

Get involved in promoting integrity and fairness in our Association!

The Chair of Governance for the Association invites Expressions of Interest from members eager to contribute to the Investigations Committee, Protests and Disputes Tribunal, Appeals Board, and as Temperament Testing Assessors.

We are particularly interested in hearing from members engaged in any of the 12+ performance sports.

Investigations Committee Members:

Join a dedicated team focused on upholding standards and addressing concerns. Most meetings are conveniently held online, providing flexibility. Your role includes investigating complaints, disputes and ensuring compliance with regulations.

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62.2 Purpose.

- 62.2.1 To investigate written complaints, disputes or reports received from CAWA affiliates, members or other persons or organisations including other member bodies of the ANKC alleging misconduct or breaches of CAWA Rules, Regulations, Codes of Ethics or misconduct or breaches of similar rules, regulations or codes of another member body of the ANKC by a CAWA member or member of an ANKC member body where the alleged misconduct or breach occurred in this State, referred to it by any two of the President, Vice President and the Chief Executive Officer/Secretary or Registrar.
- 62.2.2 Make recommendations to Governing Council.

62.3 To decide whether:

- 62.3.1 A prima facie case exists to warrant a charge being laid, in which case the charge should be heard by the Protest & Disputes Tribunal or other appropriate body.
- 62.3.2 The matter be settled by mediation
- 62.3.3 The case should be dismissed.
- 62.3.4 Any other action should be taken.

Protests & Disputes Tribunal Members:

Join us in effectively resolving issues. Meetings take place in person on Tuesday evenings at our office. As a member, you'll have the opportunity to hear and determine protests, complaints, and disputes, with the authority to impose penalties when necessary.

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66.3 Its powers shall be to:

- 66.3.1 Hear and determine all protests, complaints and disputes referred to it by Council; or by any two of the President, Vice President and the Chief Executive Officer/Secretary or Registrar, or from a Committee of Enquiry.
- Hear and determine all such other matters which the Governing Council may, from time to time, refer to the Tribunal.
- 66.3.3 Impose such disqualifications, fines and other penalties, as the Tribunal shall decide.
- Where a charge is proven and/or upheld, the Tribunal may recover the administrative costs incurred by the Association.

Appeals Board:

Become part of the frontline for dispute resolution. Your role involves reviewing decisions, adjusting or cancelling penalties, and offering recommendations to the Governing Council. Meetings are held in person on Tuesday evenings.

- The purpose of the Appeals Board shall be to act as the first Court of Appeal for all questions or disputes of any kind whatsoever.
- 68.6 The Appeals Board has the power to:
 - 68.6.1 Vary or cancel any penalties and/or fines imposed by the Protests & Disputes Tribunal, Judges Board, a Committee of Enquiry or the Administrative Officer (in accordance with Regulation A54).
 - 68.6.2 Determine penalties and/or fines where an appeal in accordance with Regulation A75.3 is upheld.
 - 68.6.3 Order that the case be reconsidered by the body who originally imposed the penalty and/or fine.
 - 68.6.4 Make recommendations to Governing Council.

Temperament Test Assessors:

Contribute to ensuring the safety and well-being of dogs. Serve as assessors in temperament tests for dogs seeking suspension relief due to aggression.

Seeking applicants with relevant dog behaviour qualifications and experience.

How to apply:

Submit your Expression of Interest, to k9@dogswest.com with 'Expression of Interest – Governance' in the subject line by 26 July 2024. **Extended to close of business on 1 August 2024.**

Your submission should include which panels/committees are of interest to you, along with a resume showcasing your relevant experience and your track record with Dogs West compliance.

We welcome applicants from all financial members who have no current outstanding compliance cases.

Join us in championing transparency and equity!