code of Conduct and Practice applicable to Judges in particular;**
 - **Temporary Exclusion Order (TEO) Manual**
- 1.5.3. The format of the examination will be multiple choice, naming and labelling questions.
- 1.5.4. Paper 1 will carry 200 marks with a minimum pass requirement of 80%.

- 1.5.5. The duration of the examination shall be no longer than 2 hours.
- 1.5.6. Examination papers will be marked by the JEC Examination Officer and moderated by at least one qualified Moderator before results are made known.
- 1.5.7. Examination Candidates will be notified by the KUSA Office of their success or failure in the examination and a percentage mark shall be given.
- 1.5.8. No correspondence will be entered into following the examination.
- 1.5.9. If the Candidate is successful, he/she may register with the KUSA Office to begin studies for one of the following:
 - 1.5.9.1. a Group Course (*See Reg. 2. below*)
 - 1.5.9.2. the Junior Showmanship Course (*See Schedule 10, Appendix 2*) or
 - 1.5.9.3. a Breed Specialisation Course (*See Schedule 10, Appendix 3*)
- 1.5.10. If the Candidate is unsuccessful, he/she may register to rewrite the examination at any future examination opportunity.
- 1.5.11. A re-marking facility will be available on payment of a fee, as determined by the KUSA Office.

2.5 EXAMINATION: PAPER 2

- 2.5.1. On the successful completion of the whole level of study, the Learner Judge may apply to sit the examination, Paper 2, without reference books or material, held usually in June or November.
- 2.5.2. Paper 2 is a combined examination that comprises three (3) sections:
 - 2.5.2.1. KUSA Breed Standards (200 marks)
 - 2.5.2.2. KUSA Regulations **(40 marks), for which the following need to be studied:**
 - **The Articles (content applicable to Member & Judges);**
 - **Schedule 1 – Disciplinary Rules (content specifically applicable to Judges);**
 - **Schedule 3 – Regulations for Championship Shows;**
 - **Schedule 3A - Regulations for International Dog Shows;**
 - **Schedule 4 – Regulations for Non-Championship Shows;**
 - **Schedule 4A – Regulations for Qualifying Shows and Re-Qualifying Shows;**
 - **Schedule 9 – KUSA Code of Ethics applicable to KUSA Members in general and Schedule 9 Appendix “A” - Code of Conduct and Practice applicable to Judges in particular;**
 - **Temporary Exclusion Order (TEO) Manual**
 - 2.5.2.3. Canine Physiology (60 marks)
- 2.5.3. The format of the examination will be multiple choice, naming, and labelling questions.
- 2.5.4. Paper 2 will carry 300 marks with a minimum pass requirement of 75% across all papers.
- 2.5.5. The duration of the examination shall be no longer than 3 hours.
- 2.5.6. Examination scripts will be marked by the JEC Examination Officer and moderated by at least one qualified JEC Moderator before results are made known.
- 2.5.7. Examination Candidates will be notified by the KUSA Office of their success or failure in the examination and a percentage mark shall be given.
- 2.5.8. No correspondence will be entered into following the examination.
- 2.5.9. If the Examination Candidate is successful, he/she may register with the KUSA Office to begin studies for a new course of study, if desired.
- 2.5.10. If the Examination Candidate is unsuccessful, he/she may register to rewrite the examination at any future examination opportunity.
- 2.5.11. A re-marking facility will be available on payment of a fee, as determined by the KUSA Office.

SCHEDULE 10 APPENDIX 3 (BREED SPECIALISATION COURSE)

4. MENTORSHIP AND ASSESSMENT

- 4.1. The JEC Assessment Officer will assign to the Learner Judge, a qualified Breed Specialist Assessor, who will mentor and assess the Learner Judge's performance for the duration of the course.
- 4.2. The assigned Breed Specialist Assessor will be required to attend and observe the judging of at least one of the Learner Judge's judging appointments at Non-championship Shows **[within South Africa]** and provide feedback on the Learner Judge's judging technique, ring management and judging decisions - encouraging and advising best practices where applicable.
- 4.3. The Learner Judge will be required to liaise with the assigned Breed Specialist Assessor on a suitable occasion to conduct the observation and assessment.

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*). The acceptance of judging appointments when ineligible to do so on account of non-compliance with the Regulations shall be deemed as willful misrepresentation of judging qualifications and be subject to an appropriate penalty to be imposed by the Executive Committee.
- 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.
- 6.2.3. 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.
- 6.2.4. Where it has been brought to the attention of the JEC that there are insufficient Non-championship Shows in South Africa for a Learner Judge to satisfy the judging quota requirements under Reg. 6.3.2 above, a Level 4 Group Judge following the Specialisation Course may apply to the JEC to accept a quota of dogs to be judged during a foreign appointment (refer to Schedule 10 KUSA BREED JUDGES' LEARNING PROGRAMME – Reg. 5 - FOREIGN JUDGING APPOINTMENTS). Each application shall be assessed on a case-by-case basis on its own merits and the parameters for the permissible quota of foreign dogs and the quantum of required critiquing within that quota shall be set by the JEC.**
- 6.2.5. 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.
- 6.2.6. 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 said critique forms in the normal Return of Show Levies form, which is required to be forwarded to the KUSA Office and the JEC Admin Officer as per normal procedure.
- 6.2.7. Should the Learner Judge have been granted a concession by the JEC under Regulation 6.2.4. to include a quota of foreign dogs judged at a foreign appointment and to submit brief critiques on all or certain of the foreign dogs, the brief critiques must be submitted to the Breed Specialist Assessor and the JEC Admin Officer and not as directed in Regulation 6.2.6 above.**
- 6.2.8. On receipt of the Return of Show Levies form from the Show Secretary[, **or on receipt from the Learner Judge of the brief critiques on dogs judged at a foreign appointment,**] the KUSA Office, and JEC Admin Officer 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.
- 6.2.9. At least one (1) judging appointment must be observed by the assigned Breed Specialist Assessor (see 4.3.), which appointment may only take place in the metropolises within Gauteng, Western Cape, or KwaZulu-Natal.

- 6.8.10. The assigned Breed Specialist Assessor will provide verbal feedback and guidance on the Learner Judge's performance and endorse the completed critiques immediately on completion of the judging assignment.
- 6.8.11. The Learner Judge must store all his/her critiques in the Portfolio.
- 6.8.12. At one (1) of the assessed appointments, **within South Africa** the Assessor will make a formative assessment of the Learner Judge's judging skills and ring management on the official Assessor's Judging Skills Assessment form and provide verbal feedback and guidance immediately on completion of the judging appointment.
 - 6.8.12.1. If the minimum approval rate is not achieved in all sections of the Assessor's Judging Skills Assessment, the Learner Judge will be required to undergo one or more subsequent Assessor's Judging Skills Assessments, in the underrated section only, until a successful rating is achieved.
- 6.8.13. The Learner Judge must make and forward a copy of the signed and completed Assessor's Judging Skills Assessment form to the JEC Support Officer. The original Judging Skills Assessment form, and any subsequent original Judging Skills Assessment form(s) (if applicable), must be stored in the Portfolio.
- 6.8.14. On completion of all requirements outlined in Reg. 6.3., 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.

7. EXAMINATION: BREED SPECIALISATION

- 7.1. On the successful completion of the whole level of study, the Learner Judge may apply to sit the examination, Breed Specialisation, without reference books or material, held usually in June or November.
- 7.2 The format of the examination will be multiple choice, labelling, long questions and an essay.
- 7.3 The content of the examination will cover:
 - 7.3.1. KUSA Regulations **(40 marks), for which the following need to be studied:**
 - **The Articles (content applicable to Members & Judges);**
 - **Schedule 1 – Disciplinary Rules (content specifically applicable to Judges);**
 - **Schedule 3 – Regulations for Championship Shows;**
 - **Schedule 3A - Regulations for International Dog Shows;**
 - **Schedule 4 – Regulations for Non-Championship Shows;**
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 - **Schedule 9 – KUSA Code of Ethics applicable to KUSA Members in general and Schedule 9 Appendix "A" - Code of Conduct and Practice applicable to Judges in particular;**
 - **Temporary Exclusion Order (TEO) Manual**
 - 7.3.2. Canine Physiology (50 marks)
 - 7.3.3. Breed Standard & Assignment (See 6.5. above) (160 marks)
- 7.4. Paper 2 will carry 250 marks with a minimum pass requirement of 75%.
- 7.5. The duration of the examination shall be no longer than 3 hours.
- 7.6. The examination script will be marked by the JEC Examination Officer and moderated by at least one qualified JEC Moderator before results are made known.
- 7.7. The Examination Candidate will be notified by the KUSA Office of his/her success or failure in the examination and a percentage mark shall be given.
- 7.8. No correspondence will be entered into following the examination.
- 7.9. If the Examination Candidate is successful, he/she may register with the KUSA Office to begin studies for a new course of study, if desired.
- 7.10. If the Examination Candidate is unsuccessful, he/she may register to rewrite the examination at any future examination opportunity.
- 7.11. A re-marking facility will be available on payment of a fee, as determined by the KUSA Office.