Australian National Kennel Council Limited ABN 77 151 544 679 trading as Dogs Australia

DETAILS FROM THE DOGS AUSTRALIA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & BOARD MEETING HELD IN SYDNEY ON 17-18 OCTOBER 2026

AGM:

- **ANKC Ltd Constitution - Objects, Additional Clause – Amendment**
  It was RESOLVED that Dogs Australia include in its Objects an additional clause to read: "to improve the health and welfare of dogs".
  Effective date 1 January 2027

BOARD MEETING:

- **Regulations Part 2, Clause 2.3: Amendment**
  It was RESOLVED that Regulation Part 2, Clause 2.3, be amended as follows:
  Currently reads:
  Where an approved Judge leaves Australia to reside overseas, such Judge may remain on the ANKC Ltd Judges List for a period of five years, provided the person remains a financial member of a Member Body. **(10/95, 7.1)**
  Be amended to read:
  that Australian judges who permanently reside overseas shall, after a period of three (3) years, have their names removed from the Dogs Australia Judges List. When and if such a person returns to Australia, they can after a period of residence of six (6) months apply to be reinstated to the Dogs Australia Judges List.
  Effective date 1 January 2027

- **Regulations Part 6 – The Register & Registration, Clause 6.1.3.1: Amendment**
  It was RESOLVED that Regulations Part 6 – The Register & Registration, Clause 6.1.3.1 be amended as follows:
  Currently reads:
  6.1.3.1 The prefix of the new owner is permitted to be added at time of registration or transfer but must be added as a suffix and will be in addition to the thirty (30) letters or spaces as specified in 6.1.2 provided the dog has not been awarded a Dogs Australia recognised title, been bred from or used at stud. (Amended 10/16, 7.5.8)
  Be amended to read:
  6.1.3.1 A prefix suffix is permitted to be added at the end of a dogs registered name with the written consent of both the owner of the dog and the owner of the prefix and will be in addition to the thirty (30) letters or spaces as specified in 6.1.2 provided the dog has not been awarded a Dogs Australia recognised title, been bred from or used at stud.
  Effective date 1 January 2027

- **Overseas Judges – fee changes and revised application forms & surcharge to clubs for A2O and CACIB show amendments**
  It was RESOLVED that Dogs Australia approve:
  1. Three Separate OSJ Application forms, with full instructions on how to complete and which form to use.
     Form A – to be completed only by Judges who are already listed on Dogs Australia Overseas Judging list and have not been approved for any further breeds/Groups or Best in show since their last judging in Australia.
     Form B - to be completed only by Judges who are already listed on Dogs Australia Judging list but have attained qualification for additional Breeds/Groups or Best in Show since their last judging in Australia.
     Form C - to be completed by Judges who have not judged in Australia in the last 3 years or judges who have never judged in Australia.
  2. Creation of a Directory on the Dogs Australia Website to list judges who have been approved to judge here previously, with the aim to make it easier and cheaper for clubs to have judges approved.
  3. Amend the cost of application fees for OSJ:
     Form A.$50+GST = Currently $110+GST
     Form B.$90+GST = Currently $110+GST
     Form C.$110+GST Currently $110+GST (remains the same)
  4. $15 surcharge to Member bodies to cover the work in the DA office for processing of A20 & CIB title applications.
  5. $33 surcharge for clubs changing A2O and CACIB shows after they have been approved.

  Effective date 1 January 2027

- *** Regulations Part 5 Conformation Show, Clause 2.7.4: Amendment**
  It was RESOLVED that that the amendments to Regulations Part 5 Conformation Show, Clause 2.7.4 be endorsed as follows:
  Currently reads:
  2.7.3 Ramp Breeds A judge requesting the use of a ramp must give notice to the show representative/show manager prior to judging. Dogs Australia/ member body approval is not required. Ramp breeds may be examined on the ground (table if applicable) or on a ramp during breed judging at the discretion of the judge and not the exhibitor. The ramp will be available at the discretion of the judge for all ramp breeds through all levels of competition including group and Best in Show judging. (Amended 10/25, 7.5.5 – Effective 01/01/26) 2.7.4 2.7.5 2.7.6 2.7.7
  2.7.4 Breeds designated as Table/Ramp optional breeds may be judged on either at the sole discretion of the judge and not the exhibitor. The entire entry in a breed is to be examined in the same manner.
  Amend to read,
  2.7.4 delete the following sentence:
  The entire entry in a breed is to be examined in the same manner.
  Effective date 1 January 2027.

- **National Code of Practice of Responsible Dog Ownership, Clause 33 – Amendment**
  It was RESOLVED that The National Code of Practice of Responsible Dog Ownership clause 33 be amended as follows:
  Currently reads:
  33 A member shall not use spiked or electronic collars for the purposes of training.
  Be amended to read:
  33 A member should not use or permit to be used spiked, pronged or electronic collars at any time.
  Effective date 1 January 2027.

- **Regulations Part 8 – Member Bodies and Membership, Section 7.1 – Amendment**
  It was RESOLVED that **Regulations Part 8 – Member Bodies and Membership, Section 7.1 be amended as follows:**
  Currently reads:
  SECTION 7 (Added 06/26, 5.17. Effective 01/01/27) Requirements to enter sanctioned events
  7.1 Entry Application Declaration (04/60)
  "I certify that this exhibit has not within the said period of twelve (12) weeks been in premises affected with Distemper, Canine Hepatitis, Parvo Virus or any other virulent contagious disease (except Kennel Cough), and is currently vaccinated in accordance with current World Small Animal Veterinary Association International Vaccination Committee (WSAVA IVC) policies."
  "I certify that this exhibit has not within the said period of three (3) weeks been in premises affected with or diagnosed with Canine Cough (also referred to as Kennel Cough or Canine Infectious Respiratory Disease Complex)."
  Amend To Read:
  SECTION 7 Requirements to enter all Sanctioned Events
  7.1 Entry Application Declaration
  7.1.1 "I certify that this exhibit has not within the said period of three twelve (12) weeks been in premises affected with Distemper, Canine Hepatitis, Parvo Virus or any other virulent contagious disease (except Kennel Cough), and is currently vaccinated in accordance with current World Small Animal Veterinary Association International Vaccination Committee (WSAVA IVC) policies."
  7.1.2 "I certify that this exhibit has not within the said period of three (3) weeks been in premises affected with or diagnosed with Canine Cough (also referred to as Kennel Cough or Canine Infectious Respiratory Disease Complex).
  7.1.3 An event organiser or affiliate official may ask for a dog to be immediately removed from any State Member Body event or grounds if that dog is visibly unwell or showing clinical signs of the contagious diseases listed in 7.1.1 or 7.1.2.
  This shall be recorded in the Representative's report.
  Effective date 1 January 2027.

- **Regulations Part 5 Conformation Show, Clause 2.3.7 – Amendment**
  It was RESOLVED that the Dogs Australia Regulations Part 5 Conformation Show 2.3 Entries – 2.3.7 Infectious Diseases or Viruses **be deleted as follows:**
  2.3.7 Infectious Diseases or Viruses (Added 10/22, 5.13. Effective 01/01/23)
  a)If a dog has been in a kennel or premises affected with distemper, canine hepatitis, parvovirus or any other virulent contagious disease (except Kennel Cough), it shall not be permitted to attend any State Member Body event or grounds for a period of 12weeks from the date of the first diagnosis or onset of symptoms.

b)If a dog has been in a kennel or premises affected with or diagnosed with Canine Cough (also referred to as Kennel Cough or Canine Infectious Respiratory Disease Complex) it shall not be permitted to attend any State Member Body event or grounds for a period of three weeks after the date of the first diagnosis or onset of symptoms.
c)An event organiser or affiliate official may ask for a dog to be immediately removed from any State Member Body event or grounds if that dog is visibly 7 unwell or showing symptoms of the contagious diseases listed in (a) or (b). This shall be recorded in the Representative's report.

- **Regulations Part 6, Section 13 – Amendment**

It was RESOLVED that Regulations Part 6, Section 13 be amended as follows:

Currently reads:

SECTION 13

Conduct of Surveys (Added 06/23, 4.4 – effective 01/08/23)

13.1 The Board of Directors may at their sole discretion, resolve to conduct a survey of members to gauge their opinion on any matter not covered by Regulations Part 6 Clause 8.18 to assist it in making a decision.

13.2 If the survey is breed related, it will be limited to: a) b) c)

a) voting current members of a Dogs Australia Member Body;

b) who have held full continuous membership for the previous two years prior to the release of the survey; and

c) currently own or have owned a Main Registered dog in the specific breed.

13.3 Surveys will be electronic, conducted by the Dogs Australia Administration.

Be amended to read:

SECTION 13

Conduct of Surveys (Added XXXXXX)

13.1 The Board of Directors, may at their sole discretion, resolve to conduct a survey of the Member Body members to gauge their opinion on any matter to assist it in decision making. Such a survey to be provided to each Member Body to conduct on behalf of the Board.

13.2 The Survey is to be conducted through an electronic process where validity of the results can be assured and only those that are to be affected by the result of the survey are to be surveyed.

13.3 Where the survey relates to accepting a Litter Registration Limitation for health reasons, Section 18 of these regulations will apply.

13.4 Where the survey is to effect a change in a breed standard or a Litter Registration Limitation which is not health related the matter is to be referred to the relevant Dogs Australia Committee for endorsement.

Effective date 1 January 2027

- **Regulations Part 6, Section 10, Clause 10.2.4e – Amendment**

It was RESOLVED that the Dogs Australia Regulations Part 6 Section 10 – Three Developed Breeds, be amended as follows:

Currently reads:

10.2.4 The parent breed club is to supply:

a. A copy of the Breed Standard in the format as prescribed by the Dogs Australia
b. General information of the breed, such as additional text expanding on the breed standard, photographs and diagrams to allow Dogs Australia to appraise the breed.
c. The applicant shall also provide written approval for the use of this material where copyright is applicable.
d. Details of the history and numbers registered
e. A copy of the current and any future studbooks. (Added 10/23, 5.24 – effective 01/01/24)

Be amended to read:

10.2.4 The parent breed club is to supply:

a. A copy of the Breed Standard in the format as prescribed by the Dogs Australia
b. General information of the breed, such as additional text expanding on the breed standard, photographs and diagrams to allow Dogs Australia to appraise the breed.
c. The applicant shall also provide written approval for the use of this material where copyright is applicable.
d. Details of the history and numbers registered
e. The full details in the studbook at the date of recognition, must be transferred to Dogs Australia, so that when applications are received to register individual dogs in the Dogs Australia Register it is not necessary to refer back to the parent breed club.

Effective date 1 January 2027.

- **Regulations Part 5, Conformation Show, Clause 1.2 - Amendment**
  It was RESOLVED that Regulations Part 5, Conformation Show, Clause 1.2 be amended as follows:
  Currently reads:
  1.2 Classes for Exhibit at a Show No Classes, for which points may be earned towards a Dogs Australia approved title, shall be offered at a show unless those points are to be awarded to all exhibits eligible to receive them under these regulations.
  1.2.1 General Classes

Name	No.	Description
State Bred	9	For dogs six months of age or over bred in the State or Territory in which they are exhibited.

  Amended to read:
  1.2 Classes for Exhibit at a Show No Classes, for which points may be earned towards a Dogs Australia approved title, shall be offered at a show unless those points are to be awarded to all exhibits eligible to receive them under these regulations.
  1.2.1 General Classes

Name	No.	Description
State Bred	9	For dogs six months of age or over bred where the litter has been registered in the State or Territory in which they are to be exhibited.

  Effective date 1 January 2027.

- **Regulations Part 5 Conformation Show 9A. 2.1 – Amendment**
  It was RESOLVED that Regulations Part 5 Conformation Show 9A. 2.1 for A2O Shows, subject to clarification from the PCCI Secretariat in relation to maximum requirements for additional 4 shows, effective 01/01/2027, be amended as follows:
  Currently reads:
  9A.2.1 A maximum of six A2O shows may be held by each Member (each State or Territory) in a calendar year. (Amended 10/25, 7.5.11 – Effective 01/01/26)
  [NOTE: In accordance with the FCI Asia, Africa & Oceania Champion Title regulations, any NCO that wishes to organize more than four A2OCS in a calendar year, may apply for TWO more A2OCS provided they furnish proof of the nominated additional show getting a historical entry of more than 300 dogs. In the event that the additional A2OCS is sanctioned but the number of exhibits at the show falls short of 300 exhibits, then the organizing NCO will still be liable to pay the A2OCS levy for a minimum of 300 dogs. The reason for limiting the number of shows is to prevent the title from becoming "cheap" and losing value.]
  Amend to read:
  9A.2.1 A maximum of Eight (8) A2O shows may be held by each Member (each State or Territory) in a calendar year. (Amended 10/25, 7.5.11 – Effective **01/01/2027**
  NOTE: In accordance with the FCI Asia, Africa & Oceania Champion Title regulations, any NCO that wishes to organize more than four A2OCS in a calendar year, may apply for Four (4) more A2OCS provided they furnish proof of the nominated additional show getting a historical entry of more than 300 dogs. In the event that the additional A2OCS is sanctioned but the number of exhibits at the show falls short of 300 exhibits, then the organizing NCO will still be liable to pay the A2OCS levy for a minimum of 300 dogs. The reason for limiting the number of shows is to prevent the title from becoming "cheap" and losing value.]
  New Regulation:
  9A.2.3 Where Two (2) A2O shows are scheduled within 4 clear days of each other there shall be a minimum distance of 1,000 Km Radius between them.
  Effective date 1 January 2027

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