

## THE AUSTRALIAN CAT FEDERATION (INC.)

# **BY-LAWS - PART 4 JUDGES TRAINING SCHEME**

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### MODULE 6 — ASSESSMENT OF REACTIVATING JUDGE

#### 6.1 General

- 6.1.1 Former Judges reactivating their licence will be assessed by the Tutor Panel and required to show competence (at levels predetermined by the written agreement) on each of the topics outlined below before they are deemed eligible to return to Junior/Open/Senior Judge status.
- 6.1.2 The agreement and assessment are to be recorded on Module 6 Competency Assessment Form [refer to FORM X13 and X13A].

#### 6.2 Refresher Course

6.2.1 Where a refresher course of training is to be undertaken it shall cover elements of Module 1, 2, 3 & 4 relevant to the breed Group/s in question, consideration of their previous experience as a judge, knowledge of the ACF Inc. Book of Standards and any new breeds/colours/patterns added since their absence from judging.

#### 6.3 Written Assessment

6.3.1 Taking into consideration their previous experience as a judge, the paper will cover elements of Module 1, 2, 3 & 4, to assess their knowledge of ACF Breed Standards relevant to Group/s in question, with emphasis in any new breeds/colours/patterns added since their absence from judging.

#### 6.4 Practical Assessment

- 6.4.1 The practical assessment of their competency as per the ACF Judges Training Curriculum, is to be carried out at a show/s in order to achieve a minimum of 20 cats' representative of 75% of the breeds/colours/patterns in each of the relevant Group/s.
- 6.4.2 The practical assessment is to cover the following aspects:
  - a) Deportment
    - (i) Conduct, behaviour.
    - (ii) Attire.
    - (iii) Communication/relationship with show officials, exhibitors, other judges etc.
  - b) Knowledge of Breeds
    - (i) Knowledge and assessment of each exhibit relative to ACF Breed Standards in the relevant Group/s with emphasis on any new breeds/colours/patterns added since their absence from judging.
  - c) Handling of Exhibits
    - (i) Confidence in handling.
    - (ii) Compliance with good judging practices relating to safety and hygiene.
    - (iii) Awareness of specific handling requirements in relation to the breed.
    - (iv) Presenting exhibits to breed and audience advantage.
    - (v) Dealing with fractious exhibits (where applicable).
  - d) Decisions and Justifications
    - (i) Objectivity in decision-making.
    - (ii) Placing of exhibits in an order of merit which best reflects the exhibits' meeting of breed standards and the avoidance of cross-judging.
    - (iii) Speaking accurately and confidently about decisions when required.
  - e) Completion of Paperwork
    - (i) Accurate completion of all required paperwork.