

A2O Show Results Documentation

Recently we have been experiencing issues with the A2O Show results documentation which we forward to the A2O Secretariat for processing. The Secretariat has advised the total number of entries appearing in the catalogue is required to be the same as the total number appearing in the top right-hand corner of the spreadsheet/word results document.

We have now received advice from the A2O Secretariat that whatever the total number of entries appears in the catalogue will be used for billing purposes. No exceptions will be allowed. The Secretariat further suggests as an alternative; clubs should supply separate A2O Show catalogues to other shows held in conjunction with the A2O Show.

Increase to Overseas Judges Application Approval Fees - Effective 1 July 2025

In accordance with Item 7.3 of the October 2024 Annual General Meeting, the fees for Overseas Judges' approvals will be as follows effective from 1 July 2025.

\$121.00 - Applications lodged 9 months prior to the show

\$231.00 - Applications lodged less than 9 months prior to the show

The above fees include Dogs Australia obtaining verification of the qualifications of the judge and are GST inclusive and will apply for all applications received by the Dogs Australia office from 1 July 2025. A new fee of \$33.00 (inclusive of GST) will be introduced from 1 July 2025 for each request to amend an existing approval.

Rules for the conduct of Retrieving Trials for Gundogs - Typographical corrections

Minor typographical errors in the Rules for the Conduct of Retrieving Trials for Gundogs have been amended. Updated Rules can be found at <https://dogsaustralia.org.au/members/rule-regulations/rules/>

Overseas Judges Open Book Exams - Effective 1 July 2025

In accordance with Item 5.13 of the June 2025 Special Board meeting minutes, we confirm effective from 1 July 2025 our directors approved the removal of the requirement for Overseas Judges to complete Open Book Exams.

From the 1 July 2025, Overseas Judges will be required to complete a new **Dogs Australia Judging Declaration for Additional Breeds form** which will be included in the Judge's Contract. A copy of the updated Judges Contract will be circulated to all Member Bodies shortly and we ask that you ensure affiliate clubs and relevant staff members are advised.

Our website will be updated once the current problems we are experiencing with it are rectified.

Amended Judge's Contract

The Judge's Contracts (one with digital signature and the other without) has been amended in accordance with Items 5.11 and 5.13 of the June Special Board meeting minutes. Refer below.

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Current wording:

Do you require the use of a ramp? (Effective 1st January 2024).

Amended to read:

Do you require the use of a ramp (for ramp designated breeds only)? (Effective immediately)

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The new Dogs Australia Judging Declaration for Additional Breeds form. Effective 1 July 2025.

Performance Event Judge's Contract

In accordance with Item 5.14 of the June Special Board meeting minutes, a separate contract for all Performance Events has been created. One with digital signature and the other without. This new Contract is effective from 1 January 2026.

Regulations Part 5 - Conformation Show Amended - Effective 1 July 2025

In accordance with Item 5.10 of the June 2025 Special Board meeting minutes, the attached copy of Regulations Part 5 - Conformation Show has been amended with the inclusion of the following new clause numbered 9A.1.4 and is effective from 1 July 2025:

~~9A.1.4 - The Best in Show Judge(s) of the A20CS MUST be from an FCI Asia, Africa & Oceania member country. (Added 06/25, 5.10 - Effective 01/07/25)]~~

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2027 National Show with a Restricted Obedience Trial & Rally Trial, Agility, Jumping & Games Trial, SprintDog™ Trial, Trick Dog Test, Dances with Dogs Competition, Scentwork Trial and Herding Trial - Border Collie Club of SA Inc

To be held on the 7 to 10 October 2027 at Gawler Showgrounds, Princes Park, Nixon Terrace, Gawler, South Australia.

2027 National Show with Restricted Obedience and Rally Trials - Poodle Club of Queensland Inc

To be held on the 7 & 8 August 2027 at Dogs Queensland Showgrounds, 247 King Avenue, Durack, Queensland.

2026 National Retrieving Trials - Dogs Tasmania

To be held on the 12 & 13 September 2026 at a venue yet to be determined in northern Tasmania. Dogs Tasmania will confirm the venue information as soon as it has been selected to allow for this information to be distributed to all Member Bodies.

2026 National Show with a Restricted Obedience Trial and Rally Trial - Labrador Retriever Club of NSW

To be held on the 30 & 31 May 2026 at the Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs, 44 Luddenham Road, Orchard Hills, New South Wales.