

NEWLY APPROVED BY-LAWS AS OF JULY 24, 2019

INTERPRETATIONS – amended as follows:

“**Rules of Eligibility (ROE)**” means eligibility requirements for registering animals of a breed(s), including the breed distinguishing characteristics and traits. These characteristics and traits shall reflect the physical essence of the breed, be observable and enable reliable, objective assessment of the animals of that breed;

“**breed distinguishing characteristics**” means the characteristics used that distinguish one breed from another;

“**traits**” means the genetically influenced characteristics of a breed, which may include size, coat colour, colour markings, coat texture and length, body, ear shape and placement, tail shape and carriage, feet, unique characteristics, and genetic and observable variabilities;

MEMBERSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION – amended as follows:

7.6 MEMBERSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION

Members shall provide the Club with their postal addresses, telephone numbers and electronic addresses at the time of application. Any subsequent change of contact information shall be provided to the Club within thirty (30) days of such change. **The Club collects and may use this contact information for the purposes of Club business and administration, and may disclose this information to candidates standing for election to the Board for the sole purpose of campaigning before the completion of the election.**

VACANCIES – amended as follows:

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Should a vacancy occur on the Board, the Board may, as long as a quorum exists, appoint a member of the Club to fill the vacancy. The appointee must be a resident of the electoral zone in which the vacancy occurred.

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9.7 VACANCIES

Should a vacancy occur on the Board in a year other than an election year, the Executive Director and the Election Commission shall hold a by-election to fill the vacancy no later than sixty (60) days following the day on which the vacancy occurred. In the event a vacancy occurs during an election year, the Board may, as long as a quorum exists, appoint a member of the Club to fill the vacancy. The appointee must be a resident of the electoral zone in which the vacancy occurred.

FILING OF NOMINATION PAPERS – amended as follows:

12.8 FILING OF NOMINATION PAPERS

12.8.1 The Election Commission must receive completed nomination papers no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 1st day of ~~October~~ September in the election year. Nomination papers received thereafter shall not be considered. Nomination papers must be signed by two (2) members eligible to nominate a candidate and shall be accompanied by:

- (a) The written acceptance of the nomination by the nominee;
- (b) A declaration signed by the nominee attesting that he meets the eligibility requirements set out in Section 12.3;
- (c) A declaration signed by the nominee disclosing whether any circumstance described in Sections 9.6 (a)(ii) and (iii) has applied to the nominee at any time prior to his nomination.

LIST OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS – amended as follows:

12.10 LIST OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS

~~On or before September 15th in the election year,~~ At least fifteen (15) days prior to distributing the ballots the Executive Director shall deliver to the Election Commission, a certified list of members entitled to vote in the upcoming election, in accordance with Section 12.3 herein.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE – amended as follows:

13.1 Registration Committee

- (b) Authority of the Committee

The Registration Committee shall have the following authority:

- (vii) Perform any such duties as may be provided for in these By-laws and Club Policy.

APPEAL COMMITTEE – amended as follows:

13.8 APPEAL COMMITTEE

The Board, at the first regular meeting in the third year of the term of the Board, shall appoint the Appeal Committee and the term of office for such committee shall be for a period of three (3) years or until such later time as the Board appoints a new committee.

The Committee shall consist of ~~five (5)~~ four (4) voting members of the Club, provided however; that no member of the current Discipline Committee or Board of Directors shall be a member, and no former member of the Board of Directors is entitled to be a member for a period of two (2) years immediately following the expiration of his term of office. The Committee shall appoint a Chair from its number. In the event of a vacancy occurring at any time, the Board shall appoint a replacement member at the next regular Board meeting. The duties of the Committee shall be as prescribed in Section 15 of these By-laws.

DISCIPLINE – amended as follows:

15.1 DISCIPLINE

(b) Authority of Committee

Subject at all times to the provisions of the Act, the Discipline Committee shall have the following authority:

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(v) To perform any such duties as may be provided for in these By-laws and Club Policy.

(c) Complaints

Any person, whether a member of the Club or not, shall have the right to lay a complaint with regard to any matter relating to the Club's Objects or activities. Complaints shall be submitted in writing, in the prescribed format, and within such time limits as set out by the Discipline Committee and shall provide sufficient information of the act or omission which form the grounds for the complaint, so as to permit the Committee to properly deal with the issues raised. All information provided to the Committee by either the complainant(s) or the defendant(s) shall be provided to the other party or parties to the complaint. **Information must be filed in such a manner that delivery can be validated. Such information shall, when reasonably possible, be provided either personally or by means of registered or certified mail, or by means of commercial carrier.**

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(g) Evidence at Hearing

The complainant and the defendant shall have the right, should they wish to exercise such right, to be heard in person at any hearing before the Discipline Committee. They may, at their own expense, produce such evidence and witnesses as they may desire and may at their own expense be accompanied by or represented by a person of their choice. Evidence may be presented by the complainant and defendant in the form of writing. Such written evidence must be delivered either personally, by means of registered or certified post, or by means of commercial carrier to the attention of the Chair of the Discipline Committee, care of the Head Office.

REPLACE WITH

(g) Evidence at Hearing

The complainant and the defendant shall have the right, should they wish to exercise such right, to be heard in person at any hearing before the Discipline Committee. They may, at their own expense, produce such evidence and witnesses as they may desire and may at their own expense be accompanied by or represented by a person of their choice. Complainants must file a summary of all evidence, and a list of all proposed witnesses, to the attention of the Chair of the Discipline Committee, care of the Head Office, at least three (3) weeks before the hearing. Defendants must do the same at least one (1) week before the hearing. Complainants and defendants who do not appear in person, may present evidence in written form in which case the same timelines as set forth above apply. Written evidence must be filed in such a manner that delivery can be validated.

APPEAL – amended as follows:

15.2 APPEAL

(c) Notice of Intention to Appeal

Any person wishing to appeal a decision to the Appeal Committee shall notify the Appeal Committee by means of a Notice of Appeal **to the Executive Director within thirty (30) days from the date of notice of the decision of the committee from which the appeal is taken.** ~~Such~~ Notice shall be in the form prescribed by the Appeal Committee and ~~shall must~~ be **filed in such a manner that delivery can be validated.** ~~delivered or mailed by prepaid registered post, to the Executive Director and received within thirty (30) days from the date of notice of the decision of the committee from which the appeal is taken.~~

(d) Statement of Grounds of Appeal

Within thirty (30) days after the reasons for decision by the committee whose decision is being appealed are communicated to the appellant, the appellant shall file a Statement of the Grounds of Appeal in the form prescribed by the Appeal Committee. The Statement shall be filed **in such a manner that delivery can be validated** ~~in the same manner as for the Notice of Appeal~~ and shall provide sufficient information of the grounds for the appeal to permit the Appeal Committee to deal properly with the issues raised. If both the committee's decision and the reasons for its decision are released at the same time, the appellant may combine the Notice of Appeal and the Statement of Grounds of Appeal in one document entitled Notice and Grounds of Appeal.

ELIGIBILITY FOR REGISTRATION – amended as follows:

26.1 ELIGIBILITY FOR REGISTRATION

Any dog born in Canada of a litter registered with the Club and any dog registered in any of the foreign stud books or records which are recognized by the Club shall be eligible for registration with the Club, upon application in accordance with these By-laws. In order to ensure continued conformity with breed **distinguishing** characteristics, the owner at birth of a dog of ~~any breed of any of the breeds listed below~~ for which registration is sought, shall certify that both parents of the dog conform ~~with to~~ the breed distinguishing characteristics as developed for that breed. ~~including size, colour and other characteristics. Breed distinguishing characteristics are outlined in the Rules of Eligibility (ROE) as required under the Animal Pedigree Act. The following breeds shall be registered (on a pilot basis) in accordance with the ROE detailed in the Addendum are subject to the foregoing requirement:~~

Retriever (Curly-Coated)
Retriever (Flat-Coated)
Setter (English)
Setter (Gordon)
Setter (Irish)
Setter (Irish Red & White)

RULES OF ELIGIBILITY AND BREED DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS – amended as follows:

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The Board of Directors shall appoint a committee comprised of members in good standing to facilitate the formulation and amendment of Rules of Eligibility (ROE) for the recognized breeds listed in Section 24.1 of these By-laws, as well as those new breeds proposed for recognition in accordance with Section 24.3 of these By-laws. The duties and responsibilities of this committee shall be as defined in Club Policy.

Those interested persons with broad involvement with a breed as defined in Club Policy shall be entitled to contribute to the development of proposed ROE and shall vote to confirm their support for any new or amended ROE for a breed. A majority affirmative vote of the votes cast by such interested persons is required in order to send new or amended ROE to a Special Referendum. If the requisite support is achieved, the Board may order a Special Referendum to include the breed under Section 26.1 of these By-laws.

The Special Referendum ballot will set out the names of the breeds. For reference purposes the breed distinguishing characteristics shall be posted electronically to the CKC website and a printed copy is available upon request. (Note: There are ten (10) traits listed in the Interpretations section of these By-Laws. All ten (10) may not apply to every breed and as a result it is not necessary to include all of the ten (10) for every breed.)

Upon approval by the Minister of the amendments passed by the membership, the name of the breed will be added to the list in Section 26.1 above and the breed distinguishing characteristics will be published in a CKC publication such that it is accessible to all members.

MORE THAN ONE SIRE OR DAM PROHIBITED – amended as follows:

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26.2 MORE THAN ONE SIRE OR DAM PROHIBITED

A basic principal for the Club in pedigree record keeping prohibits acceptance by the Club of any foreign certified three (3) generation pedigree (or export certificate) which reflects the presence of more than one (1) sire or one (1) dam for any particular mating or the presence of unknown unregistered ancestors.

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26.2 MORE THAN ONE SIRE

A basic principle for the Club in pedigree record keeping allows for the acceptance by the Club of any foreign certified three (3) generation pedigree (or export certificate) which reflects the presence of no more than one (1) sire for any particular mating. Under special circumstances, a foreign certified three (3) generation pedigree (or export certificate) which reflects the presence of more than one (1) sire for any particular mating may be entertained by the Registration Committee when accompanied with a DNA profile report on the dogs associated with that particular mating.

NAMES – amended as follows:

28.10 NAMES

The following rules shall apply with respect to the naming of dogs:

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- (c) The name of a dog will not be accepted if containing more than thirty (30) letter spaces or characters, including numeral affix;

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- (c) The registered name of a dog should be limited to thirty-five (35) characters, including spaces and punctuation. An additional fee will be incurred when more than thirty-five (35) characters are chosen to a maximum of fifty (50) characters;

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- (d) Only the owner at 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 (60) days;

REPLACE WITH

- (d) The name of a Canadian born dog that is CKC registered may be changed by the owner(s) up to one (1) year from the date of registration. This change will only be permitted with the written consent of the owner at birth. No change in the registered name will be allowed after the dog has whelped or sired a CKC registered litter or progressed towards any CKC title.

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- (h) The name of a Canadian born dog may not include a word that could be construed as implying that a dog has been granted a CKC recognized title of any kind.

SPECIAL REFERENDUM AMENDMENTS – amended as follows:

35.13 SPECIAL REFERENDUM AMENDMENTS

Notwithstanding anything herein contained, whenever in the opinion of the majority of the Board, early amendment of an existing By-law, or the enactment of a new By-law is considered desirable, the Board shall have the authority to order a Special Referendum ballot. The process of proposing Special Referendum amendments to the membership is as follows:

- (c) In order to be eligible to vote in a Special Referendum, a member must first meet all of the following requirements **at least fifteen (15) days prior to distributing the ballots on the date the Official Voters List is created and again on the date the ballots are mailed:**
- (i) be a member in good standing;
 - (ii) be a resident of Canada;
 - (iii) have completed one (1) year continuous membership in the Club;
 - (iv) have attained the age of nineteen (19) years.

(e) Voting in a Special Referendum shall be open for at least ~~thirty-one (31)~~ thirty (30) days after the ballot was distributed;