



SCHEDULE 05E(24) – REGULATIONS FOR KUSA SHOWDOG OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

(Effective 01.03.2025)

1. HOLDING OF THE SHOWDOG OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

1.1 Show Regulations

Participation is automatic. The Constitution of KUSA shall apply to this Competition insofar as it can be relevant and does not conflict with the specific terms of this Schedule.

2. ELIGIBILITY OF DOGS TO COMPETE IN THE SHOWDOG OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

2.1 The competition will run from the day after the final Show of the cluster weekend, generally referred to as “The KUSA Classic Weekend”, which includes the KUSA Championship, KUSA Winners, KUSA FCI (Africa) Dog Show, and the KUSA National Awards in any year, to the final day of The KUSA Classic Weekend, which includes the KUSA Championship Show, KUSA Winners Show, KUSA FCI (Africa) Dog Show and the KUSA National Awards in the following year (Competition Period), and is open to dogs on the Kennel Union Primary Breed Register.

3. SHOWS AND POINTS AWARDED FOR THE SHOWDOG OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

- 3.1 Only points attained at All-breeds Championship, FCI & KUSA National and Winners Shows will count.
- 3.2 Only the highest points gained at any such All-breeds Championship Show will count (e.g. Best in Show – 10 points only.)
- 3.3 KUSA National Awards will count as double points.

4. POINTS ALLOCATION

4.1 KUSA Winners and KUSA All-breeds Championship Shows:

4.1.1	Best in Show	10 Points
4.1.2	Reserve Best in Show	6 Points
4.1.3	Best in Group	4 Points
4.1.4	2 nd in Group	3 Points
4.1.5	3 rd in Group	2 Points
4.1.6	4 th in Group	1 Point

4.2 KUSA National Awards:

4.2.1	Best in Show	20 Points
4.2.2	Reserve Best in Show	12 Points
4.2.3	Best in Group	8 Points
4.2.4	2 nd in Group	6 Points
4.2.5	3 rd in Group	4 Points
4.2.6	4 th in Group	2 Point

4.3 FCI:

4.3.1	Best in Show	10 Points
4.3.2	Reserve Best in Show	6 Points
4.3.3	Best in Group	3 Points
4.3.4	2 nd in Group	2 Points

4.4 Multiple Bests in Show

Bonus Points: for every three (3) Bests in Show won during the Competition Period, five (5) Bonus Points will be added to the dog's score.

4.5 A league table of the leading dogs, updated throughout the Competition Period, will be published on the KUSA website.

4.6 Publication of points gained is dependent on the Kennel Union receiving marked catalogues timeously from the All-breeds Clubs. Final results cannot be calculated until all catalogues have been received and the Show results have been processed.

4.7 Notwithstanding the provisions of Schedule 03 Regulation 31.1.1, upon the publication of the league table containing the final results on the KUSA website, contenders shall be given a period within which to query the calculations of the KUSA Office, or the position of any dog on the league table. Once the published period for queries has lapsed, the results will be declared as final and finite and no further queries shall be entertained or investigated, and no further correspondence will be entered into with regard to points calculation or positions of dogs on the league table.

5. TIE-BREAKER

In the event of a tie for first place overall, or first place in a Group, the following tie-breaker shall be applied:

5.1 The Best in Show awards won by each dog at KUSA All-breeds Championship Shows, the KUSA Winners Show and any FCI Shows (but not the KUSA Nationals) shall be tallied and the dog with the greater number of these awards shall be declared the winner.

5.2 If the numbers are the same for two dogs, the Reserve Best in Show awards won by each dog at KUSA All-breeds Championship Shows, the KUSA Winners Show and any FCI Shows (but not the KUSA Nationals) shall be tallied and the dog with the greater number of these awards shall be declared the winner.

- 5.3 If the numbers are still the same for both dogs, the Group First awards won by each dog at KUSA All-breeds Championship shows, the KUSA Winners Show and any FCI shows (but not the KUSA Nationals) shall be tallied and the dog with the greater number of these awards shall be declared the winner.
- 5.4 In the unlikely event of the numbers still remaining the same for both dogs, Group Second awards won by each dog shall be considered, followed by Group Third awards, and then Group Fourth awards.

6. PRIZES

SHOWDOG OF THE YEAR - Peter Collins Memorial Floating Shield

Prizes as deemed appropriate by KUSA, or any sponsor of the Competition, will be awarded to Winner, Runner-up and the other Group Winners.

7. FCI World Challenge of Top Dogs

- 7.1 The winner of the KUSA Showdog of the Year Competition shall be entitled to represent KUSA at this Challenge.
- 7.2 Since this Challenge is likely to be held shortly after the closing of the Competition Period, the winner of the KUSA Showdog of the Year Competition shall be entitled to represent KUSA at the FCI World Challenge of Top Dogs in the year following the year in which the dog had won the KUSA Showdog of the Year Competition, e.g, the winner of the 2023/24 KUSA Showdog of the Year Competition, shall be eligible to compete at the FCI World Challenge of Top Dogs in 2025.
- 7.3 Expenses relating to the travel and attendance of the FCI World Challenge of Top Dogs shall be borne by the Registered Owner(s) of the KUSA Showdog of the Year Competition winner.
- 7.4 Should, for whatever reason, the winner of the KUSA Showdog of the Year Competition in a particular year be unable to represent KUSA at the FCI World Challenge of Top Dogs in the following year, no other dog shall be eligible to attend in its place.



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