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SECTION 1

General

- 1.1 There shall be a uniform classification of Judges and only one class or status of Judge shall be approved to award Challenge Certificates. **(09/81)**
- 1.2 The Judge's declaration on the Challenge Certificate shall read:

"I am clearly of the opinion that this exhibit is of such outstanding merit as to be worthy to qualify for the title 'Champion'". **(10/99)**
- 1.3 All Judges Application Forms, both new and renewal, shall contain the following declaration to be signed by the applicant:

"I declare that I am physically fit and capable of judging in accordance with the Rules and in the normal accepted manner, and if required I am prepared to undergo a medical fitness test and/or vision test at the discretion of the Control. I further accept the Control may refuse to grant any renewal of licence and may cancel or suspend for any period or vary in any way any licence already granted. Or may grant, in part, only an application for renewal of licence." **(05/93, 7.2.1)**
- 1.4 Judge's invitation/contract forms shall be uniform amongst all Member Bodies. **(09/80)**
- 1.5 The judge for each show must sign an Official ANKC Judges Contract where they are officiating. The contract must also be signed by an official of each club where the judge is officiating. **(Added 10/09, 10.2)**
- 1.6 A copy of the completed contract, as above, must accompany the Prize Schedule when it is submitted to the Member Body's office. **(Added 10/09, 10.2)**
- 1.7 Clauses 1.5 and 1.6 apply to all judges including non-resident judges. **(Added 10/09, 10.2)**
- 1.8 The ANKC shall make available an official Judges Badge. **(09/86) (Amended 10/09, 10.2)**

SECTION 2

List of Approved Judges

- 2.1 A national listing of all Judges shall be prepared annually by the ANKC. **(04/84)**
- 2.2 A separate Emeritus General Specials Judges Panel shall be formed and published by the ANKC. **(10/96, 7.11)**
- 2.3 Where an approved Judge leaves Australia to reside overseas, such Judge may remain on the ANKC Judges List for a period of five years, provided the person remains a financial member of a Member Body. **(10/95, 7.1)**
- 2.4 The names of Australian Judges residing overseas shall not be printed in the ANKC Judges List. **(05/97, 5.13)**
- 2.5 The date of birth of a Judge shall not be included on the Panel Listing. **(03/73)**

SECTION 3

Judging Appointments

- 3.1 Judges approved by the ANKC are not authorised to officiate at manifestations organised by dissent associations and that before accepting an invitation the Judge must make all the necessary enquiries to ascertain that the show organisation comes under the jurisdiction of the FCI. **(10/96, 7.6)**
- 3.2 Approved ANKC Championship Judges may judge Open Shows in New Zealand. **(10/96, 7.8)**
- 3.3 The number of dogs any one Judge may judge on any day shall be considered domestic. **(09/71)**
- 3.4 Best of Breed must be judged by a person judging breed classes. **(09/80)**
- 3.5 The Judge may decide to have the Judge's Book marked by the Ring Steward. **(09/83)**
- 3.6 A person cannot judge a Property Class outside his/her State or Territory unless they are an approved ANKC Judge. **(05/94, 6.1)**
- 3.7 Open Show Judges may judge in other States and Territories. **(10/96, 7.11)**
- 3.8 Substitute or emergency Judges shall be designated as a Judge for that exhibition. **(10/79)**
- 3.9 Only All Breeds Judges shall judge General Specials. **(05/97, 4.16)**
- 3.10 Verification of Australian Judges wishing to judge Overseas **(05/00)**
(effective 01.01.2001)
 - 3.10.1 A member of an ANKC Member Body who receives an invitation to judge overseas (except New Zealand) must obtain verification in writing of their current judging status, from their ANKC Member Body, prior to the formal acceptance of the appointment. The ANKC Member Body is to send the verification to the ANKC Administrator, with a c.c to the requesting judge.
 - 3.10.2 The ANKC shall provide an official letter together with the verification to the Overseas Controlling Body stating exactly the person's current ANKC judging qualifications. If the overseas Controlling Body wishes the person to judge breed/s or Specials outside the person's ANKC qualification the ANKC will not forbid the person accepting the appointment.

SECTION 4

Overseas Judges

- 4.1 Any person who is not approved to judge dogs in their country of residence, or by the FCI, shall not be approved to judge dogs in Australia. **(10/91, 4.18.4)**
- 4.2 Where an overseas Judge defaults, full details of the incident shall be advised to other Member Bodies to enable a National decision to be made regarding future appointments in this country. **(04/88, 5.2.3)**
- 4.3 A non-resident Judge on his/her first appointment may not judge more than four shows in any one State or Territory. **(10/96, 7.1)**

- 4.4 Overseas persons judging in Australia shall be committed to judge in accordance with Australian standards and recognised principals and procedures. **(03/83)**
- 4.5 Judges approved to judge Best in show in their own country shall be permitted to judge the same awards in Australia. **(04/84)**
- 4.6 New Zealand Judges shall be exempt from completing the approved Overseas Judges Application Form. **(03/86)**
- 4.7 All overseas Judges, New Zealand excepted, shall complete an official ANKC Overseas Judges Contract. **(09/83)**

SECTION 5

Responsibilities Of Judges

- 5.1 All Judges are required to report any incidents of dogs, from six months of age, suspected of not being entire or of dogs showing aggressive tendencies. **(10/96, 7.9)**
- 5.2 All Judges are to be directed to consider the original purpose for which a dog was bred and if necessary refer to the original standards at ring-side. **(Added 10/09, 7.4)**

Cancellation of Appointment to Judge

- 5.2 Where any person cancels an agreement to judge at any fixture conducted in Australia, the affiliate conducting the fixture shall be required to submit full details of the reason for the cancellation to their Controlling Body in the State or Territory in which the fixture is to be conducted, within seven days of receipt of the notice of cancellation.

The Controlling Body on receipt of the notice of cancellation shall forward a copy to the Control in the State or Territory in which the invited Judge resides, who shall be required to investigate the reason for cancellation and if necessary take appropriate action. **(04/88, 4.10)**

- 5.3 A Judge who withdraws from a contracted appointment, for any reason, shall not be permitted to judge at any other canine event wherever held on any date that would prevent him/her from attending the original contracted event. **(05/97, 7.5)**

SECTION 6

Misconduct

- 6.1 Where a Member is suspended in any State or Territory and if they are a Judge they will be unable to fulfill any judging contracts in their home State or any other State or Territory in Australia, or any overseas country. **(05/97, 7.1)**
- 6.2 If a Judge is accused of misbehaviour, outside his/her State or Territory, an inquiry shall be conducted into the allegations and a report forwarded to the home body, who shall deal with the Judge, if any discipline is necessary. **(04/74)**

SECTION 7

Trainee Judges

- 7.1 A specialist license cannot be obtained where a trainee already holds a license for the group, e.g. A Group five Judge cannot become a specialist for German Shepherd Dogs. **(10/94, 14.4)**
- 7.2 Member Bodies shall structure all Judges' examinations so that the results are supplied to the ANKC Administrator by the 30th September in each year. **(05/94, 6.5)**

SECTION 8

Junior Handler Judges

- 8.1 That no person under the age of eighteen years of age shall be permitted to officiate as Judge at Junior Handler Classes. **(04/84)**
- 8.2 Junior Handler Judges shall be eligible to enroll in a Junior Handler Judges Training Scheme whilst they are 17 years of age. **(10/98)**