



REGULATIONS

PART XII

INTERPRETATION

Reference to "Dogs Australia" herein is a reference to the Australian National Kennel Council Limited (ABN 77 151 544 679) trading as Dogs Australia

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REGULATIONS PART XII (INTERPRETATION)

In these Regulations (including their several Parts), except in so far as the context or subject matter otherwise indicates or requires, the following definitions shall apply:

- "All Breeds Show" means a show at which any Breed of dog recognised and approved by the A.N.K.C. - May be exhibited.
- "Associate Registered Dog" means a dog that has been registered in the Associate Register.
- "Award" in relation to a Show includes decision, placing and adjudication.
- "Billeted" means to provide accommodation for a Judge at the request of, or with the permission of, the host club. **(04/12)**
- "Breeder" in relation to a dog means the owner of its dam at the time of its birth provided that for such purpose a person shall be deemed to be the owner of the dam (to the exclusion of the registered owner) if at the time of birth:-
- (i) the dam is in the possession or control of such person and has been lent or leased to such person for breeding; and
 - (ii) notice of the loan or lease verified by submission of a transfer by the registered owner of the dam has been lodged with the DOGS NSW Secretary prior to the date of birth of such dog; and
 - (iii) such further information as may be required by the Council has been furnished prior to the date of birth of such dog; and
 - (iv) the appropriate fee has been paid by such person to the DOGS NSW Secretary prior to the date of birth of such dog.
- "Challenge Certificate" means a certificate awarded at a Championship Show and having a point value prescribed by the Regulations.
- "Championship Show" means a Recognised Show which has been granted such title by the Board of Directors and at which Challenge Certificates shall be or have been awarded by authority of the Board of Directors to competitors of a breed of dog judged thereat, and in the case of an All Breeds Championship Show held within the Country at which not less than 250 and in any other case 200 entries have been accepted.
- Championship Shows may only be judged by Judges approved under Regulations Part IV – Judges **(08/07)**

"Clerk of Examinations"	shall be a person appointed by the Board of Directors (07/19)
"Closing date of Entries"	in relation to a Show means the date as last published by the body conducting the Show on or before which entries of exhibits in a Show are to be received by the Show Secretary.
"Date of Birth"	in relation to a dog means the actual date of birth of a dog provided that where such actual day is not known, the date of birth shall be deemed to be the first day of the month in which such day of birth was known to occur or if such month be not known, then the date of birth shall be the first day of the month next preceding the commencement of the period within which such day of birth was known to occur.
"DNA Test"	means a DNA profiling test carried out by a genetic testing laboratory recognised by the Board of Directors, which results in a test report or certificate providing not less than 10 DNA markers.
"Dogs New South Wales" and "DOGS NSW"	are Registered Trading Names and have the same meaning as RNSWCC in Article 1 (44) of the Constitution and means the incorporated body known as Royal New South Wales Canine Council Limited.
"Draft Show Schedule"	means the schedule of the classes to be judged at a Show submitted to the DOGS NSW Secretary for approval and containing the information concerning such Show as is prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors.
"Emergency Judge"	means a judge appointed to judge at a show either during the show or no earlier than 72 hours before the scheduled start of the show due to the illness or other unavailability of the judge originally appointed to judge at the show. (05/17)
"Examination"	means a theoretical or practical examination either written or oral held for the purpose of qualifying an applicant for appointment to a Judges Panel.
"Examinations Committee"	means the committee appointed by the Board of Directors for the purpose of conducting examinations and instructing candidates for examination.
"First Day"	in relation to a Show means the date on which judging of dogs commences.
"General Show"	means an All Breed Recognised Show at which all breeds of dogs may be exhibited.

"Group"	means a group of breeds of dogs as defined by Regulation 7.1 of Part II of the Regulations.
"Imported"	in relation to a dog means a dog that has been born outside the three mile limit of the Commonwealth of Australia, and whose sire and dam are not registered in the Register or in any register kept within the Commonwealth of Australia but is otherwise eligible under the Regulations for registration in the Register.
"Judges Panel"	means the register of persons who are suitably qualified and approved by the Board of Directors to judge under Part V of the Regulations.
"Judge's Spouse"	A reference to a Judge's spouse in the Regulations is deemed to include all persons of either sex with whom the Judge ordinarily resides.
"Judges Book"	means a separate book, cards or forms for each officiating judge, upon which the Judge or Steward shall enter all placings awarded by that Judge. (1/09) This book shall be prepared by the Show Secretary either:- (i) in duplicate, in which case the duplicate thereof is to be provided to the Judge upon completion of his/her assignment at the show, or (ii) as single copy documents where either, a copy of those documents, or a marked Catalogue for the Classes judged by that Judge must be provided to the Judge upon completion of his/her assignment at the show.
"Kennel"	means any structure or thing, or any place, in which a dog is kept, which is available to the dog for any purpose, and includes all land on which any kennel is situated and to which the dog does or may have access. (1/98)
"Licensed Owner"	for the purpose of Section III of Part I of the Regulations means a member to whom written permission has been granted by the Council or by a canine controlling body recognised by the Council to use a dog owned by him for the purpose of artificial insemination.
"List of Approved Judges"	means the register of persons who have received a certificate of judging and who have been placed on a list of judges maintained under Part IV of the Regulations.

"Litter"	in relation to a dog means all the living progeny eligible for registration in the Register, of a multiple birth.
"Marked Catalogue"	means the Catalogue issued by a Show Committee containing particulars of all entries at such Show, which has been marked as evidence of the awards made thereat.
"Members of his household"	means persons ordinarily residing in a member's household. (9/02)
"Name" in relation to a dog:-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Registered in the Register means the prefix the registered number and the word or letters assigned to the dog upon registration; (ii) registered in the Associate or Sporting Register means the registered number, the name and the letters assigned to the dog upon its registration in the Associate or Sporting Register. (12/10)
"On-Line"	means connected to, served by, or available through a system and especially a computer or telecommunications system (as the Internet). (7/04)
"Open Show"	<p>means a function at which dogs are shown or at which dogs compete but at which Challenge Certificates are not awarded. Champions, however, may be exhibited in General Classes and may compete for "In Show" Awards.</p> <p>Open shows may only be judged by Judges approved under Regulations Part IV or by Trainee Judges approved under Regulations Part III, excepting that during the conduct of a Judges Training & Examination Program ("JTEP"), (measured from the date that applications close for entry into Group or Single Breed Training to the date of the last scheduled Practical Examination in that Program), they may only be judged by Trainee Judges or by a Judge specifically approved by the Board of Directors at its discretion. (12/16)</p> <p>For the purposes of this interpretation only, a Trainee Judge is a person who, at the time of being contracted by the Affiliate, is eligible to judge an Open Show in accordance with ANKC Ltd Open Show status. (12/16)</p>
"Owner"	in relation to a dog means the Registered Owner thereof whether he be the legal owner or the beneficial owner of the dog or of any interest therein.

"Parade"

means an exhibition at which dogs which have not been granted the title of Australian Champion or which have not been awarded the title of Champion in any other Country may be exhibited and at which:-

- (a) Challenge Certificates shall not be awarded;
- (b) a Champion shall not be exhibited other than in a special class for Champions; and
- (c) a Champion shall not be eligible for any awards other than those awarded in a special class for Champions.

A Parade may only be judged by Judges approved under Regulations Part IV or by Trainee Judges approved under Regulations Part III, excepting that during the conduct of a Conformation Judges Training Scheme they may only be judged by Trainee Judges or by a Judge specifically approved by the Board of Directors at its discretion. **(08/07)**

"Period of Affiliation"

in relation to an Affiliate denotes the term of twelve (12) months terminating at midnight on the 30th day of June each year for which the Affiliate has for the time being been admitted as an Affiliate or such portion of that term during which such affiliation continues.

"Prohibited drug"

means any substance considered by the Veterinary Officer: **(9/95)**

- (a) to be capable of stimulating, depressing or tranquillising the canine central nervous system, and
- (b) to have been administered to the dog within the period of 72 hours immediately before the time at which the Veterinary Officer examines the dog, or
- (c) to be capable of altering the appearance or physical characteristics of a dog.

"Register of Absentees"

is a register kept by DOGS NSW recording exhibits which have been notified by Affiliates conducting Shows as having been declared absent in accordance with Regulations Part II Show, 12.6 (b). **(2/00)**

"Registered"

in relation to a dog means that it is registered in the Register or in the Associate or Sporting Register as the case may be. **(12/10)**

"Registered Number"

in relation to a dog means the number allocated to it upon its registration in the Register or in the Associate or Sporting Register as the case may be.

- "Registered Owner"** in relation to a dog means the person registered with DOGS NSW as the owner of such dog.
- "Rules"** where used in the phrase 'rules and regulations', shall be read as a reference to the Articles of Association of DOGS NSW. **(8/97)**
- "Sanction Show"** means a Show which is governed by the Regulations except that:-
- (a) the Judges to be appointed to officiate thereat shall be either Members who are enrolled in a Conformation Judges Training Scheme or any other person approved by the Board of Directors as being suitably qualified through relevant experience with the Breed or Breeds to be judged; and **9/06**
 - (b) the Club or other body conducting such Show shall not be required to lodge a draft Schedule; and
 - (c) Challenge Certificates shall not be awarded thereat.
- "Service Certificate"** means a certificate:-
- (i) certifying the date of the service of a registered dam by a registered sire; and
 - (iii) specifying the registered names of such sire and dam; and
 - (iv) signed by the Registered Owner of the dam; and
 - (i) countersigned by the Registered Owner of the sire.
- "Showground"** means the area within which a Show is being or is about to be conducted.

**"Show Committee"
(for the purposes of
Regulations Part II–Show,
Section 14.10 only)**

means a Committee consisting of any three Show Officials of the event, excluding officiating Judges, and at any inquiry meeting convened under that Section, shall require all three to be present in person. **(09/11)**

The DOGS NSW Representative shall attend and observe any inquiry held at a Recognised Show in relation to an Aggressive Dog Incident for the purposes of reporting only. The Representative should not be asked for advice by any party to the inquiry. **(11/18)**

Deleted (12/13)

The Show Committee shall elect one of its three Members to act as Chairman of any meeting. **(09/11)**

If any member of the Show Committee is interested in any way, personally, or through family, or ownership of animals involved, in any matter before the Show Committee, that member must stand down and be replaced by a different person from the Affiliate or Agricultural Association, as appropriate. **(10/97)**

"Show Schedule"

means the Schedule, as approved by the DOGS NSW Secretary, of the Classes to be judged at a Show and containing the information concerning such Show as is prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

"Show Secretary"

means the Secretary of a Show.

"Specialist Show"

means a Recognised Show conducted by a Specialist Club at which only dogs of the specified breed or breed of that Club may be exhibited.

"Sporting dog association"

means an association recognised as such by DOGS NSW. **(9/98)**

"Sporting Registered Dog"

means a dog that has been registered in the Sporting Register. **(12/10)**

"Spouse"

shall include "de facto spouse". **(9/02)**

"Trial Judges' List"

means the register of persons who have received a certificate of judging and who have been placed on a list of judges maintained under Part VI of the Regulations.

"Trophy"

means an article given as a prize or memento or any success at a contest.

"Veterinary Officer"

means the Veterinary Surgeon appointed to officiate at and officiating at a Recognised Show, and includes his deputy.