



Amended Dogs West Regulations

CAWA Regulation F11.7 amended to read:

11.7 Stewarding Requirements

- 11.7.1 All Trainee Judges must steward for a minimum of 300 dogs. This is to be done at no fewer than three shows per year during the two (2) years prior to applying for a Practical Exam for their first and subsequent groups, with such stewarding to be performed at least once every 4 months throughout the year (ie January to April/May to August/September to December).
- 11.7.2 On the third and subsequent groups trainees must steward at a minimum of three (3) shows for each group in which they are training (the stewarding does not necessarily have to be for the groups in which they are training), at All Breeds or Group Specialty Championship Shows prior to the application for a Practical Exam.
- 11.7.3 Evidence of all stewarding is to be kept using Form SJ7. On completion of each stewarding appointment the trainee must complete the Form SJ7 and such form must be signed by the Chief Steward on the day of the event. If the Chief Steward is a Trainee Judge then the form must be signed by an executive committee member of the club running the event or the relevant Group Convenor if in attendance at the show. No Trainee Judge may sign off on another Trainee Judge's Stewarding Numbers. Where possible, stewarding numbers are to be verified by the use of ShowManager.
- 11.7.4 Trainee Judges are responsible for maintaining their own records and submitting these records to the office for collation at the time of applying for a practical examination. Applications including incomplete or incorrect SJ7 Forms will not be accepted.(01/26)

CAWA Regulation A45.1 amended to read:

- 45.1 Where any member has been charged with an offence,
- a) by Dogs West; or
 - b) by any authority, in relation to Animal Welfare or Animal Cruelty matters; all transactions involving that member are to be deferred, with effect from:
 - i) in the case (a) – the date Dogs West lays the charge; or

- ii) in the case of (b) the date the charge laid by the external authority becomes known to Dogs West and shall remain deferred until all Dogs West governance processes relating to the matter have been completed and finalised (01/26)

CAWA Regulation A43.3 amended to read:

- 43.3 Incident at a Sanctioned Event (excluding aggressive dogs).
- a It shall be the duty of any Judge, Steward, Club or Show Official officiating at any sanctioned event to report in writing to the Chief Steward, or other person responsible for the organisation of the event, any incident which comes to their attention.
 - i. No complaint lodgement fee is payable by any Judge, Steward, Club or Show Official officiating at the event.
 - ii. Where an incident report is submitted by a party who is not officiating at the event, a complaint lodgement fee must be paid as per the published Dogs West Fees List.

CAWA Regulation B38 amended to read:

B38 EMERITUS JUDGES

38.1 Conformation

A judge who has retired from active judging assignments and does not maintain an active judging license may apply to be listed as an Emeritus Judge.

An Emeritus Judge may:

- accept General Specials appointments only, subject to Dogs Australia Regulations; and
- continue to assist in the Conformation Judges' Training Scheme.

Refer to Dogs Australia Regulations

Part 2 – Judges, Section 2.2.

38.2 Performance Sports

A judge who has retired from active judging assignments and does not maintain an active judging license may apply to be listed as an Emeritus Judge.

An Emeritus Judge may continue to assist in the relevant discipline's judges' training scheme but may not accept judging appointments.

CAWA Regulation F amended by the addition of:

6.1.6 Distance Training

6.1.6 Trainees who live 75km or more from Dogs West may choose to attend some or all lectures (aside from the Mock Practical Lecture) via electronic means such as Zoom, Microsoft Teams or Facetime.



Canine Notices

- 6.1.7 If attending electronically the trainee must be visible at all times and must participate in any discussions. If the trainee is not visible at all times during the lecture and does not participate in the discussions the trainee will be marked absent and will have to provide an essay on the breed/breeds contained in that lecture within 14 days.
- 6.1.8 All Trainees, including those who live 75km or more from Dogs West are required to attend the Mock Practical Lecture and Field Days in person.

Governance determinations

PROTESTS & DISPUTES TRIBUNAL

27/01/2026

Miss M Oliveira is guilty of a breach of Regulation HM2.27. The penalty imposed for this breach is a fine of \$500. Guilty of a breach of Regulation HM2.33, specifically in relation to clauses 2.33.1, 2.33.2, 2.33.3, 2.33.4, and 2.33.5 in full. The penalty imposed for this breach is a fine of \$500.

In accordance with Regulation A66.3.4, Miss Oliveira be charged \$150 administrative costs incurred by the Association.

10/02/2026

Mrs C Gray is guilty of a breach of Regulation HM2.2.

The penalty is a three (3) month suspension and a fine of \$350.00, and in accordance with CAWA Regulation 66.3.4, the administrative costs incurred by the Association, fixed in the sum of \$150.00, bringing the total amount payable to \$500.

10/03/2026

Mr S Baraiolo is guilty of a breach of Regulation HM2.19.

The penalty is a fine of \$900 and in accordance with CAWA Regulation 66.3.4, the administrative costs incurred by the Association, fixed in the sum of \$150.00, bringing the total amount payable \$1050.

17/03/2026

Mrs S Cameron is guilty of a breach of Regulation HM2.20. The penalty is a fine of \$1000.



Governing Council News

Jan 2026

Motions On Notice (See Canine Notices for details)

- CAWA Regulation F11.7
- CAWA Regulation A45.1

Committee Business

Finance Committee

- Quote for \$10460 + GST from Charter Plumbing approved for replacement of all toilet cisterns on the grounds. Note: Contractor no longer available. Alternatives to be investigated.
- The costs for provision of footage from the CCTV system (in accordance with the approved policy) to be charged in line with the Rest Assured quotation, being a standard call-out fee plus time onsite: \$162.50 + GST for the first 30 minutes, then \$165.00 + GST per hour thereafter, calculated per minute.

General Business

- Council supported the joint General Managers proposed changes to office opening hours, with a 6 months trial.

Feb 2026

Motions On Notice (See Canine Notices for details)

- CAWA Regulation A43.3

Committee Business

Executive Committee

- PD Insurance have withdrawn their sponsorship
- Closure of Bullmastiff Club

Finance Committee

- Quote of \$9282.50 from 'The Pressure Cleaning Guys' for a high pressure clean of the undercover area, limestone wall and stairs, approved.
- Proposed budget for the 2026 State Trick Dog Tests approved.
- Proposed budget for the State DWD Trials 2026 approved.
- Proposed budget for the State Retrieving Trial 2026 approved.
- Retention of CCTV footage. \$1998.80 to be incurred to move from approximately 1.5 weeks to approximately 30 days of storage.

General Business

- Having met all requirements for the scheme, applications for John Stuart and Sheree Stuart to enter the Scent Work Judges training scheme approved.
- Dispensation granted for Debra May Russell to be accepted in the Obedience Judges Training Scheme for 2026.
- Having met all requirements for the scheme, applications for Denise Cullen, Tara Schwarze, Sam Chu and Kathy Phillips to enter the Tracking Judges training scheme be approved.
- Governing Council approve the establishment of the Dogs West Oral History & Heritage Project, including the formation of a small volunteer working group, to develop a pilot phase, including
 - o Development of consent forms and interview materials
 - o Collection and secure storage of initial recordings