

**RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS
SUPERINTENDENTS AND SHOW SECRETARIES
CHAPTER 9, SECTION 11**

(To be voted at the September 10, 2024 Delegate Meeting)
The AKC Board of Directors approves this amendment

<u>Rule (Bylaw or Regulation)</u> (Current)	<u>Proposed</u> (Line In/Line Out)	Comments
<p>CHAPTER 9 SECTION 11.</p> <p><i>Previous portions of this section are unchanged.</i></p> <p>For the purpose of this section, the employees of a Superintendent would include only those individuals who represent the Superintendent or superintending organization at dog shows.</p> <p>Dogs owned wholly or in part by a Superintendent, an individual licensed to superintend events as an employee of the Superintendent, any other employee of the superintendent, any individual with an ownership interest in a superintending organization, or any person residing in the same household as any of the foregoing, shall be ineligible to be entered at any show held thirty days before or after a show which the Superintendent has been approved to manage by The American Kennel Club.</p> <p>Any person acting in the capacity of Superintendent (or Show Secretary where there is no Superintendent) must abide by the eligibility requirements described in Chapter 11, Section 12 of these <i>Rules</i>.</p>	<p>CHAPTER 9 SECTION 11.</p> <p><i>Previous portions of this section are unchanged.</i></p> <p>For the purpose of this section, the employees of a Superintendent would include only those individuals who represent the Superintendent or superintending organization at dog shows.</p> <p>Dogs owned wholly or in part by a Superintendent, an individual licensed to superintend events as an employee of the Superintendent, any other employee of the superintendent, any individual with an ownership interest in a superintending organization, or any person residing in the same household as any of the foregoing, shall be ineligible to be entered at any show held thirty days before or after a show which the Superintendent has been approved to manage by The American Kennel Club.</p> <p>Any person acting in the capacity of Superintendent (or Show Secretary where there is no Superintendent) must abide by the eligibility requirements described in Chapter 11, Section 12 of these <i>Rules</i>.</p>	<p>This amendment was proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee.</p> <p><i>The proposed rule changes to Chapter 9, Section 11 and Chapter 11, Section 12 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows will be read/voted as one amendment.</i></p> <p><i>Deletes “where there is no Superintendent” for greater clarity that Show Secretaries for any event, including one where the services of a Superintendent are also used by the club, must adhere to the eligibility requirements defined by Chapter 11, Section 12 of the Rules.</i></p>

RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS
DOG SHOW ENTRIES, CONDITIONS OF DOGS AFFECTING ELIGIBILITY
CHAPTER 11, SECTION 12

(To be voted at the September 10, 2024 Delegate Meeting)

The AKC Board of Directors approves this amendment

<u>Rule (Bylaw or Regulation)</u> (Current)	<u>Proposed</u> (Line In/Line Out)	Comments
<p>CHAPTER 11 SECTION 12.</p> <p>Any person acting in the capacity of Superintendent (or Show Secretary where there is no Superintendent), at a show, or any person residing in the same household with the Superintendent or Show Secretary shall not exhibit, act as agent or handler at the show, and dogs owned wholly or in part by him or by any person residing in the same household with him shall be ineligible to be entered at that show. The official veterinarian shall not exhibit, act as agent or handler at the show, and the dogs owned wholly or in part by him shall not be eligible to be entered at that show.</p> <p>A Superintendent, an individual licensed to superintend events as an employee of the Superintendent, any other employee of the Superintendent, or any person residing in the same household as any of the foregoing, shall not exhibit or act as agent or handler, at any show held thirty days before or after a show which the Superintendent has been approved to service by The American Kennel Club.</p>	<p>CHAPTER 11 SECTION 12.</p> <p>Any person acting in the capacity of Superintendent (or Show Secretary where there is no Superintendent), at a show, or any person residing in the same household with the Superintendent or Show Secretary shall not exhibit, act as agent or handler at the show, and dogs owned wholly or in part by him or by any person residing in the same household with him shall be ineligible to be entered at that show. The official veterinarian shall not exhibit, act as agent or handler at the show, and the dogs owned wholly or in part by him shall not be eligible to be entered at that show.</p> <p>A Superintendent, an individual licensed to superintend events as an employee of the Superintendent, any other employee of the Superintendent, or any person residing in the same household as any of the foregoing, shall not exhibit or act as agent or handler, at any show held thirty days before or after a show which the Superintendent has been approved to service by The American Kennel Club.</p>	<p>This amendment was proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee.</p> <p><i>The proposed rule changes to Chapter 9, Section 11 and Chapter 11, Section 12 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows will be read/voted as one amendment.</i></p> <p><i>Deletes “where there is no Superintendent” for greater clarity that the eligibility restrictions for Show Secretaries and members of their household apply to any event they service, including one where the services of a Superintendent are also used by the club.</i></p>
<p><i>Remaining portions of this section are unchanged.</i></p>	<p><i>Remaining portions of this section are unchanged.</i></p>	

**RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS
SHOW VETERINARIANS
CHAPTER 10, SECTION 2**

(To be voted at the September 10, 2024 Delegate Meeting)
The AKC Board of Directors approves this amendment

<u>Rule (Bylaw or Regulation)</u> (Current)	<u>Proposed</u> (Line In/Line Out)	Comments
CHAPTER 10 SECTION 2. The Show Veterinarian must be available during show hours to examine any dog that becomes ill or injured at the dog show during show hours. It will be the responsibility of the owner or owner’s agent to transport the dog to the veterinarian and for any cost associated with the dog’s illness or injury. “On call” veterinarians are not required to be present at the event.	CHAPTER 10 SECTION 2. The Show Veterinarian must be available during show hours to examine any dog that becomes ill or injured at the dog show during show hours <u>or referred by the Event Committee for examination</u> . It will be the responsibility of the owner or owner’s agent to transport the dog to the veterinarian and for any cost associated with the dog’s <u>examination</u> , illness, or injury. “On call” veterinarians are not required to be present at the event.	This amendment was proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. <i>The proposed rule changes to Chapter 10, Section 2 and Section 5 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows will be read/voted as one amendment.</i> <i>Adds the obligation for the Show Veterinarian to examine a dog referred by the event committee for examination to those who may become ill or injured at a show.</i> <i>Adds the obligation for any cost associated with the examination of a dog by the Show Veterinarian is to the owner or owner’s agent of the dog.</i>

**RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS
SHOW VETERINARIANS
CHAPTER 10, SECTION 5**

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<u>Rule (Bylaw or Regulation)</u> (Current)	<u>Proposed</u> (Line In/Line Out)	Comments
<p>CHAPTER 10 SECTION 5.</p> <p>The duties of the veterinarians shall be to:</p> <p>(a) Render treatment to dogs in the cases of sickness or injury occurring at the event. The associated expense shall be the responsibility of the owner or agent.</p> <p>(b) Examine dogs at the request of the Event Committee and require removal from competition and the show premises of any dog deemed to endanger the health of said dog or the health of other dogs at the event. If any expenses are incurred in the examination of the dog, it shall be the responsibility of the Event giving club.</p> <p>(c) Provide written reports of such decisions to the Event Committee and superintendent.</p> <p>(d) Provide written advisory opinions to an Event Committee when requested.</p> <p>Show veterinarians are not to be called to treat dogs with non-emergency conditions or with no apparent contagious symptoms. Show veterinarians may request payment from the dog's owner or agent for services rendered.</p>	<p>CHAPTER 10 SECTION 5.</p> <p>The duties of the veterinarians <u>Show Veterinarian</u> shall be to:</p> <p>(a) Render treatment to dogs in the cases of sickness or injury occurring at the event. The associated expense shall be the responsibility of the owner or <u>owner's</u> agent.</p> <p>(b) Examine dogs at the request of the Event Committee and require removal from competition and the show premises of any dog deemed to endanger the health of said dog or the health of other dogs at the event. If any expenses are incurred in the examination of the dog, it shall be the responsibility of the Event giving club. <u>owner or owner's agent of the dog.</u></p> <p>(c) Provide written reports of such decisions to the Event Committee and superintendent.</p> <p>(d) Provide written advisory opinions to an Event Committee when requested.</p> <p>Show <u>Veterinarians</u> are not to be called to treat dogs with non-emergency conditions or with no apparent contagious symptoms. Show <u>Veterinarians</u> may request payment from the dog's owner or agent for services rendered.</p>	<p>This amendment was proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee.</p> <p><i>The proposed rule changes to Chapter 10, Section 2 and Section 5 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows will be read/voted as one amendment.</i></p> <p><i>Replaces veterinarians with Show Veterinarian for consistency.</i></p> <p><i>Deletes requirement for a club to be responsible for any expenses incurred in the examination of a dog it remands to determine if its presence endangers the health of other dogs.</i></p> <p><i>Assigns responsibility for any expenses to the dog's owner or agent.</i></p>

**RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS
PROTESTS AGAINST DOGS
CHAPTER 15, SECTION 1**

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The AKC Board of Directors approves this amendment

<u>Rule (Bylaw or Regulation)</u> (Current)	<u>Proposed</u> (Line In/Line Out)	Comments
CHAPTER 15 SECTION 1. Every exhibitor and handler shall have the right to request a veterinary examination of any dog within a show's premises which is considered to endanger the health of the other dogs in a show. This must be in writing and signed by the person making the request to the event chairman, whose duty it will be to direct the subject dog's owner or agent to take the dog to the show veterinarian if deemed appropriate. <i>Malicious complaints will be considered conduct prejudicial to the sport.</i>	CHAPTER 15 SECTION 1. Every exhibitor and handler shall have the right to request a veterinary examination of any dog within a show's premises which is considered to endanger the health of the other dogs in a show. This must be in writing and signed by the person making the request to the event chairman , whose duty it will be to direct the subject dog's owner or agent to take the dog to the Show Veterinarian if deemed appropriate. <u>Any dog referred by the event chair for examination is excused from further competition at that event or any associated event the same day, the weekend, circuit, or the cluster until the Show Veterinarian examination is completed indicating the dog's presence does not endanger other dogs at the event.</u> <i>Malicious complaints will be considered conduct prejudicial to the sport.</i>	This amendment was proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. <i>Inserts that a dog remanded for examination by an event committee may only return to compete that same day, weekend, circuit, or cluster if the Show Veterinarian has examined the dog and determined its presence does not endanger other dogs.</i>

FIELD TRIAL RULES AND STANDARD PROCEDURE FOR RETRIEVERS
RULES FOR RETRIEVER FIELD TRIALS
CHAPTER 14, SECTION 4

(To be voted at the September 10, 2024 Delegate Meeting)
The AKC Board of Directors approves this amendment

<u>Rule (Bylaw or Regulation)</u> (Current)	<u>Proposed</u> (Line In/Line Out)	Comments
<p>CHAPTER 14 SECTION 4. (2nd paragraph)</p> <p>In any stake carrying championship points the Judges shall impose a system of rotation that will be applicable to all contestants and will take effect immediately following the completion of the first series. Stakes not carrying championship points (Derby and Qualifying) may also implement this rule if the trial giving club opts to do so and has clearly advertised its intention in the trial's premium list. The objective of the rotation is to spread the burden or benefit of running early equitably among the competing dogs. The Judges shall select the particular system of rotation to be used, and the system selected shall be publicly announced by the Judges and/or Marshal before the commencement of the stake to which the rotation will apply. If any dog, by consequence of the rotation, is designated to run first twice in the same stake, at the same field trial, he should be exempt from that obligation. In such an instance, said dog will be passed over and the next number in the callbacks shall be first. For example, if #22 had started a previous series and by some chance came up again to be first on a subsequent series</p>	<p>CHAPTER 14 SECTION 4. (2nd paragraph)</p> <p>In any stake carrying championship points the Judges shall impose a system of rotation that will be applicable to all contestants and will take effect immediately following the completion of the first series. Stakes not carrying championship points (Derby and Qualifying) may also implement this rule if the trial giving club opts to do so and has clearly advertised its intention in the trial's premium list. <u>In all stakes the judges will impose a system of rotation.</u> The objective of the rotation is to spread the burden or benefit of running early equitably among the competing dogs. The Judges shall select the particular system of rotation to be used, and the system selected shall be publicly announced by the Judges and/or Marshal before the commencement of the stake to which the rotation will apply. If any dog, by consequence of the rotation, is designated to run first twice in the same stake, at the same field trial, he should be exempt from that obligation. In such an instance, said dog will be passed over and the next number in the callbacks shall be first. For example, if #22 had started a previous series and by some chance came up again to be</p>	<p>This amendment was proposed by the Retriever Field Trial Advisory Committee.</p> <p><i>This amendment allows for the system of rotation to be standardized across all stakes.</i></p>

Rule (Bylaw or Regulation)
(Current)

in the same stake, at the same field trial, he would be passed over and the next dog in the sequence would be first (#23 or the next number in the callbacks).

Proposed
(Line In/Line Out)

first on a subsequent series in the same stake, at the same field trial, he would be passed over and the next dog in the sequence would be first (#23 or the next number in the callbacks).

Comments

**RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS
CHAMPIONSHIPS
CHAPTER 16, SECTION 2**

(To be read at the September 10, 2024 Delegate Meeting)
The AKC Board of Directors approves this amendment

<u>Rule (Bylaw or Regulation)</u> (Current)	<u>Proposed</u> (Line In/Line Out)	Comments
<p>CHAPTER 16 SECTION 2.</p> <p>A dog which in its breed competition at a show shall have been placed Winners and which also shall have won its group class at the same show shall be awarded championship points figured at the highest point rating of any breed or recognized variety of any breed entered in the show and entitled to winners points in its group, or if it also shall have been designated Best in Show, shall be awarded championship points figured at the highest point rating of any breed or recognized variety or of any breed entered and entitled to winners points in the show.</p> <p>A dog in its breed competition at a show which has placed Winners, and which also has finished second, third, or fourth in its group competition at the same show shall be awarded championship points figured at the highest point rating of any breed or recognized variety of any breed entered in the show and entitled to winners points in its group, exclusive of any breed or variety that placed higher in the group class.</p> <p>The final points to be awarded under this section shall not be in addition to but inclusive of any points previously awarded</p>	<p>CHAPTER 16 SECTION 2.</p> <p>A dog which in its breed competition at a show shall have been placed Winners and which also shall have won its group class at the same show shall be awarded championship points figured at the highest point rating of any breed or recognized variety of any breed entered in the show and entitled to winners points in its group, or if it also shall have been designated Best in Show, shall be awarded championship points figured at the highest point rating of any breed or recognized variety or of any breed entered and entitled to winners points in the show.</p> <p>A dog in its breed competition at a show which has placed Winners, and which also has finished second, third, or fourth in its group competition at the same show shall be awarded championship points figured at the highest point rating of any breed or recognized variety of any breed entered in the show and entitled to winners points in its group, exclusive of any breed or variety that placed higher in the group class.</p> <p><u>A dog in its breed competition at a show which has placed Winners, and which has been awarded Reserve Best in Show at the</u></p>	<p>This amendment was proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee.</p> <p><i>Inserts verbiage to award championship points to a class dog awarded Reserve Best in Show.</i></p> <p><i>Points earned would be based on the highest number of points awarded in any breed from all groups excluding that from which Best in Show advanced.</i></p>

Rule (Bylaw or Regulation)
(Current)

the dog in its breed competition or under the provisions of this section.

Proposed
(Line In/Line Out)

same show shall be awarded championship points figured at the highest point rating of any breed or recognized variety of any breed entered in the show and entitled to winners points in its group, exclusive of the group for which Best in Show was awarded.

The final points to be awarded under this section shall not be in addition to but inclusive of any points previously awarded the dog in its breed competition or under the provisions of this section.

Comments