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PART III – CONFORMATION JUDGES EDUCATION PROGRAM

This Program is designed to assist members to become Championship Show Judges by graduating through specific stages of training applicable to levels known as Aspiring Judge and Trainee Judge.

1. Terminology

- 1.1 Member Body:** DOGS NSW
- 1.2 ANKC:** Australian National Kennel Council Ltd
- 1.3 CJTC:** Conformation Judges Training Committee
- 1.4 CJEC:** Conformation Judges Examination Committee
- 1.5 Conformation Judges Education Program:** A self education training program for Conformation Judges conducted by DOGS NSW in accordance with these Regulations.
- 1.6 Enrolment Form:** A form approved by the Member Body to be completed by the Aspiring and/or Trainee Judge which clearly indicates the date and time that the enrolment form is to be in the hands of the Member Body as well as the applicable enrolment fee.
- 1.7 Aspiring Judge:** A person accepted into the Conformation Judges Education Program, for their 1st Group, but not yet qualified to judge the relevant Breeds or Groups at any fixture.
- 1.8 Trainee Judge:** A person having fulfilled the Aspiring Judges syllabus and passed the relevant examinations is qualified to enter the Trainee Judges phase of the Conformation Judges Education Program.
- 1.9 ANKC Championship Show Judge:** A person who has successfully completed the required Trainee Judge Theory and Practical Examinations may then judge individual breeds and/or one or more Groups for which they are qualified at Championship Shows conducted anywhere in Australia and Overseas.
- 1.10 Accredited Assessor:** A person licensed for a minimum of 5 years as a Judge by ANKC who complies with Section 8 of these Regulations and must hold a Certificate of Approval issued under the ANKC Accreditation Program stating that the Assessor has completed the competency training.
- 1.11 Mentor:** An ANKC Championship Show Judge who has completed the ANKC Assessor Accreditation Program as outlined in Section 8.1 of these Regulations.
- 1.12 Learning modules:** (Refer 6.1.1, 6.1.2, 6.1.3 6.1.4 and 6.1.5)
- 1.13 Clerk of Examinations:** A person approved by the Member Body to oversee all aspects of the Practical Examinations.
- 1.14 Distance Trainee:** Trainee Judges who are considered by a Member Body CJTC to reside a distance from the normal venue for lectures and Theory Examinations, that would pose a travelling risk, may apply to study through distance training. (Refer 6.1.5)

2. Method of Education

2.1 Self Education. Trainee Judges will be required to educate themselves to examination standards by studying Breed Standards, ANKC approved Breed Standard Extensions, the ANKC Glossary of Canine Terms and other appropriate material, researching breeds and presenting their findings, attending appropriate Lectures, Seminars and Field Events as arranged by the Member Body CJTC, writing critiques, visiting kennels, discussing breeds with breeders and exhibitors, attending Group and Breed Championship Shows, thereby acquiring as wide and as sound a knowledge as possible of the breed, or breeds in the relevant Group. Education and Examinations will incorporate the principles of Competency Based Training and accreditation of Assessors.

(a) The competencies, which Trainees will be expected to achieve through the Program are:-

- Demonstrate a knowledge and understanding of the Breed Standards.
- Ability to identify characteristics in relation to the Breeds for the Group in which they are a Trainee.
- Ability to recognise soundness in relation to the Breeds for the Group in which they are a Trainee.
- Ability to use Breed specific language and apply it correctly in their description of the Breeds for the Group in which they are a Trainee.
- Ability to approach and examine the exhibits correctly and appropriately for the Breeds for the Group in which they are a Trainee.
- Ability to place the better dogs at the front of the class in the Breeds for the Group in which they are a Trainee.
- Demonstrate control, organisation and effective use of the judging ring.
- Demonstrate an ability to make decisions in an effective way and in an efficient time frame.
- Demonstrate a practical knowledge of stewarding.
- Demonstrate an ability to understand and apply the Regulations relevant to dog judging.

2.2 State Controlling Body Contribution. The Member Body shall assist by providing Lectures, Field Events, equipment, teaching aids and examinations.

2.3 Record Keeping. Trainee Judges shall maintain their own records and submit signed originals of the applicable records when applying for a Practical Examination.

3. Teaching Aids and Materials

3.1 Rules and Regulations: DOGS NSW Regulations Part III

3.2 Anatomy: The publication/s approved by the ANKC shall be the references for Anatomy.

3.3 Canine Terms: The Glossary of Terms as published by the ANKC.

3.4 Breed Standards as approved by the ANKC.

3.5 Extensions to Breed Standards as approved by the ANKC, where available must form the basis of all lectures, but must not be used as the basis in Theory examinations, excepting for a Single Breed Theory Examination.

3.6 Any other material as authorised by the ANKC from time to time.

4. Aspiring Judges Entrance Program

4.1 Aspiring Judges Entrance Program (1st Group or Single Breed)

To enrol in the Program as an Aspiring Judge, a member must fulfill the following criteria:-

4.1.1 be 18 years of age or over.

4.1.2 Have been a member of an ANKC Member Body for a minimum of eight (8) years during the ten (10) years immediately prior to the date of the application.

4.1.3 Have bred at least three (3) litters under their own or shared Prefix.

4.1.4 Have bred at least two (2) champions under their own or shared Prefix.

4.1.5 (a) Where a Member Body requires formal training to become a Steward, a member must successfully complete that training in the two (2) years prior to applying to become an Aspiring Judge and continue with that training whilst in the Aspiring Judges Program.

(b) Aspiring Judges must supply a DOGS NSW Stewards Card evidencing that they have completed six Stewarding appointments at 6 separate shows within the two (2) preceding years, four (4) of which must be full Group appointments.

4.1.6 (a) In the previous two years prior to enrolling, have successfully completed and have demonstrated a history of ongoing commitment to dog showing through the various aspects of the sport such as Show Management and other aspects of Affiliate and Show Administration. This commitment is to continue for the duration of training.

(b) Must have successfully completed the DOGS NSW Members Education Course.

4.1.7 Complete and submit the approved enrolment form which must include evidence of the criteria of 4.1.1–4.1.6, above, and be accompanied by the prescribed fee.

4.1.8 Aspiring Judges must enroll in the Group that they have been associated with as their first Group.

4.2 Aspiring Judges Entrance Program (German Shepherd Dog as approved by GSDCA)

To enroll in the Program as an Aspiring Judge for the German Shepherd Dog, a member must fulfill the following criteria:-

- 4.2.1** be 18 years of age or over.
- 4.2.2** Have been a member of an ANKC Member Body for a minimum of eight (8) years during the ten (10) years immediately prior to the date of the application.
- 4.2.3** Have bred at least five (5) litters under their own or shared Prefix.
- 4.2.4** Have bred at least five (5) animals under their own or shared Prefix that have received the GSDCA grading of Excellent in the conformation ring.
- 4.2.5** Have acted as a Steward on at least three (3) occasions at GSDCA Specialist and or “All Breeds” or “Group” judged events.
- 4.2.6** The applicant will provide a supporting statement from their Club/s of domicile. This should include details of their involvement in the GSDCA Member Club. The information that must be detailed and confirmed by the Club will be but is not limited to:-
 - 1. Current financial member of a Member Body and GSDCA Member Club.
 - 2. Years of membership of Club and Member Body.
 - 3. History of involvement both current and past in Club, ie, ALL positions held including length of time served in that position.The supporting statement shall accompany the application form.
- 4.2.7** Complete and submit the approved enrolment form which must include evidence of the criteria of 4.2.1–4.2.6, above, and be accompanied by the prescribed fee. A copy of this enrolment form and supporting evidence should be forwarded to the GSDCA by the applicant.

5. Aspiring Judges Training Program

- 5.1** Once accepted into the Program, the applicant must attend all lectures and pass the Theory Examination on Rules & Regulations, Anatomy, Glossary of Terms, Judging Procedure and Show Management.
- 5.2** Successful completion of the training will qualify the Aspiring Judge to complete and submit the approved enrolment form, with the appropriate fee, for the Group Entrance Theory Examination on Breeds in the Group for which they are training. There shall be no more than one (1) Group Entrance Examination per training program for Aspiring Judges.
- 5.3** A pass in the Group Entrance Theory Examination for their first Group will enable the Aspiring Judge to apply to enroll in the Conformation Judges Education Program. There are no Group Entrance Examinations for subsequent Groups.

6. Trainee Judges Program (1st and Subsequent Groups)

6.1 A Trainee Judge acknowledges, upon submitting a signed enrolment form to their Member Body to enroll into a new Conformation Judges Education Program that, upon approval of their application by their Member Body, they are governed by the DOGS NSW Regulations Part III operational at the time of their enrolment.

- (a) To qualify for the four Sub Group Theory Examinations in their first and subsequent Groups, the Trainee Judge must have submitted the enrolment form "Trainee Judges Application (Group and Single Breed) - Module 1 & Theory Examination" together with the prescribed fee and have met all of the requirements of Module 1 below for each Sub Group.
- (b) To qualify for a Group Practical Examination in their first and subsequent Groups, the Trainee Judge must have attained an overall pass in the Group Theory Examinations as detailed in Section 9, completed Modules 2 and 3, have submitted an application to sit the Practical Examination and paid the appropriate fee.
- (c) A Trainee Judge can only enrol in one (1) Group Theory Examination per Conformation Judges Education Program and may only undertake one (1) Group Practical Examination per Conformation Judges Education Program.
- (d) A Trainee Judge shall not be permitted to attempt more than one (1) Group Theory Examination in any Conformation Judges Education Program.
- (e) A Trainee Judge shall not be permitted to attempt more than one (1) Group Practical Examination in any Conformation Judges Education Program.

6.1.1 Module 1. Breed Lectures / Field Events / Seminars

With the exception of Distance Trainee Judges (6.1.5), Trainee Judges must attend a lecture on every breed within the time frame of the current training program. Trainee Judges are encouraged to attend any Field Days and Seminars arranged by the Member Body CJTC.

The breed lecture series is to be run by the Member Body CJTC over a **minimum** 12 months period with a lecture for every breed in the Group to be presented over that time.

- (a) A Trainee Judge must be present for and participate in the entire lecture in order to be credited with attendance.
- (b) Should a Trainee Judge miss any Breed Lecture, they must, within 7 days of the lecture, submit to the Member Body Group Co-ordinator, a minimum one thousand (1,000) word essay on the Breeds dealt with at the missed lectures. A Trainee Judge must attend **both** 75% of breed lectures and Field Nights offered by the Member Body. Essays will only be accepted on a maximum of 25% of the breeds within the Group.

- (c) In the event that a lecture for a breed is not offered, a written essay of a minimum one thousand words (1,000) on that breed will be required and is to be submitted within 7 (seven) days of the date of the scheduled breed lecture.
- (d) Essays are to contain a history, a description of the breed, its purpose and all relevant requirements contained within the Breed Standard. It is to be supported with drawings and/or pictures. The standard of essays must comply with Section 7.1.2.

Failure to submit the essays in accordance with 6.1.1(b), (c) & (d) will render the Trainee ineligible to sit the Sub-Group Theory Examinations in the current training program.

6.1.2 Module 2. Practical Experience

All Trainee Judges must:-

- 6.1.2.1 Judge a minimum of fifty (50) dogs. **Breeds judged must be from as wide a range as possible.** Judging may be in the form of hands on experience by placing dogs at Open Shows, Sweepstakes or Field Days/Nights, but not at Breed Lectures.
- 6.1.2.2 Examine and critique fifty (50) dogs from the relevant Group. The breeds critiqued must be from as wide a range as possible, but **MUST** include at least five (5) critiques from each of the five (5) Major Breeds as determined by the Member Body CJTC. This may be achieved by attending field days or shows. All critiques are to be countersigned by a licenced Judge for that breed who have, themselves, examined the dogs being critiqued.
- 6.1.2.3 All Trainee Judges shall commence completing written critiques at the conclusion of each Sub Group.

All hands on examinations and written critiques must be executed and dated within the time frame of the Conformation Judges Education Program in which the Trainee Judge is currently enrolled.

6.1.3 Module 3. Breed Specialty Show

All Trainee Judges are to attend a minimum of one (1) Breed Specialty Show for the Group. A written critique on five (5) dogs examined at the event is to be submitted to the Member Body within fourteen (14) days of the event. The critiques are to be countersigned by a licensed Judge for that Group present on the day. These five (5) critiques are in addition to the fifty (50) required in Section 6.1.2.2, above.

- 6.1.4** Failure to complete any components of Modules 2 & 3 will render the Trainee Judge ineligible for the Practical Examination in the current training program.

- 6.1.5 DISTANCE TRAINEES.** *Trainee Judges who are considered by the Member Body CJTC to reside a distance from the normal venue for Lectures and Theory Examinations, that would pose a travelling risk, may apply to study through "Distance Training". This would involve a minimum one thousand (1000) word essay, as set in 6.1.1, submitted within 7 days as a substitute for any lecture not attended.*

Approved Distance Trainees where necessary, may complete the critiques as required in 6.1.2 by downloading photos of dogs from the internet/publications and have them signed off by a licenced Judge.

Distance Trainees may sit the four (4) Sub Group Theory Examinations at an alternative location (other than a private residence) and with a suitably qualified Supervisor, both of which must be approved by the Member Body.

Distance Trainees are not required to attend Field Nights as required in accordance with 6.1.1(b), but may still choose to attend. (4/17)

Distance Trainees must also attend, during the program in which they are enrolled a minimum of one (1) Specialty Show and critique five (5) dogs at that show in accordance with 6.1.3.

7. Single Breed Training Program

- 7.1** To enroll in the Single Breed Training Program, an Aspiring Judge must:-

7.1.1 Comply with Regulation 5.1, above.

7.1.2 Submit a minimum of a one thousand (1,000) word illustrated essay on the relevant breed and attend the breed lecture in the year of applying for the Theory Examination after being ratified by the Member Body. The essay is subject to approval of the CJTC as conforming with the conditions of this clause and achieving the required level of competency.

7.1.3 Where conducted, attend (at the discretion of the Member Body) the Breed Club's Open and Championship Show, the Group Club's Open and Championship Show and the breed judging at an approved major Show, ie, Sydney Royal Show or the DOGS NSW Spring Fair Dog Show. A written critique on five (5) dogs examined at the event is to be submitted to the Member Body within 14 days of each event. The critiques are to be countersigned by a licenced Judge who examined the breed and was present on the day.

7.1.4 To qualify for a Single Breed Theory Examination, the Trainee Judge must have completed and met the requirements of 7.1.2, above, and have submitted an enrolment form with the appropriate fee.

7.1.5 To qualify for a Single Breed Practical Examination, the Trainee Judge must have attained a pass in the Single Breed Theory Examination and have submitted an application to sit the Practical Examination.

- 7.2** Unless otherwise determined, at the discretion of the Member Body, a Practical Examination for a Single Breed Licence shall consist of one (1) class of five (5) dogs over the age of six (6) months, and one (1) class of five (5) bitches over the age of six (6) months and the Trainee Judge will be required to place the classes and select a Best of Breed and a Runner Up to Best of Breed. The Trainee must not be examined on dogs they own or co-own. Single Breed Practical Examinations will be conducted using the three (3) same Assessors for both dogs and bitches, Best of Breed and Runner Up Best of Breed.
- 7.3** Upon passing the Single Breed Practical Examination, the Trainee Judge shall be listed as an ANKC Championship Show Judge for that breed.
- 7.4** Where a Trainee Judge fails a Single Breed Practical Examination, to be eligible to undertake the next available Practical Examination they must submit a further five (5) written critiques on the breed, an application to sit the Practical Examination and pay the required fee.
- 7.5** A Trainee Judge may only undertake one (1) Single Breed Practical Examination per Conformation Judge Education Program.
- 8. Appointment of Assessors.**
To be appointed by the Conformation Judges Examinations Committee, an Assessor must not be a Trainee Judge in the current training program and must:-
- 8.1** Have judged the Group or Breed being used in the examination on at least three (3) occasions.
- 9. Theory Examinations**
Theory Examinations must be undertaken at a venue nominated by the Member Body CJEC and be supervised by the Clerk of Examinations.
- 9.1** All Group/Breed Theory Examinations shall consist only of “short answer” and/or “multi choice” questions. Except for multi choice question examinations, where one (1) examiner is required, there shall be at least two (2) examiners appointed to separately mark the papers, without conferring. The results shall be separately forwarded to the Chairperson of the Member Body’s CJEC. In the case of a split decision (equal pass and fail) an additional examiner shall mark the papers and that mark shall decide the result.
- 9.2** The Group Theory Examination will consist of four (4) Sub Group papers. To obtain an overall pass in the Group Theory Examination, a Trainee Judge must obtain a 75% aggregate pass over the four (4) Sub Groups and must also attain a minimum of 75% pass in three (3) of the four (4) Sub Groups to be eligible to continue towards a Practical Examination. All Trainee Judges will be required to sit the four (4) Sub Group Theory Examinations. The ANKC Breed Standards shall be the only basis for the Group Theory Examinations EXCEPT for Single Breed Aspirants where the ANKC Extended Breed Standards may be used.
- 9.3** A Trainee Judge who has failed a Theory Examination (other than multi choice) may request a remark of their paper. Such requests are to be in writing within fourteen (14) days of advice of the result of the paper. Two (2) Examiners appointed by the Chairman of the Member Body CJEC to separately remark the paper. The Examiners shall not be the original markers of the paper concerned.

- 9.4** Should a Trainee Judge not attain an overall pass in the Group Theory Examination, to progress they will be required to enroll in the next available or other future Conformation Judges Education Programs, complete all of the requirements outlined in 6.1.1, above, and sit for all four (4) Sub Group examinations.
- 9.5** A Trainee Judge must successfully complete the Group Theory Examination in the chosen Group before proceeding to a further Group. They must also pass within three (3) attempts. If the previous criteria is not met or achieved, then they may not re-sit the examination for that Group for a period of two (2) years.
- 9.6** All Sub Group Theory Examinations are only to be set by an Accredited Assessor nominated by the Member Body CJEC.
- 9.7** Should a Trainee Judge provide documentation, to the satisfaction of the Member Body CJEC, that they were incapacitated or have a significant reason for their inability to attend on the date of a scheduled Theory Examination, the CJEC may then permit the Trainees Judge to complete a Post Examination at a time to be scheduled by the CJEC.
- 9.8** Should a Trainee Judge provide proof, to the satisfaction of the CJEC of DOGS NSW, that they will be Interstate on the date of the Theory Examination they may then be permitted to sit the Theory Examination in that State on the same date and time as the scheduled Theory Examination. This is to be organised between the relevant State Member Bodies with the initial request being from the Trainee Judge's State CJEC of DOGS NSW.
- 9.9** The Group Theory Examination (as described in 9.2, above), once passed, with an overall 75% aggregate for the four (4) Sub Groups and a pass in three (3) of the four (4) Sub Groups will be held for life.

10. Practical Examinations

- 10.1** Practical Examinations must be undertaken at a venue nominated by the Member Body CJEC and be supervised by the Clerk of Examinations.
- 10.2** There shall be no more than one (1) Practical Examination per Group per training program apart from any new examination conducted as a consequence of 10.9(b), below, or other relevant Member Body Regulation. Trainees may not undertake a Practical Examination for more than one (1) Group per training program. Trainee Judges, once enrolled in the DOGS NSW Conformation Judges Education Program may only undertake a Practical Examination conducted by DOGS NSW except with the consent of DOGS NSW Board of Directors.
- 10.3** The examination shall be conducted on three (3) classes, each class of a different breed and consisting of five (5) dogs over the age of six (6) months, and a fourth mixed class of five (5) different breeds over the age of six (6) months, excluding the three (3) breeds previously used.
- 10.4** A dog owned or co-owned by a member of any Examination Panel shall not be used in an examination class in which that Examiner is participating.

- 10.5** Three (3) Assessors shall be appointed as a Panel for each class in a Practical Examination. They must not be a Trainee Judge in the current training program. After the commencement of the Examination, they shall not confer, on the merits or otherwise, of the dogs presented for examination. Assessors are required to mark the placings of all dogs in a class from first to last on the prescribed form. Trainee Judges are to be encouraged not to spend more than five (5) minutes on each dog, which is the time allocated to examine, move and critique each exhibit.
- 10.6** The Trainee Judge for the breed classes shall place the exhibits in order of merit, record the placings and will be required to answer questions on the class. Group Class, the Trainee Judge shall place Best, Runner Up and Last and will be required to answer questions on the class.
- 10.7** To gain a pass in a class, the Trainee Judge must be passed by at least two (2) of the Assessors. It is not necessary for the Trainee Judge's and Assessors' placings to be the same, but Assessors must consider all aspects of the Trainee Judge's reasons for the placings and whether the Trainee Judge has the better dogs at the front of the class and the poorer at the back. The Assessor must make his/her own independent assessment of Pass or Fail.
- 10.8** Number of Breed Classes
To be granted an overall pass, the Trainee Judge must pass two (2) of the three (3) Breed Classes and the one (1) Group Class.
- 10.9** The results of Practical Examinations shall be collated by the Clerk of Examinations. Trainee Judges will be notified of their results by the Administration of DOGS NSW as soon as possible but no earlier than six (6) working days from the date of the examination. Examiners shall not divulge their individual assessment of a Trainee Judge prior to the results being distributed. Results shall not be given at the time of the Practical Examination.
- (a) In the case of a failed result, should the Clerk of Examinations have any concerns in regard to the inappropriateness of the Practical Examination paperwork or the conduct of the examination, the concerns will be reported to the next available DOGS NSW Management/Board meeting.
- (b) Should DOGS NSW Management/Board concur with the Clerk of Examination's concerns, a new Practical Examination will be conducted for the relevant Trainee Judge.
- 10.10** Where a Trainee Judge believes they have a legitimate reason for not wishing to be examined by particular Assessor/s, they may submit a maximum of two (2) names to the Member Body CJEC of those they do not wish to be examined by, in writing at the time of applying for a Practical Examination. They must set out the reasons for such request. The Member Body CJEC will retain the right to refuse any such request. Any additional costs incurred by the Member Body are to be at the expense of the Trainee Judge.

- 10.11** The Member Body CJEC, when approaching an Assessor to examine Trainee Judges at a Practical Examination, shall advise the Assessor of the names of the potential Trainee Judges and the Assessor shall advise the Member Body, as soon as practicable, if there are any Trainee Judges they do not wish to examine or for whom it would be inappropriate for them to examine due to any contractual or ethical reason.
- 10.12** A Trainee must not travel to or from a Practical Examination with an Assessor/s who has been engaged to assess the Group for which the Trainee will be undertaking a Practical Examination. **(12/18)**
- 10.13** No person shall make any photographic or video record of any part of a Practical Examination except with the prior permission of DOGS NSW.
- 10.14** Whilst undertaking a Practical Examination, a Trainee Judge must not have in his/her possession, at ring side or during the examination, a mobile telephone, an electronic device or a copy of the breed standard. The only document allowed is the Examination Placement Sheet provided by the CJEC. Any Trainee found to be in breach of this Regulation shall be immediately dismissed/expelled from the current training program.
- 10.15** Should a Trainee not achieve a pass result in a Practical Examination, then to qualify to take a further Group Practical Examination a Trainee Judge must judge a further twenty five (25) dogs and examine and critique a further fifty (50) dogs concurrent with the training program in progress, in accordance with 6.1.2, above, and submit the approved enrolment form accompanied by the requirements of this clause. They may then attempt the next available Practical Examination in that training program.
- 10.16** Upon passing a Group Practical Examination the Trainee Judge shall be listed as an ANKC Championship Show Judge for that Group.

11. General

- 11.1** The Member Body may consider an application from a person transferring residence from another State or Territory of Australia or overseas, who can provide evidence of their eligibility.
- 11.2** A Member Body may consider for approval an application from an applicant over the age of eighteen (18) years, who otherwise would not qualify under Regulations 4.1 or 7.1, above, provided such applicant demonstrates an active involvement in canine activities for the minimum period/or as a handler for parents and others in ordinary classes and supply such other evidence of experience as the Member Body CJTC may require.
- 11.3** Subject to the approval of the Member Body in the State of the applicant's residence, that applicant may be approved to enroll in a Conformation Judges Education Program of another State or Territory where it is established that the Program is more convenient.
- 11.4** A Member Body may recognise an occasional attendance by a Trainee Judge at a lecture, Field Day or other training instruction conducted by another Member Body and if so recognised, the member shall receive a credit from their Member Body for that attendance.

- 11.5** A Trainee Judge shall not undertake a concurrent training program in another State or Territory and once enrolled in the Member Body Conformation Judges Education Program they must complete the program with that Member Body except where the Trainee Judge relocates to another State or Territory.
- 11.6** Members of a Trainee Judge's household (ie, a person who resides at the same address) or members of the Trainee Judge's immediate family (ie, mother, father, sibling or spouse) are ineligible to countersign the said Trainee's critiques or be Mentors, Assessors or Examiners at examinations (Practical or Theory) being taken by the Trainee Judge.
- 11.7** The CJTC reserves the right not to conduct metropolitan training for any Group that does not attract applications for the Conformation Judges Education Program from at least five (5) applicants who are not Distance Trainee Judges.

12. Appeals

- 12.1** Appeals against the decisions of the CJEC when Theory Examinations have been reviewed will not be permitted.
- 12.2** Where a Trainee Judge believes that the Practical Examination for which they were a participant was not conducted in accordance with the Regulations, they must lodge an appeal with the Clerk of Examinations before the conclusion of said Practical Examination or no later than five (5) working days after the conclusion of said Practical Examination and should detail the Regulation/s that are alleged to have been breached. Appeals received after this time will not be considered.

13. Code of Conduct

- 13.1** No Trainee Judge will disclose any information from a Mentor, Assessor or fellow Trainee Judge prior to, during or after any Practical Examination, Field Day, Sweepstakes, Open Show or lecture, as this information must remain confidential. Any alleged breach may be referred to the CJTC who may recommend disciplinary action against the Trainee Judge.

14. Program Fees

- 14.1** Fees which are commensurate with administrative and actual costs shall apply to each level of Examination until otherwise determined by the Board of Directors, the fees (including GST) will be:-

Aspiring Judge Entrance Examination (<i>1st Group only</i>)	\$55.00
Aspiring Judge Group Entrance Examination (<i>1st Group only</i>)	\$55.00
Trainee Judge Group Program (<i>Lectures, Theory & Practical Examinations</i>) per Group	\$330.00
Trainee Judge Single Breed Program (<i>Lecture, Theory & Practical Examinations</i>)	\$165.00
Trainee Judge Practical Examination per Group (<i>for Candidates who hold a credit for a pass from a previous Group Theory Examination</i>) All of the above fees include GST	\$165.00

- 14.2** Should a Trainee Judge fail to achieve a **PASS** in the Group Theory Examination or withdraw from the Training Program , **NO** refunds of the above fees shall be allowed.