

CONFORMATION JUDGES TRAINING RULES AND REGULATIONS



Regulations for Conformation Judges Training 2025/2026 Self-Funded Adult Education Program

General

1. The Rules and Regulations of the Dogs Queensland Conformation Judges Training Program (CJTP) are amended from time to time; such amendments are published by Dogs Queensland. These Dogs Queensland Regulations also accommodate necessities required by the diverse nature of metropolitan and regional Queensland – these regulations are effective immediately.
2. An application to enter into the CJTP confers no automatic right to become a Judge. Dogs Queensland will consider the suitability and behaviour of all applicants entering the CJTP. Becoming a Judge requires successful completion of the syllabus following which the aspiring Judge must earn the privilege to be registered and acknowledged as a Judge. This privilege may be withdrawn should circumstances warrant and after all facts have been considered.
3. An essential requirement of acceptance and continued progression in the CJTP (including applications for both theory and practical examinations) is a demonstrated significant and continued participation in the management or operation of an affiliated Dogs Queensland Club or Committee. Trainees must complete the “Club Activity” form each year. This documentation MUST accompany ALL applications; including first time applicants, theory examinations and practical examinations, irrespective of the number of Championship Show groups a Judge may hold. Applications which do not include this mandatory documentation will be rejected unless appropriately documented reasons for extenuating circumstances are approved by the Conformation Judges Committee (CJC).
4. The Dogs Queensland CJTP is available for eligible members of Dogs Queensland who are residents of Queensland. Queensland residents who were previously members of other ANKC Affiliates and were previously in an equivalent ANKC recognised training program, will be recognised under a reciprocal agreement, provided all requirements are fulfilled.
5. Any persons who were previously resident in another State or Territory (and members of that State or Territory), and were not in the Judges Training Program, and who are now bona-fide residents of Queensland, may apply to enter the CJTP upon providing a letter from their previous controlling body showing they comply with the entry requirements for Aspiring Judges.
6. The CJTP is a continuous program. Persons who are unable to continue in the system due to illness, injury or issues of a personal nature, should apply in writing to the CJC for a leave of absence for a suitable period.
7. Members are not permitted to accept judging appointments or sign contracts to judge, until official written notification from Dogs Queensland, advising their judging status, has been received by them.
8. A member who has previously held Championship Show status may apply for reinstatement. Where a period of absence has occurred from the Judges List, reinstatement will be considered only after the member concerned has passed 90% of an Open Book examination on a number of the major breeds in the Group(s), plus those breeds which have been introduced by the ANKC during their absence. In some instances, particularly for longer periods of absence, the CJC may require a practical assessment which would be conducted using similar procedures to the Practical Examination as described in Regulation 38, and at a date to be determined by the CJC. Should the candidate fail the assessment, they would be added to the Open Show Panel and be required to fulfil

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the requirements as set out in Regulations 17-21.

9. A member who has previously held an Open show status and has previously passed the theory exams for a Group may apply for reinstatement to the Open Show panel. To then proceed they must complete all the requirements of the current Group Training Program.
10. Any Trainee Judge or Aspiring Judge who is found to have engaged in unsportsmanlike or unprofessional behaviour or has breached the Dogs Queensland Rules or the Dogs Queensland Code of Ethics or the Board of Dogs Queensland Judges Code of Ethics, or is not fulfilling training regulations, will be held accountable and may be suspended or removed from the CJTP and / or the Judges Panel.
11. The CJC, in determining whether to remove or suspend, will consider all the facts and will provide their recommendation to the Board of Dogs Queensland.
12. A right of appeal is available, and an appeal may be made to the Board of Dogs Queensland in writing.

Definitions

13. Terms used in these Regulations are defined below:
 - a. Championship Show Judge: A person who is qualified to judge individual breeds, or one or more Groups at Championship Show level.
 - b. CJC: Conformation Judges Committee.
 - c. DQ: Dogs Queensland.
 - d. First Time Applicant (Aspiring Judge): A person accepted into the Judges Training Program as a First Time Applicant.
 - e. CJTP: Conformation Judges Training Program.
 - f. Primary Group: The Group in which the candidate first bred / exhibited dogs.
 - g. Single Breed Judge (SBJ): A person who is

qualified as a Breed Specialist, to judge a single breed at Championship Show level.

- h. S.E. Queensland: The training region covered by Brisbane and surrounding areas (for Durack attendees) at the discretion of the CJC.
- i. Trainee (Judge): A person who is qualified to judge one or more breed(s) or Group(s) at Open Show level.
- j. Accredited Assessor – A judge who has held Championship status in that Group for five (5) years or more.

Stewarding/Writing Requirements for All Judges in the JTP

14. Starting 1st July and terminating 30th June each year, a Trainee Judge must fulfil the following requirements:

All Trainee judges must complete a minimum of Ten (10) Stewarding appointments in Queensland at any Dogs Queensland Affiliated Show. Five (5) of these appointments must be at Championship Shows. The other Five (5) can be made up of either Show Managing, writing or assembly stewarding at Championship Shows or stewarding at Open Shows.

- Note: Ring Stewarding for Two (2) or more Groups at the same Show on the same day is classified as One (1) appointment.
 - a. The Ring Stewarding requirements ensure that candidates provide valuable assistance with the operation of Shows, and enable them to observe the judging of breeds.
- As this is a self funded program Clubs are not obligated to reimburse Trainee Judges who are stewarding to fulfill the requirements outlined in these rules.
 - b. A maximum of five (5) stewarding appointments are able to be counted at the Brisbane Royal Show. This can be made up of five (5) ring stewarding appointments or five (5) assembly stewarding appointments. At all

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times, the 'Steward's card' must be signed by the Show Manager, indicating whether the appointment is for ring stewarding or assembly stewarding.

- c. All Judges in the CJTP must maintain and produce, upon request, a completed Dogs Queensland Steward's Card.
- d. Stewarding requirements apply every year regardless of your intention to elevate to Championship Show level or to add an additional Open Show group. Failure to complete this requirement each year may impact on your application in future years.

Entry Requirements for First Time Applicants

15. Criteria for Eligibility for acceptance as an Aspirant

- a. Have held financial membership of Dogs Queensland or another ANKC Affiliate for a minimum of eight (8) consecutive years or be the son / daughter of a financial member, who has been a financial member for not less than eight (8) consecutive years.
- b. Have been active in canine affairs (see Regulation 3).
- c. Be a minimum of 18 years of age.
- d. Have bred at least three litters under their own or shared prefix.
- e. Have bred or exhibited to their title at least two champions.
- f. Where Dogs Queensland, in its sole and unfettered discretion, considers that exceptional circumstances exist, it may grant dispensation to a candidate from compliance with regulations 15d and/or 15e.
- g. Have become an Accredited Conformation Ring Steward by attending the training provided by the Event Managers & Stewards Committee. Complete all the relevant

requirements within the twelve (12) months prior to submitting the application to join the Conformation Judges Training Program. A copy of the applicant's official completed and signed Steward's Card must accompany the Application Form.

Judges Training Program

16. Introduction to Judging Program

- a. Applications from First Time Applicants (Aspirants) wishing to enter the JTP must be submitted by no later than 30th November each year. Applications must be made on the prescribed form (available on the Dogs Queensland website) and all details on that form are to be completed.
- b. Once accepted by the CJC, Aspirants will enter the six (6) month Introduction to Judging Program which will be held between January and July of each year. Dates are to be advised and confirmed by the CJC on a yearly basis and published prior to the commencement of the Program.
- c. Aspirants who fulfil the requirements in Regulation 15, and who wish to enter the JTP, must achieve a 75% pass in examinations on the areas of:
 - i. Dogs Queensland Rules,
 - ii. Skeletal & Topographical,
 - iii. Anatomy & Movement,
 - iv. Dentition; and
 - v. Canine Glossary of Terms.
- d. The examination date for the Introduction to Judging Program, will take place on the second Thursday in July each year. This will be conducted at Durack for metropolitan candidates and either by Zoom or with the Regional Coordinators for remote candidates.
- e. Aspirants, who are unable to attend the examination on the second Thursday in July, may apply to the CJC for dispensation for a deferred examination within 48 hours of the exam and must supply supporting

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documentation for the claim. If successful upon application, the CJC will nominate a secondary date for Aspirants to sit the deferred examination.

- f. Upon passing the Introduction to Judging Program examination, Aspirants must then apply to the CJC for their Primary Group as a Trainee Judge.
- g. Aspirants who do not pass examinations in the Introduction to Judging Program, may re-apply the following year.

Group Training

- 17. Applications to commence Group Training, are to be submitted to Dogs Queensland before 15th July using the prescribed form available from the Dogs Queensland website.
- 18. Trainees may apply for one (1) group per year (September to July). Split groups are not allowed. Trainees are unable to be sitting theory exams for two (2) groups at the one time.
- 19. Once a Trainee Judge has applied for a new Group, they must complete the following:

Recorded Breed Lectures

- a. All pre-recorded breed lectures will be viewable on the CJC Portal.
- b. Trainees must watch all breed lectures in their nominated Group, starting in September of each year.
- c. Each breed lecture will be made available two weeks prior to the listed breed lecture date in the August edition of Dog World.
- d. Trainees are required to watch each breed lecture in the two weeks prior to, or the week following, the listed breed lecture date in the August edition of Dog World magazine.
- e. For any breed that does not have an officially recorded lecture uploaded to the CJC portal, Trainees must provide their Practical Group Trainers with a copy of a 1 x A4 page assignment, containing:

- A photo of what they consider to be a correct representative of the breed;
- The history of the breed;
- The purpose and function of the breed;
- 5 dot point characteristics of the breed (based on the ANKC breed standard).
- f. Practical Group Trainers may arrange for their Trainees to attend (with advanced notice) an online or in person lecture at any time throughout the program, if a guest presenter is available. Attendance at these lectures is encouraged, but not mandatory.
- g. Practical Group Trainers will also facilitate and run mandatory training events at selected Shows from September to July whilst the lecture syllabus is ongoing. This will allow for Trainee Judges to gain hands-on experience of the breeds that they are learning about. Continued lack of attendance at these events will result in the Trainee Judge not being added to the Open Show Panel.

Theory Examinations

- h. Groups will be divided into four (4) sub-groups: A, B, C and D.
- i. Trainees must pass each theory sub-group examination with a minimum mark of 75%.
- j. Examinations will be based on the ANKC breed standards.
- k. For metropolitan candidates, theory exams will be conducted at the Durack Showgrounds at the end of each sub-group.
- l. For Distance Trainees, theory exams will be conducted via Zoom or supervised by a Regional Coordinator at the end of each sub-group.
- m. Sub-group examination dates will be published by Dogs Queensland in the August edition of Dog World magazine, in line with the scheduled breed lecture dates.

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- n. The final theory examination for each Group will be held on the second Thursday of July each year.
- o. Candidates must be aware that if they fail any sub-group Examination (ie. they do not achieve the required pass mark of 75% in Parts A B C or D), they will be required to rewatch the breed lectures in that sub group and complete theory exams in that sub group under the new scheme commencing in the year 2026/2027.
- b. As part of the training process, a Trainee Judge may be scheduled at an appointment in which they will shadow a licensed Championship Judge at a Championship Show. These Shows will be organized by the CJC or by an All Breeds Club in conjunction with the CJC.
- This appointment and the number of dogs judged at this appointment will count towards the requirements listed in Clause 20 (a).
- A candidate must also complete a maximum of five (5) critiques at this appointment (see: Clause 21 (c)).

Deferred Examinations

- p. A Trainee who is unable to attend an examination due to exceptional circumstances, may apply to the CJC for a deferred examination. Applications must be submitted within 48 hours of the original exam and must include supporting documentation.
- q. If the application is successful, the CJC will nominate a secondary date for the deferred examination.

Open Show Panel

- r. Once all sub-group theory exams have been successfully completed (along with the requirement under Clause 19 (g), the candidate will be listed on the Open Show Panel.

Open Show – Requirements

- 20. Once a candidate has successfully completed the theory examinations and are placed onto the Open Show Panel, the Trainee must judge a minimum of one hundred (100) dogs at Open Show level and a minimum of three (3) singularly assessed, full group appointments and one (1) assessment as per Rule 20(f).
- a. **Breed Club and multi Breed Club numbers will count towards the one hundred (100) dog requirement, but the Trainee must judge a minimum of three (3) singularly assessed, full group appointments and one (1) assessment as per Rule 20 (f).**
- d. Each candidate must receive a minimum of three (3) ‘competent’ single assessments, whilst judging a full group. Note: A ‘competent’ assessment that is received in accordance with Clause 20 (b), will count towards this requirement.
- e. A further two (2) assessments will be required if the Trainee Judge does not receive a ‘competent’ grading at one of the assessments. This means that the Trainee Judge will need to then receive a ‘competent’ grading at four (4) different assessments.
- f. Prior to applying for hands-on elevation, a Trainee Judge must complete an additional full group Open Show appointment at which they will be assessed by a group of three (3) Accredited Assessors. The trainee must notify the CJC a minimum of 14 days prior to the show so that the assessors can be appointed. The Trainee Judge must receive a ‘competent’ grading at this assessment to be able to apply for their Practical Examination.

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Practical Training – Requirements

21. As part of the Practical Group Training, all Trainee Judges must complete the following whilst supervised by a Practical Group Trainer:
- Attend the entire group judging of at least five (5) All Breeds Championship Shows or Group only Shows (with a minimum of 30 dogs at each show). The trainee must have their purple mentoring card signed. Note: Trainee Judges must attend this in full and not be showing nor stewarding.
 - Attend a minimum of one (1) Breed Club Specialty Championship Show and complete five critiques. Note: Trainee Judges must attend this in full and not be showing nor stewarding.
 - Complete twenty-five (25) critiques at any Show listed in Clause 21 (a) or (b) or as part of the training process outlined in Clause 20 (b).
 - With the exception of Clause 20 (b), the critiques are to be supervised by and discussed with a Practical Group Trainer and signed off by them on the day.
 - Critiques are not to be completed at any other time, unless approved by the CJC.
 - A maximum of five (5) critiques can be completed on any one day.
 - No more than five (5) critiques may be completed on the same breed. Breeds with different varieties are counted as one breed. Example: Poodles.
 - No more than fifteen (15) critiques are able to be supervised by the same Practical Group Trainer.
 - Distance Trainees can complete 10 of their critiques from photos. The photos and critiques must be forwarded to the Practical Group Trainer or the Regional Coordinator. Distance trainees must attend a minimum of one Breed Club Specialty Show where they must complete five (5) critiques.
22. When a Judge obtains Championship status in a Group, they may only apply for a further Open Show Group to bring them up to a maximum of three (3) Open Show Groups.
23. All Trainee Judges and Aspiring Judges are required to support all Judge's Training activities. This includes mentoring, supplying dogs for Practical Examinations and providing entries at Open Shows.
24. All Trainee Judges who are considered by the CJC to reside a distance from the Durack Showgrounds (and would pose a travelling risk), are to study through 'Distance Education' and be in consultation with their Practical Group Trainers and the CJC, regarding the requirements.
25. Where a Trainee fails to comply with the Judges' Training Rules and Regulations, the CJC may recommend to the Board of Dogs Queensland that the person be removed from the Judges Panel.
26. The CJC, in considering whether to remove a person from the Judges Panel, will consider all the facts and will provide their recommendation to the Board of Dogs Queensland. A right of appeal is available, and an appeal may be made to the Board of Dogs Queensland in writing within 14 days of the official notification of the removal.
27. If through sickness, injury or other involuntary circumstances, a Trainee Judge cannot fully satisfy any requirement of the JTP, upon application, the CJC will consider each request for dispensation on its individual merit.
28. Applications for such leave of absence must be submitted in writing to the CJC immediately the pertinent circumstances arise.
29. The results of written examination papers are

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valid for life. The CJC reserves the right to use an alternative examination paper whenever it is deemed necessary.

Practical Examination (Hands-On Exam)

30. Application for the Practical Examination must be made on the prescribed form (available from the Dogs Queensland website) and all details on this form are to be completed. This form must be received **NO LATER THAN 15th JULY** in any year.
31. Applications may be submitted, subject to successful completion of all requirements in the JTP.
32. Only one (1) application may be submitted per year.
33. All candidates and assessors will sign a confidentiality agreement to ensure the secrecy of all decisions; and refrain from any communication outside of this agreement.
34. An explanation of the examination procedure will be given to the candidate prior to the examination day. Any candidate, who is unsure of the procedure on the day, has the right to ask for clarification from any member of the CJC.
35. Each candidate and assessor will receive a score sheet. Candidates are to make no markings on these score sheets until the examination commences.
36. The Hands-On examination will consist of two (2) breed classes and one (1) mixed breed class. Each breed class will be comprised of a different breed and consist of five (5) or six (6) dogs of either sex in that breed. The mixed breed class will consist of five (5) or six (6) dogs of different breeds and of either sex (excluding the two (2) breeds previously used in the two (2) breed classes, unless exceptional circumstances require the re-judging of either breed as part of the mixed class). In all classes, dogs must be over the age of six (6) months.
37. The examination will be conducted by three (3) accredited assessors appointed by the CJC. A

fourth person, also appointed by the CJC, will act as the Coordinator for the ring.

38. The procedure for the Practical Examination is as follows:
 - a. The 3 assessors will examine the dogs independent of the candidates.
 - b. The 3 assessors may briefly confer to discuss the exhibits and the overall quality of the class.
 - c. Independently, each assessor will then record their own placings on the score sheet provided from first to last.
 - d. The candidates will then be brought to the ring and examine the dogs.
 - e. As per normal judging procedure, candidates will have approximately 2 minutes to examine each exhibit.
 - f. Each candidate will record their placings from 1st to last on the score sheet provided, without communicating their decisions to any other candidate.
 - g. Each candidate will then state their placings from first to last to all assessors.
 - h. Each candidate will then be interviewed and examined by each assessor individually.
 - i. All questions pertaining to the breeds are expected to be answered.
 - j. The candidate will only be examined on the exhibits in the respective class and questions asked during the Practical Examination, may only be taken from current ANKC Breed Standards.
 - k. Assessors will record on each score sheet, comments relating to each candidate. This must be completed without exception.
 - l. After all candidates have been examined on the two (2) breed classes and one (1) mixed breed class, the candidates will be excused

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from the examination ring.

- m. Assessors will then independently complete the assessment form, awarding a pass or fail grade to each candidate on the two (2) breed classes and one (1) mixed breed class. Valid written reasons must always be provided.
 - n. At NO time should either an examiner or candidate discuss any aspect of the Practical Examination outside of the official examination procedure. To do so is a breach of the confidentiality requirements relating to each candidate. All papers remain confidential and the property of Dogs Queensland.
 - o. A shortfall in the number of exhibits will not automatically invalidate an examination. Provided that the candidate agrees that the examination continue, the examination will not be declared null and void. No objections or protests because of these discrepancies will be considered thereafter.
 - p. Should the candidate elect not to proceed with the examination, NO special examination will be arranged.
- 39.** In order to be successful at the Practical Examination, a candidate must receive a PASS grade by at least two (2) of the three (3) assessors for EACH of the three (3) classes.
- a. Once a candidate receives formal written notification of passing the Practical Examination, they may accept and sign contracts for any sanctioned ANKC Show in that Group and judge immediately.
 - b. Any candidate who fails a Practical Examination must judge a further 50 dogs at a minimum of two full group appointments (as outlined in Clause 20). The candidate must be assessed at each appointment by an accredited assessor appointed by the CJC and receive a competent result at each assessment, before re-applying for a Practical Examination.
- 40.** If a candidate fails the Practical Examination in the same Group, for a third time, they will be ineligible to re-sit that Group for a period of three (3) years before reapplying. Trainees will be allowed to continue with a different Group.
- 41.** Where deemed necessary by the CJC, the CJC reserves the right to elect additional Practical Examination dates.
- Eligibility for a Single Breed Championship License**
- 42.** For a GSD Specialty license, see Dogs Queensland website for details.
- 43.** Members may apply for elevation to Championship Show Status as a Single Breed Judge (SBJ). The following criteria must be satisfied by the applicant:
- a. Provide evidence of eight (8) years continuous financial membership, activity and experience as a breeder and exhibitor.
 - b. Have titled or bred a minimum of five (5) Champions in the breed in which the candidate is applying to become a SBJ.
 - c. Bred at least three (3) litters under their own, or shared prefix in the breed in which the candidate is applying to become a SBJ.
 - d. Attend lectures run by the Event Managers & Stewards Committee and become an accredited Ring Steward.
 - e. Have completed all their relevant requirements within the 12 months prior to submitting the application to become a SBJ. A copy of the applicant's official completed and signed Dogs Queensland Steward's Card must accompany the Application Form.
 - f. Complete the requirements of the Introduction to Judging Program under Regulation 15. Rule 15f does not apply to a Single Breed Championship license.
 - g. Complete an appropriate breed lecture night.

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- h. Complete appropriate practical training.
 - i. Complete the written examination for the breed and receive a 75% pass.
 - j. Once all requirements have been satisfied, the candidate will sit a Hands-on Examination on a date to be determined by the CJC.
- 44.** A Practical Examination for a Single Breed License will consist of one class of five (5) or six (6) dogs and one (1) class of five (5) or six (6) bitches. In all classes, dogs must be over the age of six (6) months. In breeds with more than one (1) variety, this rule may be modified to accommodate different varieties of the breed.
- 45.** Where an applicant fails a Single Breed Examination, they will be required to obtain relevant additional experience/knowledge to be eligible to apply for another examination in the following year, providing he / she applies by the specified time, and providing it is the same breed.

Important Dates for all Trainees and Aspiring Judges

Date	Comment
Tuesday 11 November 2025	Theory Paper, Part A State wide. To commence at 6.00 pm
Sunday 30 November 2025	All "First Time" applicants, who wish to attend the 2025-2026 lectures, must have their applications lodged with the DQ office by this date. NB: The following must be attached to the application <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stewards Accreditation Certificate • A copy of their stewards' card • Club participation form.
Tuesday 24 February 2026	Theory Paper, Part B State wide. To commence at 6.00 pm.
Tuesday 5 May 2026	Theory Paper, Part C State wide. To commence at 6.00 pm.
Thursday 9 July 2026	Theory Paper, Part D and Entrance exam State wide. To commence at 6.00 pm
Wednesday 15 July 2026	ALL APPLICATIONS FOR 2026-2027 CLOSE ON THIS DATE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications for Theory Exams in 2026-2027 • Applications for Lecture attendance in 2026-2027 • Applications for Practical Examinations for August 2026 NB: For the Practical Examination the following must be attached to the application <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current Stewards card • Open Show assessments • 25 critiques • Assessment/Mentoring Card • Open Show Judges Card
Saturday 22 August 2026	Practical Examination for all candidates within the State commencing at 8.30 am.
	Breed Specialty examination dates will be advised

GROUP 1 (TOYS)		
	Date	Breeds
Part A	Sep 16th 2025	Yorkshire Terrier, Biewer Terrier
	Oct 7th 2025	Miniature Pinscher, English Toy Terrier
	Oct 21st 2025	Chinese Crested, Russian Toy
	Nov 11th 2025	Part A Theory Exam
Part B	Nov 18th 2025	Cavalier King Charles Spaniel, King Charles Spaniel
	Dec 2nd 2025	Chihuahua Long & Smooth, Italian Greyhound
	Jan 20th 2026	Tibetan Spaniel, Japanese Chin
	Feb 24th 2026	Part B Theory Exam
Part C	Mar 3rd 2026	Affenpinscher, Griffon Bruxellios
	Mar 17th 2026	Pekingese, Pug
	Apr 7th 2026	Australian Silky Terrier, Prague Ratter
	May 5th 2026	Part C Theory Exam
Part D	May 19th 2026	Havanese, Coton De Tulear
	Jun 2nd 2026	Bichon Frise, Bolognese
	Jun 16th 2026	Maltese, Papillon
	Jun 23rd 2026	Lowchen, Pomeranian
	Jul 9th 2026	Part D Theory Exam

GROUP 2 (TERRIERS)		
	Date	Breeds
Part A	Sep 9th 2025	American Staffordshire Terrier, Cesky Terrier
	Sep 23rd 2025	Bull Terrier and Bull Terrier (Miniature), Australian Terrier
	Oct 14th 2025	Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Glen of Imaal Terrier
	Nov 11th 2025	Part A Theory Exam
	Nov 25th 2025	Cairn Terrier, West Highland White Terrier
Part B	Dec 9th 2025	Dandie Dinmont Terrier
	Jan 13th 2026	Norfolk Terrier, Norwich Terrier
	Jan 27th 2026	Scottish Terrier, Sealyham Terrier
	Feb 24th 2026	Part B Theory Exam
	Mar 10th 2026	Airedale Terrier, Irish Terrier
Part C	Mar 24th 2026	Lakeland Terrier, Jack Russell Terrier, Parson Russell Terrier
	Apr 14th 2026	Fox Terrier (Smooth & Wire), Welsh Terrier
	Apr 28th 2026	Tenterfield Terrier, Border Terrier
	May 5th 2026	Part C Theory Exam
	May 12th 2026	American Hairless Terrier, Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier
Part D	May 26th 2026	Bedlington Terrier, Manchester, German Hunting Terrier
	Jun 9th 2026	Kerry Blue Terrier, Skye Terrier, Revision
	Jul 9th 2026	Part D Theory Exam



GROUP 3 (GUNDOGS)		
	Date	Breeds
Part A	Sep 11th 2025	English Springer Spaniel, Welsh Springer Spaniel
	Sep 25th 2025	Clumber Spaniel, Cocker Spaniel (American)
	Oct 9th 2025	Cocker Spaniel, Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever
	Oct 23rd 2025	Field Spaniel, Sussex Spaniel
	Nov 11th 2025	Part A Theory Exam
Part B	Nov 27th 2025	Bracco Italiano, Italian Spinone
	Dec 11th 2025	English Setter, Gordon Setter
	Jan 8th 2026	Irish Setter, Irish Red & White Setter
	Jan 22nd 2026	Pointer
	Feb 24th 2026	Part B Theory Exam
Part C	Mar 12th 2026	Chesapeake Bay Retriever, Murray River Retriever, Irish Water Spaniel
	Mar 26th 2026	Labrador Retriever, Golden Retriever
	Apr 9th 2026	Curly Coated Retriever, Flat Coated Retriever
	Apr 23rd 2026	Spanish Water Spaniel, Lagotto Romagnolo
	May 5th 2026	Part C Theory Exam
Part D	May 14th 2026	German Shorthaired Pointer, German Wirehaired Pointer
	May 28th 2026	Weimaraner, Weimaraner Long Haired, Wire Haired Slovakian Pointer
	Jun 11th 2026	Hungarian Vizsla, Hungarian Wirehaired Vizsla
	Jun 25th 2026	Large Munsterlander, Brittany
	Jul 9th 2026	Part D Theory Exam

GROUP 4 (HOUNDS)		
	Date	Breeds
Part A	Sep 17th 2025	Beagle, Harrier
	Oct 1st 2025	Hamiltonstovare, Foxhound
	Oct 15th 2025	Bloodhound, Otterhound
	Oct 29th 2025	Bluetick Coonhound, Black & Tan Coonhound
	Nov 11th 2025	Part A Theory Exam
Part B	Nov 19th 2025	Deerhound, Irish Wolfhound
	Dec 3rd 2025	Greyhound, Whippet, Cirneco Dell'Etna
	Jan 7th 2026	Borzoi, Pharaoh Hound
	Jan 21st 2026	Afghan Hound, Ibizan Hound
	Feb 24th 2026	Part B Theory Exam
Part C	Mar 4th 2026	Sloughi, Azawakh
	Mar 18th 2026	Basset Hound, Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen, Grand Basset Griffon Vendeen
	Apr 1st 2026	Saluki, Basset Fauvre De Bretagne
	Apr 15th 2026	Dachshund (All Varieties)
	May 5th 2026	Part C Theory Exam
Part D	May 20th 2026	Portuguese Podengo (All Varieties), Basenji
	Jun 3rd 2026	Finnish Spitz, Norwegian Elkhound
	Jun 17th 2026	Rhodesian Ridgeback, Porcelaine
	Jul 9th 2026	Part D Theory Exam

GROUP 5 (WORKING)		
	Date	Breeds
Part A	Sep 18th 2025	Pumi, Puli, Komondor
	Oct 2nd 2025	Bergamasco Shepherd, Bouvier
	Oct 16th 2025	Polish Lowland Sheepdog, Icelandic Sheepdog
	Oct 30th 2025	Briard, Pyrenean Sheepdog
	Nov 11th 2025	Part A Theory Exam
Part B	Nov 20th 2025	German Shepherd Dog, German Shepherd Dog LSC, White Swiss Shepherd
	Dec 4th 2025	Belgian Shepherd, Dutch Shepherd
	Jan 15th 2026	Maremma Shepherd, Tatra Shepherd Dog
	Feb 5th 2026	Kuvas, Beauceron
	Feb 24th 2026	Part B Theory Exam
Part C	Mar 5th 2026	Old English Sheepdog, Bearded Collie
	Mar 19th 2026	Australian Cattle Dog, Australian Kelpie, Australian Stumpy Tail Cattle Dog
	Apr 2nd 2026	Shetland Sheepdog, Collie Rough & Smooth
	Apr 16th 2026	Australian Shepherd, Miniature American Shepherd
	May 5th 2026	Part C Theory Exam
Part D	May 21st 2026	Finnish Lapphund, Swedish Lapphund, Swedish Vallhund
	Jun 4th 2026	Welsh Corgi Pembroke, Welsh Corgi Cardigan
	Jun 18th 2026	Norwegian Buhund, Border Collie, Mudi
	Jul 9th 2026	Part D Theory Exam

GROUP 6 (UTILITY)		
	Date	Breeds
Part A	Sep 8th 2025	Central Asian Shepherd, Caucasian Shepherd
	Sep 22nd 2025	Newfoundland, Landseer (European Continental Type)
	Sep 29th 2025	St Bernard, Tibetan Mastiff
	Oct 13th 2025	Anatolian Shepherd Dog, Kangal Shepherd Dog, Yugoslavian Shepherd Dog
	Oct 27th 2025	Pyrenean Mountain Dog, Estrela Mountain Dog
	Nov 11th 2025	Part A Theory Exam
Part B	Nov 24th 2025	Portuguese Water Dog, Leonberger
	Dec 8th 2025	Shiba Inu, Shikoku
	Jan 12th 2026	Alaskan Malamute, Siberian Husky
	Feb 9th 2026	Canadian Eskimo Dog, Samoyed, Yakutian Laika
	Feb 24th 2026	Part B Theory Exam
Part C	Mar 9th 2026	German Pinscher, Dobermann
	Mar 23rd 2026	Rottweiler, Boxer
	Mar 30th 2026	Bernese Mountain Dog, Great Swiss Mountain Dog
	Apr 13th 2026	Russian Black Terrier, Schnauzer (All Varieties)
	May 5th 2026	Part C Theory Exam
Part D	May 11th 2026	Pyrenean Mastiff, Spanish Mastiff
	May 25th 2026	Neopolitan Mastiff, Tornjak
	Jun 8th 2026	Bullmastiff, Mastiff
	Jun 22nd 2026	Dogue De Bordeaux, Cane Corso
	Jul 9th 2026	Part D Theory Exam

GROUP 7 (NON SPORTING)		
	Date	Breeds
Part A	Sep 10th 2025	Australasian Bosdog, Boston Terrier
	Sep 24th 2025	British Bulldog, French Bulldogs
	Oct 8th 2025	Shih-Tzu, Lhasa Apso
	Nov 11th 2025	Part A Theory Exam
Part B	Nov 26th 2025	German Spitz, Japanese Spitz
	Dec 10th 2025	Keeshond, Eurasier
	Jan 28 th 2026	Chow Chow, Canaan Dog
	Feb 24th 2026	Part B Theory Exam
Part C	Mar 25th 2026	Great Dane, Dalmatian
	Apr 8th 2026	Xoloitzcuintle, Peruvian Hairless Dog
	May 5th 2026	Part C Theory Exam
Part D	May 13th 2026	Poodles
	May 27th 2026	Shar-Pei, Tibetan Terrier
	Jun 10th 2026	Schipperke, Karelian Bear Dog
	Jul 9th 2026	Part D Theory Exam



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