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1. Show management

Show organizers must make sure a show is held at a venue/ground suitable for the activity. Venue/grounds must be of such that animal welfare can be secured.

The definition of show ground/venue is area where show rings are placed.

The organizer should appoint the following:
Show manager
Animal welfare official *"Forskrift om velferd for hest og hund I konkurranse"*

Show manager

- The show managers main assignment is to make sure the show is held in accordance with these regulations, and that any disputes/disagreements is sought to be resolved at site.
- The show manager should have good knowledge about show organizing and is obliged to know the lates show regulations.
- The show organizer and the show manager should have a written agreement where the show manager acknowledge that he/she is familiar with NKC's show regulations.
- The show manager can ban any person in breach of these rules from the showground/venue.
- The show manager can expel any dog that shows unacceptable behaviour by showing aggression, lunging, or in other ways behaves in such manner that is poses a threat to people or other dogs. Please be aware that conflicts between exhibitors will not be handled by the organizer.
- The show manager in cooperation with the organizer may cancel, postpone or interrupt/cancel a show if the conditions make it impossible to go through with the show and welfare for exhibitors and animals cannot be secured.
- The show manager cannot have any other assignments during the show.
- The show manager cannot have any ownership or familiar relations (live in the same household) to dogs entered to the show. (ownership/part ownership/leasing agreement). The show manager cannot enter or show dog at a show where he/she is the show manager.

Animal welfare official

- The animal welfare official must have adequate knowledge about the regulations regarding animals in competitions, and how to make sure these regulations is met at the show.
  By controlling and observation (and intervention if required) the animal welfare official should contribute to making sure the organizer follow the regulations.
- See www.nkk.no for specific instructions for the animal welfare official.

The organizer is responsible for the show, both economics and any possible problems caused by the shows technical details.
The dogs welfare should always have the highest priority at all shows.
The organizer will make sure that the show catalogue is published no earlier than 2 hours before the published start.
Any organizer must make sure there is adequate room for doping control at site.

Any organizer is obliged to carry out any published/announced show the club has applied for. Breach of this may lead to reactions towards the club in accordance with NKC's laws cap. 7

1.1 Coinciding shows

Breed clubs/federations with breed management responsibilities may organize shows for their own breed at the same dates as NKC's international/Nordic shows. It must be published that the show is held at a coinciding date. The organizer must always consider if this may interfere with animal welfare.

1.2 Entries and number limitations

Entries cannot be closed before the set date. It is not allowed to close the entry before published date to reduce the number of entries.
Exceptions from this rule is if the Norwegian government has stated particular regulations for gatherings.

2. Participation

Anyone that has not been excluded by the NKC, or a foreign affiliated dog club (FCI), may enter a dog at a dog show.

The handler of a dog must be 10 years or older.

3. Dogs entitled to enter in shows

3.1 Breed requirements

Please see the FCI and NKU (Nordic Kennel Union) updated lists of dog show entitled breeds that are not FCI approved.

3.2 Dog requirements

To enter a dog the following requirements must be met:

- The dog must be ID'ed with microchip or tattoo
- The dog must be registered with NKC or with a club under NKC's jurisdiction/affiliated club
- Dog imported to Norway and is owned/co-owned by person living in Norway must be registered to NKC before it can be entered to a show. The date on issued export pedigree (or other official document for registration) states when the dog ownership is effective.
- Dogs imported for a limited period must have a statement of disposition/leasing agreement registered with NKC before it can be entered to a show.
- Norwegian owned border collies must achieve at least 90 points, over two different years at a level 2 herding trial before it can be entered to all shows except international shows. Border collies may enter an international dog show without meeting trail merit requirements.
- A dog excluded from participating in shows or trials in other countries may not be entered.

3.3 Age requirement
The dog must be 9 months the day of the show.

3.4 Vaccination regulations
A dog must be vaccinated in accordance with applicable regulations, please see NKC's specific rules. A vaccination certificate issued by a veterinarian must be brought to the show, and if requested shown to the show officials.
Please be aware that control of import- and vaccination regulations may be checked.

3.5 Open studbook
Dog breeds with open studbook/unknow generations or dogs that the board of NKC has given permission may apply for permission to show on a «dep.no». "Dep.no» is issued by NKC's registration department upon receiving of application. The owner is required to contact the organizer to enter the dog. Entry fee must be paid to the organizer. The dog will be judged outside the competition. If the dog achieves the required quality judgement the NKC will issue the dog a pedigree. A dog can only be shown once with a «dep.no», exception is if the dog is given the prize «cannot be judged".
Full list of breeds and requirements for application for "dep.no" can be found at www.nkk.no or by contacting the NKC registration department.

3.6 Ear cropping/tail docking
According to paragraph 614 of the Norwegian Food Safety Authority dogs that have had their ears cropped or tail docked cannot be entered in any kind of shows or trails, regardless of which country the docking/cropping has taken place.
Natural bobtail: Please see NKU's list of breeds with NBT.

3.7 Health status
A dog may not enter a dog show if:

- The dog shows clinical signs of illness
- The dog has fleas or other parasites
- The dog is blind or deaf
- A dog that is blind in one eye may be entered if the blindness is due to injury that can be confirmed by a veterinarian.
- A female dog is more than 33 days pregnant (from first mating)
- A female dog has puppies younger than 75 days

Dogs entered to dog shows must be in a good mental state, have good health and show no signs of illness. A dog can only participate at a show if it has no infection that may affect other dogs. If in doubt a veterinarian certificate must be obtained.
If a dog has been injured, and this can be certified by a veterinarian, the certificate must be brought to the show. The certificate must state the dog's pedigree name, registration number, and it must be validated with the signature and stamp of a licensed veterinarian. Dogs that have had their tail amputated for medical reasons may enter if a veterinary declaration stating the reason for the surgery can be provided. The declaration must include the dog's pedigree name, breed, registration and ID number and must be at hand at the show. Owner of dogs with amputated tails must apply to the NKC for permission to compete. Please be aware that it will always be the judge decision whether an injury should be taken into consideration or not in judging the dog. The ring steward, judge or present veterinary may request that the dog be examined by a veterinarian.

Male dogs that have been castrated due to illness may enter shows if the owner can submit a testimonial given by the NKC. The owner must apply for authorization to compete by applying to the NKC. Application must be followed by veterinarian certificate stating the reason for castration and documentation of that the dog – before the surgery – had normal testicles after the age of 6 months. Spayed females is given a general dispensation to show.

3.8 Doping/faking is forbidden

- Doping is interpreted as the use of medicine, substance or other remedies that stimulates, calms down, reduces pain, affects behaviour and/or in any other way alter the dog's performance or quality. NKC's anti-doping regulations can be found at www.nkk.no
- It is prohibited to show a dog who has been subject to procedures with the intention of improving the dog's exterior and/or performance. Example of such procedures are braces, tattooing to change nose colour or pigmentation, and surgery to correct misplaced testicles including testicular implants.
- It is not permitted to treat the skin, coat or nose with any product that can change its colour or structure. This includes dye, chalk, hairspray etc. Normal brushing, plucking and trimming required for the breeds are permitted. So is washing/bathing with regular dog shampoo and conditioner as well as blow drying. At the show grounds it is only permitted to use water in the coat. No other remedies are allowed. Organizer officials may confiscate equipment, bottle or the like if there is doubt regarding the contents and use of it.

4. Entry

4.1 Entry and payment

Entry can only be done online through NKC's system
No entries are accepted after closing date.
Entry is binding.

An organizer may accept entries after closing date as long as the dog's breed, class, gender and catalogue number are printed correctly in the catalogue (no 9000 numbers).
Entries after closing date will not be accepted to NKC's international or Nordic shows.

4.2 Refund of entry fee

Entry fee can only be refunded when changes in judges have been made after the entry deadline. These changes must have been made after the dog was entered. To get the refund the exhibitor must return the start number, receipt, and a written complaint to the organising committee on the day of the show at the latest, and before any judging of the class/breed has begun. No refunds will be given if information regarding reserve judges was included in the show invitation. No refunds will be given if the dog is sick or hurt on the day of the show and cannot

The organizing committee may demand an additional 25% administration fee when an entry is not accepted (for example due to late payment or dogs not eligible for the show).

4.3 Catalogue and program
One of the official FCI languages (English, German, French or Spanish), in addition to the original language of the breed, must be used when the breed and its country of origin is presented in the catalogue and program. Not-FCI-approved breeds must be separated from the other breeds in the catalogue.

4.4 Correct information
Incorrect information when entering may lead to disqualification and deleting of results. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to inform the organizer of any fault.

4.5 Announcement of changed judge
Changing a judge must be announced to the exhibitor in writing. If this is not possible due to late change, the change must be announced at the current show ring.

5. Duties and responsibilities of the exhibitor
5.1 The dog's identity
The organizer can at any moment control the dog's ID- chip or tattoo.

5.2 Responsibility
The exhibitor is responsible for his/her dog(s)
This includes:

- Removing poop or other remnants at the show area, parking places, paths or any other places associated with the show.
- Any damages/injuries caused by the dog.
- Puppies younger than 4 months of age may not enter the show venue/arena.

5.3 Supervision
The exhibitor must always have supervision and control over his/her dog(s). This includes dogs in crates, cars or trailer on or off the show arena. A dog can only be tied up at a trimming table when it is actively being groomed/prepared for the ring.

5.4 Dog welfare and health
The exhibitor is responsible for the welfare of his/her dog at the show area. It is not allowed to expose the dog for any situation where its health or welfare may be in danger, e.g., leaving the dog in a very hot or cold car, or treat the dog in bad manners. It is not allowed to lift dogs in their leash and/or tail.

5.5 Arrival
The exhibitor is responsible for meeting in due time and in the correct show ring. The time board schedule placed at the ring is only to be seen as a guide. The judgement can start both later and earlier than announced, but never earlier than announced in the program/catalogue.

5.6 Influence
All inquiries from the exhibitor to the judge during judging must be made via the ring steward/assistant in the ring.

It is not allowed to:

- Attempt to distract another entered dog.
- Attempting to influence the dog through another person outside the ring (double handling).

- Openly criticize or talk bad about other exhibitors' dogs, any officials or other participants.

5.7 Attendance time
The exhibitor is responsible for meeting in due time with the dog at the right show ring.
A dog that shows up late for the ordinary judging, may be given a critique and quality judging after the breed judging has finished. Dogs that show up late cannot compete in competition classes, even if it has been given a critique and quality judging.

5.8 Leash
All dogs must be on a leash at all-time at the show ground/venue.

5.9 Punishment
It is prohibited to physically punish or hit the dog. Prong and pinch collars are not allowed.

5.10 Criticizing the judge
It is prohibited to criticize any judge regardless of the forum in which it is done, or openly criticize the judge`s assessment

5.11 Profiling
During the judging the exhibitor may not wear clothes or other items with visible logos and/or kennel prefix.

6. Offences

Violation of the rules above, unpleasant conduct or other uncivilised behaviour may cause reporting to the NKC and loss of prize and/or exclusion from shows, trials and tests

7. Judges, managers, ring stewards/assistants

Judges:

- Judges can only show/handle dogs that he/she or close family/partner owns, co-owns or have breed.
- Judges cannot enter a dog to a show where he/she is judging.
- Judges cannot judge dog he/she has owned, have co-owned, sold, groomed or had in he/she's possession the last 6 months.
- Judges that judge unofficial classes (puppy classes and junior handler) may enter dogs to official classes but cannot handle the dog the same day he/she is judging.

Ring steward/ring steward student/aspirant and secretary:

- Cannot enter a dog for judging in the ring they are stationed and cannot handle dog the day they function at the show.
- If the show is more than a one-day event they cannot enter or handle a dog for the same judge they have or shall function for.

Judge students/candidates

- Cannot enter a dog for judging in the ring they are stationed and cannot handle dog the day they function at the show.

- If the show is more than a one-day event they cannot enter or handle a dog for the same judge they have or shall function for.

Show manager

- Cannot enter or handle dog that he/she owns, co-own, have on breeding terms/leasing, or live with.

Other crew

- May enter and handle dogs but cannot carry any form of personnel label/clothing.

8. The judge's decision is final

Any decision the judge makes in relation to exterior, prizes and placement is final and cannot be altered. Exhibitors cannot dispute against the judge's decision.

A judge's decision can be overturned in the following situations:

- A technical fault has occurred
- A dog has not had the right to enter according to current rules

8.1 Protest

Protesting against the judge's decision:

- Must be in writing
- Must be handed in to the show manager the day the incident leading up to the protest happened.
- A protest fee equal double the entry fee in open class must be paid.

The following owns the right to protest:

- The aggrieved exhibitor
- The show manager or current judge
- NKC's administration

If the protest is handed in by someone not eligible to do so according to the above mentioned, or the protest fee is not paid, the protest will be rejected. This decision is made by the show manager. If the protest is acknowledged the dog's results will be deleted from the show results and entry fee and protest fee will be refunded.

Show results may be subject to change up to 6 months after the show. Changes should be reported directly to the organizer.

9. Implementation of the judgement

Dogs and bitches are shown separately. The class is determined by age and formerly gained merits. The dog may be entered to one (1) class only. The judging consists of a quality part and a competition part. At the quality part the judge considers the dog with regards to the breed standard and submits a written assessment of the dog in one of the Scandinavian languages or one of the four FCI languages (English, French, German or Spanish).

10. Change of class

Change of class may be done up until the first entry by date.
After first entry by date a dog cannot be moved from one class to another.
Exceptions:

- Errors which cannot burden the exhibiter
- Breeds that are measured at the show to conclude class decision are allowed to change class if the measuring concludes that the dog should be judged as another variety.
- Type placement for short-/longhaired German shepherds

11. General rules for quality and competition classes

There is individual judging of quality in all classes (ct. nr. 12). The prizes are as follows:
Excellent
Very Good
Good
Sufficient
0. Prize
KIP (cannot be judged)

There is competition judging in all classes with four placements.
Dogs that achieve "Very Good" will partake in the competition judging if none, or less than four dogs, has achieved "Excellent" in the quality judging. Only dogs that achieve "Excellent" may get CK (Champion Quality).

Special rules apply for the Dachshund breeds, the Toy-, Miniature and Medium size Poodle, Miniature- and Medium Size Spitz when participating in the Junior-, Intermediate- and Open class (ct. nr. 11.18).

11.1 Junior class
Dogs must have reached the age of 9 months but be under the age of 18 months at the first day of the show. NB: Dogs that enter the Junior Class may not compete for the CACIB.

11.2 Junior competition class – JKK
The class is open for dogs that have achieved "Excellent" in the Junior Class. The judge may grant a CK to dogs of champion quality. Only dogs with CK may attend the Best Dog/Best Bitch Class. Dogs that achieve "Very Good" will partake in the competition judging if none, or less than four dogs, has achieved "Excellent" in the quality judging. Only dogs that achieve "Excellent" may get CK (Champion Quality).

At NKC's Nordic and International shows:
Winner of junior competition class that has achieved excellent with CQ will receive Norwegian junior certificate.

At NKC's International shows:
Winner of junior competition class that has achieved excellent with CQ may be awarded junior CACIB (CACIB-J).

At NCK's Nordic shows:
Winner of junior competition class that has achieved excellent with CQ is awarded Nordic junior certificate.

11.3 Intermediate class – UK
The dog must have reached the age of 15 months but be under the age of 24 months on the first day of the show.

11.4 Intermediate competition class – UKK
The class is open for dogs that have achieved "Excellent" in UK class. The judge may grant a CK to dogs of champion quality. Only dogs with CK may attend the Best Dog/Best Bitch Class. Dogs that achieve "Very Good" will partake in the competition judging if none, or less than four dogs, has achieved "Excellent" in the quality judging. Only dogs that achieve "Excellent" may get CK (Champion Quality).

11.5 Open class – AK
The class is open for dogs that is at least 15 months.

11.6 Open competition class – AKK
The class is open for dogs that have gained an "excellent" in AK. The judge may grant CK to dogs of champion quality. Only dogs with CK may attend the Best Dog/Best Bitch Class. Dogs that achieve "Very Good" may partake in the competition judging if none, or less than 4 dogs, has achieved "Excellent" in the quality judging. Only dogs that achieve "Excellent" may get CK (Champion Quality)

11.7 Working class - BK
The class is open to dogs that have reached the age of 15 months at the first day of the show, with achieved additional field trial requirements (ct. nr. 16)

11.7.1 WCC – Working class certificate
Foreign-owned dogs entered in working class must have a valid WCC.
For breeds where working trial qualifications are required to obtain a certificate (cert), a valid Working Class Certificate (WCC) documenting an approved trial result must be presented. This applies regardless of which class the dog is entered in.

11.8 Working dog competition class - BKK
The class is open for dogs that have achieved "Excellent" in BK. The judge may grant CK to dogs with champion quality. Only dogs with CK may enter in Best Dog/Best Bitch Class. Dogs that achieve "Very Good" will run in the competition judging if none, or less than 4 dogs, has achieved "Excellent" in the quality judging. Only dogs that achieve "Excellent" may get CK (Champion Quality).

11.9 Champion class - CHK
The class is open to Norwegian show champions and other national show champions including C.I.B and C.I.E.

Junior- and veteran champions is not eligible to enter champion class.

Show champions may be entered in other classes given that they fulfil the requirements for the class (age, working trials and such).
The show champion title must be confirmed by NKC or other country. Dogs that are not yet acknowledged as show champion at closing date must be entered in a class where the requirements are met.

11.10 Champion competition class – CHKK
This class is open to dogs that have achieved "excellent" in the CHK. The judge may grant CK to dogs of champion quality. Only dogs with CK may enter in Best Dog/Best Bitch Class. Dogs that achieve "Very Good" will run in the competition judging if none, or less than four dogs, has achieved "Excellent" in the quality judging. Only dogs that achieve "Excellent" may get CK (Champion Quality).

11.11 Veteran class – VK
The class is open for dogs that have reached the age of 8 years on the first day of the show. Please be aware that dogs entered in this class does not compete for CACIB.

11.12 Veteran competition class – VKK
The class is open to dogs that have achieved "Excellent" in VK. The judge may grant CK to dogs of champion quality. Only dogs with CK may enter in the Best Dog/Best Bitch Class. "Excellent" qualifies for entry in the competition for best veteran. Dogs that achieve "Very Good" will run in the competition judging if none, or less than four dogs, has achieved "Excellent" in the quality judging. Only dogs that achieve "Excellent" may get CK (Champion Quality).

At NKC's Nordic and International shows:
Winner of veteran competition class that has achieved excellent with CQ will receive Norwegian veteran certificate.

At NKC's International:
Winner of veteran competition class that has achieved excellent with CQ may be awarded Veteran CACIB (CACIB-V).

At NKC's Nordic shows:
Winner of veteran competition class that has achieved excellent with CQ will receive Nordic Veteran cert.

11.13 Best male/best female (BM/BF - BHK/BTK)
This class is open for all dogs that in previous classes has received CQ.
There are 4 placements
1BHK/BTK, 2BHK/BTK, 3BHK/BTK, 4BHK/BTK

Norwegian show certificate (CAC) and reserve show certificate (res. CAC) is awarded in BHK/BTK, and is awarded to the best dog that is not yet a Norwegian show champion, or "fullcertet" (as champion is included dogs with application for title pending)
Only the two best dogs that is not yet Norwegian show champions competes for the CAC and res. CAC. If these dogs are «fullcertet» no CAC or res.CAC is awarded. CAC and res. CAC may be awarded dogs outside the placings 1-4
"Fullcertet» means:

- Dogs that cannot utilize the CAC towards the title N UCH.
- Foreign champions younger than 2 years of age is considered «fullcertet» at national shows.

For breeds obligated to working trials for receiving the certificate the best placed dogs that meets the requirements will be awarded the certificate no matter what class they are competing from (please see chapter 16 for info).

At international shows one also competes for the CACIB and reserve CACIB in this class. CACIB can be granted to the best placed dog from the classes UK, AK, BK and CHK.
Res-CACIB can be granted to the next best dog from the same classes (also INT CH).
For CACIB regarding breeds with colour variation; also, dogs that have not been placed in BHK/BTK may be considered for the CACIB/ResCACIB.

At Nordic shows BHK/BTK competes for Nordic cert and res. Nordic cert. This is always awarded to number 1 and 2 regardless of what class they have competed from and if they already have the title.

11.14 Best of Breed (BOB) /Best opposite sex (BOS)
The best Dog (BHK) and the best Bitch (BTK) compete for the BOB/BOS. If a breed is judged by more than one judge, one of the judges is appointed to judge the BOB/BOS, in addition to Best Veteran, Best Progeny Class and Best Breeders Class. The elected judge must be announced before the show.

11.15 Progeny class – AVKL
The class is open for sire or dames competing with four of their offspring. The sire or dam must be signed up to an official class or in the Progeny Class and be presented together with the group.
The sire or dame must have achieved at least "Good" at the current show or at a prior show. The offspring must be entered and judged in one of the other classes at the show. The group may not hold more than one dog with the prize "Very Good". Offspring with "Good", "Sufficient", "KIP" or "0. Prize" may not enter. Only one group of the same breed after the same sire or dam may be entered. The entered dog with all offspring in the group must be of the same size- and coat variations.
When assessed it is the group's average quality and homogenous expression in relation to type that is decisive, before the single dog's individual quality. Groups with homogenous and excellent quality may be granted Prize of Honour (HP). The best progeny group with HP goes on to compete in the finals. The owner or the representative for the sire/dam shall inform the ring steward, as well as the owners of the participating dogs, that he/she is entering the group in The Progeny Class.

11.16 Breeders class – OPPDKL
The class is open for groups of 4 dogs of the same breed, bred by the same person and/or under the same kennel name. If more than one person is breeder of the same dogs, all of them must be announced as breeders.
If a person has his/her own breeding and in addition is a co-breeder of other litters, offspring from both breeding cannot be present in the same group. Only one group of the same breed from the same breeder may be entered.
The participating offspring must be of the same size- and coat variations. All participating dogs must be entered and judged in one of the show's other classes. The group may not hold more than one dog with the prize "Very Good". Dogs with "Good", "Sufficient", "KIP" or "0. Prize" may not enter. When assessed it is the group's average quality and homogenous expression, in relation to type, that is decisive before the single dog's individual quality. Groups of homogenous and excellent quality may be granted HP.
The best breeding group with HP goes on to compete in the finals. The breeder or his/hers representative shall inform the ring steward, as well as the owners of the participating dogs, that the group is signed up for the Breeders Class.

11.17 Special circumstances
Dachshund, toy-, miniature and medium size poodle, klein- and mittelspitz, zoloitzcuintle competing from junior class should be entered and judged according to the size variation they are registered as. The dog's final size variation shall be decided upon first entry after 15 months of age. The judge will then measure the dog and decide where it belongs in its final size variant. Link to the critique that states the size must be sent to NKC by e-mail for registration after the show.

The width of the chest of the dachshund shall be measured by a judge. The result will decide which size variation class the dog shall be judged in.

Size definition:
Dachshund:
Males: Over 37 cm up to 47 cm
Females: Over 35 cm up to 45 cm
Miniature dachshund:
Males: Over 32 cm up to 37 cm.
Females: Over 30 cm up to 35 cm.
Rabbit dachshund:
Males: Over 27 cm up to 32 cm.
Females: Over 25 cm up to 30 cm.

The following applies to Toy-, Miniature- and Medium Sized Poodle: dogs between 35cm and 45 cm are typed Medium Sized Poodles, between 28 cm and 35 cm are typed Miniature Sized Poodles, and dogs under 28 cm are typed as Toy Poodles.

The following applies to Miniature- and Medium Size Spitz: Dogs that are 34 cm + /- 4 cm are typed as Medium Size Spitz, while dogs at 26 cm +/- 3 cm are typed as Miniature Spitz.

Results achieved in another size variation class will be invalid if the size variant is changed. Changing the measurement may only be done by forwarding a complaint to the NKC. The request must be sent immediately, and no later than two weeks after the measurement has been done. If the request is forwarded, final measurement will be done by a committee of appeal. This appellate authority consists of two authorised exterior judges of the breed appointed in cooperation with the breed club. They measure the dog again and decide on the final size variation. This measurement may not be appealed.
In cases where a dog is exhibited after the appealed measurement, and before the control measurement has taken place, it will be considered an acceptance of the first measurement, thus consequently resulting in the measurement being final, and the right to appeal ceases to exist. Expenses in connection to the control measurement will be paid by the owner.

Placement of the German Shepherd Dog regarding long or shorthair variety, may be determined at the show by the judge, or by a prefilled form before the breed judgement in the ring. The dog will then be placed in the right breed category.
If the owner of the dog considers the dog to be placed in the wrong class, the owner may send an appeal to NKK within two weeks after the show. The appellate authority consists of 2 authorised exterior judges of the breed, appointed in cooperation with the breed club. These will consider the dog in full fur. Their decision regarding the hair variant may not be appealed, and the dog will be final registered as decided.

11.18 Category size measuring
Dogs may also be measured by a commission after the age of 9 months, but before the age of 15 months. The commission consists of two authorised judges of the breed. A size measuring may be held in connection with shows or in other official arrangements.
Pedigree with ID-number must be shown. ID- number shall be controlled. The organizers decide whether a commission size measurement is possible.
At a size measuring the dog is registered in its final size variation. The result may not be appealed. After a commission measurement the dog must be entered to the size variation category decided by the judges. The measurement form must be forwarded to NKC by e-mail by the organizer. Results achieved in previous size will be deleted.

11.19 Finals
Breeds not recognized by FCI cannot participate in group finals at NKC's international shows. Finals are not entitled to be registered in the studbook. The finals are a competition of the groups, and the best dog of the show; BIG and BIS, with four dogs placed. Dogs that have achieved best in breed; BIR, competes for best in group; BIG. Dogs that have achieved 1 BIG competes for best in show, BIS. The competition for the Shows best Veteran is open for dogs that have achieved the title Best Veteran of the day. The competition for the best Progeny and Breeders Class is open for the best group of the breed with HP.

12. Prize definition

12.1 Excellent
Will only be awarded to a dog which comes very close to the ideal standard of the breed, which is presented in excellent condition, displays a harmonious, well-balanced temperament, is of high class and has excellent posture. Its superior characteristics in respect of its breed permit that minor imperfections can be ignored; it must however have the typical features of its sex

12.2 Very Good
Very good is awarded to a dog which possesses the typical features of its breed, which has well-balanced proportions and is in correct condition. A few minor faults may be tolerated but none of a morphological nature. This award can only be granted to a dog of very good quality.

12.3 Good
Good is awarded to a dog that possesses the main features of its breed. Any faults must be of a lesser prominent character.

12.4 Sufficient
Sufficient is awarded to a dog which corresponds adequately to its breed, without possessing the generally accepted characteristics or whose physical condition leaves something to be desired

12.5 0. Prize - Disqualified
Disqualified is given to a dog which does not correspond to the type required by the breed standard, this may as follow:
A: atypical exterior according to the breed's standard
B: has anatomical flaw(s) that to a major degree affects the dog's physically health, especially in contexts concerning the breed's original use and function.
C: testicular abnormalities

D: scared and/or aggressive behaviour in the ring, and when it is impossible to approach the dog. If "Disqualified" is awarded because of point D, the judge must sign the prize list concerning the incident. Other abnormalities in mentality shall be judged according to the breed standard. The reason for disqualification must always be stated in the judge's critique.

- *Any dog that has been disqualified three times, because of disposition (see point D), are banned from entering dog shows.*

12.6 Cannot be judged (KIP)
KIP is given a dog when it is impossible to judge its exterior, quality, movements and gait. This may be if the dog constantly jumps up and down on its handler, does not move at all, avoids the judge, makes it impossible to inspect teeth, anatomy, structure and testicles, has a puppy- like behaviour, is in poor physical condition. Also, if the dog is trimmed to the extent that its coat cannot be judged, and/or the dog that has an injury that makes it difficult to judge its movements.

The reason for KIP must always be stated in the judge's critique.

12.7 Prize of honour (HP)
Prize of Honour can be awarded to breeders and progeny classes that display homogeneous and average quality. The Honours Prize entitles participation in the final competitions.

12.8 Certificate/reserve certificate/CK (champion quality)
This may be awarded to a typical and correctly built dog of such quality that the judge finds it to be of champion quality. A reserve CAC can be proposed to the first runner up for the CERT. The reserve CAC will function as CAC if the winner of the CAC is disqualified or has achieved the CAC`s (3) required to acquire championship (ct. nr. 11.13). The dog that is awarded the reserve certificate must also meet any trial merit requirement.

12.9 Nordic certificate/Nordic reserve certificate
Nordic certificate and Nordic reserve certificate are awarded at "Nordic Dog Shows". Nordic certificate is awarded the best dog and best bitch in the BHK/BTK (see 11.13 above) and reserve certificate in awarded to second best dog/bitch in the BTK/BHK.

12.10 Nordic junior- and veteran certificate
Nordic junior certificate and Nordic veteran certificate is awarded in junior competition class to best junior/veteran male/female with CQ.

12.11 CACIB/reserve CACIB
This may only be awarded at an international dog show, and only to dogs of superior quality (competing in classes/breeds where the CACIB is awarded and may be given, and where the dog has at least three registered generations of ancestors in its studbook). Normally the requirements for CACIB are higher than for the certificate. For Norwegian breeds there is no difference in quality for CAC/CK and CACIB.

12.12 CACIB-J og CACIB-V
CACIB-J and CACIB-V may be awarded to the winner of junior-/veteran competition class that has received a CQ.

13. Dispensation

The NKK General Committee may, in special circumstances make it necessary, exempt from these rules.

14. Violation of the dog show rules

When suspecting a violation of the show rules (cf. point 1), the show manager shall be noticed. A written rapport about the any incidents may be forwarded to NKK within 8 days after the show. Disputes between individuals are irrelevant to the show manager.

15. Ribbon colours

All prizes are marked with the following colours on ribbons or cards:

Excellent	= red
Very Good	= blue
Good	= yellow
Sufficient	= green
0. prize	= grey
KIP (CNBJ)	= brown
Champion quality (CK)	= pink
Certificate (cert)	= red/white/blue
Reserve Certificate (Res-Cert)	= light blue
Champion	= red and green
FCI-CACIB	= white
FCI - Reserve CACIB	= orange
Nordic Cert	= black/gold
Reserve Nordic Cert	= white/silver
Best veteran	= grey and pink
Best of breed (BOB)	= red and yellow
Best opposite sex (BOS)	= white and green
Prize of honour	= purple and white
Junior cert	= cerise/grey
Veteran cert	= black/light grey/purple
Junior Nordic cert	= black/gold/light blue
Veteran Nordic cert	= black/gold/purple
Junior CACIB	= light blue/silver/white
Veteran CACIB	= Blue/silver/white

Best in Show (BIS)	= red/white/blue
Best of group (BOG)	= red

The winners of BIS, BOG, CAC, CK, CACIB, Best Veteran, Best Progeny Class and Best Breeding Class shall receive prizes. The organizer is free to submit prizes to other dogs.

The critique is available online when the dogs is judged.

16. Additional demands for participating in working class

Breeds listed in **bold font**, has additional requirements for achieving the CAC (ct. .nr. 11.13).

Group 1: Sheepdogs and Cattle Dogs

Breed	**Demands**
Border Collie	The dog must at least achieve, from 2 different years, 90 points on a herding field trial level 2, before it can be entered to a show.
Australian Kelpie Beauceron Belgian Shepherd Dog Bouvier des Ardennes Bouvier des Flandres Briard Picard Pyrenean Sheepdog German Shepherd	One of the following demands must be achieved: - Promotion from class D to C in a Nordic working dog trial - Passed the NKC`s working ability test - Passed FCI-IGP 1 - Passed FCI-SL1 - Passed FCI-IFH1 (only Australian Kelpie) - Module 2 Norwegian Rescue Dogs (only Australian Kelpie) - Passed FCI Herding Working Test (australian shepherd, belgian shepherds, briard and picard)
Collie; long- and shorthaired	One of the following demands must be achieved: - Promotion from class D to C in a Nordic working dog trial - Passed the NKC`s working ability test - Passed FCI-IGP 1 - Approved (min. 60 of 100 points) at FCI herding working test (HWT)

Group 2: Pincher and Schnauzer- Molossoid Breeds- Swiss Mountain and Cattle dogs

Breed	**Demands**
Boxer Hovawart Riesenschnauzer **Rottweiler**	One of the following demands must be achieved: - promotion from class D to C in a Nordic working dog trial - Passed the NKK`s working ability test - Passed FCI-IGP 1 - Passed FCI-SL 1 - Passed SL1 (only Rottweiler) - Passed module 2 Norwegian Rescue Dogs (only Rottweiler)
Dobermann	One of the following demands must be achieved: - promotion from class D to C in a Nordic working dog trial - Passed the NKK`s working ability test - Passed FCI-SL1 - Passed FCI-IFH1 Passed module 2 from Norwegian Rescue Dogs

Landseer Leonberger Newfoundland Dog	A minimum score of 100 points at a working water trial for Newfoundland Dogs.

Group 3: Terriers

Breed	**Demands**
Border Terrier Fox Terrier Jack Russell Terrier Parson Russell Terrier Welsh Terrier Lakeland Terrier	Minimum 3rd prize on a Nordic Earth Dog Trial Approved hunting ability (wild game) in one of the Nordic countries 2. prize blood tracking test At least 7 points at game tracking test
German Hunting Terrier	Approved working ability test for German hunting terrier, as an alternative up until 31.12.2027 – 2. prize on a Nordic earth dog trial.

Group 4: Dachshunds

Breed	**Demands**
Whole group	Minimum 3rd prize on a Nordic Earth Dog Trial or a Nordic drev-trial, or Minimum 3rd prize on a Nordic blood-tracking trial.

Group 5: Spitz and Primitive types

Breed	**Demands**
Finnish Spitz **Norrbottenspitz**	Minimum 3rd prize on a Nordic field trial for barking gun dog (halsende fuglehund).
East Siberian Laika **Hälleforshund** **Jämthund** **Karelian Bear dog** **Norwegian Elkhound grey** **Norwegian Elkhound black** **Russian European Laika** **Swedish White Elkhound** **West Siberian Laika**	Minimum 3rd prize on a Nordic elkhound-trial
Alaskan Malamute	Approved at least 1 out of 5 subtests leading to Norwegian Sled Dog Working Champion. (Malamute test 1,2,3,4 or 5)
Samoyed Greenland Dog Yakutian Laika	Minimum one out of three of the following: The dog must achieve a CERT in a Sled Dog working trial The dog must have completed a 1-dog Sled Dog Test The dog must have completed a long-distance Sled Dog Test, A, B, C or D.

	Dog must have completed sled dog for polar breeds trial 2, 3, 4 or 5 (Yakutian Laika)
Siberian Husky	Minimum 3rd prize from Norwegian sled dog trials for polar breeds, or a trial from another Nordic country considered equivalent by the Norwegian Siberian Husky Club.
Cirneco Dell'etna Pharaoh Hound Podenco Canario Podenco Ibicenco Podengo Portugues	A valid Lure coursing License/Racing license. Participation in at least two official LC trials/ Racing events (international or national) over a period of more than 1 year and 1 day, without disqualification. In at least two official LC trials/Racing events, the dog must have placed within the top half of the results list. If the number of participating dogs is uneven, the numbers are rounded up to determine the top half (e.g., with 9 participants, the 5 highest placements count as the top half). The minimum number of dogs participating per breed in Lure coursing is 2 dogs. For Racing, the minimum requirement is 3 dogs starting. Applicable only to Lure Coursing: The dog must have achieved at least 75% of the maximum number of points as specified under §3.10 in the FCI regulations for Lure Coursing.

Group 6: Scenthounds and Related Breeds

Breed	**Demands**
Beagle **Drever** **Dunker** **All Scent Hounds /støvere** (except Slovakian Hound) Other Hounds/støvere	Minimum 3rd prize on a Nordic hunting field trial for hounds. The working trial must be on either hare, deer, roe deer or fox.
Basset Artesien Normand Basset Bleu de Gascogne Basset Fauve de Bretagne Basset hound Grand basset Griffon Vendeen Petit basset Griffon Vendeen	Minimum 3rd prize on a drev- trial for bassets
Bavarian Mountain Scent Hound **Hanoverian Scent Hound**	Approved prize on a working trial for Schweiss hounds (min. points 4-4-4-4) or 1. Prize in elite class in Sweden
Bloodhound	Minimum 3rd prize on a working trial for Bloodhounds
Rhodesian Ridgeback	Minimum 2nd prize Nordic blood-tracking trial or approved game tracking trial

Group 7: Pointing Dogs

Breed	Demands
Breton **English setter** **Gordon Setter** **Large Münsterlander** **Small Münsterlander** **Irish Red and White Setter** **Irish Red Setter** **Pointer** **Hungarian Vizsla** **German Pointing Dog** **Wirehaired Slovakian Pointer** **Weimaraner** Other Pointing Dogs	Minimum 3rd prize on one of the following trails, national or international: -mountain hunting trial -lowland hunting trial -woodland hunting trial

Group 8: Retrievers- Flushing Dogs-Water Dogs

Breed	Demands
American Water Spaniel Clumber Spaniel Cocker Spaniel English Springer Spaniel Field Spaniel Irish Water Spaniel Sussex Spaniel Welsh springer Spaniel	Approved hunting-ability trial for Flushing Dogs
Chesapeake Bay Retriever Curly Coated Retriever Flat Coated Retriever Golden Retriever Labrador Retriever Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever	Minimum 3rd prize on a working field trial for Retrievers Results from tolling test TJP qualifies for entry in working class, N CH and CIB (only Nova scotia duck tolling retriever)
German Spaniel/Deutscher Wachtelhund	Minimum 3rd prize on a national breed specific trial or 3rd prize on a Norwegian field trial for spaniels

Group 10: Sighthounds

Breed	Demands
Afghan Hound Azawakh Borzoi Greyhound Irish Wolfhound Italian Greyhound Polish Greyhound	Valid LC/Racing license, and participation in at least two official LC trials/Racing events (international or national) over a period of more than 1 year and 1 day, without disqualification. A valid Lure coursing License/Racing license. Participation in at least two official LC trials/ Racing events (international or national) over a period of more

Saluki Deerhound Sloughi Spanish Greyhound Hungarian Greyhound Whippet	than 1 year and 1 day, without disqualification. In at least two official LC trials/Racing events, the dog must have placed within the top half of the results list. If the number of dogs participating is uneven, the numbers are rounded up to determine the top half (e.g., with 9 participants, the 5 highest placements count as the top half). The minimum number of dogs participating is 2. For Racing, the minimum requirement is 3 dogs starting. Applicable only to Lure Coursing: The dog must have achieved at least 75% of the maximum number of points as specified under §3.10 in the FCI regulations for Lure Coursing.
Irish Wolfhound	Approved lure coursing licence, and completed at least three trials, with one international (CACIL) trial; with at least 366 days between the first and the last race. The dog must also have achieved at least 67 points (CAC-quality) in the three qualifying races.

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