

AKC DELEGATE REPORT November 10, 2018

The AKC Delegate meeting was held Tuesday, September 25, 2018

The following amendments were voted on at the September meeting:

Passed: Chapter 5, Section 9, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows - Ribbons, Prizes and Trophies, allows a club to offer a threetime win trophy for Reserve Best in Show. The proposal was brought forward by the AKC Board of Directors based on a Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee and Staff recommendation.

Did Not Pass – Sent Back to Dog Show Rules Committee: Chapter 11, Section 16, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows - Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dogs Affecting Eligibility, would address collars and leads that are considered inappropriate for use at dog shows. The amendment was brought forward by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee and unanimously disapproved by the AKC Board at the February 2018 Board meeting.

The following amendments will be voted on at the December meeting:

Chapter 3, Section 13, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* – Dog Show Classification, clarifies the eligibility of Winners Dog/Bitch that has been defeated in a non-regular class as well as when the Best of Winners is awarded.

Chapter 5, Section 2, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* – Ribbons, Prizes and Trophies, allows clubs the option of including the date on class placement ribbons

Chapter 9, Section 4, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows -

Superintendents and Show Secretaries, broadens the requirements regarding which forms the Superintendent/Show Secretary must have available at events. All necessary forms are available on the AKC website or sent to the Superintendent/Show Secretary prior to the event.

Chapter 11, Section 1, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows -

Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dog Affecting Eligibility, adds clarity to a foreign dog's eligibility for a specific class without creating redundancy by listing the requirements.

Chapter 11, Section 8, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows -

Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dog Affecting Eligibility, changes the italicized paragraph to become part of the rule and add a clarification to the sweepstakes judge's abilities when these conditions are present.

Chapter 11, Section 8-A, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*– Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dog Affecting Eligibility, requires permanent identification for a dog that is disqualified if it is ever to be considered for reinstatement. Additionally, a photo of the dog must be taken in the ring. The amendment was brought forward by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee and unanimously disapproved by the AKC Board at the May 2018 Board meeting. The Dog Show Rules Committee is requesting that this amendment go forward to the Delegates for a vote as per the AKC Bylaws.

Chapter 11, Section 8-A, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*– Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dog Affecting Eligibility, puts the reinstatement process into the rules and removes the possibility of a reinstatement occurring at events. AKC currently provide a list of dogs that have been disqualified but that list does not include the owner's name or contact information as that would be a breach of the Disclosure of Information policy. The amendment was brought forward by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee and unanimously disapproved by the AKC Board at the May 2018 Board meeting. The Dog Show Rules Committee is requesting that this amendment go forward to the Delegates for a vote as per the AKC Bylaws.

Chapter 16, Section 1, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* – Championships, provides the Best of Winners the opportunity to earn one championship point if the combined number of regular class dogs for both sexes is the minimum required for one point (usually two competitors total).

The next Delegate Meeting will be held Friday, December 14, 2018. An agenda has not been determined.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara O'Neill, AKC Delegate