



# **The Bermuda Kennel Club**

## **Dog Show Rules**

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## **Chapter 1 Interpretations**

**SECTION 1.** Wherever used in these Rules, the following interpretations shall apply.

- (a) The word "dog" means a dog registered with or eligible for registration with The Bermuda Kennel Club and, unless otherwise indicated includes both sexes.
- (b) The word "show" means a dog show approved by the Board of Governors of The Bermuda Kennel Club.
- (c) The "breeder" of a dog means the person owning or leasing the dam at the time of her being bred.
- (d) The words "Board of Governors" mean the Board of Governors of the Bermuda Kennel Club.
- (e) The word "exhibitor" means the owner or co-owners of the dog or their appointed agent or handler.
- (f) The word "club", except as otherwise indicated means a club, organization or association formed for the purpose of promoting pure-bred dogs.
- (g) The word "neutered" refers to a male dog that has been castrated.
- (h) The words "appointed agent or handler" means: person 18 years old or older, other than the owner or co-owner, designated by the owner or co-owner of an entered dog to be the handler of, and the person responsible for the dog at the event.
- (i) the words "professional handler" refers to any person or agent who has charged a fee or received payment of any kind for handling a dog.

## **Chapter 2 Dog Shows Defined and Classified**

**SECTION 1.** A "CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW" is a show at which championship points shall be awarded, given by a club of all breeds of dogs as provided in these Rules.

**SECTION 2.** A "LIMITED CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW" is a show at which championship points shall be awarded, given by a club for all breeds of dogs as provided in these Rules. Entries shall be limited to dogs owned by Bermuda residents and dogs from abroad which have competed in shows held under Bermuda Kennel Club rules in the past and require points to finish their championships.

**SECTION 3.** A "LOCAL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW" is a show at which championship points shall be awarded, given by a club for all breeds of dogs as provided in these Rules. Entries shall be confined to dogs owned by residents of Bermuda.

**SECTION 4.** A "SPECIALTY CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW" is a show at which championship points shall be awarded, given by a club for one or more, but not all, breeds of dogs as provided in these Rules. Judging at a Specialty Show may proceed to the group level where the show is open to all breeds in that group.

**SECTION 5.** A "SANCTIONED MATCH" is an informal meeting at which dogs may compete, but not for championship points, held by a club obtaining the sanction of The Bermuda Kennel Club. Such match shall be governed by specific rules laid down by the Board of Governors for Sanctioned Matches. Current rules will be found on page 23.

## **Chapter 3 Applications to Hold Dog Shows**

**SECTION 1.** Only Bermuda Kennel Club Affiliated (Licensed) Clubs may hold shows under BKC Rules and Regulations. A club may make application for permission to hold a show (as provided for in Chapter 2, Dog Shows Defined and Classified) on a date or dates which shall be clearly specified in its application. Only a club whose President, Secretary or Show Secretary is a member in good standing with The Bermuda Kennel Club may apply for a show date or dates. The application must be made on forms provided by The Bermuda Kennel Club; it must state clearly the location where the show is to be held and whether or not such show is to be

benched; and it must reach the Secretary of The Bermuda Kennel Club for approval by the Board of Governors (or such sub-committee as may be empowered to grant dates) at least one month prior to the date(s) of the proposed show.

The number of shows granted a club in any one year shall be left to the discretion of the Board of Governors of The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 2.** A show giving club must not advertise or publish the date of any show which it proposes holding until that date has been approved by The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 3.** Approval of date(s) shall be subject to the subsequent endorsement of the list of selected judges.

## **Chapter 4 Breeds, Classes and Awards**

**SECTION 1.** The official classes of The Bermuda Kennel Club, as hereinafter described, shall be confined to the list of recognized breeds that have been approved by the Board of Governors. Please refer to the Appendix for more information.

The Board of Governors may add other breeds to the list of recognized breeds. The Board of Governors may also remove any breed from the list of recognized breeds or transfer any breed from one group to another whenever, in its opinion, sufficient evidence is presented to the Board to justify such transfer.

### **SECTION 2. OFFICIAL CLASSES.**

(a) The official classes of The Bermuda Kennel Club shall be as follows:

- JUNIOR PUPPY
- SENIOR PUPPY
- TWELVE TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS
- NOVICE
- BRED BY EXHIBITOR
- OPEN

No dog under the age of six months on the first day of the show shall be eligible to enter any of these classes. All these classes must be divided by sex.

(b) Every dog entered at a show must be entered in one of the official classes as set forth above or entered for "Best of Breed Competition", unless one or more of the following special classes are provided for in the Premium List:

**Veterans' Classes** for dogs and bitches 7 years of age or over. Spayed and neutered dogs may compete in this class.

**Spayed or Neutered Classes** for dogs and bitches under 7 years of age. Dogs entered in this class may **not** compete in any other official or unofficial class except Junior Showmanship Competition.

**Exhibition Only** for dogs that are **not** competing in any official classes. At the option of the show giving club, dogs entered for "Exhibition Only" may compete in any unofficial class provided in the classification of the show.

**Junior Showmanship Competition.** Spayed or neutered dogs may be entered in Junior Showmanship Competition, provided that they are registered with or eligible for registration with the Bermuda Kennel Club. Mixed Breed dogs may be entered in Junior Showmanship only, provided that they are registered in the Bermuda Kennel Club Mixed Breed Register **before** the close of entries.

(c) The **JUNIOR PUPPY CLASS** shall be for dogs at least six months of age on the first day of the show and under nine months of age on the first day of the show, champions in any country excluded.

(d) The **SENIOR PUPPY CLASS** shall be for dogs at least nine months of age on the first day of the show and under twelve months of age on the first day of the show, champions in any country excluded.

(e) The **TWELVE TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS CLASS** shall be for dogs that are at least twelve months of age on the

first day of the show and under eighteen months of age on the first day of the show, champions in any country excluded.

(f) **The NOVICE CLASS** shall be for dogs which have not, prior to the date of closing of entries, been awarded one or more points towards their Bermuda Championship title. Champions in any country excluded.

(g) **The BRED BY EXHIBITOR CLASS** shall be for dogs owned wholly or in part, and handled in the ring, by the person or by the spouse of the person who was the breeder or one of the breeders of record. Champions in any country excluded.

(h) **The OPEN CLASS** shall be for all dogs whose owners have not been notified officially by The Bermuda Kennel Club that the dog has earned the required number of points under the conditions prescribed in chapter 7, section 1, for the award of a Bermuda Championship. Champions of record in any other country must be entered in this class.

**SECTION 3. OFFICIAL AWARDS.** Following the judging of breed classes as prescribed above, the following official awards as prescribed in this SECTION shall be made.

Except as provided below, no dog eligible to compete for any of these awards may be withheld from competition and any exhibitor withholding a dog in contravention of these rules shall be subject to disciplinary action by the Board of Governors. Competition at the group level in classes that do not carry championship points is optional. A dog may be excused by the Show Superintendent who shall make a notation in the judge's book stating the reason for the excuse.

(a) **WINNERS DOG.** In each breed there shall be one such award, and only those dogs which have been undefeated in the official breed classes as set forth in Section 2 above shall be eligible to compete for this award.

(b) **RESERVE WINNERS DOG.** In each breed there shall be one such award, and only those dogs which have been undefeated in the official breed classes (except by WINNERS DOG) shall be eligible to compete for this award.

(c) **WINNERS BITCH.** In each breed there shall be one such award, and only those bitches which have been undefeated in the official breed classes as set forth in Section 2 above shall be eligible to compete for this award.

(d) **RESERVE WINNERS BITCH.** In each breed there shall be one such award, and only those bitches which have been undefeated in the official breed classes (except by WINNERS BITCH) shall be eligible to compete for this award.

(e) **BEST OF BREED.** In each breed there shall be one BEST OF BREED award. Competition for this award shall be confined to (a) Bermuda Champions of Record; (b) Winners Dog and/or Winners Bitch; and (c) Dogs transferred from the official class(es) as provided in Chapter 11, Section 10. Bermuda Champions of Record that have been spayed or neutered and are 7 years of age or older on the day of the show may compete for Best of Breed.

(f) **BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX.** In any breed where the sex opposite to the BEST OF BREED is represented by one or more dogs in competition, there shall be a BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX award which shall be judged after BEST OF BREED has been awarded. Competition shall be limited to the sex opposite to BEST OF BREED and to those in that sex which have not been directly or indirectly defeated by a specimen of the same sex in any breed class or for any breed award at the show.

(g) **BEST OF WINNERS.** In each breed where both sexes are represented by WINNERS awards, there shall be one BEST OF WINNERS award. If the WINNERS DOG or WINNERS BITCH is awarded BEST OF BREED, it shall be automatically awarded BEST OF WINNERS; otherwise the WINNERS DOG and WINNERS BITCH shall be judged together for BEST OF WINNERS following the judging of BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX.

(h) **BEST PUPPY IN BREED.** To be eligible for this award, a puppy must have been entered in the Junior, Senior or 12 – 18 month Puppy Class. If Best of Breed is an eligible puppy, then it is automatically BEST PUPPY IN BREED. If Best of Breed is not an eligible puppy, then all eligible puppies in the breed which have not been defeated, directly or indirectly, at the show by any other eligible puppy shall be brought before the judge so that he may select the Best Puppy in that Breed.

(i) **GROUP AWARDS.** At championship shows (specialty shows excluded) there shall be group awards made in each of the seven groups. All dogs designated BEST OF BREED by the judge, as already set forth, except those excused by the Show Superintendent, must compete in the Group Class for which they are eligible; failure to do so will automatically cancel all awards and prizes won at that show by the dog withheld from competition and subject the exhibitor and/or agent responsible to disciplinary action by the Board of Governors. In the event that the owner of a dog designated BEST OF BREED fails to show the dog in the Group Class for which it is eligible, no other dog of the same breed may be allowed to compete. In each of the seven group classes the judge shall make awards of first, second, third, and fourth. Such awards are to be marked in the judge's book by the judge.

(j) **BEST PUPPY IN GROUP.** There shall be a selection of BEST PUPPY in each of the seven groups. The competition for this award shall be confined to those puppies which were awarded Best Puppy in Breed at the show. If Best in Group is an eligible puppy, then it shall automatically be BEST PUPPY IN GROUP. If Best in Group is not an eligible puppy, then the eligible puppy placed highest in the group shall remain in the ring and the puppies declared Best Puppies in the breeds placed higher in the group than the said puppy, shall be brought into the ring, and from these puppies the judge shall select Best Puppy in the Group.

(k) After each group award has been made, the judge will select the best of each unofficial class in each group if provision has been made for such in the premium list. Best Brace and Best Team shall be judged immediately before Best in Show.

(l) **BEST IN SHOW.** The seven dogs placed first in the respective groups shall then compete for the award of BEST IN SHOW. Such award shall automatically make this dog the winner of all official or unofficial classes for which it is eligible. All dogs, except those excused by the Show Superintendent, must compete for this award if placed first in their respective group. Failure to do so will automatically cancel all awards and prizes won at that show by the dog withheld from competition, and the exhibitor and/or agent responsible will be subject to disciplinary action by the Board of Governors.

(m) **RESERVE BEST IN SHOW.** Immediately following the award of Best in Show, the judge shall award RESERVE BEST IN SHOW to one of the six remaining group winners present in the ring.

(n) **BEST PUPPY IN SHOW.** There shall be an award of BEST PUPPY IN SHOW. The competition for this award shall be confined to those puppies which were awarded Best Puppy in Group at the show.

#### **SECTION 4. UNOFFICIAL CLASSES, AWARDS AND ENTRIES.**

(a) A show giving club may schedule in its classification any of the following classes, or such other classes for recognized breeds as it chooses, provided they do not conflict with the classes as set forth in Section 2 above.

(1) **BEST BERMUDA BRED IN BREED** shall be for dogs born in Bermuda.

(2) **BEST LOCALLY OWNED IN BREED** shall be for dogs that are not Bermuda Bred, but are owned wholly or in part by a permanent resident of Bermuda.

(3) **BEST VETERAN DOG IN BREED** shall be for the best dog aged 7 years or older on the day of the show. Spayed and neutered dogs may compete in this class.

(4) **BEST VISITOR'S DOG IN BREED** shall be for dogs that are brought to Bermuda expressly for the purpose of being entered in the show.

(5) **BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST BERMUDA BRED IN BREED.** Provided appropriate notice of this award is given in the premium list of its show, a specialty club may arrange for this award to be made at its specialty show. Competition for this award shall be limited to those Bermuda Bred dogs, of the opposite sex to Best Bermuda Bred in Breed which have not been directly or indirectly defeated by a Bermuda Bred dog of the same sex in any breed class or for any breed award at the show.

(6) **BEST BERMUDA BRED PUPPY IN BREED.** Provided appropriate notice of this award is given in the premium list of the show, there shall be a selection of Best Bermuda Bred Puppy in Breed following the selection of Best Puppy in Breed.

Competition for this award shall be confined to those Bermuda Bred puppies which were entered in Junior, Senior or 12 – 18 month puppy classes only. The selection shall be made in the following manner: If Best of Breed is an eligible Bermuda Bred Puppy, then it is automatically BEST BERMUDA BRED PUPPY IN BREED; failing that, if Best Bermuda Bred in Breed is an eligible puppy, then it is automatically BEST BERMUDA BRED PUPPY IN BREED; failing that, if Best Puppy in Breed is an eligible Bermuda Bred Puppy, then it is automatically BEST BERMUDA BRED PUPPY IN BREED. If neither Best of Breed, Best Bermuda Bred in Breed, nor Best Puppy in Breed is an eligible Bermuda Bred Puppy, then all eligible Bermuda Bred Puppies in the breed which have not been defeated, directly or indirectly, at the show by any other eligible Bermuda Bred Puppy shall be brought before the judge so that he may select the BEST BERMUDA BRED PUPPY IN BREED.

(7) **BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST BERMUDA BRED PUPPY IN BREED.** Provided appropriate notice of this award is given in the premium list of its show, a specialty club may arrange for this award to be made at its Specialty Show. Competition for this award shall be limited to those Bermuda Bred Puppies entered in Junior, Senior or 12 – 18 month puppy classes only, of the opposite sex to Best Bermuda Bred Puppy in Breed, which have not been directly or indirectly defeated by an eligible Bermuda Bred Puppy of the same sex in any breed class or for any breed award at the show.

(8) **BEST BRACE IN BREED.** A BRACE CLASS may be scheduled in any or all breeds. This class shall be for two dogs (either sex or mixed) of one breed. The dogs must have identical ownership.

(9) **BEST TEAM IN BREED.** A TEAM CLASS may be scheduled in any or all breeds. This class shall be for four dogs (either sex or mixed) of one breed. The dogs must have identical ownership.

(10) **BEST SPAYED OR NEUTERED DOG IN BREED** shall be for the best spayed or neutered dog that is under 7 years of age on the day of the show.

(11) **BEST OWNER-HANDLED** shall be for dogs that are owned wholly or in part by the exhibitor, excluding professional handlers, their household members, and their handler assistants.

(b) The above mentioned unofficial classes and such other classes as are provided for in Section 2(b) above must be judged following the official **BEST OF BREED** awards.

(c) An award of BEST BERMUDA BRED IN GROUP, BEST LOCALLY OWNED IN GROUP, BEST VETERAN IN GROUP, BEST VISITOR'S DOG IN GROUP, BEST BERMUDA BRED PUPPY IN GROUP, BEST BRACE IN GROUP, BEST TEAM IN GROUP, BEST SPAYED OR NEUTERED DOG IN GROUP and BEST OWNER-HANDLED IN GROUP may be made if the show giving club provided for these classes in all breeds. Only the first place winners of these classes in their respective groups may compete for these awards.

(d) Dogs eligible for unofficial group awards must be judged following the official **GROUP JUDGING** and awards.

(e) An award of BEST BERMUDA BRED IN SHOW, BEST LOCALLY OWNED IN SHOW, BEST VETERAN IN SHOW, BEST VISITOR'S DOG IN SHOW, BEST BERMUDA BRED PUPPY IN SHOW, BEST BRACE IN SHOW, BEST TEAM IN SHOW, BEST SPAYED OR NEUTERED DOG IN SHOW GROUP and BEST OWNER-HANDLED IN GROUP may be made if the show giving club provided for these classes in all breeds. Only the first place winners of these classes in their respective groups may compete for these awards.

(f) Dogs eligible for unofficial Best in Show awards must be judged following the official BEST IN SHOW, RESERVE BEST IN SHOW and BEST PUPPY IN SHOW judging and awards.

(g) **EXHIBITION ONLY.** A dog may be entered for "Exhibition Only" and must be so specified on the entry form. These entries shall not count toward the point rating. The show giving club shall arrange any entry-fee it may see fit, not necessarily the same fee as for the dogs in competition. The same particulars must be given as if entered in one of the official classes and, if not registered with The Bermuda Kennel Club, a listing fee determined annually by the Board of Governors must be paid. No dog entered for "Exhibition Only" and received at a show can compete in any official class. At the option of the show giving club and provided it is so stated in the premium list, it may be entered and compete in any unofficial class provided in the classification of the show. Recording fees will be payable for "Exhibition Only" entries.

**SECTION 5. JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP COMPETITION.** A show giving club may offer JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP COMPETITION if it so chooses. The classes and procedure shall be governed by specific rules laid down by the Board of Governors for such competition. Current rules will be found on page 25.

## **Chapter 5 Ribbons**

**SECTION 1.** All clubs holding Championship Shows under these Rules shall use the following colours for their prize ribbons or rosettes in the classes approved by The Bermuda Kennel Club.

First Prize	- Blue
Second Prize	- Red
Third Prize	- Yellow
Fourth Prize	- White
Winners	- Purple
Reserve Winners	- Purple and White
Best of Winners	- Blue and White
Best of Breed	- Purple and Gold
Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed	- Red and White
Best Puppy (Breed)	- Pale Blue
Unofficial Classes (Breed)	- Dark Green
Best Puppy (Group & BIS)	- Light Blue & Pink
Best Veteran (Group & BIS)	- Dark Green & Yellow
Best Locally Owned (Group & BIS)	- Dark Green & White
Best Bermuda Bred (Group & BIS)	- Dark Green & Rose
Best Owner Handled (Group & BIS)	- Dark Green & Turquoise
Special Prize and Junior Showmanship	- Orange
Best Overall Junior Showmanship	- Orange & White

The Board of Governors of The Bermuda Kennel Club may amend the foregoing list of colours for prize ribbons or rosettes from time to time as it deems it necessary or desirable.

**SECTION 2.** Each ribbon or rosette shall be at least 2 inches wide and no smaller than 6 inches long and shall bear on the face a facsimile of the seal of the Bermuda Kennel Club, the name of the prize, and the name of the show-giving club. Sanctioned matches shall use either ribbons or cards which shall contain such information as may be stipulated by the Board of Governors.

**SECTION 3. ROSETTES FOR GROUP AWARDS.** Rosettes must be provided for dogs placed first, second, third and fourth in groups. The rosettes must indicate the group award represented.

**SECTION 4. ROSETTES FOR OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL CLASSES IN GROUP.** Rosettes must be provided for the winner of each official and unofficial class in the group. The colour of the rosettes shall follow the colour of the ribbons for the breed. Each rosette must clearly indicate the award it represents.

**SECTION 5. ROSETTES FOR BEST IN SHOW.** A rosette must be provided for the dog placed Best in Show. The rosette shall be tri-colour (red, white and blue) and must indicate the award it represents.

**SECTION 6. ROSETTES FOR RESERVE BEST IN SHOW.** A rosette must be provided for the dog placed Reserve Best In Show. The rosette shall be red and white and must indicate the award it represents.

**SECTION 7. ROSETTES FOR BEST IN OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL CLASSES IN SHOW.** Rosettes must be provided for the dog placed best in each official and unofficial class in show. The colour of the rosettes for each class shall follow the colour of the rosettes for the group. Each rosette must clearly indicate the award it represents.

**SECTION 8.** Show giving clubs shall be held responsible for providing the required ribbons and rosettes for all awards at shows. Failure to do so shall subject all officials of the offending club to disciplinary action by the Board of Governors.





The foregoing scale of Championship Point Ratings may be changed from time to time at the discretion of the Board of Governors. No change of any kind will be effective until approved by no less than two-thirds of the members of the Board, and no such change shall become effective until not less than two months have elapsed following the date on which such change was ordered by the Board.

**SECTION 3. WINNERS.** The dog and bitch placed Winners shall be awarded championship points in accordance with the Scale of Points in Section 2 above.

**SECTION 4. BEST OF BREED.** Provided such dog was also awarded Winners, the dog placed Best of Breed shall be awarded the highest point rating earned by either sex, and shall be awarded additional points in accordance with the points scale for defeating any Champions of Record. Where the dog placed Best of Breed is a Champion of Record, it shall be credited with the number of points it would have been awarded had it been Winners, and shall carry such points with it into the group competition.

**SECTION 5. BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX.** Provided such dog was also awarded Winners, the dog placed Best of Opposite Sex in breed shall be awarded additional points in accordance with the points scale for defeating any Champions of Record of the same sex.

**SECTION 6. BEST OF WINNERS.** Where Winners Dog and Winners Bitch are judged together for Best of Winners following the judging of Best of Opposite Sex, the winner of this class shall be awarded the highest point rating of either Winners Dog or Winners Bitch.

**SECTION 7. GROUP PLACEMENTS.** Provided it was also awarded Winners, any dog placing first, second, third or fourth in the group shall be awarded in the highest number of points for any dog of any breed it defeats in the group or its own points whichever is higher. Where the dog placed first in group is a Champion of Record it shall be credited with the points it would have been awarded had it been Winners, and shall carry such points with it into the Best in Show competition.

**SECTION 8. BEST IN SHOW.** Provided such dog was also awarded Winners, the Best Dog in Show shall be awarded 5 championship points.

**SECTION 9. RESERVE BEST IN SHOW.** Provided such dog was also awarded Winners, the Reserve Best Dog in Show shall be awarded 4 championship points.

**SECTION 10.** The final points to be awarded under the above sections shall not be in addition to, but inclusive of any points previously awarded the dog in its breed competition.

**SECTION 11.** All dogs entered, except such dogs as may be excused by the Show Superintendent, must compete in all breed classes, and for all group awards carrying championship points, for which they are eligible. Failure to do so will automatically cancel all awards or prizes earned at that show by the dog withheld from competition.

## **Chapter 8 Eligibility to Judge**

**SECTION 1.** The show giving club shall be responsible for submitting to the Board of Governors of The Bermuda Kennel Club for approval the names of such judges as it deems competent to judge breeds, groups and awards at Championship Shows held under Bermuda Kennel Club Rules.

**SECTION 2.** The selection of a judge for a Sanctioned Match is left to the discretion of the club holding the Sanctioned Match. The requirements outlined above in regard to Championship Shows do not apply in connection with Sanctioned Matches.

**SECTION 3.** A judge shall not judge any dogs he has owned, conditioned, handled, sold, held under lease or boarded within six months prior to the date of the show at which he officiates as a judge. This rule shall apply regardless of whether the judge benefited in any way from any of the aforementioned activities. It is the joint responsibility of the judge and of the owner of the dog to see that this rule is not violated. The judge shall excuse the dog entered in violation of this rule from the judging ring, and shall indicate in the judge's book why such action has been taken. The judge's notation shall be endorsed by the Show Superintendent.

**SECTION 4.** A judge shall not judge any dog owned, outright or jointly, by any person for whom he has handled a dog, whether for pay or not, within six months previous to the show at which he is to judge. Where a judge is aware that a violation to this rule is taking place, he shall excuse the dog entered in violation of this rule from the judging ring, and shall indicate in the judge's book why such action has been taken. The judge's notation shall be endorsed by the Show Superintendent.

**SECTION 5.** The Board of Governors shall be empowered to stipulate the qualifications for judging Best in Show and other special awards.

## **Chapter 9**

### **Selection and Approval of Judges**

#### **SECTION 1.**

(a) A club that has been granted permission by The Bermuda Kennel Club to hold a show, must make application on forms provided by The Bermuda Kennel Club for approval of the judges selected to officiate, together with their specific assignments, at least one month before the show dates.

(b) If the Board of Governors (or such sub-committee as may be empowered to approve such applications) is not prepared to approve a person selected as judge, or is not prepared to approve the entire assignment a person has been scheduled to judge, the club must, within three weeks thereafter, select and submit to The Bermuda Kennel Club the name or names of alternative persons to judge the breeds, groups and awards for assignments not previously approved.

(c) The show giving club must not advertise or publish the name or names of any of the judges it has selected until the complete list of judges has been approved.

**SECTION 2.** The Show Secretary or Club Secretary shall, in every instance, notify the appointed judges of the breeds and group classes which they have been approved to judge. Such notification shall be given before the publication of the premium list.

**SECTION 3.** No change may be made in the judging schedule without the written approval of both the judge and The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 4.** The Bermuda Kennel Club will not approve as judge for any given show the Superintendent, Show Secretary or Show Veterinarians, and such persons cannot officiate or judge at such shows under any circumstances.

#### **SECTION 5.**

(a) When the Board of Governors receives what it considers to be a well-founded complaint against a licensed judge, it may, at its discretion, withhold approval of such judge.

(b) A judge's name may be removed from the approved list for making an award to a dog that has insufficient qualifications for its respective breed; for giving an award to any dog that has been tampered with contrary to the Dog Show Rules or standard of the breed; for giving an award to any dog when the Dog Show Rules or standard of the breed call for such dog to be disqualified; for giving an award to a dog that he is not eligible to judge according to these Dog Show Rules; or for any other reason which the Board may deem advisable. A judge may not give an award to any dog that has been spayed or neutered unless the dog is competing in the:

- i) Best of Breed competition, and it is a Bermuda champion of record aged 7 years or older,
- ii) Veterans class,
- iii) Spayed and Neutered class,
- iv) Junior Showmanship competition.

**SECTION 6.** A show giving club which is informed at any time prior to a week before the opening day of its show that an advertised judge will not fulfill his assignment to judge shall obtain a substitute judge who must be approved by The Bermuda Kennel Club. Notice of the name of the substitute judge must be given to all those who have entered dogs in the classes allotted to be judged by the advertised judge. All those who have entered dogs to be shown under the advertised judge shall be permitted to withdraw their entries at any time prior to the opening day of the show and the entry fees paid for entering these dogs shall be refunded. Since an entry can be made only under a breed judge, changes in Group or Best in Show assignments do not entitle an exhibitor to a refund.

If a show giving club is informed at any time within a week of the opening of its show of a judge's inability to judge, or if an advertised judge shall not be present or shall be unable to judge his appointed breed or breeds at any given show after the show has opened, the show giving club shall provide a substitute judge in his place. In that event the owners of dogs to be judged by the substitute judge may refuse to bring their dogs into the ring for competition and may withdraw then from the show but shall not be entitled to a return of the entry fees paid for entering the dog at that show.

**SECTION 7.** Where an advertised judge shall have judged part of the classes of a breed and then finds it impossible to finish, a substitute judge shall be selected by the show committee, and in that event the awards made by the original judge shall stand, and his substitute shall judge only the remaining classes and awards. No dog entered under the originally selected judge shall be withheld from competition if it has already been passed upon by the advertised judge. However, any dog which has yet to appear in the ring may be withdrawn from competition though the entry fee will remain the property of the show giving club.

**SECTION 8.** A substitute judge shall finish the judging of the Breed or Group classes he is judging if he has begun to judge before the advertised judge arrives at the show.

**SECTION 9.** Only one judge may officiate as judge of a Group or Best in Show. However, should there be a special award for the Overall Best Dog in a series of shows, the judges may be asked to make a joint decision for this award as described in Section 10.

**SECTION 10.** Should a show giving club offer a special award for the Overall Best Dog in a series of shows, the club may call upon the advertised judges to make a joint decision as to which dog should be the recipient of this award. The judging of the Overall Best Dog shall take place in the ring at the conclusion of the last show in the series. The eligible dogs are those dogs that have been awarded Best In Show during the series of shows. This special award may be given provided that it has been mentioned in the Premium List and on the judging schedule.

## **Chapter 10 Premium Lists**

**SECTION 1.** The awards at a dog show will be officially recorded by The Bermuda Kennel Club only if the certification of the Secretary of The Bermuda Kennel Club (or the Chairman of such subcommittee as may be empowered by the Board of Governors to grant dates) is published on the first page of the premium list stating that permission has been granted for the dog show to be held under Bermuda Kennel Club rules.

**SECTION 2.** A standard Premium List and Entry Forms of an approved size and form as authorized by the Board of Governors must be published by all clubs holding shows under these Rules. The premium list shall include information as to breed classification, a complete list of all prizes offered for competition at the show, the names of the judges and their assignments, the names of the Show Superintendent, the Show Secretary and the Show Veterinarians, and the date on which the entries for the show shall close. Separate closing dates for entries in obedience trials shall be allowed when held in conjunction with dog shows.

**SECTION 3.** Two copies of the premium list and entry form must be sent to The Bermuda Kennel Club at the time of distribution to prospective exhibitors.

**SECTION 4.** No prizes may be accepted or offered by any show giving club unless they have been published in the premium list of the show, nor may any prizes be withdrawn or the conditions thereof changed after they have been published in the Premium List.

## **Chapter 11 Entries and Entry Fees**

**SECTION 1.** Every dog entered in a show held under these Rules must be registered with or eligible for registration with The Bermuda Kennel Club, and must be at least six months of age on the first day of the show. The following must appear on the entry forms: Name of breed; name of dog; sex; Bermuda Kennel Club registration number, if registered with The Bermuda Kennel Club, or foreign registration number; name of breeder; country of birth; date of birth, name of sire; name of dam; class or classes in which dog is entered; name and complete address of owner of the dog; signature of the owner or signature of his authorized agent; name of handler if the dog is not to be shown by owner or member of his immediate family. If the dog is being held under lease, the name of the lessee shall be given instead of the name of the registered owner. If the puppy class is divided by age, the age

classification must be clearly stated. If any part of the required information or signatures is not furnished, such failure may mean the cancellation of any awards or prizes earned at that show by the dog not properly entered as required by these Rules.

Every entry form must be signed by the owner or his authorized agent and be accompanied by the entry fee. No dog will be allowed in the show ring unless the entry fee has been paid in full, in the case of electronic entries, the entry forms must be signed by the owners or their authorized agents before the dog is allowed in the show ring.

The Board of Governors shall have the power to advise a person entering a dog at a show held under these Rules that he may no longer include in the name of a dog any name which, in the opinion of the Board, infringes upon the rights of any person, partnership or company whose kennel name has been registered with The Bermuda Kennel Club or where, in the opinion of the Board, such name is considered to be similar to a kennel name registered with any other national kennel club with which The Bermuda Kennel Club has an agreement with regard to mutual protection of registered kennel names.

Where a person has been advised that he may no longer include a particular name in the name of a dog and said person continues to enter a dog at shows held under these Rules with such name included, the Board shall have the power to cancel all awards, prizes, and championship points earned by the dog at shows held after the original advice was communicated to the owner of the dog.

**SECTION 2.** If a dog is not registered individually with The Bermuda Kennel Club, it may be entered at a show held under these Rules as a "listed" dog, provided that, if it is not born in Bermuda, it is eligible for individual registration with The Bermuda Kennel Club and it obtains a BKC registration number within ninety (90) days of the first show entered.

The entry of a "listed" dog at a show held under these rules (Sanctioned Matches excluded) must be accompanied by a listing fee as determined annually by the Board of Governors. All listing fees must be remitted by the show giving club to The Bermuda Kennel Club within ten days of the show.

The Bermuda Kennel Club shall have the right, at any time to require the owner of a "Listed" dog to submit proof of the dog's eligibility for registration. If the Board of Governors is satisfied that the dog is not eligible for registration, it shall have the right to order the cancellation of all wins, championship points, and prizes earned by the dog at shows held under these Rules. By failing to comply with the Board's order to return ribbons and/or prizes to the clubs concerned, the owner of the dog automatically renders himself ineligible to enter any dog in any competition approved by The Bermuda Kennel Club for such period as the Board of Governors may determine.

Any dog born in Bermuda, must have an individual dog registration number issued by The Bermuda Kennel Club before it can be entered in a show. Litter registration numbers are not acceptable.

A mixed breed dog may be entered in the show in order to compete in Junior Showmanship provided it is registered with the Bermuda Kennel Club Mixed Breed Register prior to close of entries.

**SECTION 3.** A dog that is lame may not compete at any show. It shall be the judge's responsibility to determine whether a dog is lame. He shall not obtain the opinion of the show veterinarian. If in the judge's opinion a dog in the ring is lame, he shall withhold all awards from such dog and shall excuse it from the ring. A dog so excused shall not be counted as being present for the purpose of championship ratings, When a judge excuses a dog from the ring for lameness, he shall mark his book "Excused - lame".

**SECTION 4.** Entries must close at the time stated in the premium list; but entries received by post within seven days after that date and clearly postmarked not less than four full working days prior to entry closing date may be accepted provided, in the case of a limited entry, the limit has not already been reached. A club accepting an entry in violation of this Rule shall be subjected to a fine as determined annually by the Board of Governors for each entry so accepted. After entries close the entry forms shall be made available for inspection by a Representative appointed by the Board of Governors, if the Board so desires.

Tendering of a NSF cheque shall be considered non-payment of entry fees and is an offence punishable by disciplinary action and cancellation of awards.

**SECTION 5.** Electronic entries must give the same information as required by Section 1 of this Chapter and the entry fee paid prior to entering the show ring.

**SECTION 6.** Every entry must be printed in the catalogue, errors or omissions on the part of management or printers excepted. Where an entry is not printed in the catalogue, the show giving club shall provide proof that said entry was taken before the closing date.

**SECTION 7.** Every dog entered in a show shall be the property of the person making its entry, and the right to exhibit a dog cannot be transferred. If an entry is made in the name of an agent and the name of the owner is not given, all wins of the dog at the show shall be cancelled. If a dog is entered in the name of an association, the name of the association and the names of its signing officers shall appear on the entry form at the time of making such entry.

**SECTION 8.** No entry shall be accepted from any person who is not in good standing with The Bermuda Kennel Club or show giving club, on the day of the closing of entries, nor may an entry be accepted from any person who has failed to pay any fine levied under these Rules.

A list of persons not in good standing with The Bermuda Kennel Club, or who have failed to pay any fine levied under these Rules, shall be supplied to each show giving club on receipt of the required copies of the Premium List. The Show Secretary shall be responsible for seeing that this list is returned to The Bermuda Kennel Club after the show as laid down in Chapter 23, Section 1 of these Rules.

**SECTION 9.** If clerical errors are made in entering a dog at a show, such as the incorrect name of the dog, registration number of the dog, name of the breeder, country of birth, date of birth, sire or dam of the dog, the exhibitor shall be advised of his mistake and, if he shall again offend after being so advised, a fine as determined annually by the Board of Governors shall be imposed for each such offence. Failure to pay any fine levied by The Bermuda Kennel Club shall automatically debar such person from entering or exhibiting dogs at subsequent shows held under these Rules until the fine has been paid to The Bermuda Kennel Club. Owners are responsible for errors in making out entry forms, no matter who may make such errors.

**SECTION 10.** Except as provided below, change in the entry of a dog, cancellation of an entry or substitution of another dog is specifically prohibited after the closing date of entries as published in the premium list, and any infraction of this rule shall mean automatic cancellation of any wins made through such alterations.

Where, according to the records of its owner or handler, a dog entered in a show or series of shows has completed the points requirements for its championship after the closing of entries, but this has not yet been confirmed by The Bermuda Kennel Club, the dog may upon request to the Show Superintendent be transferred from the official class(es) to BEST OF BREED competition provided said dog is individually registered with The Bermuda Kennel Club. Such request must be made in writing on a Transfer of Entry form provided by The Bermuda Kennel Club, which must be filed with the Show Superintendent not less than one-half hour prior to the start of all judging at the subsequent show(s) of the series. No dog may otherwise be transferred to another class. Should the owner or handler be mistaken in computing the dog's points and the dog compete in BEST OF BREED competition before it actually has the required points, any wins made at that show(s) will be automatically cancelled.

**SECTION 11.** Except as provided in this Section, the ownership of a registered dog entered in a show must be as recorded in the registration files of The Bermuda Kennel Club.

A registered dog which has been acquired by some person other than the owner as recorded with The Bermuda Kennel Club may be entered in the name of its new owner at any show, but application for transfer of ownership must be sent to The Bermuda Kennel Club within thirty days after the last day of the show or the wins of said dog at that show will be cancelled. Any unavoidable delay in meeting the requirements of this rule must be acceptable to The Bermuda Kennel Club if any wins made by the dog at the show are to remain recorded.

**SECTION 12.** If the name of a dog which has been listed with The Bermuda Kennel Club and which has won a prize at any show shall be subsequently changed, the former name as well as the new name shall be given on the entry form for any subsequent shows and shall be published in the catalogue of such subsequent shows until such time as the dog shall have been awarded a prize in one of the official classes of The Bermuda Kennel Club under its new name, whereupon its former name may be dropped.

**SECTION 13.** No Bermudian entry may be made under a kennel name unless the kennel name has been registered with The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 14.** No dog may be entered at a show held under these Rules if it:

- (a) has distemper or other communicable disease;
- (b) has had distemper or any other communicable disease unless it has been fully recovered for thirty days;
- (c) is known to have been in contact with distemper or other communicable disease within thirty days of the show;
- (d) has been kennelled on premises on which there existed distemper or other communicable disease within thirty days of the show.

Any infraction of any part of this Section shall subject any exhibitor or agent to disciplinary action by the Board of Governors. Any complaint alleging an infraction of this rule may be made directly to the Board of Governors providing it is made within fourteen days after the show at which the infraction is alleged to have occurred.

**SECTION 15.** Dogs not regularly entered in a show shall not be allowed within the show grounds unless engaged as a special attraction with the approval of The Bermuda Kennel Club. In no case may a dog under six months of age be allowed within the show precincts.

**SECTION 16.** The authorities of any show may decline to accept entries and may refuse to receive or may remove any dog from the show grounds on account of disease or viciousness. A club declining such an entry or ordering the removal of a dog from its show grounds must report all such matters to The Bermuda Kennel Club within two weeks after the show. The reason for such action must in each case be stated when reporting to The Bermuda Kennel Club. No one shall have any claim or recourse against the organization holding the show or any official connected therewith for the refusal of such an entry.

**SECTION 17.** The show giving club shall notify the person making the entries that the entries have been received. The notification shall also state whether or not the entries have been accepted, and in case of non-acceptance, the fee shall be returned and the reason for non-acceptance shall be stated.

The club must also send out in advance to every exhibitor an identification card and judging programme indicating the approximate time that the breeds will be judged

**SECTION 18. NO ENTRY FEES WILL BE REFUNDED** if the Shows cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, extreme and/or dangerous conditions, an Act of God, public emergency, strikes, hurricanes or any other cause beyond the control of the Club or the Show Superintendent.

## **Chapter 12 Judges**

**SECTION 1.** Judges officiating at shows held under these Rules shall be governed by the standards of the breeds as adopted by The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 2.** A judge shall not exhibit his dogs or take any dog belonging to another person into the ring at any show at which he is officiating as judge.

**SECTION 3.** It shall be considered a serious offence for a judge to travel to a show in the company of any exhibitor, handler, or dog participating in that show, or to share accommodation with such persons.

**SECTION 4.** A judge officiating at a show must report to the Show Superintendent at the advertised judging hour of the classes which he is to judge. No judge shall enter into any discussion of dogs prior to the judging of the breeds.

**SECTION 5.** While judging, a judge may not discuss the merits of the dogs with the stewards, attendants, exhibitors or spectators.

**SECTION 6.** No judge shall be allowed to smoke when handling dogs in the ring.

**SECTION 7.** A judge may personally open the mouth of any dog at the time of judging, or he may request the person handling the dog at that time to do so. The exhibitor shall comply with the judge's request whenever asked to open the dog's mouth properly for examination.

**SECTION 8.** A judge's decision shall be final in all cases affecting the merits of the dogs. Full discretionary power is given to the judge to withhold any awards or prizes for lack of merit. After a class has been judged in accordance with these Rules, it shall not be re-judged. A class is considered judged when the judge has marked his book which must be done before the next class is examined. If any errors have been made by the judge in marking the awards as made, he may correct the same but must initial any such corrections. The awarding of a first prize in any class shall not obligate the judge to award Winners or other higher awards if he feels that such an award should be withheld. Where a judge has withheld a first prize ribbon in any class for lack of merit, he must withhold the following awards from any and all dogs in that class: Winners, Reserve Winners, Best of Winners and/or Best of Breed.

**SECTION 9.** A dog that is lame may not compete at any show. It shall be the judge's responsibility to determine whether a dog is lame. He shall not obtain the opinion of the show veterinarian. If in the judge's opinion a dog in the ring is lame, he shall withhold all awards from such dog and shall excuse it from the ring. When a judge excuses a dog from the ring for lameness, he shall mark his book "Excused - lame".

**SECTION 10.** A dog that in the opinion of the judge menaces or threatens or exhibits any sign that it may not be safely approached by the judge or examined by the judge in the normal manner shall be excused from the ring. When the judge excuses the dog, he shall mark the dog "excused", stating the reason in the judge's book.

**SECTION 11.** A dog that in the opinion of the judge attacks any person in the ring shall be disqualified. When the judge disqualifies the dog, he shall mark his book "disqualified - vicious".

**SECTION 12.** If a judge disqualifies or excuses a dog at any show, he shall make a note in the judge's book giving his reasons. In computing the championship points for a breed, this dog shall not be counted as having been present at the show.

**SECTION 13.** A judge may order any person or dog from the ring. For the purpose of facilitating the judging. Judges are required to exclude from the ring in which they are judging all persons except the steward or stewards, the show attendants assigned to the ring and those actually engaged in exhibiting.

**SECTION 14.** After the closing of the show, a clerical error appearing on the judge's book may be corrected by The Bermuda Kennel Club after consultation with the judge.

**SECTION 15.** No person may approach a judge to favour his entries, either directly or otherwise, orally or in writing. Disciplinary action will be taken against any person who violates this rule or against any judge who fails to report to The Bermuda Kennel Club, within two weeks of the act, any contravention of this rule.

**SECTION 16.** Any complaint against a judge must be accompanied by a fee as determined annually by the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors shall determine the procedure to be followed in the handling of a complaint against a judge.

**SECTION 17.** A show giving club shall request the co-operation of the officiating judge in dealing with apprentice judges.

## **Chapter 13**

### **Officials and their Duties**

**SECTION 1.** Only those persons in good standing with The Bermuda Kennel Club may act in any official capacity at a dog show held under these Show Rules. Any person or persons acting in any official capacity, paid or unpaid, including that of judge, secretary, superintendent, steward, clerk of a show, or as an officer or member of a show committee of any club holding a show under these Rules, shall be subject to disciplinary action at the discretion of the Board of Governors of The Bermuda Kennel Club.

The duties and powers of all show officials shall be such as are prescribed by the Board of Governors. The Show Secretary and Show Superintendent of a club holding a show under these Rules shall be provided with a printed directive outlining procedure for setting up a show and information regarding the duties of the Show Superintendent and Ring Stewards.



**SECTION 2.** Show Superintendent and other members of show committees of dog shows held under these Rules shall be responsible for the enforcement of all rules and regulations related to shows and must be supplied with a complete copy of The Bermuda Kennel Club Dog Show Rules for reference.

**SECTION 3.** No person shall be permitted to act as Ring Steward to any judge under whom he or any member of his immediate family or household may be exhibiting, or to act as agent or handler under the same judge at such show. For the purpose of this Section, the members of an immediate family are: husband, wife, father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister.

## **Chapter 14**

### **Veterinarians and Veterinary Inspection**

**SECTION 1.** Every dog show shall have one or more qualified veterinarians in attendance, or within easy call, before and during the entire progress of the show.

**SECTION 2.** The show committee of a club holding a dog show must elect whether all dogs are to be inspected in respect to their apparent health before being admitted to the show or whether dogs will be allowed to enter the show's premises without such inspection. If the show committee decides that all dogs are to be inspected, the designation "Examined Show" shall be printed on the title page of the premium, list and catalogue. An "Examined Show" is one at which each dog is subject to a health inspection by one of the show's veterinarians before being allowed to enter the show's premises.

**SECTION 3.** At an "Examined Show" the veterinarian shall sign every identification card after examining the dog covered by the identification card before the dog can be admitted to the show premises. Veterinarians shall be furnished with a receptacle containing a proper disinfectant for use after handling each dog. A veterinarian who desires a dog's mouth to be opened may request the owner or person in charge to open it.

**SECTION 4.** When requested by a judge to determine the physical condition of a dog, the show veterinarian shall immediately record his decision in writing on a form provided by The Bermuda Kennel Club, giving the basis for his opinion.

**SECTION 5.** A report of any infraction of these rules must be made to the Board of Governors of The Bermuda Kennel Club within ten days after the closing of the show.

## **Chapter 15**

### **Disqualifications**

**SECTION 1.** A dog which is blind, deaf, spayed, neutered, dyed or which has been changed in appearance by artificial means except as specified in the standard for its breed, or a male which does not have two normal testicles located in the scrotum, may not compete at any show and will be disqualified.

Dogs shall not be disqualified because they have been spayed and neutered when they are competing in:

- a) Best of Breed competition, and they are Bermuda champions of record aged 7 years or older,
- b) Veterans class,
- c) Spayed and Neutered class,
- d) Junior Showmanship competition.

A dog will not be considered to have been changed by artificial means because of cropping of ears, removal of dew claws, or docking of tail if it is of a breed in which such cropping, removal or docking is a regularly approved practice which is not contrary to the standard. Dogs with uncropped ears and undocked tails to be judged without penalty.

When a judge finds any of these conditions in any dog he is judging, he shall disqualify the dog marking his book "Disqualified" and stating the reason. He shall not obtain the opinion of the show veterinarian.

When a dog has been disqualified under this rule or under the standard for its breed, either by a judge or by decision of a show committee, any awards at that show shall be cancelled and the dog may not again be shown unless and

until, following application by the owner to The Bermuda Kennel Club, the owner has received official notification from The Bermuda Kennel Club that the dog's show eligibility has been reinstated. The Bermuda Kennel Club will not entertain any application for reinstatement of a male which has been disqualified as not having two testicles located in the scrotum until the dog is twelve months old.

**SECTION 2.** A dog that in the opinion of the judge attacks any person in the ring shall be disqualified. When the judge disqualifies the dog, he shall mark his book "Disqualified - vicious". When a dog has been disqualified under this rule, any awards at that show shall be cancelled and the dog may not again compete in any event held under Bermuda Kennel Club Rules unless and until, following application by the owner to The Bermuda Kennel Club, the owner has received official notification from The Bermuda Kennel Club that the dog's eligibility to enter such events has been reinstated.

**SECTION 3.** The administration in any form, of a drug or substance whose action alters the condition of a dog competing at a show with the intention of misleading the judge will be considered serious misconduct in the opinion of the Board of Governors. The person or persons responsible will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the rules of The Bermuda Kennel Club and the dog shall be barred from the show.

**SECTION 4.** The Board of Governors shall have the power to take disciplinary action against any person violating the provisions of this Chapter.

## **Chapter 16 The Catalogue**

**SECTION 1.** Every club holding a show must provide a standard catalogue which shall be of an approved size and form and contain such information as may be ordered by the Board of Governors.

## **Chapter 17 The Dogs and their Exhibitors**

**SECTION 1.** The organization holding a show under these Rules may prescribe rules with regard to benching of dogs at its show, provided such rules do not conflict with these Dog Show Rules. Failure of an exhibitor or handler to comply with such rules shall be considered the same as if the exhibitor or handler had failed to comply with these Dog Show Rules.

Failure to comply with such rules may cause cancellation of the dog's wins at that show, and subject the owner and/or handler to a fine or deprivation of the right to participate in events held under the Rules of The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 2.** Except as provided below, only the Show Superintendent may excuse either dogs or exhibitors from the show. All permits issued by veterinarians excusing dogs from the show must be approved by the Show Superintendent before being valid, save that it shall be obligatory for him to endorse a permit issued by the attending veterinarian for a dog excused because of illness.

Where a dog is excused by the judge, the notation in the judge's book shall be endorsed by the Show Superintendent.

A dog may be removed from the show after it has been judged provided it is not eligible for further judging, as provided in these Rules, in any breed class or for any group awards carrying championship points.

No dog excused by the Show Superintendent for any reason shall, after being excused, compete in any class or for any award other than Junior Showmanship classes/awards for the balance of the show.

When a dog has been excused either by the Show Superintendent or the Show Veterinarian, the former shall make a notation in the judge's book stating the reason for the excuse. The judge shall thereafter refuse to accept that dog for further competition.

Dogs entered in an obedience trial held in conjunction with an all-breed show are subject to all the rules regarding "dogs" as stated in these Dog Show Rules.

**SECTION 3.** Where a request is made, before the judging of a class, by any competing handler or exhibitor at the

show, or during the judging by the officiating judge, for the determination of the height or weight of any dog, the measuring or weighing shall be done at a suitable location on the show grounds by the Show Superintendent by the use of an effective measuring or weighing device and shall be done only in the presence of;

- (a) the owner or handler of the disputed dog;
- (b) the person registering the request for determination of the height or weight; and
- (c) one witness, to be chosen by the Show Superintendent.

The result shall be recorded on a form provided by The Bermuda Kennel Club. The form shall be signed by the Show Superintendent and shall be valid at the time of judging at the show. This report shall be forwarded to the Secretary of The Bermuda Kennel Club, and shall be prima facie evidence of the height or weight of the dog at that show. The decision of the Show Superintendent shall be final in the determination of height or weight and only be valid at the show at which it was made, and shall in no way determine the eligibility or ineligibility of a dog to be entered at a subsequent show or its height or weight at a subsequent show.

The request for determination of height or weight may be made by a person exhibiting in a breed other than the one wherein he has requested the measuring or weighing of an entry.

**SECTION 4.** If the catalogue and/or the judge's book of any show shall be in error or by mistake set forth any information contrary to the information which appears on the entry form of the dog for that show, the superintendent or secretary of the show, upon request of the owner or handler of the dog prior to the judging, shall correct the entry in the judge's book and in the marked catalogue to be sent to The Bermuda Kennel Club, and this dog properly may compete in all classes and for all prizes for which the entry form discloses it was properly entered.

**SECTION 5.** The show giving club shall provide one free exhibitor's pass for each dog entered.

**SECTION 6.** Any club which gives a dog show must send out in advance to every exhibitor an identification card and a programme showing the time scheduled for the judging of the first breed in each group and the time Group judging and Junior Showmanship competition will commence. This judging programme shall be adhered to as nearly as possible. No breed, group or class shall be judged prior to the time stated on the judging programme. Identification cards must be in such form, of such size, and contain such information as may be ordered by the Board of Governors.

**SECTION 7.** It is the responsibility of the handler of a dog to be at ringside when his class is called for judging. If a handler is showing more than one dog, he must make provision for adequate assistance to ensure that there is no delay in judging.

**SECTION 8.** No person handling a dog in the ring may smoke while doing so.

**SECTION 9.** Badges, club pins or coats with kennel names thereon, or ribbon prizes shall not be worn or displayed, nor shall other visible means of identification be used by an individual when exhibiting a dog in the ring.

**SECTION 10.** Should it come to the attention of the Show Superintendent that any of the foregoing rules have been infringed upon, it shall be his duty to take immediate action to correct the situation by suitably instructing the person in question. It is not necessary for the Show Superintendent to receive any form of formal protest before enforcing these rules.

**SECTION 11.** Any person, either within or outside the judging ring, who does anything calculated to attract or distract or otherwise interfere in any way with the attention or deportment of a dog under judgment may be disciplined by the Board of Governors in whatever way it considers in the best interest of the club or the judge may take summary action.

**SECTION 12.** A judge officiating at a show held under these Rules shall not be subjected to indignities of any kind during the progress of the show. It shall be the duty and obligation of the club holding the show to see that this rule is effectively carried out.

## **Chapter 18 Equipment and Facilities**

**SECTION 1.** Any club giving a dog show must provide standard arm bands with numbers that can be clearly seen from the ringside. Every exhibitor in the ring must wear an arm band bearing the catalogue number of the dog being exhibited.

**SECTION 2.** Any club giving a dog show must provide in every ring, first, second, third and fourth place placards in order that the judge may place the dogs according to his awards.

**SECTION 3.** Judging rings shall have flat, level surfaces and provide secure footing for dogs and exhibitors. Rings must be enclosed by a guard rail or rope at least two feet in height, be of adequate size for the proper gaiting of all dogs exhibited therein, and accommodate comfortably the probably maximum number of dogs and exhibitors in the ring at any one time.

**SECTION 4.** At outdoor shows, adequate facilities must be provided for an indoor or covered judging ring in the event of inclement weather.

**SECTION 5.** The show giving club must provide adequate exercising space and an ample supply of clean water for the dogs entered at the show; a special place for the convenience of exhibitors and handlers desiring to clean and prepare their dogs; and adequate sanitary facilities for the exhibitors.

**SECTION 6.** The show giving club must take adequate steps to ensure orderliness and cleanliness during the show.

**SECTION 7.** The show giving club must provide a measuring standard and weighing device and must have available through the show committee at least one complete copy of the Dog Show Rules of The Bermuda Kennel Club and a copy of all the standards of the breeds recognized by The Bermuda Kennel Club or, in the case of a Specialty Show, The Bermuda Kennel Club standards for the breeds for which the show is being held.

**SECTION 8.** Judges must be provided with judge's books as authorized by the Board of Governors of The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 9.** Judges must be provided with water, towels and disinfectant in the ring at all times.

**SECTION 10.** Where the dogs entered at a show are to be benched, the show giving club must provide adequate benching and/or cages for every dog entered. Signs must be posted over the breeds indicating the breeds benched in each row of benching. Signs must be posted advising the public not to handle the dogs in any way, stating that they do so at their own responsibility if such notice is disregarded.

**SECTION 11.** The show giving club will be held responsible during the show for the conduct of exhibitors and spectators. Any person acting in an objectionable manner must be removed from the show on complaint to the Show Superintendent.

**SECTION 12.** The show giving club shall supply a large board on which to post the "Office Copy" from the judge's book, bearing a carbon copy of the judge's signature, as soon as the judging of the breed is completed, in order that the exhibitors may mark their catalogues. If an error is noted, it should be reported immediately to the Show Superintendent.

## **Chapter 19 Cancellations**

**SECTION 1.** If an ineligible dog has been entered in any show, or if shown in a class for which it has not been entered, or if its entry form is deemed invalid or unacceptable by The Bermuda Kennel Club under these rules, all resulting awards shall be cancelled.

Where a dog has been entered in an official class for which it is ineligible, any awards received in that class by that dog shall be cancelled and, where the dog did not receive an award in any official class for which it is eligible for entry, then all other awards received by the dog at the show shall be cancelled. If a dog is shown in the name of a person who is not recorded as the owner of the dog, all wins made by the dog when shown in the name of a person in whose name a dog is not recorded in the records of The Bermuda Kennel Club shall be cancelled unless application for the transfer of ownership is made within 30 days after the last day of the show. Any unavoidable

delay in meeting the requirements of this rule must be acceptable to The Bermuda Kennel Club if any wins made by the dog at the show are to remain recorded.

In computing championship points ineligible dogs, whether or not they have received awards, shall be counted as having been present.

Where any violation of any Dog Show Rule has taken place in the opinion of the Board of Governors, the Board shall have the power to declare the cancellation of all awards earned by the dog at the show in connection with which such violation occurred.

Where any protest is sustained by a show giving club and/or the Board of Governors as provided in Chapter 20, "Protests", the Board of Governors shall have the power to order the cancellation of any wins earned at that show by the dog or dogs concerned with such protest. The cancellation of all wins and awards shall automatically include cancellation of all prizes received in connection with such awards.

**SECTION 2.** If the win of a dog shall be cancelled, the dog next in order of merit shall be moved up, providing the next in order of merit is obvious from awards made by the judge. The win of the dog moved up shall be counted the same as if it had been the original award and, on being advised by The Bermuda Kennel Club, the Show Secretary will issue the appropriate ribbons and other prizes to the owner of such dog. Where the awards of the dog moved up include Winners Dog or Bitch, Best of Breed and/or Best of Winners, the dog shall be awarded championship points based on the number of dogs which it actually defeated directly or indirectly in its breed competition.

**SECTION 3.** If the win of a dog shall be cancelled by the Bermuda Kennel Club, the exhibitor or entrant of the dog shall return all prizes and ribbons which have been received for its win to the Secretary of the show giving club within one month of the date of the notice of cancellation from The Bermuda Kennel Club. Failure to comply with the Board's order to return ribbons and/or prizes to the club(s) concerned automatically renders the owner of the dog ineligible to enter any dog in any event held under Bermuda Kennel Club rules for such period as the Board of Governors may determine.

**SECTION 4.** An owner connected with the perpetration of a fraudulent act shall be deprived of all privileges of The Bermuda Kennel Club. The Board of Governors is, however, empowered to use discretion in the enforcement of this penalty to protect innocent parties.

## **Chapter 20 Protests**

**SECTION 1.** A protest against a dog may be made by an exhibitor, entrant or any member of The Bermuda Kennel Club or of the show giving club. It shall be in writing and where the protest calls for a decision as to the physical condition of a dog which can be determined only by the veterinarian or at the time of showing, it must be made before the closing of the show. Any protest made during the course of the show must be lodged immediately with the Show Superintendent. A protest made after the closing of the show must be lodged with the Show Secretary within ten days of the last day of the show(s). All protests must be forwarded to the Secretary of The Bermuda Kennel Club within ten days of receipt by the show giving club.

No protest will be entertained unless accompanied by a deposit as determined annually by the Board of Governors, which will be returned if the protest is sustained. This does not apply to protests by The Bermuda Kennel Club, nor to a protest made in the ring previous to the rendering of the judge's decision.

If no appeal is submitted to The Bermuda Kennel Club within ten days after notification, the Board of Governors may take such action as it deems fit in connection with such protest. Such action may include a reprimand, imposition of a fine, and/or cancellation of awards.

**SECTION 2.** An appeal to The Bermuda Kennel Club against a decision of a show committee where a dog has been protested may be taken and shall be forwarded to The Bermuda Kennel Club within ten days of the date on which the decision was rendered, together with a deposit as determined annually by the Board of Governors. If the decision is sustained, the deposit shall be forfeited, but if reversed, the deposit shall be returned.

**SECTION 3.** If a protest is made during the holding of a show, the show committee shall hold a meeting within fourteen days and give all parties concerned an opportunity to be heard and shall render its decision at once. If a protest is made subsequent to the show, it shall be decided by the show giving club within thirty days of its receipt.

Due notice of the date and place of hearing shall be given to all parties concerned. Written copies of all decisions on protests shall be forwarded immediately to The Bermuda Kennel Club.

Where the show committee consists of more than five persons, the President of the show giving club shall name five members of the show committee to act on any protest received by the show giving club.

**SECTION 4.** If the show giving club fails to hear a protest as described above or, in the opinion of the Board of Governors, handles a protest improperly, the Board of Governors shall have the power to take such action as it deems fit and necessary. It may at the same time take disciplinary action against the officials of the show giving club.

**SECTION 5.** In the event of a protest being filed in accordance with this Chapter, the Show Superintendent shall, immediately upon receipt of such protest, and provided the judging of the dog or dogs concerned is not completed, request the judge to select reserve numbers so that any prize which would be affected by any disqualification of the protested dog can be awarded.

## **Chapter 21 Discipline**

**SECTION 1.** The Board of Governors shall have the power to take disciplinary action against any club, association, person, company, partnership or member of The Bermuda Kennel Club.

(a) for any act of omission or commission which violates any section of these Dog Show Rules and/or

(b) for any act which, in the opinion of the Board of Governors, constitutes misconduct of any kind in connection with dogs or dog shows, and/or

(c) if a charge is preferred as provided in the Constitution and Bye-Laws of The Bermuda Kennel Club.

Except as provided in Chapter 20, "Protests", disciplinary proceedings shall be as provided for in the Bye-Laws of The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 2.** After disciplinary proceedings have been taken as provided in Section 1 of this Chapter, the Board of Governors may impose such penalties as it deems fit.

**SECTION 3.** Any club, association, member, person, company or partnership failing to pay any fine imposed by the Board of Governors within 30 days following receipt of notice of a fine, automatically forfeits the right to participate in any show held under these Rules after the expiration of the 30-day period. The right to participate in any dog show, when forfeited, may be restored at any time by order of the Board of Governors.

**SECTION 4.** At the discretion of the Board of Governors, the suspension of a member, or the denial of privileges to a non-member, may be retroactive to the date on which the offence occurred. The Board, at its discretion, may order the cancellation of any or all wins earned by any dogs owned by a person or persons suspended or denied the privileges of The Bermuda Kennel Club when such wins were earned following the date on which the offence occurred.

## **Chapter 22 Participation**

**SECTION 1.** The participation in any manner and in any capacity at a competitive event held under these Rules shall be considered a privilege accorded any person by The Bermuda Kennel Club. Such privilege may be extended and withdrawn by the Board of Governors.

**SECTION 2.** Any person availing himself of the privilege of participating in any manner and in any capacity, including that of spectator, at a competitive event held under these Rules shall, by such participation, be deemed to have agreed to the authority of The Bermuda Kennel Club and its Board of Governors.

**SECTION 3.** No person who has been expelled, suspended, or debarred from, or deprived of the privileges of The Bermuda Kennel Club may compete, exhibit, judge, act as an agent or handler for any competitor, or take a dog into any competition, or be connected in any capacity with competitive events held under the rules of The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 4.** In this Chapter, the following interpretations shall apply:

- (a) "person" shall include member, partnership, club, association or corporation.
- (b) "expulsion" when imposed terminates membership in the Club and deprives the person so expelled from all privileges of the Club;
- (c) "suspension" when imposed deprives a member for the period ordered of all privileges of the Club;
- (d) "deprivation of privileges" when imposed deprives a non-member of the privileges accorded non-members of the Club;
- (e) "Termination of membership" when imposed deprives a person on the privileges accorded only to members of the Club but permits of his receiving the privileges of the Club accorded non-members.
- (f) "debarment" when imposed prohibits any person from participating in any competitions or other activities directed, sanctioned, sponsored or authorized by the Club or held under its auspices or under any of its rules to the extent and subject to the terms imposed by, The Board of Governors in any particular case;
- (g) "the Club" means The Bermuda Kennel Club.

## **Chapter 23 End of The Show**

**SECTION 1.** The Show Secretary of the club holding a show under these Rules shall be responsible for seeing that, within seven days after the last day of the show(s) the following are sent to The Bermuda Kennel Club:

- (a) two catalogues, one of which shall be marked with the winnings made in all classes, groups etc., and also all absentees and dogs disqualified or excused during judging.
- (b) all entry forms;
- (c) all judges' books;
- (d) the list of suspended persons provided by The Bermuda Kennel Club;
- (e) any other information or reports that may be required by The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 2.** The Bermuda Kennel Club may require a show giving club to provide a report of any matter or matters connected with its show. The report must be made within two weeks of the date on which the club receives a request for such report.

**SECTION 3.** The show giving club is responsible for the payment of all listing and recording fees as determined annually by the Board of Governors and such fees shall be remitted to The Bermuda Kennel Club within ten days after the closing of the show(s).

## **Chapter 24 No Liability**

**SECTION 1.** The Bermuda Kennel Club shall not be responsible to any member, person, partnership, club, association or corporation for any loss or damage arising at or by any reason of any show held under any rules adopted by The Bermuda Kennel Club.

## **Chapter 25 Amendments**

**SECTION 1.** These Dog Show Rules are subject to amendment by a majority vote of members at a General or Special Meeting of The Bermuda Kennel Club. The proposed changes verbatim must be mailed to each member at least ten days prior to the date of the meeting.

**SECTION 2.** Amendments may be proposed by ten members of The Bermuda Kennel Club or by the Board of Governors of The Bermuda Kennel Club.

**SECTION 3.** The effective date of any approved amendment shall be as set by the Board of Governors.

## **APPENDIX**

### **BREEDS RECOGNIZED BY THE BERMUDA KENNEL CLUB**

All breeds that have been awarded championship status by the American Kennel Club, the Canadian Kennel Club, the Kennel Club, England and the Irish Kennel Club are also recognized by the Bermuda Kennel Club.

Breeds recognized by other approved Kennel Clubs may also be recognized by the Bermuda Kennel Club subject to approval of the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors reserves the right to accept new breeds or remove any breed from the approved list.

The American Kennel Club and the Canadian Kennel Club differ slightly in their classification of some breeds. Where there are some differences The Bermuda Kennel Club has adopted the following:

In Group II – HOUND BREEDS

All three varieties (Longhaired, Smooth and Wirehaired) of Standard and Miniature Dachshunds are judged as one breed.

In Group V – TOY BREEDS

Both varieties (Long coat and Short coat) of Chihuahuas are judged as one breed.

In Group VII – HERDING BREEDS

All four varieties (Groenendael, Laekenois, Malinois and Tervuren) of Belgian Sheepdogs are judged as one breed.

### **THE BERMUDA KENNEL CLUB RULES GOVERNING SANCTIONED MATCHES**

1. A "SANCTIONED MATCH" is an informal meeting at which dogs may compete, but not for championship points, held by a club obtaining the sanction of The Bermuda Kennel Club. Such match shall be governed by specific rules laid down by the Board of Governors for Sanctioned Matches.
2. All clubs must obtain the sanction of The Bermuda Kennel Club to hold Sanctioned Matches. Applications for Sanctioned Match dates must be made in the form of a letter addressed to the Secretary, The Bermuda Kennel Club, P.O. Box HM1455, Hamilton HM FX, Bermuda, not less than 30 days prior to the date of the match.
3. The responsibility of selecting competent judges to be that of the match-giving club.
4. Each club sponsoring a Sanctioned Match must appoint a Match Superintendent as well as a Match Secretary and Ring Stewards.
5. CLASSES will be provided for:
  - Puppy Dogs 3-6 months
  - Puppy Bitches 3-6 month
  - Puppy Dogs 6-12 months
  - Puppy Bitches 6-12 months

Age groups may be combined if entries do not warrant separate classes.

- Open Dogs
- Open Bitches

Classes of dogs and bitches may be combined where only one entry is received for each sex in the breed.

- Best Dog
- Best Bitch
- Best of Breed
- Best Puppy in Breed



Additional classes may be requested at the time of application.

Junior Showmanship Classes and age groups shall be at the discretion of the match-giving club.

No champion is to compete in a Sanctioned Match except in a special class provided for Champions only.

**6. PRIZES:** Ribbons, cards or rosettes.

All prize ribbons, cards, or rosettes given out at Sanctioned Matches must have the words "Sanctioned Match" on them.

**PLACEMENTS:**

First	- Rose
Second	- Brown
Third	- Light Green
Fourth	- Grey
Best Dog, Best Bitch	- Gold
Best of Opposite Sex	- Rust
Best of Breed	- Dark Green
Best Bermuda Bred	- Beige
Best Puppy	- Orange
Group Placements	- same colours as first, second, third and fourth
Best in Match	- Dark Green
Best Bermuda Bred in Match	- Beige
Best Puppy in Match	- Orange

**7. JUDGE'S BOOKS.** The judge's books should be in loose-leaf form and follow the same form as judge's books used in Championship Shows except that only the original copy (to be completed by the judge) is required. Each judge shall sign his judge's book.

**8.** A Sanctioned Match should be organized so that judging will be completed no later than midnight.

**9.** A form supplied by The Bermuda Kennel Club at the time of approval of the Sanctioned Match, must be completed and returned to The Bermuda Kennel Club within ten days of the date of the Match.

**10.** The Bermuda Kennel Club may provide an Official Observer at any Sanctioned Match at its discretion. Adopted by the Board of Governors as provided for in Chapter 2, Section 5 of the Dog Show Rules.

## **RULES GOVERNING JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP COMPETITION**

**SECTION 1. Approval of Classes.** Any club that is approved to hold an all breed show or a specialty show held apart from an all breed show, may also be approved to offer Junior Showmanship competition at its show.

**SECTION 2. Standard for Judging.** Junior Showmanship shall be judged solely on the ability and skill of the Juniors in handling their dogs as in the breed ring. The show qualities of the dogs shall not be considered. Junior Handlers entered in the OPEN CLASS only may be asked to exchange dogs. Depending on the size and manageability of the dogs involved. Junior Handlers competing for BEST JUNIOR HANDLER may be asked to exchange dogs in the event of a tie. The judge must excuse a handler and dog from the ring if, in his opinion, the handler cannot properly control the dog.

**SECTION 3. Approval of Judges.** Any person who is eligible to be approved to judge one or more breeds at shows held under BKC rules or any person who regularly handles two or more breeds of dogs and/or has conducted handling classes, may be approved to judge Junior Showmanship.

**SECTION 4. Classes & Divisions.** The regular Junior Showmanship classes shall be:

(a) Novice: This class shall be for Juniors who are at least 7 years old and under 17 years old on the day of the show and who, at the time entries close, have not won three (3) first place awards in a Novice Junior Showmanship Class at a show held under BKC rules in competition with one or more Junior Handlers. Junior Handlers who become eligible under Subsection (b) below to compete in Open Class at the same show, shall continue to compete

in Novice Class at any subsequent shows for which they are already entered, and eligibility to compete in Open Class at such shows shall be dependent upon their again winning a first place award in Novice.

(b) Open: This Class shall be for Juniors who are at least 7 years old and under 17 years old on the day of the show and who have won at least three (3) first place awards in a Novice Junior Showmanship Class at a show held under BKC rules. The winner of a Novice Class shall automatically become eligible to enter and to compete in the Open Class at the same show provided that the win is his third (3rd) first place award in Novice and provided that there are one or more Junior Handlers competing in the Open Class. Where such Junior Handlers are already entered in subsequent shows, they shall continue to compete in Novice Class and Eligibility to compete in Open Class at the same show shall be dependent upon their winning a further first place award in Novice.

**SECTION 5. Armbands.** Armbands with the catalogue numbers of the dogs shall be worn by the Junior Handlers.

**SECTION 6. Eligibility of Dog.** Each dog handled in a regular Junior Showmanship class must be entered in one of the breed or obedience classes at the show, or must be entered for Junior Showmanship only. Every dog entered for Junior Showmanship must be eligible to compete in Dog Shows or in Obedience Trials. Mixed breed dogs may be entered in Junior Showmanship provided that they are registered in the Bermuda Kennel Club Mixed Breed Register before the close of entries. At a Specialty Show, each dog must be of the breed for which the show is held. Provided no conflict is involved, a dog may be handled in more than one Junior Showmanship class by different handlers.

A dog that has been excused or disqualified by a breed judge, or excused by the Show Superintendent, may still be handled in Junior Showmanship if eligible to compete in obedience trials. A dog that has been excused by the veterinarian for the protection of the other dogs in the show or for the protection of the dog excused, may not be handled in Junior Showmanship.

If after the close of entries, a Junior Handler wishes to substitute another otherwise eligible dog in the Junior Showmanship class in which he is entered, the Junior Handler may do so provided he supplies the Superintendent or Show Secretary with the required identifying information of the dog at least one half hour prior to the start of judging of the class in which he is to compete and wears an armband with the substitute dog's catalogue number.

**SECTION 7. Premium List.** A club that has been approved to offer Junior Showmanship must list the classification in its premium list, with a description of the entry requirements for each class offered, and a list of prizes offered.

**SECTION 8. Entry Forms.** To be acceptable each entry form must meet all of the requirements of Chapter 11, Section 1, of the Dog Show Rules and, in addition, it must show in the spaces provided that the dog is entered in Junior Showmanship, the name and date of birth of the Junior Handler and the Junior Showmanship class entered. If a dog is to be handled in more than one Junior Showmanship class by different handlers, a separate entry form must be submitted for each Junior Showmanship class and each Junior Handler.

**SECTION 9. Closing of Entries.** Entries for regular Junior Showmanship classes shall close at the same time that entries close for the show.

**SECTION 10. Judging Programme.** The judging programmes shall list the Junior Showmanship classes, the ring(s) in which they are to be judged, the name (s) of the judge(s), the hour of the judging, and the number of entries in each class.

**SECTION 11. Catalogue.** The information on any dog entered for Junior Showmanship only shall be listed in the section of the catalogue which gives details of Junior Showmanship entries. The dog's catalogue number, the breed and the name of the Junior Handler shall be listed in this section. If the dog is entered in any other classes in the show this should also be mentioned.

**SECTION 12. Ribbons & Prizes.** The colour of ribbons or rosettes for Junior Showmanship classes shall be:

- First Prize - Rose
- Second Prize - Brown
- Third Prize - Light Green
- Fourth Prize - Grey
- Best Novice Junior - Orange Rosette
- Best Open Junior - Orange Rosette
- Best Overall Junior - Orange and White Rosette

They shall be at least 2 inches wide, approximately 8 inches long, and shall bear a facsimile of the BKC seal, the words "Junior Showmanship" and the name of the show-giving club. All other prizes must be offered for outright award. No prize may be offered that is conditional upon the breed of the dog being handled.

**SECTION 13. Judge's Book.** Each club holding Junior Showmanship shall provide for the Judge a Judge's book which shall contain a separate sheet of the design prescribed by the Board of Governors of the BKC for each Junior Showmanship class.

**SECTION 14. Records.** The judges' books for the Junior Showmanship classes shall be forwarded to The Bermuda Kennel Club with the records of the show.

Adopted by the Board of Governors as provided for in Chapter 4, Section 5, of the Dog Show Rules.

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