**SPECIMEN GENERAL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW SCHEDULE**

This document is issued by The Kennel Club as a guide for Show Secretaries and their printers. All schedules for this type of show must be compiled in accordance with the layout indicated, and the Rules and Regulations must be included as indicated.

Please note that throughout this document all instructions and/or advice notes are shown in ***bold italic typeface***. Amendments from the previous edition are shown in **bold red typeface**.

For the convenience of the show secretaries when revising previous schedules, paragraphs from the previous specimen schedule which is no longer required to be included is shown in **red and strikethrough**.

**The Specimen Schedule and Entry Form were updated in December 2024 with effect for shows on or after 01 January 2025.**

This document is updated on a regular basis to take into account any relevant changes to regulations etc. Please ensure that you have the latest copy which can be obtained on The Kennel Club website thekennelclub.org.uk/dogshowingsecretary or by contacting The Kennel Club on 01296 318540 or by email to **breedshows@thekennelclub.org.uk.**

**Societies must include in the schedule any particular measures or conditions that competitors need to be aware of prior to the event.**

## **SPECIMEN SCHEDULE**

(NOTE: Instructions/Advice Notes are shown in ***bold italic type face***)

# NAME OF SHOW SOCIETY

# SCHEDULE OF BENCHED/UNBENCHED

## GENERAL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

(held under Kennel Club Limited Rules and Regulations on Group System of Judging)

### SHOW VENUE (inc. Post Code)

### DATE OF SHOW

***(Relevant statement on the docking of dogs for the show’s location and status, see Annex A to schedule).***

***(Any additional title for which prior permission has been given by the Board of The Kennel Club)***

Jurisdiction and responsibilities

The Officers and Committee members of the society holding the licence are deemed responsible for organising and conducting the show safely and in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of The Kennel Club and agree to abide by and adopt any decision of the Board or any authority to whom the Board may delegate its powers subject to the conditions of Regulation F17.  In so doing those appointed as officers and committee members accept that they are jointly and severally responsible for the organisation of the show and that this is a binding undertaking (vide Kennel Club General Show Regulations F4 and F5).

*All Judges at this show agree to abide by the following statement:*

*“In assessing dogs, judges must penalise any features or exaggerations which they consider would be detrimental to the soundness, health and well being of the dog”.*

ENTRIES CLOSE:- ***THE DATE must be stated and this must be at least 7 days prior to the date of the Show.***

ENTRIES TO BE MADE TO:- **(state to whom)**

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**The following Regulations are mandatory however, instructions applicable to the Show may be added at the end of this section at the discretion of the organising society.**

1. The show will open at ***(time*).**

2. **Either a or b:**

1. Dogs will be received until (state time) and after which no dogs may be received except under exceptional and unforeseen circumstances and by any special permission of the Show Management.
2. Dogs will be received at any time but it is the exhibitor’s responsibility to ensure that exhibits are available for judging when required.

3. Judging will commence at **(*time*).**

4. a. **Either 1 or 2:**

1) Exhibits may be removed at (***state time***).

2) Exhibits may be removed from the show after their judging has been completed.

1. Exhibits may not be removed any earlier unless by written order of the Veterinary Surgeon, Veterinary Practitioner or of the Show Management and then only in very exceptional and unforeseen circumstances which must be reported to The Kennel Club.
2. The show will close half an hour after all judging has been completed by which time dogs must be removed.

5. Amount of entry and other fees, and if applicable details of how entries can be made via the internet

6. **Either a or b:**

1. The amount of prize money on offer at this show is . . .
2. There is no prize money on offer at this show.

7. The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.

8. Puppies under six calendar months of age on the first day of the show are not eligible for exhibition.

9. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the show is forbidden.

10. Best Puppy in Show (if scheduled)

Where a Best Puppy in Show competition is scheduled the Best Puppy in Show is a puppy which has competed and has been declared Best Puppy in Breed, Best Any Variety Not Separately Classified Puppy or Best Any Variety Imported Breed Register Puppy. A puppy is a dog of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show. **The selection of Best in Show may follow the selection of Best Puppy in Show and Best Veteran in Show (if scheduled) respectively.** Where the Best of Breed, Best in Group or Best in Show is a puppy it may, at the discretion of the judge, be awarded Best Puppy in Breed, Best in Group and Best Puppy in Show respectively. Similarly, if the Reserve Best of Breed, Reserve Best of Group or Reserve Best in Show is a puppy which has only been beaten by an adult dog it may, at the discretion of the judge, be Best Puppy in Breed, Best Puppy in Group and Best Puppy in Show respectively.  ~~Consequently, selection of Best Puppy in Breed, Best in Group and Best Puppy in Show must follow the selection of Best of Breed and Best in Show respectively.~~

A. Shows Judged on the Group System - (Definition; Shows judged on Group System - Refer to Regulation F(1)27.b)

1) Best Puppy in Breed

A Best Puppy may be declared in each breed from puppies entered in the breed classes.

 A Best Puppy may be declared from the Any Variety Not Separately classified class(es).

A Best Puppy may be declared from the Any Variety Imported Breed Register class(es).

2) Best Puppy in Group

Best puppy in group and subsequent puppy group placings must be selected from:-

* 1. Those puppies declared Best Puppy in Breed
1. The puppy declared Best Puppy from the Any Variety Not Separately Classified classes in each group

c) The puppy declared Best Puppy from the Any Variety Imported Breed Register classes in each group

3) Best Puppy in Show

Best Puppy in Show must be selected from the Best Puppy in group winners.

1. Shows Not Judged on the Group System

 Best Puppy in Show

 Best Puppy in Show and subsequent placings must be selected from those puppies declared Best Puppy in Breed, the puppy declared Best Puppy from the Any Variety Not Separately Classified classes in each group and the puppy declared Best Puppy from the Any Variety Imported Breed Register classes in each group.

11. Best in Show

The dog declared Best in Show is a dog which has competed and has been declared Best of Breed, Best Any Variety Not Separately Classified or Best Any Variety Imported Breed Register.

A. Shows Judged on the Group System

1) Best of Breed

Where a breed is separately classified a Best of Breed may be declared but only from those dogs which have received a first prize in a breed class at the show. Where separate classes are provided for each sex of a breed a Best of each Sex must be declared.

*NOTE:* The Best of Breed/Best Any Variety Not Separately Classified/ Best Any Variety Imported Breed Register award relevant to a Category 3 Breed will not be confirmed until the dog has passed anexamination by the General and Group Championship Show Veterinary Surgeon.

2) Best of Group

Best of Group and subsequent group placings must be selected from:-

a) The Best of Breed winners in each group

1. The dog declared Best from Any Variety Not Separately Classified classes in each group.
2. The dog declared Best from Any Variety Imported Breed Register class or classes in each group.

*NOTE:* The dog declared Best of Breed/Best Any Variety Not Separately Classified/ Best Any Variety Imported Breed Register from a breed designated by The Kennel Club as a Category 3 Breed is not eligible to compete in the Group competition unless it has passed an examination by the Show’s Veterinary Surgeon.  If the dog fails to pass the examination it is ineligible to compete in the relevant Group.

3) Best in Show

Best in Show must be selected from the Best of Group winners. Reserve Best in Show must be selected from the remaining Group winners following the selection of Best in Show.

B. Shows Not Judged on the Group System

 Best in Show

 Best in Show and subsequent placings must be selected from:

1. Those dogs declared Best of Breed.
2. The dog declared Best from Any Variety Not Separately Classified classes in each group.
3. The dog declared Best from Any Variety Imported Breeds Register class or classes in each group.

12. Exhibits will not be admitted to Best in Show competition after a period of ten minutes has elapsed since the announcement that exhibits are required for judging, unless they have been unavoidably delayed by previous judging not being completed on time, and then only with the special permission of the Show Management.

13. Exhibitors must not pick up dogs by their tails and leads when lifting them nor handle a dog in a manner which causes its feet not to touch the ground when on the move. This is not acceptable. Exhibitors should note that such practice would constitute harsh handling and reports of such practice will be referred to the Committee under Kennel Club Show Regulation F11.

14. All exhibitors must be familiar with Kennel Club Regulation F (Annex B) Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition.

15. All dogs resident outside the UK must be issued with a Kennel Club Authority to Compete number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.

16. DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS.

*Show Schedule Notice to be reproduced (See Annex A to Schedule).*

17. Anyone whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met, and should not put a dog’s health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. Breach of The Kennel Club Regulations in this respect may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any show licensed by The Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the show.

18. Not for Competition: Either a or b:

1. Not for Competition entries will be accepted. Details of each dog so entered must be recorded on the entry form and must be Kennel Club registered or
2. Not for Competition entries not accepted.

19. No modifications will be made to this schedule except by permission of the Board of The Kennel Club, which will be followed by advertisement in the Canine Press wherever possible.

20.    **An exhibitor or competitor should ensure that contact details for any handler are available and must be provided upon request in any investigation of a breach of this regulation by such handler.**

## **DEFINITIONS OF CLASSES**

In the following definitions, a Challenge Certificate includes any Show award that counts towards the title of Champion under the Rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club.

Wins at Championship Shows in breed classes where Challenge Certificates are not on offer shall be counted as wins at Open Shows.

In the case of a dog owned in partnership and entered in Members' classes or competing for Members' Specials each partner must at the time of entry be a member of the Society.

In estimating the number of awards won, all wins up to and including the seventh day before the date shall be counted when entering for any class i.e. ***(date)****.*

Wins in Variety classes do not count for entry in Breed classes but when entering in Variety classes, wins in both Breed and Variety classes must be counted. First prizes awarded in any classes defined as Special do not count towards eligibility.

 If an exhibitor reports before the judging of a class or classes that a dog has been entered which is ineligible, the exhibitor may choose one of the following options:-

(1) Withdrawal

The dog may be withdrawn from competition subject to the conditions of Regulation F(1)19.

(2) Transfer

a. If a dog is ineligible for a class or classes as regards its breed, colour, sex, weight or height the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the equivalent class or classes for the correct breed, colour, sex, weight or height or, in the event of there being no equivalent class, Minor Puppy and Puppy excepted, to the Open class for the correct breed, colour, sex, weight or height.

b. For an exhibit entered incorrectly in a Minor Puppy class, Puppy class or Junior Class, which is over age but under twelve calendar months of age, eighteen calendar months of age or 24 calendar months of age respectively, the Show Secretary shall transfer the exhibit to the Puppy class, Junior class or Yearling Class respectively for the correct breed, colour, sex, weight or height and in the event of there being no Puppy, Junior or Yearling Class to the Open class for the correct breed, colour, sex, weight or height.

c. For any reason other than the above, the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the Open class for the correct breed, colour, sex, weight or height.

d. If an exhibit arrives late and misses a class, even if it is the only class in which the dog is entered, the dog may not be transferred to any other class.

**THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS TO BE INCLUDED AS APPLICABLE TO THE SCHEDULING OF CLASSES**

MINOR PUPPY For dogs of six and not exceeding nine calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

PUPPY For dogs of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

JUNIOR For dogs of six and not exceeding eighteen calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

YEARLING For dogs of twelve and not exceeding twenty-four calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

BEGINNERS For owner, handler or exhibit not having won a first prize at a Championship or Open Show.

MAIDEN For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or a First Prize at an Open or Championship show (Minor Puppy, Special Minor Puppy, Puppy and Special Puppy classes excepted, whether restricted or not).

NOVICE For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or three or more First Prizes at Open and Championship Shows (Minor Puppy, Special Minor Puppy, Puppy and Special Puppy classes excepted, whether restricted or not).

TYRO For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or five or more First Prizes at Open and Championship Shows (Minor Puppy, Special Minor Puppy, Puppy and Special Puppy classes excepted, whether restricted or not).

DEBUTANT For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or a First Prize at a Championship Show where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed (Minor Puppy, Special Minor Puppy, Puppy and Special Puppy classes excepted, whether restricted or not).

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| UNDERGRADUATE | For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or three or more First Prizes at Championship Shows **in Undergraduate, Graduate, Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit or Open Classes whether restricted or not** where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed. ~~(Minor Puppy, Special Minor Puppy, Puppy and Special Puppy classes excepted, whether restricted or not).~~ |

GRADUATE For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or four or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Graduate, Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

POST GRADUATE For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or five or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

MINOR LIMIT For dogs which have not won two Challenge Certificates/CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or Three or more First Prizes in all at Championship Shows in Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, confined to the breed, whether restricted or not at Shows where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

MID LIMIT For dogs which have not become show Champions under Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club, or won 3 or more CC/CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or won 5 or more First Prizes in all at Championship Shows in Mid Limit, Limit or Open classes, confined to the breed, whether restricted or not, at Shows where CCs were offered for the breed.

LIMIT For dogs which have not become show Champions under Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club, or won 3 or more CC/CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or won 7 or more First Prizes in all at Championship Shows in Limit or Open Classes, confined to the breed, whether restricted or not, at Shows where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

OPEN For all dogs of the breeds for which the class is provided and eligible for entry at the Show.

VETERAN For dogs of not less than seven years of age on the first day of the Show.

CHAMPION For dogs which have been confirmed a Champion or Show Champion under Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club.

RARE BREEDS Confined to those breeds not granted Challenge Certificates in the current year, with the exception of those breeds whose registration is confined to the Imported Breed Register.

FIELD TRIAL For dogs which have won prizes, Diplomas of Merit or Certificates of Merit in actual competition at a Field Trial held under Kennel Club or Irish Kennel Club Field Trial Regulations.

WORKING TRIAL For dogs which have won prizes in competition at a Bloodhound Working Trial and Kennel Club licensed Working Trials, held under Kennel Club Regulations.

STUD DOG For stud dogs and at least two progeny of which only the progeny must be entered and exhibited in a breed class at the Show.

BROOD BITCH For Brood Bitches and at least two progeny of which only the progeny must be entered and exhibited in a breed class at the Show.

PROGENY For a dog or bitch, accompanied by at least three of it's registered progeny. The dog or bitch not necessarily entered in another class however, all progeny having been entered and exhibited in another class. The dog or bitch and the progeny need not be registered in the same ownership.

BRACE For two exhibits (either sex or mixed) of one breed belonging to the same exhibitor, each exhibit having been entered in some class other than Brace or Team.

TEAM For three or more exhibits (either sex or mixed) of one breed belonging to the same exhibitor, each exhibitor having been entered in some class other than Brace or Team.

BREEDERS For dogs bred by the exhibitor.

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| IMPORTEDBREEDREGISTER | For breeds confined to the Imported Breeds Register and only when an Interim Breed Standard has been published by The Kennel Club. Such breeds may be exhibited in this class with the Best Imported Register / Best Imported Register Puppy being eligible for Best in Group / Best Puppy in Group or Best in Show / Best Puppy in Show as relevant. Such breeds may be entered into Imported Breed Register classes and/or Any Variety or Stakes classes, with the exception of AVNSC classes, for which they are not eligible. |

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| ANY VARIETYNOT SEPARATELYCLASSIFIED  | For breeds of dog for which no separate breed classes are scheduled. These classes are not open to breeds which are listed on the Imported Breed Register. |
| ANY VARIETY A | A Variety Class is one in which more than one breed or variety of a breed with a breed standard can compete. |
| YKC STAKES | For Any Variety dog or bitch exhibited and handled by a fully paid up member of the Young Kennel Club. The dog should be registered either:-a. Solely or jointly in the member’s name, orb. In the name of a member of the family and under these circumstances the dog must be resident at the YKC member’s address. |
| GOOD CITIZENDOG SCHEMECLASS | For dogs that have achieved their GCDS Bronze Award Certificate or above. |
| SPECIALBEGINNERS | For owner, handler or exhibit not having won a Challenge Certificate or Reserve Challenge Certificate, or for those breeds not allocated Championship Status, Best of Sex or Reserve Best of Sex at a Championship Show. |
| ADVISORY NOTICENOT FORCOMPETITION | Societies may at their discretion, accept Not for Competition entries. Societies may accept such entries from breeds of dog not included within the title of the Society and at Shows held over more than one day, such entries may be accepted on any day from any breed. |

## **CLASSIFICATION PAGES**

GROUP TITLE (e.g. **HOUND GROUP**)

BREED NAME

(Name of Kennel Club approved Judge) (Name of Kennel Club approved Judge)

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CHALLENGE CERTIFICATE – DOG CHALLENGE CERTIFICATE – BITCH

**(List classes scheduled for each breed)**

**(Above repeated as relevant to classification):**

**Instructions for preparing classification:- Reference F Annex A.**

1. A minimum of eight classes must be scheduled for breeds for which Challenge Certificates are on offer, including an Open and Limit class for each sex.

2. For breeds without Challenge Certificates on offer, an Open class must be scheduled for each separately classified breed.

3. Where a breed is separately classified a Best of Breed may be declared but only from those dogs which have received a first prize in a breed class at the show. Where separate classes are provided for each sex of a breed a Best of each Sex must be declared.

4. The Best of Breed/Best Any Variety Not Separately Classified/ Best Any Variety Imported Breed Register award relevant to a Category 3 Breed cannot be confirmed until the dog has passed an examination by your show’s Veterinary Surgeon.

5. Where there is an award for Best Puppy in Breed the winner may be selected frompuppies entered in the breed, Any Variety Not Separately Classified and Imported Breed Register classes.

6. All classes scheduled must be defined in the Schedule.

7. A class scheduled with a definition other than those defined in Kennel Club Definitions of classes must have the word "Special" preceding the name of the class and the definition of the class must be included within the Definitions of Classes.

8. No class may be scheduled with a definition/condition of entry which falls outside Kennel Club Regulations unless specific permission has been obtained from the Committee of The Kennel Club.

9. The name(s) of the Judge(s) for breeds without Challenge Certificates on offer at the Show must be printed with the respective breed classification.

10. All offers of sponsorship or donation must be included with the names of the sponsors.

11. At least one Any Variety Not Separately Classified class must be scheduled per group unless a class for every breed eligible for classification is provided.

12. At least one Any Variety Imported Breed Register Class must be scheduled per group.

13. Where an Any Variety Not Separately Classified Class(es) is (are) scheduled the Best Any Variety Not Separately Classified must be selected from the Any Variety Not Separately Classified Classes. Where separate Any Variety Not Separately Classified classes are provided for each sex, the Best Any Variety Not Separately Classified must be selected from those dogs declared Best of each Sex.

14. The Best Any Variety Not Separately Classified Puppy must be selected from the Any Variety Not Separately Classified Classes.

15. The Best Any Variety Imported Breed Register must be selected from the Any Variety Imported Breed Register Classes. Where separate Any Variety Imported Breed Register classes are provided for each sex, the Best Any Variety Imported Breed Register must be selected from those dogs declared Best of each Sex.

16. The Best Any Variety Imported Breed Register Puppy must be selected from the Any Variety Imported Breed Register Classes.

17. Names of Kennel Club approved Judges of group/Best in Show.

 18. If Miniature Dachshunds are to be weighed then a notice informing exhibitors of such must be included at the beginning of the relevant breed classification.

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## **ENTRY FORM**

**Kennel Club Regulation F (Annex B) Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition must be printed either in the schedule or on the back of the entry form.**

**The Dogs in Vehicles on Hot Days notice must be printed on the entry form, this can be printed on the back of the entry form. (See Annex A to schedule for notice)**

**An entry form, the wording of which must be in accordance with that approved for the time being by The Kennel Club must be included within the schedule.**

**It is advised that the Use of Electrical Equipment at Shows and Security at Shows notice (See Annex A to schedule for notice) are printed in the schedule however this is not mandatory.**

**The following statement regarding the safeguarding of young handlers must be printed on all entry forms:**

**‘*Children under the age of 11 are the responsibility of, and must be accompanied at all times by, a Parent or Guardian.’***

A specimen of the standard entry form is attached.

## **SPECIMEN SCHEDULE - ANNEX A**

# **Docking Statements**

Annex to specimen schedules & cross refer to front page of schedule. Also repeat relevant statement on the show entry form above the declaration box.

For shows held in England where the public are admitted on payment of a fee. The following statement to be included on the front outside cover or title page, **“A dog docked on or after the 6 April 2007 may not be entered for exhibition at this show.”**

For shows held in Wales where the public are admitted on payment of a fee. The following statement to be included on the front outside cover or title page,

**“A dog docked on or after the 28 March 2007 may not be entered for exhibition at this show.”**

For shows held in England and Wales that do not charge the public for admittance and for all shows in Scotland and Northern Ireland. The following statement to be included on the front outside over or title page, “**Only undocked dogs and legally docked dogs may be entered for exhibition at this show.”**

For shows held in Northern Ireland where the public are admitted on payment of a fee. The following statement to be included on the front outside cover or title page, **“A dog which had its tail docked on or after 1 January 2013 cannot be shown at events where the exhibitor pays a fee or members of the public pay an admittance fee.”**

Best Veteran in Show

***Where a Best Veteran in Show Competition will be held clear eligibility criteria must be included in the schedule.***

# **DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS**

## **Show Schedule Notice**

Your dog is vulnerable and at risk during hot weather and The Kennel Club offers the following guidance to help guide you through the do’s and don’ts travelling to and whilst at Kennel Club licensed events.

* When travelling to a show please take a moment to consider whether the route to the show is on a busy holiday route, and leave earlier to avoid increased time in traffic jams.
* If your vehicle is not air-conditioned seriously consider whether travelling to the show is a good idea at all.
* The vehicle should be as fully ventilated as possible, and plenty of stops should be taken, with lots of water available to drink.
* Ensure your dog is not sitting in full sunlight. There should be plenty of free flowing air around the dog.
* When at the show, never leave your dog in the vehicle.
* Keep the dog in the shade – take your own shade for example a large umbrella and always have plenty of water available to drink so your dog stays well hydrated.
* Avoid your dog taking part in unnecessary exertion, or from standing in exposed sunlight for extended lengths of time.

Remember, if you feel hot your dog is very likely to feel much hotter and dehydrated, and this could lead to dire results. Please look after your dog’s welfare.

WARNING: IF YOUR DOG IS FOUND TO BE AT RISK FORCIBLE ENTRY TO YOUR VEHICLE MAY BE NECESSARY WITHOUT LIABILILTY FOR ANY DAMAGE CAUSED.

**SPECIMEN SCHEDULE – ANNEX A (*Contd)***

## **Entry Form Notice**

***This notice must be printed on the entry form and can be printed on the back of the entry form.***

**Your dog is vulnerable and AT RISK if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and even on days considered as slightly warm. Please take care of your dog.**

**If your dog is found to be at risk forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused.**

Use of Electrical Equipment at Shows

The Kennel Club is becoming increasingly concerned at the amount of electrical equipment being used by exhibitors at shows, including hair dryers and hair straighteners and other grooming devices.

Electrical equipment should not be brought to shows unless absolutely necessary. In rare instances where it might be required, it should be PAT tested and permission sought from the secretary of the show before it is used.

The Kennel Club has also been informed of recent instances of exhibitors commandeering certain areas of a venue in order to have access to power points so as to use electrical grooming equipment. This is totally unacceptable and particularly unfair on the breeds whose allocated areas have been cramped because of this selfish behaviour.

Security at shows

In light of recent events The Kennel Club would like to issue a reminder to all Societies of the importance of security at dog shows.

The Kennel Club understands that due to the nature of dog shows and the quantity of paraphernalia exhibitors bring it would be extremely difficult for show organisers to take on the issue of security alone, therefore we would reiterate the advice being given by the Police and security services, that everyone in the UK should remain vigilant and this applies to those organising and taking part in dog shows.

The importance of exhibitors feeling that they and their dogs are safe when attending a show cannot be underestimated. We would therefore remind you of the importance of the need for show organisers and exhibitors to remain mindful of potential dangers and that all visitors generally need to be vigilant and alert.

Furthermore the society should provide robust notification informing exhibitors of where to report to should they see anything suspicious or of concern, and of the evacuation procedures in place.

**SPECIMEN SCHEDULE – ANNEX B**

Advisory Notes – Additional Rules and Regulations

1. Should any judge be prevented from fulfilling their engagement, the Committee reserves to themselves the right of appointing other judges to fulfil their duties. Exhibitors are at liberty to withdraw from competition but no entry fees can be refunded.
2. Any owner, competitor or other person in charge of a dog is required to remove as soon as possible any fouling caused by their dog(s) at any Kennel Club licensed venue and within the environs of that event including car and caravan parks and approaches. Adequate receptacles for the disposal of such fouling will be provided.
3. The Committee will do its utmost to ensure the safety of the dogs brought for exhibition but it must be clearly understood by exhibitors and all other persons at the Show that the Committee will not be responsible for the loss or damage to any dogs or property, or personal injury whether arising from accident or any other cause whatsoever.
4. An announcement prior to the date of closing of entries in Our Dogs of any alteration or addition made by the Committee to the schedule or in these Rules shall be sufficient notice thereof.
5. All children must be kept under control and parents will be held responsible for any damage caused and charges incurred.
6. Please do not obstruct gangways with cages, pens, grooming tables, trolleys and dogs. Storage space will be made available for trolleys/ cages.
7. If in the opinion of the Show Secretary, Show Manager or Judge any dog is considered not in a fit state for exhibition owing to a disease, savage disposition, or any other cause, the dog may be excluded or removed from the show the dog must not be brought into the Show at any time under any circumstances. No animal other than an exhibit duly entered at the show will be allowed within the precincts of the show during its continuance.
8. The owner, exhibitor, handler or other person in charge of a dog at a Kennel Club licensed event must at all times ensure that the dog is kept under proper control whilst at the licensed venue, including its environs, car and caravan parks and approaches. This regulation applies before (at any time during the set up period at the venue), during the event and afterwards (at any time during the breakdown of the event)
9. A dog may be disqualified by the Board from any award, whether an objection has been lodged or not, if proved amongst other things to have been a) registered or recorded as having been bred by the scheduled judge, this shall not apply to a judge appointed in an emergency; b) exhibited without payment of the appropriate entry fees.
10. Every exhibitor shall ensure that whilst the dog is being exhibited, its handler shall display the correct ring number.

Kennel Club Specimen Entry Form – (state category)

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| **MANDATORY SHOW DETAILS INCLUDING NAME OF SOCIETY,** **STATUS OF THE SHOW PLUS VENUE AND DATE****TOGETHER WITH A STATEMENT THAT****THE SHOW WILL BE HELD UNDER****KENNEL CLUB LIMITED RULES AND REGULATIONS** | **THE DATE OF ENTRIES CLOSING MUST BE STATED****TOGETHER WITH FULL DETAILS OF ENTRY FEES****AND ANY OTHER FEES APPLICABLE TO THE SHOW.*****It is advisable to include a statement that******“On no account will entries be accepted without fees”.*** |
| **INSTRUCTIONS** This form must be used by one person only (or partnership). Writing MUST BE IN INK OR INDELIBLE PENCIL. Use one line only for each dog. The name of the dog and all the details as recorded with The Kennel Club must be given on this entry form. If an error is made the dog may be disqualified by the Committee of The Kennel Club. All dogs must be REGISTERED at The Kennel Club in the name of the exhibitor. If the registration or transfer of ownership has not been confirmed it must be applied for before the closing date of entries. In case of dispute proof of postage of such applications may be required by The Kennel Club. Puppies under 6 months of age on the first day of the Show cannot be entered for competition. On no account will entries be accepted without fees. If a dog is in the process of Registration or Transfer at the time entry is made, add the letters NAF or TAF as appropriate after it’s name. Please put classes in numerical order and USE BLOCK CAPITALS throughout when completing this entry form. The Kennel Club Authority to Compete number **(for dogs registered and resident outside the UK)** must be stated or the entry will be returned. PLEASE CHECK ALL DETAILS BEFORE POSTING. |
| REGISTERED NAME OF DOG(and ATC Number if applicable) | BREED | SEXD or B | Full Dateof Birth | BREEDER | SIRE | DAM | To be enteredin Classes |
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| **Relevant statement on the docking of dogs, depending on location and status of the show (See Annex A to schedule).** | **In the case of joint registered ownership the name of every owner must be given here**Name**(s)** …………………………………………..………………………………………………………………………………..Address …..…….……………………………..…………….…………………………………………………….…………….……………………………………………………………………..………………………………………………….…………….…Postcode …..……………… Phone No. ………………Your address will appear in the catalogue. Tick to object to publication. See our Privacy Notice for more information.The Privacy Notice sets out how we keep your data safely and compliantly.ENTRIES AND FEES WHICH MUST BE PREPAID TO BE SENT TO:***NAME AND FULL POSTAL ADDRESS OF SHOW SECRETARY INCLUDING POST CODE AND, IF APPLICABLE, A TELEPHONE CONTACT NUMBER*** |
| **DECLARATION**I/We agree to submit to and be bound by Kennel Club Limited Rules & Regulations in their present form or as they may be amended from time to time in relation to all canine matters with which The Kennel Club is concerned and that this entry is made upon the basis that all current single or joint registered owners of this dog(s) have authorised/consented to this entry. I/We also undertake to abide by the Regulations of this Show and not to bring to the Show any dog which has contracted or been knowingly exposed to any infectious or contagious disease during the 21 days prior to the Show, or which is suffering from a visible condition which adversely affects its health or welfare or to bring any dog which has been prepared for exhibition contrary to Kennel Club Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition F (Annex B). I/We agree without reservation that any Veterinary Surgeon operating on any of my/our dogs in such a way that the operation alters the natural conformation of the dog or part thereof may report such operations to The Kennel Club. I/We declare that where any alteration has been made to the natural conformation of the dog(s) the relevant permission to show has been granted by The Kennel Club.I/We further declare that I believe to the best of my knowledge that the dogs are not liable to disqualification under Kennel Club Show Regulations. I/We also confirm that I/we understand the eligibility of the classes entered.Usual Signature of Owner(s) ………….....................................……..................................... Date ............................**NOTE: Dogs entered in breach of Kennel Club Show Regulations are liable to disqualification whether or not the owner was aware of the breach**.NOTE: Children under the age of 11 are the responsibility of and must be accompanied at all times by a Parent or Guardian. |