

# **EVENT SANCTIONING, SHOW OPERATIONS & CHAMPIONSHIP SYSTEM**

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## SECTION 1 – PURPOSE

### 1.1 Purpose

This manual establishes the official rules governing CUKC-sanctioned events, conformation shows, performance events, championship titles, judging programs, and show operations.

### 1.2 Objectives

The purpose of this system is to:

- Ensure fair and professional competition.
- Promote breed excellence.
- Encourage canine sportsmanship.
- Maintain consistent event administration.
- Provide a structured pathway for earning titles and championships.

### 1.3 Authority

CUKC reserves full authority to license, regulate, supervise, sanction, review, and discipline all sanctioned events and participants.

## SECTION 2 – EVENT SANCTIONING

### 2.1 Approval Required

All events conducted under the name, authority, or recognition of CUKC must receive prior written sanction.

### 2.2 Application Deadline

Applications for event sanctioning shall be submitted at least sixty (60) days before the proposed event date.

### 2.3 Requirements

Applications shall include:

- Completed event application
- Payment of applicable fees
- Appointment of qualified judges
- Compliance with venue requirements
- Compliance with welfare and safety standards

### 2.4 Approval

CUKC reserves the right to approve, deny, suspend, or revoke event sanctioning applications.

## SECTION 3 – TYPES OF EVENTS

CUKC may sanction:

- Conformation Shows
- Obedience Trials
- Rally Obedience Events
- Agility Trials
- Junior Handling Competitions
- Specialty Breed Shows
- Working Dog Events
- Performance Events
- Educational Events
- Other approved canine activities

## SECTION 4 – SHOW CLASS STRUCTURE

### 4.1 Conformation Classes

Classes may include:

- Puppy Class
- Junior Class
- Intermediate Class
- Open Class
- Champion Class
- Veteran Class

### 4.2 Additional Classes

CUKC may establish additional classes as needed.

### 4.3 Mixed Breeds

Mixed breeds shall compete in separate classes or programs unless otherwise authorized by CUKC.

## SECTION 5 – CHAMPIONSHIP POINT SYSTEM

### 5.1 General

Championship points shall be awarded according to the official CUKC Championship Point Schedule.

### 5.2 Champion Title

A dog must earn a minimum of one hundred (100) championship points to qualify for the title of Champion (CH).

### 5.3 Major Wins

A dog must earn at least two (2) major wins under different licensed judges.

### 5.4 Additional Requirements

CUKC may establish additional championship requirements through published regulations and point schedules.

## SECTION 6 – TITLES & AWARDS

### 6.1 Conformation Titles

CUKC may award:

- Champion (CH)
- Grand Champion (GCH)
- Caribbean International Champion (CICH)

### 6.2 Performance Titles

CUKC may award:

- Companion Dog (CD)
- Companion Dog Excellent (CDX)
- Utility Dog (UD)
- Rally Titles
- Agility Titles
- Working Dog Titles
- Other approved titles

### 6.3 Certificates

Official title certificates may be issued for recognized achievements.

## SECTION 7 – JUDGE AUTHORITY & RESPONSIBILITIES

### 7.1 Eligibility

Only licensed CUKC judges or approved guest judges may officiate at sanctioned events.

### 7.2 Responsibilities

Judges shall:

- Apply breed standards fairly.
- Maintain professionalism.
- Avoid conflicts of interest.
- Conduct evaluations impartially.
- Submit required documentation and results.

### 7.3 Authority

Judges shall have authority within their assigned ring, class, or event as provided by CUKC regulations.

## SECTION 8 – EVENT OPERATIONS

### 8.1 Organizer Responsibilities

Event organizers shall provide:

- Suitable facilities
- Proper equipment
- Safe event conditions
- Emergency procedures
- Appropriate event personnel

### 8.2 Welfare Standards

The welfare of participating dogs shall remain a priority at all times.

### 8.3 Inspections

CUKC reserves the right to inspect any sanctioned event.

## SECTION 9 – COMPLAINTS, DISPUTES & EVENT REVIEW

### 9.1 Complaints

Any complaint, dispute, or concern arising from a sanctioned event may be submitted to CUKC in writing for review.

### 9.2 Investigations

CUKC may investigate:

- Rule violations
- Misconduct
- Ethical concerns
- Judging irregularities
- Welfare concerns
- Event administration issues

### 9.3 Review Authority

CUKC may review decisions of event committees, judges, or officials where deemed appropriate.

### 9.4 Final Determination

The decision of CUKC shall be final.

## SECTION 10 – DISCIPLINE AT EVENTS

### 10.1 Prohibited Conduct

The following may result in disciplinary action:

- Unsportsmanlike conduct
- Harassment
- Fraud
- Misrepresentation
- Rule violations
- Cruelty or neglect
- Conduct detrimental to CUKC

### 10.2 Sanctions

Sanctions may include:

- Warning
- Removal from event
- Suspension
- Revocation of privileges
- Membership termination
- Additional disciplinary action

## SECTION 11 – JUDGES LICENSING, TRAINING & ACCREDITATION SYSTEM

### 11.1 Program Authority

CUKC shall establish and regulate an official Judges Licensing Program.

### 11.2 Judge Categories

- Provisional Judge
- Licensed Judge
- Senior Judge
- All-Breeds Judge
- Performance Event Judge

### 11.3 Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be at least 21 years old
- Be in good standing with CUKC
- Demonstrate knowledge of breed standards and procedures
- Possess relevant experience

## 11.4 Training Requirements

Applicants shall:

- Complete educational programs
- Pass examinations
- Complete practical evaluations
- Serve any required apprenticeship

## 11.5 License Validity

Judge licenses shall remain valid for three (3) years.

## 11.6 Renewal

Renewal may require continuing education and performance review.

## 11.7 Discipline

CUKC may suspend, restrict, revoke, or refuse judging privileges.

# SECTION 12 – CLUB AFFILIATION, SHOW-GIVING CLUBS & REGIONAL STRUCTURE

## 12.1 Purpose

CUKC may recognize and regulate affiliated clubs.

## 12.2 Club Categories

- All-Breed Clubs
- Specialty Breed Clubs
- Performance Clubs
- Junior Handling Clubs
- Regional Clubs

## 12.3 Affiliation Requirements

Applicants shall:

- Submit an application
- Provide governing documents
- Maintain at least five (5) members
- Maintain at least two (2) officers
- Comply with CUKC requirements

## 12.4 Licensing

Club licenses shall be valid for one (1) year and renewed annually.

## 12.5 Show-Giving Privileges

Affiliated clubs in good standing may apply to conduct sanctioned events.

## 12.6 Regional Structure

CUKC may establish:

- Parish Coordinators
- Regional Directors
- National Event Coordinators
- Other representatives as needed

## 12.7 Disciplinary Authority

CUKC may suspend, restrict, or revoke club recognition for misconduct, noncompliance, fraud, or welfare violations.

## 12.8 Appeals

Appeals shall be submitted within fourteen (14) days of notification and reviewed by CUKC.

