



REGULATIONS

PART 8

MEMBER BODIES & MEMBERSHIP

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SECTION 1
[Amended 10/13 – 5.64]

General

1.1 Breed Codes

The ANKC Ltd Administrator shall allocate all breed codes. **(09/84)**

1.2 Computer Data Base

With the exception of normal day to day use of the data of other Member Bodies, no Member Body shall use the data for any other purpose without permission of the Member Body concerned. **(05/99)**

1.3 Code of Ethics

The National Code of Ethics shall be considered the minimum Code which may be adopted by a Member Body. Member Bodies may add other domestic items, not inconsistent with the ANKC Ltd Code of Ethics. **(10/94, 5.9)**

1.4 Collection of Fees

The responsibility for collection of all ANKC Ltd fees, penalties or any other payment from an affiliated club rests with the State or Territory Control with which the club is affiliated. Furthermore, no documentation shall be forwarded to or received by the Administrator without such fees. **(10/99)**

1.5 Working Gundog Association of Australia

The Working Gundog Association of Australia to be recognized by the ANKC Ltd. **(10/09, 6.7)**

SECTION 2

Membership

2.1 A member of an ANKC Ltd Member Body must, as a minimum, be a member of the Member Body for the jurisdiction in which they reside. This membership shall be regarded as the person's Primary Membership. A member of a Member Body shall have a maximum of 1 (one) Primary Membership. This will not prevent persons from joining the Member Bodies of other jurisdictions, either individually or in partnership. **(Added 02/21, 5.4 effective 01/07/21)**

2.2 Each Member Body shall determine what qualification/s it recognises as proof of residency. **(Added 02/21, 5.4 effective 01/07/21)**

2.3 A person shall only be permitted to transact all member services, ie, register and maintain a prefix, register a litter or a dog, apply for a title or participate in a Judges Training Program, or undertake an activity similar to aforementioned, in the jurisdiction in which they hold their Primary Membership as defined in 2.1, above. **(Added 02/21, 5.4 effective 01/07/21)**

2.4 In relation to a partnership, a least one of the partners must hold their Primary Membership in the jurisdiction where the partners are attempting to undertake an activity, as described in 2.3, above. **(Added 02/21, 5.4 effective 01/07/21)**

2.5 Member Bodies shall adhere to a three months grace period for persons transferring residence to another State or Territory. **(Amended 05/00)**

- 2.6 In syndicate/partnership memberships, all parties must sign all transactions unless there is signatory authority held. **(10/09, 7.3.4)**
- 2.7 Member Bodies are to insert in their regulations that photographic identification and proof of residency must be provided with all applications for membership. Proof of residency only is required with any change of address. **(Added 10/15, 6.1.5)**
(Amended 10/16, 6.1)

SECTION 3

Members Officiating, Exhibiting or Competing outside their State or Territory **(Amended 10/10, 7.44)**

- 3.1 A member of an ANKC Ltd Member Body officiating, exhibiting or competing in the jurisdiction of another Member Body is to comply with the Rules and Regulations of that Member Body.

Misconduct

- 3.2 Where a complaint or report is lodged alleging that an offence has been committed, the Member Body under whose jurisdiction the alleged offence occurs, shall have the matter dealt with under that Member Body's disciplinary procedures that provide for investigation, hearing, penalty and appeals. Such procedures shall ensure that the alleged offender is dealt with fairly and given the opportunity to present their case in person or by teleconference.
- 3.3 Where the offender dealt with in accordance with Regulation 3.2 is a member of a Member Body other than the Member Body conducting the disciplinary procedure, the Member Body conducting the disciplinary procedure shall submit a full report on the matter to the offender's Member Body. Any penalty awarded shall be upheld by the offender's Member Body however the offender's Member Body may initiate additional disciplinary action against the offender.
- 3.4 Any penalty awarded against a member shall be upheld by all Member Bodies.
- (a) In accordance with 3.4, above, any suspension of any member should be notified to ANKC Ltd and all Controlling Bodies. **(Added 10/14, 7.5.14)**
- 3.5 Member Bodies are to implement regulations to provide for the following: (10/02)
1. Immediate investigation of aggressive dog incidents at fixtures / events under their jurisdiction. (10/02)
 2. Immediate suspension from participation in any recognised activity by a dog whilst under investigation. (10/02)
 3. Appropriate penalties for dogs and owners [if applicable] following conviction for dog aggression. (10/02)
- 3.6 Where a dog is declared Aggressive and banned or suspended by a Member Body, the Member Body is to:
1. Immediately advise all Member Bodies of the ban or suspension;
 2. 'Flag' the dog's registration in the ACC computer as 'Aggressive';
 3. Specify the period of the ban or suspension in the ACC computer.
- 3.7 Where a Member Body is advised that a dog has been declared Aggressive and banned or suspended in accordance with Regulation 3.3, the Member Body is to promptly advise its affiliates of the ban or suspension.

SECTION 4

Reciprocal Arrangements

- 4.1 Advertisements submitted by a Member Body for publication in the official journal of another Member Body should be accepted. **(10/79)**

(The ANKC Ltd Application for Reciprocal Advertising Form shall be used in respect of such advertising).

- 4.2 That all Member Bodies of the Australian National Kennel Council Ltd shall grant reciprocal rights to a financial member of a State Controlling Body in regard to the co-ownership of a dog that resides in another state for exhibition, competition and breeding purposes. **(10/06, 6.2)**

- 4.3 That all Member Bodies of the Australian National Kennel Council Ltd shall grant reciprocal rights to a financial member of a State Controlling Body in regard to the sole ownership of a dog that resides in another state for exhibition and competition purposes without requiring the dog to be transferred to a resident of that member body.

The registered owner of the dog must submit a Letter of Authority to the relevant member body authorising the handler, who shall be a financial member of that state, to complete entry forms and to be responsible for the dog whilst in that state. **(Added 10/14, 6.1.2)**

- 4.4 Where a member of a Member Body transfers residency to the jurisdiction of another Member Body, the member will be required to be a member of the new Member Body. **(05/04)**

The following conditions shall apply to ANKC Ltd registrations in the member's name at the time of transfer:

1. Dogs currently or potentially used for competing and / or for breeding shall have the member's address and contact details amended at no cost to the member. **(05/04)**
2. Certificates may be re issued on request whereupon normal administrative fees shall apply. **(05/04)**

The Member Body's rules shall apply to changes to registrations or to new registrations that occur after to date of transfer of residency. **(05/04)**

- 4.5 Any suspension and/or termination of membership placed on any member of a Member Body shall be upheld by all other Member Bodies. **(05/05) (Amended 26/02, 5.17)**

SECTION 5

Affiliated Clubs

- 5.1 Names of Clubs affiliated with Member Bodies shall not include "of Australia". **(04/60)**

- 5.2 Clubs or Societies shall only be affiliated in the State or Territory in which they are resident. **(04/68)**

- 5.3 The names of Affiliated Clubs that cater for single breeds or varieties of breeds must include the official breed name as appears in the Breed Standard. **(05/98)**
- 5.4 Any Club affiliated with a Member Body of the ANKC Ltd must comply with the rules and regulations set down by the ANKC Ltd for affiliated Clubs. **(10/99)**
- 5.5 When a Member body suspends or revokes a Club/Society's Affiliation or, if a Club/Society cancels its affiliation, the Member Body is to notify all other ANKC Ltd Member Bodies and the ANKC Ltd Administration immediately. **(10/00)**

SECTION 6

Stationery/Certificates

6.1 Award Certificates

All Certificates bearing points towards the title of Australian Champion must be under the ANKC Ltd heading. **(03/86)**

6.2 Entry Forms

1. Uniform National entry forms must be used by all affiliates of Member Bodies except where the National Committee of a discipline has agreed to the design of a different entry form. That form shall be used for all entries within that discipline by all affiliates of Member Bodies. **(Amended 10/08, 7.19)**
2. The certification statement on the uniform national entry forms be amended to read:

"I certify that this exhibit has not within the said period of three weeks been in premises affected with Distemper, Canine Hepatitis, Parvo Virus or any other contagious disease and is currently vaccinated in accordance with current World Small Animal Veterinary Association International Vaccination Committee (WSAVA IVC) policies." **(10/09, 8.10) (Amended 10/15, 6.1.8) (Amended 06/21, 4.2 – Effective 1 January 2022)**
3. Entry forms to include a space for an e-mail address for the exhibitor. All existing stocks of the entry form are to be exhausted before implementation of the amended form. **(Added 10/14, 7.5.2)**

6.3 National Trial Qualification Card

A uniform National Trial Qualification Card to be implemented from 1 July 2010 for use in each trial discipline. **(10/09, 8.11)**

6.4 Export Certificate Or Export Pedigree

An approved ANKC Ltd export form shall be used by all Member Bodies. The certificate shall be issued under the seal of the ANKC Ltd. **(04/60)**