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Canine Activities

**ADVISORY CRITERIA FOR THE
COMPILATION OF BREED CLUB
JUDGES LISTS
FRAMEWORK DOCUMENT**



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A1 AND A2 LISTS AND A3 LIST BREED SPECIALISTS

1. A1 List

For people who have previously been approved by the Kennel Club to award CCs in the breed, have completed their first appointment and have the support of the **XXX** Council/Club/Society.
(KC Policy)

2. A2 List

For people who fulfil all the requirements for the A3 list, who have been assessed in accordance with Kennel Club requirements and accepted by the Kennel Club for inclusion on an A2 list, and have the support of the **XXX** Council/Club/Society.
(KC Policy)

For Gundog Breed Council/Club/Societies only. To have attended an Open Field Trial or an Open Gundog Test (GWT) for a Gundog Breed in the relevant sub-group.

3. A3 List (Breed Specialists)

Requirements include:

- a. Minimum of seven years judging experience in the breed and have the support of the **XXX** Council/Club/Society.
(KC Policy)
- b. To have judged at **XXX** Breed Club Show(s) and/or **XXX** Breed Club Supported Entry Shows.
(Optional by Club)
- c. To have judged the breed at **XXX** Open Shows or Championship Shows without CCs with an adequate geographical spread.
(Optional by Club)
- d. To have judged a minimum of **XXX** classes.
(Optional by Club)
- e. To have judged a minimum of **XXX** dogs.

A3 LIST BREED SPECIALISTS CONTINUED

(KC Policy – number optional by Club)

- f. To have attended a seminar given by a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer, and passed the relevant examination on Kennel Club Regulations and Judging Procedures.
(KC Policy as of 1.7.2001)
- g. To have attended a seminar given by a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer on Conformation and Movement.
(KC Policy as of 1.7.2001)
- h. To have attended a Points of the Dog Assessment conducted by a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer and passed the assessment.
(KC Policy as of 1.7.2005)
- i. To have attended at least one Breed Specific Seminar run in accordance with the relevant Kennel Club Code of Best Practice and passed an examination and/or assessment where applicable.
(KC Policy as of 1.7.2001)
- j. To have bred and/or owned a minimum of three dogs when they obtained their first entry in the Kennel Club Stud Book (save in exceptional circumstances).
(KC Policy)
- k. To have stewarded at 12 Shows.
(KC Policy)
- l. **For Gundog Breed Council/Club/Societies only.** To attend an Open Field Trial or an Open Gundog Test (GWT) for a Gundog Breed in the relevant sub-group.
(KC Policy as of 01.01.2011)

A3 LIST NON-BREED SPECIALISTS

3a. A3 List (Non-Breed Specialists)

Requirements include:

- a. Minimum of seven years judging experience in any one breed (to include five years in this breed) and have the support of the **XXX** Council/Club/Society.
(KC Policy)
- b. To have judged at **XXX** Breed Club Shows and/or **XXX** Breed Club Supported Entry Shows.
(Optional by Club)
- c. To have judged the breed at **XXX** Open Shows or Championship Shows without CCs with an adequate geographical spread.
(Optional by Club)
- d. To have judged a minimum of XXX classes in this breed.
(Optional by Club)
- e. To have judged **XXX** dogs in this breed.
(KC Policy – number optional by Club)
- f. To have awarded CCs in at least one other breed.
(KC Policy)
- g. To have attended at least one Breed Specific Seminar run in accordance with the relevant Kennel Club Code of Best Practice and passed an examination and/or assessment where applicable.
(Optional by Club)
- h. To have bred and/or owned a minimum of three dogs of any breed when they obtained their first entry in the Kennel Club Stud Book (save in exceptional circumstances).
(Optional by Club)
- i. **For Gundog Breed Council/Club/Societies only.** To have attended an Open Field Trial or an Open Gundog Test (GWT) for a Gundog Breed in the relevant sub-group.
KC Policy effective from 01.01.2011



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B LIST BREED SPECIALISTS AND NON-BREED SPECIALISTS

4. B List (Breed Specialists)

- a. To have **XXX** years experience owning and exhibiting in this breed and have the support of the **XXX** Council/Club/Society.
(Optional by Club)
- b. To have judged **XXX** classes of this breed at Open Shows or Championship Shows without CCs.
(Optional by Club)
- c. To have judged **XXX** dogs of this breed.
(Optional by Club)
- d. To have attended at least one Breed Specific Seminar run in accordance with the relevant Kennel Club Code of Best Practice and passed an examination and/or assessment where applicable.
(Optional by Club)

4a. B List (Non-Breed Specialists)

- a. Minimum of **XXX** years judging experience in any one breed and have the support of the **XXX** Council/Club/Society.
(Optional by Club)
- b. To have judged **XXX** classes of this breed at Open Shows or Championship Shows without CCs (save in exceptional circumstances).
(Optional by Club)
- c. To have judged **XXX** dogs of this breed.
(Optional by Club)



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C LIST BREED SPECIALISTS AND NON-BREED SPECIALISTS

5. C List (Breed Specialists)

For aspiring judges who have shown an interest in the breed and have the support of the **XXX** Council/Club/Society.

Listings would normally include people who have judged the breed at Limited and Open Shows but do not yet qualify for the B Lists.

5a. C List (Non-Breed Specialists)

For aspiring judges who have shown an interest in the breed and have the support of the **XXX** Council/Club/Society.

Listings would normally include people who have judged the breed at Limited and Open Shows but do not yet qualify for the B Lists.



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NOTES

- Although this document is advisory, all items listed as Kennel Club Policy must be included and procedures must be in accordance with the Code of Best Practice. The criteria of Clubs should be reasonable and transparent. The number of classes/dogs required should be realistic in relation to the size of the breed.
- It should be noted that lists should include a minimum of 20% of Non-Breed Specialists and it is recommended that consideration be given to the inclusion of Group Judges, relevant to the breed, on 'A' or 'B' lists.
- Clubs are particularly reminded that since 1 January 1999, only those judges who are on a 'B' list of a Club or above that level are permitted to judge at Open Shows with more than three classes for the breed (Stud Book Band E – more than five classes). The number of classes required for inclusion on a 'B' list must therefore take account of this and be realistic for the breed, otherwise not enough Judges may be available to carry out the Open Show appointments where the breed is scheduled.
- Compilation of Judges Lists, together with the criteria used in their formation, should be made by a Committee or Judges Sub-Committee consisting of at least 75% of people who award CCs to the breed. Kennel Club opinion letters on the suitability of judges to award CCs for the first time should only be considered by the above Committees.
- Existing CC Judges should not be required to apply for inclusion.
- In cases where breeds do not yet enjoy CC status, A1 and A2 lists are not required. All other lists should be compiled and must be based upon submitted criteria relevant to the size and status of the breed. It is recommended that consideration be given to the inclusion of Group Judges relevant to the breed on an appropriate list.
- Except in the instances of Kennel Club Policy, inclusion on any list is at the discretion of the relevant Committee of the Club.

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