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DETAIL OF REGULATION AMENDMENTS FROM THE DOGS AUSTRALIA SPECIAL BOARD MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM ON 20 JUNE 2026

- *** Regulations Part 5, Conformation Show – Amendment**

It was RESOLVED that the changes to Regulations Part 5 Show, Clause 9.7.1.b, be endorsed with amendments as follows:

Currently Reads:

b. Classes eligible for the CACIB: (Amended 02/23, 5.11 – Effective 01/07/23)

Class 5 Intermediate (Compulsory) For dogs aged eighteen and under thirty-six months. (Amended 02/24, 6.12. Effective 01/04/24)

Class 11 Open (Compulsory) For dogs 15 months and over that are not Champions. (Amended 02/24, 6.12. Effective 01/04/24)

Class 21 Champion (Compulsory) To enter a dog in Champion Class, the title must have been confirmed by the issue of a Registered Pedigree Certificate with the title added by the day of the official closing date of entries. (Amended 02/24, 6.12. Effective 01/04/24)

Amend to read:

b. Classes eligible for the CACIB for dogs over 15 months: (Amended 06/26, 5.11 – Effective 01/01/27)

Class 5 Intermediate (Compulsory) For dogs aged eighteen and under thirty-six months. (Amended 02/24, 6.12. Effective 01/04/24)

Class 11 Open (Compulsory) For dogs 15 months and over that are not Champions. (Amended 02/24, 6.12. Effective 01/04/24)

Class 14 Bred by Exhibitor 14 (compulsory) Dogs **15** months and older. The exhibit must be owned and handled by the breeder of record. The exhibit must be handled throughout the breed classes, all group and general specials classes.

Class 21 Champion (Compulsory) To enter a dog in Champion Class, the title must have been confirmed by the issue of a Registered Pedigree Certificate with the title added by the day of the official closing date of entries. (Amended 02/24, 6.12. Effective 01/04/24)

- *** Regulations Part 6 – The Register & Registration: Amendment**

It was RESOLVED that Section 8.18, Litter Registration Limitations be amended as follows:

Current reads:

8.18 Litter Registration Limitations

Guidelines for Developing Litter Registration Limitations (10/08) (10/14) 8.18.1

8.18.1 A National Breed Council (NBC) or Breed Specialty Club(s) (where an NBC does not exist) must agree that the disease(s) is/are a problem in the breed.

8.18.2 Once agreed they should develop a proposed breed survey rationale, with questions that must be answered and a proposed date of commencement (after the Breed Survey (BS) is completed). The following outline should be followed to develop the required breed survey:

a. Description of the condition;

b. Severity of the condition designated as a problem in the breed;

c. Mode of inheritance if known; Percentage (with known DNA testable conditions) of affected carrier and normal in the current population. These can be obtained from the major testing facilities both locally and overseas;

d. Desired breeding strategy for DNA testable diseases - with the desired strategy being to not produce any more affected progeny and at the same time keep as diverse a gene pool as possible.

e. For non DNA testable diseases the breeding aim is to lower the incidence of severe inherited disease across the breed as a whole.

f. And are of sufficient maturity from which to be bred. (Added 06/21, 4.2.5 – effective 01/01/22)

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- 8.18.3 The proposed BS should then be sent to the Dogs Australia Canine Health & Wellbeing Committee (CHWC) for comment, advice and assistance in the final wording and understanding (including any ramifications of their decisions). This is then sent back to the NBC/Breed Club. [If it is a Breed Specialty Club(s), they must work through their State Controlling Body.]
- 8.18.4 Once the final wording has been accepted, the BS made available to all owners and breeders of the breed involved in each State/Territory journal, website and social media pages in a timely manner. (Amended 06/21, 4.2.6 – effective 01/01/22)
- 8.18.5 The survey results are then published in Member Bodies Journals/Gazettes.
- 8.18.6 If the result of the BS is in the affirmative the LRL is then applied, with commencement dates usually 6 months after ratification by the Dogs Australia.

Amend to read:

- 8.18 Litter Registration Limitations (Health Reason) (Added 06/26, 5.6 effective 01/01/27)
Guidelines for Developing Litter Registration Limitations.
- 8.18.1 A National Breed Council (NBC) or Breed Specialty Club(s) (where an NBC does not exist) must agree that the disease/issue is a significant problem in the breed.
- 8.18.2 Once agreed they should develop a proposed breed survey rationale, with questions that must be answered and a proposed date of commencement (in accordance Regulation Part 6 Section 8.1) when the Breed Survey (BS) is completed. The following outline should be followed to develop the required breed survey:
 - a. Description of the condition;
 - b. Severity of the condition designated as a problem in the breed;
 - c. Mode of inheritance if known; Percentage (with known DNA testable conditions) of affected carrier and normal in the current population. These can be obtained from the major testing facilities both locally and overseas;
 - d. Desired breeding strategy for DNA testable diseases - with the desired strategy being to not produce any more affected progeny and at the same time keep as diverse a gene pool as possible.
 - e. For non DNA testable diseases the breeding aim is to lower the incidence of severe inherited disease across the breed as a whole.
 - f. recommendation of sufficient maturity from which to be bred. (Added 06/21, 4.2.5 – effective 01/01/22)
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- 8.18.4 Once the final wording has been accepted, the BS made available to all current owners who are financial members of a Dogs Australia member body and of the breed involved in each State/Territory via electronic means.
- 8.18.5 The survey results are then published in Member Bodies Journals/Gazettes.
- 8.18.6 If the result of the BS is in the affirmative the LRL is then applied, with commencement date in accordance Regulation Part 6 Section 8.1 after ratification by the Dogs Australia.

Effective date 1 January 2027.

- *** Regulations 5, Conformation Show: Amendment**

It was RESOLVED that Regulations 5 Conformation Show, Sections 10.7 through to 10.10.2 be amended as follows

Current reads:

10.7 Grand Champion

10.7.1 Using the points system as approved by Dogs Australia at the time, a dog will be required to receive 1000 points to be eligible to the title of Grand Champion.

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10.7.2 All dogs that qualify for the Grand Champion title under Rule 7.6 are eligible to apply for the title after the implementation date of 1 January 2012.

10.7.3 A Grand Championship will not be awarded to dogs retrospectively, but a dog will be eligible to be awarded the title of Grand Champion, if they gain some points towards the title of Grand Champion (1000 points) after the implementation date of 01 January 1998.

10.9 Supreme Champion

10.9.1 Using the points system as approved by Dogs Australia at the time, a dog will be required to attain the following qualifications to be eligible to the title of Supreme Champion.

1.1,000 points; and

B.3 All Breeds Best in Shows awarded by 3 different Best in Show Judges; or

C.10 Best in Group/Multi-Breed or Breed Specialty Best in Show awarded by 10 different judges.

10.9.2 A Supreme Championship will not be awarded to dogs retrospectively, but a dog will be eligible to be awarded the title of Supreme Champion, if it gained some points towards the title of Supreme Champion (1000 points) after the implementation date of 01 July 2012.

Amend to read:

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B.3 All Breeds Best in Shows awarded by 3 different Best in Show Judges; or

C.10 Best in Group/Multi-Breed or Breed Specialty Best in Show awarded by 10 different judges.

10.9.2 A Supreme Championship will not be awarded to dogs retrospectively, but a dog will be eligible to be awarded the title of Supreme Champion, if it gained some points towards the title of Supreme Champion (1000 points) after the implementation date of 01 July 2012.

10.10 Neuter Supreme Champion

10.10.1 Using the points system as approved by Dogs Australia at the time, a dog will be required to attain the following qualifications to be eligible for the title of Neuter Supreme Champion from 01 January 2027.

1.1000 points; and

2.5 All Breeds Neuter in Show awards, under 5 different judges.

10.10.2 A Neuter Supreme Championship will not be awarded to dogs retrospectively, but a dog will be eligible to be awarded the title of Neuter Supreme Champion, if it gained some points towards the title after the implementation date of 01 January 2027.

- *** Regulations Part 6 – The Register & Registration: Amendment**

It was RESOLVED that amendments to Regulations Part 6 – The Register & Registration, Clause 6.9 Registration of Associate Dogs made at the February 2026 Board meeting be rescinded at this time.

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Current reads:

6.9.1 Effective from 1 January 2027 It is compulsory PRIOR to the registration of an Associate Dog on the National Database, that the application to register such dog is accompanied by a Sterilisation Certificate or a recognised Animal Register official document confirming the dog is neutered, or where the dog is being registered through an Dogs Australia recognised Kindred body, a letter of authenticity, issued by the recognised body detailing the dog's reproductive status.

6.9.2 Any person registering an entire dog on the Associate Register must be a voting full member of the member body in which they reside.

6.9.3 The dog to be permanently identified by Microchip and the permanent identified number to be recorded on the documentation as provided at 6.9.1.

6.9.4 The Breed is to be recorded as 'Associate' with a (AR) number assigned by the Dogs Australia Member Body and only the following details are to be recorded on the National Database:

- a. Name (to conform to Dogs Australia regulations). Where there is an Dogs Australia registered prefix it is to be included as part of the name.
- b. sex - indicated only as either Dog, Bitch or Neutered.
- c. microchip number.
- d. date of birth (or approximate).
- e. colour.
- f. Breeder (if known).
- g. Current owners name and address.

Note: The suspected breed or cross breed may be recorded in the notes field for further reference.

6.9.5 The Dogs Australia Member Body will produce an Associate Register Certificate for an Associate dog, which indicates the above details.

6.9.6 A litter born to both the Sire and Dam on the Associate Register may be registered on the Associate register where the owner has a registered prefix with the Dogs Australia and is a current financial member of a Dogs Australia Member body.

6.9.7 To be recognised as a Kindred Body the entity must make application to Dogs Australia for recognition. The application must stipulate the activities conducted by the entity, time in existence, number of members and dogs registered to them and why they are making application to be associated with Dogs Australia. The Dogs Australia Board of Directors is to assess the application at the next available board meeting and notify the entity as soon as possible after the meeting.

Amend to read:

6.9 Registration of Associate Dogs – on Associate Register (10/07, 7.11) (Amended 10/10, 5.11) (Amended 10/19, 6.1)

6.9.1 As from 1 January 2008, it is compulsory PRIOR to the registration of an Associate Dog on the National Database, that the application to register such dog is accompanied by a Sterilisation Certificate or a recognised Animal Register official documentation showing the owner, microchip number and indicating that the dog is desexed.

6.9.2 The dog to be permanently identified (such as Microchip) and the permanent identified number to be recorded on the Sterilisation Certificate.

6.9.3 The breed is to be recorded as 'Associate' with a number assigned by the Dogs Australia Member Body and only the following details are to be recorded on the National Database:

- a. name (one word only).
- d. sex - indicated only as either neutered or spayed.
- e. microchip number.
- f. date of birth (if known).
- g. colour

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Note: The breed or cross breed may be recorded in the notes field for further reference.

- 6.9.4 The Dogs Australia Member Body will produce an Associate Register Certificate for an Associate dog, which indicates the above details.

- *** Regulations Part 8 – Member Bodies & Membership, Clause 6.2: Amendment**

It was RESOLVED that that the amendments to Regulations Part 8 – Member and Member Bodies Clause 6.2 be endorsed as follows:

Current reads:

6.2 Entry Forms

2. The certification statement on the uniform national entry forms be amended to read:

"I certify that this exhibit has not within the said period of three weeks been in premises affected with Distemper, Canine Hepatitis, Parvo Virus or any other contagious disease and is currently vaccinated in accordance with current World Small Animal Veterinary Association International Vaccination Committee (WSAVA IVC) policies." **(10/09, 8.10) (Amended 10/15, 6.1.8) (Amended 06/21, 4.2 – Effective 1 January 2022)**

Amend to read:

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7 Requirements to enter sanctioned events

7.1 Entry Application Declaration

"I certify that this exhibit has not within the said period of twelve (12) weeks been in premises affected with Distemper, Canine Hepatitis, Parvo Virus or any other virulent contagious disease (except Kennel Cough), and is currently vaccinated in accordance with current World Small Animal Veterinary Association International Vaccination Committee (WSAVA IVC) policies."

"I certify that this exhibit has not within the said period of three (3) weeks been in premises affected with or diagnosed with Canine Cough (also referred to as Kennel Cough or Canine Infectious Respiratory Disease Complex).

Effective date 1 January 2027.

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ADMINISTRATOR