Agenda for Fedco 12-2026 – Final for Publication & Distribution – 29.10.2026

AGENDA OF A MEETING OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, SUNDAY & POSSIBLY MONDAY, 5 – 7 December 2026, ON MS TEAMS

ITEM	Sub Item	Sub Item	AGENDA
1			**ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS**
2	2.1		**MINUTES OF FEDCO 06-2026 – ORDINARY MEETING – 27 & 28 June 2026**
		2.1.1	Minutes to be adopted
		2.1.2	Matters Arising from the Minutes not covered by the Agenda
	2.2		**MINUTES OF FEDCO 07-2026 – SPECIAL MEETING – 30 July 2026**
		2.2.1	Minutes to be adopted
		2.2.2	Matters Arising from the Minutes not covered by the Agenda
	2.3		**MINUTES OF FEDCO 08-2026 – SPECIAL MEETING – 27 August 2026**
		2.3.1	Minutes to be adopted
		2.3.2	Matters Arising from the Minutes not covered by the Agenda
3			**ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**
	3.1		**Declaration of Interests – Article 12.5** "*Any member nominated to sit on the Federal Council, Executive Committee of the Kennel Union as well as the Executive Members (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer) of any Provincial Council of the Kennel Union, shall declare within one (1) month of appointment to the Secretary in writing all their interests, of whatsoever nature, in dog related activities. Where the governing body of the Kennel Union, or such person or persons to whom the authority is delegated, determine that any interests are in conflict with those of the Kennel Union, such nominated members' appointment shall ipso facto be terminated.* *At Fedco 06-2025, Fedco directed that the Declarations of Interests of Fedco Members should be updated annually, immediately after the AGMs of their Councils, and be received in time for confirmation at the Ordinary Meeting of the Federal Council in December each year.*
		3.1.1	**Fedco Members** The members of Fedco have all submitted their Declarations of Interests to the KUSA Secretary, and none have been found to be in conflict with the interests of the Kennel Union. **To be noted and confirmed.**
		3.1.2	**Exco Members** The members of Exco have all submitted their Declarations of Interests to the KUSA Secretary, and none have been found to be in conflict with the interests of the Kennel Union. **To be noted and confirmed.**
	3.2		**Annual Financial Statements (AFS) and Auditors' Report for the Year Ended 31.08.2026 – Article 36.4** *The audited balance sheet and supporting accounts signed by the Chairman of the Federal Council (or in his absence the Vice-Chairman), and the Secretary, shall be submitted for consideration to the Federal Council at its last ordinary Council Meeting in each calendar year.*

			Documents to be circulated prior to the meeting.
	3.3		**Appointment of an Auditor** KUSA's Annual Financial Statements are currently audited by Sprigg Abbott Incorporated. It is recommended that the services of Sprigg Abbott Incorporated be retained. **For discussion and decision.**
	3.4		**Article 16.2.2**
		3.4.1	**Election of Chairman of the Federal Council and Election of President of KUSA – Article 16.2.2.1** The current Chairman of the Federal Council, Cllr JM Hubbard, and the President of KUSA, Mrs DE Powell, retire on 31.12.2028. **For noting.**
		3.4.2	**Election of Vice-Chairman of the Federal Council – Article 16.2.2.2** The current Vice-Chairman of the Federal Council, Cllr L Thornhill, retires on 31.12.2027. **For noting.**
		3.4.3	**Election of Patron of KUSA – Article 16.2.2.3** *"The Federal Council shall elect a Patron; Life Members and Life Vice-Presidents on termination of their fourth year in office."* **Nominations for Patron of KUSA to be considered by Fedco.** *After some discussion on the subject, it became evident that no person has, as yet, been identified to be nominated as Patron of the Kennel Union.* *It was proposed by the Chairman that the matter be deferred to Fedco 12-2026 and, in the interim, that thought should be given to whether an office of Patron was indeed still apt and requisite for a non-profit organisation which had evolved into a financially independent and prosperous enterprise.* ***There were no objections and the matter was deferred to Fedco 12-2026.*** **For discussion & decision.**
		3.4.4	**Election of Life Members of KUSA – Article 16.2.2.3** *It was decided at Fedco 12-2019 "to adopt a term of at least four (4) years' service on either Fedco, or Exco, as a suitable and currently the only criterion for bestowing Life Membership on a person who had served KUSA in a voluntary capacity at the highest level of governance."* **List of Life Members** Mr V (M) Alberts Mrs JD Barrow Brig Gen (retd.) NJ du Preez Mr MJ Hancock Mrs JM Hubbard Mrs CM Immelman Mrs YC Jefferies Mr RD Juckes Mrs CE Patience Mrs DE Powell

			Mr DC Sparg Mr BG Robinson Mrs LC Thornhill Mr MW Vorster Mrs L Wilson Adv R Zeeman **Based on the single criterion of "*at least four (4) years' service on Fedco and/or Exco*" there were no new contenders for Life Membership.** **For confirmation.**
		3.4.5	**Election of Life Vice-Presidents – Article 16.2.2.3** **List of current Life Vice-Presidents:** Mrs JD Barrow Mrs S Bloomfield Mr NS Kay Mrs DE Powell Mrs A Olivier **Any nominations for Life Vice-Presidents to be considered by Fedco.**
		3.4.6	**Appointment of Legal Adviser to KUSA** Following the retirement of Brig Gen (retd.) NJ du Preez from KUSA duties in December 2025, through the good offices of MV, KUSA was introduced to Mrs Margaret Smith, a corporate attorney in private practice, who holds an additional qualification in Labour Relations. In subsequent discussions with Mrs Smith, involving the Chairman, the KUSA General Manager, the KUSA Secretary, the Chairman of Exco and MV, it was learnt that she had extensive experience in disciplinary processes and hearings, which are key areas of expertise for an appointed KUSA Legal Adviser. In follow-up discussions with the General Manager and the Budget Committee, a mutually acceptable retainer arrangement was reached between Mrs Smith and KUSA. For the past year, Mrs Smith has served as the constitutionally required second member of the Sub-committee of Inquiry (SCI), either with the KUSA Secretary, or with the Acting KUSA Secretary. Her counsel on disciplinary matters has been sage and well-reasoned and her advice on general legal queries has been equally valuable. Her responsiveness to requests for assistance by the KUSA Secretary and the Chairman of Exco has been nothing short of impressive. The KUSA Office strongly recommends a continuation of the present retainer arrangement with Mrs Smith as the KUSA Legal Adviser. **For discussion and decision.**
		3.4.7	**Article 16.2.3 – Appeals Committee** *"The Federal Council shall appoint at least three (3) persons, comprising either Provincial Council Members of the Federal Council, or external, independent persons, with appropriate knowledge and experience, or persons from either grouping in any combination to act as an Fedco Appeals Committee (FAC) to consider any appeals which may have been lodged in terms of the Disciplinary Rules. The appointed FAC shall elect a person from its number to chair the FAC"* [**Note:** In terms of Article 16.2.3, ***all*** Provincial Council Chairmen of the Federal Council, and the Vice-Chairman of DOGSPC, are required to be available to serve on an Appeals

			Committee with colleagues, or with external independent persons, in any appointed combination.] **For noting.**
	3.5		**KUSA Online Portal** **Report-back from the KUSA Office.**
	3.6		**KUSA Office – Lease & Relocation**
		3.6.1	**KUSA Office – Lease Agreement KUSA Office – Lease Agreement** (Fedco 06-2021 Item 8.7, Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.10.1, Fedco 06-2022 Item 3.5.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 3.7.1, Fedco 06-2023 Item 3.4.1, Fedco 12-2023 Item 3.7.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 3.4.2, Fedco 12-2024 Item 3.7.1, Fedco 06-2025 Item 3.7.1, Fedco 06-2026 Item 3.4.1) As directed by Fedco, the lease Agreement with AfricaWorks for the current office and parking space occupied by the KUSA Office, which expired on 30 September 2026, was renewed earlier in the year. **For noting.**
		3.6.2	**KUSA Office – Stor-Age Unit** (Fedco 08-2021 Item 3.3, Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.10.3, Fedco 06-2022 Item 3.5.3, Fedco 12-2022 Item 3.7.2, Fedco 06-2023 Item 3.4.2, Fedco 12-2023 Item 3.7.2, Fedco 06-2024 Item 3.4.2, Fedco 12-2024 Item 4.7.2, Fedco 06-2025 Item 3.4.2, Fedco 12-2025 Item 3.7.2, Fedco 06-2026 Item 3.4.2) **Report-back.**
	3.7		**Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), No. 4 of 2013** (Fedco 12-2022 Item 3.8, Fedco 06-2023 Item 3.5, Fedco 12-2023 Item 3.8, Fedco 06-2024 Item 3.5, Fedco 12-2024 Item 3.8, Fedco 06-2025 Item 3.5, Fedco 12-2025 Item 3.8, Fedco 06-2026 Item 3.8, Fedco 07-2025 Item 3.2, Fedco 12-2025 Item 3.8, Fedco 06-2026 Item 3.5.) **Nil.**
		3.7.1	**Provincial Councils – Appointment of POPIA Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer** (Fedco 06-2022 Item 3.6.2, Fedco 12-2022 Item 3.8.1, Fedco 06-2023 Item 3.5.1, Fedco 12-2023 Item 3.8.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 3.5.1, Fedco 12-2024 Item 3.8.1, Fedco 06-2025 Item 3.5, Fedco 12-2025 Item 3.8.1, Fedco 06-2026 Item 3.5.1) **Update on the statuses of the various Provincial Councils to be provided by the KUSA Office.** **Minutes: Fedco 06-2026:** Information on record: *DOGSPC – Information Officer: Ms N Redtenbacher; Deputy Information Officer: Mrs ME Dempsey* *NAPC – Information Officer: Ms P Byleveld* *WCPC – Information Officer: Ms N Nissen* *EC&BPC – Information Officer: Mr DS Sparg* *FS&NCPC – Information Officer: Mr NA Kotze* *KZNPC – Information Officer: Mrs DJ Hewer; Deputy Information Officer: Mrs MJ Hancock* **The above appointments to be noted and confirmed.**
	3.8		**Subscription & Fees – Document issued pursuant to Schedule 07**
		3.8.1	**Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees – Additional Membership category – "Training Club Executive Committee Membership" – for applicable Subscription Fees to be inserted as line-item 1.7 and/or 1.8 and consequential amendments to be made as marked up** Proposed by the Birch Acres Dog Training Club, via the NAPC.

			Proposal: To introduce a separate membership category entitled "Training Club Executive Committee Membership" at a concessionary Subscription Fee provided under Schedule 07 – as new line-item 1.7 or 1.8 – for certain Committee Members of Dog Training Clubs who do not participate actively in KUSA-licensed Championship Shows or Dogsport events with dogs in their registered ownership, but are elected to serve on the Executive Committees of Dog Training Clubs to fill key positions. Members obtaining Training Club Executive Committee Membership shall forego all other membership privileges afforded to Ordinary Members. - No Membership Election Fee to be charged - Concessionary annual Subscription Fee (proposed **R366,00** in line with current Senior and Young Adult Subscription Fees) [**Note:** If this proposal is approved, it would necessitate amendments to the Articles of KUSA as proposed under Item 7.1.3 or 7.1.4] **Motivation:** This proposal recommends introducing a membership category at a reduced Subscription Fee for persons serving on Dog Training Clubs' Executive Committees, who are required to obtain membership from KUSA (compulsory for a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer), but are not actively participating in KUSA Shows or Dogsport events with dogs in their registered ownership at Championship level. **Current Challenges:** 1. **Purpose of the Concessionary Subscription Fee:** The intention is to acknowledge members who value their association with KUSA, but do not participate in any KUSA events due to personal, financial or logistical constraints. These members do not make use of the full range of services and resources provided by KUSA to active Ordinary Members. 2. **Fairness and Financial Alignment:** Active Ordinary Members of KUSA are allowed to enter Championship Shows and Dogsport events with dogs registered in their ownership. Non-participating members are not necessarily interested in competing in KUSA events. A concessionary Subscription Fee ensures that membership costs are aligned with Club Committee duties only, creating a fair and transparent system. 3. **Retention and Community Strength:** Offering a concessionary Subscription Fee may result in members feeling less hostile towards KUSA because of high fees without benefits and limited participation. Maintaining a concessionary fee, strengthens the KUSA community, preserves long-term relationships and supports future re-engagement when circumstances change. 4. **Administrative and Strategic Benefits:** A non-participating membership category allows a Dog Training Club to elect pro-active Club Members who possess the skills to fill specific Committee positions without an undue financial impact on the member. **Proposed Conditions** 1. Members in this category may not enter or compete at any KUSA Championship Show event and only fulfil their Club Committee duties; 2. They may upgrade to Ordinary Membership at any time. **Conclusion:** Introducing a concessionary Subscription Fee for non-participating members is a practical and fair adjustment. It recognises varying levels of involvement while ensuring that the Training Club remains active, affiliated, inclusive, financially sustainable and accurately structured.

			Proposed insertion into Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees 2026/2027 – as line-item 1.7 and/or 1.8 as well as marked up consequential amendments: Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~] and highlighted for ease of identification.

1	**MEMBERSHIP – First time members are required to be elected and pay an election fee as well as the 12 month subscription fee**	
1.1	**Election fee –** payable upon application to be elected as a member (per person – except Junior**,** [~~and~~] Young Adult **and Training Club Executive Committee** Members). The Annual Subscription fee is extra	R 481.00
	(Applicable to New Members & Members lapsed for more than 1 month). If membership is allowed to lapse for more than one (1) month, a re-election fee will be levied	
1.2	**Individual Member**	
1.2.1	Twelve (12) month Membership Subscription	R 850.00
1.2.2	Unbroken Membership for five (5) years – twelve month Membership Subscription	R 780.00
1.2.3	**Senior** (over 70 years of age). *Proof of age to be provided.* Twelve month Membership Subscription	R 366.00
1.3.	**Judges (Licensed)** Membership first five (5) years – twelve (12) month Membership Subscription	R 760.00
1.3.1	**Judges Unbroken** Membership for five (5) years – twelve (12) month Membership Subscription	R 731.00
1.3.2	**Judges Penalty Fee** (Breach of Article 25.2) – Pro rata fee, except where KUSA-licensed Judges emigrated and require KUSA membership	Pro Rata
1.4	**Household** (Persons cohabiting with and related to the Principal member by birth, marriage (customary or civil) or customary union. (Max 5 persons)	
1.4.1	**Principal Member** twelve (12) month Membership Subscription	R 850.00
1.4.2	**Household members** twelve (12) month Membership Subscription – per person	R 740.00
1.5	**Young Adult** – eighteen (18) years to under twenty-one (21) years (*Election Fee not applicable*) twelve (12) month Membership Subscription	R 366.00
1.6	**Junior** – eight (8) to under eighteen (18) years *(Election Fee not applicable) – twelve (12) month Membership Subscription*	R 234.00
1.7/1.8	**Training Club Executive Committee Member – not entitled to enter any KUSA-licensed Championship event. No other privileges or benefits apply. (Election Fee not applicable.)**	**R366.00**
	NOTE: *The benefits of Unbroken, Senior, Junior, Young Adult,* ***Training Club Committee*** *or Household Membership may not be combined. Membership types must be one or the other.*	

			For decision.
		3.8.2	**Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees – Additional Membership category – "Competitor Membership" – for applicable Subscription Fees to be inserted as line-item 1.7 and/or 1.8 and consequential amendments to be made as marked up** Submitted by DOGSPC. **Proposal:** To introduce a new membership category entitled "Competitor Membership" at a concessionary Subscription Fee provided under Schedule 07 – as new line-item 1.7 or 1.8 – for persons wishing to join the Kennel Union for the ***first time*** with the exclusive object of participating in KUSA-licensed Championship Shows and Dogsport Events with a dog in their registered ownership, foregoing all other privileges of membership available to Ordinary Members of KUSA. Competitor Membership will allow newcomers to the dog world to participate in all KUSA-licensed activities at an affordable cost, while still remaining bound to KUSA's regulatory framework.

			The additional benefits of adopting Competitor Membership include: • Bringing new people into contact with the dog world and KUSA-licensed activities, who may go on to upgrade to Ordinary Membership. • Encouraging people to take transfer of ownership of puppies. • Potentially increasing revenue from Show Levies and from Championship Status applications and the issuing of KUSA Certificates. [**Note:** If this proposal is accepted, it would necessitate amendments to the Articles of KUSA as proposed under Items Item 7.1.3 or 7.1.4] **Motivation**: • There can be little doubt that we are seeing a very significant decline in the number of entries at KUSA-licensed events. This is particularly evident at Championship Shows and even more severe in some branches of Dogsport. • While there are many reasons for this, the cost of mandatory membership just to be able to compete is the most cited. It is very difficult to convince a newcomer who would like to enter a show to pay an Election Fee of R481.00 and Individual Membership Subscription of R850.00 (total of R1 321.00) on top of the respective Clubs' Show Entry Fees. • For Breed Shows the problem is often solved by keeping all puppies in the breeder's name and, given that KUSA is primarily a registering body, this is counterproductive. To overcome these problems while retaining the desired legal effect of membership, we propose a new class of membership which confers no more than eligibility to compete in KUSA-licensed events. • Competitor Membership shall be available to **new members only** and **may only be renewed once**, i.e. the full period of allowable Competitor Membership would be 24 months. Upon completion of the second year in which Competitor Membership is held, members who wish to continue with KUSA membership, must upgrade to Ordinary Membership, paying the Election Fee and full 12-months Membership Subscription Fee. **Competitor Membership Conditions:** • Members currently holding Ordinary Membership, shall not be permitted to "downgrade" to Competitor Membership. • Members holding this category of membership will be required to pay for all award Certificates issued by the KUSA Office – e.g. Junior Merit, Championship, Grand Champions, Supreme Champion Certificates – at a fee equal to that charged for duplicate Certificates (Schedule 07 line-item 12.6). **Proposed insertion into Schedule 07 – Subscription and Fees 2026/2027 – as line-item 1.7 and/or 1.8 as well as marked up consequential amendments:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~] and highlighted for ease of identification.

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1.7	**Competitor Member – entitled to enter any KUSA-licensed Championship Show event. No other privileges or benefits apply. (Election Fee not applicable.) This membership type may only be renewed once.**	**R366.00**
	NOTE: *The benefits of Unbroken, Senior, Junior, Young Adult,* ***Competitor*** *or Household Membership may not be combined. Membership types must be one or the other.*	

12	**CHAMPIONSHIP STATUS** – All Disciplines – **Please add Courier Fee ***	
	Award, recording and issue of Junior Merit, Champion, Grand Champion & Supreme Champion Certificates, FCI International titles & FCI A20 titles	
[12.1	For KUSA Members JM; CH; GR.CH and S.CH * per certificate	No Charge]
12.1.	**For KUSA Ordinary Members** **per certificate** JM; CH; GR.CH and S.CH * Sire of Merit (SOM) or Dam of Merit (DOM) - Digital Certificate	No Charge
12.2	**Competitor Members** **per certificate** JM; CH; GR.CH and S.CH *	**R 250.00**
12.[~~2~~]**3**	Issue of Breeders' Certificate (where applicable) * per certificate	No Charge
12.[~~3~~]**4**	**For Ordinary Members** FCI International Champion Status per certificate (FCI-C.I.B.; FCI-C.I.B.-J; FCI-C.I.B.-V) *	R 292.00
12.5	**Competitor Members,** FCI International Champion Status per certificate (FCI-C.I.B.; FCI-C.I.B.-J; FCI-C.I.B.-V) *	R 542.00
12.[4]**6**	**For KUSA Ordinary Members** per certificate FCI A20 Champion; Grand Champion & Supreme Champion*	R 292.00
12.7	**Competitor Members** per certificate FCI A20 Champion; Grand Champion & Supreme Champion*	R 542.00
12.[~~5~~]**8**	Express Service - Fast track application & issue letter confirming Champion status per certificate	R 288.00
	Express Service may not be requested in respect of Junior Merit, Grand Champion & Supreme Champion applications	
12.[6]9	Duplicate copy of JM; Champion; Grand Champion; Supreme Champion Certificates or Breeders' Certificate * per certificate	R 250.00

			For decision.
	3.9		**Provincial Councils**
		3.9.1	**Election of Representative to serve on the Executive Committee every four years and, if applicable, mid-term replacements** **Nil.**
4			**MATTERS RELATING TO AFFILIATED CLUBS**
	4.1		**Suspension of Club Privileges and possible Loss of Affiliation**

			"*Should a Club find itself in default as a result of any of the transgressions cited under Articles 9.1.2 to 9.1.4 above, it shall be ineligible to be granted a Licence for a Championship Show. If still in default by 31 August of any year, it will be suspended from the privilege of participating in any meeting of its Provincial Council, irrespective of whether its affiliation had been renewed by 31 October in terms of Article 9.2, until the default is remedied or, if it remains unremedied, till the next constituted Ordinary Meeting of the Federal Council where the Club will be tabled for disaffiliation. At such Ordinary Meeting, the Federal Council shall take account of any actions the Club in question had taken during the preceding default period to remedy whatever breaches had occurred and take such decisions as deemed appropriate at the time.*"
		4.1.1	**Article 9.3** (Fedco 12-2017, Fedco 06-2019, Fedco 6-2020, Fedco12-2020, Fedco 06-2021, Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.6, Fedco 06-2022 Item 4.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 4.1, Fedco 06-2023 Item 4.1, Fedco 12-2023 Item 4.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 4.1, Fedco 12-2024 Item 4.1, Fedco 06-2025 Item 4.1, Fedco 12-2025 Item 4.1, Fedco 06-2026 Item 4.1, Fedco 12-2026 Item 4.1) *Should a Club find itself in default as a result of any of the transgressions cited under Articles 9.1.2 to 9.1.4 above, it shall be ineligible to be granted a Licence for a Championship Show. If still in default by 31 August of any year, it will be suspended from the privilege of participating in any meeting of its Provincial Council, irrespective of whether its affiliation had been renewed by 31 October in terms of Article 9.2, until the default is remedied or, if it remains unremedied, till the next constituted Ordinary Meeting of the Federal Council where the Club will be tabled for disaffiliation. At such Ordinary Meeting, the Federal Council shall take account of any actions the Club in question had taken during the preceding default period to remedy whatever breaches had occurred and take such decisions as deemed appropriate at the time.*
		4.1.2	**Article 9.1.3** (Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.6.1, Fedco 06-2022 Item 4.1.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 4.1.1, Fedco 06-2023 Item 4.1.1, Fedco 12-2023 Item 4.1.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 4.1.1, Fedco 12-2024 Item 4.1.1, Fedco 06-2025 Item 4.1.1, Fedco 12-2025 4.1.1, Fedco 06-2026 Item 4.1.1) "Failure to submit minutes of Annual and/or Special General Meetings together with audited Financial Statements and balance sheets, where applicable, in terms of Article 8.6.2." (%) reported at Fedco 12-2022 (48 months) indicated in red (@) reported at Fedco 06-2023 (42 months) indicated in red ($) reported at Fedco 12-2023 (36 months) indicated in red (#) reported at Fedco 06-2024 (30 months) indicated in red (!) reported at Fedco 12-2024 (24 months) indicated in red (&) reported at Fedco 06-2025 (18 months) indicated in red (+) reported at Fedco 12-2025 (12 months) indicated in red (^) reported at Fedco 06-2026 (6 months) indicated in red **Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council (DOGSPC)** • **Alaskan Malamute Club of Gauteng (%@$#!&+^)** (Fin Yr-end 31/07/2026, AGM due 31/10/2026); no documents received for 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 or 2026 as yet. [**Note:** Feedback from DOGSPC required,] • **Eastern Districts Kennel Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/08/2026, AGM due 30/11/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Highveld Whippet Club** (Fin Yr-end 30/04/2026, AGM due 31/07/2026); documents received 01/10/2026. AFS outstanding, SGM date set 22/10/2026. • **Junior Kennel Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/07/2026, AGM due 31/10/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Klun French Bulldog Club of Gauteng (+^)** (Fin Yr-end 31/03/2026, AGM due 30/06/2026); no documents received for 2025 or 2026. [**Note:** Feedback from DOGSPC required,]

			• **Mpumalanga Bulldog Club (%+^)** (Fin Yr-end 28/02/2026, AGM due 31/05/2026); no documents received for 2022; documents received for 2024, 2025 and 2026, AFS for 2025 not signed. AFS for 2026 outstanding. [**Note:** See **Note** under 4.1.7. Feedback from DOGSPC required,] • **Mpumalanga GSD Club** (Fin Yr-end 30/06/2026, AGM due 30/09/2026); held on 29/09/2026. Submitted the AGM Minutes and AFS signed by IFP (no report or signatures from Club Officers) but no other documents. Outstanding documents requested. • **Pretoria Toy Dog Breeders Club** (Fin Yr-end 30/06/2026, AGM due 30/09/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Saint Bernard Club of Transvaal** (Fin Yr-end 31/07/2026, AGM due 31/10/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Shetland Sheepdog Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/08/2026, AGM due 30/11/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Teckel Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/07/2026, AGM due 31/10/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Transvaal Field Trial Association** (Fin Yr-end 31/08/2026, AGM due 30/11/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Transvaal Midlands Kennel Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/08/2026, AGM due 30/11/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Witwatersrand Kennel Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/08/2026, AGM due 30/11/2026); no documents received as yet. **Northern Areas Provincial Council (NAPC)** • **Biewer Terrier Club of Gauteng (^)** (Fin Yr-end 28/02/2026, AGM due 31/05/2026); documents received 16/09/2026. SGM required. [**Note:** Club has no bank account, and all payments are made by a member. Submitted AFS for 2025, signed by an Auditor to reflect this state of affairs. AGM Minutes stated that there are only 3 Club Members. KUSA Office noted that their AGM was not held in accordance with their Constitution and they need to hold an SGM.] • **Dog Training Club of Bredell (@$#!&+^)** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/26, AGM due 31/03/26); AGM documents received for 2023 and 2024, except AFS which are outstanding for both years. No documents received for 2025 or 2026. • **Highveld Belgian Shepherd Dog Club** (Fin Yr-end 30/06/2026, AGM due 30/09/2026); AGM date set for 07/11/2026. • **K9 Sports Specialist GSD Club of Gauteng** (Fin Yr-end 31/08/2026, AGM due 30/11/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Northern Areas French Bulldog Club (+^)** (Fin Yr-end 28/02/2026, AGM due 31/05/2026); no documents received for 2025 or 2026. [**Note:** Feedback from NAPC required,] • **Northern Boxer Club (^)** (Fin Yr-end 30/09/2026, AGM due 31/12/2026); no documents received for 2024, 2025 or 2026. • **Northern Transvaal Bull Terrier Club** (Fin Yr-end 30/06/2026, AGM due 30/09/2026); No documents received as yet. • **Rottweiler Working & Breeding Association of Gauteng** (Fin Yr-end 31/08/2026, AGM due 30/11/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Shar Pei Club of Gauteng** (Fin Yr-end 28/02/2026, AGM due 31/05/2026); no documents received as yet. **Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council (EC&BPC)** • **Algoa Hound Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/08/2026, AGM due 30/11/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Brakfontein Dog Training Club** (Fin Yr-end 30/06/2026, AGM due 30/09/2026); no documents received as yet.

			• **East London Kennel Club (^)** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2026, AGM due 31/03/2027); AGM documents for 2025 received, except AFS which is outstanding; SGM required to approve AFS. • **Jikeleza Dog Training Club** (Fin Yr-end 30/06/2026, AGM due 30/09/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Port Elizabeth Kennel Club** (Fin Yr-end 30/06/2026, AGM due 30/09/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Port Rex Kennel Club (^)** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2026, AGM due 31/03/2027); AGM documents for 2025 received, except AFS which is outstanding; SGM required to approve AFS. • **Queenstown & Districts Kennel Club (^)** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2026, AGM due 31/03/2027); AGM documents for 2025 received, except AFS which is outstanding; SGM required to approve AFS. • **Uitenhage Kennel Club** (Fin Yr-end 31/08/2026, AGM due 30/11/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Wild Coast Dog Training Club** (Fin Yr-end 30/06/2026, AGM due 30/09/2026); no documents received as yet. **Free State & Northern Cape (incl. Namibia) Provincial Council (FS&NCPC)** • **Central Free State Bull Terrier Club (@$#!&+^)** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/26, AGM due 31/03/2026); documents for 2025 received, except AFS which is outstanding; Outstanding AFS documents received but no SGM Minutes of approval received. • **Free State Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club** (Fin Yr-end 30/06/2026, AGM due 30/09/2026); no documents received as yet. **KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council (KZNPC)** • **Barks GSD Club of KZN** (Fin Yr-end 31/08/2026, AGM due 31/11/2026); no documents received as yet. • **Natal Border Collie Club (^)** (Fin Yr-end 31/12/2026, AGM due 31/03/2027); no documents received. Office was informed of delay and problems with the Bank account. **Western Cape Provincial Council (WCPC)** • **Winelands Bull Terrier Club (^)** (Fin Yr-end 28/02/2026, AGM due 31/05/2026); AGM documents received, AFS not present at meeting and no IFP report. SGM to approve AFS set for 10/11/2026. **For noting and discussion where necessary.**
		4.1.3	"**Article 9.1.4** (Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.6.2, Fedco 06-2022 Item 4.1.2, Fedco 12-2022 Item 4.1.2, Fedco 06-2023 Item 4.1.2, Fedco 12-2023 Item 4.1.2, Fedco 06-2024 Item 4.1.2, Fedco 12-2024 Item 4.1.2, Fedco 06-2025 Item 4.1.2, Fedco 12-2025 Item 4.1.2, Item 4.1.2 Fedco 12-2026) "9.1.4 Failure to adhere to Kennel Union Constitutional requirements in respect of: 9.1.4.1 Any event to be held, being held, or which was held under a Kennel Union licence. 9.1.4.2 Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to the Secretary of KUSA, Schedule 08." PENALTIES & SHOW RETURNS – Shows up to and including 30.03.2026. ***Clubs with Show Penalties not paid within 60 days.*** ***Clubs with Outstanding Show Returns/Levies.***

			Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council (DOGSPC) Nil. **Northern Areas Provincial Council (NAPC)** Nil. **Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council (EC&BPC)** Nil. **Free State & Northern Cape (incl. Namibia) Provincial Council (FS&NCPC)** Nil. **KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council (KZNPC)** Nil. **Western Cape Provincial Council (WCPC)** Nil. **For noting.**
		4.1.4	**Article 9.2** (Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.6.2, Fedco 06-2022 Item 4.1.2, Fedco 12-2022 Item 4.1.3, Fedco 06-2023 Item 4.1.3, Fedco 12-2023 Item 4.1.3, Fedco 06-2024 Item 4.1.3, Fedco 12-2024 Item 4.1.3, Fedco 06-2025 Item 4.1.3, Fedco 12-2025 Item 4.1.3, Fedco 06-2026 Item 4.1.4) *Whenever an Affiliated Club's annual affiliation fee remains unpaid one (1) month after the date of renewal, the Secretary shall send a written demand calling for payment forthwith and in the event of the fee remaining unpaid on the thirty-first (31st) day of October, the Club in default shall be removed from the list of Affiliated Clubs.* **Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council (DOGSPC)** • Alaskan Malamute Club of Gauteng [**Note:** Refer to **Note** under Item 4.1.2] • Klun French Bulldog Club of Gauteng [**Note:** Refer to **Note** under Item 4.1.2] **Northern Areas Provincial Council (NAPC)** • Northern Areas French Bulldog Club [**Note:** Refer to **Note** under Item 4.1.2] • Saint Bernard Association of Northern Gauteng **Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council (EC&BPC)** • Nil **Free State & Northern Cape (incl. Namibia) Provincial Council (FS&NCPC)** • Nil **KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council (KZNPC)** • Nil **Western Cape Provincial Council (WCPC)** • Hottentots Holland Kennel Club **Or noting and discussion.**
		4.1.5	**Article 8.6.3**

			[paraphrased] The Club shall ensure that the names and contact details of the Club's Officers (Chairman, Vice- Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Club's bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union. [**Notice to Clubs:** The above Regulation directs, *inter alia*, that Clubs must elect a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and that these four Officers need to be members in good standing of KUSA. The KUSA Office can only provide Fedco with information supplied by the affiliated Clubs. If interim appointments of Officers are made, or other constitutional breaches remedied, the KUSA Office needs to be notified without delay so that KUSA's records may be updated.] (#) reported at Fedco 06-2024 (30 months) indicated in red (!) reported at Fedco 12-2024 (24 months) indicated in red (&) reported at Fedco 06-2025 (18 months) indicated in red (+) reported at Fedco 12-2025 (12 months) indicated in red (@) reported at Fedco 06-2026 (6 months) indicated in red **Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council (DOGSPC)** • **Alaskan Malamute Club (!&+@)** Chairman's membership due 15/09/2024, lapsed 15/10/2024 Vice-Chairman's membership due 15/03/2025, lapsed 15/04/2025 Treasurer's membership due 15/03/2025, lapsed 15/04/2025 [**Note:** Refer to Note under Item 4.1.2] • **Eastern Districts Kennel Club** Chairman's membership due 15/09/2026, lapsed 15/10/2026 • **Klun French Bulldog Club of Gauteng (+@)** Treasurer's membership due 15/05/2025, lapsed 15/05/2025 No Secretary. [**Note:** Refer to Note under Item 4.1.2] • **Pretoria Toy Dog Breeders Club (@)** Treasurer & Secretary are same person [Note: Current Constitution does not prohibit shared officers] • **Rainbow Hungarian Vizsla Club (@)** Vice-Chairman's membership due 15/05/2026, lapsed 15/06/2026 Secretary's membership due 15/09/2026, lapsed 15/10/2026 • **Saint Bernard Club of Transvaal (@)** Treasurer & Secretary are same person [Note: Current Constitution does not prohibit shared officers] • **Transvaal Midlands Kennel Club** Secretary's membership due 15/09/2026, lapsed 15/10/2026 • **Witwatersrand Kennel Club** Secretary's membership due 15/09/2026, lapsed 15/10/2026 **Northern Areas Provincial Council (NAPC)** • **Biewer Terrier Club of Gauteng** Vice-Chairman & Treasurer are same person [Note: Current Constitution does not prohibit shared officers] • **Dog Training Club of Bredell (@)** Chairman & Secretary are the same person [Note: Current Constitution does not prohibit shared officers]

			• **Jubilee Toy Dog Club of S.A.** (@) Treasurer & Secretary are the same person [Note: Current Constitution does not prohibit shared officers] • **Northern Areas French Bulldog Club** (&+@) Chairman's membership due 15/06/2025, lapsed 15/07/2025 Vice-Chairman & Treasurer resigned and not replaced. Secretary's membership due 15/02/2024, lapsed 15/03/2024 [**Note:** Refer to Note under Item 4.1.2] • **Northern Boxer Club** (+@) Secretary deceased and not replaced • **Shar Pei Club of Gauteng** Treasurer resigned (06/05/2026) and not replaced. **Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council (EC&BPC)** • **East London Kennel Club** (@) Treasurer resigned and not replaced. • **Queenstown & Districts Kennel Club** (@) Treasurer resigned and not replaced. • **Port Rex Kennel Club** (@) Treasurer resigned and not replaced. **Free State & Northern Cape (incl. Namibia) Provincial Council (FS&NCPC)** **Nil** **KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council (KZNPC)** • **Natal Rottweiler Association** (@) Chairman & Treasurer are the same person [**Note:** Current Constitution does not prohibit shared Officers.] • **Natal Terrier Club** Chairman's membership due 15/04/2026, lapsed 15/05/2026. **Western Cape Provincial Council (WCPC)** • **George Kennel Club** Treasurer's membership due 15/09/2026, lapsed 15/10/2026. • **Sirius Western Cape IGP Dog Club** Vice-Chairman not elected. Secretary and Treasurer are the same person. • **Winelands Bull Terrier Club** Vice-Chairman and Treasurer not KUSA Members. Applied. **For noting and discussion where necessary,**
		4.1.6	**Article 9.4** *Whenever a Club has been disaffiliated under provisions Articles 9.1 and 9.2, it may submit a request to the Federal Council for reinstatement to the list of Affiliated Clubs and the Federal Council may, on consideration of all the circumstances, grant reinstatement on such terms and conditions as may be decided, including payment of all sums due and payable to the KUSA and provided such appeal is received by the Secretary within fifteen (15) months from the date of the Federal Council's meeting at which the decision to disaffiliate the Club was taken.* **For noting.**
		4.1.7	**Dissolution of Clubs** **Dalmatian Club**

			A resolution to close this Club was received on 9 September 2026. All requested documentation was received on 22 September 2026 and the Club's intention to close placed on Exco 10-2026 Agenda. **Mpumalanga Bulldog Club** The Club informed the KUSA Office of its intention to close on 31 August 2026. The KUSA Office requested the Minutes of the Meeting at which this decision was taken as well as a copy of the Annual Financial Statements and details of the resolution regarding the distribution of the remaining funds. No response received as yet. **For noting.**
		4.1.8	**Voluntary disaffiliation of Clubs from KUSA** **Marks Park All-breed Dog Training Club** As reported at Fedco 06-2026, the Club had notified the KUSA Office of its intention to disaffiliate on 31 August 2026. The voluntary disaffiliation request was tabled at Exco 08-2026 and process completed. **SA Alsatian and All-Breeds Training Club** The KUSA Office received a letter from the Club notifying their intention to disaffiliate on 11 August 2026. This matter was tabled at Exco 08-2026, whereupon additional documentation was requested. All outstanding documentation was received and tabled at Exco 10-2026 at which disaffiliation was noted and confirmed. **For noting.**
	4.2		**Club Constitutions**
		4.2.1	**New Club Constitutions and Amendments to Existing Constitutions** (Fedco 12-2021 Item 8.2, Fedco 06-2022 Item 4.4.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 4.2.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 4.2.1, Fedco 12-2024 Item 4.2.1, Fedco 06-2025 Item 4.2.1, Fedco 12-2025 Item 4.2.1, Fedco 06-2026 Item 4.2.1) **Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council (DOGSPC)** **Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions — Adoption Date** Australian Shepherd Club of East Gauteng — 17/12/2024 Centenary Terrier Club — 02/02/2025 Eastern Districts Kennel Club — 19/09/2023 German Shorthaired Pointer Gauteng Club — 28/08/2023 Goldfields Kennel Club — 15/07/2025 Goldfields Supporters Club of Southern Gauteng — 18/03/2026 The Gundog Club — 20/08/2024 Highveld Hound Club — 21/07/2026 Highveld Whippet Club — 18/03/2026 Irish Wolfhound Club of Gauteng — 25/08/2026 Labrador Retriever Kennel Club — 26/01/2023 Mpumalanga GSD Club — 22/04/2025 Orion Kennel Club of Gauteng — 11/05/2024 Pretoria Kennel Club — 19/09/2023 Roodepoort & Districts Kennel Club — 21/11/2025 SA Bulldog Club — 14/01/2013 SA Dachshund Club — 12/08/2026 SA Great Dane Association — 15/07/2025 SA Mastiff Club of Gauteng — 22/03/2023 SA Rhodesian Ridgeback Club — 04/10/2022

			SA Short-Legged & Working Terrier Club	24/08/2024
			Schnauzer Club of Gauteng	15/08/2023
			Siberian Husky Club of Gauteng	09/09/2024
			Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club of Transvaal	22/03/2023
			Teckel Club	22/10/2022
			Toy Dog Breeders' Association	24/02/2022
			Transvaal Cocker Spaniel Club	16/09/2023
			Transvaal Field Trial Association	17/08/2023
			Transvaal Midlands Kennel Club	06/12/2022
			Weimaraner Klub of Gauteng	26/01/2023
			Western Gauteng Kennel Club	11/05/2024
			Witwatersrand Corgi Club Tramordwy	21/09/2024
			Witwatersrand Kennel Club	09/10/2022
			Working Gundog & Conservation Club	18/04/2023
			Working Retriever Club of Gauteng	17/01/2024
			Working Spaniel Association	14/12/2023
			Clubs that have requested POPIA-compliant Constitutions, but have not yet adopted them	
			Bouvier des Flandres Club, Golden Reef	In progress
			Gauteng Golden Retriever Club	In progress
			German Shepherd Dog Club of Southern Areas & Surrounds	In progress
			Pretoria Toy Dog Breeders' Club	In progress
			Rainbow Hungarian Vizsla Club	In progress
			Saint Bernard Club of Transvaal	In progress
			Shetland Sheepdog Club	In progress
			Sporting Dogs' Association	In progress
			Vereeniging & Districts Kennel Club	In progress
			Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions	**Date of current Constitution**
			Alaskan Malamute Club Gauteng [**Note**: Closure of Club awaited. Refer Note under Item 4.1.2]	01/05/2005
			Eastern Transvaal Bull Terrier Club	01/07/2009
			Highveld GSD & ABT Club	01/03/2009
			Highveld Pomeranian Breeders' Association	17/11/2016
			Highveld Rottweiler Club	13/05/1999
			IGP Training Club of Southern Areas & Surrounds	26/08/2020
			Jolly Dog School	08/02/2019
			Junior Kennel Club of Gauteng	23/10/2007
			Klun French Bulldog Club of Gauteng	01/05/2008
			Meridian Rottweiler League	15/11/1985
			SA Bull Terrier Club	18/01/2011
			Transvaal Terrier Club	01/06/2012
			Working & Herding Breeds Association Golden Reef	01/07/2009
			Northern Areas Provincial Council (NAPC)	
			Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions	**Adoption Date**
			Beagle Association of Gauteng	11/07/2024
			Birch Acres Dog Training Club	13/01/2026
			Golden City Fox Terrier Club	13/04/2022
			Goldfields Supporters Club of Northern Gauteng	18/03/2026

			Highveld Belgian Shepherd Dog Club 20/09/2020 IGP Club of Northern Areas 18/03/2025 Jacaranda City Kennel Club 16/07/2024 K9 Sport Specialist GSD Club of Gauteng 21/08/2021 Limpopo Bull Terrier Club 16/10/2021 North West Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club 24/02/2024 Northern Areas Agility & Dog Jumping Club 19/09/2023 Northern Areas Terrier Club 15/08/2023 Northern Transvaal Bull Terrier Club 16/11/2025 Pretoria Shepherd Dog Club 16/03/2024 Pretoria Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club 17/06/2025 SA Ladies Kennel Association 25/02/2024 Saint Bernard Association of Northern Gauteng 20/08/2024 TKC Kennel Club 12/03/2024 Utility Breeds Club of Gauteng 28/04/2024 Working Deutsch Drahthaar Club 18/05/2022 Working Deutsch Kurzhaar Club 19/04/2024 Working Weimaraner Club 28/08/2023 **Clubs that have requested POPIA-compliant Constitutions, but have not yet adopted them** Praetor Rottweiler Club of Tshwane In progress Rotek GSD Club of Northern Areas In progress Shar Pei Club of Gauteng In progress **Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions** **Date of current Constitution** Biewer Terrier Club of Gauteng 15/01/2013 Boxer Club - Gold Reef 28/01/2018 Dog Training Club of Bredell 01/07/2007 Jubilee Toy Dog Club of SA 01/03/2007 North West GSD Club 01/11/2019 Northern Areas French Bulldog Club 22/08/2021 Northern Boxer Club 13/03/2018 Northern Tshwane Kennel Club 18/09/2020 Rottweiler Working & Breeding Association of Gauteng 03/02/2012 Transvaal Working Trials Association 29/01/2008 **Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council (EC&BPC)** **Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions** **Adoption Date** Algoa Hound Club 19/10/2024 Bay GSD Club 05/01/2026 Brakfontein Dog Training Club 22/04/2025 Eastern Cape Gundog Association 15/08/2023 Herding Club of the Eastern Cape 26/01/2023 Jikeleza Dog Training Club 22/04/2025 Uitenhage Kennel Club 17/12/2024 Walmer & Suburban Kennel Club 21/11/2023 Wild Coast Dog Training Club 24/11/2021 **Clubs that have requested POPIA-compliant Constitutions, but have not yet adopted them**

			Baakens Valley Working & Herding Breeds Club — In progress Border Dog Training Club — In progress East London Kennel Club — In progress Grahamstown & District Kennel Club — In progress Port Rex Kennel Club — In progress Queenstown & Districts Kennel Club — In progress Terrier Club - Eastern Cape — In progress **Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions** — **Date of current Constitution** Port Elizabeth Kennel Club — 22/09/2015 **Free State & Northern Cape (incl. Namibia) Provincial Council (FS&NCPC)** **Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions** — **Adoption Date** Bloemfontein Kennel Club — 22/03/2023 Central Free State Bull Terrier Club — 29/06/2025 Free State Terrier Club — 17/06/2025 Kimberley Kennel Club — 22/03/2023 Northern Free State Bull Terrier Club — 20/05/2025 Northern Free State Kennel Club — 22/03/2022 Sasolburg Kennel Club — 03/05/2024 **Clubs that have requested POPIA-compliant Constitutions, but have not yet adopted them** Free State Bulldog Club — In progress Windhoek Dog Club — In progress **Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions** — **Date of current Constitution** Free State Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club — 21/08/2005 Hochland Dog Club — 10/09/1996 Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (S.V. Nam) — 19/11/2015 **KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council (KZNPC)** **Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions** — **Adoption Date** Barks GSD Club of KZN — 17/08/2021 Bluff Dog Club — 18/04/2023 Durban & Districts Kennel Club — 01/03/2024 Golden Retriever Club of KZN — 14/10/2023 Hibiscus Kennel Club — 22/03/2023 Highway Kennel Club — 22/04/2025 KwaZulu-Natal Boxer Club — 11/03/2026 KwaZulu-Natal Junior Kennel Club — 28/10/2023 KwaZulu-Natal Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club — 18/04/2023 KZN Carting Club — 18/04/2023 KZN Dog Athletics Association — 11/03/2026 Margate Kennel Club — 25/02/2023 Natal Border Collie Club — 08/10/2025

			Natal GSD Club 15/01/2022 Natal Gundog Club 18/04/2023 Natal Sporting Hound Association 22/04/2025 Natal Terrier Club 20/05/2025 Natal Working & Herding Breeds Association 18/04/2023 Northern Natal Kennel Club 18/04/2023 Pinetown Dog Training Club 24/01/2024 Siegerhunde GSD Club 31/03/2024 Umbogintwini Dog Training Club 01/12/2025 Zululand Kennel Club 18/04/2023 **Clubs that have requested POPIA-compliant Constitutions, but have not yet adopted them** Highway Agility Club In progress **Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions** **Date of current Constitution** Natal Rottweiler Association 21/03/2009 **Western Cape Provincial Council (WCPC)** **Clubs that have Adopted POPIA-compliant Constitutions** **Adoption Date** Australian Shepherd Club of Western Cape 18/03/2025 Belgian Shepherd Dog Club of WC In progress Cape Bulldog Club 17/02/2026 Cape Bullmastiff Club 06/03/2024 Cape Field Trial Club 22/11/2022 Cape Gundog Club 22/04/2025 Cape Handlers Dog Club 15/12/2025 Cape Heritage Bull Terrier Club 17/10/2023 Cape Hound Club 18/06/2024 Cape K9 Sports Club 22/04/2026 Cape Terrier Club 16/05/2023 Cape Town Kennel Club 20/08/2024 Cape Utility Dog Club 17/02/2026 French Bulldog Club of the Western Cape 17/02/2026 George Kennel Club 16/09/2025 Kennel Association 18/04/2023 Liesbeek Kennel Club 23/07/2025 Matrix GSD Western Cape 14/01/2025 Mother City Poodle Club 20/08/2024 Outeniqua Kennel Club 16/09/2025 Overberg Kennel Club 20/08/2024 Pack GSD Club of the Western Cape 23/09/2021 Sirius Western Cape IGP Dog Club 29/05/2026 South Cape IGP Club 22/01/2025 Swartland Kennel Club 16/07/2024 Versatile Pointing Dog Club 18/04/2023 Victory Toy Dog Club 18/05/2026 West Coast Kennel Club 16/07/2024 Western Province Boxer Club 15/04/2025 Western Province Bull Terrier Club 19/09/2023 Western Province Kennel Club 10/06/2025

			Whale Coast Kennel Club 20/08/2024 Working & Herding Breeds Club of the Cape 14/01/2025 **Clubs that have requested POPIA-compliant Constitutions, but have not yet adopted them** Breede Rivier Vallei Kennel Club In progress Cape Rottweiler Club In progress Dobermann Club of the Cape In progress Hottentots Holland Kennel Club In progress Western Cape Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club In progress Western Province Rottweiler Club In progress **Clubs that still have to Adopt POPIA-Compliant Constitutions** **Date of current Constitution** Nil **For noting.**
		4.2.2	**Proposed amendments to Club Constitutions** **Proposed Amendments to Club Constitutions to provide for an independent review of Annual Financial Statements of Clubs by an Independent Financial Practitioner as an optional alternative to an audit** Proposed by Cllr N Redtenbacher, via DOGSPC. [**Note:** Acceptance of proposed amendments to Constitutions of KUSA-affiliated Clubs are at the **sole and exclusive discretion of the Federal Council** and for **noting** by all other parties.] **Motivation:** Refer to Item 7.1.1 [**Note:** This Item is a **Companion Proposal** and should be considered in conjunction with the **Principal Proposal** under Item 7.1.1 – Proposed amendments to the Articles of KUSA, and the other **Companion Proposals** under Items 4.3.1 – Proposed Amendments to Provincial Council Constitutions), and 16.1.2 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 08 (Regulations for Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to Designated Departments)]. Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. **Proposed Amendments to clauses 18.1.4, 18.1.4.1, 18.1.4.3, 18.1.4.4, 20.1.5.5 and 20.1.6.3:** 18. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS 18.1.4. [~~Auditing~~] **Audit or Independent Review** of [~~Club Financial Accounts~~] **Annual Financial Statements** 18.1.4.1. At each Annual General Meeting an **Auditor or** Independent Financial Practitioner shall be appointed for purposes **of auditing or reviewing** [~~the of verification of the Club's finances and assets and for the audit of~~] the Club's **Annual Financial Statements comprising, at a minimum, an Income Statement and a Statement of Financial Position, either audited by a qualified professional**

			holding a recognised accounting certification, or reviewed by an Independent Financial Practitioner. [~~accounts and its Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet).~~] The Independent Financial Practitioner, who need not be a Member, shall prepare a [~~comprehensive and detailed~~] report, or statement, on the financial position of the Club prior to the Annual General Meeting and such report, or statement, shall accompany the signed [~~financial statements~~] **Annual Financial Statements** presented to the Annual General Meeting. 18.1.4.3 No member of the Committee, however qualified, shall be appointed as an **auditor or** Independent Financial Practitioner for purposes of [~~audit~~] **auditing** or **reviewing** [~~of~~] the Club's [~~financial records~~] **Annual Financial Statements**. 18.1.4.4. Should the appointed **auditor or** Independent Financial Practitioner be unable to fulfil his duties, the Committee shall have the power to appoint another person who meets the criteria in clause 4.2.12 to perform the [~~audit~~] **independent review**. 20. MEETINGS 20.1 Annual General Meeting 20.1.5.5. Treasurer's Report and [~~Audited~~] **audited or independently reviewed** [~~Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet) and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year~~] **Annual Financial Statements**, signed by the **auditor or** Independent Financial Practitioner. 20.1.6.3. Treasurer's Report and [~~Audited~~] **audited or independently reviewed** [~~Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet) and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year~~] **Annual Financial Statements**, signed by the **auditor or** Independent Financial Practitioner. **For decision.**
	4.3		**Provincial Council Constitutions**
		4.3.1	**Proposed amendments to Provincial Council Constitutions** **Proposed Amendments to Provincial Council Constitutions to provide for an independent review of Annual Financial Statements of Provincial Councils by an Independent Financial Practitioner as an optional alternative to an audit** Proposed by Cllr N Redtenbacher, via DOGSPC. [**Note:** Acceptance of proposed amendments to Provincial Council Constitutions are at the **sole and exclusive discretion of the Federal Council** and for **noting** by all other parties.] **Motivation:** Refer to Item 7.1.1 [**Note:** This Item is a **Companion Proposal** and should be considered in conjunction with the **Principal Proposal** under Item 7.1.1 – Proposed amendments to the Articles of KUSA and other **Companion Proposals** under Items 4.2.2 – Proposed Amendments to Club Constitutions, and 16.1.2 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 08 (Regulations for Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to Designated Departments)]. **Proposed Amendments to clauses 4.1.18 and 19.1:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~].

			4. OBJECTIVES 4.1 The objectives of DOGSPC shall, without limitation, be: 4.1.18. To provide KUSA with financial statements, audited **<u>or reviewed</u>** and signed by the [~~qualified~~] auditor or Independent Financial Practitioner appointed in terms of Clause 16.1.11, before 30 November of each year. 19. AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 19.1. [INITIASLISM OF PROVINCIAL COUNCIL] shall submit its books of account and financial records for annual audit <u>or r**eview**</u> to the auditor or Independent Financial Practitioner appointed at the Annual General Meeting by no later than the 30 September of each year and, following their approval at the Annual General Meeting, shall forward its [~~audited and~~] signed **<u>Annual Financial Statements comprising, at a minimum, an Income Statement and a Statement of Financial Position, either audited by a qualified professional holding a recognised accounting certification, or reviewed by an Independent Financial Practitioner, [</u>**~~accounts of income and expenditure and DOGSPC's Statement of Financial Position (balance sheet)~~] to KUSA before 30 November of each year. **For decision.**
5			**MATTERS RELATING TO THE FÉDÉRATION CYNOLOGIQUE INTERNATIONALE (FCI)**
	5.1		**FCI Non-Mandatory Commissions (**Fedco 12-2020 Item 3.11.2, Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.8.2, Fedco 06-2022 Item 5.2, Fedco 12-2022 Item 5.2, Fedco 06-2023 Item 5.2, Fedco 12-2023 Item 5.2, Fedco 06-2024 Item 5.2, Fedco 12-2024 Item 5.1, Fedco 06-2025 Item 5.1, Fedco 12-2025 Item 5.1, Fedco 06-2026 Item 5.1) *As agreed at Fedco 12-2015, representatives should either be Fedco Members, Conveners of National Sub-Committees, or persons deemed suitable by Fedco. Appointees needed to have a thorough knowledge of the Dogsport/subject in question.* Minutes Fedco 06-2026: *The following persons were appointed, re-appointed or confirmed to serve as KUSA's representatives on the FCI's Non-Mandatory Commissions*: *Agility – Mr Rob Hall* *Breeding – Cllr Ron Juckes* *Dog Dancing – Ms Kathy Clayton* *Flyball – Ms Liesl Twyman* *Hoopers – Cllr Carolyn Chelchinskey* *Rally Obedience – Mrs Chantal Ross-Germishuys* *Rescue Dogs – Mrs Robyn Harflett* *Shows – Cllr Jenny Hubbard* *Show Judges – Cllr Jenny Hubbard, assisted by the KUSA Office* *Utility Dogs – Cllr Nikki Redtenbacher* *Education and Public Relations – Cllr Lori Thornhill* *Mondioring – Mr Keith Duranty* **For review and confirmation.**
	5.2		**FCI World Challenge of Top Dogs – FCI World Dog Show 2027 – 26 to 30 May 2027 – Tulln, Austria** Mr L Kruger has not yet advised any intention to enter his Whippet, GR.CH BURQA DI GUCCI AT WHITE SQUALL (IMP ITA) JW (UK), ZAW'25, NAT.HOUND '25'26,

			NAT.BREED '25'26, into the above Challenge in Austria held in conjunction with the World Dog Show.
6			**FEDCO MATTERS**
	6.1		***Fedco Portfolios*** (Fedco 12-2021 Item 3.13, Fedco 06-2022 Item 6.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 6.1, Fedco 06-2023 Item 6.1, Fedco 12-2023 Item 6.1, Fedco 04-2024 Item 7.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 6.1, Fedco 12-2024 Item 6.1, Fedco 06-2025 Item 6.1, Fedco 12-2025 Item 6.1, Fedco 06-2026 Item 6.1) Fedco Members' Portfolios as reviewed and updated Fedco 06-2026: Fedco Members' Portfolios as reviewed and updated at the Fedco Discussion Forum (FDF) Session 6 on 03.11.2025: **Cllr JM Hubbard** Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI), Budgets, Finance, Breed Health, Extraordinary Registrations, Human Capital & Talent **Cllr RD Juckes** DNA, Genetic Health Issues, Dog Dancing, Working Trials (Classic), Trick Dog & Property Acquisition **Cllr DC Sparg** Agility, Dog Jumping, Field Trials, Obedience **Cllr LC Thornhill** DNA, Genetic Health Issues, Canine Good Citizen (CGC), Rally Dog, Digital Communication – KUSA Web & Social Media, Budgets, Finance, Human Capital & Talent **Cllr MW Vorster** Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI), Flyball, Carting, Budgets, Finance & Property Acquisition, **Cllr C Chelchinskey** Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI) **(**Dogsport-related activities**)**, Agility, Dog Jumping, Scent Work & Hoopers **Cllr N Redtenbacher** Showmanship (Child, Junior & Adult), Internationale Gebrauchshunde Prüfungsordnung (**FCI-**IGP), Canine Good Citizen (CGC), Rally Dog, Digital Communications – KUSA Web & Social Media. **Cllr L Coetsee** Mondioring, Rescue Dogs & Tracking Trials **Cllr M (V) Alberts** Breed Shows, Information Technology **Mr BG Robinson**, KUSA Secretary, has been allocated the following Portfolios: • KUSA Constitution and Schedules • Club Constitutions & Bylaws • Provincial Council Constitutions & Bylaws • Breed Council and Liaison Council Constitutions & Bylaws • National Sub-committee Constitutions & Bylaws • Media & Press – Liaison Officer Areas of responsibility not specifically identified above are to be dealt with by the KUSA Office under the guidance of the General Manager. **For review and confirmation.**
7			**MATTERS RELATING TO THE ARTICLES OF KUSA**
	7.1		**Amendment to the Articles of KUSA**
		7.1.1	**Proposed amendments to the Articles – to provide for the independent review of Annual Financial Statements of Provincial Councils, Liaison & Breed Councils, and Clubs, by an Independent Financial Practitioner as an optional alternative to an audit**

			and to alphabetically insert a definition of Independent Financial Practitioner under the INTERPRETATION OF TERMS Proposed by Cllr N Redtenbacher, via DOGSPC. **Motivation:** Due to the industry standards applied to the terms "audit" and "audited", it is necessary to provide clarity in the Constitutions of Clubs, Provincial Councils and Breed & Liaison Councils, that the function of an Independent Financial Practitioner appointed by these structures is to perform an "independent review" of the Annual Financial Statements rather than an "audit". Accordingly, it is proposed that the applicable Articles of KUSA be amended to also provide for a "review" by an Independent Financial Practitioner and that the latter term be alphabetically inserted into Article 2 (Interpretation of Terms). [**Note:** This Item is the **Principal Proposal** and should be considered in conjunction with the **Companion Proposals** under Items 4.2.2 – Proposed Amendments to Club Constitutions, 4.3.1 – Proposed Amendments to Provincial Council Constitutions, and 16.1.2 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 08 (Regulations for Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to Designated Departments)] Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. **Proposed amendment to Article 2 (INTERPRETATION OF TERMS):** **"Independent Financial Practitioner" means a person with trusted and proven experience in the examination and review of accounts and financial records and in the statement of financial results, but who does not necessarily hold the formal qualifications required of an auditor.** **Proposed amendments to Articles 8.6.2 (read with Article 8.6), 9.1.3 (read with Article 9.1), 20.1.2, 20.2.2 and 20.3.2:** 8. Affiliation 8.6 Upon receipt of advice granting affiliation, the applicant shall, within twenty-one (21) days, forward the appropriate fees and annual public liability insurance premium as specified and shall observe and be subject to the following obligations: 8.6.2. …details of every Annual General Meeting and any other Special General Meeting specifying the names of persons present and resolutions adopted, together with one copy of the **Club's Annual Financial Statements comprising, at a minimum, an Income Statement and a Statement of Financial Position, either audited by a qualified professional holding a recognised accounting certification, or reviewed by an Independent Financial Practitioner,** [~~annual audited accounts of income and expenditure and the Club's balance sheet~~] shall be forwarded to the **KUSA Office** [~~Federal Council~~]. Minutes of Annual/Special General meetings shall be supplied within thirty (30) days of any such meeting and the copy of the audited **or independently reviewed Annual Financial Statements** [~~accounts~~] shall be supplied once in each calendar year. 9. LOSS OF AFFILIATION AND OTHER PUNITIVE MEASURES 9.1 At any meeting the Federal Council may, for any one or more of the following reasons, remove any Club from the list of Affiliated Clubs, subject to the Federal Council's decision being adopted by not less than two-thirds of the full Federal

			Council. Any Club so disaffiliated shall forthwith cease to enjoy the rights and privileges of an Affiliated Club and shall forfeit all rights or claim upon the funds or property of the Kennel Union. The provisions of this Article shall apply to such disaffiliated Club, mutatis mutandis. 9.1.3. Failure to submit minutes of Annual and/or Special General Meetings together with audited **or independently reviewed Annual Financial Statements** [~~financial statements and balance sheets~~] [~~where~~] **whichever is** applicable**,** in terms of Article 8.6.2 [~~of the Kennel Union Constitution~~] **hereof**. 20.1 Provincial Councils 20.1.2. Provincial Councils shall submit to the **KUSA Office** [~~Federal Council~~] details of every Annual General Meeting and any [~~other~~] Special General Meeting**,** specifying the names of persons present and resolutions adopted, together with one copy of the **Provincial Council's Annual Financial Statements comprising, at a minimum, an Income Statement and a Statement of Financial Position, either audited by a qualified professional holding a recognised accounting certification, or reviewed by an Independent Financial Practitioner.** [~~annual audited accounts of income and expenditure and the Provincial Council's balance sheet.~~] Minutes of Annual/Special General meetings shall be [~~supplied~~] **provided** within thirty (30) days of any such meeting and the copy of the audited **or independently reviewed Annual Financial Statements** [~~accounts~~] shall be [~~supplied~~] **provided** once in each calendar year. The Provincial Council shall ensure that the Council's Officers' (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) names and contact details are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Provincial Council's bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union. At the same time of sending the names and contact details of Provincial Council Officers to KUSA, the Provincial Council shall also advise the names of the members of the Provincial Council's Executive, i.e. Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Provincial Council's bank accounts. 20.2 Liaison Councils 20.2.2. Liaison Councils shall submit to the **KUSA Office** [~~Federal Council~~] details of every Annual General Meeting and any [~~other~~] Special General Meeting**,** specifying the names of persons present and resolutions adopted, together with one copy of the **Liaison Council's Annual Financial Statements comprising, at a minimum, an Income Statement and a Statement of Financial Position, either audited by a qualified professional holding a recognised accounting certification, or reviewed by an Independent Financial Practitioner.** [~~annual audited accounts of income and expenditure and the Liaison Council's balance sheet.~~] Minutes of Annual/Special General meetings shall be supplied within thirty (30) days of any such meeting and the copy of the audited **or independently reviewed Annual Financial Statements** [~~accounts~~] shall be supplied once in each calendar year. The Liaison Council shall ensure that the Council's Officers' (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) names and contact details are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy

			Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Liaison Council's bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union. At the same time of sending the names and contact details of Liaison Council Officers to KUSA, the Liaison Council shall also advise the names of the members of the Liaison Council's Executive, i.e. Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Liaison Council's bank accounts. 20.3 Breed Councils 20.3.2. Breed Councils shall submit to the **KUSA Office** [~~Federal Council~~] details of every Annual General Meeting and any other Special General Meeting specifying the names of persons present and resolutions adopted, together with one copy of the **Breed Council's Annual Financial Statements comprising, at a minimum, an Income Statement and a Statement of Financial Position, either audited by a qualified professional holding a recognised accounting certification, or reviewed by an Independent Financial Practitioner,** [annual audited **or independently reviewed Anneal Financial Statements.** [~~accounts of income and expenditure and the Breed Council's balance sheet.~~] Minutes of Annual/Special General meetings shall be supplied within thirty (30) days of any such meeting and the copy of the audited **or independently reviewed Annual Financial Statements** [~~accounts~~] shall be supplied once in each calendar year. The Breed Council shall ensure that the Council's Officers' (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) names and contact details are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Breed Council's bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union. At the same time of sending the names and contact details of Breed Council Officers to KUSA, the Breed Council shall also advise the names of the members of the Breed Council's Executive, i.e. Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Breed Council's bank accounts. **For decision.**
		7.1.2	**Proposed amendments to the Articles of KUSA – to make certain insertions, replacements and adjustments to Article 2 – INTERPRETATION OF TERMS** Submitted by the Federal Council and brought forward by the Chairman. **Proposal**: To define the term "Dogsport", replace the definitions of "Working Disciplines" and "Companion Event" and adjust the definition of "Discipline". **Proposed amendments to Article 2 – INTERPRETATION OF TERMS:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 2. **INTERPRETATION OF TERMS** Throughout this Constitution and all Schedules, Rules, Regulations and By-Laws framed thereunder, unless inconsistent with the context thereof:

			"Act" means the Animal Improvement Act, 62 of 1998, as amended from time to time, inclusive of the Regulations issued in terms thereof. **"Affiliated Club"** means a Club affiliated in terms of this Constitution to the Kennel Union. **"All Breeds Club**" means a Club, the objects of which include the welfare of, interest in, breeding of all recognised breeds of purebred dogs and whose predominant activity is the provision of Championship and other Shows for dogs of all breeds. **"Animal",** for the purpose of this Constitution, includes one or more purebred dogs recognised by the Kennel Union and listed in Schedule 2, Appendix 'A', as updated from time to time, and which are eligible for registering in the KUSA Breed Registers and recording in the KUSA K9 Administration Portal and Database, for which purpose the Kennel Union has been registered with the Department as a Registering Authority and an Animal Breeders' Society. **"Animal Breed Registration system**" means the Integrated Registration and Genetic Information System (INTERGIS) established and utilised by the Department to integrate the pedigrees and performance data of Animals. **"Animal Breeders' Society",** for the purpose of this Constitution, means a breeders' society for canine breeds comprising the Kennel Union and its affiliated Clubs and Members, with the object of promoting the breeding, recording or registration, the genetic improvement and the use of canine breeds; determining and applying breed standards, recommending in its sole discretion the recording or registration of an Animal or a specified breed of a kind of Animal, bred in or imported into the Republic or another country, and who is registered in terms of Section 8(7)(a)(i) of the Act. **"Breed Standard"** means a written set of phenotypic and/or genotypic standards of excellence determined and applied in terms of this Constitution to promote, encourage and enable the breeding, identification and promotion of physically sound and genetically superior purebred dogs. **"Buyer"** means the person(s) to whom ownership/joint ownership of an Animal is transferred by the Seller of such Animal. **"Canine Breed Registration System"** means the KUSA K9 Administration Portal & Database, a customised computer system specifically developed and utilised by the Kennel Union to integrate the pedigrees, health, shows, judges and club data and ownership of canines, which is recognised by the Department. **"Centre",** cognisant of the meaning assigned by the Act and without detracting therefrom, for the purpose of this Constitution, means one of the geographical areas identified in Schedule 3, Regulation 2.1.1. **"Chairman"** means the Chairman of the Federal Council of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa. **"Championship Show"** means a Dog Show at which the Kennel Union permits its challenge and/or other certificates to be awarded. **"Club"** means any Association, Club, League or Society of persons unincorporated by whatever style or name and includes a Training Club. [~~**"Companion Event"** means a particular activity or competitive canine event detailed in Schedule 11, which may be held by any Affiliated Club qualified to do so in terms of the KUSA Constitution.~~] **"Companion Event" means a particular non-competitive canine activity, which does not accord with the rigours of conventional Working Disciplines, held in accordance with KUSA Regulations as per Schedule 11.** **"Constitution"** means the Constitution of Kennel Union, inclusive of its Schedules and By-Laws. **"Department"** means the department or departments in national government responsible for the administration of the Act at any given time. **"Discipline"** means a particular activity at an exhibition of dogs or competitive canine event, including those detailed in Schedule 05E, which may be held by any Affiliated Club qualified to do so in terms of the KUSA Constitution for which there is a Schedule

			containing Regulations for Judges, Judging, and the form in which the exhibition or competition shall take. Disciplines currently recognised by KUSA are: {Breed, Obedience [~~Classes~~], Working Trials (Classic), **FCI-**IGP, Breed Working Test, Field Trials, Dog Jumping, Agility, Dog Carting, Flyball, [~~TT (~~]Tracking Trials[~~)~~], [~~Handler~~]**Showmanship** Classes, Working Utility Dog (WUD), **Heelwork to Music, Musical Freestyle** [~~Dancing with Dogs~~] and [~~Testing Standards for~~] Rescue Dog[s] **Trials**, Canicross, Mondioring, Rally Dog and Hoopers }. **"Dog Show or Shows"** means any exhibition or Show of dogs as defined in Article 24 of this Constitution. **"Dogsport" means a competitive canine activity involving the various Working Disciplines regulated in applicable Schedules 05, and the different Companion Events regulated in Schedule 11.** **"Executive Committee"** or "Exco" means the Executive Committee appointed by the Chairman of the Federal Council. **"Export"** means to take out or cause to take out or send an Animal or genetic material of an Animal from the KUSA Area of Jurisdiction to any country or territory outside thereof. **"Federal Council"** or "Fedco" means the Federal Council of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa. **"General Manager"** means the General Manager of the Kennel Union, the most senior executive employed by the Federal Council from time to time, with overall responsibility for the smooth and effective functioning of the Kennel Union on all operational levels, reporting to the Federal Council. **"Group Club"** means a Club, the objects of which include the welfare of, interest in, breeding of purebred dogs all of which are classified in the same group in terms of Schedule 2, Appendix "A" or limited to a group of dogs characterised by the same physical traits or limited to a group of dogs whose country or continent of origin is the same and all of which are eligible for exhibition in any Show held by such Club. **"Household"** comprises a person or a group of persons, whether related or not, who usually occupy a dwelling, or part thereof, and who provide themselves jointly with food and other essentials for living. **"Import"** means to bring or cause to bring an Animal or genetic material of an Animal from outside the KUSA Area of Jurisdiction into it. **"Income Tax Act"** means the Income Tax Act, 58 of 1962. **"Independent Financial Practitioner" means a person with trusted and proven experience in the examination and review of accounts and financial records and in the statement of financial results, but who does not necessarily hold the formal qualifications required of an auditor.** [**Note:** The above insertion is subject to the approval of the Item under Item 7.1.1] **"Kennel Union"** or **"KUSA"** means the Kennel Union of Southern Africa. **"KUSA Area of Jurisdiction"** means the Centres combined. **"KUSA Breed Registers"** means the registers for purebred dogs as contemplated in Schedule 2 of this Constitution. **"Member"** means any person who has been elected to membership of the Kennel Union in terms of this Constitution. **"Minister"** means the minister in the applicable Department. **"National Canine Care Club"** means a Club, operating nationally under the authority of the FEDCO of KUSA, the main objective of which is to promote a better understanding and a wider knowledge of canines and canine affairs amongst the general public; to promote goodwill both among people interested in dogs and towards dogs in general; to encourage, foster and advance responsible dog ownership, including the responsible keeping and general welfare of all dogs, which may include purebred dogs and dogs of any ancestry.

			"Official Kennel Union Journal" means the official website of the Kennel Union or any social media platform maintained and populated under the control of the Kennel Union, or a combination of these electronic media. ***"Persona non grata"*** means a person who, through his conduct and/or disciplinary or criminal record, has proved detrimental to the Kennel Union and/or to the interests of Southern African canine affairs and who is therefore deemed ineligible and unsuitable for holding membership of the Kennel Union or any of its Affiliated Clubs or for attending, or participating in, any of its regulated activities. **"President"** means the President of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa. **"Protection of Personal Information Act, No. 4 of 2013" or "POPIA**" means South Africa's data privacy and data protection law enacted in 2013, which became effective on 1 July 2021, imposing acceptable standards of security on companies, organisations and other bodies in the capturing, management and storage of people's personal information. **'Registered Post'** or '**Registered Mail'** shall be deemed to include any method of delivery where the consignee has to sign acknowledging receipt of the document, letter, package or parcel and shall include Recorded Delivery, Speed Services, Priority Mail, Certified Mail. **"Register"** means the register kept by the Registrar in terms of section 5 of the Act. **"Registering"** means the procedure of registering an Animal in the KUSA Breed Registers for purebred dogs and recording its pedigree, health data and ownership in the KUSA K9 Administration Portal and Database. **"Registering Authority",** for the purposes of this Constitution, means the Kennel Union as duly registered in terms of Section 8 (7) (a) (ii) of the Act, and as appointed by the Registrar to record and register Animals in the KUSA Breed Registers for purebred dogs and recording their pedigrees, health data and ownership in the KUSA K9 Administration Portal and Database on behalf its affiliated Clubs and Members. **"Registrar"** means the officer designated as Registrar of Animal Improvement in terms of the Act. **"Secretary"** means the Secretary of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa or a person appointed to act in his stead. **"Seller"** means the person(s), being the owner(s) of an Animal according to the records of the Animal Breeders' Society or, in the case of an imported Animal, the owner(s) in the foreign country, who disposes of such Animal. **"Specialist Club"** means a Club, the objects of which include the welfare of, interest in, or breeding of a recognised specific single purebred dog, or varieties of such purebred dog, which varieties are accommodated in a single Breed Standard, which may include facilities for training of such dogs, in accordance with training tests approved for the breed, hold Breed Shows in terms of this Constitution, provide information on breeding and rearing such dogs and generally promote the Breed and any of its varieties through Club activities in bringing breeders, members and other interested parties together to encourage interest and involvement in Club affairs to the betterment of the Breed in all its varieties as described in its single Breed Standard **"Specialist Discipline Club"** means a Club, the objects of which is to promote a specific Working Discipline or specific Working Disciplines recognised by the Kennel Union, which does not generate income from training and holds shows relating to these Working Disciplines in terms of this Constitution. **"Specialist Multi-breed Club"** means a Club, the objects of which include the welfare of, interest in, or breeding of one or more recognised purebred dogs with a common ancestry and a partially-shared nomenclature, but nevertheless considered sufficiently diverse as to warrant separate Breed Standards in their countries of origin and under Schedule 2 Appendix "A", which may include facilities for training of such dogs, in accordance with training tests approved for these breeds, hold Breed Shows in terms of this Constitution, provide information on breeding and rearing such dogs and generally promote the respective Breeds through Club activities in bringing breeders, members and other interested parties together to encourage interest and involvement

			in Club affairs to the betterment of these separate Breeds under the Club's custodianship. **"Training Club"** means a Club, the main object of which is the training of dogs which may include purebred pedigree dogs and dogs of any ancestry which are not eligible for entry to the KUSA Breed Registers. **"Trophy Show"** means any Show, Championship or Non-Championship, at which trophies are awarded. **"Veterinarian"** means a person registered in terms of the Veterinary and Para-Veterinary Professions Act, 19 of 1982 to practise a veterinary profession as defined in section 1 of the Act. ~~[**"Working Disciplines"** means all Disciplines other than Breed and Companion Events.]~~ **"Working Discipline" means a regulated competitive form of Dogsport, *inter alia* those detailed in various Schedules 05, which may be held or hosted by any Affiliated Club eligible to do so in terms of the KUSA Constitution.** **For decision.**
		7.1.3	**Proposed amendments to the Articles of KUSA to replace the current Article 10 with new text defining and, where necessary, setting out the conditions for the Membership Categories of KUSA** Proposed by the KUSA Office and bought forward by the Chairman. **Proposal:** To replace Article 10 (MEMBERSHIIP) with new text under the heading, MEMBERSHIP OF THE KENNEL UNION, in which the various Membership Categories of KUSA are defined and explained. KUSA's various Membership Categories are, in essence, only distinguished in the Subscription & Fees document issued pursuant to Schedule 07, and nowhere else. **Motivation:** Refer to Items 3.6.1, 3.6.2 & 7.1.4. For a Voluntary Association of Members ***not*** to reflect its Membership Categories in its founding document is highly unconventional and requisite of correction. The urgency to replace Article 10 with more appropriate text is heightened by proposals for a further two potential Membership Categories appearing on this Agenda. **Replacement text based on current KUSA Membership Categories. The insertion of possible new text indicated in red, depending on the decisions taken on the proposed new Membership Categories described under Item 3.6.1 and 3.6.2:** **10. MEMBERSHIP OF THE KENNEL UNION** 10.1. Any person seeking Membership of the Kennel Union shall make written application on such form and in such manner as the Executive Committee may prescribe from time to time, and shall despatch therewith the applicable Membership Election Fee and the applicable Membership Subscription Fee pursuant to Schedule 07. 10.2. Membership may be applied for, or be acquired by current Members, in seven/ (7)/eight (8)/nine (9) categories: 10.2.1. **Ordinary Member**

			For persons of twenty-one (21) years and older. This category of membership is subject to payment of a Membership Election Fee on application and qualify for a concessionary rate after five (5) years' unbroken Membership. 10.2.2. **Senior Member** For persons seventy (70) years and older. This category of membership is subject to payment of a Membership Election Fee on application. Individual Members who turn seventy (70) automatically become eligible for the concessionary Annual Membership Subscription Fee as Senior Members. Judge/Evaluator Members who turn seventy (70) automatically become eligible for the concessionary Annual Membership Subscription Fee as Senior Members, subject to maintaining unbroken membership of the Kennel Union as Senior Members. 10.2.3. **Judge/Evaluator Member** For Judges of Dog Shows and Dogsport Events and Evaluators of Companion Events under seventy (70) years of age. This category of membership only becomes available once a person has qualified as a Judge or Evaluator and qualify for a concessionary rate. Upon qualification as a Judge or Evaluator and moving to this category of Membership, unbroken membership of the Kennel Union becomes mandatory under Article 25.2 with any breach of this condition subject to a pro rata "gap" penalty for the period the membership was broken. 10.2.4. **Young Adult Member** For persons between eighteen (18) and twenty-one (21) years of age. This category of membership is exempt from payment of a Membership Election Fee on application. 10.2.5. **Junior Member** For persons between eight (8) and eighteen (18) years of age. This category of membership is exempt from payment of a Membership Election Fee on application. Any application for Junior Membership shall be assisted by the applicant's natural or legal guardian. If elected, a Junior Member shall not be eligible to serve on any Provincial Council, National Sub-Committee, the Executive Committee or the Federal Council and, for as long as he holds Junior Membership, may not commence formal studies towards a judging qualification. If elected to membership of a Club, a Junior Member shall enjoy no voting rights. If elected to serve on a Provincial Sub-committee (which can only be in a non-Executive capacity) a Junior Member shall be entitled to vote on matters put to the vote in such Sub-committee. 10.2.6. **Household Member** For a grouping of persons, comprising an Individual Member as its principal Member and no more than four (4) other persons over the age of twenty-one (21), related to the principal Member by birth, civil marriage, customary marriage or civil union and share a dwelling and living expenses. This category of membership is subject, on application, to payment of a Membership Election Fee by the principal Member as well as the Members related to him and cohabiting with him and entitles the related and cohabiting Members to a concessionary Annual Membership Subscription Fee. Cohabiting Members terminating cohabitation will no longer be entitled to a concessionary annual Subscription Fee under Household Membership and need to

			"convert" to Individual Members. Cohabiting persons between eight (8) and eighteen (18) years of age shall join as Junior Members and co-habiting persons between eighteen (18) and twenty-one (21) years of age shall join a Young Adult Members. 10.2.7. **Life Member** For persons who have served on the Federal Council or on the Executive Committee, either separately, or in combination, for an unbroken period of four (4) years. 10.2.8. **Competitor Member** For persons joining KUSA for the ***first time*** with the specific and sole intention of competing at KUSA-licensed Championship Shows and Dogsport Events with dogs in their Registered Ownership. This category of membership is exempt from payment of a Membership Election Fee on application. This category of membership is restricted to ***two (2) years*** and shall expire automatically after falling due for renewal in the second year of membership and lapse one (1) month after the renewal date, unless renewed and converted to another category of membership for which a member is eligible at the time of expiration of membership. This category of membership shall restrict Members from registering litters or single dogs with KUSA, unless membership has been converted to another category for which the Member is eligible in advance of an application to register a litter or a single dog. For the avoidance of doubt, Members already holding another category of membership shall neither qualify for Competitor Membership, nor be permitted to convert to it. For the further avoidance of doubt, if elected, a holder of Competitor Membership shall not be eligible to serve on any Provincial Council, Provincial or National Sub-Committee, the Executive Committee or the Federal Council and, for as long as he holds Competitor Membership, may not commence formal studies towards a judging qualification. 10.2.9. **Dog Training Club Executive Member** For persons serving on the Executive Committee (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary & Treasurer) of a KUSA-affiliated Dog Training Club, who are required to hold KUSA membership in terms of Article 20.1.2, but do not actively participate in KUSA-licensed Championship Shows or Dogsport Events. This category of membership is exempt from payment of a Membership Election Fee on application. This category of membership shall restrict Members from entering or competing at a KUSA Championship Show or Dogsport Event with a dog in their Registered Ownership. This category of membership shall further restrict Members from registering litters or single dogs with KUSA, unless membership has been converted to another category for which the Member is eligible in advance of an application to register a litter or a single dog. For the avoidance of doubt, if elected, a holder of Dog Training Club Executive Membership shall not be eligible to serve on any Provincial Council, Provincial or National Sub-Committee, the Executive Committee or the Federal Council and, for

			as long as he holds Dog Training Club Executive Membership, may not commence formal studies towards a judging qualification. 10.3. Categories of Membership, or benefits under the respective categories of Membership, may not be combined. 10.4. Memberships (other than Life Membership) shall run for a period of twelve (12) months, commencing on the sixteenth (16th) day of any month and falling due for renewal on the fifteenth (15th) day of the anniversary of the same month. 10.5. It shall be within the discretionary powers of the Executive Committee, on a majority vote, to grant any category of membership to an applicant, taking into account all known factors which might constrain the desirability of granting membership to the applicant, including, but not limited to: 10.5.1. whether the applicant had been expelled, suspended, or disqualified from holding Membership of any Club, Association, Canine Breeders' Society, Registering Authority or other body concerned with animals; 10.5.2. whether the person had been charged and/or convicted in a Court of Law for cruelty to animals; 10.5.3. whether the applicant is under curatorship or an unrehabilitated insolvent; 10.5.4. whether, as a non-Member or as a past Member, the applicant had misconducted himself in connection with the registration of dogs, or canine affairs and activities, regulated under the KUSA Constitution; 10.5.5. whether, as a past Member, *persona non grata* status had been imposed on the applicant by the Federal Council, which shall *ipso facto* render him ineligible to ever be granted membership of the Kennel Union. 10.6. *Inter alia*, for one or more of the reasons set out in Article 10.5, and any other good cause shown, the Executive Committee shall be entitled, by majority vote, to reject any application for membership and refund the Membership Election Fee and Membership Subscription Fee tendered. The decision of the Executive Committee to decline acceptance of an application for membership shall be final and not open to appeal. 10.7. Any person seeking renewal of his membership of the Kennel Union shall make written application on such form and in such manner as the Executive Committee may prescribe from time to time, and shall despatch therewith the applicable Annual Membership Subscription Fee pursuant to Schedule 7. In accordance with Article 10.5 and any other good cause shown, but nevertheless with due regard to the Rules of Natural Justice, the Executive Committee shall be entitled, by majority vote, to reject any application for renewal of membership and refund the Annual Membership Subscription Fee tendered. The Member whose membership has been rejected by the Executive Committee shall have a right of appeal to the Federal Council, whose decision to accept, or reject, the renewal of membership shall be final and binding. **For decision.**

		7.1.4	**Proposed amendment to the Articles of KUSA to exclude Members of certain categories of membership to "raise any relevant issue or submit an advisory recommendation" to its Provincial Council, as contemplated in Article 12.4** **Proposal:** To amendment of Article 12.4 to provide for the exclusion of certain categories of membership from raising any relevant issue or submitting an advisory recommendation to a Provincial Council, should the proposals for new "Competitor Membership" and Training Club Executive Committee Membership" be approved under Items 3.6.1 and 3.6.2 respectively. **Motivation:** Refer to Items 3.6.1, 3.6.2 & 7.1.3. **Proposed Amendment to Article 12.4:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 12.4 Any [~~m~~]**M**ember, except [~~m~~]**M** embers holding **Competitor Membership and Training Club Executive Membership,** may at any time raise any relevant issue or submit an advisory recommendation to its Provincial Council which shall, if adopted by not less than a majority of fifty per cent of the full number of members of the Council, provided that such number is not less than seven (7), be tabled by the Chairman of such Provincial Council at the next meeting of the Federal Council. **For decision.**
		7.1.5	**Proposed amendment to the Articles of KUSA to negate the restriction in Article 30.1 preventing Fedco from hosting Second Championship Shows at the KUSA Classic under Exco dispensation, approved by Fedco round robin** On 22 October 2026, approval was sought by Fedco round robin to amend Article 30.1 as follows: Insertion in **underlined bold type**. 30.1 Once in every calendar year, the Federal Council shall be licensed, at such time and place to be decided at its sole discretion, to hold *a National Breed Championship Show***,** which shall be called the KUSA Championship Show *and, in conjunction with it, host selected Dogsport Events*. All the provisions of Schedule 03 shall apply to this National Breed Championship Show and the selected Dogsport Events, save and except that they shall be exempt from payment of Show Licence Fees, but be liable for payment of Show Entry Levies. **Should it be deemed necessary or opportune by the Federal Council for the National Breed Championship Show to be increased to two, or for any of the selected Dogsport Events to include more than a single Championship Show, dispensation from the Executive Committee shall be required.** **Unanimous approval** was obtained on 23 October 2026. **For ratification.**
8			**MATTERS RELATED TO DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS & RULES – SCHEDULE 01**
	8.1		**Disciplinary Hearings**
		8.1.1	**Case 2026-01 – Brits vs Patience** Case dismissed by SCI. **For noting.**

		8.1.2	**Case 2026-02 – Friedman vs Codebue** The above case was heard by a DSC on 15 September 2026. The Minutes and Record of Proceedings of the case were confirmed by the Executive Committee on 20 October 2026 and the document circulated to the members of the Federal Council on 21 October 2026 The Minutes and Record of Proceedings have also been served on the Complainant and the Respondent, and the Respondent has been advised of his right of appeal within fifteen (15) working days. **For noting.**
		8.1.3	**Proposed Amendments to Disciplinary Rules – Schedule 01** **Nil.**
9			**MATTERS RELATED TO BREED STANDARDS**
	9.1		**Amendments, Revisions and Adoptions under the *KUSA Protocol for Adopting & Amending Breed Standards***
		9.1.1	**Breed Standards to be amended/revised due to amendments/revisions by the FCI or the Royal Kennel Club, UK:** **GUNDOG GROUP** **FCI** Clumber Spaniel Curly Coated Retriever English Pointer English Setter Field Spaniel Gordon Setter Romagna Water Dog [Lagotto Romagnolo] Sussex Spaniel Welsh Springer Spaniel **HERDING GROUP** **FCI** Collie (Smooth) Lancashire Heeler Welsh Corgi Cardigan **HOUND GROUP** **FCI** English Foxhound Greyhound Otterhound **TERRIER GROUP** **FCI** Bedlington Terrier Dandie Dinmont Terrier Lakeland Terrier Manchester Terrier Norfolk Terrier Norwich Terrier Parson Russell Terrier Sealyham Terrier Skye Terrier

			Welsh Terrier **TOY GROUP** **FCI** King Charles Spaniel English Toy Terrier (Black & Tan) **UTILITY GROUP** **FCI** Lhasa Apso Tibetan Spaniel Tibetan Terrier **WORKING GROUP** **FCI** Hovawart [**Note**: It was brought to the KUSA Office's attention that this Breed Standard had not been updated to reflect the most recent FCI Amendments. The KUSA Breed Standard has been updated to the current FCI Standard.] Mastiff **For noting.**
		9.1.2	**Breed Standards to be amended to correct typographical and other errors:** Nil.
		9.1.3	**Adoption of FCI Breed Standards for breeds without registration activity in the Kennel Union for the past seven (7) years** Nil.
		9.1.4	**Breed Standards to be converted on the strength of referenda conducted under the *KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards*** **HERDING GROUP** **Old English Sheepdog** In August 2026, at the request of the Breed Standards Committee, the KUSA Office issued a referendum, as prescribed by the ***KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards***, to convert KUSA's current Breed Standard for the Old English Sheepdog, that of The Royal Kennel Club, UK, to the FCI's country-of-origin Breed Standard. As further prescribed by the *KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards*, KUSA extracted a list of Breeders of Old English Sheepdogs who had registered litters during the past seven (7) years, as well as a list of persons who had taken transfer of one or more Old English Sheepdogs into their Registered Ownership during the same seven-year period. From these lists, non-members were eliminated, since they were not eligible to participate in any poll conducted by KUSA. On 31.08.2026, the KUSA Secretary wrote to the Breeders and Registered Owners who met the survey criteria – four (4) in total – fully motivating the proposed conversion to the FCI Breed Standard, also providing a comparative analysis of the two Breed Standards compiled by the KUSA Office, as well as links to both Breed Standards. The survey participants were sent Voting Forms with a return deadline of 11.09.2026. Two (2) of the four respondents returned the Voting Form in favour of conversion and two (2) votes in favour of conversion were therefore acquired by acquiescence, which fallback

			position was clearly stipulated in the referendum conditions as a consequence of failure to respond. In view of the above, a majority vote in favour of adopting the FCI Breed Standard under the nomenclature of **Old English Sheepdog**, was achieved. **For adoption and ratification.** **HOUND GROUP** **Deerhound** In August 2026, at the request of the Breed Standards Committee, the KUSA Office issued a referendum, as prescribed by the ***KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards***, to convert KUSA's current Breed Standard for the Deerhound, that of The Royal Kennel Club, UK, to the FCI's country-of-origin Breed Standard. As further prescribed by *the KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards*, KUSA extracted a list of Breeders of Deerhounds who had registered litters during the past seven (7) years, as well as a list of persons who had taken transfer of one or more Deerhounds into their Registered Ownership during the same seven-year period. From these lists, non-members were eliminated, since they were not eligible to participate in any poll conducted by KUSA. On 31.08.2026, the KUSA Secretary wrote to the Breeders and Registered Owners who met the survey criteria – three (3) in total – fully motivating the proposed conversion to the FCI Breed Standard, also providing a comparative analysis of the two Breed Standards compiled by the KUSA Office, as well as links to both Breed Standards. The survey participants were sent Voting Forms with a return deadline of 11.09.2026. The three (3) respondents did not return Voting Forms and three (3) votes in favour of conversion was therefore acquired by acquiescence, which fallback position was clearly stipulated in the referendum conditions as a consequence of failure to respond. In view of the above, a majority vote in favour of adopting the FCI Breed Standard under the nomenclature of **Deerhound** was achieved. **For adoption and ratification.** **Pharaoh Hound** In August 2026, at the request of the Breed Standards Committee, the KUSA Office issued a referendum, as prescribed by the ***KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards***, to convert KUSA's current Breed Standard for the Pharaoh Hound, that of The Royal Kennel Club, UK, to the FCI's country-of-origin Breed Standard. The region of origin of the Pharaoh Hound is Malta, but it is under the Patronage of Great Britain and, therefore, it should stand to reason that, apart from differences in layout, the two Breed Standards are, in essence, identical in content. As further prescribed by *the KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards*, KUSA extracted a list of Breeders of Pharaoh Hounds who had registered litters during the past seven (7) years, as well as a list of persons who had taken transfer of one or more Pharaoh Hounds into their Registered Ownership during the same seven-year period. From these lists, non-members were eliminated, since they were not eligible to participate in any poll conducted by KUSA.

			On 31.08.2026, the KUSA Secretary wrote to the Breeders and Registered Owners who met the survey criteria – three (3) in total – fully motivating the proposed conversion to the FCI Breed Standard, also providing a comparative analysis of the two Breed Standards compiled by the KUSA Office, as well as links to both Breed Standards. The survey participants were sent Voting Forms with a return deadline of 11.09.2026. One (1) of the three respondents returned the Voting Form in favour of conversion and two (2) votes in favour of conversion were therefore acquired by acquiescence, which fallback position was clearly stipulated in the referendum conditions as a consequence of failure to respond In view of the above, a majority vote in favour of adopting the FCI Breed Standard under the nomenclature of **Pharaoh Hound** was achieved. **For adoption and ratification.** **UTILITY GROUP** **Schipperke** In March 2026, at the request of the Breed Standards Committee, the KUSA Office issued a referendum, as prescribed by the ***KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards***, to convert KUSA's current Breed Standard for the Schipperke, that of The Royal Kennel Club, UK, to the FCI's country-of-origin Breed Standard. As further prescribed by the *KUSA Protocol for Adopting Breed Standards*, KUSA extracted a list of Breeders of Schipperkes who had registered litters during the past seven (7) years, as well as a list of persons who had taken transfer of one or more Schipperkes into their Registered Ownership during the same seven-year period. From these lists, non-members were eliminated, since they were not eligible to participate in any poll conducted by KUSA. On 31.08.2026, the KUSA Secretary wrote to the Breeders and Registered Owners who met the survey criteria – three (3) in total – fully motivating the proposed conversion to the FCI Breed Standard, also providing a comparative analysis of the two Breed Standards compiled by the KUSA Office, comparison of the coat colours allowed under the respective Breed Standards, as well as links to both Breed Standards. The survey participants were sent Voting Forms with a return deadline of 11.09.2026. Two (2) of the three respondents returned the Voting Form in favour of conversion and one (1) vote in favour of conversion were therefore acquired by acquiescence, which fallback position was clearly stipulated in the referendum conditions as a consequence of failure to respond. In view of the above, a majority vote in favour of adopting the FCI Breed Standard under the nomenclature of **Schipperke** was achieved. **For adoption and ratification.**
10			**MATTERS RELATED TO BREED HEALTH**
	10.1		**Breed Health – BOAS/RFGS/BREATH** (Fedco 12-2019 Item 9.8, Fedco 06-2020 item 8.3, Fedco 06-2022 Item 8.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 9.1 Fedco 12-2023 Item 9.1, Fedco 06-2024 Item 9.2, Fedco 12-2024 Item 9.2, Fedco 06-2025 Item 9.2, Fedco 12-2025 Item 9.2, Fedco 06-2026 Item 10.1) **Report-back from the Fedco-appointed Task Team.**

	10.2		**Breed Health – HD/ED** (Fedco 06-2019 Item 8.21.1 & 8.21.2, Fedco 12-2021 Item 4.3.3, Fedco 06-2022 Item 8.1, Fedco 12-2022 Item 9.2, Fedco 12-2023 Item 9.3, Fedco 06-2024 Item 9.3, Fedco 12-2024 Item 9.3, Fedco 06-2025 Item 9.3, Fedco 12-2025 Item 9.3, Fedco 06-2026 Item 10.2) **Report-back from the Fedco-appointed Task Team.**
11			**MATTERS RELATING TO THE CLASSIFICATION, REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER OF THE REGISTERED OWNERSHIP OF DOGS – SCHEDULE 02**
	11.1		**Schedule 02 - Regulations for the Classification of Dogs**
		11.1.1	**Proposal amendment to Schedule 02** **Nil**
	11.2		**Schedule 02 – Recognition of Breeds & Appendix "A1" and Appendix "A2"** **Nil**.
	11.3		**Schedule 02 – Recognition of Breeds & Appendix "C" Breed-specific Litter Registration Requirements**
12			**MATTERS RELATING TO SHOWS – SCHEDULE 03 ET AL**
	12.1		**Matters relating to Schedule 03 and the TEO Manual**
		12.1.1	**Proposed amendment to the TEO Manual** **Nil.**
	12.2		**Matters relating to Schedule 03 – Regulations for Championship Shows**
		12.2.1	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 – Regulations for Championship Shows – to amend the requirements for Champion and Grand Champion statuses for Working Trials (Classic) and Working Utility Dog** Submitted by National Working Trials Sub-committee. **Proposal**: To amend the Regulations to align with proposed changes to the criteria for the tiles of Champion and Grand Champions of dogs competing in Working Trials (Classic) and Working Utility Dog. [**Note:** Should the proposal amending the criteria of attaining Champion and Grand Champion statuses in Working Trials (Classic) and Working Utility Dog be approved under Items 14.3.1 and 14.4.2 respectively, changes would need to be effected to Schedule 03 Regulation 42.] **Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Regulations 42.3.1.1, 42.3.1.2, 43.3.2.1, 43.3.2.2, 42.6.1 & 42.6.2:** Insertions in **<u>underlined bold type</u>** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 42.3. Working Trials The Federal Council or Executive Committee shall award: 42.3.1 Tracker Dog Champion 42.3.1.1 The title Tracker Dog Champion and a KUSA certificate to any dog that has been awarded three (3) **<u>Q</u>**[~~q~~]ualifying **<u>C</u>**[c]ertificates with at least one (1) graded **<u>E</u>**[e]xcellent, each by a different Judge, **<u>or four (4) Qualifying Certificates with at least one (1) graded Excellent under at least two (2) Judges</u>** in the [~~g~~]**<u>G</u>**rade Tracker Dog III. 42.3.1.2 **<u>The title Grand Champion Tracker Dog and a KUSA certificate to a dog that has been awarded fifteen (15) Tracker Dog Qualifying Certificates. There is no maximum number required under any one Judge. No dog may become a Grand Champion unless it has received the title Tracker Dog Champion.</u>** [~~The~~

			~~title Grand Champion Tracker Dog and a KUSA certificate to any dog that has been awarded fifteen (15) Tracker Dog qualifying certificates, provided that no more than four (4) of such qualifying certificates shall have been awarded by any one judge. Tracker Dog Qualifying certificates awarded to a dog prior to 1.1.2007 shall count towards this award.~~] 42.3.2 Police Dog Champion The Federal Council or Executive Committee shall award: 42.3.2.1 The title Police Dog Champion and a KUSA certificate to any dog that has been awarded three (3) **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificates, each by a different Judge, **or four (4) Qualifying Certificates with at least one (1) graded Excellent under at least two (2) Judges** in the [~~g~~]**G**rade Police Dog. 42.3.2.2 **The title Police Dog Grand Champion and a KUSA certificate to a dog that has been awarded nine (9) Police Dog Qualifying Certificates. No dog may become a Grand Champion unless it has received the title Police Dog Champion.** [~~The title Grand Champion Police Dog and a KUSA certificate to any dog that has been awarded nine (9) Police Dog qualifying certificates, provided that no more than three (3) of such qualifying certificates shall have been awarded by any one judge. Police Dog Qualifying certificates awarded to a dog prior to 1.1.2007 shall count towards this award.~~] 42.6 Working Utility Dog (WUD) Champion The Federal Council or Executive Committee shall award: 42.6.1 The title of Working Utility Dog Champion shall be awarded to any dog that has been awarded five (5) **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificates at Championship Shows, provided that no more than two (2) such **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificates are signed by any one **(1) J**[~~j~~]udge and at least three (3) are graded Excellent. 42.6.2 The title of Working Utility Dog Grand Champion shall be awarded to a dog that has been awarded Twenty (20) Working Utility Dog **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificates[~~, provided that no more than four (4) such qualifying certificates are signed by any one Judge.~~]. No dog may become a Grand Champion unless it has received the title of Working Utility Dog Champion. **For decision.**
		12.2.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 – Regulations for Championship Shows – to clarify the authority responsible for appointing Kennel Union Representatives at Qualifying or Re-qualifying Shows held by Clubs in order to be granted a Championship Show Licence in future** Proposed by Cllr N Redtenbacher, via DOGSPC. **Proposal:** To amend Schedule 03 to eliminate conflicting requirements associated with the appointment of KUSA Reps required to officiate at Qualifying and Re-qualifying Shows. [**Note:** This is the **Principal Proposal** to a considered in conjunction with **the Companion Proposal** under Item 13.2.1 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 04A (Regulations for Qualifying and Re-qualifying Shows).] **Motivation:** Due to conflicting requirements currently appearing in Schedules 03 (Regulations for Championship Shows) and Schedule 04A (Regulations for Qualifying and Re-qualifying Shows), KUSA Office procedure for appointing mandatory KUSA Representatives, when hosting Qualifying or Re-Qualifying Shows, appears to be advising such Clubs to appoint their own mandatory KUSA Reps.

			The purpose of appointing a KUSA Rep is to ensure, to whatever extent practicable, that the Show is run in accordance with KUSA Regulations and that regulatory breaches are brought to the attention of the Show Manager and/or Show Secretary for rectification, if possible. It goes without saying that a KUSA Rep's conduct at the Show must be impartial and above reproach. For a Club to appoint its own KUSA Rep defeats the object of impartiality and may result in the services of a "friend" or acquaintance being procured, as long as the person is a KUSA member in good standing. Such a Club-appointed person might conceivably be expected by the Club to tick the appropriate boxes and provide a favourable report on the Club's effort, instead of a factual account of regulatory compliance based on diligent observation. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Regulations 1.4 & 4:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 1.4. **A Kennel Union Representative must be appointed for** [~~A~~]**a**ny Club seeking qualification or re-qualification for a Championship Show [~~l~~]**L**icence and relying upon the number of dogs present and exhibited at a Qualifying or Re-qualifying Show[~~,~~]**.** [~~shall arrange for a Kennel Union Representative by the Executive Committee or any Provincial Council to whom the Federal Council may delegate its powers, who shall act in terms of Regulation 4.1 hereof and, in addition, shall report specially on the number of dogs present and exhibited at such Show~~.] **Any Club seeking qualification or re-qualification to be granted a Championship Show Licence, shall have a Kennel Union Representative appointed by the Provincial Council through which the Club is affiliated to the Kennel Union and to which the Federal Council has delegated its powers. If the relevant Provincial Council is, for whatever reason, unable to appoint a Kennel Union Representative, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to make such appointment upon request. The appointed KUSA Representative shall act in accordance with Regulation 4.2 of this Schedule and shall submit a report to the KUSA Office commenting on the Club's compliance with these Regulations and providing confirmation of the number of dogs present and exhibited at the Show.** 4. [~~The Federal Council, the Executive Committee, the Secretary of the Kennel Union, or any Provincial or Liaison Council or Breed Council Executive~~] **The responsibility for appointing a Kennel Union Representative shall fall to the relevant Provincial Council to which Federal Council has delegated its powers to make such appointments. If, for whatever reason, the relevant Provincial Council is unable to appoint a Kennel Union Representative, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to make such appointment.** [~~, may appoint a~~] **Any** person [~~to be the~~] **appointed as a** Kennel Union Representative [~~**who**~~] shall, at the time of [~~his undertaking an appointment~~] **executing an assignment**, [~~shall~~] be a member of the Kennel Union in good standing **of KUSA.** [~~to attend any Championship Show, whose function shall be to observe that the Show is conducted properly in terms of these Regulations.~~] **For decision.**
		12.2.3	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 – Regulations for Championship Shows – to permit pre-draws to be made for certain Dogsport of Companion Events and, in certain instances, for Judge's and Ring Steward's Sheets to contain certain identifying information to enable the smooth running of a Show**

			Submitted by Executive Committee. **Proposal**: To amend Schedule 03 Regulation 19 to allow for the circulation of certain supplementary identifying information to Dogsport Judges, Stewards, other Officials and Handlers to enable pre-draws, the commencement of Classes, and running orders, thereby to ensure the smooth running of a Dogsport or Companion Event. [**Note:** This is the **Principal Proposal** to be considered in conjunction with the **Companion Proposal** under Item 13.1.2 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 04 (Regulations for Non-championship Shows)] **Motivation:** It has come to the attention of the Executive Committee that Handler and dog information was appearing on the Judge's Sheets, which contravened Schedule 03. After deliberation, the Executive Committee noted that there were distinct advantages to such information being made available on the Judge's Sheets to facilitate the smooth running of Dogsport or Companion Events, especially when Handlers were entering multiple events at the same Show. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Regulation 19:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 19. JUDGING REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS 19.2 The Show Committee shall provide each **Breed, Showmanship, Dogsport and Companion Events** Judge **or Evaluator** with **J**[~~j~~]udge's **S**[~~s~~]heet[~~s~~] in which the breed, [~~c~~]**C**lass and exhibit[~~s'~~] numbers only are **recorded, insofar as they are applicable** [~~entered~~]. **19.2.1 Where the Regulations in a particular Dogsport or Companion Event Schedule provide for a pre-draw to be made, supplementary information such as the Handler's name and/or the dog's name may be circulated amongst the Judges, Evaluators, Learner Judges, Learner Evaluators, Stewards, Ring Clerks and Handlers in advance, in order to facilitate the smooth running of the Show on the day.** 19.3 **Subject to Regulation 19.3.1, e[**~~E~~]very Ring Steward**/** [~~and~~] R[~~r~~]ing **C**[~~c~~]lerk shall be provided with a **S**[~~s~~]teward's **S**[~~s~~]heet similar in content to the **J**[~~j~~]udge's **S**[~~s~~]heet[~~s~~] and no Show Catalogue shall be permitted within any judging ring. Judges officiating at a particular Show or KUSA-licensed event are not permitted to have access to a Show Catalogue and shall neither view, nor consult, such catalogue published or distributed in any format whatsoever[~~,~~] including**,** but not limited to, on social media platforms, private chat groups, or forms of personal communication, whether inside or outside the judging ring, or before or during a judging assignment. **19.3.1 In the case of Dogsport and Companion Events, it shall be permissible for Judge's and Ring Steward's Sheets to contain additional details such as the Handlers' names and/or dogs' call names in order to facilitate the smooth running of the Show on the day.** **For decision.**
		12.2.4	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 – Regulations for Championship Shows – to clarify the cutoff date for the finalisation of Championship Show Schedules and**

			related Show documentation to be submitted to the KUSA Office in order to be granted a Championship Show Licence Submitted by the KUSA Office **Proposal**: To clarify the cutoff date for the finalisation of Championship Show Schedules and related Show documentation to be submitted to the KUSA Office in order to be granted a Championship Show Licence. [**Note:** This is the **Principal Proposal** and should be considered in conjunction with the **Companion Proposals** under Item 13.1.1 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 04 (Regulations for Non-championship Shows), Item 13.2.2 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 04A (Regulations for Qualifying and Re-qualifying Shows), and Item 16.1.1 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 08 (Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to Designated Departments).] **Motivation:** The KUSA Office frequently experiences problems with Clubs simply marking their Show Schedule "Final Draft" and sending it in a day or two before the 12-week cutoff date. In most cases their submissions are incomplete, generally due to one or more of the defaults below: • Missing contracts • Unsigned contracts • Items left off the Draft Schedule • Second Championship Show needing to go to Exco that is weeks after the 12-week cutoff • International Judges (and some local) taking time to clear due to external factors Confusion seems to be caused by the wording of Regulation 5.17: "*Where a Club, for any reason whatsoever, has been unable to finalise its Draft Schedule twelve (12) weeks before the first day of the Show, no licence shall be issued for that event.*". Clubs argue that this Regulation implies that a *Final Schedule* may be submitted at a later stage. It is, therefore, necessary to put the cutoff date for Final Show Schedules and supporting documentation being received by the KUSA Office beyond doubt. Second Championship Shows pose their own complication with Exco clearance having to be obtained, and it is necessary to provide that the Show Schedules and supporting documentation for Second Championship Shows be finalised four weeks earlier than the Club's traditional Championship Show. Certain housekeeping amendments, as marked up, are also recommended, e.g. Regulation 5.16.3 is no longer required due to the strict controls instituted by the KUSA Office pertaining to the clearance of Judges **Proposed amendment to Schedule 03 – Regulations 5.16 to 5.19, the latter having been sequentially renumbered following the insertion of new Regulation 5.18:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 5.16 Where **d**[~~D~~]raft **Show** Schedules submitted by Clubs in terms of Regulation 2 and Regulation 5 of this Schedule are: 5.16.1 received by the KUSA Office later than six (6) months before the first day of the [~~s~~]**S**how, for any reason whatsoever, such Clubs shall pay Penalty Fees as specified for: 5.16.2 each week or part thereof the **d**[~~D~~]raft **Show** Schedule is received late[~~, and/or~~ ~~5.16.3 each Judge who is not qualified to judge the Breeds/Groups/Events for which he has contracted himself~~].

			5.17 Where a Club, for any reason whatsoever, has been unable to [~~finalise~~] **submit** its [~~Draft~~] **final Show** Schedule and **all requisite supporting documentation** twelve (12) weeks before the first day of the Show, no **Show L**[~~l~~]icence shall be issued for that event. If a **Show L**[~~l~~]icence has already been paid for, **Show** Licence Fees will be refunded to the Club, subject to the deduction of **any** Penalty Fees incurred up to **the** twelve (12) week[~~s~~] **cutoff date** and, should the Penalty Fees be in excess of the **Show** Licence Fees, the Club shall be [~~responsible~~] **liable** for payment of the shortfall. **5.18 Should a Club have applied for a Second Championship Show, which requires the scrutiny and approval by the Executive Committee, the cutoff date for the submission of the final Show Schedule for the Second Championship Show shall be sixteen (16) weeks before the first day of the Show.** [**Note:** Renumber rest of section the accordingly.] **5.19** When a Club fails to pay a**ny** [~~p~~]**P**enalty **Fees** within sixty (60) days of the date of imposition**,** the next application for a **Show** Licence for any Championship Show or Event submitted by that Club shall be [r~~efused~~] **withheld** until all outstanding Penalty Fees have been paid[~~,~~]**.** Should the Penalty Fees remain unpaid by the cutoff date for the Club's submission of its final Show Schedule and supporting documentation, i.e. [~~of provided that such payment is received not less than~~] twelve (12) weeks prior to [~~its Championship Show~~] **the** date **of its Championship Show, no Show Licence shall be issued**. **For decision.**
		12.2.5	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 – Regulations for Championship Shows – to exclude dogs entered in the Veterans Class only from being awarded a Challenge Certificate, but to make unbeaten Veterans Class Winners eligible to compete for Best of Breed** Submitted by Cllr L Coetsee, via NAPC. **Proposal:** To amend Schedule 03 – Regulations for Championship Shows, in respect of the Veterans Class at all Breed Championship Shows, so that an exhibit entered in the Veterans Class only: • shall not be eligible to compete for the Challenge Certificate (CC) or Reserve Challenge Certificate (RCC); • shall remain eligible to compete for Best Veteran of Breed, Best Veteran in Group and Best Veteran in Show; • an unbeaten Veterans Class winner shall remain eligible to compete for Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed; and • A Veteran requiring a Challenge Certificate or Reserve Challenge Certificate may also be entered in another Class for which it is eligible and which qualifies for Challenge Certificate or Reserve Challenge Certificate competition. [**Note:** This is the **Principal Proposal** to be considered in conjunction with the **Companion Proposals** under Items 12.3.1 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 1, and 12.4.3 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 3] **Motivation:** Currently, at All-breeds Championship Shows where a Veterans Class is offered, exhibits entered in the Veterans Class may compete for the CC and RCC, while also being eligible for Best Veteran in Breed and the subsequent Best Veteran in Group and Best Veteran in Show Challenges.

			This creates a situation where an exhibitor may enter a Veteran in the Veterans Class and, through that single Class entry, compete both for the CC and RCC and through the separate Veteran competition. Entry into compulsory and non-compulsory Breed Classes, subject to the normal entry fees, permits competition in the respective Classes and, where applicable, competition for the CC and RCC. It is believed that the present arrangement may contribute to Clubs losing potential additional entries, whereas the objective should be to encourage entries. KUSA is affiliated to the FCI and promotes FCI Shows. The Regulations for FCI Dog Shows identify the Classes in which the C.A.C.I.B. may and may not be awarded. The Veterans Class is specifically listed as a Class in which the C.A.C.I.B. cannot be awarded. The FCI Regulations further provide for the Best Veteran to participate in the subsequent competition for Best of Sex. This demonstrates the principle that a Veteran may progress in the Breed competition without being eligible for the C.A.C.I.B. This proposal therefore seeks to establish the Veterans Class as a separate pathway for purposes of CC/RCC competition, similar in principle to the existing treatment of the Champions Class. A Veteran entered only in the Veterans Class would not be eligible for the CC or RCC, while an unbeaten Veterans Class winner would remain eligible for Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed, as well as the applicable Veteran awards. This would effectively separate the Best Veteran in Breed, Group and Show competition from CC/RCC competition and bring KUSA somewhat closer to the FCI exhibition principles referred to above. More importantly, it is believed that the change could encourage additional entries for Clubs and KUSA. Veterans that still require a CC or RCC would be able to enter an eligible Breed Class, such as Open Class, in addition to the Veterans Class, depending on the owner's requirements. This could potentially generate additional entry income for Clubs and KUSA. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Regulations 21.1, 22.1.1 & 22.2:** Insertions in **<u>underlined bold type</u>** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. Regulation 21.1 – Challenge Certificates and Reserve Challenge Certificates 21.1 On completion of the judging of all Classes up to and including the Open Class, which shall be the final Class to be judged for purposes of awarding the Challenge Certificate, and which shall be judged before the Champions Class, all unbeaten Class winners of either sex, with the exception of the winners of the Baby Puppy Class, Neuter Dog Class, **<u>Veterans Class</u>** and Champions Class, shall compete for the Challenge Certificate. Winners in one Class, but beaten in another, shall be deemed to be beaten dogs and ineligible to compete for the Challenge Certificate. Regulation 22.1.1 – Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed 22.1.1 Those exhibits eligible for the award of Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed, are both Challenge Certificate winners (provided they are unbeaten), **<u>winners of the Veterans Class (provided they are unbeaten)</u>** and winners of the Champions Class (provided they are unbeaten). Regulation 22.2 – Reserve Best of Breed 22.2 Once the Best of Breed has been awarded, the remaining exhibits compete against the runner-up to the Best of Breed exhibit (i.e. the relevant Reserve Challenge Certificate winner or the runner-up in the relevant **<u>Veterans Class or</u>** Champions Class) for Reserve Best of Breed. The Reserve Best of Breed shall be awarded to the dog placed second to the Best of Breed, which shall progress no further. For the avoidance of doubt, should the Best of Breed be awarded to the Challenge Certificate

			winner that is also the winner of the Champions Class, the Reserve Challenge Certificate winner as well as the runner-up in the Champions Class shall be entitled to challenge for the Reserve Best of Breed. **Similarly, should the Best of Breed be awarded to the one of the winners of the Veterans Class, the runner-up in that Veterans Class shall be entitled to challenge for the Reserve Best of Breed.** **For decision.**
	12.3		**Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 1 – Definition of Breed Classes and Order of Breed Judging**
		12.3.1	**Definition of Breed Classes** **Proposed amendment to the definition of VETERANS to clarify award eligibility** Submitted by Northern Areas Provincial Council. **Proposal & Motivation:** Refer to the Principal Proposal under Item 12.2.5. [**Note:** This is a **Companion Proposal** to be considered in conjunction with the **Principal Proposal** under Item 12.2.5 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 (Regulations for Championship Shows) and the **Companion Proposa**l under Item 12.4.3 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 3] **Proposed amendment to Schedule 03 Appendix 1 – Definition of VETERANS Class:** VETERANS (VE): For dogs of any age specified in the Show Schedule but not less than seven (7) years of age on the first day of the Show. **If a dog is entered in this Class only it may not compete for the award of a Challenge Certificate or Reserve Challenge Certificate. (The Veterans Class is one in which the prize-winner shall be eligible for the award of Best of Breed, but shall not be eligible for the award of a Challenge Certificate or Reserve Challenge Certificate, unless such prize-winner is also a prize-winner of any other Class eligible to compete for such award.** **For decision.**
	12.4		**Proposed amendment to Schedule 03 Appendix 3 – Official Show Entry Forms**
		12.4.1	**Official Show Entry Form – Flyball** **Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 3 – Official Show Entry Form – Flyball** Submitted by the Federal Council pursuant to the decision taken at Fedco 06-2026: *It was noted that the proposed amendments, generated by AI, embodied a drastic departure from the standard wording of the Declarations on Entry Forms for Shows and Dogsport Events, which were meticulously drafted and adjusted over time to ensure the best possible protection for KUSA against vexatious claims.* *PM expressed the view that these proposed amendments to accommodate the convenience of a single Dogsport, apart from inviting criticism for discriminatory practices, were likely to have a costly knock-on effect by forcing KUSA to subject them to legal scrutiny not only to protect its vested interests, but also to check their compatibility with KUSA's Public Liability Insurance. She questioned the wisdom of causing a costly overhaul of an entrenched practice which was not dysfunctional, but conceded that this decision was the prerogative of the Federal Council.*

			MA agreed with PM and said that, if Fedco were to decide to subject the Disclaimers on the Entry Forms to legal review, this must be done across the board and not be confined to a single Dogsport. *In view of the above, on a **proposal from MA, seconded by MV**, it was **decided, unanimously**, that it would be imprudent for Fedco to consider the proposed amendments before they've been subjected to thorough legal scrutiny. In order for this to be considered, it was **decided, without objection, to defer the item to Fedco 12-2026.*** As required by Fedco, the alternative Declaration proposed by the National Flyball Sub-committee was referred to the KUSA Legal Adviser for scrutiny and comment. The KUSA Legal Adviser was well-versed in the matter, since her advice had also been sought in a recent incident involving an injury sustained by a competitor while participating in a Dogsport Event. In reverting with her finding, the Legal Advised made it abundantly clear that, when it came to safeguarding KUSA and its interests, there was no room for compromise or simplification and that it was necessary for the Declaration to be formally and appropriately expressed to avoid misunderstanding or ambiguity. Accordingly, the Legal Adviser prepared a significantly fortified redraft of the Declaration to gain entry to a Flyball event **if the practice of the "Team Captain" entering on behalf of the Flyball Team were to be continued**: **Proposal:** To consider the redrafted Declaration for Flyball entries when submitted by the "Team Captain" on behalf of the Flyball Team and to reach a decision on its acceptance or, alternatively, to decide on the manner Flyball entries should be executed in future to adequately indemnify KUSA against potential claims of liability for any calamity befalling a competitor participating in a Flyball event. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 3 Official Show Entry Form – Flyball:** **DECLARATION BY THE FLYBALL TEAM CAPTAIN** **I, the undersigned ("Team Captain"), hereby confirm that, as the Team Captain, I am duly authorised by each owner, co-owner, handler, competitor and participant associated with this entry to make this Declaration on their behalf. I further confirm that each such person has read and understood this Declaration, has accepted its terms and agrees to be bound by them.** **I further acknowledge that I, as the Team Captain, and Team member, whether owner, authorised agent, handler or entrant, shall be jointly and severally liable for compliance with this Declaration.** **By signing or electronically submitting this Entry Form, I declare and agree as follows:** **Membership and Eligibility** **1. All owners of dogs entered in this event are members in good standing of KUSA where such membership is required under the KUSA Constitution and Regulations.** **2. All dogs hereby entered are eligible for exhibition and competition at a KUSA-licensed event, and their registration status does not prohibit such participation.** **3. I shall immediately notify the organising Club of any change affecting any dog's eligibility that occurs before or during the event.**

			Compliance with KUSA Rules **4. I and the members of my Team understand that participation in this event is subject to the KUSA Constitution, Schedules, Regulations, Bylaws, Codes of Conduct, event rules, directives issued by officials and any amendments thereto.** **5. I and the members of my Team shall comply with all lawful directions issued by Judges, event Officials, Stewards, Committee Members and Authorised Representatives.** **6. I submit myself, my Team members, handlers and the dogs hereby entered to the disciplinary jurisdiction of KUSA.** **Animal Health and Welfare** **7. To my best knowledge, no dog hereby entered suffers from any infectious, contagious or communicable disease, has knowingly been exposed to such a disease within the prescribed exclusion period, or presents a risk to other dogs, persons or animals attending the event.** **8. I shall immediately report to the Judge any dog hereby entered showing signs of illness, injury, aggression, unsoundness or compromised welfare.** **9. I, and the members of my Team, understand that KUSA and the organising Club may demand the removal of any dog hereby entered deemed unhealthy, dangerous or unsuitable to continue participating.** **Risk** **10. I, and the members of my Team, are fully aware that canine sporting events involve inherent and unavoidable risks including, but not limited to, dog bites, animal aggression, collisions, slips and falls, equipment failure, disease exposure, injury to persons or dogs, property damage, and the loss, theft or damage of equipment and personal property.** **11. I, and the members of my Team, accept all such risks on behalf of myself and all persons participating under this entry without reservation.** **Control of Dogs** **12. I shall, to the best of my ability, ensure that all dogs hereby entered shall remain under proper control at all times.** **13. During the event, the dogs hereby entered shall be securely restrained, leashed or crated, by their handlers, except when off-lead activity is specifically permitted as part of the dogs' warm-up routine or their judging in the ring.** **14. I, and my Team members, accept full responsibility for the custody, supervision, control and welfare of the respective dogs hereby entered.** **Liability for Damage or Injury** **15. I, and the members of my Team, accept full responsibility and liability for any injury, loss, damage, death, claim, cost or expense arising directly or indirectly from: any act or omission of their respective dogs hereby entered; any act or omission of an owner, handler, competitor, assistant, employee, volunteer, guest or representative associated with me or my Team; any breach of KUSA Regulations; or any negligent, reckless or unlawful conduct by any person associated with this entry or the respective dogs hereby entered.** **16. Such responsibility shall apply whether the affected party is a participant, spectator, official, volunteer, contractor, Club member or third party.** **Indemnity** **17. I, and the members of my Team, hereby indemnify and hold harmless KUSA, the host Club, the National Flyball Sub-Committee, affiliated Clubs, Judges, Stewards, event Officials, Committee Members, office-bearers, employees,**

			volunteers, contractors and agents from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, proceedings, damages, losses, liabilities, penalties, awards, costs and expenses of whatsoever nature, including legal costs on the attorney-and-client scale, arising directly or indirectly from: • **my participation in the event;** • **the participation of the members of my Team in the event;** • **my dogs and those of my Team;** • **breach of this Declaration;** • **breach of KUSA Regulations;** • **injury, illness, death or damage caused by any dog hereby entered;** • **any act or omission by persons associated with this entry.** **Waiver of Claims** **18. To the fullest extent permitted by law I, and the members of my Team, waive and abandon any claim that I, my estate, successors, dependants or representatives may have against KUSA or any person indemnified under the Indemnity clause arising from participation of me and the members of my Team in the event.** **19. This waiver includes claims arising from injury, illness, loss, theft, property damage or death, except where exclusion is prohibited by law.** **20. I, and the members of my Team, accept responsibility for every minor attending under my, or the members of my Team's supervision or authority and shall be liable for all actions, omissions, injury, loss or damage arising from such minor's attendance or participation.** **21. I, and the members of my Team, accept responsibility for all handlers, assistants, guests, employees, contractors and representatives accompanying or acting on my behalf or on behalf of the members of my Team.** **22. I warrant that no person prohibited, suspended, expelled or declared persona non grata by KUSA shall participate in this event through this entry.** **23. All vehicles, trailers, cages, tents, equipment, personal belongings and the dogs hereby entered are brought onto the event premises entirely at the respective owners' risk.** **24. KUSA and the organising Club shall not be liable for loss, theft, damage or destruction of any property whatsoever.** **25. I consent to photographs being taken, video recordings and media recordings being made and live steaming taking place during the event and have no objection to me or any member of my Team and their dogs appearing in any of these.** **26. I grant KUSA and the organising Club a royalty-free right to use such recordings for legitimate sporting, educational, historical, promotional and administrative purposes.** **27. I acknowledge and accept KUSA's Regulations regarding cancellation, postponement, suspension or interruption of events.** **28. I accept that circumstances beyond the control of KUSA or the organising Club may result in cancellation, modification or abandonment of the event and that refunds shall be governed solely by applicable KUSA Regulations.** **29. I warrant that all information supplied in this entry is true, complete and accurate and acknowledge that any false, misleading or fraudulent information may result in disciplinary proceedings, disqualification, forfeiture of awards, forfeiture of titles, withdrawal of prizes, suspension or other sanctions permitted under KUSA Regulations.** **30. I, and the members of my Team, accept and confirm that this Declaration shall remain binding before, during and after the event. The indemnities, waivers and acknowledgements contained herein shall survive the conclusion of the event and remain enforceable notwithstanding any withdrawal, disqualification or termination of participation.**

			This Declaration shall be read together with the KUSA Constitution and Regulations. If any provision is found to be invalid or unenforceable, that provision shall be severed to the extent necessary, and the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect. **TEAM CAPTAIN (FULL NAME)** **SIGNATURE** **DATE** [**Note 1:** The insertion of an ID No. and a KUSA Mem. No. was also suggested by the Legal Adviser but, due to uncertainty about the disclosure of ID Nos., this was not included in the sign-off to be "accepted" when entering on an electronic Show Entry Platform. A KUSA Mem. No. is automatically part of any entry via an electronic Show Entry Platform and entering it as part of the Declaration is, therefore, surplus to requirement.] [**Note 2:** Should the revised Declaration be accepted for Flyball entries by the "Team Captain" on behalf of the Team, the above Declaration would need to be adapted for general entry into Shows and Dogsport Events (Official Show Entry Form), Field Trials (Official Show Entry Form – Field Trials), F.C.I. Shows (F.C.I. Official Show Entry Form) and Showmanship (Official Show Entry Form – Showmanship Class).] [**Note 3:** Should the above Declaration, signed by the "Team Captain" on behalf of the Flyball Team, be unacceptable the by NFSC, entry into Flyball events would have to revert to the previous practice of Team Members entering individually by using the generic Official Show Entry Form.] **For discussion and decision.**
		12.4.2	**Official Show Entry Form (Generic)** **Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 3 – Official Show Entry Form** Submitted by KUSA Office as housekeeping. **Proposal**: With the recent efforts to get Schedule 11(B) Scent Work up and running as a Companion Event, the KUSA Office noted that Scent Work Classes were not described and that Scent Work was not offered as an option for entry on the Official Show Entry Form. This proposal is to ensure that these two omissions are rectified to assist Scent Work competitors. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 3 – Official Show Entry Form:** Insertions in **underlined bold type**].

Definitions			
Disciplines			**Classes**
Obedience Agility Contact Agility Non-Contact Dog Jumping Carting Handlers (*Separate Form*)	**FCI-IGP** FCI-IGP V FCI-IGP 1 FCI-IGP 2 FCI-IGP 3	**Agility Classes - Contact** Grade 1 (Small, Medium, Intermediate, Large) Grade 2 (Small, Medium, Intermediate, Large)	**Carting** Mini Novice Mini Senior Std Novice Std Senior

FCI-IGP Field Trials (*Separate Form*) TT Working Trials (Classic) WUD (Working Utility Dog) Rescue Dog Tests Dancing with Dogs Mondioring Rally Dog Hoopers **Scent Work**	FCI-FPr 1-3 FCI-UPr 1-3 FCI-StP 1-3 FCI-GPr 1-3 FCI-IFH V FCI-IFH 1-2 IGP FH FCI-IBGH 1-3 FCI-BH FCI-AD	Grade 3 (Small, Medium, Intermediate, Large) **Agility Classes –Non–Contact** Grade 1 (Small, Medium, Intermediate, Large) Grade 2 (Small, Medium, Intermediate, Large) Grade 3 (Small, Medium, Intermediate, Large)	**Rally Dog** Fun Novice Advanced Excellent Masters Grand Masters Seniors
		Scent Work **Odour Search** **Container (Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Masters)** **Interior (Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Masters)** **Exterior (Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Masters)** **Buried (Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Masters)** **Handler Discrimination (Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Masters)** **Detective Class**	**Working Trials (Classic)** Beginner CD CD Trial TD I TD II TD III PD **Tracker Trials** Grade 1 Grade 4 Grade 2 Grade 5 Grade 3

CLASSES ENTERED
NOTE: Only those Working Disciplines and Classes indicated on the Club's Show Schedule are valid.

BREED	CLASS:		
VARIETY CHALLENGES	CLASS:		
WORKING TRIALS (CLASSIC)/TT/WUD	CLASS:		
HANDLING CLASSES	**PLEASE USE HANDLER ENTRY FORM**		
OBEDIENCE	CLASS:		
CARTING	SIZE:	GRADE:	
DOG JUMPING	SIZE:	GRADE:	
AGILITY CONTACT	SIZE:	GRADE:	
AGILITY NON-CONTACT	SIZE:	GRADE:	
HOOPERS	SIZE:	GRADE:	
FCI-IGP	GRADE:		
FIELD TRIALS	**PLEASE USE FIELD TRIALS ENTRY FORM**		
DOG DANCING - MF/HTM	CLASS:		
RALLY DOG [~~MONDIORING / RESCUE DOG TEST~~]	CLASS:		
SCENT WORK [~~RALLY DOG~~]	**DIV** [~~CLASS~~]: **H/O**	**ELEMENT: C/I/E/B**	**CLASS:**

			For decision. **Effective 01.03.2027, but may be implemented on publication of these Minutes.**
		12.4.3	**Official Show Entry Form (Generic)** **Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 3 – Official Show Entry Form** Submitted by Northern Areas Provincial Council. **Proposal & Motivation:** Refer to the Principal Proposal under Item 12.2.5

			[**Note:** This is a **Companion Proposal** to be considered in conjunction with the **Principal Proposal** under Item 12.2.5 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 (Regulations for Championship Shows) and the **Companion Proposa**l under Item 12.3.1 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 1)] **Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 Appendix 3 – Official Show Entry Form (page 1:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. KUSA Official Show Entry Form – Breed Shows Add the following notation in respect of the Veterans Class: **Breed Classes** **Veterans Over 7 years – DO NOT compete for the CC at All-breeds Championship Shows when entered in the Veterans Class only.** **For decision.**
	12.5		**Any Matters Relating to Schedule 03A – Regulations for FCI International Dog Shows** **Nil.**
	12.6		**Any Matters Relating to Schedule 03B – Regulations for FCI A2O Championship Shows** **Nil.**
13			**MATTERS RELATING TO SCHEDULE 04 ET AL**
	13.1		**Amendments to Schedule 04 – Regulations for Non-championship Shows**
		13.1.1	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 04 – Regulations for Non-championship Shows – to clarify the cutoff date for the finalisation of Non-championship Show Schedules and related Show documentation to be submitted to the KUSA Office in order to be granted a Non-championship Show Licence** Submitted by the KUSA Office **Proposal**: To clarify the cutoff date for the finalisation of Non-championship Show Schedules and related Show documentation to be submitted to the KUSA Office in order to be granted a Non-championship Show Licence. [**Note:** This is **Companion Proposal** and should be considered in conjunction with the **Principal Proposal** under Item 12.2.4 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 (Regulations for Championship Shows), and the **Companion Proposals** under Item 13.2.2 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 04A (Regulations for Qualifying and Re-qualifying Shows), and 16.1.1 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 08 (Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to Designated Departments).] **Motivation:** Refer to Item 12.2.4 **Proposed amendment to Schedule 04 Regulation 6.3 – 6.5:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 6.3 Where **d**[~~D~~]raft **Show** Schedules submitted by Clubs in terms of Regulation 2.1 and Regulation 6 of this Schedule are received by the KUSA Office later than three (3)

			months before the first day of the [~~s~~]**S**how, for any reason whatsoever, such Clubs shall pay Penalty Fees as specified for: 6.3.1 each week or part thereof the **d**[~~D~~]raft **Show** Schedule is received late[~~, and/or~~ ~~6.3.2 each Judge who is not qualified to judge the Breeds/Groups/Events for which he has contracted himself.~~] 6.4 Where a Club, for any reason whatsoever, has been unable to finalise **and submit** its [~~Draft~~] **final Show** Schedule and **all requisite supporting documentation** four (4) weeks before the first day of the Show, no **Show L**[~~l~~]icence shall be issued for that event. If a **Show L**[~~l~~]icence has already been paid for, **Show** Licence Fees will be refunded to the Club, subject to the deduction of **any** Penalty Fees incurred up to **the** four (4) weeks **cutoff date** and, should the Penalty Fees be in excess of the **Show** Licence Fees, the Club shall be [~~responsible~~] **liable** for payment of the shortfall. 6.5 When a Club fails to pay a**ny** [~~p~~]**P**enalty **Fees** within sixty (60) days of the date of imposition, the next application for a **Show** Licence for any Non-Championship Show or Event submitted by that Club shall be [~~refused~~] **withheld** until all outstanding Penalty Fees have been paid**.**~~,~~ **Should the Penalty Fees remain unpaid by the cutoff date for the Club's submission of its final Show Schedule and supporting documentation, i.e. four (4) weeks prior to the date of its Non-championship Show, no Show Licence shall be issued.** ~~[Provided that such payment is received not less than four (4) weeks prior to its Non-championship Show date.]~~ **For decision.**
		13.1.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 04 – Regulations for Non-championship Shows – to permit pre-draws to be made for certain Dogsport of Companion Events and, in certain instances, for Judge's and Ring Steward's Sheets to contain certain identifying information to enable the smooth running of a Show** Submitted by Executive Committee. **Proposal:** To amend Schedule 04 Regulation 14 to allow for the circulation of certain supplementary identifying information to Dogsport Judges, Stewards, other Officials and Handlers to enable pre-draws, the commencement of Classes and running orders, thereby to ensure the smooth running of a Dogsport or Companion Event. [**Note:** This is the **Companion Proposal** to be considered in conjunction with the **Principal Proposal** under Item 12.2.3 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 (Regulations for Championship Shows)] **Motivation:** Refer to Item 12.2.3 **Proposed amendments to Schedule 04 Regulation 14:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 14. JUDGING REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS 14.2 The Show Committee shall provide each **Breed, Showmanship, Dogsport and Companion Events** Judge **or Evaluator** with **J**[~~j~~]udge's **S**[~~s~~]heet[~~s~~] in which the breed, [~~c~~]**C**lass and exhibit[~~s'~~] numbers only are **recorded, insofar as they are applicable** [~~entered~~]. **14.2.1 Where the Regulations in a particular Dogsport or Companion Event Schedule provide for a pre-draw to be made, supplementary information such**

			as the Handler's name and/or the dog's name may be circulated amongst the Judges, Evaluators, Learner Judges, Learner Evaluator, Stewards, Ring Clerks and Handlers in advance, in order to facilitate the smooth running of the Show on the day. 14.3 **Subject to Regulation 14.3.1, e**[~~E~~]very Ring Steward**/** [~~and~~] R[~~r~~]ing **C**[~~c~~]lerk shall be provided with a **S**[~~s~~]teward's **S**[~~s~~]heet similar in content to the **J**[j]udge's **S**[~~s~~]heet[~~s~~] and no Show Catalogue**, if produced,** shall be permitted within any judging ring. **14.3.1 In the case of Dogsport and Companion Events, it shall be permissible for Judge's and Ring Steward's Sheets to contain additional details such as the Handlers' names and/or dogs' call names in order to facilitate the smooth running of the Show on the day.** **For decision.**
	13.2		**Amendments to Schedule 04A – Regulations for Qualifying and Re-qualifying Shows**
		13.2.1	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 04A – Regulations for Qualifying and Re-qualifying Shows – to clarify the authority responsible for appointing Kennel Union Representatives at Qualifying or Re-qualifying Shows held by Clubs** Proposed by Cllr N Redtenbacher, via DOGSPC. **Proposal:** The amendments Schedule 04A to eliminate conflicting requirements associated with the appointment of KUSA Reps required to officiate at Qualifying and Re-qualifying Shows. [**Note:** This is a **Companion Proposal** to be considered in conjunction with the **Principal Proposal** under Item 12.2.2 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 (Regulations for Championship Shows)] **Motivation:** Refer to Item 12.2.2. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 04A Regulation 5.1:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. To amend clauses 5.1. as follows: 5.1. The [~~Executive Committee or any Committee,~~] Provincial [~~or Liaison~~] Council [~~to~~] **through which the Club is affiliated to the Kennel Union and to which** [~~whom~~] the Federal Council [~~may~~] **has** delegate**d** its powers, shall appoint a person well experienced in the current Regulations of the Kennel Union and especially this Schedule, to be styled the Kennel Union Representative, to attend every Qualifying Show or Re-[~~Q~~]**q**ualifying Show**, and** whose function **it** shall be to observe that the Show is conducted properly in terms of these Regulations. **If the relevant Provincial Council is, for whatever reason, unable to appoint a Kennel Union Representative, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to make such appointment.** 5.2 Every Kennel Union Representative who, at the time of his appointment shall be a Kennel Union member of good standing, shall be required to submit a detailed written report to the Kennel Union within [~~seven~~]**fourteen** ([7]**14**) days of the close of the Show he/she attended in such capacity, reporting on the procedure, conduct and management of such Show with special reference to observance of Regulations for Qualifying Shows/Re-Qualifying Shows; together with a certification on the form prescribed indicating whether, or not, the show- holding Club has qualified to hold a Championship Show in the next calendar year.

			For decision.
		13.2.2	**Proposed amendment to Schedule 04A – Regulations for Qualifying & Re-qualifying Shows – to clarify the cutoff date for the finalisation of Qualifying and Re-qualifying Show Schedules and related Show documentation to be submitted to the KUSA Office in order to be granted a Show Licence** Submitted by the KUSA Office **Proposal:** To clarify the cutoff date for the finalisation of Qualifying and Re-qualifying Show Schedules and related Show documentation to be submitted to the KUSA Office in order to be granted a Show Licence. [**Note:** This is **Companion Proposal** and should be considered in conjunction with the **Principal Proposal** under Item 12.2.4 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 (Regulations for Championship Shows), and the other **Companion Proposals** under Item 13.1.1 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 04 (Regulations for Non-Championship Shows), and 16.1.1 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 08 (Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to Designated Departments).] **Motivation:** Refer to Item 12.2.4 **Proposed amendment to Schedule 04A Regulation 8:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 8. **Show Schedule:** The provisions of Championship Show Regulation**s 5.16 – 5.19** (Schedule 03) shall apply to Qualifying Shows and Re-Qualifying Shows *mutatis mutandis*. **For decision.**
14			**MATTERS RELATING TO DOGSPORT**
	14.1		**Schedule 05A – Regulations for Obedience Classes**
		14.1.1	**Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener** **Nil.**
		14.1.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05A – Regulations for Obedience – *one*, to reduce the number of QCs needed for the attainment of Grand Championship status, *two*, to amend the process of qualifying as a Judge and, *three*, to clarify the requirements of a few exercises.** Submitted by National Obedience Sub-committee **Proposal**: The proposed amendments are necessary to ensure that the Obedience Regulations remain practical, achievable and sustainable in the current South African Obedience environment. The sport is facing a combination of declining participation, fewer Championship Shows in several provinces, and an increasingly limited pool of experienced Judges. The Regulations, therefore, need to reflect the reality of the sport as it exists today, rather than conditions that may have applied when the current requirements were introduced. These amendments are intended to strengthen Obedience, not weaken it. The sport in South Africa is operating in a very different environment from that in which many of the current procedures were developed. Participation has declined, competition opportunities

			are limited in several provinces, and the experienced Judges are ageing. The Regulations must respond to these realities if Obedience is to remain a viable, competitive and properly governed sport. Simplifying unnecessary barriers, making qualifications achievable, and creating a practical pathway for new Judges are essential steps to ensuring that the sport will have competitors, Judges and officials in the future. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 05A Regulations 1.4.1, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8, 2.10, 2.12, 2.14, 2.16, 3.3, 3.14, 5.3, 5.4, 5.7.1 and 5.7.3** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 1.4 **Champion status** A dog awarded three Obedience Qualifying Certificates, each by a different Judge, will qualify as an Obedience Champion and a KUSA Certificate to this effect will be issued. 1.4.1 **Grand Champion** A dog awarded **15 (fifteen)** [~~25 (twenty five)~~] Obedience Qualifying Certificates will qualify as a Grand Obedience Champion and shall be issued with a KUSA certificate to that effect. This is providing that no more than [~~3 (three)~~] **4 (four)** of such Obedience Qualifying Certificates shall have been awarded by any one **J**[~~j~~]udge **with at least one (1) Qualification Certificate being achieved either out-of-province or under an out-of-province Judge.** [~~and not more than 20 (twenty) certificates were gained in any one province with the balance of 5 (five) certificates having been gained in at least 2 (two) other provinces. 12 (Twelve) Obedience Qualifying certificates awarded to a dog prior to the implementation date of the award shall count towards this award.~~ ~~**Note**: *Subject to the restrictions contained in Reg. 1.4.1, twelve (12) qualifications gained prior to 1st January 2005(the implementation date) plus all qualifications gained from 1st January 2005 may be counted towards Grand Champion status which is effective from 1 January 2006.*~~] 1.6.1 **Aspiring Judges** 1.6.1.1 **Definition of Short Report [~~and Full Reports~~]** As the term[~~s~~] Short [~~and Full~~] Report[~~s~~] [~~are~~] **is** used in the **R**[~~r~~]egulations regarding the training of **J**[~~j~~]udges [~~they are~~] **it is** as follows:- 1.6.1.1.1 **Short Report** A Short Report shall contain the following introductory information:- 1. Name of Learner Judge 2. KUSA Membership No. 3. Membership expiry date. 4. Class Judged. 5. Show Venue. 6. Type of show. Championship or Non**-c**[~~C~~]hampionship. 7. Date of show. 8. Show Holding Club [~~9. Advertised starting time:~~] **9.**[~~10.~~] Number of dogs judged A Short Report shall contain [~~detailed~~] comment on the performance of [~~all dogs up to the dog placed ninth~~] **the first and the last two dogs**, in the **C**[~~c~~]lass, [~~if required (See Regulation 1.6.6.1.2),~~] plus the marks deducted for each observed fault. In addition, all the relevant Judge's mark sheets or photo copies thereof must be attached. [~~1.6.1.1.2 **Full Report**~~] [~~A Full Report shall contain the same introductory information as required in the Short Report, plus full details as to how the class was run and judged together with detailed comment on the performance of all competing dogs up to a total of~~

			~~nine (9) dogs, if required (See regulations 1.6.3.5 and 1.6.6.1.2). All the Judge's mark sheets or photo copies thereof for these dogs must be attached.]~~ ~~[1.6.1.1.3 If a Full Report is on a Class C appointment then the KUSA Guide for Class C report writing shall be followed otherwise for a lower class report the relevant provincial guide shall be followed.]~~ 1.6.2 **Level 1 – Beginners and Novice Classes** If the application by an Aspiring Judge is successful they shall be required to follow [~~one of 2 training options which shall be at the Provincial Councils discretion.~~] **the procedure below:** [~~**OPTION NUMBER ONE**~~] 1.6.2.1 The Aspiring Judge shall pass a written, closed-book examination on:- 1) The Rules and Regulations contained in Schedule 05A pertaining to the judging of Beginners and Novice classes. This test will be set by the National Obedience Sub-**c**[~~C~~]ommittee and the pass mark at present is 80%. 2) The recommended marks to be deducted as given in the relevant Provincial Guide for Judges pertaining to Beginners and Novice **C**[~~c~~]lasses. This test will be set by the National Obedience Sub-**c**[~~C~~]ommittee and the pass mark at present is 80%. This examination must be written regardless of whether or not the Aspiring Judge has written the examination previously. 3) A sixty-mark examination on Schedule 03, the Temporary Exclusion Order (TEO) Manual and Schedule 09, Appendix B. The pass mark is 80% and this examination will be set by the Judges Education Council (JEC). 1.6.2.2 The pass mark for the examination on Schedule 05A shall be as determined from time to time by the National Obedience Sub-**c**[~~C~~]ommittee 1.6.2.3 A Learner Judge shall follow the rules and regulations contained in Schedule 05A as well as the required deduction of marks as contained in the relevant **G**[~~g~~]uide for **J**[~~j~~]udges when judging any **O**[~~o~~]bedience class. 1.6.2.4 When the above test has been passed the Sub-committee shall arrange for the Aspiring Judge to accompany a suitable Judge who is the appointed Judge in a Beginners or Novice Class at an Obedience Show and independently and without consultation with the appointed Judge or any other person shall mark the competitors in the Obedience Class as if they were the appointed Judge. An Aspiring Judge's marks will have no bearing on the results of the competition and they are not to be made known to the competitors. The officiating Judge shall within fourteen (14) days of the show, submit, to the Provincial [~~council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee**, the Aspiring Judge's mark sheets together with their comments on the Aspiring Judge's performance. The Kennel Union shall be advised whether the Aspiring Judge's performance in terms of Regulation 1.6.2.4 is approved by the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee**, and they in turn shall advise the Aspiring Judge accordingly and copy [~~to~~] the Provincial Council. All mark sheets must be sent to [~~KUSA by~~] the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** [~~to be held in support of the Aspiring Judge's application~~]**.** If approved the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** shall then issue the Learner Judge with their Judge's card endorsed for judging Beginners and Novice Class appointments. **[~~OPTION NUMBER TWO~~]** [~~1.6.2.5 The Provincial Council may require that an Aspiring Judge attend a course which shall cover those portions of Schedule 05A and the provincial guide for judges which cover judging of Beginners and Novice classes plus the relevant sections of Schedule 03, the Temporary Exclusion Order (TEO) Manual and Schedule 09, Appendix B. They shall then sit a written, closed-book examination on the~~

			~~Schedules as described in 1.6.2.1 and 1.6.2.2 above. The Provincial Council Obedience Sub-Committee shall then arrange for the Aspiring Judge to do a practical test on judging Beginners and Novice Classes.~~] [~~When the Aspiring Judge's performance in 1.6.2.5 is approved by the Provincial Council, the Kennel Union shall be so informed by the Provincial Council. All reports and mark sheets must be sent to KUSA by the Provincial Council to be held in support of the Aspiring Judge's application.~~] [~~KUSA shall in turn inform the Learner Judge of the successful outcome, and copy to the Provincial Council, The Provincial Council shall then issue the Learner Judge with their Judge's card endorsed for judging Beginners and Novice Class appointments.~~] 1.6.3 A Learner Judge may now accept appointments for Beginners and Novice class tests. 1.6.3.1 After having judged three (3) such appointments and having accepted their 4th appointment they may elect to write a [~~Full~~] **Short** Report on their fourth (4th) appointment which [~~shall~~] **must** be submitted within three (3) months for scrutiny by the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** or they may timeously request that the judging at their 4th appointment be assessed by a **R**[~~r~~]ingside **O**[~~o~~]bserver appointed by the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee**. 1.6.3.2 The Judge's marksheets or photocopies thereof of all dogs judged in each of the first three (3) appointments[, [~~if so required,~~] shall be sent to the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** for their [~~information~~] **scrutiny**. 1.6.3.3 The Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** shall not reasonably refuse a request for **a Ringside** [~~an~~] **O**[~~o~~]bserver but if it agrees it may either station an observer/s, who shall be an appointed Judge, to watch the Learner Judge's judging at this fourth (4th) appointment or it shall subsequently arrange a special test session run by Licensed Judges in order to decide whether the Learner Judge is ready to be promoted to judge in Class A and B. [~~1.6.3.4 If the Provincial Council is unable to provide observers and it cannot be arranged for the Learner Judge to be observed by another province then the Judge shall have the option of writing a Full Report which shall be submitted within three (3) months for scrutiny by the Provincial Council.~~] [~~1.6.3.5 If in terms of regulations 1.6.3.1. or Regulation 1.6.3.4 the Learner Judge should write a Full Report the Provincial Council shall stipulate how many and which dogs shall be reported on in detail.~~] 1.6.3.[~~6~~]**4** When the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** has satisfied itself that the Learner Judge is competent to judge Classes A and B KUSA shall be so advised and sent all supporting documents together with a **p**[~~P~~]hotostat of the Learner Judge's **R**[~~r~~]ecord **C**[~~c~~]ard showing that the three (3) required qualifying appointments in the Beginners and Novice Classes have been fulfilled. KUSA shall so inform the Learner Judge and copy to the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee**. ***Note 1*** *It is the responsibility of the Learner Judge providing that at least [~~three (3)~~] **two (2)** dogs competed in the **C**[~~c~~]lass being judged to so advise the Show Secretaries of the **S**[~~s~~]how-holding **C**[~~c~~]lubs or a person/s designated by the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** who shall make the appropriate entry in the Judge's record card of the first three Beginners or Novice Class appointments fulfilled* ***Note 2*** *If the Judge applies for **a Ringside** [~~an~~] **O**[~~o~~]bserver, the Judge's **Record C**[~~c~~]ard or a photocopy thereof must accompany the[~~'~~] application.* ***Note 3*** *The four (4) **C**[~~c~~]lasses judged shall include at least one (1) Beginners and one (1) Novice class appointment.*

			1.6.**5**[~~4~~]	When the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** by whatever means it uses is satisfied that the Learner Judge is competent to judge Classes A and B, the Learner Judge shall be required to pass:- A test set and marked by the **Provincial O**[~~e~~]bedience Sub-committee [~~of the Provincial Council~~] on:- 1) The Rules and **R**[~~r~~]egulations contained in **S**[~~s~~]chedule 05A pertaining to the judging of classes A and B. The pass mark shall be 80%. 2) The recommended marks to be deducted as given in the relevant Provincial Guide for Judges pertaining to classes A and B. The pass mark shall be 80%. When the test is passed, KUSA shall be so informed by the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-Committee**. KUSA shall in turn inform the Learner Judge and copy to the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee**.
			1.6.**6**[~~5~~]	**Level 2 Classes "A" and "B"** The Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** shall now endorse the **J**[~~j~~]udge's **Record C**[~~c~~]ard as being eligible to accept appointments to judge Class A and Class B [~~tests~~] and the identical procedure as laid down for Beginners and Novice Classes in Level One above, starting at Reg. 1.6.2, shall be followed for Classes A and B in level two (2).
			1.6.5.1	When the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** by whatever means it uses is satisfied that the Learner Judge is competent to judge Class C, the Learner Judge shall be required to pass:- 1) A test on the Rules and **R**[~~r~~]egulations contained in **S**[~~s~~]chedule 05A pertaining to the judging of Class C. 2) **A** test on the recommended marks to be deducted as given in the KUSA Guide for Judges Class C. The pass mark for each test shall be 80% and shall be set and marked by the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee**. If successful the Kennel Union shall be so informed by the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee**. KUSA shall in turn inform the Learner Judge and copy to the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee**.
			1.6.**7**[~~6~~]	**Level 3 Class "C"** The Provincial [~~council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee** shall now endorse the Judge's **Record C**[~~c~~]ard as being eligible to accept appointments to judge Class C at Non-championship Shows **as per the following procedure:**
			1.6. **7**[~~6~~].1	In order to obtain a Judge's **L**[~~l~~]icen**c**[~~s~~]e the Learner Judge shall first be required to **do a Shadow Appointment and then** judge two (2) **or three (3)** "initial qualifying" Class C **N**[~~n~~]on-championship **S**[~~s~~]how appointments**. These appointments must have** [~~each of which~~] at least [~~three (3)~~] **two (2)** dogs **entered until a total of six (6) dogs** are judged**.**
			1.6.7.1.1	**The Shadow Appointment shall be done in consultation with the Officiating Judge. The Learner Judge shall mark the competitors in the Class as if they were the appointed Judge. An Aspiring Judge's marks shall have no bearing on the results of the competition and they are not to be made known to the competitors.** **The Officiating Judge shall within fourteen (14) days of the Show, submit to the Provincial Obedience Sub-committee, the Aspiring Judge's mark sheets together with his own comments on the Aspiring Judge's performance. If the Provincial Obedience Sub-committee is satisfied with the comments and mark sheets sent in, then the Learner Judge is to be notified that he may now accept the two or more initial qualifying appointments.**
			1.6.7.1.2	**In the initial qualifying appointment the Ringside Observer is to check that all equipment and all exercises are run according with the Schedule 05A and that the marking is in accordance with the National Judges' Guidelines.**
			1.6.7.1.3	**Once the Learner Judge's mark sheets and covering comments of the Ringside Observer have been approved by the Provincial Obedience Sub-**

				committee, then the Provincial Obedience Sub-committee shall now endorse the Judge's Record Card as being eligible to accept further required appointments to judge Class C at Non-Championship Shows.
				NOTE:
				All marksheets must clearly show what the fault deduction is for. A reasonable time shall be allowed at the end of the competition Class for the Aspirant Judge to ensure that his marking is clear on the marksheets.
			1.6.7.1.4	**The Learner Judge shall ensure that a record of these two (2) fulfilled appointments is entered in the Judge's Record Card by the Ringside Observer, noting the number of dogs judged.** [~~The Ringside Observer is to check that all equipment used by the Aspirant Judge, and that his marking, is in accordance with the regulations in Schedule 05A and the National Judges' Guidelines.~~]
				[~~Once the mark sheets and covering Officiating Judge's comments on the Shadow Appointment have been approved by the Provincial Obedience Sub-Committee, then the Provincial Sub-Committee shall now endorse the Judge's card as being eligible to accept appointments to judge Class C at Non-Championship Shows.~~]
				[~~*NOTE:*~~]
				[~~*All marksheets must clearly show what the fault deduction is for A reasonable time shall be allowed at the end of the competition class for the Aspirant Judge to ensure that his/her marking is clear on the marksheets.*~~]
				[~~The Learner Judge shall ensure that a record of these two (2) fulfilled appointments is entered in the Judge's record card by the respective Show Secretary or person designated by the Provincial Council.~~]
			[~~1.6.6.1.~~**2**]	[~~Having fulfilled the above two (2) appointments, the Learner Judge shall now be required to submit reports on subsequent Class C non-championship show appointments until a total of at least nine (9) dogs has been judged and reported on at these shows,~~]
				There shall be a minimum of two observed appointments under, if possible, two different Class C Ringside Observer Judges.
			1.6.7.1.5	**Having fulfilled the above two (2) or three (3) appointments and the Provincial Obedience Sub-committee is satisfied with all the marksheets and covering comments from the Ringside Observers, then KUSA and the Aspirant Judge shall be notified of the Aspirant Judge's successful fulfilment of their appointments covering a minimum of six (6) dogs in total. KUSA may then issue the Aspirant Judge with his Licence.**
			[~~1.6.6.2~~	~~When accepting such subsequent Class C non-championship show appointments the Learner Judge may elect: -~~]
			[~~1.6.6.2.1~~	~~**Either** to judge the class and write Full Reports as described in Regulation1.6.1.1.2 without a ringside observer being present until a total of at least nine (9) dogs has been judged and reported upon.~~]
			[~~1.6.6.2.2~~	~~**Or** with the Provincial Council's prior agreement, to judge the class with a ringside observer present and write Short Reports as described in Regulation 1.6.1.1.1 until a total of at least nine (9) dogs has been judged and reported on.~~]
			[~~1.6.6.3~~	~~If the Provincial Council, when requested, is for any reason, unable to station an observer at a judging appointment then the Learner Judge is required to write a Full Report on the appointment.~~]
			[~~1.6.6.4~~	~~If an observer should be present they shall report on whether the judging of the class was in accordance with the procedures laid down in Schedule 05A. This report shall accompany the Judge's Short Report when sent to KUSA.~~]
			[~~1.6.7~~	~~All reports on such appointments shall be submitted within three calendar months of the date of the show to the Provincial Council who shall forward them, to KUSA who in turn shall send them to three (3) members of the KUSA Panel of scrutineers for scrutiny. Where possible no more than one (1) scrutineer of a report should be from the same province.~~]

[~~***Note 1***~~
~~*When a report is submitted it shall be passed or failed in its entirety*~~]

[~~1.6.8 When the first of such reports is forwarded to KUSA a Photostat copy of the Learner Judge's record card showing that the two (2) required qualifying appointments in class C have been fulfilled.~~]

[~~1.6.9~~**]**

1.6.8 Issue of a Judge's licence

No Judge shall be issued with a Judge's **L**[~~l~~]icense unless he has judged a total of [~~nine~~] **six (6)** dogs in **two (2) or more** Class "C" appointments at Non-Championship Shows and had the [~~reports on these nine dogs as described in section 1.6.6 and approved in terms of Section 1.7.1~~] **marksheets and Ringside Observers' comments approved by the Provincial Obedience Sub-committee**.

[~~***Note 1***~~
~~*When a Class C report is submitted it shall be passed of failed in its entirety*~~]

[~~***Note 2***~~
~~*In order to attain the required nine (9) detailed reports on the performance of dogs judged a combination of Full and Short* R~~*eports may be used.*~~]~~]

[~~1.7~~ ~~**KUSA PANEL OF SCRUTINISERS**~~]

[~~The KUSA Panel of Scrutinisers shall consist of Licensed Judges, nominated by the Provincial Councils. When vacancies occur in the Panel, the KUSA Judge's department shall request through the National Obedience Sub-committee that replacements be made.~~]

[~~1.7.1 Approval of reports~~**]**

[~~1.7.1.1 A simple majority of the scrutineer's approval is required for a submission of reports to be approved while a unanimous decision is required for a report to be failed.~~]

[~~1.7.1.2 If a report is not failed unanimously, it shall be sent to an arbitrator for scrutiny and their decision shall be final.~~]

[~~1.7.1.3 KUSA shall advise the Judge in writing of the result of the scrutiny together with the comments of the scrutinizers but if arbitrated, then only the comments of the arbitrator shall be given, and copied to the Provincial Council. When a Judge's report is approved the Judge's Record Card must be endorsed accordingly by the Secretary of the Provincial Council or by the Chairman of the Obedience Sub-Committee of that Council.~~]

[~~1.7.1.4 All reports become effective when KUSA advises the Judge of the result of the scrutiny.~~]

[~~1.7.1.5 A KUSA scrutinizer shall follow the KUSA guide for judges when scrutinizing a report.~~]

1.7.[~~2~~]**1 Licensed Judges**

Only a Licensed Judge may judge Class "C" at a Championship Show.

1.7.[~~3~~]**2 Inactive Judge**

A Judge, whether Learner or Licensed, who has not carried out a judging appointment for a period of three (3) years or more and wishes to resume judging must pass a written, closed-book examination on Schedule 05A Regulations (set by the National Obedience Sub-**c**[~~C~~]ommittee) and an examination on Schedule 03, the Temporary Exclusion Order (TEO) Manual and Schedule 09, Appendix B (set by the JEC). The Judge may not accept an Obedience judging appointment until they have passed these examinations. KUSA shall be so informed and they in turn shall inform the Judge in writing (copied to the Provincial [~~Council~~] **Obedience Sub-committee**) that they have passed the tests and may now accept judging appointments up to the highest level that he was previously entitled to judge.

1.7.[4]**3** No unlicensed Judge shall accept an appointment to judge any class for which their Record Card has not been endorsed.

1.7.[~~5~~]**4 KUSA Membership**

All Judges shall, if permanently domiciled in the KUSA area of jurisdiction, be members in good standing with the Kennel Union both at the time of accepting an invitation and undertaking an appointment.

1.7.[~~6~~]**5** **Foreign Judges**
Appointments of Judges normally resident outside the area of jurisdiction of the KUSA will be considered by the Executive Committee in the light of the Judge's qualifications recognised by the appropriate Canine Authority in the Judge's country of permanent residence, and in terms of Article 25.4 of the Constitution.

1.7.[~~7~~]**6** It is the responsibility of the Show holding Club to ensure that any Judge whose permanent domicile is outside the Kennel Union area of jurisdiction is provided timeously with a copy of these regulations.

1.7.[~~8~~]**7** In the event of a Judge, having accepted an appointment, not fulfilling such engagement to judge, they shall give their reason in writing to the Executive Committee and if such reason is considered unsatisfactory, the Executive Committee may impose any penalty provided in the Disciplinary Rules, (Schedule 1), and their name shall be published in the Official Kennel Union Journal.

[**~~Note~~**]

[~~Learner Judges converting to the new scheme.~~]

[**~~Level 1 and Level 2~~**]

[~~1)~~ ~~The Provincial Council shall issue all Learner Judges in Level 1 and level 2 with a new Judge's card filled in as appropriate to the judge's progress under the old Judge's scheme on information obtained from KUSA~~]

[~~1a)~~ ~~Should a Learner Judge have judged their fourth (4th) level one or level two appointment prior to the implementation date of these new regulations they shall be required to write a Full Report on that appointment if they wish that appointment to count.~~]

[**~~Level 3~~**]

[~~2)~~ ~~Learner Judges who are eligible to judge in Class C and who have not judged a Class C appointment prior to the implementation date of these new regulations shall fall under the new regulations.~~]

[~~2a)~~ ~~Learner Judges who, prior to the implementation date, have judged Class C appointment/s may elect to continue on the old scheme or adopt the new scheme.~~]

[~~2.b)~~ ~~If the Judge elects to remain on the old scheme then three(3) reports must be approved and each report must contain detailed comments on the performance of at least three (3) competing dogs i.e. the dogs scoring the highest and the next highest marks, as well as the dog scoring the lowest marks. In addition, there must be general comments on the performance of all other dogs in the Class.~~]

[~~2c)~~ ~~If however the Judge elects to come onto the new scheme then any C Class appointments judged prior to implementation date shall count as "Initial qualifying" appointments (See Reg. 1.6.6.1)~~]

[~~3)~~ ~~A Learner Judge who has previously passed the test on Schedule 05A and Schedule 3 shall not be required to write any further tests~~.]

1.8 **Obedience Record Cards** (refer also 3.22).

1.8.5 Persons who are not members of an Affiliated Club should obtain their record cards from the Provincial Council of the Province in which they normally reside or when there is no Provincial Council direct from the National Obedience Sub- **c**[~~C~~]ommittee.

2.10 **Interruption, Postponement or Cancellation of a Show**
It shall be at the discretion of the judge/s whether [~~on~~] **or** not competition in any class should be interrupted for any good reason. However, the Show Manager, after consulting with the judge/s shall have the overriding power to require that judging in

a class/s be interrupted until later on the same day, or be postponed to a later date, subject to KUSA approval, or to cancel an Obedience Show or any part thereof.

2.12 **Order of competition**

[2.12.1 ~~No dog shall be allowed into the judging ring after having been called three (3) times by the Ring Steward and marked absent.~~]

2.14 **Competition by officials at shows**

2.14.1 A Judge at a show may not enter a dog in the same Discipline (Breed, Obedience, Working Trials, IGP, Dog Jumping, Agility, Carting, etc), as that in which they are officiating. [~~A Judge at a Show may not handle a dog in any Discipline on the day/s that they are officiating.~~] This restriction does not apply in respect of another **S**[~~s~~]how held on the same day under a different [~~l~~]**L**icen[~~s~~]**c**e.

2.14.2 **Non-Championship Shows**

A Judge at a **S**[~~s~~]how may not enter a dog in the same Discipline (Breed, Obedience, Working Trials, IGP, Dog Jumping, Agility, Carting, etc.), as that in which they are officiating. [~~A Judge at a Show may not handle a dog in any Discipline on the day/s that they are officiating.~~] This restriction does not apply in respect of another **S**[~~s~~]how held on the same day under a different [~~l~~]**L**icen[~~s~~]**c**e.

2.14.3 **An Obedience Judge at a Show may enter or handle a dog(s) in any other Dogsport on the day(s) that they are officiating, providing the following criteria are strictly adhered to:**

2.14.3.1 The Dogsport they are judging will take preference at all times.

2.14.3.2 At no time may the Dogsport they are judging be stopped or halted in any way so that they may compete in another Dogsport.

2.14.3.3 The Dogsport they intend entering must have a commencement time after the Dogsport they are judging or sufficiently in advance that the Dogsport is likely to be completed in time for the Judge to fulfil their judging appointment in Obedience.

2.14.4[~~2.14.3~~] A KUSA Representative may not enter, exhibit or handle a dog registered in his name at any KUSA-[~~L~~]**l**icensed event held at the same venue on the day that he is officiating, nor in the same Discipline held under the same [~~l~~]**L**icen[~~s~~]**c**e on any day.

2.16 **Obedience Show Rings**

3.3 **Collars**

The judge(s) will ensure that during the exercises each dog under his jurisdiction wears only a plain slip or buckle type training collar made of chain, leather or material and worn only around the neck. Nothing may be attached to collars during the exercises except an identity disc with a diameter of not more than 30mm or leads when required**. No halties or harnesses are allowed in any test ring.**

3.14 **Marking of competitors**

As each dog completes an exercise his score for the exercise must be entered by the Judge on their score sheet and that score must be made known to the handler and to spectators before the handler leaves the ring. If more than one exercise is completed by the competitor while in the ring, the judge may announce the scores on completion of the last exercise before the handler leaves the ring. Scores may not subsequently be changed except to correct arithmetical errors **which must be explained to the Handler**.

5. **DESCRIPTION OF EXERCISES FOR OBEDIENCE CLASSES**

5.3 **Retrieve**

5.3.1 The **H**[~~h~~]andler will stand at a place indicated by the Judge/Steward with their dog in the Heel position. Upon order from the Judge/Steward to throw the article the

			H[~~h~~]andler may command their dog to stay and then throw the retrieve article to the required distance as indicated by the Judge/Steward. If the article falls short or leaves the ring, the Judge will direct the Steward to return the article to the handler once only. When the article is thrown to the Judge's satisfaction the **H**[~~h~~]andler will, upon order from the Judge/Steward, command the dog to retrieve the article. When the dog has delivered the article **and sat straight in front of the Handler**, the **H**[~~h~~]andler, upon order from the Judge/Steward, may command the dog to release the article and take it from the dog and, upon further order from the Judge/Steward, command the dog to "Heel". The size and mass of the dumbbell may vary with the size of the dog, and may be made of any solid material/s (other than food). In form it shall consist of two (2) end pieces roughly cubic, ball or disc shaped with a thinner connecting shaft. 5.4 **Distance control** 5.4.1 In this exercise the handler will stand with their dog in the "Heel" position at a marked place indicated by the Judge and on order from the Judge/Steward leave their dog in the "Sit", "Down" or "Stand" position and proceed to a distance of [~~at least~~] ten (10) paces and halt, then turn around and face their dog. On the order from the Judge/Steward, the handler will give the following six (6) instructions to their dog in any sequence the judge may desire: "Stand", "Sit", "Down", "Stand", "Sit", "Down". After these six (6) instructions, the handler, on order from the Judge/Steward, will return to the dog. 5.7 **Scent discrimination** 5.7.1 **All Classes** 5.7.1.1 For each dog a Steward will place the handler's or Judge's scented cloth amongst **a pattern of ten (10) cloths. In Class C the pattern shall consist of seven (7) blanks which should be handled for a short time by the Steward before placing them in position, two (2) decoys and the Judge's cloth. In Class B the pattern will consist of eight (8) blanks, one (1) decoy and the Handler's cloth**[~~, up to a maximum of nine (9)~~] (excepting for Class "A" see **R**[~~r~~]egulation 5.7.2.) [~~other cloths which should be handled for a short time by the Steward before placing them in position~~]. Cloths may be placed in any pattern (excepting for Class "A" see **R**[~~r~~]egulation 5.7.2.) but must be approximately 50cm apart with the Judge's or **H**[~~h~~]andler's cloth positioned according to the Judge's instruction. The nearest cloth must be within an area approximately five (5) meters from the **H**[~~h~~]andler and dog's starting point. 5.7.1.2 Handler and dog must be faced away when the Judges/decoy Steward's/handler's cloths are being placed. At no time may the cloth be given or shown to the dog prior to the start of the exercise. 5.7.1.3 Any cloth, which is mouthed or physically fouled during the exercise and each decoy Steward's cloth, must be replaced for the next competitor. Cloths must be clearly and carefully marked to avoid any possible confusion. All cloths to be approximately 15cm X 15cm, identical in colour and texture and visible to the dog. 5.7.1.4 The dog will remain in the "Heel" position while scent is being taken. On order from the Judge/steward the handler will proceed with the exercise in their own time. On command from the handler, the dog must proceed to the cloths and select the correct cloth. Without further command from the handler, the dog must return promptly and sit straight in front of the handler. On further order from the Judge/Steward the handler will take the cloth. On further order from the Judge/Steward, the handler will command the dog to heel. 5.7.1.5 If any command or signal is given to the dog [~~while it is close to or examining the cloths the penalty must be severe. If any command or signal is given while the~~]

			~~dog is at the correct cloth no marks can be awarded for the exercise~~] **whilst examining the line of cloths, it is penalised by losing all marks for the exercise**. Dogs will not be penalised for lightly taking a cloth in the mouth and quickly putting it down again at the same place. (Should a dog move a cloth more than 50cm it should be penalized.) 5.7.3 **Class B** On entering the ring each handler will be given one (1) or two (2) (at their choice) similar cloths for scenting. The second cloth (if requested) will be used to give scent to the dog. A decoy steward will scent a single decoy cloth and place it in position. Handlers and decoy stewards will scent their cloths for [~~thirty (30) seconds~~] **one (1) minute**. **For decision.**
	14.2		**Schedule 05B(01) – Regulations for Working Trials (Classic)**
		14.2.1	**Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener** **Nil.**
		14.2.3	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05B(01) – Regulations for Working Trials (Classic) – *one*, to make the attainment of Grand Championship status possible with the limited pool of Judges, *two*, to change the way certain exercises and *three,* to allow for pre-draws** Submitted by National Working Trials Sub-committee. **Motivation:** Given the shortage of available Judges, it has become increasingly difficult to qualify for Grand Champion status, especially in the smaller provinces. Moreover, it has become necessary to review the manner in which certain exercises are conducted and also to enable pre-draws to facilitate the smooth running of Shows. Regarding Police Dog track, it is proposed to more accurately emulate the type of work such a dog would do in a real-life situation. [**Note:** Should the proposed amendments to Regulation 1.4 below be adopted, additional changes would need to be made to Schedule 03 Regulation 42 – Champion Dogs – as presented under Item 12.2.1] **Proposed amendments to Schedule 05B(01) Regulations 1.4, 2.8, 4.1.6, 4.2.7 and 4.6.10:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 1.4 Champions 1.4.1 The title Tracker Dog Champion shall be awarded to a dog that has been awarded three (3) **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificates with at least one (1) graded **E**[~~e~~]xcellent, each by a different Judge, **or four (4) Qualifying Certificates with at least one (1) graded Excellent by at least two (2) Judges** in the [~~g~~]**G**rade Tracker Dog III. 1.4.2 The title Police Dog Champion shall be awarded to a dog that has been awarded three (3) **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificates, each by a different Judge, **or four (4) Qualifying Certificates with at least one (1) graded Excellent by at least two (2) Judges** in the [~~g~~]**G** rade Police Dog.

1.4.3 The title Working Dog Champion shall be awarded to a dog that has been awarded the following titles: Tracker Dog Champion and Police Dog Champion.

1.4.4 A dog awarded a Champion's title as described in foregoing sub-paragraphs 1.4.1, 1.4.2 and 1.4.3 shall receive a certificate to this effect from the Kennel Union of Southern Africa.

1.4.5 The title Tracker Dog Grand Champion shall be awarded to a dog that has been awarded fifteen (15) Tracker Dog **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificates, [~~providing that at least three (3) were gained under different judges~~]. There is no maximum number required under any one **J**[~~j~~]udge. No dog may become a Grand Champion unless it has received the title Tracker Dog Champion.

1.4.6 The title Police Dog Grand Champion shall be awarded to a dog that has been awarded nine (9) Police Dog **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificates. [~~This is providing that at least three (3) are gained under different judges. There is no maximum number required under any one judge~~]. No dog may become a Grand Champion unless it has received the title Police Dog Champion.

1.6 Qualification and Training of Judges

1.6.1.5.1 The KUSA panel of scrutineers shall consist of **L**[~~l~~]icensed **J**[~~j~~]udges, nominated by the **National Working Trials Sub-committee** [~~Provincial Councils~~]. **Such nominees must have judged at least two (2) appointments in the preceding twelve (12) months at the Tracker Dog III level.** When vacancies occur in the panel, the KUSA Judge[~~'~~]s**'** [~~d~~]**D**epartment shall request**,** through the National Working Trials Sub**-c**[~~C~~]ommittee**,** that replacements be made.

2.8 Order of Competition

2.8.1 The order of competition (running order) **may** [~~shall~~] be determined by a draw among the competitors in each Grade immediately before the first exercise of that Grade is due to [~~begin~~] **commence**. Any competitor who is not present at the draw shall not be permitted to compete.

OR

2.8.2 The order of competition shall be determined by a random draw of exhibit numbers for that Grade, where applicable, before the Show, supervised by the Working Trials (Classic) Judge or any person to whom this authority has been delegated. In the case of Non-championship Shows, if there are late entries (e.g. on the day of the Show), these shall run last.

4.1 Beginner Companion Dog

4.1.6 "A" Frame (10 marks)
Upon orders from the Judge**,** the **H**[~~h~~]andler will take up a position approximately 3m in front of the "A" Frame with his dog on the working side off lead. [~~Upon further orders from the Judge the handler will command the dog over the "A" Frame~~.] The **H**[~~h~~]andler will command the dog forward over the **"A" Frame** [~~jump~~] in his own time. (The **H**[~~h~~]andler may move forward with the dog, but no closer than 1.5m and MUST stop immediately the command to "[~~j~~]**J**ump" is given). A command to the dog to stay (in any position) after landing on the far side of the "A" Frame is permitted. Upon further orders**,** the **H**[~~h~~]andler will be commanded to move forward at normal pace and**,** at the discretion of the Judge**,** the **H**[~~h~~]andler will be commanded to turn left or

			right[,] and, when the dog is in sight of the **H**[h]andler, the **H**[h]andler will be instructed to call his dog to "Heel". Once the dog has joined the **H**[h]andler, the command "Halt" will be given and the exercise is [~~finished~~] **completed**. 4.2 Companion Dog 4.2.7 "A" Frame (10 marks) Upon orders from the Judge, the **H**[h]andler will take up a position approximately 3m in front of the "A" Frame with his dog on the working side off lead. The **H**[h]andler will command the dog forward over the **"A" Frame** [~~jump~~] in his own time. [~~Upon further orders from the Judge the handler will command the dog over the "A" Frame.~~] (The **H**[h]andler may move forward with the dog, but no closer than 1.5m and MUST stop immediately the command to "[j]Jump" is given). A command to the dog to stay (in any position) after landing on the far side of the "A" Frame is permitted. Upon further orders, the **H**[h]andler will be commanded to move forward at normal pace and, at the discretion of the Judge, the **H**[h]andler will be commanded to turn left or right[,] and, when the dog is in sight of the **H**[h]andler, the **H**[h]andler will be instructed to call his dog to "Heel". Once the dog has joined the **H**[h]andler the command "Halt" will be given and the exercise is [~~finished~~] **completed**. **For decision.**
	14.3		**Schedule 05B(04) – Regulations for Working Utility Dog (WUD)**
		14.3.1	**Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener** **Nil.**
		14.3.2	**Amendments to Schedule 05B(04) – Regulations for Working Utility Dog (WUD)**
			Proposed amendments to Schedule 05B(04) – Regulations for Working Utility Dog – *one*, to make the attainment of Grand Championship status possible with the limited pool of Judges, *two*, to change the way certain exercises are conducted and, *three*, to allow for pre-draws Submitted by National Working Trials Sub-committee. **Motivation:** Refer to Item 14.3.1. [**Note:** Should the proposed amendments to Regulation 1.4 below be adopted, additional changes would need to be made to Schedule 03 Regulation 42 – Champion Dogs – as presented under Item 12.2.1] **Proposed amendments to Schedule 05B(04) Regulations 1.4, 2.12, 4.1.5 and 4.1.9:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 1.4 Champions 1.4.1 The title of Working Utility Dog Champion shall be awarded to any dog that has been awarded five (5) **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificate's at Championship [~~s~~]**S**hows, [~~this is~~] provided that no more than two (2) such **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificates are signed by any one **(1) J**[~~j~~]udge and at least three (3) are graded Excellent. 1.4.2 The title Working Utility Dog Grand Champion shall be awarded to a dog that has been awarded twenty (20) Working Utility Dog **Q**[~~q~~]ualifying **C**[~~c~~]ertificates. [~~This is providing that no more than four (4) such qualifying certificates are signed by any one judge.~~] No dog may become a Grand Champion unless it has received the title Working Utility Dog Champion. 1.8 Judges at a Trial

			1.8.1 Only TD3 or PD licensed **J**[j]udges may judge at a trial. 1.8.2 **Or,** once a TD2 Judge has complied with Rule 1.6.2 above, such Judge may accept an appointment to judge. [~~at a UTD trial~~] 2.12 Order of Competition 2.12.1 The order of competition (running order) shall be determined by a draw among the competitors immediately before the first exercise of the Grade is due to begin. Any competitor who is not present at the draw shall not be permitted to compete. **OR** **2.12.2 The order of competition shall be determined by a random draw of exhibit numbers for that Grade, where applicable, before the Show, supervised by the Working Utility Dog Judge or any person to whom this authority has been delegated. In the case of Non-championship Shows, if there are late entries (e.g. on the day of the Show), these shall run last.** 4. Schedule and Description of Exercises for Working Utility Dog 4.1.5 "A" Frame (10 marks) Upon orders from the Judge the **H**[~~h~~]andler will take up a position approximately 3m in front of the "A" Frame with his dog on the working side off lead. **The Handler will command the dog forward over the "A" Frame in his own time but before the dog reaches the "A" Frame**. [~~Upon further orders from the Judge the handler will command the dog over the "A" Frame.~~] (The **H**[~~h~~]andler may move forward with the dog, but no closer than 1.5m and MUST stop immediately the command to "[j]**J**ump" is given). A command to the dog to stay (in any position) after landing on the far side of the "A" Frame is permitted. Upon further orders**,** the **H**[~~h~~]andler will be commanded to move forward at normal pace and**,** at the discretion of the Judge**,** the **H**[~~h~~]andler will be commanded to turn left or right[~~,~~] and**,** when the dog is in sight of the **H**[~~h~~]andler, the **H**[~~h~~]andler will be instructed to call his dog to "Heel". Once the dog has joined the **H**[~~h~~]andler the command "Halt" will be given and the exercise is [~~finished~~] **completed**. 4.1.9 SEARCH AND IDENTIFY ARTICLE, 35 marks (article MUST be found to qualify). The object of this exercise is for the dog to find the article. Search 20 marks Finding article 10 marks Barking 5 marks The area must be clearly demarcated (but not necessarily by poles/flags). The article may be placed anywhere within the boundary lines. A well-defined area of natural ground, approximately 75m x 75m, will be used for this exercise which **may** [~~MUST~~] be walked and cleared by the competitors (dogs are allowed). **For decision.**
	14.4		**Schedule 05B(02) – Regulations for International Working Trials and International Tracking Trials (IGP)**
		14.4.1	**Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener** **Nil.**
		14.4.2	**Proposed amendment to Schedule 05B(02) – Regulations for International Working Trials and International Tracking Trials (IGP)**

			Nil.
	14.5		**Schedule 05B(03)TT – Regulations for Tracking Trials** **Nil.**
	14.6		**Schedules 05C (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) & (7) – Regulations for Field Trials**
		14.6.1	**Report by the Field Trial Liaison Council Chairman** **Nil.**
		14.6.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05C(1) – Regulations for Retriever Field Trials** **Proposed amendments to Schedule 05C(1) – Regulations for Retriever Field Trials – to give effect to decisions taken as a Special Meeting of the Field Trial Liaison Council held on 5 April 2022 and, additionally, to clarify certain points following the introduction of NFC Class last year** Submitted by Field Trial Liaison Council. **Motivation:** The motivation for the amendments to Regulation A.3.2.8 is self-evident from the Minutes of the Special Meeting provided to KUSA. After the introduction of NFC last year, it was felt that certain Regulations needed clarification, and the following changes are proposed: A.3.2.8 - Amendments to give effect to the decisions at the above-mentioned Special Meeting A.4.5.7 – Any dog running for SAHR points only is not competing in that Stake with the other dogs eligible to run. (As the dog is now at a higher level it should not be eligible to receive any awards for that Stake and it is unfair for it to be entitled to receive any Club awards or Guns' Choice applicable to that Stake) A.4.5.8 – Any dog running for SAHR points only is not competing in that Stake with the other dogs eligible to run. (As the dog is now at a higher level it should not be eligible to receive any awards for that Stake and it is unfair for it to be entitled to receive any Club awards or Guns' Choice applicable to that Stake) A.10.2 – Housekeeping in terms of KUSA Rules & Regulations **Proposed amendments to A.3.2.8, A.3.4, A.4.5.7, A.4.5.8, A.10.2:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. A.3.2.8 Single Dog Registration **(SDR)** Retriever**-**type dogs, Retriever (Chesapeake Bay); Retriever (Curly Coated); Retriever (Flat Coated); Retriever (Golden); Retriever (Labrador), registered with KUSA on the Single Dog – *Dogsport Record* (Dogs of Any Ancestry) may enter any **S**[~~s~~]take as defined in A.3.2.3 [~~and A3.2.5~~] **through A.3.2.6** at the discretion of the Management Committee of the Club holding the **F**[~~f~~]ield **T**[~~t~~]rials**,** but may not be placed, nor receive awards, Guns' Choice, SAHR points, [~~n~~]or **C**[~~c~~]hampion status. **A.3.2.8.1 Schedule 05C(1) Regulations to be strictly adhered to by all entrants at all times.** **A.3.2.8.2 SDR Entries will not be eligible for prizes or qualifications. SDR entrants attaining 70% or more are not awarded SAHR points.** **A.3.2.8.3 SDR entries will be included in the catalogue, clearly marked SDR.**

			A.3.3.8.4 SDR entrants will be permitted to enter a Stake until such time as the dog has attained the standard of 70% or more three (3) times before moving on to the next higher Stake. A.3.4 NOT FOR COMPETITION (NFC) Preamble: NFC is to allow a dog that has qualified out of a **S**[~~s~~]take to compete in NFC for experience, before moving to the next class. A.3.4.1 Not for Competition (NFC) entries may only be accepted in **S**[~~s~~]takes not carrying eligibility towards the title of champion, i.e. Maiden and Novice Stakes. **Once a dog has achieved the title of FT Champion in an Open Stake, the dog is no longer eligible to run NFC in any lower Stake.** A.3.4.2 Schedule **0**5C(1) [~~Rules~~] **Regulations** to be strictly adhered to by all entrants at all times. A.3.4.3 **Void** [~~NFC Entries will not be eligible for prizes or qualifications, and may not be awarded any "Club Certificate". NFC entrants attaining 70% or more are not awarded SAHR points.~~] A.3.4.4 NFC Entries will be included in the catalogue, clearly marked NFC. A.3.4.5 **Void** [~~NFC Entrants will be permitted to enter a stake until such time as the dog has attained the standard of 70% or more 3 (three) times before moving on to the next higher stake.~~] A.4.5.7 Novice Hunting Retriever (NHR) Each dog attaining the standard in any Retriever Junior or Maiden Stake will be awarded two and one half (2.5) points. A maximum of five (5) points can be accumulated in these Stakes. Once a dog has received five (5) points**,** the title "NOVICE HUNTING RETRIEVER (NHR)" will be awarded **to the dog** automatically [~~to the dog~~], and such title may then be used after the registered name of the dog[~~,~~] once it has been approved and minuted at a meeting of the FTLC. Upon acquiring five (5) points in this category, the dog is then ineligible to obtain any further points in this category**,** but may continue to run in Junior/Maiden Stakes. If the dog is disqualified because of its age in the Junior, or has placed in a previous Novice or Open Stake, it may still enter the Maiden Stake necessary for it to acquire the outstanding points towards the title**, but may NEITHER be placed in that Stake, NOR may it receive a Certificate of Merit, any Club Awards, or Guns' Choice**. A.4.5.8 Working Hunting Retriever (WHR) Each dog attaining the standard in a Retriever Novice Stake will be awarded five (5) points. To acquire the title of "WORKING HUNTING RETRIEVER (WHR)"**,** the dog must accumulate a minimum of twenty (20) points. Once a dog has obtained twenty (20) points**,** the title will be awarded **to the dog** automatically [~~to the dog~~], and such title may then be used after the registered name of the dog[~~,~~] once it has been approved and minuted at a meeting of the FTLC. The requisite points can be accumulated in Novice Stakes, i.e. four (4) **S**[~~s~~]takes, or a maximum of five (5) points from Junior/Maiden can be brought forward, in

			which case the dog is required to attain the standard in only three (3) Novice **S**[~~s~~]takes. The dog is then ineligible to obtain any further SAHR points in this category, but may continue to run in Novice Retriever Stakes. If the dog is ineligible to enter further Novice Stakes[~~,~~] by reason of having won two Novice Stakes or having been placed in an Open Stake, prior to the closing date of entries for a subsequent Novice Stake, then it may still enter the Novice Stakes necessary for it to acquire the outstanding points towards the title, but may [~~NOT~~] **NEITHER** be placed in those Stakes**, NOR may it receive a Certificate of Merit, any Club Awards, or Guns' Choice**. A.10.2 **Void**. [~~KUSA Representative~~] [~~It shall be necessary for a KUSA Representative, who shall be a member in good standing of the Kennel Union, to be present at the Championship Stake. The KUSA Representative shall be nominated by the FTLC and be approved by the Federal Council.~~] **For decision.**
		14.6.3	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05C(3) – Regulations for Hunt Point Retrieve (HPR) Field Trials** **Nil.**
		14.6.4	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05C(6) – Regulations for Versatile Tests – Pointing Breeds** **Nil.**
	14.7		**Schedule 05D – Regulations for Dog Jumping Grades**
		14.7.1	**Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener** **Nil.**
		14.7.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05D – Regulations for Dog Jumping Grades – to allow Dog Jumping Judges to compete in other forms of Dogsport on the same day as they're judging Dog Jumping** Submitted by National Dog Jumping Sub-committee. **Proposal**: The Dog Jumping & Agility wording does not allow for the same leeway as permitted by the Hoopers Regulations in respect of entering and competing in alternative Dogsport activities on the same day. These three Dogsport competitions are closely related, with substantially the same pool of Judges and the precedent has already been set to allow Judges to compete in alternative forms of Dogsport on the same day. Some Dog Jumping and Agility Judges actively compete in Rally Dog and Obedience, etc., so this opens it up for them to be able to assist with Judging duties while not losing out on competing in another Dogsport of their choice. The Clubs in smaller areas that have fewer Shows are struggling to find non-competing Judges. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 05D Regulation 2.1:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 2.1 **Competition by Officials at Shows**

			2.1.1 A KUSA Representative may not enter, exhibit or handle a dog registered in their name at any KUSA-licensed event held at the same venue on the day that they are officiating, or in the same Dogsport held under the same **Show** [~~l~~]**L**icence on any day. 2.1.2 A Judge at a Show may not handle a dog in the same Dogsport (**Agility, Dog Jumping, Hoopers, Rally Dog,** [~~Breed, Obedience, Working Trials, IGP, Dog Jumping, Agility, Carting~~] etc.) as that in which they are officiating. 2.1.3 An Agility or Dog Jumping Judge at a [~~s~~]**S**how may enter or handle a dog or dogs in **any other** [~~the alternating Agility or Dog Jumping~~] Dogsport on the day(s) that they are officiating, provided the following criteria are strictly adhered too: 2.1.3.1 The Dogsport they are judging will take preference at all times. 2.1.3.2 At no time may the Dogsport they are judging be stopped or halted in any way so as that they may compete in another Dogsport. 2.1.3.3 The Dogsport they intend entering must have a commencement time **after the Dogsport they are judging, or sufficiently in advance thereof, so that the Dogsport in which they would be competing is likely to have been completed in time for the Judge to fulfil a scheduled judging appointment for Dog Jumping.** [~~before or after the Dogsport they are judging~~]. **For decision.**
	14.8		**Schedule 05F – Regulations for Breed Assessments**
		14.8.1	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05F – Regulations for Breed Assessments** **Nil.**
		14.8.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05F (9.1.1 and 9.1.2) – Regulations for GSD Breed Assessments and Breed Surveys** **Nil.**
	14.9		**Schedule 05G – Regulations for Dog Carting**
		14.9.1	**Report from the National Convener** **Nil.**
		14.9.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05G – Regulations for Dog Carting** **Nil.**
	14.10		**Schedule 05K – Regulations for Handler Classes** **Nil.**
	14.11		**Schedule 05L – Regulations for Agility (Appendix A to and including I)**
		14.11.1	**Report from the National Convener** **Nil.**
		14.11.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05L Appendix A – FCI Agility World Championships** **Nil.**
		14.11.3	**Proposed Amendments to Schedule 05L Appendix B – FCI Agility Obstacle Guidelines** **Nil.**

		14.11.4	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05L Appendix C – Regulation for the selection of Dogs to Compete at the FCI Agility World Championships** **Nil.**
		14.11.5	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05L App D – Regulations for the KUSA South African Agility Championships** **Nil.**
		14.11.6	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05L Appendix E – Regulations for Agility Judges** **Nil.**
		14.11.7	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05L App F – Regulations for the KUSA National Agility League** **Nil.**
		14.11.8	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05L Appendix G – Regulations for the Annual National Agility Inter-Provincial Competition** **Nil.**
		14.11.9	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05L Appendix H – FCI Agility Jumping Guidelines** **Nil.**
		14.11.10	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05L Appendix I – FCI Agility Regulations** **Nil.**
	14.12		**Schedule 05M – Regulations for Flyball et al**
		14.12.1	**Report from the National Convener** **Nil.**
	14.13		**Schedule 05P – Regulations for Endurance Test**
		14.13.1	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05P – AD (Ausdauerprüfung)** **Nil.**
	14.14		**Schedule 05R – Dog Dancing – Heelwork to Music (HTM)**
		14.14.1	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05R – Regulations for Heelwork to Music – to provide for the inclusion of pre-draws** Submitted by NAPC Dog Dancing Ad hoc Sub-committee, at the request of the Executive Committee. **Proposal**: Provide for the inclusion of pre-draws to be made to facilitate the smooth running of Shows. **Motivation:** 1 Video competitions. These don't have or require a pre-draw. The scoresheets are in order in the Schedules – HTM – Beginners, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. After that runs MF Beginners, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. The scoresheets are in an Excel spreadsheet, and each competitor's name is on the scoresheet in the relevant discipline and level. The Judge receives the document with the link to the routines, judges the routine and gives a score and makes comments. Handlers are not prejudiced through a 'good' or 'bad' draw as each routine is pre-recorded for submission. 2 Live competitions. These competitions are run in the two sections – HTM going first and MF second. Then in each, the competition is run per level: HTM – Beginner, Novice, Intermediate, Advanced MF – Beginner, Novice, Intermediate, Advanced.

			Some Handlers have two dogs in a level and they need to have time between each dog to get changed into another costume and get ready for that next dog. For this reason, Handlers need to know who is dancing when and a pre-draw is therefore sent out to the competitors before the Show. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 05R Regulation 13.12, by splitting out Regulations 13.12.1 & 13.12.2:** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 13.12 Starting Times **13.12.1** All competitors and dogs shall be present at the site of the show at least thirty (30) minutes before the starting time. The Judge shall have discretion to postpone the starting time of a class and the draw for order of competition for a reasonable period if competitors in the class are delayed through competition elsewhere in the [~~s~~]**S**how falling behind in schedule. Such postponement shall be made known to all competitors in the [~~c~~]**C**lass who are present. Any competitor who is not present at the end of such postponement shall be regarded as having withdrawn from the Show and shall not be allowed to compete. The Judge has the discretion to commence a test without all competitors being present. **13.12.2 Alternatively, the order of competition shall be determined by discipline and entries per level before the Show, supervised by the Show Manager. The order of competition will be HTM – Beginner, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced, followed by MF – Beginner, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. Handlers with more than one dog in a level will be allocated a draw with enough time between the dogs to change costume and get ready for their next routine.** **For decision.**
	14.15		**Schedule 05S – Dog Dancing – Musical Freestyle (MF)**
		14.15.1	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05S – Regulations for Musical Freestyle – to provide for the inclusion of pre-draws** Submitted by NAPC Dog Dancing Ad hoc Sub-committee at the request of the Executive Committee. **Proposal**: Provide for the inclusion of pre-draws to be made to facilitate the smooth running of Shows. **Motivation:** 1 Video competitions. These don't have or require a pre-draw. The scoresheets are in order in the Schedules – HTM – Beginners, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. After that runs MF Beginners, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. The scoresheets are in an Excel spreadsheet, and each competitor's name is on the scoresheet in the relevant discipline and level. The Judge receives the document with the link to the routines, judges the routine and gives a score and makes comments. Handlers are not prejudiced through a 'good' or 'bad' draw as each routine is pre-recorded for submission. 2 Live competitions. These competitions are run in the two sections – HTM going first and MF second. Then in each, the competition is run per level: HTM – Beginner, Novice, Intermediate, Advanced

			Some Handlers have two dogs in a level and they need to have time between each dog to get changed into another costume and get ready for that next dog. For this reason, Handlers need to know who is dancing when and a pre-draw is therefore sent out to the competitors before the Show. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 05S Regulation 13.13, by splitting out Regulations 13.13.1 & 13.13.2:** Insertions in **<u>underlined bold type</u>** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 13.13 Starting Times **<u>13.13.1</u>** All competitors and dogs shall be present at the site of the show at least thirty (30) minutes before the starting time. The Judge shall have discretion to postpone the starting time of a class and the draw for order of competition for a reasonable period if competitors in the class are delayed through competition elsewhere in the [~~s~~]**<u>S</u>**how falling behind schedule. Such postponement shall be made known to all competitors in the [~~c~~]**<u>C</u>**lass who are present. Any competitor who is not present at the end of such postponement shall be regarded as having withdrawn from the Show and shall not be allowed to compete. The Judge has the discretion to commence a test without all competitors being present. **<u>13.12.2 Alternatively, the order of competition shall be determined by discipline and entries per level before the Show, supervised by the Show Manager. The order of competition will be HTM – Beginner, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced, followed by MF – Beginner, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. Handlers with more than one dog in a level will be allocated a draw with enough time between the dogs to change costume and get ready for their next routine.</u>** **For decision.**
	14.16		**Schedule 05T – Regulations for Rally Dog et al**
		14.16.1	**Report from the National Sub-committee Convener** **Nil..**
		14.16.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05T – Regulations for Rally Dog** **Proposed amendments to Schedule 05T – Regulations for Rally Dog – to provide for the inclusion of pre-draws** Submitted by National Rally Dog Sub-committee at the request of the Executive Committee. **Proposal**: To provide for the inclusion of pre-draws to be made to facilitate the smooth running of Shows. **Motivation:** By informing Handlers in advance of when they will be expected to be at a ring, and the order in which they will run, ensures the smooth running of Shows, especially when Handlers are entered into multiple Dogsport events. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 05T Regulation 6.2 by the insertion of a new Regulation 6.2.2:** Insertions in **<u>underlined bold type</u>** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~].

			6.2 Order of Competition: 6.2.1 The Order of Competition shall be determined by a Judge's draw. However, should the course contain a Jump exercise, the Order of Competition will be dependent on the jump height. Amendments to the draw shall be at the Judge's discretion. **OR** 6.2.2 **The order of competition shall be determined by a random draw of exhibit numbers for that Class, where applicable, before the Show, supervised by the Rally Dog Judge, or any person to whom this authority has been delegated. In the case of Non-championship Shows, if there are late entries (e.g. on the day of the Show), these shall run last.** **For decision.**
		14.16.3	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05T (A) – Rally Dog Sign Set** **Nil.**
	14.17		**Schedule 05V – Regulations for Hoopers Classes**
		14.17.1	**Report from the National Sub-Committee Convener** **Nil.**
		14.17.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05V – Regulations for Hoopers Classes** **Nil.**
15			**MATTERS RELATING TO SPECIAL EVENTS – VARIOUS SCHEDULES 05E**
	15.1		**Schedule 05E – Regulations for KUSA-registered Special Events** **Nil.**
	15.2		**Schedule 05E(06) – Regulations for the KUSA – IGP (Meisterschaft) Annual Event** **Nil.**
	15.3		**Schedule 05E(12) – Regulations for KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition** **Nil.**
		15.3.1	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05E (12) – Regulations for KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition – to replace "Handler" with "Showmanship" and to regulate to Final Round of competition with dogs with which the competitors are not familiar** Submitted by Cllr Redtenbacher (Fedco portfolio-holder for Showmanship), as proposed at the Ordinary Meeting of the DOGSPC Council on 24 September 2026 **Proposal**: 1. Housekeeping amendments necessary to eliminate references to "Handler" and replace it with "Showmanship", where applicable. 2. Addition of Regulation 9.9 – Procedure for the Final Round with unfamiliar dogs **Motivation**: Formalising the procedure for the final round of judging would: 1. Ensure consistency and establish a clearly defined procedure for the final round, so that Competitors, Judges and Organisers have a common understanding of how the Competition will be conducted. 2. Promote fairness amongst finalists, enabling all to would be assessed under the same conditions, with each Competitor being required to demonstrate their ability with a dog with which they have no established relationship.

			3. Increase the credibility and integrity of the National Competition. Since the National Junior Showmanship Competition represents the highest level of competition for Junior Showmanship Competitors under the auspices of KUSA, the final judging procedure should be clearly an unambiguously regulated. 4. Provide transparency to Competitors and Clubs through the regulation of the procedure, rather than relying on practices previously followed by successive Organising Committees of various Provincial Councils. Competitors will know in advance what is expected of them. This regulation would formalise an important component of the National Competition while ensuring that the emphasis remains on the Junior Showmanship Competitor's skill, adaptability, knowledge and sportsmanship, rather than on the individual dog they normally exhibit. [**Note:** Refer to the proposal under Item 22.1 to replace "Handler" with "Showmanship" (where applicable) across the spectrum of KUSA Schedules.] **Proposed amendments to 05E(12) Regulations 8.8** Insertions in **underlined bold type** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. Name of Schedule SCHEDULE 05E(12) – Regulations for KUSA National [~~Handler~~] **Showmanship** of the Year Competition**s** 8. JUDGING 8.8 Judging Order of KUSA National Junior Handler Finals. Handlers will enter the ring in **catalogue order,** [~~draw order (not catalogue order)~~] initially competing with their own exhibits. The Judges will shortlist four (4) Handlers **in catalogue order** and the four (4) shortlisted Handlers will be required to return to the ring at a scheduled time for the final round to handle [~~unknown~~] **unfamiliar** dogs. In the [~~f~~]**F**inal [~~r~~]**R**ound, each of the four (4) shortlisted Handlers will be required to handle two (2) exhibits from a pool of **unfamiliar** dogs provided by the organisers. [~~The organisers will provide the Judges with a list of the breeds of dog in the pool and the Judges will select which two breeds each finalist will handle.~~] Each dog in the pool may not be allocated to more than two (2) Handlers. Handlers will be allowed five (5) minutes with each of their allocated dogs prior to the start of the [~~f~~]**F**inal [~~r~~]**R**ound and will enter the ring in draw order. **8.9 Procedure for the provision and allocation of unfamiliar dogs (hereinafter referred to as "Swop Dogs") and for competing in the in Final Round:** **8.9.1. A pool of eight (8) "Swop Dogs" shall be selected by the Organising Committee prior to the commencement of the Final Round. The Swop Dogs shall be of suitable temperament, training and presentation standard to enable fair assessment of the Handlers.** **8.9.2. Each Swop Dog may only be allocated once to a single Handler during the Competition.** **8.9.3. Question and Answer Session** **8.9.3.1. Prior to the draw, each shortlisted Handler shall individually be afforded the opportunity to question the owner or regular handler of each Swop Dog;** **8.9.3.2. Each Handler shall be permitted to pose a maximum of four (4) questions per Swop Dog;**

			8.9.3.3. Handlers shall be permitted to acquaint themselves and briefly interact with each Swop Dog during the Question and Answer Session. Such interaction shall be limited to familiarisation and shall not include gaiting, stacking, training, pattern work or any form of showmanship assessment. **8.9.4. Allocation of Swop Dogs** **Each Handler shall first draw a Swop Dog for the preliminary round of judging in the Final Round. The four (4) Swop Dogs allocated for the first draw shall be withdrawn from further allocation. The remaining four (4) Swop Dogs shall constitute the pool available for the second draw.** **Each Handler shall then draw a Swop Dog for the decisive round of judging.** **8.9.5. Draw for Exhibit Order** **Following completion of the Question and Answer Session, the shortlisted Handlers shall draw for their exhibit order. The draw shall take place in the order in which the Handlers were shortlisted by the Judges. The resulting draw order shall become the official exhibit order and shall be used for all subsequent rounds.** **8.9.6. Judging of Swop Dogs – Preliminary Round** **In the official draw order, each Handler shall proceed to the ring, with Swop Dog number one (No. 1) for the preliminary round of judging.** **8.9.7. Judging of Swop Dogs – Decisive Round** **Upon completion of the Preliminary Round of judging, all Handlers shall leave the ring and return their allocated Swop Dogs to their owners. In the official draw order, each Handler shall proceed to the ring, with Swop Dog number two (No. 2) for the Decisive Round of judging.** **8.9.8. Independent Oversight** **An independent third party and/or designated KUSA Official shall be present throughout the allocation and familiarisation process. The role of such person shall be to observe and verify that all procedures are conducted fairly, transparently and in accordance with these Regulations.** **8.9.9. Coaching and Interference** **8.9.9.1. No coaching, instruction, guidance, prompting, chaperoning or other assistance shall be permitted once the draw process has commenced.** **8.9.9.2. Owners, spectators, officials and fellow competitors shall not interfere with, influence or assist any Handler during the familiarisation period or while judging is in progress.** **8.9.9.3. Any conduct alleged by any party to have provided, or attempted to provide, an unfair advantage to a Handler shall immediately be brought to the attention of the Show Manager and the independent third party and/or designated KUSA Official appointed in terms of Regulation 8.9.8.** **8.9.9.4. The Show Manager, in consultation with the Judges, shall investigate the matter and determine whether any misconduct had occurred. Should the Show Manager and/or Judges conclude that an unfair advantage had been gained or intended to be gained, they shall be entitled to impose such penalties as they consider appropriate including, but not limited to, a private or public reprimand, reduction of scores, disqualification from further competition.** **8.9.9.5. Any such incident, together with the findings of the Show Manager and/or Judges and any action taken, shall be recorded and reported in writing to the KUSA Secretary within five (5) days of the event.** **8.9.9.6. The independent third party and/or designated KUSA Official appointed in terms of Regulation 9.9.8, shall submit a written report to the Show Manager within three (3) days of the event confirming that the procedures prescribed for the Final Round were followed and detailing any irregularities, incidents, concerns or complaints observed during the proceedings.** **8.9.9.7 Judge's Discretion**

			Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Judges from exercising any discretion afforded to them under this Schedule, including the assessment of Handlers and determination of placings. **8.10. Run-off Referee Intervention** **8.10.1. In the event of the appointed Judges being unable to reach agreement on the four (4) as yet unranked finalists, the matter shall be referred to the Referee for determination.** **8.10.1.1. The Referee shall be presented with all shortlisted Handlers from both the appointed Judges and only be expected to make a determination on the inclusion of any Handler not mutually chosen by the appointed Judges to be one of the four (4) finalists.** **8.11 Final Referee Intervention** **8.11.1. Should the appointed Judges fail to reach consensus on the final ranking of the four (4) finalists, the Referee shall be summoned or re-summoned.** **8.11.1.2. The Referee shall be presented with all four (4) finalists, but only be required make a determination on the ranking of the finalists where agreement could not be reached by the two appointed Judges, not on any of the mutually agreed upon rankings by the appointed Judges.** ~~**8.10.2. To preserve impartiality and avoid identifying the Handler(s) under consideration, the Referee shall be presented with a minimum of three (3) Handlers consisting of one or more unannounced finalist(s) already agreed upon by the Judges together with the Handler(s) whose inclusion in the finalist group remains unresolved ("Shortlisted Handlers").**~~ **8.11.2. The identity and agreed-upon ranking of the Handlers shall not be disclosed to the Referee when presented with the four (4) finalists.** **8.11.3. The Referee shall independently assess the four (4) Handlers and record his ranking, hand the result to the Ring Steward for discussion with the appointed Judges, and leave the ring.** **8.11.4. The Referee's ranking shall be used solely to resolve the disagreement on the ranking positions decided by the two (2) appointed Judges individually, and not to determine the final ranking of the 4 finalists, i.e. should the appointed Judges disagree on the ranking position of any of the finalists, the Referee's ranking shall only be used to determine the outcome conflicting ranking positions only and not those mutually agreed on by the appointed Judges.** **8.**~~**9**~~**12.** Following the round of judging with [~~new exhibits~~] **the Swop Dogs**, the four (4) finalists will return with their original dogs [~~and the winner of the Competition announced~~] **for final ranking**. [**Note:** Red to be **bolded** when Schedule 05E(12) is amended.] **For decision.**
	15.4		**Schedule 05E(17) – Regulations for DOGS Best of the Best Competition** **Nil.**
	15.5		**Schedule 05E(19A) – Regulations for GSD Grand Victor Breed Competition** **Nil**
	15.6		**Schedule 05E(19B) – Regulations for Grand Victor IGP** **Nil.**
	15.7		**Schedule 05E(22) – Regulations for NAPC Top Dog** **Nil.**

	15.8		**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05E(23) – Regulations for KUSA Winners Show – (ZAW) (Breed and Handling only)**
		15.8.1	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05E(23) – to preclude the KUSA National Child and Junior Showmanship winners from competing in the Child and Junior Showmanship Competitions at the KUSA Winners Show, if the latter Show is held *after* the KUSA National Awards** Submitted by Cllr Redtenbacher (Fedco portfolio-holder for Showmanship), as proposed at the Ordinary Meeting of the DOGSPC on 24 September 2026. **Proposal**: The purpose of this amendment is to avoid the concentration of major Showmanship titles in a single competitor over consecutive days and to encourage broader recognition of excellence within the Child and Junior Showmanship ranks. Since the National Child and National Junior Showmanship winners would have already achieved the highest accolade at the National Championships, preclusion from the equivalent competitions at the KUSA Winners Show, if held the following day, allows other deserving young exhibitors the opportunity to compete for and earn recognition. This approach not only celebrates the achievement of the National winners, but also encourages continued participation, development and confidence among a wider group of Showmanship competitors. By requiring the National Child and National Junior Showmanship winners to withdraw from the corresponding competitions at the KUSA Winners Show, the regulations promote good sportsmanship and fairness, broaden and encourage wider participation and provide additional opportunities for young exhibitors to be recognised for their skills. The amendment also reinforces the prestige of the National Showmanship titles by recognising them as the pinnacle achievements of the award year. **Proposed amendments to 05E(23) Regulations 5.2 and 7.2 and the insertion of a new Regulation 5.2.3:** Insertions in **<u>underlined bold type</u>** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. Name of Schedule **<u>SCHEDULE 05E(23) –</u> (ZAW) (Breed & [~~Handling~~] <u>Showmanship</u> only)** [~~Schedule 05E (23)~~] 5. QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY 5.1 Breed Open to all dogs on the KUSA Breed and Breed Appendix Registers. 5.2 [~~Handler~~] **<u>Showmanship</u>** 5.2.1 Open to Child Handlers – over 8 and under 11 years 5.2.2 Open to Junior Handlers – over 11 and under 18 years **<u>5.2.3 In the event of the KUSA Winners Show being held after the KUSA National Awards, in the spirit of good sportsmanship and in the interest of broader recognition, the National Child and National Junior Showmanship Competition Winners shall be precluded from competing in the corresponding Showmanship competitions at the KUSA Winners Show, thereby affording other competitors an additional opportunity to qualify for the National Showmanship Competitions in the ensuing year.</u>** 7. DETERMINATION OF WINNERS

			7.2 [~~Handler~~] **Showmanship** 7.2.1 Child [~~Handler~~] **Showmanship**. The winner of this event shall be declared to be: KUSA WINNERS CHILD HANDLER (Year). 7.2.2 Junior [~~Handler~~] **Showmanship**. The winner of this event shall be declared to be: KUSA WINNERS JUNIOR HANDLER (Year). **For decision.**
	15.9		**Proposed amendments to Schedule 05E(24) – Regulations for KUSA Dog of the Year Competitions**
		15.9.1	**Proposed additions to the above Scheduled to include various forms of Dogsport for purpose of awarding excellence across the spectrum of KUSA-licensed competitive activities** **Proposal:** To broaden the Schedule 05E(24) to accommodate the criteria for awarding achievement in forms of Dogsport not included in the earlier iteration of this new Schedule. **Motivation:** This is part of KUSA's ongoing initiative towards inclusivity in acknowledging the outstanding performance of dogs in Breed as well as Dogsport. Revised Schedule 05E(24) ***attached***. **For decision.**
	15.10		**Schedule 05E(28) – Regulations for GSD Specialist Championship Shows** **Nil.**
16			**MATTERS PERTAINING TO SCHEDULE 08**
	16.1		**Amendments to Schedule 08 – Regulations for Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to Designated Departments**
		16.1.1	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 08 – to amplify the cutoff dates for Show documentation for the various categories of Show to be sent to the KUSA Office in order to be granted a Show Licence** Submitted by KUSA Office **Proposal**: To amplify the cutoff date for the submission of Show Schedules and related Show documentation to the KUSA Office in order to be granted a Show Licence. [**Note:** This is a **Companion Proposal** and should be considered in conjunction with the **Principal Proposal** under Item 12.2.4 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 03 (Regulations for Championship Shows), and the **Companion Proposals** under Items 13.1.1 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 04 (Regulations for Non-championship Shows), and 13.2.2 – Proposed amendments to Schedule 04A (Regulations for Qualifying and Re-qualifying Shows)] **Motivation:** Refer to Item 12.2.4. **Proposed amendment to Schedule 08 Regulation 2, 3 & 4:**

			Insertions in **<u>underlined bold type</u>** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 2.2 [~~Draft~~] Championship Show Schedule, **<u>and all</u>** **<u>requisite supporting documentation</u>** for approval 6 months before Show date 3.3 Qualifying Show [~~Draft~~] Schedule, **<u>and all</u>** **<u>requisite supporting documentation</u>** for approval 6 months before Show date 4.1 [~~Application for Non-Championship Show Licence, Draft Schedule and signed contracts from proposed Show Judge/s~~] **<u>Non-championship Show Schedule, and all</u>** **<u>requisite supporting documentation</u>** **<u>for approval</u>** 3 months before Show date. **For decision.**
		16.1.2	**Proposed Amendments to Schedule 08 – to provide for Clubs' "Annual Financial Statements" to be sent to KUSA and not "annual audited accounts of income" as currently required** Proposed by Cllr N Redtenbacher, via DOGSPC. **Motivation:** Refer to Item 7.1.1. [**Note:** This Item is a **Companion Proposal** and should be considered in conjunction with the **Principal Proposals** under Item 7.1.1 – Proposed amendments to the Articles of KUSA and the other **Companion Proposals** under Items 4.2.2 – Proposed Amendments to Club Constitutions), and Item 4.3.1 – Proposed Amendments to Provincial Council Constitutions)] **Proposed Amendments to clauses 1.2.1:** Insertions in **<u>underlined bold type</u>** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. For the guidance of Club Secretaries and other persons, notification is given that those documents specified in the first column shall be sent to the Secretary within the time limitation specified in the second column, namely: 1. CLUB AFFAIRS — LATEST TIME REQUIRED 1.1 Annual Affiliation Fees in terms of Schedule 07 Proof of payment to be sent to Debtors Department (applications@kusa.co.za) with a copy to Club Affairs Department (clubaffairs@kusa.co.za) — On or before 1 September 1.2 Minutes of every Annual General Meeting and Special General Meeting and attendance register — Within 30 days of the meeting 1.2.1 A signed copy of the **<u>Club's Annual Financial Statements</u>** [~~annual audited accounts of income and expenditure and Balance Sheet~~] — Once in each calendar year (Usually with AGM Minutes) 1.<u>3</u>[4] Emailed advice of mid-term resignations/vacations and replacements of the Executive Members of the Committee (i.e. the Club's Officers), or any constitutional required Officers (Information Officer, etc.) — Immediately upon resignation/vacation and replacement at a swiftly convened Committee Meeting or by Committee round robin

			For decision.
17			**MATTERS PERTAINING TO COMPANION EVENTS – SCHEDULE 11 + (A, B & C)**
	17.1		**Schedule 11(A) – Regulations for Canine Good Citizen (CGC)**
		17.1.1	**Report from the KUSA Office** Report to be presented by CGC Sub-committee Chairman. **For noting.**
	17.2		**Schedule 11(B) – Regulations for Scent Work**
		17.2.1	**Report from the KUSA Office** Report to be presented by Scent Work Task Team representative. **For noting.**
		17.2.2	**Proposed amendments to Schedule 11(B) – to amend certain Regulations which had proved to be problematic and facilitate the training of Judges during the introductory phase of Scent Work** Submitted by Scent Work Task Team **Proposal:** To amend certain Regulations for Scent Work identified as problematic by the Scent Work Task Team and, during the introductory phase of this Dogsport in South Africa, to facilitate the qualification of Judges to get Scent Work off the ground. **Motivation:** During September 2026, two Introduction to Scent Work webinars were offered to KUSA members to garner interest in the sport of Scent Work. Concurrently, the fast-track training for Judges was introduced on 5 October 2026. During these sessions, the Task Team noted that certain Regulations needed to be clarified and it also became apparent that the requirements to become a Judge were overly burdensome. Given the fact that dogs have not yet qualified to the highest level, made the judging requirements extremely difficult to meet. **Proposed amendments to Schedule 11(B) Regulation 2.31, 2.34, 4.4.1.1.1, 4.4.1.1.2, 6.2.4, 11.6.1, 11.7.4, 12.10.1, 12.10.2, 12.10.4, 14.1, 15.5, 15.10.3, 15.11 and 15.22:** Insertions in **<u>underlined bold type</u>** and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]. 2. Glossary of Terms 2.31 Search Area: The area where the actual searching and judging activities take place. **<u>Handlers and dogs may cross the boundaries of the search area, without penalty, as long as they are deemed to be searching for the scent(s) by the Judge.</u>** 2.34 Time Limit: The maximum time for each search area, beyond which any Team who has not located and called all hides will incur a **<u>disqualifying</u>** fault[~~s~~]. 4.4 Candidate Judges 4.4.1 Fast track judges 4.4.1.1 Current Working Trials (Classic) or Obedience Judges, or Scent Work Judges qualified under another organisation, to judge Scent Work, they must: 4.4.1.1.1 Attend a Scent Work Judges' Workshop and submit **<u>one (1)</u>** [~~two (2)~~] course map[~~s~~] for all of the Divisions, [~~e~~]**<u>E</u>**lements and levels for which they wish to

qualify. These maps will be scrutinised by **the Scent Work Task Team** [~~their peers~~]. This workshop may take place virtually**,** or in person**,** and will be run by the Scent Work Task Team.

4.4.1.1.2 For Judges seeking to qualify in all Divisions and Elements, he shall judge at least two (2) dogs in each of the Odour Search Division as follows: Container (Excellent Class), Interior (Master Class), Exterior (Advanced Class) and Buried (Novice Class). For Judges seeking to initially qualify in only one Element, he shall judge two (2) dogs in each Class for that Element. [~~Judge at least three (3) dogs at each level either in the presence of at least two (2) other peers or submit videos of such judging sessions to the Scent Work Task Team. Such judging does not need to take place at a Show.~~]

6. Classes

6.2 The Odour Search Division has four (4) elements:

6.2.4 Buried

The target odour is concealed within a [~~small~~] container and then buried beneath sand or water.

11. The Odour Search Division

11.6 Container Searches.

In the Container Classes the dog must locate the target odour(s), which is hidden in one (1) or more containers within a Search area and communicate the find to their Handler. Container searches may be conducted either inside or outside. Classes that specify a 'variety' of containers shall utilise no more than five (5) of any identical container type.

11.6.1 Container Novice Class

Ten (10) identical **containers** [~~cardboard boxes~~] are to be laid out on the floor of the search area with the **containers** [~~boxes~~] arranged in two (2) rows of five (5) containers each. **Containers should be medium-sized, i.e. roughly the size of a shoebox.** The boxes must be at least 30 cm apart and each row must be at least 1 m apart. The Search Area must be at least 25 m^2**,** but no more than 40 m^2 in size. The target odour of Cypress must be placed into one (1) container. Each dog will have a maximum of two (2) minutes to locate the container with the target scent and communicate the find to its Handler. The Handler must call 'Alert' when the dog indicates the find.

The Container Element

	NOVICE	ADVANCED	EXCELLENT	MASTER
SCENTS	Cypress	Cypress and/or Anise	Cypress, Anise and/or Clove	Cypress, Anise, Clove and/or Vetiver
# OF CONTAINERS	10	15	20	20
TYPE OF CONTAINERS	Identical **containers** [~~cardboard boxes~~]	Various size and types	Various size and types	Various size and types
ARRANGEMENT	2 rows of 5 containers	3 rows of 5 containers, circle or 'U' formation	4 rows of 5 containers, circle or 'U' formation	4 rows of 5 containers, circle or 'U' formation
MINIMUM DISTANCES	30 cm in all directions, 1 m between rows	30 cm in all directions, 1 m between rows	30 cm in all directions, 1 m between rows	30 cm in all directions, 1 m between

				(if rows are used)	(if rows are used)	rows (if rows are used)
			# OF HIDES	1 (known)	2 (known)	3 (known)	1-3 (unknown)
			TIME LIMIT	2 minutes	2 minutes	3 minutes	4 minutes
			DISTRACTIONS	None	1 non-food distraction	2 non-food, food, auditory or visual	3 non-food, food, auditory, visual, human or mimic
			REQUIRED CALLS	Alert only	2 Alert calls and Finish	3 Alert calls and Finish	Alert(s) and Finish
			SIZE OF SEARCH AREA	20-40 m^2	40-60 m^2	60-80 m^2	60–80 m^2

11.7 Interior Searches

11.7.4 Interior Master Class

The target odour(s) of Cypress, Clove, Anise and/or Vetiver are hidden in three (3) distinct search areas. The dog should not encounter odour from one (1) Search Area while searching another area. The total area of all three (3) Search Areas must be not less than 60 m^2 and not more than 100 m^2. Each Search Area will be worked independently, with a separate time limit. There are an unknown number of hides per area: either zero (0), one (1), two (2), or three (3) (with a maximum of six (6) hides for the entire Class). Any or all hides may be inaccessible to the average dog, but none may be located higher than 1.5 m off the floor. At the Judges discretion, one (1) of the Search Areas may be left 'blank' (with no hide). There are three (3) distractions, which may be non-food, food, auditory, visual, human or mimic. The Handler must call 'Alert' when the dog indicates each find. When the Handler believes that all hides have been found in the Search Area, then he must call 'Finish' to stop the time. The maximum time limit will be set by the Judge and must be between one (1) and three (3) minutes per search area. The Timekeeper will not give a 30-second warning at this level**,** [~~(~~] but Handlers can self-time, should they wish. A total time will be calculated using the combined times of the three (3) Search Areas.

12. The Handler Discrimination Division

12.10 Handler Discrimination Classes

12.10.1 Handler Discrimination Novice (Container)

Ten (10) identical [~~cardboard box~~] containers are laid out on the floor of the search area in two (2) rows of five (5) each. The **containers** [~~boxes~~] must be at least 30 cm apart and each row must be at least 1 m apart. The Search Area must be at least 25 m^2**,** but no more than 40 m^2**,** and no items other than the containers may be present in the Search Area. One (1) of the containers will contain the article scented by the Handler, one (1) will hold an article scented by the Judge and the remaining eight (8) containers are to be empty. No intentional distractions are allowed. The dog has a maximum of two (2) minutes to locate the container with the Handler-scented article and communicate the find to its Handler. The Handler must call 'Alert' when the dog indicates the find.

12.10.2 Handler Discrimination Advanced (Interior)

The Handler-scented article is hidden in a room or part thereof with an area of not less than 15 m^2 and not more than 40 m^2. There will be one (1) hide, which must be accessible to the average dog and that may not be located higher than 60 cm off the floor. Also hidden on the course will be one (1) scent aid scented by the Judge. [~~The remaining containers must be empty.~~] No intentional distractions are allowed. The

			Handler must call 'Alert' when the dog indicates the find. The maximum time limit is set by the Judge and must be between two (2) and five (5) minutes. 12.10.4 Handler Discrimination Master (Combined) At this level, Handlers will be required to navigate two (2) or more Elements (Container, Interior or Exterior) within one (1) search. For example, the Search Area may include an indoor and an outdoor search or, it may be an indoor search that includes containers or any other combination of Elements. The Handler-scent may not be buried. Three (3) Handler-scented articles are hidden in two (2) distinct search areas. The total space of all search areas must be no[t] less than 30 m^2**,** and not more than 80 m^2 in size. Each Search Area will be worked independently, with a separate time limit allocated to each. None of the Search Areas may be blank. None of the hides may be inaccessible and none may be located higher than 60 cm above the ground. Also hidden on the course will be two (2) additional scent aids, one (1) scented by the Judge and one (1) scented by a Steward. There are one (1) or two (2) distractions at this level, which may be non-food, food, visual, auditory, human or mimic. The Handler must call 'Alert' when the dog indicates each find. In each search area the Handler must call 'Finish' to indicate that all hides have been found and to stop the time. The maximum time limit is set by the Judge and must be between two (2) and three (3) minutes for each of the Search Areas. The Timekeeper will not give a 30-second warning at this level**,** but Handlers can self-time should they wish[)]. 14. TITLES 14.1 KUSA Scent Work Titles KUSA Scent Work titles are earned by acquiring the required number of legs in each Division and Class. [Legs must be earned under one (1) or more Judges.] 15. Requirements Applying to all Classes 15.5 Placement of Odours The scent aid must always be placed inside a scent vessel, which is then hidden in the Search Area. Only one (1) scent aid may be used per scent vessel and only one (1) scent vessel may be used per hide. The scent vessel may be any small object that prevents the scent aid from coming into direct contact with any object or surface in the Search Area and that allows scent to escape. Examples of suitable scent vessels include a [plastic] straw[, empty lip balm tube] or a metal tin. Due to safety concerns, scent vessels may never contain glass. The scent vessel may be affixed to an object or surface with tape, adhesive putty or by any other method, as long as it does not harm the object or surface. 15.10 Containers 15.10.3 Containers in Novice searches must [be cardboard boxes and must] all be identical. Novice **containers** [cardboard boxes] must be of uniform size and shall be at least 25 cm long by 20 cm wide; they must be no less than 8 cm and no more than 20 cm high. **Containers** [Boxes] must have a seam [/]**or** holes on the top of the **container** [box] for odour to escape. If there is a seam on the bottom of the **container** [box], it must be taped shut. 15.11 Arrangement of Rows Whenever the word 'rows' is used, it refers to parallel straight-line rows. **Containers** [Boxes] arranged in rows cannot be angled or offset from each other. The start line must be positioned on the short end of the setup, as illustrated below. 15.22 Distraction Items [For Container and Buried Classes, the distraction may be in a container or loose in the Search Area. If in a container, it may NOT be in the same container as the

			~~odour.~~] For Classes with a distraction, the Judge shall explain the number and type of distractions used during the briefing but shall not point out the specific location out to the competitors. **For decision.**
18			**MATTERS RELATED TO BREED JUDGING**
	18.1		**The Judges Education Council (JEC)** **Report by the Chairman of the JEC.** **For noting.**
	18.2		**Report by the Chairman of the JEC**
		18.2.1	**Matters relating to Schedule 10 – Breed Judges' Learning Programme** **Nil.**
		18.2.3	**Matters relating to Schedule 10 Appendix 1 – Group Course** **Nil.**
		18.2.4	**Matters relating to Schedule 10 Appendix 2 – Junior Showmanship Course** **Nil.**
		18.2.5	**Proposed amendments Schedule 10 Appendix 3 – Breed Specialisation Course** **Nil.**
	18.3		**Matters related to Dogsport Judges** **Nil.**
19			**MATTERS RELATING TO THE CODE OF ETHICS – SCHEDULE 09**
	19.1		**Proposed amendments to Schedule 09 – Code of Ethics** **Nil.**
20			**MATTERS RELATED TO BREED/LIAISON COUNCILS**
	20.1		**Rottweiler Breed Council of KUSA (RBC)** **Nil.**
	20.2		**Federation of Boxer Clubs of SA Breed Council (FBCSA BC)** **Nil.**
	20.3		**German Shepherd Dog Liaison Council (GSDLC)** **Nil.**
21			**MATTERS RELATING TO NATIONAL SUB-COMMITEES** **Nil.**
22			**MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE CHAIRMAN**
	22.1		**Proposed amendments to various Schedules and the Articles to replace "Handler" with "Showmanship", where applicable** Submitted by the Chairman on behalf of DOGSPC. [**Note:** Refer to Fedco 06-2026 Items 15.6.1, 15.9.1 and 17.2.1] **Proposal**:

			Housekeeping to amend the term “Handler” to “Showmanship” across all relevant Schedules and the Articles in line with Fedco’s decision to use the latter term for this form of Dogsport competition in future: Articles - Definition of Discipline List of Schedules - Change name of Schedule 05K - Regulations for Handler Classes Schedule 03 – Regulations for Championship Shows - Regulations 40, Appendix 1, Appendix 3 Official Show Entry Form, Appendix 3 Official Show Entry Form – Handler Class, Appendix 3 Official Online Electronic Entry Form Handler Class Schedule 04 – Regulations for Non-championship Shows - Regulations 6.1.5, 28 Schedule 04A – Regulations for Qualifying & Re-qualifying Shows - Regulation 40 Schedule 05E – Regulations for the KUSA-Registered Special Events - Change of name for Schedule 05E (10) and 05K Schedule 05E (12) – Regulations for KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition - Change of Schedule name - Regulations 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 Schedule 05E (22) – Regulations for Northern Areas Top Dog Competition - Regulations 3.1.3, 6.1.1, 6.3.9, 8.10, 8.11 Schedule 05E (23) – Regulations for the KUSA Winners Show - Regulations 5, 7.2, will be submitted as a Proposal from DOGSPC as there are additional changes being proposed other than the housekeeping "Showmanship" changes Schedule 05K – Regulations for Handler Classes - Change of Schedule name - Regulations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Schedule 10 – KUSA Breed Judges Learning Programme - Regulation - preamble Schedule 10 – Appendix 2 - Junior Showmanship - Regulation 6.2 **For decision.**
		22.2	**Ratification of the approval of Financial Management Reports obtained by Fedco round robin** **Approval** of the Financial Management Report for August 2026, presented by the General Manager at the Fedco Discussion Forum (FDF) Session 4 on 17 September 2026, was obtained by Fedco round robin, circulated on 18 September 2026. **For ratification.**
23			**DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS** **2027** Proposed dates: Fedco 06-2027 **2027** Proposed dates: Fedco 12-2027 **To be confirmed.**
24			**CLOSING**