

# JUNIOR HANDLER STATE FINAL COMPETITION

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## RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF QUEENSLAND JUNIOR HANDLER STATE FINAL COMPETITION 2018/2019

### GENERAL RULES

1. The Queensland Junior Handler State Final competition is sponsored, promoted and run by Dogs Queensland, commencing on 1st July 2018 and ending 30th June 2019. The Queensland Junior Handler State Final will be judged on Sunday 18th August 2019 at the Dogs Queensland Dog Sports Grounds at Durack.
2. All Junior Handlers will be split into the following age groups:  
7-under 10 years of age.  
8-10-under 13 years of age.  
9-13-under 19 years of age
3. It shall be a condition that the Queensland Junior Handler State Final Judge/s must make their awards strictly in accordance with the requirements set within the ANKC Junior Handlers' Manual.
4. An entry fee will not be charged for any Queensland Junior Handler State Final heat, or the Queensland Junior Handler State Final.
5. A Junior Handler, whose age group changes due to a birthday before the Queensland Junior Handler State Final, must be elevated to compete in their corrected age group.
6. A Junior Handler, who wins a Junior Handler State Final heat in a state other than Queensland, shall be entitled to compete in the Queensland Junior Handler State Final provided that evidence of their win is submitted to Dogs Queensland.

### ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

1. A Junior Handler competing in the Queensland Junior Handler State Final MUST BE under 19 years of age on the day of the International Junior Handler Competition.
2. In order to compete in the Queensland Junior Handler State Final, a Junior Handler must qualify at a Queensland Junior Handler State Final heat (see below for qualifying shows).
3. A Junior Handler competing in the Queensland Junior Handler State Final must hold Junior Membership at the time of the Queensland Junior Handler State Final.
4. A Junior Handler competing in the Queensland Junior Handler State Final competition must be a resident of Queensland.

### QUALIFICATION

To qualify for the Queensland Junior Handler State Final, you are required to have achieved a 1st placing in a Queensland Junior Handler State Final heat. However if the 1st placed handler has qualified three (3) times, the 2nd placed handler is the qualifier. If the 2nd placed handler has qualified three (3) times, the 3rd placed handler is the qualifier.

### QUEENSLAND JUNIOR HANDLER STATE FINAL HEAT SHOWS

All breed dog shows that hold a Junior Handler competition will be deemed a Queensland Junior Handler State Final heat, provided it does not conflict with rule 7.1 of the ANKC Junior Handler Manual, which states:

*Where an Affiliated Club conducts more than one show over a weekend the Junior Handler Competition must not be conducted on a regular school day and must be conducted on the weekend or days proclaimed a school holiday unless out of school hours.*

An Affiliated Club, other than a Breed or Group Specialist Club, must conduct a Junior Handler Competition at one of its shows in each calendar year.