

Minutes of Fedco 06-2025 – Final for Publication & Distribution – 25.07.2025
KENNEL UNION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY & SATURDAY,
27 & 28 June 2025,
commencing at 08h30 on Friday and at 09h00 on Saturday, on MS TEAMS

ITEM	Sub Item	Sub Item	MINUTES
1			<p>ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS</p> <p>Attendance: Cllr JM Hubbard (Chairman of the Federal Council) – JH Cllr M (V) Alberts (Chairman – Exco) – MA Cllr C Chelchinsky (Vice-Chairman – DOGSPC) – CC Cllr RD Juckes (Chairman – FS&NCPC) – RJ Cllr CE Patience (Chairman – NAPC) – CP Cllr N Redtenbacher (Vice-Chairman of the Federal Council & Chairman – DOGSPC) – NR Cllr DC Sparg (Chairman – EC&BPC) – DS Cllr LC Thornhill (Chairman – WCPC) – LT Cllr MW Vorster (Chairman – KZNPC) – MV</p> <p>Staff in Attendance: Mrs PLE Midgley (General Manager) – PM Mr BG Robinson (KUSA Secretary) – GR Mrs C Patterson-Abrolat (Club Affairs Administrator) – CPA Mrs N Shortland (Shows & Judges Administrator) – NS</p> <p>The Chairman welcomed all present to this virtual assembly of the Federal Council and requested that a period of silence be observed in the memory of Mr RB Jenkins – former Chairman of the Executive Committee and <i>ex officio</i> Federal Councillor, and Life Vice-President and Life Member of KUSA – who had passed away on 13 June 2025.</p> <p>Following the period of silent reflection on the legacy of the late Mr RB Jenkins, the Chairman announced that, although three days had been scheduled for deliberations at the present Fedco 06-2025, it was possible that business might be concluded within a shorter period. Should this transpire, the meeting would be closed after all the items on the Agenda had been discussed and concluded.</p> <p>The Chairman informed the meeting that the following absences have been pre-advised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr MW Vorster, 09.30 to 10.30 on Friday, 27 June 2025, due to a work-related meeting which he had been unable to reschedule. • Cllr C Chelchinsky, from 15.00 to 16.00 on Friday, 27 June 2025, due to a work-related meeting she had been unable to reschedule. • Cllr V(M) Alberts, for possible intermittent brief periods of absence on Friday, 27 June 2025, which might be required due to urgent work-related issues, given the short notice he had been given to attend Fedco 06-2025. • Cllr LC Thornhill, for joining the meeting late on Friday, 27 June 2025, due to her fixed health-related swimming therapy session on Fridays. • Cllr DC Sparg, on Saturday, 28 June 2025, due to work commitments • Cllr C Chelchinsky, from 10.00 to 12.00, on Sunday, 29 June 2025 (should the meeting spill over into Sunday), due to a family responsibility.

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brig Gen (retd.) NJ du Preez, KUSA's Legal Adviser, who had tendered apologies for his unavailability to attend Fedco 06-2025, due to family commitments on all three days. Mr B Delily, excused from attendance of Fedco 06-2025, due to urgent matters at the KUSA Office requiring his attention as well as his invigilation duties at the JEC examinations on Saturday, 28 June 2025. <p>The following absence was necessitated by a medical emergency:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr LC Thornhill on Friday, 27 June 2025, from 15.30 for the remainder of the afternoon session. <p>Leave was granted, unanimously, for the persons listed above to be absent during the pre-advised periods and, at the time of occurrence, the Federal Council obviously acquiesced in the unscheduled absence of LT due to a medical emergency.</p> <p>With the full complement of nine Federal Councillors present for the majority of the hours scheduled for Friday (apart for intermittent absences of some Federal Councillors as recorded above), and with eight Federal Councillors present on Saturday, GR advised that the following majorities would be required for decisions to carry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amendments to the Articles and Schedules: Should nine Federal Councillors be present at the time the item was put to the vote, it would require six (6) votes (clear two-thirds) in favour and, should eight Federal Councillors be present at the time the item was put to the vote, it would also require six (6) votes (two-thirds rounded) in favour. Any other non-constitutional matters: Should nine Federal Councillors be present at the time the item was put to the vote, it would require five (5) votes (simple majority rounded) in favour and, should eight Federal Councillors be present at the time the item was put to the vote, it would also require five (5) votes (clear simple majority) in favour. <p>Noted.</p> <p>The Chairman requested all present to observe a brief period of silence in remembrance of the following persons who had passed away since Fedco 12-2024:</p> <p>Mrs DG Bekker (GAU) Mr D Robinson (GAU) Mrs H Fricke (WC) Mr PJM Thiebaut (FS) Mr HC Camp (KZN) Mr RB Jenkins (GAU)</p> <p>Noted, with sadness. On behalf of the Federal Council and KUSA, the Chairman expressed her sincere condolences to the families and friends of all the deceased.</p>
2	2.1		MINUTES OF FEDCO 12-2024 – ORDINARY MEETING – 30 NOVEMBER & 1 DECEMBER 2024
		2.1.1	<p>The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Federal Council held on Saturday, 30 November & Sunday, 1 December 2024, were confirmed and adopted, unanimously.</p> <p>Proposed RJ, seconded NR.</p>
		2.1.2	<p>Matters Arising from the Minutes not covered by the Agenda</p> <p>No matters were raised.</p>

	2.2		MINUTES OF FEDCO 02-2025 – SPECIAL MEETING – 12 February 2025
		2.2.1	The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Federal Council held on Wednesday, 12 February 2025 , were confirmed and adopted, unanimously . Proposed MV, seconded JH.
		2.2.2	Matters Arising from the Minutes not covered by the Agenda No matters were raised.
	2.3		MINUTES OF FEDCO 04-2025 – SPECIAL MEETING – 8 April 2025
		2.3.1	The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Federal Council held on Tuesday, 8 April 2025 , were confirmed and adopted, unanimously . Proposed RJ, seconded CC.
		2.3.2	Matters Arising from the Minutes not covered by the Agenda No matters were raised.
3			ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS
	3.1		Article 12.5 – Declaration of Interests The Article reads: <i>“Any member nominated to sit on the Federal Council, Executive Committee of the Kennel Union as well as the Executive Members (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer) of any Provincial Council of the Kennel Union, shall declare within one (1) month of appointment to the Secretary in writing all their interests, of whatsoever nature, in dog related activities. Where the governing body of the Kennel Union, or such person or persons to whom the authority is delegated, determine that any interests are in conflict with those of the Kennel Union, such nominated members’ appointment shall ipso facto be terminated.</i>
		3.1.1	Fedco Members – no new declarations The Chairman proposed that the Declarations of Interests of Fedco Members be updated annually, immediately after the AGMs of their Councils, and be received in time for confirmation at the Ordinary Meeting of the Federal Council in December each year. There being no objections to this proposal, it was agreed unanimously .
		3.1.2	Exco Members – no new declarations The Chairman proposed that the Declarations of Interests of Exco Members be updated annually, immediately after the AGMs of their Councils, and be received in time for confirmation at the Ordinary Meeting of the Federal Council in December each year. There being no objections to this proposal, it was agreed unanimously .
	3.2		KUSA Budget 2025/2026 The Chairman confirmed to the Federal Council that, as duly notified on 24 June 2025, a Special Meeting of the Federal Council had been scheduled for Thursday, 24 July 2025 for the discussion and finalisation of the KUSA Budget for 2025/2026 and, conceivably, also for the presentation and consideration of the proposed KUSA Privacy Policy (and related documents) under the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 (POPIA). Noted and confirmed.
	3.3		K9 Administration Upgrade Project Report-back from the KUSA Office.

		<p>Given recent developments internally, PM thought it appropriate to elaborate on the Project Status Report provided by Serious Business (SrsBsns), which had been distributed to the members of the Federal Council:</p> <p><i>The Systems Developers' Status Report outlines their view on the health of the KUSA K9 Administration Upgrade Project, listing the work completed since the last Status Report (Feb 2025). It also elaborates on the work that is in progress, i.e. what still needs to be accomplished, to achieve a Minimum Viable Product (MVP), aimed at delivering a stable, functional, user-friendly online platform, on which members can commence transacting as soon as possible, within a reasonable timeline. A desired MVP would cover the services most widely required, i.e. Membership Applications, Affix Applications, Single Dog Registrations, Import & Export Applications, Litter Registrations and Transfers of Ownership.</i></p> <p><i>Since my last Report to the Fedco Discussion Forum (FDF) on 11 June 2025, at which the appointment of Mr Michael Alberts as a voluntary non-remunerated Consultant to the Project was ratified, and the onboarding of Ms Djaki Kern was sanctioned, the following has been achieved:</i></p> <p><i>The MVA has been identified and agreed upon as being the priority, with exclusive focus on Phase 1 of the ongoing Project. In hindsight, the initial scope set for the Project was too broad, aimed at delivering a "Rolls Royce product". In essence, this has been delaying the completion and launch of the new system.</i></p> <p><i>Significant user testing has commenced in respect of the MVP modules prioritised so far which, although gratifyingly revealing how much progress had been made, also identified numerous structural deficiencies, particularly related to inter-variety matings, dual sire matings, etc. The user testing also exposed coding bug errors and payment gateway problems and, in the past week, significant time, in excess of the remunerated hours, was dedicated by the Developers to resolving many of these issues, now due for testing.</i></p> <p><i>We have already reaped the benefits of having MA as part of the Project Team and he was due to be given access to the codebase and the SQL database structure, where he would be able to view the coding development work that had been done. This should give him a firm grasp on how the back end of the system was structured.</i></p> <p><i>In their Status Report, the Developers state that with the "approximately 60 development hours available per month" they estimated that the core components should be completed in two to three months. The 60 hours (7 working days) per month is related to affordability and the budgetary limit set for Computer Development work. Neither the Developers, nor the KUSA Project Team, dedicate their full time to the Project, which is another reason for the slow pace of progress.</i></p> <p><i>Consideration needs to be given to the feasibility of both the Development Team and KUSA Project Team, simultaneously, setting aside two to three weeks during which to dedicate their time exclusively to the Project to get it over the line. Monopolising the Developers' time would, however, exceed the budgeted amount and a proposal along these lines would be presented to the Federal Council for consideration at its Special Meeting scheduled for 24 July 2025.</i></p>
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	3.4		<p>KUSA Office – Lease & Relocation</p>
		3.4.1	<p>KUSA Office – Lease Agreement (Interim) (Fedco 06-2021 Item 8.7, Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.10.1, Fedco 06-2022 Item 3.5.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 3.7.1, Fedco 06-2023 Item 3.4.1, Fedco 12-2023 Item 3.7.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 3.4.2, Fedco 12-2024 Item 3.7.1)</p> <p>Report on further developments, if any.</p> <p>PM informed the Federal Council as follows:</p> <p><i>As had been reported previously, on 1 October 2024, KUSA relinquished one of the two 6-person Private Offices that had been rented from AfricaWorks since October 2021 (3 years) and one of two parking bays rented on a monthly basis.</i></p> <p><i>KUSA's current Lease Agreement with AfricaWorks for a furnished 6-person Private Office expires on 30 September 2025. The KUSA Office has been operating from this single Private Office since October 2024, resulting in significant cost-savings. The current space is deemed adequate and suitable for serving as a hub for printing, despatching of Registration and Award Certificates and storage of, inter alia, pre-printed stationery, KUSA pamphlets and CGC rosettes.</i></p> <p><i>The Lease Agreement, covering the period 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025, includes an annual fee escalation clause of 10%, which was non-negotiable at the time the agreement was signed, due to the fact that the monthly rental offered was at a 9% discount. It is, therefore, anticipated that a minimum 10% increase will come into effect if the lease is extended for a further 12 months. It should, however, be borne in mind that the monthly rent includes a shared Reception Desk & Receptionist, WI-FI Connectivity, Electricity, Water and Municipal Rates, Cleaning Service, Tea & Coffee, Back-up Printer, Security and the use of Meeting Rooms.</i></p> <p><i>Compared to other cities in South Africa, Cape Town CBD Office Rentals have shown consistent growth. Vacancy rates are low and there is steady demand due to Cape Town becoming the preferred destination for the Business Process Outsourcing Sector and semigration. The City of Cape Town has established a proven record of reliable and efficient infrastructure and service delivery.</i></p> <p><i>In view of the above, it was proposed that the Lease Agreement be extended for a further 12 months, retaining the current Notice Period of two months, given by either party. In this regard, the Federal Council was reminded of the conclusion reached at Fedco 12-2024 that the status quo would remain for the foreseeable future.</i></p>

			<p>RJ posed the question whether there would be any advantage to signing a two-year Lease Agreement. PM said the terms were unlikely to be varied and therefore did not see any benefit in renting the space beyond one year.</p> <p>The Chairman declared herself in favour of the flexibility afforded by the one-year Lease Agreement and enquired whether there were any conflicting views. There were none.</p> <p>On a proposal from RJ, seconded by CP, the extension of the Lease Agreement with AfricaWorks for a further year, ending 30 September 2026, was approved, unanimously.</p>
		3.4.2	<p>KUSA Office – Relocation Strategy Plan (Fedco 08-2021 Item 3.3, Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.10.3, Fedco 06-2022 Item 3.5.3, Fedco 12-2022 Item 3.7.2, Fedco 06-2023 Item 3.4.2, Fedco 12-2023 Item 3.7.2, Fedco 06-2024 Item 3.4.2, Fedco 12-2024 Item 4.7.2)</p> <p>Report-back.</p> <p><i>With the decision under Item 3.4.1 having been reached, PM questioned the fate of the Display Cabinets, Paintings/ Prints, Trophies, Porcelain Figurines, Memorabilia, Library Books, Fridge, Microwave, Bookshelves, Metal Cabinets, etc., which, since September 2021, have been accommodated in a Stor-Age Unit.</i></p> <p><i>The current cost of the Stor-Age Unit is R5 225.00 (VAT inclusive) per month, which is subject to an annual escalation of around 15%, raising the fee to R6 008.75 per month as from January 2026. Resources in terms of manpower, time and funds would need to be allocated should it be decided to dispose of these items, with due consideration given to the historical significance and sentimental value of some of the items held in storage. In the meantime, at least, the books, papers and other valuables were stored in a climate-controlled environment, conducive to preservation.</i></p> <p>The Chairman proposed that this matter be held over for deliberation at the Fedco Discussion Forum (FDF), scheduled for Thursday, 10 July 2025.</p> <p>There were no objections to the Chairman's proposal.</p> <p>Deferred to the FDF, scheduled for 10 July 2025.</p>
	3.5		<p>Protection of Personal Information Act No. 4 of 2013 (POPIA) (Fedco 12-2022 Item 3.8, Fedco 06-2023 Item 3.5, Fedco 12-2023 Item 3.8, Fedco 06-2024 Item 3.5, Fedco 12-2024 Item 3.8)</p> <p>Progress Report.</p> <p>Deferred to the Special Meeting of the Federal Council, scheduled for Thursday, 24 July 2025.</p>
		3.5.1	<p>Provincial Councils – Appointment of POPIA Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer (Fedco 06-2022 Item 3.6.2, Fedco 12-2022 Item 3.8.1, Fedco 06-2023 Item 3.5.1, Fedco 12-2023 Item 3.8.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 3.5.1, Fedco 12-2024 Item 3.8.1)</p> <p>Update on the statuses of the various Provincial Councils to be provided by the KUSA Office.</p> <p>PM provided the following update on the information currently on record:</p> <p>DOGSPC – Information Officer: NR; Deputy Information Officer: Mrs Moira Dempsey NAPC – Information Officer: Mr Keith Duranty; Deputy Information Officer: CP</p>

		<p>WCPC – Information Officer: Ms Natalie Nissen EC&BPC – Information Officer: DS FS&NCPC – Information Officer: Mr Johan Taute KZNPC – Information Officer: Mrs Deanna Hewer; Deputy Information Officer: Mrs Margie Hancock</p> <p>RJ informed the meeting that, at the meeting of the FS&NCPC on 26 June 2025, Mr Nicolaas Kotze, the newly elected Secretary, had been appointed as the FS&NCPC's Information Officer. RJ confirmed that the new appointment would be officially advised to KUSA and that the Minutes of the Council's Ordinary meeting would reflect the change. On an enquiry from PM whether RJ had Mr Kotze's KUSA Membership No., NR checked and confirmed the number.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>[Note: At this point LT joined the meeting.]</p>
	3.6	<p>Subscription & Fees – Document issued pursuant to Schedule 07</p>
	3.6.1	<p>Proposed amendment to Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees – Setting the mandatory Deposit due for the holding an FCI (CACIB) Show</p> <p>Proposed by the Executive Committee.</p> <p>[Note 1: This Item should be considered in conjunction with the Principal Proposal under Item 10.3.1 (Proposed amendment to Schedule 03A – Regulations for FCI International Dog Shows.)]</p> <p>Insertion in <u>underlined bold type</u></p> <p>Addition to Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees:</p> <p><u>14.1.2.1 FCI (CACIB) Show – mandatory deposit to cover EURO 1.40 levy per dog due to the FCI</u></p> <p>On a proposal from MA, seconded by NR, the proposed insertion of a new line-item 14.1.2.1 into Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees – was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>[Note 2: Under Item 10.3.1, the Federal Council set the mandatory deposit for FCI-C.A.C.I.B.® Shows at R10 000.00 for purposes of Schedule 07, i.e. that the mandatory deposit charged be equivalent to that charged for the holding of FCI A2O CAC Championship Shows.</p> <p>Effective 01.09.2025.</p>
	3.6.2	<p>Proposed Amendments to Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees – Distinguishing between changes of Show Licences due to circumstances beyond Clubs' control and those due to Clubs' discretion and setting fees for the respective scenarios.</p> <p>Submitted by the Executive Committee.</p> <p>Motivation: Amendment fees are currently charged for changes to Show Licences that have already been issued. However, the details contained on a Show Licence are limited to the name of the Club, the type of Show, the venue and the date of the event.</p> <p>In the view of Exco, imposing amendment fees is unreasonable and unfair in cases where a change is necessitated by circumstances beyond the control of Clubs' Organising</p>

		<p>Committees. Postponements and venue changes are rarely discretionary and are typically the result of unforeseen circumstances, such as adverse weather conditions, double bookings by venues, or logistical challenges. These are not within the control of the host Clubs. For example, earlier in 2025, several Clubs were compelled to change venues due to booking conflicts, and others were forced to postpone events due to unseasonably wet weather conditions in Gauteng. In each case, Clubs were required to pay an amendment fee equivalent to 50% of the original Licence Fee, despite the fact that the changes had been involuntary.</p> <p>The administrative work required by the KUSA Office to process such amendments is minimal, except in the case of cluster Show weekends. In most cases, the changes involved updating the Show date or venue on the K9 Admin System. Licences are downloadable directly from the Club Portal, so there was no necessity for physical handling, postage, or the re-issuing of printed documents. In consequence, it was difficult to justify the amendment fee in terms of administrative effort, or recovery of costs.</p> <p>Given the above, it was proposed that the Fees under line-item 14.3.7 be amended, new line-items 14.3.8 & 14.3.9 be sequentially inserted, followed by the amended and renumbered line-item 14.3.10, thereby clearly distinguishing between amendments as a) the result of unforeseen circumstances, or b), as a result of a Club's Organising Committee's discretion, at either Championship Shows or Non-championship Shows.</p> <p>Proposal: To amend Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees – to accommodate the above.</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u></p> <p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees:</p> <p>14.3.7 Amendment or alteration to a Championship or Qualifying Show Licence already issued, <u>if due to unforeseen circumstances as adjudicated by the Executive Committee</u> no charge</p> <p><u>14.3.8 Amendment or alteration to a Championship or Qualifying Show Licence already issued, if amendment is at the Club's discretion (i.e. not due to unforeseen circumstances)</u> 50% of Licence Fee</p> <p><u>14.3.9 Amendment or alteration to a Non-championship Licence already issued, if due to unforeseen circumstances as adjudicated by the Executive Committee</u> no charge</p> <p>[14.3.8] <u>14.3.10 Amendment or alteration to a Non-championship Licence already issued, if amendment is at the Club's discretion (i.e. not due to unforeseen circumstances)</u> R 366.00</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from MA, seconded by NR, the proposed insertion of new/amended line-items 14.3.7, 14.3.8, 14.2.9 & 14.3.10 into Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees – was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.09.2025.</p>
	3.6.3	<p>Proposed amendment to Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees – Excluding Judges who have emigrated from having to pay the so-called “gap penalty” when they are forced to rejoin KUSA in order to have their qualifications confirmed/verified in order to be cleared for foreign judging appointments.</p>

			<p>Submitted by the Judges Education Council.</p> <p>[Note: Refer to the Principal Proposal and Motivation under Item 7.1.1 (Proposed amendment to Article 25.2 – Unbroken Membership of Judges). This Item should be considered in conjunction with Item 16.2 (Proposed amendment to Schedule 09 Appendix “B” – Code of Conduct for Judges licensed by KUSA) & Item 15.3.2 (Proposed amendments to Schedule 10 – Regulations for the KUSA Breed Judges’ Learning Programme)]</p> <p>Amendment to Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees:</p> <p>Insertion in <u>underlined bold type</u></p> <p>1.3.2 Judges Penalty Fee (breach of Article 25.2) Pro rata fee, <u>except where KUSA-licensed Judges emigrated and require KUSA membership.</u></p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from MV, seconded by JH, the proposed amendment to line-item 1.3.2 of Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees – was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.09.2025, but may be implemented upon publication of these Minutes.</p>
		3.6.4	<p>Fees shall be set by the Federal Council for 2025/26 financial year</p> <p>Schedule 07 unnumbered Regulation: <i>Any change of fees will normally come into effect on the first day of the second month following a Federal Council Meeting.</i></p> <p>At its June Ordinary Meetings, the Federal Council customarily sets the fees for the ensuing Financial Year, resulting in the amendment of the Subscription & Fees Document, issued pursuant to Schedule 07, for publication on 1 September each year.</p> <p>For confirmation of percentage increase.</p> <p>PM informed the Federal Council as follows:</p> <p><i>The KUSA Financial Year commences on 1 September of each year and ends on 31 August the following year.</i></p> <p>Schedule 07 states “<i>Any change of fees will normally come into effect on the first day of the second month following a Federal Council Meeting.</i>”</p> <p>Article 41, Amendments to Schedules, states “<i>notice of every amendment adopted by the Federal Council shall be published in the Official Kennel Union Journal (KUSA website) or circulated to Affiliated Clubs together with notice of the date when it is to come into effect; not less than two (2) months’ notice shall be given of every amendment to Schedule 07</i>”</p> <p><i>The Subscription & Fees List must be published on the KUSA website under “Article and Schedule Amendments → Forthcoming Amendments” by Tuesday, 1 July 2025, for the effective date to correspond with the first day of the new financial year (1 September).</i></p> <p><i>With the aim of presenting to the Federal Council a pricing strategy for consideration, the current members of the Budget Committee, JH and MV, met on 24 June 2025 to evaluate</i></p>

		<p>current and projected economic factors and their impact on KUSA's current financial position.</p> <p>Given the current rate of inflation, assessed against the projected average rates of inflation for the rest of 2025 and 2026, and taking into account the escalating crises in the Middle East on various fronts, it was decided by the Budget Committee to recommend a 5% inflation-related increase to the Federal Council. This increase would apply to all fees set in the Subscription & Fees document issued pursuant to Schedule 07 but, with a view of providing some reprieve for Clubs, would exclude the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Affiliation Fees, not to be increased in the 2025/2026 financial year. • Show Entry Fees, not to be increased in the 2025/2026 financial year and to remain at R32.00 per dog for Championship Shows and R5.00 per dog for Non-championship Shows. • Show Penalty Fees, not to be increased and to remain at the lower fee (R50.00 per week), granted under a dispensation from Fedco in 2024. For clarification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Championship Shows to remain as R50 per week after the first 4 weeks from due date for pre- and post-Show Penalties. ○ Non-championship Shows to remain at R50 per week. However, an amendment needed to be made to the wording of Schedule 07 line-item 16.2 to ensure that the penalty applies to both pre- and post-Show Penalties. <p>[Note 1: This would require further insertions into Schedule 07 line-item 16.2 to make reference to Schedule 04 Regulation 2.1 (Licence 3 months prior to Show), and Regulation 6 (Basic Show Schedule), followed by Regulation 30 and Schedule 08.</p> <p>Further proposed adjustments:</p> <p>Dept. of Agriculture AIA (Animal Improvement Act) Import Permit. KUSA's fee for the endorsement of AIA Permits was set at R200.00 at time they were introduced by the Department of Agriculture (DoA). Whilst the act of endorsing Permits by affixing a KUSA stamp appears to be a simple procedure, it is preceded by a time-consuming process involving the exchange of numerous emails and telephone calls, not only with applicants, but also with animal travel agents and the Directorate of Animal Production in the DoA. To compensate KUSA to some extent for the service it is, in effect, heavily subsidising, it is suggested that the fee be increased to R250,00 per application.</p> <p>Moreover, due to undue pressure being placed on the KUSA Office to process urgent AIA Permits and having to set aside all other tasks and duties to issue the Permits, it is recommended that a Fast Track Fee be introduced for expedited processing of Permits, the same as currently the norm for the processing of urgent Registrations and Championship Applications.</p> <p>Several views were exchanged with regard to the proposed increase of the fee charged by KUSA to endorse AIA Permits, but Fedco ultimately concluded that this increase was unrelated to the rising costs of importation of breeding stock and should not be factored into it. The increase in importation costs was essentially due to importers being forced to work through animal travel agents, some charging extortionate fees.</p> <p>[Note 2: GR and JH explained to the Federal Council that, due to the high incidents of fraud which had followed the introduction of the AIA controls, the DoA ultimately had no choice but to further enforce the provisions of the Animal Improvement Act by "accrediting" reputable agents and preferred suppliers of animal travel services. As this action had,</p>
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		<p>ostensibly, resulted in a rapid escalation in costs of importing dogs, GR and JH undertook to bring this negative consequence to the attention of the Director: Animal Improvement at the next scheduled meeting with the DoA and, hopefully, explore possible solutions.]</p> <p>Given the aforesaid, the following outcomes were achieved in the course of the discussion:</p> <p>On a proposal from MA, seconded by DS, the proposed 5% increase to the prices reflected in the Subscription & Fees Document issued pursuant to Schedule 07 was approved, unanimously, as well as the staying of costs (at 2024/2025 levels) for Affiliation Fees, Show Entry Fees and Show Penalty Fees, as set out in the proposed exclusions above.</p> <p>Effective 01.09.2025.</p> <p>On a proposal from MA, seconded by DS, the raising of the fee charged by KUSA for the endorsement of AIA Permits from R200.00 to R250.00 per permit was approved on a vote of eight (8) in favour, and one (1) against.</p> <p>Effective 01.09.2025.</p> <p>[Note 3: Pursuant to the above discussion, RJ raised the possibility of concessionary Affiliation Fees for Namibian Clubs and, perhaps, in the future, other over-border Clubs. This was debated, during which PM argued that costs such as Show Licence Fees and Show Returns might also be considered when investigating how best to accommodate Clubs in neighbouring countries financially.</p> <p>As this was not a matter earmarked for discussion under the present Agenda, the Chairman proposed, and it was agreed, that it should be placed on the Agenda for the Special Meeting of the Federal Council, scheduled for Thursday, 24 July 2025.]</p> <p>[Note 4: During the discussion on Show Penalty Fees, NS raised the issue that, in the case of Non-championship Shows, after Penalties had started accruing three months before the Show date, there was no cut-off date in the Regulations by which time a Show Licence should no longer be issued, as was the case with Championship Shows.</p> <p>All present agreed that this was an omission which caused uncertainty for the KUSA Office but, since it was a regulatory change, a proposal would need to be brought to a future constituted meeting of the Federal Council. The Chairman said that, should such a proposal be prepared in time, it could be accommodate it on the Agenda for the Special Meeting of the Federal Council, scheduled for Thursday, 24 July 2025.</p> <p>MA and NR undertook to work on the proposal and submit it in time to be considered at said Special Meeting.]</p> <p>Following the above discussions, the Chairman invited comments on the mooted Fast Track Fee for AIA Permits. PM explained the problems from the KUSA Office's perspective when immediate attention was demanded by an applicant, or his/her import agent, for a particular Permit to be issued ahead of what might be considered an acceptable turnaround time. Introducing a Fast Track Fee was one way of accommodating people insisting on swift service, thereby effectively "jumping the queue".</p> <p>Diverse views on this subject were exchanged, and it was generally felt that the KUSA Office needed to commit to a procedure, in other words, set a "normal" turnaround time for the endorsement of AIA Permits and, should the service be required in advance of that normal benchmark, a Fast Track Fee be charged.</p>
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	3.7	<p>Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to the Secretary – Schedule 08</p> <p>At Exco 04-2025, the Representative for the FS&NCPC undertook to join with the Chairman of the FS&NCPC to engage with the Chairman of the Free State Kennel Club on a possible payment scheme for the outstanding Levies and Penalties owed to KUSA.</p> <p>[Note: Subsequent to the Exco meeting, an offer was made by RJ and Mrs Jefferies to meet with the Chairman of FSKC, but this was turned down. The Club had since posted a notice on social media, announcing its imminent closure.</p> <p>For noting and possible discussion.</p> <p>[Note 1: Also refer to Items 4.1.2 & 4.1.6]</p> <p>NS informed the Federal Council of a recent development, i.e. that the FSKC had settled its collective debts with KUSA.</p> <p>Although a welcome development, MA informed the meeting that the Executive Committee had certain concerns around the Financial Statements presented by the Club which, for instance, did not include a Balance Sheet. Since Exco was not comfortable with signing off on the disbandment of the Club without knowing what assets the Club had at the time of closure, and how these assets had been disbursed, Mrs Jefferies had undertaken to investigate the matter and report back to Exco.</p> <p>RJ pointed out that, in the process of trying to engage with the Chairman of FSKC, and having learnt that the Committee was firm in its determination to close the Club, he requested to attend the Special General Meeting where the decision would be officially taken. This request was denied.</p> <p>[Note 2: RJ reminded the Federal Council of the void in Provincial Councils' Constitutions, as had been pointed out by the Legal Adviser at a previous meeting, deterring them from exerting power over Affiliated Clubs, whether in distress or acting <i>contra</i> their Constitutions and the Regulations of the Kennel Union. Without appropriate powers vested in the Provincial Councils by Fedco, their assistance in resolving situations such as the present one was limited. Given appropriate powers, when there was cause to do so, Provincial Councils should be able to investigate the financial statements and general financial management of Clubs.</p> <p>[Note 3: MA mentioned that, although Mrs Jefferies had been tasked by Exco to inspect and report on FSKC's financial statements, Exco was also constrained from taking any action, given the fact that any Disciplinary Sub-Committee (DSC) is composed of members</p>

			<p>of Exco who, having been pre-exposed to any information about the Club's financial dealings, might find themselves compromised and therefore unable to serve on a DSC.]</p> <p>GR said that the above comments emphasised the need for the Provincial Councils to be vested with the requisite powers and undertook to address the matter at the earliest opportunity.</p> <p>Discussed and noted.</p>
	3.8		Provincial Councils
		3.8.1	<p>Election of Representatives to serve on the Executive Committee every four years and, if applicable, mid-term replacements</p> <p>From the Provincial Councils' Constitutions:</p> <p><i>16.1.10.1 The [Provincial Council] Executive Committee Representative shall be elected from nominations secured by the Secretary in advance of the Annual General Meeting and the person so elected shall be advised to KUSA in sufficient time for the Chairman of the Federal Council to table the nomination at the final meeting of the Federal Council in that year.</i></p> <p><i>16.1.10.2 Although preferable in terms of timing, it is not mandatory to elect the DOGSPC Executive Committee Representative at the Annual General Meeting. At the discretion of the Chairman, the nomination and election process may also be dealt with by Round Robin Resolution, provided that the result is advised to KUSA in sufficient time for the Chairman of the Federal Council to table the nomination at the final meeting of the Federal Council in that year.</i></p> <p><i>16.1.10.3 If, during the course of his term of office, the [Provincial Council] Executive Committee Representative should become permanently unable to continue to act in the capacity of [Provincial Council] Executive Committee Representative, the Secretary shall immediately call for nominations for a [Provincial Council] Executive Committee Representative to serve out the unexpired period of the previous [Provincial Council] Executive Committee Representative's term of office. The person elected at the first Ordinary Meeting of [Provincial Council] following receipt of nominations shall be advised to KUSA immediately after his election, to be notified to the Chairman of the Federal Council to further deal with the nomination in terms of Article 16.2.1.1 of the KUSA Constitution.</i></p> <p>The current term of Executive Committee Representatives expires on 31 December.2028.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>[Note: It had been brought to the attention of the KUSA Office that the above clauses from the Provincial Council Constitutions did not align with Article 14.4. This discrepancy would be addressed at the Special Meeting of the Federal Council, scheduled for Thursday, 24 July 2025.]</p> <p>Noted and deferred.</p>
4			MATTERS RELATING TO AFFILIATED CLUBS
	4.1		<p>Loss of Affiliation – Article 9</p> <p>[Note: The following ruling was made at Fedco 06-2017: <i>“Effective 01.01.2018, no licences will be issued for either Championship, or Non-Championship, Shows, unless Clubs are up to date with all returns required in terms of the KUSA Constitution.”]</i></p>

		<p>[Note: The following ruling was made at Fedco 12-2017: “Clubs that fail to comply with the provisions of Articles 9.1.3 and 9.1.4 for a period of eighteen months from the Fedco meeting where the breach was reported, will be recommended for disaffiliation.”]</p> <p>[Note: from Fedco 06-2020: During the ensuing discussion, it was noted that, as a result of the above-mentioned Fedco rulings made in 2017, there had been a marked improvement in the timely submission of AGM documentation by Clubs. However, there were still a few “repeat offenders” and it was agreed, unanimously, that the overdue Clubs in red should be sent a notice advising that, should the outstanding documentation not be received within three months from the date of the notice, the Clubs in question would be recommended for disaffiliation at Fedco 12-2020.]</p> <p>It was unanimously confirmed that the KUSA Office should continue with the policy as agreed at Fedco 06-2020 and recommend Clubs for disaffiliation at future Fedco meetings should they fail to meet the deadlines for submission of documentation as required per the final notices.</p> <p>[Note: The above Fedco Rulings/Directives have been superseded by the amended Article 9.3 and, therefore, would no longer be quoted in Agendas and Minutes going forward. Instead, Article 9.3 should be quoted in respect of the suspension of Club privileges.]</p> <p>Article 9.3</p> <p>Should a Club find itself in default as a result of any of the transgressions cited under Articles 9.1.2 to 9.1.4 above, it shall be ineligible to be granted a Licence for a Championship Show. If still in default by 31 August of any year, it will be suspended from the privilege of participating in any meeting of its Provincial Council, irrespective of whether its affiliation had been renewed by 31 October in terms of Article 9.2, until the default is remedied or, if it remains unremedied, till the next constituted Ordinary Meeting of the Federal Council where the Club will be tabled for disaffiliation. At such Ordinary Meeting, the Federal Council shall take account of any actions the Club in question had taken during the preceding default period to remedy whatever breaches had occurred and take such decisions as deemed appropriate at the time.</p> <p>GR informed the Federal Council that Items 4.1.1 to 4.2.1 had been furnished with yellow-highlighted strikethroughs where compliance had been achieved by Clubs during the period following the publication of the Agenda for Fedco 06-2025. These line-items would be removed for purposes of the Minutes. More recent positive developments would be reported by CPA and NS and struck through in real time, as would supplementary compliance information provided by the respective Federal Councillors. The latter line-items would also be removed for purposes of the Minutes.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
	4.1.1	<p>Article 9.1.3</p> <p>“Failure to submit minutes of Annual and/or Special General Meetings together with audited Financial Statements and balance sheets, where applicable, in terms of Article 8.6.2.”</p> <p>(%) reported at Fedco 12-2021 (42 months) indicated in red (@) reported at Fedco 06-2022 (36 months) indicated in red (\$) reported at Fedco 12-2022 (30 months) indicated in red (#) reported at Fedco 06-2023 (24 months) indicated in red (!) reported at Fedco 12-2023 (18 months) indicated in red (&) reported at Fedco 06-2024 (12 months) indicated in red</p>

(+) reported at Fedco 12-2024 (6 months) indicated in red

Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council (DOGSPC)

- **Alaskan Malamute Club of Gauteng (!\$+)** (Fin Yr-end 31/07/2023, AGM due 31/10/2023); no documents received as yet for 2022, 2023 or 2024.
[Note 1: CPA was advised on 08/10/24 that this Club would be closing down and its assets donated to Goldfields Showgrounds. Confirmation awaited.]
[Note 2: NR advised that the Club had managed to get its bank account operational, but that signatories on its investment accounts (unit trusts) needed to be changed, after which the closure of the Club would be able to take place. It was believed that the Club should be given the leeway to wind up its affairs and disburse its assets which its beneficiaries might be able to put to good use.]
- **Collie Club of SA** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); no documents received as yet. AGM set and confirmed for 28/06/2025.
- **Dalmatian Club (&+)** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2023, AGM due 31/03/2024); no documents received as yet for 2023, 2024 or 2025.
- **Goldfields Kennel Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); financial statements outstanding.
[Note 3: A Fedco Investigatory and Assistance Task Team had been appointed to investigate and assists with the Club's financial affairs with a view to restoring its good standing within KUSA.]
- **Mpumalanga Bulldog Club (+)** (Fin Yr-end 28/02/2024, AGM due 31/05/2024); signed financials received 17/09/2024 but AGM is overdue.
- **Rainbow Hungarian Vizsla Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); no documents received as yet.
- **SA Alsatian and All-breeds Training Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); no documents received as yet.
- **SA Bulldog Club (&+)** (Fin Yr-end 28/02/2023, AGM due 31/05/2023); no documents received as yet for 2023 and 2024.
- **Vereeniging & Districts Kennel Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/10/2024, AGM due 31/01/2025); AGM held 15/05/2025, but no documents received as yet. Need to hold SGM to approve financials.
[Note 4: NR informed Fedco that she had rejected this Club's Minutes of a Special General Meeting in which, in six places, Mr Hans Kuilman was recorded as having proposed items, despite Mr Kuilman having passed away in October 2024. The KUSA Office has written to the Club Secretary, Ms Corinne Diggins but, to date, no response has been received.]

Northern Areas Provincial Council (NAPC)

- **Biewer Terrier Club of Gauteng (+)** (Fin Yr-end 28/02/2024, AGM due 31/05/2024); 2024 financials signed by Treasurer in the capacity of 'auditor'.
- **Dog Training Club of Bredell (!&+)** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/24, AGM due 31/03/25); all AGM documents received for 2023 and 2024, except financials which are outstanding for 2023. All documents for 2025 outstanding.
[Note 5: CPA had contacted Mr Keith Duranty telephonically and he assured her that he had sent the outstanding documentation which, evidently, had not reached her. He undertook to re-send his email.]
- **Highveld Belgian Shepherd Dog Club (+)** (Fin Yr-end 30/06/24, AGM due 30/09/24); no documents received as yet.
[Note 6: CPA had contacted Mr Keith Duranty telephonically and he assured her that he had sent the outstanding documentation which, evidently, had not reached her. He undertook to re-send his email.]

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North West GSD Club (#!&+) (Fin Yr-end 31/10/23, AGM due 31/01/24); no documents received as yet. [Note 7: The Club was in the process of closing.] • Northern Boxer Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); no documents received as yet. • Northern Transvaal Bull Terrier Club (&+) (Fin Yr-end 30/06/2023, AGM due 30/09/2023); no documents received for 2023 or 2024. • Pomeranian Club of Gauteng (&+) (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2023, AGM due 31/03/2024); no documents received as yet. <p>Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council (EC&BPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Border Dog Training Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); CPA to check validity of Minutes. [Note 8: CPA mentioned that, although the Minutes had since been resubmitted, they still lacked clarity with regard to proposers and seconders of items. However, it was her intention to check them again before referring them back to the Club.] <p>Free State & Northern Cape (incl. Namibia) Provincial Council (FS&NCPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Free State Bull Terrier Club (#!&+) (Fin Yr-end 31/08/23, AGM due 30/11/23); financial statements not received as yet for 2023. AGM scheduled for 29/06/2025. [Note 9: RJ said he believed that the Club had rescheduled its AGM for 29/06/2025.] • Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (S.V. Namibia) (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); no documents received as yet. [Note 10: CPA informed the meeting that this Club was under threat of closure. RJ undertook to follow up with the Club.] <p>KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council (KZNPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hibiscus Kennel Club (&+) (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); AGM held 29/03/2024 but signed financial statements outstanding. • Margate Kennel Club (&+) (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 29/03/2025); signed financial statements outstanding. • Natal Border Collie Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); no documents received as yet. <p>Western Cape Provincial Council (WCPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Belgian Shepherd Dog Club of the Western Cape (Fin Yr-end 30/09/2024, AGM due 31/12/2024); no documents received as yet. An SGM has been called for 07/06/2025 to consider how to rescue the Club. [Note 11: LT believed the SGM had been held and that the Club was in the process of being rescued from possible closure.] • Brede Rivier Vallei Kennel Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); AGM set for 09/06/2025. Postponed to 17/6/2025. [Note 12: LT said the AGM had been held, which she had not been able to attend. She requested CPA to send her a copy of the Club's AFS when received.] • Cape Bulldog Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); no documents received as yet. • Cape Utility Dog Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2024, AGM due 31/03/2025); no documents received as yet. [Note 13: LT informed the meeting that this Club's AGM was due to be held in the 3rd week of July.]
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	4.1.2	<p>Article 9.1.4</p> <p>"9.1.4 Failure to adhere to Kennel Union Constitutional requirements in respect of:</p>

		<p>9.1.4.1 Any event to be held, being held, or which was held under a Kennel Union licence</p> <p>9.1.4.2 Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to the Secretary of KUSA, Schedule 08.”</p> <p>PENALTIES & SHOW RETURNS – Shows up to and including 01.04.2025.</p> <p>[Note 1: Outstanding penalties in brackets; those not yet calculated appear as (TBC).]</p> <p>Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council (DOGSPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil <p>Northern Areas Provincial Council (NAPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil <p>Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council (EC&BPC)</p> <p>Free State & Northern Cape (incl. Namibia) Provincial Council (FS&NCPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debt settled. [Note 2: Refer to Items 3.7 & 4.1.6] • Nil <p>KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council (KZNPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hibiscus Kennel Club (R50) <p>Western Cape Provincial Council (WCPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil <p>For noting and discussion, where necessary.</p> <p>Discussed and noted.</p>
	4.1.3	<p>Article 9.2</p> <p><i>Whenever an Affiliated Club's annual affiliation fee remains unpaid one (1) month after the date of renewal, the Secretary shall send a written demand calling for payment forthwith and in the event of the fee remaining unpaid on the thirty-first (31st) day of October, the Club in default shall be removed from the list of Affiliated Clubs.</i></p> <p>Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council (DOGSPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alaskan Malamute Club of Gauteng [Note: Refer to Note 2 under this Club in Item 4.1.1 and to Note 1 under Item 4.1.6] <p>Northern Areas Provincial Council (NAPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil <p>Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council (EC&BPC)</p>

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	4.1.4	<p>Article 8.6.2</p> <p>[extract] “The Club shall ensure that the Club Officers (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) names and contact details are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Club’s bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union.”</p> <p>[Notice to Clubs: The above Regulation directs, <i>inter alia</i>, that Clubs must elect a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and that these four Officers need to be members in good standing of KUSA.</p> <p>The KUSA Office can only provide Fedco with information supplied by the affiliated Clubs. If interim appointments of Officers are made, or other constitutional breaches remedied, the KUSA Office needs to be notified without delay so that KUSA’s records may be updated.]</p> <p>(\$) reported at Fedco 12-2022 (30 months) indicated in red (#) reported at Fedco 06-2023 (24 months) indicated in red (!) reported at Fedco 12-2023 (18 months) indicated in red (&) reported at Fedco 06-2024 (12 months) indicated in red (+) reported at Fedco 12-2024 (6 months) indicated in red</p> <p>Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council (DOGSPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alaskan Malamute Club Gauteng Vice-Chairman’s membership due 15/03/2025, lapsed 15/04/2025 Treasurer’s membership due 15/03/2025, lapsed 15/04/2025 [Note 1: Refer to Note 2 under this Club in Item 4.1.1 and to Note 1 under Item 4.1.6] • Klun French Bulldog Club of Gauteng Secretary resigned 02/01/2025; no notification of replacement received • Marks Park All-breed Dog Training Club Vice-Chairman not a member • SA Alsatian and All-breeds Training Club Secretary’s membership due 15/04/2025, lapsed 15/05/2025 <p>Northern Areas Provincial Council (NAPC)</p>

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		4.1.5	<p>Article 9.4</p> <p>Whenever a Club has been disaffiliated under provisions Articles 9.1 and 9.2, it may submit a request to the Federal Council for reinstatement to the list of Affiliated Clubs and the Federal Council may, on consideration of all the circumstances, grant reinstatement on such terms and conditions as may be decided, including payment of all sums due and payable to the KUSA and provided such appeal is received by the Secretary within fifteen (15) months from the date of the Federal Council's meeting at which the decision to disaffiliate the Club was taken.</p> <p>Nil.</p> <p>For noting.</p>

			Noted.
		4.1.6	<p>Dissolution of Clubs</p> <p>The following Clubs closed since Fedco 12-2024:</p> <p>[Note 1: Despite Alaskan Malamute Club (DOGSPC) advising its imminent closure, the KUSA Office has received no confirmation of such. The Club's Affiliation Fees for 2024/25 remain outstanding.]</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>[Note 2: Refer to Note 2 under this Club in Item 4.1.1 for decision and to Note 1 under Item 4.1.6]</p> <p>Free State Kennel Club SGM held 13.05.2025 [Note 3: Refer to Items 3.7 & 4.1.2]</p> <p>Madiba Bay Agility Club SGM held 15.05.2025 [Note 4: Distribution of assets not yet resolved.]</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>[Note 5: Also refer to Note 22 under Item 4.1.1 above and to Note 1 under Item 4.1.7 below.]</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		4.1.7	<p>Voluntary disaffiliation of Clubs from KUSA</p> <p>The following Clubs declared their voluntary disaffiliation from KUSA:</p> <p>Nil.</p> <p>[Note 1: MA expressed concerns about the dissolution and disaffiliation of Clubs which seemed to appear on the Agendas of Exco with increased regularity. He thought it would be prudent for Fedco to set guidelines on how to deal with these closures, as they presented an opportunity for Club funds and assets to be misappropriated. He cited an example of a Club that had disaffiliated in 2024, taking with it the funds and assets of the Club which, up till then, had been subject to KUSA's scrutiny. In MA's view, there were risks of financial impropriety on the part of unscrupulous Club Officers when Clubs were closed or disaffiliated.</p> <p>GR responded that disaffiliation and dissolution of Clubs presented different scenarios, the former being that the Club would continue, but outside of jurisdiction of KUSA, whereas the latter meant the closure of the Club and the disbursement of its funds and other assets in accordance with its terms of its constitution.]</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>[Note 2: Also refer to Note 22 under Item 4.1.1 and Note 5 under 4.1.6 above.]</p>

			<p>The Chairman said that this was yet another important discussion to be had by Fedco and, again, suggested that it be placed on the Agenda for the FDF Session 2, scheduled for 14 August 2025.</p> <p>Noted.</p>																																				
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		4.2.1	<p>New Club Constitutions and Amendments to Existing Constitutions (Fedco 12-2021 Item 8.2, Fedco 06-2022 Item 4.4.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 4.2.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 4.2.1, Fedco 12-2024 Item 4.2.1)</p> <p>From Fedco 12-2021: <i>Discussion ensued, with most contributors declaring themselves in favour of KUSA dealing with future new Club Constitutions, or those requisite of amendment, under the two-pronged proposal outlined above, i.e. that, one, in order to prevent text contamination and drafting errors, existing Club Constitutions be replaced, rather than amendments being grafted onto them and, two, that Specimen Club Constitutions on the KUSA website be replaced by a simple Information Sheet for completion by Clubs seeking new Constitutions. On a proposal from GR, seconded by NdP, the binary procedure contemplated above was accepted, unanimously for introduction by the KUSA Office.</i></p> <p>From Fedco 06-2022: <i>In GR's view, the uptake of new Club Constitutions had been sporadic and he urged the Provincial Council Chairmen to convince their Clubs to "convert" to new-generation Constitutions in the interest of improved governance of KUSA-affiliated structures. Old Club Constitutions were no longer in sync with either the KUSA Constitution, or the Constitutions of the Provincial Councils, which created a serious problem. It was also imperative for KUSA-affiliated structures to at least show deference to the Animal Improvement Act and the Protection of Personal Information Act in their founding documents. After discussion, Fedco directed, unanimously that the KUSA Office should advise all affiliated Clubs, which had not already done so, of the importance of upgrading their Constitutions to the latest versions by completing and submitting the prescribed Information Sheet. The "conversion rate" should be carefully monitored by the KUSA Office over the next few months and a report on the status of all the Clubs be presented at Fedco 12-2022.</i> <i>Proposed NdP, seconded GR</i></p> <p>Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council (DOGSPC)</p> <table><tr><th>Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions</th><th>Adoption Date</th></tr><tr><td>Australian Shepherd Club of East Gauteng</td><td>18/08/2024</td></tr><tr><td>Centenary Terrier Club</td><td>02/02/2025</td></tr><tr><td>Eastern Districts Kennel Club</td><td>19/09/2023</td></tr><tr><td>German Shorthaired Pointer Gauteng Club</td><td>28/08/2023</td></tr><tr><td>Gundog Club</td><td>20/08/2024</td></tr><tr><td>Labrador Retriever Kennel Club</td><td>26/01/2023</td></tr><tr><td>Mpumalanga GSD Club</td><td>21/02/2025</td></tr><tr><td>Orion Kennel Club of Gauteng</td><td>11/05/2024</td></tr><tr><td>Pretoria Kennel Club</td><td>19/09/2023</td></tr><tr><td>SA Dachshund Club</td><td>04/02/2024</td></tr><tr><td>SA Mastiff Club of Gauteng</td><td>22/03/2023</td></tr><tr><td>SA Rhodesian Ridgeback Club</td><td>04/10/2022</td></tr><tr><td>Schnauzer Club of Gauteng</td><td>15/08/2023</td></tr><tr><td>Siberian Husky Club of Gauteng</td><td>09/09/2024</td></tr><tr><td>Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club of Transvaal</td><td>22/03/2023</td></tr><tr><td>Teckel Club</td><td>22/10/2022</td></tr><tr><td>Toy Dog Breeders Association</td><td>24/02/2022</td></tr></table>	Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions	Adoption Date	Australian Shepherd Club of East Gauteng	18/08/2024	Centenary Terrier Club	02/02/2025	Eastern Districts Kennel Club	19/09/2023	German Shorthaired Pointer Gauteng Club	28/08/2023	Gundog Club	20/08/2024	Labrador Retriever Kennel Club	26/01/2023	Mpumalanga GSD Club	21/02/2025	Orion Kennel Club of Gauteng	11/05/2024	Pretoria Kennel Club	19/09/2023	SA Dachshund Club	04/02/2024	SA Mastiff Club of Gauteng	22/03/2023	SA Rhodesian Ridgeback Club	04/10/2022	Schnauzer Club of Gauteng	15/08/2023	Siberian Husky Club of Gauteng	09/09/2024	Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club of Transvaal	22/03/2023	Teckel Club	22/10/2022	Toy Dog Breeders Association	24/02/2022
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			Transvaal Cocker Spaniel Club	16/09/2023
			Transvaal Field Trial Association	17/08/2023
			Transvaal Midlands Kennel Club	06/12/2022
			Weimaraner Klub of Gauteng	26/01/2023
			Western Gauteng Kennel Club	11/05/2024
			Witwatersrand Corgi Club Tramordwy	21/09/2024
			Witwatersrand Kennel Club	09/10/2022
			Working Gundog & Cons. Club	18/04/2023
			Working Retriever Club of Gauteng	17/01/2024
			Working Spaniel Association	14/12/2023
			Clubs that have requested POPIA-compliant Constitutions, but have not yet adopted them	
			Bouvier des Flandres Club, Golden Reef	In progress
			Gauteng Golden Retriever Club	In progress
			Goldfields Kennel Club	In progress
			Irish Wolfhound Club of Gauteng	In progress
			Marks Park All-breeds Dog Training Club	In progress
			Pretoria Toy Dog Breeders Club	In progress
			Rainbow Hungarian Vizsla Club	In progress
			SA Great Dane Association	In progress
			SA Short-Legged & Working Terrier Club	In progress
			Shetland Sheepdog Club	In progress
			Sporting Dogs' Association	In progress
			Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions	
				Date of current Constitution
			Alaskan Malamute Club Gauteng	01/05/2005
			[Note: Closure of Club imminent.]	
			Collie Club of S.A.	15/01/1993
			Dalmatian Club	01/09/1995
			Eastern Transvaal Bull Terrier Club	01/07/2009
			Goldfields Supporters Club of Southern Gauteng	12/09/2015
			German Shepherd Dog Club of Southern Areas & Surrounds	23/11/2018
			Highveld GSD & ABT Club	01/03/2009
			Highveld Hound Club	10/09/2011
			Highveld Pomeranian Breeders' Association	17/11/2016
			Highveld Rottweiler Club	13/05/1999
			Highveld Whippet Club	27/09/2011
			IGP Training Club of Southern Areas & Surrounds	26/08/2020
			Jolly Dog School	08/02/2019
			Junior Kennel Club of Gauteng	23/10/2007
			Klun French Bulldog Club of Gauteng	01/05/2008
			Meridian Rottweiler League	15/11/1985
			Mpumalanga Bulldog Club	02/06/2017
			Roodepoort & Districts Kennel Club	01/06/1990
			SA Alsatian and All-Breeds Training Club	12/06/2021
			SA Bull Terrier Club	18/01/2011
			SA Bulldog Club	14/01/2013
			Saint Bernard Club of Transvaal	13/02/1998
			Transvaal Terrier Club	01/06/2012
			Vereeniging & Districts Kennel Club	04/12/2012
			Working & Herding Breeds Association Golden Reef	01/07/2009

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	Beagle Association of Gauteng	07/011/2024
	Birch Acres Dog Training Club	25/11/2023
	Golden City Fox Terrier Club	13/04/2022
	Highveld Belgian Shepherd Dog Club	20/09/2020
	IGP Club of Northern Areas	In progress
	Jacaranda City Kennel Club	16/07/2024
	K9 Sport Specialist GSD Club of Gauteng	21/08/2021
	Limpopo Bull Terrier Club	16/10/2021
	North-West Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club	24/02/2024
	Northern Areas Agility & Dog Jumping Club	19/09/2023
	Northern Areas Terrier Club	15/08/2023
	Pretoria Shepherd Dog Club	16/03/2024
	SA Ladies Kennel Association	25/02/2024
	Saint Bernard Association of Northern Gauteng	20/08/2024
	TKC Kennel Club	12/03/2024
	Utility Breeds Club of Gauteng	28/04/2024
	Working Deutsch Drahtaar Club	18/05/2022
	Working Deutsch Kurzhaar Club	19/04/2024
	Working Weimaraner Club	28/08/2023
	Clubs that have requested POPIA-compliant Constitutions, but have not yet adopted them	
	Praetor Rottweiler Club of Tshwane	In progress
	Pretoria Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club	In progress
	Rotek GSD Club of Northern Areas	In progress
	Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions	Date of current Constitution
	Biewer Terrier Club of Gauteng	15/01/2013
	Boxer Club – Gold Reef	28/01/2018
	Dog Training Club of Bredell	01/07/2007
	Goldfields Supporters Club of Northern Gauteng	12/09/2015
	Jubilee Toy Dog Club of SA	01/03/2007
	North-West GSD Club	01/11/2019
	Northern Areas French Bulldog Club	22/08/2021
	Northern Boxer Club	13/03/2018
	Northern Transvaal Bull Terrier Club	20/03/2012
	Northern Tshwane Kennel Club	18/09/2020
	Pomeranian Club of Gauteng	12/06/2020
	Rottweiler Working & Breeding Association of Gauteng	03/02/2012
	Shar Pei Club of Gauteng	01/10/2009
	Transvaal Working Trials Association	29/01/2008
Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council (EC&BPC)		
	Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions	Adoption Date
	Algoa Hound Club	16/10/2024
	Bay GSD & IGP Sport Club	22/02/2022
	Brakfontein Dog Training Club	09/01/2024

		<p>Eastern Cape Gundog Association 15/08/2023</p> <p>Herding Club of the Eastern Cape 26/01/2023</p> <p>Jikeleza Dog Training Club 09/10/2024</p> <p>Uitenhage Kennel Club 01/02/2024</p> <p>Walmer & Suburban Kennel Club 21/11/2023</p> <p>Wild Coast Dog Training Club 24/11/2021</p> <p>Clubs that have requested POPIA-compliant Constitutions, but have not yet adopted them</p> <p>Baakens Valley Working & Herding Breeds Club In progress</p> <p>Border Dog Training Club In progress</p> <p>Grahamstown & District Kennel Club In progress</p> <p>Terrier Club – Eastern Cape In progress</p> <p>Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions</p> <p>Date of current Constitution</p> <p>East London Kennel Club 25/03/2021</p> <p>Port Elizabeth Kennel Club 22/09/2015</p> <p>Port Rex Kennel Club 05/07/2016</p> <p>Queenstown & Districts Kennel Club 01/07/2019</p> <p>Western Suburbs Dog School 01/11/2006</p> <p>Free State & Northern Cape (incl. Namibia) Provincial Council (FS&NCPC)</p> <p>Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions</p> <p>Adoption Date</p> <p>Bloemfontein Kennel Club 22/03/2023</p> <p>Kimberley Kennel Club 22/03/2023</p> <p>Northern Free State Bull Terrier Club 21/05/2025</p> <p>Northern Free State Kennel Club 22/03/2022</p> <p>Sasolburg Kennel Club 03/05/2024</p> <p>Clubs that have requested POPIA-compliant Constitutions, but have not yet adopted them</p> <p>Central Free State Bull Terrier Club In progress</p> <p>Free State Terrier Club In progress</p> <p>Windhoek Dog Club In progress</p> <p>Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions</p> <p>Date of current Constitution</p> <p>Free State Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club 21/08/2005</p> <p>Free State Bulldog Club 13/05/2016</p> <p>Hochland Dog Club 10/09/1996</p> <p>Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (S.V. Nam) 19/11/2015</p> <p>KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council (KZNPC)</p> <p>Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions</p> <p>Adoption Date</p> <p>Barks GSD Club of KZN 17/08/2021</p> <p>Bluff Dog Club 18/04/2023</p> <p>Durban & Districts Kennel Club 01/03/2024</p>
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			Golden Retriever Club of KZN	14/10/2023
			Hibiscus Kennel Club	22/03/2023
			Highway Kennel Club	In progress
			KwaZulu-Natal Junior Kennel Club	28/10/2023
			KwaZulu-Natal Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club	18/04/2023
			KZN Carting Club	18/04/2023
			Margate Kennel Club	06/04/2021
			Natal GSD Club	15/01/2022
			Natal Gundog Club	18/04/2023
			Natal Sporting Hound Association	19/03/2025
			Natal Terrier Club	13/04/2025
			Natal Working & Herding Breeds Association	18/04/2023
			Northern Natal Kennel Club	18/04/2023
			Pinetown Dog Training Club	24/01/2024
			Siegerhunde GSD Club	31/03/2024
			Zululand Kennel Club	18/04/2023
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			Highway Agility Club	In progress
			KwaZulu-Natal Boxer Club	In progress
			KZN Dog Athletics Association	In progress
			Natal Border Collie Club	In progress
			Umbogintwini Dog Training Club	In progress
			Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions	
				Date of current Constitution
			Natal Rottweiler Association	21/03/2009
			Western Cape Provincial Council (WCPC)	
			Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions	Adoption Date
			Australian Shepherd Club of Western Cape	11/03/2025
			Cape Bullmastiff Club	06/03/2024
			Cape Field Trial Club	22/11/2022
			Cape Gundog Club	15/04/2025
			Cape Heritage Bull Terrier Club	17/10/2023
			Cape Hound Club	18/06/2024
			Cape Terrier Club	16/05/2023
			Cape Town Kennel Club	20/08/2024
			Kennel Association	18/04/2023
			Matrix GSD Western Cape	15/12/2024
			Mother City Poodle Club	20/08/2024
			Overberg Kennel Club	20/08/2024
			Pack GSD Club of the Western Cape	23/09/2021
			South Cape IGP Club	22/01/2025
			Swartland Kennel Club	16/07/2024
			Versatile Pointing Dog Club	18/04/2023
			West Coast Kennel Club	16/07/2024
			Western Province Bull Terrier Club	18/08/2023
			Whale Coast Kennel Club	20/08/2024
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	4.3	<p>Provincial Council Constitutions</p>																																										
	4.3.1	<p>Proposed amendments to Provincial Council Constitutions</p> <p>Proposed by the KUSA Secretary on behalf of the KUSA Office.</p> <p>Proposal: To amend the Provincial Councils' Constitutions to align them with the Constitutions of affiliated Clubs with regard to the election and appointment of four (4) Executive Officers – Chairman, Vice-Chairman Secretary and Treasurer.</p> <p>Motivation: An inconsistency between Provincial Council Constitutions and those of affiliated Clubs has been brought to the attention of the KUSA Office. In the interest of good and responsible governance of the Clubs that KUSA affiliates, it was decided by Fedco, when the new template for Club Constitutions was developed, in order to constrain financial and other impropriety, that the four (4) Executive Offices on Clubs needed to be filled at all times, with their duties, responsibilities and powers separated. This separation, although covertly implied by the preceding clauses in Club Constitutions, was rendered beyond doubt by the insertion of clause 16.1.7 (sometimes 15.1.7) into all Club Constitutions, which provides as follows: <i>“For the avoidance of doubt, the offices of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer must be held by separate people and may not be shared. Article 8.4.2 of the KUSA Constitution provides for the names of these elected officers to be reported to KUSA and failure to elect and report them, or report any replacements, shall render the Club in breach of this Constitution and put its affiliation to KUSA at peril.”</i></p>																																										

		<p>Unfortunately, the same requirement was not carried through to Provincial Council Constitutions, which are under the exclusive control of Fedco. The absence of clarity in this regard is sometimes used by Clubs as a reason for avoiding the adoption of POPIA-compliant Constitutions, arguing that the same best practice principles of responsible governance imposed on affiliated Clubs were not expected of the higher tier of governance (Provincial Councils), which should set an example for affiliated Clubs. To obviate Clubs' frustration and unhappiness in this regard, it is necessary to overtly put it beyond doubt that Provincial Councils need their Executive positions filled by different people.</p> <p>Proposed amendment to Provincial Council Constitutions Clause 16.1.7 and insertion of new Clause 16.1.8:</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets]</p> <p>16.1.7. (Provincial Council) shall appoint a Secretary and a Treasurer for the ensuing year, who shall both be Members in Good Standing of KUSA and, upon their appointment, they shall both become Executive Members of (Provincial Council). [The same person shall not simultaneously hold the offices of Secretary and Treasurer of (Provincial Council).]</p> <p><u>16.1.8. For the avoidance of doubt, the Provincial Council offices of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer must be held by separate people and may not be shared.</u></p> <p>[Note 1: Renumber previous Clause 16.1.8. as 16.1.9. and then sequentially renumber the rest of the clauses.]</p> <p>[Note 2: At the Fedco Discussion Forum (FDF), Session 6, on 6 May 2025, the Federal Council sanctioned the proposed amendment to the Provincial Council Constitutions.]</p> <p>For ratification.</p> <p>As sanctioned by the Federal Council at the Fedco Discussion Forum (FDF) Session 6 on 6 May 2025, the amendment of Provincial Council Constitutions by deletion of text from Clause 16.1.7, and the insertion of a new Clause 16.1.8, as well as the sanctioning of the FS&NCPC to be excluded therefrom until its 2025 AGM, was ratified, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 06.05.2025.</p>
5		MATTERS RELATING TO THE FÉDÉRATION CYNOLOGIQUE INTERNATIONALE (FCI)
	5.1	<p>FCI Non-Mandatory Commissions (Fedco 12-2020 Item 3.11.2, Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.8.2, Fedco 06-2022 Item 5.2, Fedco 12-2022 Item 5.2, Fedco 06-2023 Item 5.2, Fedco 12-2023 Item 5.2, Fedco 06-2024 Item 5.2, Fedco 12-2024 Item 5.1)</p> <p><i>As agreed at Fedco 12-2015, representatives should either be Fedco Members, Conveners of National Sub-Committees, or persons deemed suitable by Fedco. Appointees needed to have a thorough knowledge of the Dogsport/subject in question.</i></p> <p><i>The following persons were appointed, or re-appointed, at Fedco 06-2024 to serve as KUSA's representatives on the FCI's Non-Mandatory Commissions, and updated at Fedco 12-2024:</i></p> <p>Agility – Mr Rob Hall Breeding – Cllr Ron Jukes Dog Dancing – Ms Kathy Clayton Flyball – Ms Liesl Twyman Hoopers – Cllr Carolyn Chelchinsky Rally Obedience – Mrs Chantal Ross-Germishuys</p>

		<p>Rescue Dogs – Mrs Robyn Harflett Shows – Cllr Jenny Hubbard Show Judges – Cllr Jenny Hubbard and [and Mrs Tania Edwards], assisted by the KUSA Office Utility Dogs – Cllr Nikki Redtenbacher Youth – Ms Andria Haskins Education and Public Relations – Cllr Lori Thornhill Mondioring – Mr Keith Duranty</p> <p>Review of KUSA Representatives on FCI Non-Mandatory Commissions.</p> <p>PM informed the Federal Council that, in future, changes to the Non-Mandatory Commissions of the FCI needed to be advised annually ahead of the General Assembly, where such changes would be ratified. In consequence, although CC's appointment to the Hoopers Commission had been advised to the FCI in December, it had to be re-advised following receipt of the Agenda for the General Assembly in Helsinki in August 2025.</p> <p>JH informed the Federal Council that, with the employment of Mrs Audrey Hauptfleisch by KUSA, assistance to JH on the Show Judges Non-Mandatory Commission had been moved in-house and that it was no longer necessary to lumber Mrs Tania Edwards with issues under scrutiny of the Show Judges Non-Mandatory Commission, hence the removal of her name as struck through in red.</p> <p>JH further informed the Federal Council that the Non-mandatory Commission for Youth was introduced by the FCI in 2019 with great fanfare but, thereafter, seemed to have settled into a state of dormancy, with no activity evident, even post-COVID. The current Agenda of the General Assembly 2025 reflects the status of the Non-Mandatory Commission for Youth as "inactive."</p> <p>The Chairman elicited the opinion of all the Federal Councillors, who were in unanimous agreement that no nomination should be submitted by KUSA for the FCI's dormant Non-mandatory Commission for Youth and, should such nomination have been included in the general submission of nominations already sent to the FCI, the nomination for Youth should be withdrawn by either PM or by KUSA's delegates at the General Assembly.</p> <p>On a proposal from NR, seconded by RJ, it was decided, unanimously that, given the dormancy of the FCI's Non-mandatory Commission for Youth, the nomination of a representative should be officially withdrawn from the list provided to the FCI earlier this year, and be removed from the list above as struck through in red.</p> <p>[Note 1: PM undertook to resend the nomination form to the FCI upon her return from leave (14 July 2025), duly amended.]</p> <p>[Note 2: Fedco requested the Secretary to officially inform the incumbent, Ms Andria Haskins, of Fedco's decision and the reasons therefor.</p> <p>[Note 3: In a brief post-decision discussion on how Junior Handling may be promoted, advanced and improved on a National level, the Federal council settled on what seemed to be a viable solution. To further explore this, the Chairman was requested to bring it forward for discussion under Item 19.2 – Further matters brought forward by the Chairman – which would enable members to flesh out their ideas with a view to, possibly, agreeing on the framework for placing Junior Handling on a National footing. The Chairman conceded to the request.]</p> <p>[Note 4: Refer to Item 19.2.3]</p>
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5.2		<p>FCI – Registration of Kennel Names (Fedco 12-2021 Item 8.6, Fedco 06-2022 Item 5.3, Fedco 12-2022 Item 5.3, Fedco 06-2023 Item 5.3, Fedco 12-2023 Item 5.3, Fedco 06-2024 Item 5.2, Fedco 07-2024 Item 3.1, Fedco 12-2024 Item 5.2)</p> <p>PM informed the Federl Council as follows:</p> <p><i>As previously reported, the implementation of the revised KUSA Affix and FCI Kennel Name Registration Protocol has progressed steadily since the roll-out was accomplished on 1 October 2024.</i></p> <p><i>Since the inception of the initiative to comply with FCI Regulations by registering the Affixes of KUSA members on the FCI International Kennel Name Register, KUSA has submitted over three hundred registered Affixes to the FCI for International Registration. The initial rush from members to get their Affixes internationally registered peaked in December 2024, with applications exceeding seventy, but this has since slowed down to between twenty and forty per month. Currently, the majority of the applications are received with membership renewals, and few are submitted as stand-alone applications.</i></p> <p><i>From January to May this year, the KUSA Office issued one hundred and six Affix Renewal Notices, and a hundred applications to register with FCI were received in the same period, Only one member refused to pay the FCI fee on renewal of his Affix but, once it was explained to him that the registration was mandatory and his Affix could not be renewed without the FCI registration, he paid the extra FCI fee.</i></p> <p><i>The FCI rejected only one Affix due to a very old (but quite similar) lapsed South African Affix which was still on the FCI International Kennel Name Register. At KUSA's request, the FCI agreed to cancel the old Affix and accept the new one.</i></p> <p><i>Over time, some discrepancies emerged on the FCI's website, in other words, Kennel Names which did not accord with what had been submitted by KUSA. The FCI has been informed of these anomalies, which it agreed to investigate and rectify. At the time of reporting, the Kennel Names still reflected incorrectly on the website, despite two reminders to urge attendance to the matter.</i></p> <p><i>KUSA recently appealed the FCI's decision to add the ZA-extension to seventeen of KUSA's Affixes, contesting the FCI's determination that these Affixes might be confused with pre-existing Kennel Names already on the FCI International Kennel Name Register. The outcome of the appeal is awaited.</i></p> <p>Adding to her report, PM said that the rate of new Affix applications, as well as Affix renewals, had slowed down considerably, this being the principal reason for this line-item tracking behind budget. Another factor to the budgetary lag might be the FCI's increase of its Kennel Name Registration Fees from €6 to €10, which had to be recovered from KUSA's Affix-holders.</p> <p>JH informed Fedco that, from her and MV's attendance of a semi-virtual Ordinary General Assembly of the FCI in Thuin, Belgium on 17 June 2025, she was able to confirm that the FCI was experiencing the same downturn in applications for registration of Kennel Names on the FCI's International Kennel Name Register. This negative trend might well come under discussion at the upcoming FCI General Assembly to be held in Helsinki, Finland.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted with thanks to PM for her report.</p>
5.3		<p>FCI World Challenge of Top Dogs – Friday, 8 August 2025</p>

		<p>As reported to the Federal Council, the owners of the KUSA Showdog of the Year 2024, <i>Sup Ch, Int Ch, KUSA Nat Dog 2024, Du Ventoux Baroque at Ashvale</i>, having initially accepted the invitation, have withdrawn from competing at the above event due to the unpredictability and volatility in foreign currency exchange. The FCI has been notified of the withdrawal.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
6		FEDCO MATTERS
	6.1	<p>Fedco Portfolios (Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.13, Fedco 06-2022 Item 6.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 6.1, Fedco 06-2023 Item 6.1, Fedco 12-2023 Item 6.1, Fedco 04-2024 Item 7.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 6.1, Fedco 12-2024 Item 6.1)</p> <p><i>Fedco Members' Portfolios were updated at Fedco 12-2024, as follows:</i></p> <p>Cllr JM Hubbard Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI), Budgets, Finance, Breed Health, Extraordinary Registrations [Cllr RB Jenkins] [Budgets & Finance, Breed Health, Breed Shows, Registrations & Exports]</p> <p>Cllr RD Jukes DNA, Genetic Health Issues, Dog Dancing, Working Trials (Classic), Trick Dog & Property Acquisition [Cllr NJ du Preez] [Legal Matters & Property Acquisition, Mondioring, Rescue Dogs and Tracking Trials]</p> <p>Cllr DC Sparg Agility, Dog Jumping, Field Trials, Obedience</p> <p>Cllr LC Thornhill Information Technology, DNA, Genetic Health Issues, Canine Good Citizen (CGC), Rally Dog, Digital Communication – KUSA Web & Social Media</p> <p>Cllr M Vorster Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI), Flyball, Carting, Budgets, Finance & Property Acquisition,</p> <p>Cllr C Chelchinsky Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI), Budgets, Finance – with regard to Dogsport, as well as Agility, Dog Jumping, Scent Work & Hoopers</p> <p>Cllr N Redtenbacher Handling, Internationale Gebrauchshunde Prüfungsordnung (IGP), Canine Good Citizen (CGC), Rally Dog, Digital Communications – KUSA Web & Social Media.</p> <p>Cllr CE Patience Mondioring, Rescue Dogs & Tracking Trials</p> <p>Cllr M (V) Alberts Breed Shows</p> <p>Brig Gen (retd.) NJ du Preez, Legal Adviser Legal Matters & Property Acquisition</p> <p>Mr BG Robinson, KUSA Secretary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KUSA Constitution and Schedules • Club Constitutions & Bylaws

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provincial Council Constitutions & Bylaws • Breed Council and Liaison Council Constitutions & Bylaws • Media & Press – Liaison Officer <p>Areas of responsibility not specifically identified above are to be dealt with by the KUSA Office under the guidance of the General Manager.</p> <p>Updates to Fedco Portfolio-holders to be finalised.</p> <p>With Brig Gen (retd.) NJ du Preez having vacated his seat on the Federal Council, and his replacement by Mrs CE Patience, and given the death of Mr RB Jenkins, the Chairman said that some Fedco Portfolios needed to be re-allocated. She had given this matter a great deal of thought and proposed to the Federal Council the changes in red, giving her motivation for each.</p> <p>The Chairman checked with the new Portfolio-holders whether they were prepared to take on the assigned responsibilities, addressing any reservations aired by CC to the latter's satisfaction. On enquiring whether the members of the Federal Council were accepting of the proposed Fedco Portfolio changes, the affirmation was unanimous.</p> <p>[Note: JH undertook to send MA, NR, CC & CP the <i>KUSA Fedco Portfolio-holders' Guidelines and Responsibilities</i>.]</p>
7			MATTERS RELATING TO THE ARTICLES
	7.1		Proposed Update to the List of Schedules
		7.1.1	<p>Proposed amendment to Article 25.2 – Unbroken Membership of Judges</p> <p>Proposed by the Judges Education Council.</p> <p>[Note: This Item is the Principal Proposal and should be considered in conjunction with the Companion Proposals under Items 3.6.3 (Proposed amendment to Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees), Item 16.2 (Proposed amendment to Schedule 09 Appendix “B” – Code of Conduct for Judges licensed by KUSA) & Item 15.3.2 (Proposed amendments to Schedule 10 – Regulations for the KUSA Breed Judges' Learning Programme)]</p> <p>Motivation:</p> <p>Depending on certain circumstances, KUSA-licensed Judges who have emigrated to another country are sometimes obliged to obtain clearance from KUSA to judge at Championship Shows in other countries. If their KUSA membership had lapsed after emigrating, the JEC is of the view that it should be made possible for them to re-join KUSA in order to secure a clearance without being charged the so-called “gap penalty” in compliance with Article 25.2's requirements for unbroken membership of KUSA. Once re-joined, the JEC believes that Judges should maintain their membership until KUSA clearance is no longer required for foreign judging appointments.</p> <p>Proposal:</p> <p>To provide for a concession under Article 25.2 and Schedule 09 Appendix “A”, as contemplated in an amendment to Schedule 10 by the addition of a new Regulation 6.2 to also reflect the proposed amendment to Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees.</p> <p>Proposed amendment to Article 25.2:</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u></p>

			<p>25.2 <u>Save for the concession granted under Schedule 10 Regulation 6.2 to KUSA-licensed Judges who had relocated to other countries.</u> Judges shall maintain continuous and unbroken membership of the Kennel Union from the time their formal studies or activities towards a judging qualification commence until their voluntary retirement from judging, advised in writing to the Executive Committee, or their incapacitation (at the discretion of the Executive Committee), or their death.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from MV, seconded by JH, the proposed amendment to Article 25.2 was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.02.2026, but may be implemented upon publication of these Minutes in terms of Article 43.3.</p>
	7.2		Amendment to the Articles of KUSA
8			MATTERS RELATED TO DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS – SCHEDULE 01
	8.1		Disciplinary Hearings
		8.1.1	<p>Case 2024-03 – KUSA vs Ingram</p> <p>The above Case was heard by the Disciplinary Sub-Committee (DSC) on 23 January 2025 and the Record of Proceedings reflects the following:</p> <p>Finding:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. After careful consideration of all the submitted evidence, documents and affidavits, the DSC unanimously reached the following decision, on a balance of probabilities, with regard to Case 2024-03 before them: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The DSC found that the first complaint was fully substantiated by the presented evidence and that, by submitting an <i>Application for Registration of a Complete Litter</i> on behalf of the late Mr DW Thompson to the Kennel Union on 5 April 2022, which declared the puppies to have resulted from a natural mating, whilst in the full knowledge that the declaration was false and fraudulent, the Respondent's actions amounted to complicity in a premeditated, deliberate and malicious attempt to compromise the integrity of KUSA's Primary Breed Registry. The DSC found not only inconceivable, but also highly improbable, the explanation offered by the Respondent that he had not thoroughly applied his mind to the registration application when he submitted it to KUSA, when the facts clearly show that he was actively and intimately involved during the entire Dual Sire mating process from the outset right up to the submission of the registration documentation, and even beyond. Moreover, the DSC noted that the Respondent went so far as to commission DNA tests on the resulting litter and, according to his own statement, tried to phone KUSA (allegedly without success) to establish the correct procedure for registering a litter resulting from a Dual Sire mating. There can, therefore, be no other conclusion that the Respondent had acted intentionally as he was obviously aware of the procedure laid down in Schedule 02 Regulation 4.5 and, in consequence, cognisant of the fact that breaching KUSA's regulatory framework posed a substantial risk of harm with potentially dire consequences. b. The DSC found that the second complaint was fully substantiated by

			<p>the presented evidence, and that the letter of apology sent by the Respondent to the KUSA Secretary, was a clear admission by the Respondent that he had breached Schedule 09 (Code of Ethics for Members of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa) Regulations 2.1, 2.5 and 2.6 in his dealings with a KUSA staff member.</p> <p>c. The DSC therefore found the Respondent guilty of contravening Schedule 01 Rules 4.1.1 and the previously cited sub-Rules and, further, of contravening Schedule 02, Regulation 4.5 and Schedule 09 (Code of Ethics for Members of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa) Regulations 2.1, 2.5 and 2.6, as well as Schedule 09 Appendix "B" (Code of Conduct for Judges Licensed by KUSA) Regulation 1.2.</p> <p>In setting the Penalties for the above findings, the DSC not only lamented the fact that the Respondent had been complicit in breaching KUSA's regulatory framework, but that he had done so as a longstanding KUSA member, who had enjoyed the support and confidence of KUSA and the dog-showing fraternity at large. This resulted in his being entrusted with the chairmanship of a KUSA-affiliated Club and a licence to judge the Terrier Group at KUSA-licensed events and to be afforded clearance to officiate in the same capacity for certain Terrier breeds in foreign countries. For many years, he enjoyed a position of authority and esteem in the dog community, a person to whom prospective puppy buyers, competitors and learner judges looked to for guidance, knowledge, mentorship and leadership.</p> <p>Taking into consideration the nature and seriousness of the misconduct, the personal circumstances of the Respondent and the fact that he was a first offender and other applicable mitigating and aggravating factors and circumstances, as well as the interest of KUSA and the effect that the Respondent's misconduct has had on the integrity of its Primary Breed Register, and coupled with the expectation of the KUSA membership that the organisation shall sufficiently and appropriately deal with such misconduct so as to deter others from committing the same or similar transgressions in future, amongst other reasons, the DSC imposed the following penalties:</p> <p>Penalties:</p> <p><i>Issue 1 – Matters relating to the Application for Registration of a Complete Litter resulting from an undeclared Dual Sire mating</i></p> <p>1.1 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.1, the Respondent is expelled from membership of KUSA for a period of ten (10) years, which penalty is suspended in full, provided that the Respondent is not found in breach of any Regulation as described in Schedule 02 or Schedule 03 during the period of suspension.</p> <p>1.2 In terms of Rule 11.1.2 of Schedule 01, the Respondent is excluded from acting as an Officer (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary or Treasurer) of a Club for a period of five (5) years.</p> <p>1.3 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.5, the Respondent is disqualified from officiating as a Judge at any Show or event held under KUSA licence, or from officiating as a Judge at any Shows licensed by a National Canine Organisation (NCO) holding any category of membership or contract partnership of the FCI, or from officiating as a Judge in any non-FCI country at a Show or event held under the jurisdiction of an NCO with which KUSA has arrangements of mutual recognition and reciprocity, for a period of five (5) years.</p> <p>1.4 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.6, a fine in the amount of two thousand five hundred rands (R2,500.00) in part compensation of the costs KUSA had incurred</p>
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			<p>in the course of its investigation and in rectification of the contamination of its Primary Breed Register, caused by the misconduct of the Respondent.</p> <p><i>Issue 2 – Matters relating to inappropriate behaviour towards a KUSA staff member</i></p> <p>2. In terms of Rule 11.1.7 of Schedule 09, the Respondent is to be issued with a letter of reprimand and warning for the contravention of Schedule 09.</p> <p><i>General</i></p> <p>The DSC ruled that the penalties as described above would run concurrently and that the above penalties described in 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3 will take effect on 31 March 2025.</p> <p>The Respondent has exercised his right to Appeal and to appear in person to present “argument on the issues in the Appeal” to the Fedco Appeals Committee (FAC). A date convenient to the Appellant and the members of FAC has not yet been finalised.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted,</p>
		8.1.2	<p>Case 2024-04 – KUSA vs Botes</p> <p>The above Case was heard by the Disciplinary Sub-Committee (DSC) on 13 February 2025 and the Record of Proceedings reflects the following:</p> <p>Finding:</p> <p>After careful consideration of all the submitted evidence, documents and affidavits submitted in relation to Case 2024-04, the DSC unanimously found, on a balance of probabilities, that the complaint was fully substantiated.</p> <p>Penalties:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.1, the Respondent is expelled from membership of KUSA for a period of ten (10) years, which penalty is suspended in full, provided that the Respondent is not found in breach of any Regulation as described in Schedule 02 during the period of suspension. 2 In terms of Rule 11.1.2 of Schedule 01, the Respondent is excluded from acting as an Officer of a Club (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary or Treasurer) for a period of five (5) years. 3 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.3, the Respondent is disqualified from registration, recording, exhibition or evaluation of a dog owned by him or registered or recorded in his name, or jointly with another or others, or in the name of a nominee, or of the progeny of such a dog, for a period of five (5) years. The Respondent may, however, transfer dogs during this period. 4 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.5, the Respondent is disqualified from taking part in the management of any Show or event held under KUSA licence or licensed by a National Canine Organisation (NCO) holding any category of membership or contract partnership with the FCI, or officiating in any non-FCI country at a Show or event held under the jurisdiction of an NCO with which KUSA has arrangements of mutual recognition and reciprocity for a period of five (5) years. This includes acting as a Helper. 5 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.6, a fine in the amount of two thousand rands (R2,000.00) per puppy is imposed in part compensation for the costs KUSA has incurred to date in relation to this case. This excludes the KUSA fee relating to possible amendments to the Certificates of Registration issued for the six (6) puppies.

			<p>The Respondent is to be notified of his right of appeal as per Schedule 01 Rule 12.</p> <p><i>General</i></p> <p>The DSC ruled that the penalties as described above would run concurrently and that these penalties will take effect on 1 April 2025.</p> <p>The Respondent has exercised his right to Appeal. The Fedco Appeals Committee (FAC) has set the Appeal hearing date for 17 July 2025.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		8.1.3	<p>Case 2024-05 – KUSA (Austen & NFSKC) vs Pieterse, Van den Doel & Katts</p> <p>The above Case was heard by the Disciplinary Sub-Committee (DSC) on 16 May.2025 and the Minutes and Record of Proceedings of the hearing were released on 17 June 2025.</p> <p>Finding:</p> <p>After careful consideration of all the submitted evidence, documents, still images, video clip and affidavits, the DSC unanimously reached the following decision, on a balance of probabilities, with regard to Case 2024-05 before them that the complaint against the Respondents was fully substantiated by the presented evidence in that the Respondents had acted in a manner that was improper, disorderly, disrespectful and damaging to the reputation of KUSA.</p> <p>Penalties:</p> <p>Taking into consideration the nature of the misconduct, and the fact that they were first offenders, the DSC imposed the following penalty on each of the three (3) Respondents:</p> <p><i>In terms of Rule 11.1.7 of Schedule 09, the Respondents are each hereby reprimanded and warned regarding the above contravention of Schedule 03 and 09 as outlined in this document.</i></p> <p>The Respondents have been notified of their right to appeal as per Schedule 01 Rule 12 withing a period of fifteen (15) working days, due to expire on 8 July 2025.</p> <p>[Note: No Notice of Appeal had been entered by the expiry date.]</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		8.1.4	<p>Case 2024-06 – KUSA (TKC & Witwatersrand Kennel Clubs) vs Van Zyl</p> <p>The above Case was heard by the Disciplinary Sub-Committee (DSC) on 27 March 2025 and the Record of Proceedings reflects the following:</p> <p>Finding:</p> <p>After careful consideration of all the submitted evidence, documents and affidavits submitted in relation to Case 2024-06, the DSC unanimously found, on a balance of</p>

			<p>probabilities, that the complaint was fully substantiated.</p> <p>Penalties:</p> <p>In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.2, the Respondent is disqualified from taking part in, or having any connection with, or attending or participating or handling a dog at, a Show, Obedience Class, Working Trial or Field Trial or other event held under KUSA licence, for a period of six (6) months.</p> <p>The Respondent did not exercise his right to Appeal.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
9			MATTERS RELATED TO THE REGISTRATION OF DOGS – SCHEDULE 02
	9.1		Schedule 02 Regulation 17 – Recognition of Breeds & Appendix “A1” and Appendix “A2”
		9.1.1	Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards
		9.1.2	<p>Breed Standards Committee</p> <p>List of Breed Standards to be amended/revised under the <i>KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards</i>:</p> <p>GUNDOG GROUP The Royal Kennel Club, UK English Setter German Short-haired Pointer Gordon Setter [Note: Subject to decision under Item 9.1.3] Irish Setter Pointer Retriever (Golden) Retriever (Flat-coated) Retriever (Labrador) Spaniel (Clumber) [Note: Subject to decision under Item 9.1.3]</p> <p>HERDING GROUP The Royal Kennel Club, UK Australian Cattle Dog Bearded Collie Collie (Rough) Collie (Smooth) Shetland Sheepdog Welsh Corgi (Cardigan) Welsh Corgi (Pembroke)</p> <p>HOUND GROUP The Royal Kennel Club, UK Basenji Basset Griffon Vendéen (Petit) Beagle Dachshund (6 Varieties) Whippet</p> <p>TERRIER GROUP</p>

		<p>The Royal Kennel Club, UK Airedale Terrier Bedlington Terrier Bull Terrier (Miniature) Kerry Blue Terrier Parson Russell Terrier Skye Terrier Welsh Terrier</p> <p>TOY GROUP The Royal Kennel Club, UK Bichon Frisé Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Chinese Crested Dog Griffon Bruxellois Italian Greyhound Japanese Chin Maltese Papillon Pekingese Pomeranian Pug Yorkshire Terrier</p> <p>UTILITY GROUP The Royal Kennel Club, UK Chow Chow Miniature Schnauzer Poodle (3 Varieties) Shih Tzu Tibetan Terrier</p> <p>WORKING GROUP The Royal Kennel Club, UK Newfoundland</p> <p>List of Breed Standards to be amended to correct typographical errors:</p> <p>HOUD GROUP FCI English Foxhound – Under the Body heading, the Chest is being incorrectly referred to as the Croup.</p> <p>Ibizan Podenco – The heading ‘Skin’ has been omitted from the current KUSA standard. It was in the standard prior to the upgrade to the new design format.</p> <p>Irish Wolfhound – There is repetition of the entry “Chest” under the heading ‘Body’.</p> <p>Hanoverian Scent Hound – A minor mistake under Disqualifying Faults heading. Preposition ‘of’ is used instead of the conjunction ‘or’. This error is also on the FCI website. An editor’s note can be added to the KUSA standard to clarify.</p>
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			<p>AKC American English Coonhound – To comply with the agreed KUSA Breed Standard House Style, the clause “Feet” should be removed from the Forequarters heading and placed under its own heading.</p> <p>Bluetick Coonhound – Under the size heading, the upper size limit in centimetres (63.5cm) of the female has been omitted.</p> <p>WORKING GROUP FCI Dobermann – Feet has its own heading but is repeated under the heading ‘Hindquarters’.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		9.1.3	<p>Adoption of the FCI Breed Standards</p> <p>Proposal to convert the Breed Standards of breeds with no recorded registration history for the past seven years from RKC (UK) Breed Standards to FCI Breed Standards</p> <p>Submitted by the Breed Standards Committee and brought forward by the Chairman.</p> <p>Proposal & Motivation: With the assistance of the KUSA Office, the Breed Standard Committee had identified two (2) breeds with no recorded history of registrations for at least the past seven years. In keeping with KUSA’s commitment to the FCI to incrementally adopt its Nomenclature and Breed Standards over an undetermined period, the Breed Standards Committee believed that adopting FCI Breed Standards for breeds that are seldom, if ever, imported into South Africa, or had declined in popularity to the point of obscurity, would go some way towards demonstrating KUSA’s goodwill and its ongoing efforts to achieve conversions whenever possible. Apart from regular reminders at General Assemblies, the FCI has exerted minimum pressure on KUSA over its past thirty-one (31) years of full FCI membership but, for this to continue, there has to be some form of <i>quid pro quo</i> on the part of KUSA.</p> <p>During the previous conversions of this kind, seven (7) years of non-activity was deemed as a fair benchmark for the conversion of Breed Standards of breeds which no longer (or have never) enjoyed popularity in South Africa. Without the need for referenda, these seamless conversions are nonprejudicial to KUSA members but, importantly, bear testimony to KUSA’s <i>bona fides</i> towards the FCI.</p> <p>Using the above criterion, the Breed Standards of the following breeds are proposed for conversion to FCI Breed Standards:</p> <p>GUNDOG GROUP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gordon Setter – Gordon Setter – FCI No 6 [06-2016] • Spaniel (Clumber) – Clumber Spaniel – FCI No 109 [01-2011] <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from MV, seconded by NR, the adoption of FCI Breed Standards for the two identified breeds was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.07.2025.</p>

			<p>[Note 1: The nomenclature changes to Schedule 02 Appendix A1 needed to be recorded by the KUSA Office.</p> <p>[Note 2: Replacement of Mr RB Jenkins on the Breed Standards Committee to be addressed, if possible, at the Fedco Discussion Forum (FDF) Session 1, scheduled for Thursday, 10 July 2025.</p>
	9.2		<p>Breed Health – BOAS/RFGS (Fedco 12-2019 Item 9.8, Fedco 06-2020 item 8.3, Fedco 06-2022 Item 8.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 9.1 Fedco 12-2023 Item 9.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 9.2, Fedco 12-2024 Item 9.2)</p> <p>Report-back from the Fedco-appointed Task Team.</p> <p>LT informed the Federal Council that, led by Spain and Italy, a new testing protocol has been introduced across Europe. NCOs were therefore no longer solely reliant on Cambridge University's BOAS-testing regimen. The Federal Council would recall that KUSA's overtures to breed Clubs and breeders of affected breeds to promote BOAS-testing had met with tepid response, as did KUSA's efforts to interest the University of Pretoria's Faculty of Veterinary Science in partnering with KUSA on the BOAS project.</p> <p>JH and MV had undertaken to garner as much information as possible on the new testing protocol at the FCI's General Assembly, after which the practicability of the implementation of this simpler testing procedure in South Africa would be investigated and, hopefully, pursued.</p> <p>Work in progress.</p>
	9.3		<p>Breed Health – HD/ED (Fedco 06-2019 Item 8.21.1 & 8.21.2, Fedco 12-2021 Item 4.3.3, Fedco 06-2022 Item 8.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 9.2, Fedco 12-2023 Item 9.3, Fedco 06-2024 Item 9.3, Fedco 12-2024 Item 9.3)</p> <p>Report-back from the Fedco-appointed Task Team.</p> <p>The Chairman advised that she was awaiting feedback from various sources before she would be in a position to report to the Federal Council.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
	9.4		<p>MATTERS RELATING TO THE CLASSIFICATION, REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER OF THE REGISTERED OWNERSHIP OF DOGS – SCHEDULE 02</p>
		9.4.1	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 02 Regulation 3 – Registration of an Imported Dog</p> <p>Submitted by the Rottweiler Breed Council.</p> <p>Motivation: Unfortunately, it has been brought to the attention of the RBC that a few individuals have, in the past, knowingly transgressed KUSA Regulations pertaining to the registration of imported dogs. Since KUSA has, up to the present, not required the importation permits and waybills of dogs imported, puppies from a Dam imported in whelp have fraudulently been registered as imports.</p> <p>Moreover, this method has been used to circumvent KUSA's breed-specific Regulation applicable to the minimum age of a Dam at the time of whelping for the puppies to be eligible for registration. The locally whelped puppies are registered by the exporter with the foreign National Canine Organisation (NCO) and then "imported" into South Africa with Export Pedigrees obtained from the foreign NCO.</p>

		<p>The proposed change to Schedule 02 Regulation 3 should ensure a cessation of these practices and discourage unscrupulous breeders from certain countries from flooding the SA market with dogs bred from under-age Dams, despite the RBC's advocacy for ethical breeding practices and KUSA's Regulations in this regard.</p> <p>Further motivation from the KUSA Office: To provide clarity with regard to documentation required for the registration of an imported dog with an Export Pedigree issued by an FCI-affiliated NCO as opposed to other Kennel Clubs. It is also intended to reinforce and act as a reminder that AIA as well as Veterinary Permits are required to import a dog into South Africa. As the official Registering Authority under the AIA, KUSA is obligated to encourage its Members' compliance with the provisions of the AIA.</p> <p>Proposal: To provide clarity and introduce further importation requirements for dogs to curb fraudulent registrations and unethical breeding practices.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 02 Regulation 3:</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets].</p> <p>REGISTRATION OF AN IMPORTED DOG</p> <p>Any dog registered in and imported from any country the [e]Canine <u>Control</u> [governing] <u>B</u>[b]ody of which is in reciprocity with or recognised by the Kennel Union may be registered by the Kennel Union.</p> <p>3.1 An application for the registration of a dog under the provisions of Regulation 3 shall be made on an official Kennel Union form and shall[, where not stated on the Export Document,] be accompanied by:</p> <p><u>3.1.1</u> [an] A [Export or] Certified <u>Three-generation Export</u> Pedigree issued by such other reciprocal or recognised body. <u>Export Pedigrees issued by FCI National Canine Organisations (NCOs) must accompany the application in original format;</u></p> <p><u>3.1.2</u> <u>Where not stated on the Export Pedigree,</u> [a Certificate of Registration, and/or] a Certificate of Transfer <u>of Registered Ownership;</u></p> <p><u>3.1.3</u> <u>An Animal Improvement Act (AIA) Permit for importation of animals issued by the Directorate of Animal Production;</u></p> <p><u>3.1.4</u> <u>A Veterinary Import Permit issued by the Directorate of Animal Health in terms of the Animal Disease Act;</u></p> <p><u>3.1.5</u> <u>A Transport Waybill with date of arrival in South Africa;</u></p> <p><u>3.1.6</u> <u>The State Veterinarian Clearance Certificate;</u></p> <p>and the fees prescribed <u>in Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees.</u></p> <p><u>3.2</u> [3.1.4] In the case of a bitch imported in whelp and in addition to the documentation stated at Regulation 3.1 above, a Certified Three-g<u>G</u>eneration Pedigree issued by the Canine Control Body in the country of origin of the sire shall accompany every application for registration of progeny whelped in the Kennel Union area of jurisdiction.</p>
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			<p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from NR, seconded by CP, the proposed amendments to Schedule 02 Regulation 3 and Schedule 02 Appendix "C" were approved, unanimously, as well as the proposed changes to the official Application Form to Register a Single Dog on the Breed Register.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p>
10			MATTERS RELATING TO SHOWS – SCHEDULE 03 ET AL
	10.1		Matters relating to Schedule 03 and the TEO Manual
		10.1.1	<p>Dogs with TEOs exceeding a 12-month period</p> <p>Clause 14.5 of the TEO Manual states: <i>The Owner of any Implicated Dog, which has been issued with a confirmed TEO, <u>has a maximum period of 12 (twelve) months from the date of the TEO (the date the TEO was confirmed by the Executive Committee) to successfully complete the requirements as provided for in Step 1, 2 and 3 of this Manual, failing which, the Executive Committee will apply to the Federal Council to have the Implicated Dog permanently barred from entry to and exhibition at any future KUSA-licensed Shows/Events subject to compliance with the procedure as provided for in Clause 11.11 hereof.</u></i></p> <p>The following dogs have TEO's in excess of 12-monhts:</p> <p>2016 Incident Kerry Blue Terrier – Up with the Sun v. Daelenbrook of Cismart (ZA001432C14)*</p> <p>2017 Incident Bull Terrier – Jedidja Butterfly (ZA006668B16)</p> <p>2018 Incidents St Bernard – Ariel EX Moeisa Superiore (ZA001091C17)** Rottweiler – Vombladysnee Ava (ZA007137B16) Boston Terrier – Que Just Beauregard (ZA013488B16)</p> <p>2019 Incidents Bull Terrier (Miniature) – Meison Capri of Lizmore (ZA002520B18) Border Collie – Craignair Lasting Legacy (ZA003853B18) Bull Terrier – Wilbod Geisha Girl (ZA001315B19)** Boxer – Mardusmara Maverick (ZA002841B19) Boxer – Ilruca Deyzel (ZA015834B11)**</p> <p>2020 Incidents Pembroke Welsh Corgi – Highleigh Midnight Piper (ZA011098B19) Boxer – Dawkendale Aces High (ZA003309B16)** Bull Terrier – Ferrorok Rosebelle of Herdre (ZA012589B17)</p> <p>2021 Incidents Bullmastiff – Adencrown Amlar Parker (ZA009074B19) Dobermann – Korifey Dirty Harry (ZA001102C18)** Rough Collie – Chellert Smudged By Coal (ZA008856B19)</p> <p>2022 Incidents American Akita – Lalisa Manoban Iz Alekona of Zabush (ZA001078C21) Bulldog – I'm Bismark (ZA010738B20) Dobermann – Chaldonne Rock Tsar at Sharbara (ZA011848B16)</p>

		<p>2023 Incidents</p> <p>Australian Shepherd – Limited Kascaro of Modailene (ZA001023C22)***</p> <p>Staffordshire Bull Terrier – Delu Lady Luck (ZA006185B15)**</p> <p>Golden Retriever – Savannalands Maverick (ZA003232B19)</p> <p>German Shepherd Dog type – H-Atilla von Wohlstein (ZA006987B22)</p> <p>German Shepherd Dog type – Inca von Blauklippen (ZA001060Y22)</p> <p>Belgian Shepherd (Malinois) – Antwarpse Kartouch (ZA009531B18)</p> <p>* Owner deceased</p> <p>** Dog deceased</p> <p>*** Appeal submitted</p> <p>Confirmation of dogs to be permanently barred and to consider the Appeal received in respect of one dog.</p> <p>CPA reported that, upon checking the TEO Manual, she had been alerted to the fact that dogs still under TEOs after the passage of one year, needed to be presented to Fedco for permanent disbaring. Letters were sent by the KUSA Office to all owners of dogs above (all under TEOs for more than a year) that their dogs would be presented to the upcoming meeting of Fedco for permanent disbaring.</p> <p>On an enquiry from NR, CPA briefly explained the process of placing a dog under a TEO, and provided the assurance that in the letter to the owner, once the TEO had been confirmed by the Executive Committee, it was clearly stated that the owner had twelve (12) months within which to take the prescribed steps to have the TEO lifted which, if not taken, would render the dog liable for permanent disbarment.</p> <p>On a proposal from NR, seconded by RJ, the above dogs, having failed to meet the requirements for the lifting of their TEOs within the prescribed timeframe, were permanently disbarred.</p> <p>Effective immediately.</p> <p>[Note 1: CPA undertook to update the list of dogs which had been placed under TEOs, separating those still under TEOs from those permanently disbarred, which list would be made available on the KUSA website.]</p> <p>[Note 2: PM undertook to add an “extra status” to the KUSA K9 Admin System, by which dogs permanently disbarred can be identified,]</p>
	10.2	<p>Matters relating to Schedule 03 – Regulations for Championship Shows</p>
	10.2.1	<p>Proposed Amendments to Schedule 03 – Regulation 10</p> <p>Submitted by the KUSA Office as housekeeping.</p> <p>Motivation:</p> <p>To avoid liability under the POPIA, the email addresses of Registered Owners are no longer required to be published in Show Catalogues. It is also necessary to change the references from “Exhibitor” to “Registered Owner”, as the latter is recorded in the Show Catalogue. Moreover, the Microchip Numbers of all dogs are required upon entry of a Championship Show and are reflected in the Show Catalogue.</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets]</p> <p>10. SHOW CATALOGUE</p>

		<p>The Show Committee shall publish a Show Catalogue which shall contain entries similar to those Regulations 5.1, 5.3 and 5.6 and full particulars of the entry of each exhibit, including <u>the dogs'</u> microchip numbers and the names of their Registered Owners,[of German Shepherd Dogs/Rottweilers at GSD/Rottweiler Specialist Club Breed Shows, together with every Exhibitor's name and email address,] as recorded on the [Exhibitor's entry form] <u>Show Entry Form</u>.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from NR, seconded by MV, the proposed amendment to Schedule 03 Regulation 10 was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p>
	10.2.2	<p>Proposed Amendments to Schedule 03 – Regulation 22</p> <p>[Note: Refer to Item 15.3.1 for the Companion Proposal, i.e. Proposed change to Schedule 10 Regulation 9.2.4]</p> <p>Proposed by the Executive Committee.</p> <p>Motivation: Schedule 03 Regulation 22 covering the "COMPETITION FOR BEST OF BREED, RESERVE BEST OF BREED, BEST PUPPY OF BREED AND OTHER BEST OF BREED CLASS AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES" is requisite of amendment to provide clarity concerning the withholding of awards.</p> <p>Currently, Schedule 10 Regulation 8.7, which pertains to JUDGING REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS, states: <i>"A Judge shall be empowered to withhold any award if, in his/her opinion, there is a lack of sufficient merit or if, in his opinion, the attention of the exhibit has been improperly attracted during judging in spite of the handler having been warned against such practice. Whenever any award has been withheld, the Judge shall endorse the judge's sheets accordingly."</i></p> <p>While this Regulation grants Judges the authority to withhold awards, it is only expressly applicable to Best of Breed and Best Puppy in Breed awards in Schedule 03. This limited scope creates ambiguity regarding other Best "Class" in Breed awards.</p> <p>To ensure consistency and remove any doubt, the Regulations need to be expanded to explicitly include other Best "Class" in Breed awards. This will align Schedule 03 with the general withholding provisions already outlined in Schedule 10.</p> <p>A further change to Schedule 10 Regulation 9.2.4 would also be required to be in line with that of the newly proposed Schedule 03 amendment, as detailed.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Regulation 22:</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets]</p> <p><u>22.7 If the Judge is of the opinion that none of the exhibits eligible for any Best Class in Breed award is worthy of the award, he/she may withhold it.</u></p> <p>[22.7] <u>22.8</u> In addition to the Challenge Certificates and Reserve Challenge Certificates issued in terms of Regulation 21.4 of this Schedule, the following Breed Award Certificates shall be issued either in hard copy, or digitally and, if issued</p>

		<p>electronically, digitally system-signed and verifiable, shall be available to exhibitors within thirty (30) days of the date of such award being made:</p> <p>Champions Class</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Place Best of Breed Reserve Best of Breed Best Junior in Breed Best Puppy in Breed Best Baby Puppy in Breed Best Veteran in Breed Best Neutered in Breed <p>[22.8] 22.9 By applying his signature to the various Certificates or, when these awards are electronically issued as digitally system-signed and verifiable Certificates, the Show Secretary assumes responsibility for the accuracy and validity of any certificates issued in confirmation of awards made in terms of these Regulations. The responsibility to rectify any errors which might occur on any of the Certificates and to issue corrected Certificates either in hard copy or digitally, shall rest with the Show Secretary.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from MA, seconded by NR, the proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Regulation 22 were approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p>
	10.2.3	<p>Proposed Amendments to Schedule 03 – Regulation 42.1 – SOM & DOM Titles</p> <p>Outcome recorded under Item 10.1.1 in the Minutes of Fedco 12-2024:</p> <p><i>On a proposal from NR, seconded by DS, the proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Regulation 42.1 were approved, unanimously.</i></p> <p>Effective 01.03.2025.</p> <p>[Note: NR informed Fedco that, although implied, the above proposal did not specifically take account of, for instance the Champion status of dogs imported from foreign countries which is added to their registered names when they are re-registered with KUSA. It was the consensus of the meeting that, since the proposal had already been put to the vote, specific provision for the accommodation or foreign titles in the SOM and DOM requirements should be tabled as an amendment to the Regulations at any constituted meeting of the Federal Council after Fedco 06-2025.]</p> <p>Deferred.</p>
	10.2.4	<p>Proposal for the amendment of Schedule 03 Regulation 42.1.1.1</p> <p>Submitted by DOGSPC.</p> <p>Motivation: At the Ordinary Meeting of the Federal Council held on 23 & 24 June 2018, Schedule 03 Regulation 42.1.1.1 was voided, effectively eliminating the requirement for an 'away point' for Champion status.</p> <p>Historically, the requirement for an 'away point', in order to achieve Champion status, served multiple purposes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensuring support of Shows held in other geographical centres;

			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Ensuring competition against different specimens of a particular Breed in other geographical centres; 3. Greatly assisting Provisional Judges to experience different specimens of a particular Breed, thereby increasing their experience base; 4. Accommodating exhibitors in order to attract more entries; 5. Supporting Specialist Clubs hosting Shows on the same day(s) as All Breeds Clubs. <p>With the introduction of the Grand Champion and Supreme Champion titles, and the associated requirements for points to be gained in three (3) or four (4) geographical provinces of South Africa, or three (3) geographical provinces of South Africa plus Namibia, it was believed that the requirement for an 'away point', in order to achieve Champion status, was no longer necessary and that the above requirements were sufficient to encourage support for Shows held in the smaller provinces and would encourage owners to show their dogs for a longer period than is the norm.</p> <p>With the expiration of time over the last six years, it would seem that these beliefs and intentions, however genuine, have had the opposite effect on show entries and support of Clubs and Shows in smaller provinces and 'geographically isolated' areas. Eastern Cape, Free State and KwaZulu-Natal, historically, received fair support from either Gauteng or the Western Cape exhibitors, or both, but have become geographically isolated and Clubs in those areas are under severe pressure to survive with current low entry numbers and support received from exhibitors in other provinces. Whereas Gauteng and the Western Cape still enjoy reasonably acceptable support, with entry numbers averaging between 300-400 dogs, the other provinces are lucky to receive entry numbers of 200, many far fewer than that, with the East London Cluster Weekend attracting in the region of 70 entries per Show and the second Port Elizabeth weekend in the region of 100 entries per Show. At this rate, activities and survival of these Clubs cannot be sustained for very much longer.</p> <p>Historically, any awards attained at the KUSA Championship and KUSA Winners Shows, which form part of the annual KUSA Classic Weekend, had been classified as "neutral venues for award purposes", which assisted exhibitors in all Provinces who did not have the financial means to travel outside of their Province. This historical concession seems to no longer be taken into account by the KUSA Office when assessing and awarding Champion status.</p> <p>Fedco has a fiduciary responsibility towards an appreciable proportion of the KUSA-affiliated Clubs and those who support KUSA and its continued existence, to find a solution to what has become a state of steady degeneration.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Regulation 42.1.1.1:</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets]</p> <p>42.1.1.1. Void</p> <p>42.1.1.1. <u>not more than four (4) of the minimum five (5) points were gained in one Centre, with the exception that the Championship Shows held annually in Oudtshoorn, and those held annually in conjunction with the KUSA Classic Weekend, irrespective of Centre in which the KUSA Classic is hosted, shall be neutral centres for award purposes, effectively allowing points gained over these two weekends to be used as "away/out-of-province CCs".</u></p> <p>For decision.</p>
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			<p>[Note: At the time of discussion, CC was absent, as pre-advised. In anticipation of a contested decision, voting was deferred until CC's return, upon which she recorded her vote.]</p> <p>With the other Federal Councillors having pre-voted, the Chairman declared the result to be five (5) in favour, and four (4) against, the motion thereby failing to achieve the requisite two-thirds majority for any Regulation to be amended.</p>
<p>Upon returning from the coffee break, the Chairman announced that she had received a disturbing telephone call from LT, informing her that a medical emergency had occurred shortly after the meeting broke for coffee and that she (LT) would not be able to rejoin the meeting at the scheduled time.</p> <p>[Note: It later transpired that the emergency was sufficiently serious to warrant medical attention, and LT was recorded as absent from 15.30 for the rest of the afternoon session.]</p>			
		10.2.5	<p>Proposal for the amendment of Schedule 03 Regulation 44.5</p> <p>Submitted by the Executive Committee.</p> <p>Proposal: In dealing with the prior proposal from the Executive Committee (refer to Item 3.6.2) to void "amendment fees for Show Licences issued" for Championship and Non-championship Shows, where postponement of a Show is due to circumstances beyond the control of the Organising Committee, it was noticed that Regulation 44, although making provision for the refund of Show Entry Fees, was silent on the refund or retention of the fee paid for the Show Licence.</p> <p>Should the amendment to Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees – under Item 3.6.2 be approved by the Federal Council, it is believed that the replacement of a Show Licence at no charge in the case of justifiable postponement should be echoed in Regulation 44.5. Should a Club cancel its Show, the consequence of cancellation should also find resonance in Regulation 44.5, which eventuality is currently unregulated.</p> <p>With regard to the cancellation of a Show, it is proposed that the Licence Fee paid by the Club be non-refundable, since the KUSA Office had already incurred the administrative costs associated with the issuing of the Show Licence and KUSA would suffer further financial prejudice through the loss of Show Entry Levies.</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u></p> <p>44.5 Once the KUSA Office has been informed of the cancellation or postponement of a Show, the previously issued Show <u>L[]</u>licence shall either be cancelled, or be replaced by a new <u>L[]</u>licence for the Show to be held on a later date <u>within six (6) months of the original Show date [in the same year]</u>. The Executive Committee shall grant special dispensation to Clubs applying for a postponement of the Show in order to sanction their compliance with Sub-Regulations 6.1, 12.2 and 34.1, as well as with Regulation 20, hereof. <u>In the case of the cancellation of a Show, the Show Licence Fee paid shall be non-refundable, whereas the replacement of a Show Licence, in the case of postponement, shall be free of charge.</u></p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>The issue was raised that Clubs holding their Shows late in the calendar year would not be able to postpone them to be held in <i>the same year</i>. After debate, it was agreed to allow</p>

		<p>Clubs six months within which to postpone a Show to a later date, irrespective of whether the postponement spills over into the following year.</p> <p>On a proposal from MA, seconded by NR, the proposed amendment to Schedule 03 Regulation 44.5 was approved, unanimously, subject to the amendment in red above.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p> <p>The change to the above Regulation prompted debate on whether Clubs that might have been prejudiced by the rigidity of the previous Regulation 44.5 (now under approved amendment), during the 2025 Show year, should be refunded as a gesture of goodwill.</p> <p>NS had prepared a list of Clubs that have paid for amended Licences to be issued and, in anticipation of the present discussion, the following list was tabled:</p> <table><tr><th>Club</th><th>Amount</th></tr><tr><td>Baakens Valley 1</td><td>R551.00</td></tr><tr><td>Baakens Valley 2</td><td>R551.00</td></tr><tr><td>Uitenhage Kennel Club 1</td><td>R1 080.00</td></tr><tr><td>Uitenhage Kennel Club 2</td><td>R1 080.00</td></tr><tr><td>Port Elizabeth Kennel Club 1</td><td>R1 080.00</td></tr><tr><td>Port Elizabeth Kennel Club 2</td><td>R1 080.00</td></tr><tr><td>Pretoria Toy Dog Club</td><td>R551.00</td></tr><tr><td>Toy Dog Breeders' Association</td><td>R551.00</td></tr><tr><td>Jubilee Toy Dog Club</td><td>R551.00</td></tr><tr><td>Sporting Dogs' Association</td><td>R551.00</td></tr><tr><td>Siberian Husky Club of Gauteng</td><td>R336.00</td></tr><tr><td>Bay GSD & IGP Sport Club</td><td>R336.00</td></tr><tr><td>Gundog Club</td><td>R350.00</td></tr><tr><td>SA Short-legged & Working Terrier Club</td><td>R200.00</td></tr></table> <p>With additional information sourced by NS, the Federal Council concluded that all the above Clubs, with the exception of Bay GSD & IGP Club, had postponed their Shows due to circumstances beyond the Clubs' control, e.g. grounds originally booked being no longer available, poor condition of grounds, etc. It was also noted that Jubilee Toy Dog Club had, in fact, not made the required payment to KUSA.</p> <p>In considering a possible refund to affected Clubs, apart from the fact that the date change had been involuntary, Fedco took into account the additional financial burden on already cash-strapped Clubs and came to the conclusion that, in these instances, it would be justifiable and defensible for KUSA to make good on the losses that Clubs had suffered, thereby to show benevolence towards these Clubs and genuine concern for their plight to keep going in trying economic times.</p> <p>On a proposal from MA, seconded by NR, the refunds of the amounts paid by the respective Clubs were approved, unanimously, with the exception of the two Clubs in red above, for reasons explained.</p>	Club	Amount	Baakens Valley 1	R551.00	Baakens Valley 2	R551.00	Uitenhage Kennel Club 1	R1 080.00	Uitenhage Kennel Club 2	R1 080.00	Port Elizabeth Kennel Club 1	R1 080.00	Port Elizabeth Kennel Club 2	R1 080.00	Pretoria Toy Dog Club	R551.00	Toy Dog Breeders' Association	R551.00	Jubilee Toy Dog Club	R551.00	Sporting Dogs' Association	R551.00	Siberian Husky Club of Gauteng	R336.00	Bay GSD & IGP Sport Club	R336.00	Gundog Club	R350.00	SA Short-legged & Working Terrier Club	R200.00
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			<p>Motivation: To allow for the temporary dispensation provided to the Field Trial Liaison Council (refer to Item 12.1.3), an amendment needs to be made to the Official Show Entry Form – Field Trials.</p> <p>Attached, find the Official Show Entry Form for Field Trials.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from DS, seconded by CP, the proposed amendment to the Official Show Entry Form for Field Trials was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025, but may be implemented upon publication of these Minutes.</p>
	10.3		<p>Any Matters Relating to Schedule 03A – Regulations for FCI International Dog Shows</p>
		10.3.1	<p>Proposed amendment to Schedule 03A – Regulations for FCI International Dog Shows and consequential amendment to Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees</p> <p>Submitted by the Executive Committee.</p> <p>[Note 1: This Item is the Principal Proposal and should be considered in conjunction with the companion Proposal under Items 3.6.1 (Proposed amendment to Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees)]</p> <p>Motivation: KUSA is currently responsible for the submission of show information, catalogues and lists of winners to the FCI following the holding of an FCI International Dog Show. Upon receipt of this information, the FCI invoices KUSA directly for the applicable levies and charges. KUSA settles these accounts in good faith and subsequently recovers the levies from the show-holding Clubs.</p> <p>However, experience has shown that some Clubs fail to reimburse KUSA for these costs in a timely manner. This creates a financial risk for KUSA, which should not be required to carry the liability for levies incurred by individual show-holding Clubs.</p> <p>The practice devised with the introduction of FCI A2O Shows has proven effective. A mandatory deposit is required in advance of these events and is used to settle the applicable FCI A2O Levies. Following reconciliation, any balance due or refundable is processed promptly. This model ensures financial accountability and protects KUSA from unnecessary financial risk.</p> <p>It is, therefore, proposed that the same principle be applied to all FCI International Shows. Introducing a compulsory deposit will encourage Clubs to budget appropriately and will allow KUSA to meet its international obligations without undue financial strain. The deposit amount may be reviewed annually and adjusted as necessary, based on prevailing FCI rates and forex costs.</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u></p> <p><u>3.2 Clubs holding FCI-C.A.C.I.B.® International Shows must pay the FCI (CACIB) Show Levy Deposit at least three (3) months prior to the Show;</u></p> <p><u>3.2.1 The FCI-C.A.C.I.B.® Show Levy Deposit paid by the Show-holding Club will be used to cover any Licence Application Fees payable to the FCI, forex funds transfer fees, Show Levies and any other associated costs.</u></p>

			<p><u>3.2.2 Should there be a shortfall, the Show-holding Club will be liable to settle the difference within one (1) month of KUSA providing the Club with notice of such deficit.</u></p> <p><u>3.2.3 Any surplus shall be refunded to the Show-holding Club by KUSA within one (1) month of KUSA notifying the Club of such surplus.</u></p> <p>For decision and, if approved, determination of the FCI-C.A.C.I.B.® Show Levy Deposit for the time being.</p> <p>On a proposal from MA, seconded by NR, the proposed insertion of a new Regulation 3.2 into Schedule 03A was approved, unanimously, and the Federal Council confirmed its agreement to the mandatory deposit for FCI-C.A.C.I.B.® Shows being set at R10 000.00 for purposes of Schedule 07, i.e. that the mandatory deposit charged be equivalent to that charged for the holding of FCI A20 CAC Championship Shows.</p> <p>[Note 2: Refer to Item 3.6.1.]</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p> <p>[Note 3: The KUSA Office needs to inform Clubs holding FCI-C.A.C.I.B.® International Shows that an FCI (CACIB) Show Levy Deposit would be payable in future.]</p>
	10.4		Any Matters Relating to Schedule 03B – Regulations for FCI A20 Championship Shows
	10.5		Any Matters Relating to Schedule 04 – Regulations for Non-championship Shows
		10.5.1	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 04 – Regulation 11</p> <p>Submitted by DOGSPC.</p> <p>Motivation: In the heyday of dog showing's greatest success, popularity, activity and vigour in South Africa for all KUSA recognised disciplines, it was possible and logical to restrict officiating Judge's from exhibiting and/or entering other Shows on the same day and at the same venue as the Show at which they were officiating. However, in more recent times, this is no longer practicable for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dwindling entry numbers, particularly at Non-championship Shows and year-on-year steady decline; 2. Historically, only one Non-championship Show was held per day; 3. Limited number of Judges, with below ideal applications to join the KUSA Breed Judges' Learning Programme or recognised Dogsport activities annually; 4. Extreme difficulties faced by Learner Judges in obtaining the required numbers in order to qualify; 5. Show venues are extremely limited, with only one venue available in most Provinces, with multiple Shows hosted on the same day being held at the same venue. <p>These current regulations severely restrict, specifically, entry numbers for Clubs hosting Non-championship Shows and compromise Learner Judges by limiting the potential entries they could receive at mandatory Non-championship Show appointments (Breed and various Dogsport activities). Clubs are losing out on entry fees, making the struggle to justify ever-rising expenses impossible, and Learner Judges are losing the Breed representations and numbers they require to qualify.</p> <p>Proposal:</p>

		<p>To allow officiating Judges to enter and exhibit at other Non-championship Shows, including Shows hosted by the same Club, but held under a different licence, taking place on the same day and at the same venue as the Show at which they are officiating.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 04, Regulation 11:</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u>.</p> <p>11. Exhibition of Dogs</p> <p><u>11.8. A Judge may not enter and compete with a dog in his Registered Ownership in the same discipline at a Non-championship Show held under the same licence as the Show for which he is officiating. Conversely, an officiating Judge is entitled to enter and compete with such dog in the same discipline at a Non-championship Show, provided such Show is held under a different licence. Automatic disqualification of any dog(s) entered and competed with contrary to this Regulation will apply and the Judge will be liable for disciplinary action under Schedule 01.</u></p> <p><u>11.9. A Judge may not handle a dog in his Registered Ownership in the same discipline at a Non-championship Show held under the same licence as the Show for which he is officiating. Conversely, an officiating Judge is entitled to handle such dog in the same discipline at a Non-championship Show, provided such Show is held under a different licence. Automatic disqualification of any dog(s) handled contrary to this Regulation will apply and the Judge will be liable for disciplinary action under Schedule 01.</u></p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from NR, seconded by MV, the proposed insertion of Regulations 11.8 & 11.9 into Schedule 04 was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p>
	10.6	Any Matters Relating to Schedule 04A – Regulations for Qualifying Shows
11		MATTERS RELATING TO JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP
	11.1	Schedule 05E(12) – Regulations for KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition
		[Note: Refer to Item 13.1.1 for proposed amendments to Schedule 05E(12) Regulation 11.]
	11.2	Schedule 05K – Regulations for Handler Classes
12		MATTERS RELATING TO DOGSPORT
	12.1	<p>Discussion Item – Submission of Annual Reports by Breed & Liaison Councils (B&LCs) and National Sub-Committees (NSCs)</p> <p>Submitted by the KUSA Office.</p> <p>Each year the Office experiences challenges in obtaining the Annual Reports for the December Fedco meeting from the B&LCs and NSCs. Whereas some of the bodies submit their reports on time, others require considerable and constant follow-up.</p> <p>A primary driver of this challenge is that of timing. The B&LCs are obligated in terms of their Constitutions, to hold their AGMs in the last quarter of the year, whereas the NSCs hold their AGMs in the first three months of the year. The Chairmen/Conveners produce their Annual Reports to align with these meetings, which are out of sync with the December Ordinary Meeting of Fedco.</p> <p>Following, is a summary of the reporting obligations of these bodies:</p>

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			<p>By Fedco requesting an Annual Report in approximately September each year, the following challenges are experienced:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The period covered by the Annual Reports does not tie in with either a calendar year of events or the financial year of the body.• The reports provided by the Chairmen or Conveners have not been approved by a meeting of their respective committees.• Reports prepared earlier lack currency.• The Office has to spend considerable time “chasing” reports from some bodies. <p>To ensure better alignment between the production (and approval) of these Annual Reports, the Office appeals to Fedco to consider the merits of these bodies submitting their Annual Reports to be considered at the June Fedco meeting, rather than at the December meeting.</p> <p>At the FDF Session 6 on 06.05.2025, the Federal Council supported this proposal from the KUSA Office and CPA was requested to implement it at Fedco 06-2025.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>[Note: The Chairman requested CPA to check with the two Breed Councils and the two Liaison Councils at which meeting (June or December) of the Federal Council they wished</p>																																																																					

			their Annual Reports to be tabled and, thereafter, to pursue the submission of the Reports to be available for tabling at the chosen meetings.]
	12.2		Schedule 05A – Regulations for Obedience Classes
		12.2.1	Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener
			<p>The Convener/Western Cape Representative resigned early 2025, leaving the NOSC rudderless for a few months. The Western Cape elected a new Representative shortly before the NOSC's AGM and this Representative was elected as National Convener for Obedience.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
	12.3		Schedule 05B(01) – Regulations for Working Trials (Classic)
		12.3.1	Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener
			<p>Working Trials (Classic) Convener's Report Claire Patterson-Abrolat – National Convener – Working Trials (Classic)</p> <p><i>Dear National Working Trials Sub-Committee</i></p> <p><i>Shows have been held in Gauteng, Western Cape, Eastern Cape and KZN. Thank you too to all our hard-working Judges and Tracklayers – without them Trials would not be possible.</i></p> <p><i>In addition to the KUSA Nationals, it was exciting to see acknowledgement of the sport in special awards such as Goldfields Dog of the Year and NAPC Top Dog awards. Winners were:</i></p> <p><i>KUSA National Tracker Dog – Claire Patterson-Abrolat & Kilt</i> <i>KUSA National Police Dog – Lindie Cronje & Iara</i> <i>KUSA National Working Utility Dog – Pat Tutton & Starr</i></p> <p><i>Goldfields DotY Tracker Dog – Claire Patterson-Abrolat & Jill</i> <i>Goldfields DotY Police Dog – Lindie Cronjé & Iara</i> <i>Goldfields DotY Working Utility Dog – Pat Tutton & Starr</i></p> <p><i>NAPC Top Dog Tracker Dog – Claire Patterson-Abrolat & Kilt</i> <i>NAPC Top Dog Police Dog – Lindie Cronjé & Iara</i> <i>NAPC Top Dog Working Utility Dog – Dawn Crawshaw & Parker</i></p> <p><i>I would like to take this opportunity to remind the members of the Sub-Committee that Working Trials is a small community and it is only by working together that we can grow the sport. There is a wealth of experience across the country and sharing ideas is important for growth and development. Furthermore, creative thinking is needed to move the sport forward and constructive ideas for growing the sport are welcomed.</i></p> <p><i>Thank you to the Clubs that loan the Working Trials community Show Licences – without their ongoing support, it would not be possible to hold the number of Trials that we do.</i></p> <p><i>Thank you to all the sponsors for their generous support over the past year and to the farmers who allow us access to their land for both training and competition purposes.</i></p> <p><i>Last, but not least, thank you to the NWTSC for their input and work over the year.</i></p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
	12.4		Schedule 05B(04) – Regulations for Working Utility Dog (WUD)

		12.4.1	Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener
			[Note: Refer to Working Trials (Classic) Report – Item 12.3.1]
	12.5		Schedule 05B(02) – Regulations for International Working Trials and International Tracking Trials (IGP)
		12.5.1	Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener
			<p>NIGPSC Convener's Report John Swartz – National Convener – IGP</p> <p><i>Good evening, Committee Members, and welcome to our attending guests, Mr O'Driscoll and Mr Myburgh.</i></p> <p><i>IGP in the country has shown significant growth and strength in the past year, with new members joining Clubs, as well as training events, seminars and Trials.</i></p> <p><i>As a Sub-Committee, we've implemented a system to raise funds by way of dogs entering and paying a levy into a special bank account in order to supplement funding towards the Meisterschaft. This has been accepted by all Clubs.</i></p> <p><i>We qualified two (2) new Judges and five (5) new Tutor Helpers as well as eight (8) new Helpers and we hope to see them all in action at the upcoming Trials.</i></p> <p><i>We had a total of seventeen (17) IGP Trials in the past year, with 153 entries received, and we hope to see many more in 2025.</i></p> <p><i>The Meisterschaft, which was held in Cape Town, brought in an entry of twenty-one (21) dogs and was the highlight of 2024. It was the first time ever that we had a female Helper, who came from the Netherlands.</i></p> <p><i>I would like to pass on well wishes to all the Clubs and competitors for the new Dogsport year ahead of us, as well as good luck for the 2025 Meisterschaft, which will be hosted in Gauteng. I look forward to seeing everyone there!</i></p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		12.5.2	Schedule 05B(02) Appendix B – FCI Guidelines for International Utility Dog Trials and International Tracker Dog Trials IGP
		12.5.3	Schedule 05J – Regulations for KUSA Registered Helpers (IGP)
	12.6		Schedule 05B(03)TT – Regulations for Tracking Trials
		12.6.1	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 05B(03) – Regulations for Tracking Trials</p> <p>Submitted by NAPC Tracking Trials Sub-Committee.</p> <p>Proposal: The Tracking Trials Schedule has never been updated in a substantial fashion since its inception. Following an extensive review, a number of updates are proposed and motivated for. These changes fall into four broad categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Proposal of a Veterans Class: Other disciplines allow dogs and Handlers to compete in a Veterans Class and so it is proposed that TT also introduce such a Class to allow retired dogs to compete in the sport that they enjoy. 2) Proposal of shorter tracking distances and fewer dogs per competition: This proposal is made due to the lack of suitable grounds countrywide to accommodate the long distances for tracks. The suggested distances are the shortest distances suggested in the original Regulations and so are still a challenge to dog and Handler, whilst alleviating pressure on organisers of the

		<p>events. The number of dogs allowed to compete per event is reduced only slightly to ensure that smaller tracts of land can be used.</p> <p>3) Proposal of adjusted ageing times of tracks: This is proposed to ensure that the difficulty of the grades is better scaffolded.</p> <p>4) Proposal to allow TT5 dogs to earn Qualifying Certificates at Non-championship Shows: Since there are very few Championship Shows being held due to the high cost to Clubs and the general lack of TT competitions due to the difficulty of finding suitable land, it is proposed that TT5 dogs can earn Qualifying Certificates at Non-championship Shows.</p> <p>5) Proposal to reduce the requirements for Championship status to at least one TT5 "Good" grading. No dogs have been able to qualify with "Very Good" in TT5 at a Championship Show, due to the paucity of competitions post-Covid. We propose that this amendment should be made retrospective to January 2019, i.e. pre-Covid to ensure dogs that managed to qualify during that time with "Good" are able to become Champions. There has not been a Tracking Trials Champion in South Africa ever.</p> <p>6) Introduction of an NFC Class to encourage entries.</p> <p>In addition, housekeeping changes have been made to the Tracking Trials Judges' Record Card to allow more space for the recording of Learner Judges' appointments.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to 05B(03):</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets].</p> <p>Refer to the <i>attached</i> Schedule.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from JH, seconded by CP, the proposed replacement Schedule 05B(03) was approved, unanimously, with the exception of the two proposals in red above, with the text accommodating them in Schedule 05B(03) removed from the replacement Schedule approved and, additionally, accommodating the requisite grammatical and other corrections pointed out by NR.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p> <p>[Note 1: NR raised the concerns members of the Tracking Trials fraternity had expressed to her regarding the cost of Loan Licences. CPA responded that she had explained to the people concerned that, instead of acquiring a Loan Licence from a Club, costs could be saved by piggybacking on the Show Licence of another Club by holding the Tracking Trials event within fourteen (14) days of that Club's Show.]</p> <p>[Note 2: As requested by the Chairman, under cover of an explanatory email dated 7 July 2025, CPA circulated to the Federal Council and others Schedule 05B(03), revised in line with the above decision, duly marked up in red, with the additional grammatical and other possible changes identified by NR highlighted in green for ease of checking.]</p>
	12.7	Schedules 05C (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) & (6) – Regulations for Field Trials
		12.7.1 Report by the Field Trial Liaison Council Chairman
		Report to be submitted for Fedco 12-2025.
		12.7.2 Proposed changes to Schedules 05C (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) & (6) & (7) – Regulations for Field Trials
		12.7.3 Proposed changes to Schedule 05C(1) – Regulations for Retriever Field Trials
		Proposed dispensation under Schedule 05C(1) – Regulations for Retriever Field Trials

		<p>Submitted by the Field Trial Liaison Council (FTLC).</p> <p>The FTLC has received a request to include Not-for-Competition (NFC) entries in Retriever Field Trials. This has been discussed and has support from all the Retriever Clubs.</p> <p>However, the FTLC hereby requests that KUSA allow us to run this on a trial basis for the 2025 Field Trial season before going through the process of incorporating amendments into Schedule 05C(1) – Retrievers. All Clubs have had input into the wording of this proposal, and it was agreed that it will be discussed in depth at the July 2025 FTLC Meeting for a formal proposal to be submitted to KUSA for Fedco 12-2025.</p> <p>Requested dispensation under Schedule 05C(1):</p> <p>To allow a dog that has qualified out of a stake to compete an additional 3 times as NFC for experience, before moving to the next class.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clubs shall have the discretion to allow NFC entries in stakes not carrying eligibility towards the title of Champion, i.e. Puppy, Junior, Maiden and Novice Stakes. 2. Schedule 5C(1) Regulations shall be strictly adhered to by all entrants at all times. 3. NFC Entries will not be eligible for prizes or qualifications, but may be awarded a "Club Certificate" stating that the standard of 70% or over has been attained for the stake entered. 4. NFC Entries will be included in the catalogue, clearly marked NFC. 5. NFC Entrants will be permitted to enter a Stake until such time as the dog has attained the standard of 70% or over three (3) times before moving on to the next higher Stake. <p>There will be no impact on KUSA's administration and the results will not reflect in the results sent to KUSA. However, the normal KUSA levies will be calculated and paid to KUSA.</p> <p>The first Schedule for the 2025 Field Trial season is about to be distributed, and the FTLC needs to approve a further two or three Schedules for submission to KUSA as a matter of urgency.</p> <p>The request to allow "Not for Competition (NFC)" entries to participate in Retriever Field Trials on a trial basis for the 2025 Field Trial season was considered and discussed at the Federal Council Discussion Forum held via MS Teams on 11 March 2025.</p> <p>The Federal Council were of the unanimous view that FTLC's request ought to be supported and agreed that Fedco's approval would be officially confirmed and minuted at Fedco 06-2025. In the meantime, the FTLC and Clubs hosting Retriever Field Trials were to be informed that they would be at liberty to accept "Not for Competition (NFC)" entries subject to the conditions and undertakings stated in the FTLC proposal.</p> <p>The Federal Council is looking forward to receiving feedback from the FTLC on the impact of the interim concession and, if considered beneficial, the proposed amendments to Schedules for inclusion on the Agenda for Fedco 12-2025.</p> <p>For confirmation.</p> <p>On a proposal from DS, seconded by CP, the decision to allow "Not for Competition (NFC)" entries to participate in Retriever Field Trials on a trial basis for the 2025 Field Trial season was confirmed, unanimously.</p>
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		12.7.4	<p>Proposed changes to Schedule 05C(2) – Regulations for Flushing Spaniel Field Trials</p> <p>Submitted by Field Trial Liaison Council.</p> <p>Motivation & Proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.3 page 1. To bring the Novice Stake in line with the SASA awards. • 2.5 page 2. To invite more dogs to the Championship 4 page 2. The purpose of these awards is to recognise dogs that demonstrate consistent performance in the Novice and Open Stakes, and to certify that they are proficient hunting Spaniels in the field • Section D page. To set up the procedure to claim CH FT and SASA awards. • 1.5.3.1 page 6. To foster the development of Judges for Spaniel Trials, we will utilise top-tier Judges from the A Panel in their respective fields to bridge over and judge the Spaniel Stake. These Judges will begin as Learner Judges and progress as they become familiar with the 05C(2) guidelines. • Rule 28 page 25. Adding the words voice to stop ambiguity • 3.4.6 1) Shooting of Game in the quartering exercise – for added gun safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2) ‘No Bird’ Situations – for proper care of game • 3.6.3 Management, placing and releasing of Traps – for safety and proper care of • M.1 Puppy Stake Page 33. The puppy Stake is limited from 6 months to 12 months. There is no need to test the puppy on other game as this is the first step in the career of the Spaniel. • M.3.1 Criteria for a Novice Stake. Page 36. When two dogs run in a brace, each dog must run under both Judges for that series. This ensures that each dog and handler have the opportunity to fully utilise the course and conditions. • M.4.1 Criteria for an Open Stake page 37. When two dogs run in a brace, each dog must run under both Judges for that series. This ensures that each dog and handler have the opportunity to fully utilise the course and conditions. <p>Proposed amendments to 05C(2):</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets].</p> <p>Refer to the <i>attached</i> Schedule.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from DS, seconded by CP, the proposed amendments to Schedule 05C(2) were approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025, but may be implemented upon publication of these Minutes.</p>
		12.7.5	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 05C(3) – Regulations for Hunt Point Retrieve (HPR) Field Trials</p> <p>Submitted by Field Trial Liaison Council.</p> <p>Motivation & Proposal:</p> <p>Schedule 05C(3) needed significant changes involving a fairly major rewrite. HPR field trials were non-existent and had effectively fallen by the wayside. Therefore, the Clubs holding other field test events decided to resurrect the Trials with a new Stake and new requirements. We hope to give the HPR Trials a new life! The most important changes are:</p>

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The majority of amendments are related to the addition of a new Stake – the Open Elite Stake. Therefore, this new Stake and any knock-on effects it has needed to be incorporated throughout the document. Of significant note is that this new Stake offers a new way to become a Field Trial Champion (1.1.3.6 and 1.1.4.4). 2. The number of dogs needed for a qualifying Stake has been reduced from fourteen (14) to eight (8) 1.1.3.5 – 1.1.3.7 (Open Stake, Open Elite Stake and Championship Stake). Fourteen is simply not possible any longer and is in line with the other Disciplines (Spaniels and Retrievers). 3. To ensure that dogs are capable at the levels they enter, dogs will be required to pass one of the KUSA working tests for entry into the Maiden Stake (1.1.3.3) and the Open Elite Stake (1.1.3.6). This not only ensures they meet certain standards but also brings a stronger versatile element to our Field Trials. This is important to the breeds, and it will also facilitate a stronger connection between the tests and trials, thus encouraging greater participation in both. 4. The tiebreaker for Dog of the Year was no longer feasible due to so few Clubs, so a new, simpler tiebreaker is proposed (1.1.4.15). 5. Because HPR trials had ceased to be offered, we have almost no current Judges. We virtually have to start over, so we have proposed that “Grandfather” Judges be approved by the FTLC to form the new List of Judges for HPR Trials (1.4.1.1). 6. The Duties of Guns section has been expanded to include more emphasis on safety and also to reflect the fact that we no longer require birds to be shot for the lower Stakes (Derby and Maiden Stakes) See 1.7. 7. In an effort to encourage entry into Field Trials, we will not shoot birds for the Derby and Maiden Stakes (1.7.4 and 10.1). This also helps Clubs find suitable venues, something that is becoming increasingly difficult. Both of these aspects will contribute to being able to offer more Stakes and encourage entries. 8. The requirements for awards have changed with the addition of the new Stake, with no longer shooting birds for the Derby and Maiden dogs, and also by requiring both a land and water retrieve for all of the Stakes. Therefore, some amendments to the rules and guides were required (10.1, 10.3, Rule 23 – Awards, Rule 27 – Exceptions for Derby and Maiden Stakes). 9. As part of our effort to include more versatility in the field trials, all Stakes must now do a water retrieve before receiving an award. Each Stake is required to do an appropriate water retrieve, so there are 3 different water exercises. At the top level we have introduced a much higher standard water retrieve. All of this involved a significant re-write of Rule 22 – Water Retrieve. The most efficient way to effect these changes was simply to delete the entire old Rule 22 and insert a new Rule 22 in its place. 10. The Guide to Field Trial Terminology and Definitions has been moved to the last part of the document, allowing the Natural Ability Test to be part of the working document. Since the Definitions are in alphabetical order, there is no need to have every single one listed in the Table of Contents. Therefore, they have been removed from the Table of Contents. 11. Some minor edits to spacing, grammar and spelling have been included in the document. <p>Proposed amendments to 05C(3):</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets].</p> <p>Refer to the <i>attached</i> Schedule.</p> <p>For decision.</p>
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		12.7.6	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 05C(4) – Regulations for Shooting Ratings</p> <p>Submitted by Field Trial Liaison Council.</p> <p>Motivation & Proposal:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4.3.1 Points towards Championship status cannot be awarded or gained in Schedule 05C(4), so the wording of the Qualifying Certificate would not be relevant. D. QUALIFICATION OF JUDGES All changes to this section are to ensure that Judges have a good working knowledge of the running and judging of Schedule 05C(4). E. APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES To bring the Schedule in line with the other ‘Testing Schedules’ which all require a minimum of three (3) Judges. Paragraph insertion: procedure in the case of a contracted Judge being unable to officiate at very short notice. G. THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF A FIELD STEWARD Previously, the duties of the Field Steward were not fully documented in the Schedule. With the added requirement for Learner Judges to act as a Field Stewards, it is necessary to fully document the required duties. 3. PRE-REQUISTES FOR ENTERING AND EXCLUSIONS FROM THE SHOOTING RATINGS With the dangers posed by Rabies, it is necessary to make sure that all relevant vaccinations are up to date, especially with hunting dogs in the field. 2.1.1.1, 2.1.2, 2.1.2.1 & 2.1.2.2 Housekeeping 3.2 SHOOTING DOG EXCELLENT (SDX) Insertion – essential that dogs at the top level are well behaved, and do not cause any disturbances <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.3.4 – As the dogs are required to both ‘point’ and ‘back’, they must be run in braces. 3.3.6 – replacing the word ‘Honour’ with ‘Back’, which is the more commonly used term.

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.3.7 & 3.3.8 – Having encountered problems during the very first running of the SDX Test, it is necessary to add this paragraph for better clarity. 3.3.11.7 – replacing the word ‘Honour’ with ‘Back’, which is the more commonly used term. <p>8. 4.3 RETRIEVING DOG EXCELLENT (RDX) 4.4.1.1 – Insertion – essential that dogs at the top level are well behaved, and do not cause any disturbances. Necessary for a dog in the top Retrieving Class, to find and retrieve a blind from semi-cover, and not just from open water.</p> <p>9. DEFINITIONS COURSE Replacing the word ‘Honour’ with ‘Back’, which is the more commonly used term.</p> <p>10. KUSA SHOOTING RATING OFFICIAL SCORING FORMS SHOOTING DOG (ON THE SCORE SHEET) This section – ‘Reaction to Shot Fired’ had been left off the score sheet and has now been added.</p> <p>11. KUSA SHOOTING RATING OFFICIAL SCORING FORMS SHOOTING DOG EXCELLENT (ON THE SCORE SHEET) Replacing the word ‘Honour’ with ‘Back’, which is the more commonly used term.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to 05C(4):</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets].</p> <p>Refer to the <i>attached</i> Schedule.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from DS, seconded by CP, the proposed amendments to Schedule 05C(4) were approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025, but may be implemented upon publication of these Minutes.</p>
		12.7.7	Proposed changes to Schedule 05C(5) – Regulations for Gundog Hunting Tests
		12.7.8	Proposed changes to Schedule 05C(6) – Regulations for Versatile Tests – Pointing Breeds
		12.7.9	<p>Proposed new Schedule 05C(7) – Regulations for Hunting Dog Tracking, Blood Tracking and Tracking Shoe Tests</p> <p>Submitted by Field Trial Liaison Council.</p> <p>Motivation & Proposal: The purpose of the Hunting Dog Tracking Test is to determine the natural tracking ability of the hunting dog, with regard to its suitability and future use in versatile hunting and as a breeding dog. The test also serves to identify the breeding values of the parents, the determination of which is made easier by testing as many littermates as possible.</p> <p>The ethical requirements for hunting make the hunting dog’s main task the work after the shot. That is why the Judges have to pay particular attention to the determination of natural abilities and qualities in order to distinguish the reliable retriever most suitable for finding of big game. The object is to find the carcass of the game as fast as possible to guarantee the highest quality of the meat and/or, if still alive, to put the game out of its misery as fast as possible.</p>

			<p>As these natural abilities are highly hereditary, these tests are designed to recognise and highlight the dogs which are particularly valuable for breeding.</p> <p>The Hunting Dog Blood Tracking and Tracking Shoe Tests are performance Tests. They were developed with the main purpose of producing dogs for the ethical conduct of hunting and fostering the knowledge of training and handling of these dogs in the hunting community. It is a duty and a privilege to follow and find injured game as the foundation of sustainable, responsible and ethical hunting. Therefore, every effort should be made to provide the South African hunting community with capable and successfully tested dogs.</p> <p>Proposed introduction of Schedule 05C(7):</p> <p>Refer to the <i>attached</i> Schedule.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from DS, seconded by JH, the proposed new Schedule 05C(7) – <i>Regulations for Hunting Dog Tracking, Blood Tracking and Tracking Shoe Tests</i> – was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p>
	12.8		Schedule 05D – Regulations for Dog Jumping Grades
		12.8.1	<p>Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener</p> <p>NDJSC Convener's Report 2024 Bobby Boyd – National Convener – Dog Jumping</p> <p><i>Over the past year, we, the National Committee, have strived to improve the sport of Dog Jumping with Regulation changes that benefit dog, handler and Judge. To this end, I would like to thank the National Sub-Committee members for their dedication to the sport and its longevity.</i></p> <p><i>I would like to thank Carolyn Chelchinskey as Secretary; you've done a great job. I would also like to thank Bev Hourquebie for taking on the position as Secretary and the Dog Jumping National League and welcome to all newcomers on the National Committee. I hope we can grow the sport further.</i></p> <p><i>A Judges' Refresher course was held and all Judges attended.</i></p> <p><i>The Dog Jumping Championships were held by the KZN Dog Athletics Sub-Committee on 3 & 4 August 2024 and were a great success. Thank you to all the sponsors who came on board.</i></p> <p><i>The Dog Jumping League has been a success and growing. Thanks to all the provinces for coming on board.</i></p> <p><i>Again, to the National Sub-Committee, keep up the good work and I look forward to working with you.</i></p> <p><i>The KUSA Classic and KUSA SA Dog Jumping Championships, as well as the League, will be hosted by Cape Town in 2025.</i></p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		12.8.2	Proposed amendments to Schedule 05D

	12.9		Schedule 05F (9.1.5) – Regulations for Aptitude Tests
	12.10		Schedule 05G – Regulations for Dog Carting
		12.10.1	<p>Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener</p> <p>Carting Convener's Report 2024 Eleanor Gow – National Convener – Carting</p> <p><i>Carting in all the four (4) provinces is not in a very good situation. It is reported that this is due to the following three causes:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. Shortage of active Judges.</i> <i>2. The number of QCs needed to become a Grand Champion and the fact that the carters are expected to obtain four (4) of these out of province. The cost of travelling, together with the cost of petrol and toll fees, make this impossible. It has been said that new people are not willing to take up Carting as it is easier to become a Grand Champion in other branches of Dogsport, which require fewer QCs and no out-of-province travelling.</i> <i>3. The number of Judges in some provinces are so low that increased travelling to obtain QCs will be needed over and above the ones needed out-of-province.</i> <p><i>Sadly, unless something is done about this situation, Carting numbers will not increase. Grand Champions will be something of the past.</i></p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		12.10.2	Proposed amendments to Schedule 05G
	12.11		Schedule 05L – Regulations for Agility (Appendix A to and including I)
		12.11.1	<p>Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener</p> <p>NAGSC Convener's Report – January 2025 Rob Hall – National Convener – Agility</p> <p><i>This report covers the 2024 calendar year.</i></p> <p><i>Whilst the year under review was one of relative calm and stability, the NAGSC undertook several administrative tasks, including an update of the Schedule 5L Regulations. This task was significantly more efficient and less onerous than the previous update due to the foundations that had been set previously.</i></p> <p><i>There are several matters that have arisen in 2024, that will need to be actioned in 2025 to ensure the smooth administration of Agility in the coming year.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>South African Agility Championships 2024</p> <p><i>The KUSA SAAC were held in June 2024 at Goldfields, hosted by NAPC. Paleopet Pure were the main sponsor of the event, for the first time. The event was successful with Kayleigh Heideman (EC) and Quinton Nortjé (KZN) judging the event.</i></p> <p><i>A notable outcome of this year's event was that we had all new champions crowned (both handlers and dogs all first-time winners). Congratulations go to all the Champions, and all other handlers and dogs who participated. Our thanks go to Richard Wright and his NAPC Agility Sub-Committee for hosting the event.</i></p> <p>AWC WG</p> <p><i>The AWC WG had another change of Chairperson in the 2nd half of 2024, with Alett Reed taking on the role.</i></p>

			<p><i>The AWC WG struggled to contribute per their mandate in 2024 – and did not contribute to fund-raising, sponsorships, team or supporter clothing, or other matters supporting the AWC Team in any meaningful way in 2024. In addition, the SAAC Regional Trials and the National Agility League administration tasks fell upon others, notably members of the NAgSC, to ensure smooth running.</i></p> <p><i>My thanks go to the NAgSC members for their support and efforts, without which the Agility community, in general, and the KUSA AWC Team specifically, would have been negatively impacted. We hope that the AWC WG under the guidance of Alett Reed can find their way back in 2025.</i></p> <p><i>A notable exception to the above is that of the AWC Team Finances, which were professionally managed by Mrs Dawn Bell and the NAgSC acknowledges the work performed in this regard.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AWC 2024 <p><i>We were able to send a team of 8 handlers and 11 dogs to AWC 2024 that was held in Belgium in October 2024. KUSA was represented in both Team and Individual formats in Large, Intermediate and Small height categories, whilst we were represented in Individual format only in the Medium height category.</i></p> <p><i>The list of handlers and dogs who competed at AWC 2024 for KUSA were Gail Killian, with Rossi (Small) and Emily (Small), Carolyn Chelchinskey and Katy (Small), Stefanie Bosman and Fiji (Medium), Leandre van der Merwe and Zen (Intermediate), & Ri (Intermediate), Tam White and Zen (Intermediate), Rob Hall and Duffy (Intermediate) & Europa (Large), and, finally, Melanie de Klerk and Sinna (Large), & Lex (Large). PaleoPet Pure were the main sponsor for the Team for the first time.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Agility League 2024 <p><i>The National Agility League 2024 was successfully concluded in November, with League events being held in 4 provinces and 5 locations. Thank you to all who contributed and congratulations to all who entered. The net proceeds have been transferred into the KUSA AWC Control Account for use by the AWC Team 2025.</i></p> <p><i>Trophies for the height category winners have not yet been ordered – this is awaiting AWC WG action. As far as I am aware, no sponsorship prizes have been arranged this year.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KUSA Schedule 5L and Appendices changes <p><i>The NAgSC successfully completed an update to the 5L and Appendices as part of Fedco 06-2024. This update was significantly less than the previous update, and Agility is in a position where small adjustments are expected in future, rather than wholesale changes to Regulations.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAAC 2025 <p><i>The South African Agility Championships 2025 will be hosted by KZN at Karkloof Country Club from 13 to 15 June 2025. A voting process was undertaken at the end of 2024, and I am pleased to report that Mr Mike Taylor (WC), and Ms Bev Hourquebie (KZN) were appointed as the Judges for the event.</i></p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		12.11.2	Schedule 05L Appendix A – FCI Agility World Championships
		12.11.3	Schedule 05L Appendix B – FCI Agility Obstacle Guidelines

		12.11.4	Schedule 05L Appendix C – Regulation for the selection of Dogs to Compete at the FCI Agility World Championships
		12.11.5	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 05L App D – Regulations for the KUSA South African Agility Championships</p> <p>Submitted by National Agility Sub-Committee (NAGSC).</p> <p>Proposal: Currently, Regulation 3.1.4 requires the NAGSC to apply to Exco for additional Agility League Licences to be held in another centre within a Provincial Agility Sub-Committee's geographical area. Exco requested that, instead of requesting a dispensation every year, it is amended in the relevant schedules.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to 05L App D, Regulation 3.1.4:</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets].</p> <p>3. KUSA SAAC REGIONAL TRIALS</p> <p>3.1.4 [The NAGSC may, on application from Provincial Sub-Committees, apply to Exco for additional Agility League Licences to be held within that Provincial Sub-Committee's geographical centre. This will be limited to non-income-generating rounds of the KUSA NAL and KUSA SAAC Trials.] <u>A further eight (8) Agility League licences may also be applied for by the Eastern Cape Provincial Council Agility Sub-Committee in any calendar year in order for the Border region to hold non-income generating rounds of the KUSA NAL and KUSA SAAC Regional Trials in the East London area.</u></p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from CC, seconded by NR, the proposed amendment to Regulation 3.1.4 of Schedule 05L App D was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p>
		12.11.6	Schedule 05L Appendix E – Regulations for Agility Judges
		12.11.7	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 05L App F – Regulations for the KUSA National Agility League</p> <p>Submitted by National Agility Sub-Committee (NAGSC).</p> <p>Proposal: Currently, Regulation 2.3.1 requires the NAGSC to apply to Exco for additional Agility League Licences to be held in another centre within a Provincial Agility Sub-Committee's geographical area. Exco requested that, instead of requesting a dispensation every year, it is amended in the relevant schedules.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to 05L App F, Regulation 2.3.1</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets].</p> <p>2. SCOPE OF LICENCE</p> <p>2.3.1 [The NAGSC may, on application from Provincial Sub-Committees, apply to Exco for additional Agility League Licences to be held within that Provincial Sub-Committee's geographical centre. This will be limited to non-income-generating rounds of the KUSA NAL and KUSA SAAC Trials.] <u>A further eight (8) Agility League licences may also be applied for by the Eastern Cape Provincial Council Agility Sub-Committee in any</u></p>

			<p><u>calendar year in order for the Border region to hold non-income generating rounds of the KUSA NAL and KUSA SAAC Regional Trials in the East London area.</u></p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from CC, seconded by NR, the proposed amendment to Regulation 2.3.1 of Schedule 05L App F was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p>
		12.11.8	Schedule 05L Appendix G – Regulations for the Annual National Agility Inter-Provincial Competition
		12.11.9	Schedule 05L Appendix H – FCI Agility Jumping Guidelines
		12.11.10	Schedule 05L Appendix I – FCI Agility Regulations
	12.12		Schedule 05M – Regulations for Flyball (Appendix A & B)
		12.12.1	<p>Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener</p> <p>NFSC Convener's Report 2024 Liesl Twyman – National Convener – Flyball</p> <p><i>1. 2024</i> <i>It has been a rather uneventful year in the Flyball lanes. There have not been as many Flyball competitions as in the past and most Flyball Judges rotated to judge an equal number of Shows. There have been no new Flyball judges who qualified either. A few rules were amended to improve the sport as a whole, based on FCI and European best practices. Once again, some proposals were declined by the KUSA Fedco without providing any explanations. The NFSC can now only submit proposed amendments to the Fedco in December 2025, due to the senseless 18-month rule.</i></p> <p><i>2. National Championships</i> <i>The 2024 KUSA Nationals were hosted by KZN. The underfoot conditions were not ideal, but the Flyball community made it work. Five teams competed and the KUSA Nationals were won by FBI Special Ops once again in a best time of 17,41s, followed by FBI Access Denied in a time of 19,78s and Locomotion Electrified coming third in a best time of 19,12s. These three teams ended on the same number of points after the completion of the round robin format and had to run another round to determine the podium places.</i></p> <p><i>The teams would like to thank the organising committee and sponsors – the rosettes were beautiful and the goodie bags and dog food prizes were much appreciated.</i></p> <p><i>3. Titles and achievements</i> <i>Congratulations to all the Flyball handlers and dogs who reached specific milestones this year by achieving FD, FDX, FDA, Champion, "Th One & Only" title, or the prestigious Grand Champion title.</i></p> <p><i>4. Thank you</i> <i>I would like to thank the respective Flyball Provincial Sub-Committees for their support, input, involvement and commitment during the past year. To every dedicated handler who ensures the sport is thriving, every Club who hosted Flyball and every official (Judges and Stewards), thank you!</i></p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		12.12.2	Schedule 05M Appendix A – Regulations for Flyball Competitions
		12.12.3	Schedule 05M Appendix B – Regulations for the National Flyball League
	12.13		Schedule 05Q – Rescue Dog Trials (RDT)

	12.14		Schedule 05R – Dog Dancing Heelwork to Music (HTM) & Schedule 05S – Musical Freestyle (MFS)
		12.14.1	Schedule 05R – Regulations for Heelwork to Music (HTM)
		12.14.2	Schedule 05S – Regulations for Musical Freestyle (MFS)
	12.15		Schedule 05T – Regulations for Rally Dog (Including 05T(A))
		12.15.1	<p>Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener</p> <p>Rally Dog Convener's Report Robyn Harflett –National Convener – Rally Dog</p> <p><i>As KUSA is aware, Rally Dog very sadly said goodbye to its long-standing Convener, Mrs Robyn Clement, at the end of August 2024. Unfortunately, due to work and family commitments she felt that she was not able to do the Sport or the National Sub-Committee justice. So, on 26 August, we held an SGM to vote in an interim Convener and, with the vote for the new Convener, we required a new Secretary. The new Convener and Secretary for Rally Dog are Mrs Robyn Harflett as Convener and Mrs Chantal Ross-Germishuys who will hold the position of Secretary until the AGM in 2026.</i></p> <p><i>Chantal Ross-Germishuys also remains the FCI representative for KUSA and has been doing a sterling job keeping us up to date on points that are discussed and giving us an opportunity to have our opinions heard on an international level.</i></p> <p><i>Rally Dog has seen quite a lot of changes this year. FCI released a new set of signs and rules for the hosting of the World Championship which, for the 1st time ever, is being hosted as I write this report, which is very exciting for Rally Dog going forward. The National Sub-Committee sat in some very long meetings to discuss the new set of signs and assess how they would affect the sport in South Africa and to make the appropriate changes to the Regulations. Final decisions were achieved, and the new signs and Regulations were submitted for Fedco's approval. The new Regulations and signs came into effect in October 2024, and we are looking forward to the new challenges when building courses and the competitors executing them.</i></p> <p><i>Rally Dog as a Dogsport has really been accepted by the competitors across a number of different disciplines, with us even seeing a huge variety of different breeds dipping their toes in the water and giving the sport a try. Rally is growing hugely in popularity amongst competitors, and the standard is becoming very high with the dogs at the top levels showing some amazing talent.</i></p> <p><i>The NAPC Rally Dog Sub-Committee would like to take the opportunity to thank the Clubs for hosting Rally Dog at their events. Without the Clubs' support we would not be able to host the number of events over the year. There have been about ninety Shows where Rally Dog was hosted over the last year across the country. Additionally, we've seen an average of 40% increase in the number of Rally Dog Record cards issued over the last year. Gauteng has seen a whopping twenty-nine events hosted in the last year.</i></p> <p><i>Unfortunately, it hasn't been all sunshine and roses. It's becoming increasingly difficult to secure Judges for certain Shows, due to Clubs treating the Judges as second-class citizens. We do respect that Dogsport doesn't necessarily bring in the numbers that breed do, but the Judges give their time to the Clubs very willingly and it is really hard for them when they still need to organise with the ground staff to set up their own ring, to chase whether there are prizes allocated to the sport and, in most cases, still try to sort out their own refreshments. Clubs, we respect that there is lots going on, especially at an all-breeds event, and we do as much as we can to help, but please understand that the Judges still have to set up courses and make sure the paperwork is in order before they can even start with their 1st class, and they have 5 classes to get through.</i></p>

			<p><i>Also, a huge thank you to all the KUSA members who support the sport and make it possible for the sport to exist. Rally Dog saw the KUSA National event go from three dogs in 2023 to a magic number of seven dogs entered for the National Event hosted in 2024. The Nationals were hosted in KZN, who did a phenomenal job of making handlers feel welcome and appreciated.</i></p> <p><i>There have been a number of people who have become Learner Judges in the last few months, and we are very pleased that we are able to help them going forward with the process. We are crossing our fingers that we will be able to present KUSA with a list of newly qualified Judges very soon across all the provinces.</i></p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		12.15.2	Schedule 05T (A) – Rally Dog Signs
	12.16		Schedule 05U – Regulations for Mondioring + (Appendix A & B)
		12.16.1	Schedule 05U Appendix A – International Rules for Mondioring Competition
		12.16.2	Schedule 05U Appendix B – South African Begleithund (BH ZA). Requirements for Mondioring.
	12.17		Schedule 05V – Regulations for Hoopers Classes
		12.17.1	<p>Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener</p> <p>A National Sub-Committee will be formed in the course of 2025.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
		12.17.2	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 05V – Regulations for Hoopers</p> <p>Submitted by Hoopers Task Team.</p> <p>Motivation & Proposal: Address housekeeping items in the Schedule and address issues of clarity identified in the first Judges' Training Course.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to 05V:</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets].</p> <p>Refer to the attached proposal.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from JH, seconded by RJ, the proposed amendments to Schedule 05V were approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025, but may be implemented in publication of these Minutes.</p>
13			MATTERS RELATING TO SPECIAL EVENTS – VARIOUS SCHEDULES 05E
	13.1		Schedule 05E(12) – Regulations for KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition
		13.1.1	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 05E(12) – Regulations for KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition – by the insertion of a new Regulation 11</p> <p>Proposed by NR, Fedco Handling Portfolio-holder, as recommended and commissioned by the Federal Council at its Special Meeting on 8 April 2025, for tabling at the Ordinary Meeting of the Federal Council on 27 & 28 June 2025.</p>

		<p>Proposal: To provide clarity regarding the qualification process for Junior Handlers to represent the Kennel Union of Southern Africa (KUSA) (and South Africa) at The Joe Cartledge Memorial International Junior Handling Competition, held annually at Crufts, and at the projected annual FCI Junior Handling World Championships Competition, held in conjunction with the FCI World Dog Show.</p> <p>Motivation: KUSA identifies its National Junior Handler through an internal selection process, whereas the International Competitions both have their own qualification criteria. It's imperative for KUSA to regulate and publicise the specific qualification criteria set by the respective Competition Hosts. It is further crucial that all handlers and their supporting teams familiarise themselves with, and adhere to, the Regulations and qualification criteria set by the Host Organisations of both International Competitions, since non-compliance with these conditions may result in disqualification or other penalties.</p> <p>Proposed Addition to Schedule 05E(12) – new Regulation 11:</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u>.</p> <p>11. PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL INVITATIONAL COMPETITIONS</p> <p>11.1. Crufts Joe Cartledge Memorial International Junior Handling Competition</p> <p>11.1.1. <u>Only the KUSA National Junior Handler of the Year, chosen at the KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition held in the year prior to Crufts, shall be entitled to represent KUSA/South Africa in The Crufts Joe Cartledge Memorial International Junior Handling Competition. The KUSA Reserve National Junior Handler of the Year, i.e. the handler placed second in the same KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition, shall not be eligible to represent KUSA/South Africa in The Crufts Joe Cartledge Memorial International Junior Handling Competition.</u></p> <p>11.1.2. <u>The Crufts Joe Cartledge Memorial International Junior Handling Competition is open to Juniors aged up to 19 years. Juniors aged 19 on the day of the final at Crufts may only compete if they had won their National Championship Competition aged 18, but turned 19 between the National Championship Competition and The Crufts Joe Cartledge Memorial International Junior Handling Competition.</u></p> <p>11.1.3. <u>Exceptions to 11.1.2. above will only be considered in very special circumstances and then agreed to by the Royal Kennel Club, in writing, prior to the entry being submitted.</u></p> <p>11.1.4. <u>The Royal Kennel Club's decision on whether to accept, or reject, an extraordinary entry will be final.</u></p> <p>11.2. FCI Junior Handling World Championships Competition</p> <p>11.2.1. <u>KUSA is entitled to designate a participant to represent KUSA/South Africa to compete in the Junior Handling Final at the FCI Junior Handling World Championships Competition only, in any year the Competition is held.</u></p> <p>11.2.1.1. <u>The KUSA National Junior Handler of the Year, chosen at the KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition held in the year prior to the World Dog Show, shall be entitled to represent KUSA/South Africa as its designated participant in the Junior Handling Final at the FCI Junior Handling World Championships Competition.</u></p> <p>11.2.1.2. <u>The KUSA Reserve National Junior Handler of the Year, i.e. the handler placed second in the same KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition, shall be entitled to represent KUSA/South Africa as its designated participant, should the winner of the KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition, for whatever reason, not be able to attend the FCI Junior Handling World Championships Competition.</u></p>
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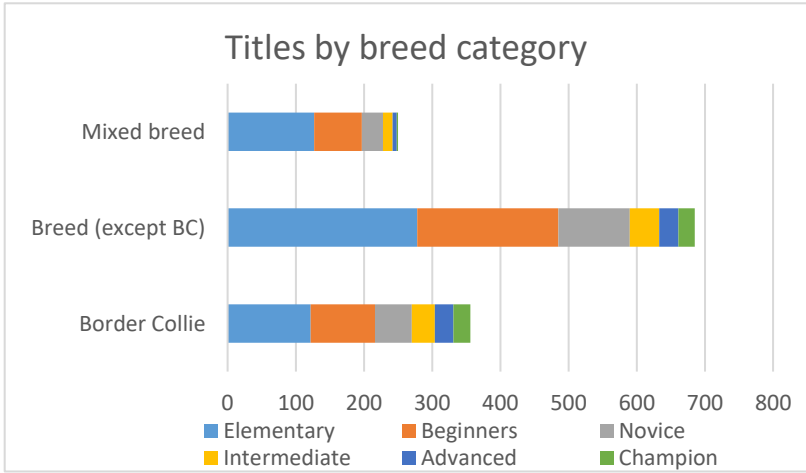
		<p>11.2.2. The representative must be a National Citizen of South Africa.</p> <p>11.2.3. KUSA's designated participant must be less than 19 years of age on the day of FCI Junior Handling World Championships Competition Final at the World Dog Show.</p> <p>11.3. Invitees, whether by qualification or designation, must cover all expenses, including travel and accommodation, in order to compete in either The Crufts Joe Cartledge Memorial International Junior Handling Competition, or the FCI Junior Handling World Championships Competition.</p> <p>11.4. KUSA shall neither endorse, nor support, the campaign or selection of any South African Junior Handler to represent another country in the Crufts Joe Cartledge Memorial International Junior Handling Competition or the FCI Junior Handling World Championships Competition.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from NR, seconded by MA, the proposed insertion of a new Regulation 11 into Schedule 05E(12) was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p>
	13.2	<p>Schedule 05E(16) – Regulations for The National Dog Jumping League</p>
		<p>13.2.1 Proposed amendments to Schedule 05E(16):</p> <p>Submitted by National Dog Jumping Sub-Committee (NDJSC).</p> <p>Motivation & Proposal: Currently, Regulation 2.4 requires the NDJSC to apply to Exco for additional Dog Jumping League Licences to be held in another centre within a Provincial Dog Jumping Sub-Committee's geographical area. Exco requested that instead of requesting dispensation every year, it is amended in the relevant Schedule.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to 05E(16), Regulation 2:</p> <p>Deletions in [struck through square brackets].</p> <p>2. Scope of Licence</p> <p>2.4 [The NDJSC may, on application by Provincial Sub-Committees, apply to Exco for additional Dog Jumping League Licences to be held within that Provincial Sub-Committee's geographical centre. This will be limited to non-income generating rounds of the KUSA NDJL.] A further six (6) Dog Jumping League licences may also be applied for by the Eastern Cape Provincial Council Dog Jumping Sub-Committee in any calendar year in order that the Border region may hold non-income generating rounds of the KUSA NDJL in the East London area.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from CC, seconded by NR, the proposed amendment to Regulation 2.4 of Schedule 05E(16) was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p>
	13.3	<p>Schedule 05E(17) – Regulations for the [D.O.G.S.] DOGS Best of the Best Competition</p>
		<p>13.3.1 Proposed amendment to Schedule 05E(17):</p> <p>Proposed by DOGSPC.</p>

		<p>Motivation: With the re-establishment of a Best of the Best Sub-Committee by the DOGSPC Chairman in the preceding few months, with the intention to resume this provincially based Competition, the Sub-Committee felt it necessary to update some of the Regulations, bringing them in line with current KUSA policies and Regulations, thereby facilitating the reintroduction of the DOGSPC Best of the Best Competition. This Competition has not been held for approximately the last ten years, and it is believed that its revival would be beneficial in promoting and encouraging entries for all Clubs within the DOGSPC area of jurisdiction.</p> <p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 05E(17) Regulations 1., 5.1.1., 5.1.4., 5.1.5., 5.2.1., 5.2.4., 5.2.5., 5.3., 5.11., 6., 7.1.1., 7.1.2., 7.1.3., 7.1.5., 7.2.1., 7.2.2., 7.2.3., 7.2.5., 8.1., 8.2., 8.3., 8.4., 8.5., 11. & 12.1.:</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets]</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. LICENSING AND SHOW REGULATIONS The Regulations ... Schedule <u>05E(17)</u>. <u>The decision regarding which specific disciplines, as provided for in this Schedule, to be included per annum, together with Breed and Junior Showmanship, is at the discretion of the DOGSPC Best of the Best Competition Sub-Committee.</u> 5.1.1. Entry for this competition will be by qualification at [All-Breed] <u>all Breed</u> Championship Shows, <u>i.e. Speciality, Group and All-breeds,</u> held under a <u>KUSA</u> [K.U.S.A.] licence, in accordance with <u>Regulation</u> [point] 3 of this Schedule <u>05E</u>](17). 5.1.4. Points shall be calculated from [All] <u>all Breed[s]</u> Championship <u>S[s]</u>hows held [between the 1st November and 31st October in the year in which the competition is held.] <u>in the previous calendar year.</u> 5.1.5. Points shall be awarded... <u>Points shall be awarded to each Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed exhibit at Specialist Breed and Multi-Specialist Breed Shows as follows</u> <table> <tr> <td><u>Best of Breed</u></td> <td><u>–</u></td> <td><u>eight (8) points</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Reserve Best of Breed</u></td> <td><u>–</u></td> <td><u>six (6) points</u></td> </tr> </table> 5.2.1. Entry for this competition will be by qualification at [All-Breed] <u>all Breed</u> Championship Shows, <u>i.e. Speciality, Group and All-breeds,</u> held under a <u>KUSA</u> [K.U.S.A.] licence, in accordance with <u>Regulation</u> [point] 3 of this Schedule <u>05E</u>](17). 5.2.4. Points shall be calculated from [All] <u>All-breeds[s]</u> Championship <u>S[s]</u>hows held [between the 1st November and 31st October in the year in which the competition is held.] <u>in the previous calendar year.</u> 5.2.5. Points shall be awarded... <u>Points shall be awarded to each Best Puppy at Specialist Breed and Multi-Specialist Breed Shows as follows:</u> <table> <tr> <td><u>Best Puppy</u></td> <td><u>–</u></td> <td><u>eight (8) points</u></td> </tr> </table> 5.3. Veteran Competition Open to any [Champion] Veteran dog owned by an exhibitor resident in the area as defined by <u>Regulation 3.1. of this Schedule.</u> Dogs may compete for the [Title] <u>of the Year (year).</u> 	<u>Best of Breed</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>eight (8) points</u>	<u>Reserve Best of Breed</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>six (6) points</u>	<u>Best Puppy</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>eight (8) points</u>
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		<p>5.11. Junior Handlers' Competition: Open to any Child and/or Junior Handler resident as per Regulation 3.1. of this Schedule, who has placed (1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th) at [any All-Breeds] All-breeds Championship or Non-championship [Open] Shows, i.e. Speciality, Group and All-breeds, held by a member club of D.O.G.S.P.C. DOGSPC under a KUSA licence [during the period 1 November of the preceding year up to and including 31 October in the year in which the competition is held.] in the previous calendar year.</p> <p>6. DATE OF THE COMPETITION [The Competition will be held on a date and at a venue to be decided by the organisers but not earlier than 31st October and not later than 31st December in any one (1) year.] The Competition will be held on a date and at a venue to be decided by the organisers but not earlier than 7 January and not later than the 15 March in the year directly following the qualifying calendar year preceding these dates.</p> <p>7.1.1. [There shall be a minimum of Two Judges and one Referee for the Breed Competition.]</p> <p>7.1.[2]1. The Top one hundred and twenty (120) [E]xhibits qualifying will be notified by the Organising Committee of their qualification, [in writing] by email.</p> <p>7.1.[3]2. The one hundred and twenty (120) [E]xhibits will be split by means of a random draw into four (4) [4] groups of thirty (30) [30] exhibits each. For the [benefit] sake of [clear] sound administration, the draw shall be undertaken by the [Show Secretary or a person nominated by the presiding Committee] DOGSPC Chairman or Vice-Chairman prior to the show date, but after the closing date. These lists will be [catalogued] publicised on various social media platforms prior to the event and displayed at the S[s]how venue.</p> <p>7.1.[4]3. From each Group of thirty (30) [30] exhibits, the nominated Judge will choose eight (8) [8] exhibits, unplaced, to go forward to the next round.</p> <p>7.1.[5]4. The thirty-two (32) [32] exhibits qualifying for the 2nd round will then be drawn, one against the other, in a knockout competition. Similarly, the remaining sixteen (16) [16] for the 3rd [R]ound and the remaining eight (8) [8] for the 4th round, until four (4) [4] [E]xhibits remain. These four (4) [4] exhibits will be judged and placed [4st to 4th] 1st and 2nd.</p> <p>7.2.1. [There shall be a minimum of Two Judges and One Referee for the Puppy Breed Competition.]</p> <p>7.2.[2]1. The Top fifty (50) [E]xhibits qualifying will be notified by the Organising Committee of their qualification, [in writing] by email.</p> <p>7.2.[3]2. The fifty (50) [E]xhibits will be split by means of a random draw into two (2) [2] groups of twenty-five (25) [25] exhibits each. For the [benefit] sake of [clear] sound administration, the draw shall be undertaken by the [Show Secretary, or a person nominated by the presiding Committee] DOGSPC Chairman or Vice-Chairman prior to the [s]Show date, but after the closing date. These lists will be [catalogued] publicised on various social media platforms prior to the event and displayed at the S[s]how venue.</p> <p>7.2.[4]3. From each Group of twenty-five (25) [25] exhibits, the nominated Judge will choose eight (8) [8] exhibits, unplaced, to go forward to the next round.</p>
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	13.3.2	<p>Arrangements for the KUSA Showdog of the Year Awards Ceremony 2024/2025 and the Future.</p> <p>The first Show to be taken into account for the 2025/2026 Awards would be held in Durban on 5 July 2025 (Highway Kennel Club).</p>

			<p>For discussion & confirmation.</p> <p>The Chairman informed the Federal Council that the only time available to host the Showdog of the Year Awards Ceremony over the weekend of the cluster of All-breeds, Group and Specialist Shows referred to as PetExpo, would be during the early morning of Friday, 18 July 2025. The scheduling of the Awards Ceremony was complicated by the number of Specialist Shows holding their Shows in conjunction with the All-breeds Shows and the fact that Judges would be on grounds throughout the weekend.</p> <p>In terms of scheduling, it was proposed that the dogs should be assembled at 07.45 for the Presentation Ceremony to commence at 08.00 sharp in the Main Ring. That would leave one hour for the Awards to be presented to the winners before the commencement of judging in the Main Ring. The Main Ring would be appropriately KUSA-branded for the Awards Ceremony and, to expedite matters, a photo booth would be provided for the taking of photographs by the designated photographer, NR. The initial photography would be for the purpose of populating the KUSA website and KUSA social media platforms but, thereafter, the photo booth would continue to be available to the winners for additional photography by NR and others.</p> <p>A red carpet has been hired from MPR Hiring to provide a fitting entry into the Main Ring for the dogs honoured on the day. On a question from NR, JH confirmed that only the KUSA logo should be imbedded in the official photographs.</p> <p>MA enquired whether it was the intention to host the KUSA Showdog of the Year Awards Ceremony over the "PetExpo" Weekend every year in future. JH said that nothing of this nature had been decided and that the timing and format of future Award Ceremonies still needed to be discussed and decided by the Federal Council. What has become apparent over the past few years, is that the presentation of the Awards in, for instance a restaurant, had proved neither desirable, nor viable.</p> <p>JH assured Fedco that the cash prizes and framed mementos to be awarded to the winners had been arranged and that the invitations were ready to be despatched early the following week.</p> <p>Noted, with thanks to JH and NR and others involved.</p>
14			MATTERS PERTAINING TO COMPANION EVENTS – SCHEDULE 11 + (A, B & C)
	14.1		Schedule 11(A) – Regulations for Canine Good Citizen (CGC)
		14.1.1	<p>Report from the KUSA Office</p> <p>[Note: Since the CGC Sub-Committee recently started reporting to Exco, it was no longer necessary to reflect the expectation of a KUSA Office Report on future Fedco Agendas. The main Agenda Item (14.1 on this Agenda) should, however, be carried through to future Agendas.]</p> <p>Noted.</p>
	14.2		Schedule 11(B) – Regulations for Scent Work
		14.2.1	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 11(B) – Regulations for Scent Work</p> <p>Submitted by the Scent Work Task Team.</p> <p>Proposal:</p> <p>The previous Schedule was unworkable in terms of qualifications of Judges, excessive titles, lack of conformity to KUSA terminology and structures and compliance with Schedules 03 and 04. The Task Team worked closely with the KUSA Office to address all the shortcomings and believed that this replacement Schedule would enable the sport to be implemented within the KUSA structures.</p>

			<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 11(B):</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> and deletions in [struck through square brackets].</p> <p>Refer to the <i>attached</i> Schedule.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from RJ, seconded by CC, the proposed replacement Schedule 11B was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025.</p>
	14.3		Schedule 11(C) – Regulations for Trick Dog
		14.3.1	<p>Report from the KUSA Office</p> <p><i>Trick Dog continued to attract new participants and to date a total of 1291 titles have been awarded across all levels. Although Border Collies still dominate participation numbers, more titles have been earned by non-Border Collies, than not, proving the sport's wide appeal.</i></p>  <p><i>Four Speciality events were run in 2024. These non-titling events allowed participants to put their creativity to good use and, in total, 114 titles were awarded.</i></p> <p><i>We were sad to say goodbye to Evaluator, Caroline Howes, who returned to the USA, but thank her for her contributions over the years.</i></p> <p><i>We have had submissions from dogs in Namibia, Botswana and the USA and heard that a submission from China was on the way. All these dogs reside in different countries for various reasons, they are all registered with KUSA.</i></p> <p><i>As the sport grows, the need for a new structure is under discussion to ensure that the sport runs in an efficient and streamlined manner. Talks include a Sub-Committee representing the whole country and aligning entries with ShowAssist. Some rule-changes are also under discussion for presentation at a later Fedco meeting.</i></p> <p><i>We thank KUSA for its support of this virtual Dogsport which, we believe, has proven its worth.</i></p> <p><i>Thank you to all the Evaluators who continue to give of their time. And a special thanks to all the participants for making Trick Dog the success it is.</i></p>

			For noting. Noted.
15			MATTERS RELATED TO BREED JUDGING
	15.1		The Judges Education Council (JEC)
		15.1.1	Report by the Chairman of the JEC MV presented his report. Noted. [Note: The Chairman stated her intention to prompt the requisitioning of a Special Meeting of the Federal Council on Monday, 25 August 2025 , to discuss mainly issues related to the JEC, including the restructuring of the KUSA Breed Judges' Learning Programme.]
	15.2		Proposed updates to the Judges Education Council (JEC) Constitution
	15.3		Matters relating to Schedule 10 – Breed Judges' Learning Programme
		15.3.1	Proposed amendment to Schedule 10 Regulation 9.2.4 [Note: Refer to Item 10.2.2, the Companion Proposal, i.e. Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Regulation 22: Submitted by KUSA Executive Committee. Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> <u>9.2.4.4 If the Judge is of the opinion that none of the exhibits eligible for any Best Class in Breed award is worthy of the award, he/she may withhold it.</u> For decision. On a proposal from MA, seconded by NR , the proposed insertion of a new Regulation 9.2.4.4 into Schedule 10 was approved, unanimously . Effective 01.10.2025.
		15.3.2	Proposed amendments to Schedule 10 – Regulations for the KUSA Breed Judges' Learning Programme: Proposed by the Judges Education Council. [Note: Refer to the Principal Proposal and Motivation under Item 7.1.1 (Proposed amendment to Article 25.2 – Unbroken Membership of Judges). This Item should be considered in conjunction with the Companion Proposals under Items 3.6.3 (Proposed amendment to Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees), 7.1.1 (Proposed amendment to Article 25.2 – Unbroken Membership of Judges), & Item 16.2 (Proposed amendment to Schedule 09 Appendix “B” – Code of Conduct for Judges licensed by KUSA)] Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u> 6 FOREIGN JUDGES IMMIGRATING TO SOUTH AFRICA <u>AND KUSA-LICENSED JUDGES WHO HAVE EMIGRATED TO OTHER COUNTRIES</u> 6.1 Foreign judges coming to reside in the Kennel Union area of jurisdiction will be approved as follows: 6.1.1 He/she will be required to pass the Kennel Union examination on KUSA Regulations.

			<p>6.1.2 CCs (Challenge Certificates), (CACs) or FCI-C.A.C.I.B.®s that have been awarded for breeds or Groups in their previous country of residence will automatically be accepted in South Africa.</p> <p>6.1.3 He/she will be required to register for the Learning Programme for any other breeds or Groups not covered by 6.1.2. above.</p> <p><u>6.2 KUSA-licensed Judges who have emigrated to another country who, for whatever reason, are obliged to obtain clearance from KUSA to judge at Championship Shows in other countries, if their KUSA membership had lapsed after emigrating, shall be required to re-join KUSA as a member before such clearance may be granted. Membership Fees on re-joining KUSA shall comprise the current (at the time of application) Election Fee and the 12-month Subscription Fee applicable to judges during their first five (5) years of membership, as per Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees. Unbroken membership of KUSA shall thereafter be maintained for as long as the Judge remains obligated to secure KUSA-clearance for foreign judging assignments.</u></p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from MV, seconded by JH, the proposed amendments to Schedule 10 were approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025, but may be implemented upon publication of these Minutes.</p>
		15.3.3	<p>Proposed amendment to Schedule 09 Appendix “B” – Code of Conduct for Judges licensed by the Kennel Union of Southern Africa (KUSA):</p> <p>Proposed by the Judges Education Council.</p> <p>[Note: Refer to the Proposal under Item 16.2]</p>
		15.3.4	Schedule 10 Appendix 1 – Group Course
		15.3.5	Schedule 10 Appendix 2 – Junior Showmanship Course
		15.3.6	Schedule 10 Appendix 3 – Breed Specialisation Course
	15.4		Matters relating to Dogsport Judges
16			MATTERS RELATING TO THE CODE OF ETHICS – SCHEDULE 09
	16.1		<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 09 – Code of Ethics</p> <p>Submitted by the KUSA Secretary on behalf of the KUSA Office.</p> <p>Motivation: KUSA has recently been alerted to the third instance of a dog (puppy) being offered as a prize in a raffle or competition, an unacceptable practice which is not specifically covered under Section 4 of the above Code, ETHICAL BEHAVIOUR OF KUSA MEMBERS AS BREEDERS.</p> <p>Insertions in underlined bold type and deletions in [struck through square brackets]</p> <p>4.25 not sell a dog to a commercial pet trader or pet shop;</p> <p><u>4.26 not offer a dog as a prize in a raffle or any form of competition;</u></p> <p>[Note: Current clauses 4.26 – 4.30 to be sequentially renumbered as Clauses 4.27 – 4.31.]</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from NR, seconded by CP, the proposed insertion of a new Regulation 4.26 into Schedule 09, with sequential renumbering, was approved, unanimously.</p>

			Effective 01.10.2025.
	16.2		<p>Proposed amendment to Schedule 09 Appendix “B” – Code of Conduct for Judges licensed by the Kennel Union of Southern Africa (KUSA):</p> <p>Submitted by the Judges Education Council.</p> <p>[Note: Refer to the Principal Proposal and Motivation under Item 7.1.1 (Proposed amendment to Article 25.2 – Unbroken Membership of Judges). This Item should be considered in conjunction with the Companion Proposals under Items 3.6.3 (Proposed amendment to Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees), 7.1.1 (Proposed amendment to Article 25.2 – Unbroken Membership of Judges) & Item 15.3.2 (Proposed amendments to Schedule 10 – Regulations for the KUSA Breed Judges’ Learning Programme)]</p> <p>Insertions in <u>underlined bold type</u></p> <p>1.1 <u>Save for the concession granted under Schedule 10 Regulation 6.2 to KUSA-licensed Judges who had relocated to other countries.</u> Judges or Evaluators shall maintain continuous and unbroken membership of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa throughout their judging or evaluating career as contemplated in Article 25.2 of the Kennel Union Constitution.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from MV, seconded by JH, the proposed amendment to Regulation 1.1 of Schedule 09 Appendix “B” was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2025, but may be implemented upon publication of these Minutes.</p>
17			MATTERS RELATED TO BREED/LIAISON COUNCILS
	17.1		Rottweiler Breed Council of KUSA (RBC)
		17.1.1	Report was presented at Fedco 12-2024 and the next report would be due at Fedco 12-2025, or Fedco 06-2026, depending on the timing of the RBC’s AGM.
		17.1.2	Schedule 05E(18) – Regulations for the South African Rottweiler Sieger Show
		17.1.3	Schedule 05E(21) – Regulations for Rottweiler Specialist Championship Shows
		17.1.4	<p>Proposed amendments to Schedule 02 Regulation 3</p> <p>[Note: Refer to the proposal under Item 9.4.1 to amend Schedule 02 Regulation 3 – Registration of an Imported Dog]</p>
	17.2		Federation of Boxer Clubs of SA Breed Council (FBCSA BC)
		17.2.1	Report to be presented at Fedco 12-2025.
	17.3		German Shepherd Dog Liaison Council (GSDLC)
		17.3.1	Report to be presented at Fedco 12-2025.
18			MATTERS RELATING TO NATIONAL SUB-COMMITTEES
19			MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE CHAIRMAN
	19.1		<p>German Shepherd Dog Federation of South Africa (GSDFA) vs Department of Agriculture (formerly Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development) and Others</p> <p>Update from the Chairman of the Federal Council.</p> <p>In disclosing the latest developments to the Federal Council, the Chairman provided extensive context and background for new Federal Councillors. Thereafter, she screen-shared the latest communication from Webber Wentzel and was pleased that the end of the legal wrangling was at least in sight.</p>

			Discussed at length and noted.
	19.2		Further Items brought forward by the Chairman
		19.2.1	<p>Ratification of Fedco round robin – 14.05.2025 – Wi-Fi & Telecommunications allowance for the KUSA Legal Adviser</p> <p>Given his duties and responsibilities as the in-house Legal Adviser to KUSA on a voluntary <i>pro bono</i> basis, Fedco approved, by round robin, the reinstatement, with retrospective effect, of the Wi-Fi and Telecommunication allowance, previously disbursed to Brig Gen (retd.) NJ du Preez as a Provincial Council Chairman and Federal Councillor.</p> <p>For ratification.</p> <p>On a proposal from LT, seconded by NR, the reinstatement of the allowance payable to Brig Gen (retd.) NJ du Preez, as approved by Fedco round robin, was ratified, unanimously.</p> <p>Effective 16.05.2025 (confirmation of round robin), retrospectively.</p>
		19.2.2	<p>Rhodesian Ridgeback Breed Standard – FCI Approval</p> <p>The Chairman informed the Federal Council that, after a protracted period of negotiation with the FCI, the welcome news had been received that the FCI's General Committee had accepted the Breed Standard for the Rhodesian Ridgeback, as proposed by KUSA. This Breed Standard definitively rules out the acceptability of ridgeless dogs in the showing by listing the absence of a ridge as a Disqualifying Fault, and incorrect crowns on the ridge as a Fault.</p> <p>Discussed at length and noted.</p>
		19.2.3	<p>Junior Showmanship – National Initiative</p> <p>[Note: Refer to Item 5.1]</p> <p>The Chairman opened the floor for discussion.</p> <p>As the Fedco Portfolio-holder for Junior Handling, NR said that, although her portfolio and that of the Representative of the FCI's Non-mandatory Commission for Youth should not be conflated, she nevertheless believed that both appointees should work together for the advancement of Junior Showmanship in South Africa. In this regard, she was of the view that the FCI's Commission, having declined into dormancy, as explained under Item 5.1, did not preclude the Federal Council from demonstrating its support for Junior Showmanship on a National level and promoting the establishment thereof as a form of Dogsport under KUSA.</p> <p>After further discussion, during which the possibility of establishing Provincial Sub-Committees for Junior Showmanship and, ultimately, a National Sub-Committee, was explored, the Chairman elicited the opinion of all the Federal Councillors on this concept. The members of Fedco all signalled their approval for Sub-Committees for Junior Showmanship (under whichever appellation the organisers decide) to be established in the various Provincial Councils and, once three Provincial Sub-Committees were in place, the formation of a National body, with a Convener elected from their number. If all went according to plan, NR foresaw the criterion of three Provincial Sub-Committees being achieved still within the current year, which should make the tabling of a proposal to approve a National Sub-Committee possible at Fedco 12-2025.</p> <p>NR offered her assistance to draft a letter to Provincial Councils to launch the proposed initiative, in which they would be urged to establish Sub-Committees for Junior</p>

			<p>Showmanship. It would be prudent to send the letters ahead of the Provincial Councils' AGMs, in sufficient time to afford them the opportunity to get the Sub-Committees in place in time for their AGMs to be held before the end of October. Early August would, conceivably, be the appropriate time for the despatch of the letters.</p> <p>With all in agreement, the Chairman requested NR to also draft proposed Bylaws for the Provincial Council Sub-Committees for Junior Showmanship, which she undertook to do in consultation with PM and JH.</p> <p>Discussions concluded with a word of thanks from the Chairman to the Provincial Councillors for their creative thinking and enthusiastic support for this important National initiative.</p>
		19.2.4	<p>KUSA Classic 2025 – Cape Town, 29 May – 1 June 2025</p> <p>The Chairman informed the Federal Council that, although she hadn't been able to be present at the KUSA Classic 2025, she had watched the livestreaming of the main events and was suitably impressed. The reports she had subsequently received, were universally positive. She congratulated the Organising Committee of the KUSA Classic 2025 on its stellar achievement.</p> <p>With the permission of the Federal Council, the Chairman expressed her intention to place this item on the Agenda for the Special Meeting of the Federal Council, scheduled for 24 July 2025, to receive the report of the Chairman of the Organising Committee, LT. This deferment would give LT and the KUSA Office time to harmonise their financial records, hopefully thereby to present the Federal Council with the final financial results.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
20			<p>DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS</p> <p>Fedco 12-2025</p> <p><i>With the crowded end-of-year calendars of Fedco members, the Chairman had appealed to the Chairman of the WCPC for her Provincial Council to move its annual Cape Top Dog event to Saturday, 29 November 2025 (the same date as KZN Top Dog), to free up the three-day period of Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 5, 6 & 7 December 2025, for Fedco 12-2025. LT confirmed that the WCPC had agreed to the move.</i></p> <p>Further discussion ensued and, in consideration of the difficulty experienced by some Federal Councillors in full-time employment in making themselves available for the full day on a Friday, consideration was given, instead, to starting the meeting on a Saturday, continuing on Sunday, and leaving Monday as the overflow day (which is invariably not required). There was general support for this idea, and all declared themselves in favour of rescheduling the meeting for:</p> <p>Saturday, Sunday & Monday, 6, 7 & 8 December 2025.</p> <p>The Chairman declared the above dates as confirmed and final.</p> <p>Fedco 06-2026</p> <p>Proposed dates:</p> <p><i>Provisional dates: Friday to Sunday, 26 – 28 June 2026.</i></p> <p>The Chairman informed the Federal Council that the above dates coincided with the JEC examinations, which made it difficult to find computer-savvy officials to act as invigilators in</p>

		<p>the various centres. Options on either side of the scheduled dates were explored, but were found to be impracticable for various reasons.</p> <p>With alternative dates proving elusive, there was no option but to urge the JEC to make timeous arrangements with invigilators and for the scheduled weekend to remain, except for starting on Saturday and ending on Monday. The dates for Fedco 06-2026 were therefore confirmed as:</p> <p>Saturday, Sunday & Monday, 27, 28 & 29 June 2026.</p> <p>Fedco 12-2026</p> <p>Provisional dates:</p> <p>Saturday – Monday, 5 – 7 December 2026</p> <p>LT said that, should the above dates stand, and future Fedco meetings continue on the equivalent weekend, the WCPC would need to permanently move the date for Cape Top Dog to the Saturday preceding the Fedco meeting which, in 2026, would be on Saturday, 28 November 2026. She undertook to consult with MA and revert to the KUSA Office regarding the permanent date change as soon as possible.</p> <p>The provisional Fedco 12-2026 dates be confirmed by LT after consultation with the WCPC.</p>
21		<p>CLOSING</p> <p>There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting at 12.00. NR extended her thanks to the Chair, echoed by all.</p>