



Kennel Union of Southern Africa

KENNEL UNION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA REGULATIONS FOR KUSA REGISTERED HELPERS (IPO)

SCHEDULE 5J (IPO) (2016)

1. TRAINING AND LICENSING OF IPO HELPERS

1.1 The Regulations relating to all matters to do with Shows as set out in Schedule 3 (Championship Shows), Schedule 4 (Non-Championship Shows) and Schedule 5B(2) IPO of the Constitution of The Kennel Union of Southern Africa shall apply to these Regulations so far as they can be relevant and so far as they do not conflict with the specific terms of this Schedule 5J(IPO).

1.1.2 Only persons in possession of a valid HELPER Certificate/Record Card or Licence (IPO) may officiate at IPO events.

1.2 Record Cards and Licences

1.2.1 A KUSA IPO Helper's Record Card will be issued to any person who has qualified as a KUSA Registered Helper (IPO) in terms of Schedule 5J(IPO).

1.2.2 A KUSA Tutor Helper's Licence will be issued by KUSA to any person who qualifies as a Tutor Helper (IPO) in terms of this Schedule 5J(IPO).

1.3 Membership

All Candidate Helpers (IPO), Registered Helpers (IPO), Tutor Helpers (IPO) shall be current members of The Kennel Union of Southern Africa in good standing.

1.4 Use of Helper (IPO) Card and Tutor Helper Licence

1.4.1 An Helper is required to provide proof of qualification, to a Club, at the time of accepting any appointment. Such proof must also be valid at the time of the Trial for which such appointment was accepted.

1.4.2 Persons invited to act as an Helper at an IPO Trial will be required to present their Helper (IPO) Record Card or their Tutor Helper (IPO) Licence to the Judge for the particular Grade at which they are to perform. The Helper's (IPO) Record Card or Tutor Helper's (IPO) Licence will be endorsed by the officiating Judge.

1.4.3 Before approving a foreign Helper, KUSA shall be satisfied that such Helper is recognised and approved in his country of permanent domicile.

1.4.4 KUSA IPO Active Club

An IPO Active Club refer to KUSA Affiliated club which has a licensed Helper training actively IPO. This club must also hold regular IPO trials.

2. QUALIFYING OF HELPER (IPO)

2.1 The examining of the Candidate Helper shall be carried out by a panel consisting of one (1) Licensed Tutor Helper (IPO) and a Licensed Helper (IPO) who has been licensed for at least two years and who has either officiated in at least 4 shows IPO or who has trained IPO continuously for a period of 3 years. The Tutor Helper will then submit the panel's report on the candidate to The Convener of the KUSA National IPO Sub-Committee..

2.2 Prior to being examined, all Candidate Helpers (IPO) will have:

- Completed a training course hosted by the Tutor Helper on procedure and correctness of conduct, integrity and physical fitness what is required to become a IPO Helper and the correct execution of the exercises in trials according to regulation 5B IPO.
- had at least one (1) year verified experience a trainee helper under a KUSA licensed IPO helper by a KUSA Active IPO Club.

and

- trained a dog to IPO Grade I status.

2.3 Courses and exams for Candidate Helpers (IPO) may only be held by Licensed Tutor Helpers (IPO).

2.4 Each course is to cover the Syllabus laid down in terms of Regulation 5 of this Schedule and the relative approved KUSA Booklet for Helpers (IPO).

2.5 On completion of the examination, the Tutor Helper will send, by Registered Mail or e mail , to The Convener of KUSANational IPO Sub-committee in the case of each Candidate Helper (IPO) the following :-

- 2.5.1 the candidate's full name, address, telephone numbers and KUSA Membership Number;
- 2.5.2 proof that the candidate is over EIGHTEEN (18) years of age;

- 2.5.3 all persons under twenty-one (21) years of age must submit a letter from their natural or legal guardian giving permission for them to act as an Helper (IPO);
- 2.5.4 the relevant original question and answer examination papers;
- 2.5.5 the results of each section as well as the overall score;
- 2.5.6 letter of recommendation from a KUSA Affiliated IPO Active Club,
- 2.5.7 an approved disclaimer signed by candidate or guardian absolving KUSA, and any affiliated clubs, as well as their officials acting in the course of their duties, from any responsibility for any injury sustained at any IPO Trial or IPO training session,
- 2.5.8 the examination panels written assessment.
- 2.6 On acceptance by KUSA, the names and addresses of successful candidates, together with the appropriate qualification, shall be published timeously in the Official Kennel Union Journal.
- 2.7 The Helper (IPO) Record Card shall be issued by the KUSA upon recommendation by the Convener of KUSA National Sub-committee and the names of the persons qualifying placed upon the lists of Registered Helpers (IPO).

3. QUALIFICATION OF TUTOR HELPERS (IPO)

3.1 Before any person can apply to be placed on the panel of Tutor Helpers (IPO) he must have :-

- 3.1.1 five (5) years' experience, verified by a KUSA IPO Active club, in training IPO of which at least 3 years must be as a KUSA Registered Helper.
- 3.1.2 been nominated by a KUSA IPO Active club to and be accepted by the Provincial IPO Sub-Committee in which area he resides,
- 3.1.3 a. undertaken and passed an written examination by a KUSA Licensed Tutor Helper (IPO).
 - b. The Candidate Tutor Helper (IPO) must also act as understudy to a Licensed Tutor Helper (IPO) at least once, and produce a complete set of IPO Helpers written and practical examination documents to be approved by the officiating Licensed Tutor Helper (IPO).
 - c. If the document set is approved by the Licensed Tutor Helper (IPO) the Tutor shall so advise the Convener of KUSA IPO Sub-Committee in writing, producing both the official document set and that of the Candidate Tutor.
 - d. Once tabled and accepted by the Convener of KUSA IPO Sub-Committee the Candidate Tutor may be issued with a License to act as a KUSA Licensed Tutor Helper IPO.
 - e. The Tutor Helper shall, prior to the examination, request approved by the Provincial IPO Sub-Committee of the area in which the examination takes place, or where no such Sub-Committee exists by the Convener of KUSA IPO Sub-Committee.
 - f. Must have qualified at least two dogs in IPO of which one must have been in IPO3.
 - g. Must be able to show that he has trained at least three dogs not belonging to him, to at least one IPO grade.
 - h. Must be able to show that he has had at least 2 trainee helpers qualify for 5J status.
 - i. Proof of f,g and h must be provided with the application for Tutors status.

3.2 On acceptance by the Convener of KUSA IPO Sub-Committee, the names and addresses of successful candidates, together with the appropriate qualification, shall be published timeously on the Official Kennel Union Website.

3.3 The relevant Tutor Helper (IPO) Licence shall be issued and the name of the person qualifying placed upon the lists of Tutor Helpers (IPO).

4. SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR HELPERS (IPO)

REGULATIONS FOR THE QUALIFYING EXAMINATIONS FOR CANDIDATE HELPERS (IPO)

1. The theoretical and practical examinations could be carried out on different days.
2. Theoretical Examination

The candidate helper will be required to answer fifteen (15) written questions on the theory of IPO, 300 marks (pass mark 75% i.e. minimum 225-300)

These questions will consist of:

- Five (5) on general caninology with regard to IPO in KUSA
- Five (5) on competition regulations in KUSA
- Five (5) on conduct and work procedures

Each question shall have a value of twenty (20) points

3. Practical Examination

Total marks 700 (pass mark 75%, i.e. minimum 525-700)
The practical examination will be composed of:

- (a) A physical fitness test as described on page 1 (b.1)
- (b) Work 3 beginner dogs separately
- (c) Carry out the full test on 2 dogs and 2 different grades

The panel will consider the following:

The procedure and correctness of conduct, the integrity and physical fitness and the correct execution of the exercises according to the regulations. The suitability of the protective clothing, the candidate's control and self-discipline over his movements whilst giving stick blows or whilst carrying out other movements as well as his ability to remain immobile at the end of each exercise. In short, the candidate will be examined on his execution of each exercise in detail.

5. LOSS OF RIGHT TO OFFICIATE

5.1 Any qualifications obtained in terms of this Schedule 5J (IPO), may be revoked by The Kennel Union of Southern Africa for any reason supported by the relevant Provincial IPO Sub-Committee, or if an Helper (IPO) or Tutor Helper (IPO) has not been actively involved as a Trainer for IPO Defence Work at a KUSA IPO Active club or as an Helper (IPO) in competition, for a continuous period of twelve (12) months.



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