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CHAPTER 1: INTERPRETATIONS

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

- (a) The words "the Club" means The Bermuda Kennel Club, Inc.
- (b) The words "the Board" means the Board of Governors of The Bermuda Kennel Club, Inc.
- (c) The words "Registration Officer" means the Registration Officer of The Bermuda Kennel Club, Inc.
- (d) The word "partnership" means two or more persons who by written or unwritten agreement share joint possession of or interest in any dog or in any project of venture relative to dogs.
- (e) The word "company" means any company incorporated in Bermuda.
- (f) The words "pure-bred dog" means a dog registered in or eligible for registration in the records of The Bermuda Kennel Club, Inc., and, unless otherwise indicated, include both sexes.
- (g) The word "dog" means a pure-bred dog of either sex.
- (h) The word "pedigree" means a genealogical table showing the ancestral line of descent of a registered dog.

CHAPTER 2: PRIVILEGES

SECTION 1. Any member of The Bermuda Kennel Club, Inc., in good standing may avail himself of the registration facilities of the Club by complying with these Rules.

SECTION 2. Any person, partnership, company or organization may avail themselves of the registration facilities of the Club by complying with these Rules and paying non-members fees.

SECTION 3. Any person, partnership, company or organization availing themselves of the registration facilities of the Club as set forth in these Rules shall by such act be deemed to have agreed to the authority of the Club and its Board of Governors as conferred on the Club by these Rules and the Constitution and Bye-Laws of the Club.

CHAPTER 3: FORMS AND CERTIFICATES

SECTION 1. All forms, certificates and certified pedigrees issued by the Club shall be in such form and contain such information as may be agreed on by the Board. The Board shall have the power, for just cause, to suspend or to recall and reissue or to cancel certificates of registration and certified pedigrees issued by the Club.

SECTION 2. A suspended registration is a registration or transfer that has been placed under suspension by the Board pending investigation of an alleged irregularity; such suspension shall remain in effect until same has been lifted by a resolution of the Board. Such suspension may, at the discretion of the Board be extended to all records involving the dog whose registration is suspended.

CHAPTER 4: ELIGIBILITY

SECTION 1. The following dogs are eligible for registration provided that in each instance the application for registration is acceptable to the Club's Registration Officer, is in accordance with the terms of these Rules and is accompanied by the required fees, documents and evidence as may be required elsewhere in these Rules.

- (a) A dog born in Bermuda of a litter registered with the Club. Such dog to be under the age of two years at time of registration.
- (b) A dog registered in any of the following stud books or records: The American Kennel Club, The Canadian Kennel Club, The Irish Kennel Club, The Kennel Club, England

SECTION 2. The Board may add to the above list of recognized stud books and records any other stud book or record, or it may remove the name of any stud book or record from the above list.

CHAPTER 5: REGISTRATION OF LITTERS

SECTION 1. APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION. The owner at the time of birth may make application, on a form supplied by the Club for that purpose, for registration of a litter born in Bermuda. All applicable sections of the form must be completed in ink or by typewriter, except the signature which must be signed in ink.

The Bermuda Kennel Club will not accept an application to register a litter when the offspring are the result of any mating between father and daughter, mother and son or brother and sister, save in exceptional circumstances or for scientifically proven welfare reasons.

If either the dam or sire are born outside of Bermuda the foreign Registration **must not** carry a breeding restriction (endorsement). Any breeding endorsement will need to be removed before registration of a litter can take place. In most cases it will be the breeder who has placed the endorsement, and who will therefore be the person empowered to remove it.

Application for registration of a litter born in Bermuda must be made within 12 months from the date of birth of the litter. A late application may be considered after 12 months for a late penalty fee, to be decided by the Board of Directors, for up to an additional 6 months.

SECTION 2. DAM OF THE LITTER.

- (a) Must not have already whelped five litters
- (b) Must be registered with the Club in the name of the person signing the application for registration as owner or lessee at the time of birth of the litter
- (d) Must not have previously whelped a litter within a twelve month period prior to whelping the current litter unless supported by veterinary evidence confirming the suitability of the bitch
- (e) The owner of the dam must have been granted a Breeder's Licence by the Bermuda Government.

SECTION 3. SIRE OF THE LITTER.

- (a) If owned or leased by a resident of Bermuda, the sire must be registered with the Club in the name of the person certifying the service of the dam.
- (b) If owned by a resident of any other country, the sire must be registered in a stud book or record recognized by the Club, in the name of the person certifying the service, and a photostat copy of the dog's registration certificate showing such ownership, together with a certified copy of the known pedigree of the dog to a minimum of three generations (with an official registration number for each and every one of the fourteen immediate ancestors) issued by a recognized stud book or record, must accompany the application for registration of the litter.
- (c) If the owner or lessee of the sire of a litter shall refuse, fail or neglect to sign where required, an application for registration of a litter when requested to do so by the owner of the dam at the time of birth of the litter, the Board shall have the power to authorize the registration of the litter through the Registration Officer if it is satisfied that the owner of the sire has no justifiable reason for withholding his signature.

SECTION 4. SIGNATURES.

- (a) The signature in ink of the owner or lessee of the sire will be required certifying to the date(s) of service of the dam.
- (b) The signature in ink of the owner or lessee of the dam at the time of service will be required certifying as to the service of the dam by the sire named on the application on the date(s) set forth on the application.
- (c) The signature in ink of the owner or lessee of the dam at the time of birth of the litter will be required certifying the date of birth of the litter and the number of males and females alive at the time of application for registration of the litter.

- SECTION 5. BREEDER.** The breeder of a litter is the owner or lessee of the dam at the time of service. The first owner is the owner or lessee of the dam at the time the litter was born.
- SECTION 6. AGE OF DAM/SIRE.** No litter out of a dam under twelve (12) months or over eight (8) years of age at the time of mating unless the application is supported by veterinary evidence confirming the suitability of the bitch involved in the proposed whelping. No litter out of a sire under seven (7) months or over twelve (12) years of age at the time of mating, will be registered unless the application for registration is accompanied by an affidavit or evidence which shall prove the facts set out in the application for registration of a litter to the satisfaction of the Registration Officer.
- SECTION 7. ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION.** Service of the dam shall be taken to mean artificial as well as natural insemination. A permit to bring frozen or chilled semen into Bermuda must be obtained from the Animal Husbandry division of the Department of Environmental Protection – prior to importation.
- SECTION 8. MATINGS.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Rules, no litter is eligible for registration if the dam of the litter was mated to two or more stud dogs during the three month period immediately preceding the birth of the litter, unless or until DNA tests have been performed to determine the paternity of each puppy in the litter. If DNA tests are to be performed, each puppy must first be microchipped. The DNA samples must be taken by a veterinarian and each sample must be identified by the microchip number.
- SECTION 9. CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION.** The Board shall have the power, after investigation, to cancel the registration, or to prohibit the registration if not already effected, of any litter where the Board has reason to believe:
- (a) that the litter is not pure-bred; or
 - (b) that any part of an application for registration of the litter contains false information or false representation or information calculated to mislead; or
 - (c) that there has been a failure to disclose all relevant information.
- SECTION 10. FAILURE TO CO-OPERATE.** Where a breeder and/or owner fails to co-operate in respect to an investigation, the Board shall have the power to suspend, or cancel, the registrations standing in the name of such breeder and/or owner and to reject any applications submitted by such breeder and/or owner.

CHAPTER 6: REGISTRATION OF INDIVIDUAL DOGS

- SECTION 1. APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION.** The application for registration of a dog must be on the form supplied by the Club for that purpose. All applicable sections of the form must be completed in ink or by typewriter, except signatures which must be signed in ink.
- Where a litter has been registered, no dog out of that litter may be individually registered after two years from date of birth. A late application may be considered after two years for a penalty fee, to be decided by the Board of Directors, for up to an additional 6 months.
- SECTION 2. PLACE OF BIRTH**
- (a) The owner at the time of birth may make application for registration of a dog born in Bermuda provided the litter of which the dog is part (or whole) has been first registered with the Club.
 - (b) A person resident in Bermuda, the UK, Canada or the United States may make application for registration of a dog registered in a British, Canadian or American stud book or record recognized by the Club provided the application is accompanied by the certificate of registration issued by the said stud book or record, showing the ownership of the person applying for registration, together with a certified copy of the known pedigree of the dog to a minimum of three generations, with an official registration number for each and every one of the fourteen immediate ancestors, issued by a recognized stud book or record and including the name of the dog, LITTER Pedigrees are not acceptable.
 - (c) A person resident in Bermuda may make application for registration of a dog imported into Bermuda from a country other than the UK, Canada or the United States, provided the application

for registration is accompanied by an export certificate (or official certificate of registration with satisfactory evidence that the dog has been imported into Bermuda) issued by the Secretary of a recognized stud book or record specifying the breeder, colour and markings, date of birth, Bermudian importer and the known pedigree of the dog to a minimum of three generations, with an official registration number for each and every one of the fourteen immediate ancestors and including the name of the dog. LITTER Pedigrees are not acceptable.

Some European countries such as: France, Spain, Italy, Sweden, Serbia, Poland Hungary and Russia, only submit an Export Pedigree as that is inclusive of all required information.

- (d) The owner of a dog may make application for registration of a dog, the registration of which is not provided for in Subsections (b) or (c) of this Section, but such application must be consistent with Chapter 5, Sections 1(b) or 2 of these Rules.

SECTION 3. SIGNATURES.

- (a) If born in Bermuda, the signature in ink of the owner at the time of birth must appear on the application for registration form in the space provided for that purpose.
- (b) If imported into Bermuda, the signature in ink of the importer must appear on the application for registration form in the space provided for that purpose.
- (c) If owned by a resident of Canada or the United States, the signature in ink of the owner as recorded in a Canadian or American stud book or record recognized by the Club must appear on the application for registration form in the space provided for that purpose.
- (d) If a dog is co-owned then the signature in ink of each co-owner must appear on the application for registration form in the space provided for that purpose.

SECTION 4. NAME

- (a) No two dogs of the same breed shall have the same name; however, no change may be made in the name of an imported dog. The Registration Officer may add a numeral affix to a dog's name for the purpose of distinguishing between dogs which otherwise have the same name.
- (b) The right is reserved to change any name when necessary, preserving, however, as far as possible some characteristics of the name given on the application.
- (c) The name of a dog will not be accepted if containing more than twenty-five letters or characters including numeral affix.
- (d) Only the owner at the time of birth may request a change of name of a dog after it has been registered but no change shall be permissible after a dog has been registered sixty days.
- (e) The name of an imported dog may not be changed and no claim may be made against the Club should the name of an imported dog infringe the rights of any person, partnership, company or organization whose kennel name has been registered with the Club.
- (f) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Rules or agreements entered into by the Club, the names of members of the Royal Family and national leaders shall not be permitted in connection with the naming of dogs for registration purposes.
- (g) Subject only to the provisions of (e) above, the Board shall have the power to prohibit the use of any name for the purpose of registration of individual dogs in the Club's records, if, in the opinion of the Board, such name infringes on the rights of any person, partnership, company or organization whose kennel name has been registered by the 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 Club has a working arrangement with regard to the mutual protection of registered kennel names.
- (h) If a Kennel Name is to be used when registering a litter, the Kennel Name must appear as the first word in the name as a prefix or, with the consent of the first owner, as a suffix in the naming of a dog he may purchase.

- SECTION 5. LOST DOGS.** If a dog, whether registered or not, is lost to its registered or reputed owner, through any cause whatsoever, it shall be declared non-existent, unless subsequent representations are made to the Board which indicate reasonable grounds that the identity of the dog can be established, in which case the matter shall be referred to the Board for its consideration.
- SECTION 6. MATINGS.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Rules or agreements entered into by the Club, no individual dog is eligible for registration if its dam was mated to two or more stud dogs in the three month period immediately preceding the birth of the dog, except as provided for in Chapter 6, SECTION 8 of these rules.
- SECTION 7. CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION.** The Board shall have the power, after investigation, to cancel the registration, or to prohibit the registration if not already effected, of any dog where the Board has reason to believe:
- (a) that the dog is not pure-bred; or
 - (b) that any part of an application for registration of a dog contains false information or false representation or information calculated to mislead; or
 - (c) that there has been a failure to disclose all relevant information.
- SECTION 8. FAILURE TO CO-OPERATE.** Where a breeder and/or owner fails to co-operate in respect to an investigation, the Board shall have the power to suspend, or cancel, the registrations standing in the name of such breeder and/or owner and to reject any applications submitted by such breeder and/or owner.

CHAPTER 7: REGISTRATION OF TRANSFERS OF OWNERSHIP

- SECTION 1.** Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, when a pure-bred dog is sold or otherwise disposed of, the person disposing of the dog must immediately take the necessary action to provide the new owner with a Bermuda Kennel Club certificate of registration showing the change of ownership. Failure to provide a certificate as herein required shall subject a member so in default to expulsion or suspension, and a non-member to deprivation of the privileges of the Club. Where disciplinary action has been taken the Board shall have the power to authorize the issuance of a certification of registration to the new owner.
- SECTION 2.** A pure-bred dog may be sold or otherwise disposed of on the understanding that a certificate of registration will not be provided by the person disposing of the dog or otherwise obtained from the Club, provided the agreement was entered into at the time the change of ownership took place. Such agreement must be in writing and a copy, signed by all parties, must be deposited with the Registration Officer within thirty days after the change of ownership takes place. Such agreement shall be binding on all parties to the agreement and on any person, partnership, company or organization which may subsequently acquire the dog while the agreement remains in effect. Such agreement may be cancelled by mutual consent of the parties to the agreement. Notification of cancellation of any such agreement must be made in writing and sent by all parties to the agreement to the Registration Officer.
- SECTION 3. NON-BREEDING AGREEMENTS.**
- (a) A pure-bred dog may be sold or otherwise disposed of on the understanding that the new owner, or any subsequent owner or lessee, will not use the dog for breeding purposes, provided the agreement was entered into at the time the change of ownership took place. Such agreement must be in writing and a copy signed by all parties must accompany the application for registration of change of ownership. On receipt of such an agreement the certificate of registration and the records of the Club will be endorsed to the effect that the dog has been disposed of on the understanding that it will not be used for breeding purposes and such understanding shall be binding on all parties until the agreement is cancelled by mutual consent of the parties who originally entered into it.
 - (b) While such an agreement remains in effect and on the records of the Club, the progeny of a dog covered by such an agreement shall not be eligible for registration in the records of the Club, nor shall any person have the right to force, or seek to force, the Club to proceed with the registration of any such progeny, directly or otherwise.

- (c) When an agreement of this nature is cancelled, all parties to the agreement must notify the Registration Officer in writing that the agreement has been cancelled and the application for cancellation must be accompanied by the registration certificate of the dog and a fee as determined by the Board. A new certificate will then be issued, the replaced one becoming the permanent property of the Club. Cancellation of such an agreement with regard to a particular dog does not prohibit the subsequent recording of another such agreement with regard to the same dog.

SECTION 4. An application for registration of a change of ownership must be made in ink or typewritten on a form supplied by the Club for that purpose. Unless otherwise requested by the applicant, the new certificate will be mailed by the Registration Officer to the new owner.

SECTION 5. Every transfer of ownership must be recorded in the records of the Club, and if it is proven to the satisfaction of the Board that a transfer of ownership has been, by accident or otherwise, left unrecorded, it may take disciplinary action.

CHAPTER 8: REGISTRATION OF LEASES

SECTION 1. Where a male or female is leased or loaned for any purpose, the form of lease supplied by the Club for that purpose must be filled in, signed by the lessee and lessee and forwarded with the certificate of registration and the required fee to the Registration Officer so that the lease may be recorded. The lease of a dog shall not be recorded on the certificate of registration. The terms, conditions or arrangements agreed on by the lessee and lessee shall be fully disclosed on the application for registration of the lease or a copy of the agreement signed by the lessee and lessee shall be attached to the application for registration of the lease.

CHAPTER 9: REGISTRATION OF A KENNEL NAME

SECTION 1. A person may register for his exclusive use the **name of his kennel to be used as a prefix in naming dogs born his property or, with the consent of the first owner, as a suffix in the naming of a dog he may purchase.** A particular kennel name will be allowed to one person, partnership, company or organization only, and in registering such names, priority in use and in application for registration shall be considered. Any dispute between persons as to priority right to any kennel name shall be referred to the Board whose decision shall be final and binding.

Application for registration of a kennel name with the Club must be made on a form provided by the Club and all applicable sections of the form must be completed in ink or by typewriter, except signatures which must be signed in ink. Once a kennel name is registered, it will be for the lifetime of the owner.

SECTION 2. Letters shall not be used as a prefix name. Kennel names may contain a maximum of two words and shall not contain more than fifteen letters, characters or spaces.

SECTION 3. The name may be a unique word created by the applicant but may not contain any derogatory or discriminatory words. Numbers in figures and initials are not acceptable. Abbreviations may be disallowed. Canine terms are not permissible e.g.: 'dog', 'bitch', 'kennel', 'champion', 'Crufts' and specific names of breeds. And a name which conflicts with an active Kennel Name granted to another person will not be accepted.

SECTION 4. The Board reserves the right to refuse an application for registration of a kennel name and no kennel name shall be granted until the application for registration has been approved by the Board. The Board will not knowingly approve an application for registration of a kennel name if the name applied for is a name registered as a kennel name with any other kennel club with which the Club has a working arrangement with regard to the mutual protection of kennel names

SECTION 5. A registered kennel name may be transferred to another person or persons on application of the person in whose name it is registered.

SECTION 6. In the event of a change in the name of a partnership, company or organization, if a member of the same family is taken into partnership, the name may be transferred on application to the Registration Officer by the registered owner or his authorized representative. Likewise transfer may be made from a deceased owner to his heir.

SECTION 7. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Rules, the Board, in its absolute discretion, may cancel the registration of a kennel name if, in the opinion of the Board, the person, partnership, company or organization to whom it was originally given:

- (a) has violated a Rule of the Club relating to eligibility for registration; or
- (b) has failed to comply with the Rules; or
- (c) has been deprived of the privileges of the Club as provided in the Bye-Laws of the Club.

SECTION 8. The applicant may not have an interest in a pet store or dog dealership.

CHAPTER 10: DUPLICATE CERTIFICATES

SECTION 1. A duplicate certificate may be issued if a declaration is filed with the Registration Officer by the registered owner or his authorized agent, showing in a satisfactory manner that the original certificate is lost, destroyed or unobtainable.

SECTION 2. Once a duplicate certificate has been issued the original is void and if found must be returned to the Registration Officer to be filed.

CHAPTER 11: CERTIFIED PEDIGREES

SECTION 1. A certified pedigree is a certified genealogical table showing the ancestral line of descent of a dog as indicated by the Club's registration records and such British or foreign stud books as may be in the Club's files. It is certified as being correct only to the extent that it reflects the ancestral line of descent as shown in the records and stud books available to the Club, and no claim may be entered against the Club or its Registration Officer in the event the information shown thereon is incorrect.

SECTION 2. A "three generation pedigree" is one which shows the name of the sire and dam, all grandparents and all great grandparents of a particular dog.

SECTION 3. The Club may decline to provide a certified pedigree for any reason which it deems sufficient.

CHAPTER 12: AGREEMENTS

SECTION 1. A pure-bred dog may be sold or otherwise disposed of by private agreement. Such agreement must be in writing.

SECTION 2. On submission to the Board of a statutory declaration indicating that the terms of conditions of a private agreement are not being observed, the Board may conduct an investigation and take such action as the evidence indicates.

CHAPTER 13: STUD BOOKS

SECTION 1. The Board may from time to time cause to be published extracts from the Club's registration records which shall be in such form and contain such information as may be decided by the Board. The extracts published for any given year shall be known as "The Bermuda Kennel Club Stud Book" for that year.

SECTION 2. The charge for the current volume (or parts thereof), and back volumes, shall be fixed by the Board.

CHAPTER 14: PRIVATE BREEDING RECORDS

SECTION 1. Each person who breeds, keeps, transfers ownership or possession of, or deals in dogs which are registered or to be registered with The Bermuda Kennel Club, Inc., whether he acts as principal or agent or sells on consignment, must make in connection therewith and preserve for five years adequate and accurate records. The Board shall designate the specific information which must be included in such records.

SECTION 2. Each person who breeds, keeps, transfers ownership or possession of, or deal in dogs which are registered or to be registered with The Bermuda Kennel Club, Inc., whether he acts as principal

or agent or sells on consignment, must follow such practices as, consistent with the number of dogs involved, will preclude any possibility of error in identification of any individual dog or doubt as to the parentage of any particular dog or litter.

SECTION 3. The Board or its duly authorized representative shall have the right to inspect the records required to be kept and the practices required to be followed by these Rules and by any regulations adopted under them, and to examine any dog registered or to be registered with The Bermuda Kennel Club, Inc.

CHAPTER 15: INDEFINITE LISTING PRIVILEGES (IPL)

SECTION 1. If a pure bred dog is ineligible to be registered with The Bermuda Kennel Club, Inc. the owner may apply for a Bermuda Kennel Club Indefinite Listing Privileges number. The application for Indefinite Listing Privileges must be on the form supplied by the Club for that purpose and must include the necessary documents or photographs as described on the reverse side of the application form. All applicable sections of the form must be completed in ink or by typewriter, except signatures which must be signed in ink.

Pure bred dogs eligible for Indefinite Listing Privileges include pure bred dogs of breeds recognized by The Bermuda Kennel Club that do not have the required documentation to support an application for full registration.

SECTION 2. Pure bred dogs of breeds that are not recognized by The Bermuda Kennel Club may also be eligible for Indefinite Listing Privileges provided that they have been designated by the Board of Governors as breeds that are eligible for granting such privileges.

SECTION 3. Pure bred dogs that have been given a Bermuda Kennel Club Indefinite Listing Privilege number are eligible to compete in the following unofficial classes that may be offered at Bermuda Kennel Club All Breed Championship shows: Rare Breeds Class and Junior Showmanship competition. Application may be made to enter unofficial Conformation Spayed & Neutered Class.

Pure bred dogs that have been given a Bermuda Kennel Club Indefinite Listing Privilege number are also eligible to compete in Bermuda Kennel Club licensed Agility and Obedience trials.

SECTION 4. In order to compete in a Bermuda Kennel Club show or trial the owner of the dog must apply for a Bermuda Kennel Club Indefinite Listing Privilege number prior to the close of entries for that show or trial.

SECTION 5. Should a dog with a Bermuda Kennel Club Indefinite Listing number be a breed that is subsequently given full recognition by The Bermuda Kennel Club then it will become eligible for registration.

The owner may submit an application form for registration together with the necessary documentation as described in Chapter 7 of these rules.

Once a dog has been issued with a Bermuda Kennel Club Registration number, the Bermuda Kennel Club Indefinite Listing Privilege number should be discontinued.

CHAPTER 17: MIXED BREED REGISTER

SECTION 1. A mixed breed dog is eligible to compete in Junior Showmanship competition and Bermuda Kennel Club licensed agility and obedience trials provided that the dog has been spayed or neutered.

SECTION 2. The application for a mixed breed dog to be included on The Bermuda Kennel Club Mixed Breed Register must be made on the form supplied by the Club for that purpose. All applicable sections of the form must be completed in ink or by typewriter, except signatures which must be signed in ink.

SECTION 3. The application must be submitted together with a copy of the spay or neuter certificate and two photographs of the dog: a) a standing lateral view and b) a standing front view.

SECTION 4. In order to compete in a Bermuda Kennel Club show or trial with a mixed breed dog, the owner of the dog must apply to be included in The Bermuda Kennel Club Mixed Breed Register prior to the close of entries for that show or trial.

CHAPTER 18: FEES

SECTION 1. The fees payable for transactions requiring the services of the Registration Officer shall be as determined by the Board from time to time, but no change shall become effective until not less than two months have elapsed following the date on which such change was ordered by the Board. All such fees shall be made payable to The Bermuda Kennel Club Inc and should accompany the application form. They may be in the form of a post office money order, bank money order or cheque payable at par at Hamilton, Bermuda.

CHAPTER 19: AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. These Registration Rules are subject to amendment at the discretion of the Board but no change of any kind will be effective unless approved by no less than two-thirds of members of the Board.

CHAPTER 19: RECOGNIZED BREEDS

SECTION 1. All breeds that have been awarded championship status by the American Kennel Club, Canadian Kennel Club, Irish Kennel Club and the Kennel Club UK shall also be recognized by the Bermuda Kennel Club subject to the approval of the Board of Governors.

Breeds recognized by other approved kennel clubs may also be recognized by the Bermuda Kennel Club subject to the Board's approval.

SECTION 2. BREED STANDARDS: for all breeds recognized by both the American Kennel Club and the Canadian Kennel Club – The Bermuda Kennel Club shall adopt the current breed standards as approved by the American Kennel Club.

For breeds recognized by the Canadian Kennel Club only - The Bermuda Kennel Club shall adopt the current breed standards as approved by the Canadian Kennel Club.

For breeds that are not recognized by either the American or Canadian Kennel Clubs – The Bermuda Kennel Club shall adopt the current breed standard from the Kennel Club UK or any other approved kennel club which recognizes that breed.

SECTION 3. CLASSIFICATION OF BREEDS: 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.

SECTION 4. BREEDS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN AWARDED CHAMPIONSHIP STATUS - breeds in this category include:

American Kennel Club “miscellaneous” breeds and breeds listed in the Foundation Stock Service

Canadian Kennel Club “listed” breeds

The Kennel Club UK “rare” breeds that have not gained challenge certificate status

These breeds are not eligible for full registration with The Bermuda Kennel Club until they have been awarded championship status with one or more of the approved kennel clubs listed above. Subject to the Board's approval, such breeds will then become eligible for registration with The Bermuda Kennel Club.

The owners can then apply to The Bermuda Kennel Club to register their dogs. If a dog already has a Bermuda Kennel Club Indefinite Listing Privilege number (see Chapter 16), that number will be discontinued and a Bermuda Kennel Club registration certificate will be issued instead.

SECTION 5. The Board may add other breeds to the list of recognized breeds. The Board may also remove any breed from this 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 6. The Board may, from time to time as it deems advisable for registration purposes, divide any recognized breed into two or more distinct breeds, and shall have the authority to prescribe regulations governing any such division. No claim may be made against the Club or its Board by reason of any loss or damage resulting from such divisions and/or reclassification of registered dogs in the breed so divided.

SECTION 7. Any person, partnership, company, organization or club representing a dog as a specimen of any of the breeds listed in Section 1 of this Chapter shall by such act be deemed to have represented the dogs as a pure-bred dog, and one eligible for registration in the Club's records.

The following breeds are recognized by the Club and are eligible for registration in the Club's records:

GROUP I - SPORTING BREEDS

Brittany
Pointer
Pointer (German Shorthaired)
Pointer (German Wirehaired)
Retriever (Chesapeake Bay)
Retriever (Curlycoated)
Retriever (Flatcoated)
Retriever (Golden)
Retriever (Labrador)
Retriever (Nova Scotia Duck Tolling)
Setter (English)
Setter (Gordon)
Setter (Irish)
Setter (Irish Red and White)
Spaniel (American Water)
Spaniel (Boykin)
Spaniel (Clumber)
Spaniel (Cocker)
Spaniel (English Cocker)
Spaniel (English Springer)
Spaniel (Field)
Spaniel (Irish Water)
Spaniel (Sussex)
Spaniel (Welsh Springer)
Spinone Italiano
Vizsla
Weimaraner
Wirehaired Pointing Griffon

GROUP II - HOUND BREEDS

Afghan Hound
Basenji
Basset Hound
Beagle
Coonhound (American English)
Coonhound (Black & Tan)

Coonhound (Bluetick)
Coonhound (Redbone)
Coonhound (Treeing Walker)
Bloodhound
Borzo
Dachshund (Longhaired)
Dachshund (Smooth)
Dachshund (Wirehaired)
Foxhound (American)
Foxhound (English)
Greyhound
Harrier
Ibizan Hound
Irish Wolfhound
Norwegian Elkhound
Otterhound
Petit Basset Griffon Vendeem
Pharaoh Hound
Plott
Portuguese Podengo Pequeno
Rhodesian Ridgeback
Saluki
Scottish Deerhound
Whippet

GROUP III - WORKING BREEDS

Akita
Alaskan Malamute
Anatolian Shepherd Dog
Bernese Mountain Dog
Black Russian Terrier
Boxer
Bullmastiff
Cane Corso
Chinook
Doberman Pinscher
Dogue de Bordeaux
German Pinscher
Giant Schnauzer
Great Dane
Great Pyrenees
Greater Swiss Mountain Dog
Komondor
Kuvasz
Leonberger
Mastiff
Neapolitan Mastiff
Newfoundland
Portuguese Water Dog
Rottweiler
Saint Bernard
Samoyed
Siberian Husky
Standard Schnauzer
Tibetan Mastiff

GROUP IV - TERRIER BREEDS

Airedale Terrier
American Staffordshire Terrier
Australian Terrier
Bedlington Terrier
Border Terrier

Bull Terrier
Cairn Terrier
Cesky Terrier
Dandie Dinmont Terrier
Fox Terrier (Smooth)
Fox Terrier (Wire)
Glen of Imaal Terrier
Irish Terrier
Kerry Blue Terrier
Lakeland Terrier
Manchester Terrier
Miniature Bull Terrier
Miniature Schnauzer
Norfolk Terrier
Norwich Terrier
Parson Russell Terrier
Russell Terrier
Scottish Terrier
Sealyham Terrier
Skye Terrier
Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier
Staffordshire Bull Terrier
Welsh Terrier
West Highland White Terrier

GROUP V - TOY BREEDS

Affenpinscher
Brussels Griffon
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel
Chihuahua (Long Coat)
Chihuahua (Short Coat)
Chinese Crested
English Toy Spaniel
Havanese
Italian Greyhound
Japanese Chin
Maltese
Manchester Terrier (Toy)
Papillon
Pekingese
Pinscher (Miniature)
Pomeranian
Poodle (Toy)
Pug
Shih Tzu
Silky Terrier
Toy Fox Terrier
Yorkshire Terrier

GROUP VI - NON-SPORTING BREEDS

American Eskimo
Bichon Frise
Boston Terrier
Bulldog
Chinese Shar-Pei
Chow Chow
Dalmatian
Finnish Spitz
French Bulldog
Keeshond
Lhasa Apso
Lowchen

Norwegian Lundehund
Poodle (Miniature)
Poodle (Standard)
Schipperke
Shiba Inu
Tibetan Spaniel
Tibetan Terrier
Xoloitzcuintli

GROUP VII - HERDING BREEDS

Australian Cattle Dog
Australian Shepherd
Bearded Collie
Beauceron
Belgian Sheepdog (all varieties)
Border Collie
Bouvier des Flandres
Briard
Canaan Dog
Collie (Rough)
Collie (Smooth)
Entlebucher Mountain Dog
Finnish Lapphund
German Shepherd Dog
Icelandic Sheepdog
Norwegian Buhund
Old English Sheepdog
Powlish Lowland Sheepdog
Puli
Pyrenean Shepherd
Shetland Sheepdog
Swedish Vallhund
Welsh Corgi (Cardigan)
Welsh Corgi (Pembroke)