

FCI Shows:

Post-COVID-19 Update

In the five months before COVID-19 lockdown, *NZ Dog World* published a series of background articles on the Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI) following Dogs New Zealand's renewal of its agreement with the international organisation. We detailed the FCI's Breeds, Breed Groups and Breed Divisions, as well as the regulations governing shows run under the FCI umbrella.

Sadly, COVID-19 caused the momentum leading up to our first planned FCI shows following the new agreement to hit the

bumpers. Domestic and foreign travel restrictions meant our own dog shows and events were cancelled and the international judges expected to judge FCI shows could not visit New Zealand.

The world has still not returned to 'normal' but we are moving to run shows under FCI regulations, albeit without access to international judges.

We now recap the regulations, breeds and breed groups that need to keep in mind if members wish to enter these shows. 🐾

FCI Show Regulations

The introduction of CACIB shows required a complete review of Show Regulations, the result of which is shown below.

11. FCI/CACIB SHOWS

This regulation is applicable only in respect of those shows in which a "Certificat d'Aptitude au Championnat International de Beauté de la FCI" (CACIB) award for the title "International Beauty Champion" can be awarded.

For these events a fee is charged by the FCI for every dog appearing in the catalogue, the amount of which is to be determined by the General Assembly of the FCI. This fee is due, on receipt of the catalogues and the CACIB/Res CACIB lists of the show in question. This fee must be paid even if no CACIB awards are granted. (The fee is listed on the current Schedule of Fees on the Dogs NZ website). It is the responsibility of the Member Body or Affiliate thereof conducting the show to ensure that this fee is paid.

11.1 Basics

11.1.1 In accordance with the FCI Associate Member Agreement, NZKC will conduct a minimum of 2 (two) CACIB shows per year. Notwithstanding, NZKC will consider all applications received from any member body of NZKC or an affiliate thereof.

11.1.2 NZKC are solely responsible for determining in which dog shows in New Zealand the competitions for the CACIB can be held. These shows, which will also have been sanctioned by the FCI, must be indicated and designated as follows: "International Dog Show with attribution of the CACIB of the FCI". The catalogue of these shows must be clearly marked with the FCI logo and the following expression: "Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI)".

11.2 Applications

Applications to have a CACIB International Dog Show sanctioned by NZKC, and subsequently by the FCI, must be sent in the first instance to Dogs NZ no later than 18 months prior to the intended show date for consideration. If approved by NZKC the application is then to be forwarded to the General Secretariat of the FCI no later than 12 months prior, and no earlier than four calendar years prior to the proposed date of the show.

11.3 Restrictions

11.3.1 Only one CACIB can be awarded in each sex, in every recognised breed and breed variety — in accordance with the FCI Breed Nomenclature — on the same day and at the same place.

11.3.2 No other CACIB show can be held the same days as a World or Section show takes place on that particular continent. Exceptional circumstances will be dealt with by the FCI General Committee.

11.3.3 The FCI will only authorize CACIB shows to be held on the same day provided that these events are held at a distance of at least 300km apart. In case this distance is less than 300km, the approval can be given provided that the organiser who first submitted an application gives their consent to the second applicant. In this case, appropriate dividing up of the FCI groups according to the FCI Breed Nomenclature, taking the show venues and days into consideration is recommended.

11.3.4 At CACIB shows, a breed must be judged in one single day, and the breeds of the same FCI group should also be judged in one day. However, it is possible to divide the groups over two days if needed for organisational reasons. The decision regarding sanctioning CACIB shows is the responsibility of the Executive Director of the FCI.

11.4 Special Requirements/Admission of Dogs

11.4.1 The dogs' welfare and health must be of UTMOST PRIORITY at all dog shows.

11.4.2 The organisers are requested to add the following message in the show catalogue, giving it sufficient visibility: The exhibitors are responsible for the welfare of the dogs at an FCI international dog show. It is forbidden to expose a dog to a situation that can be dangerous for its health and welfare, such as, for example, leaving it in the car in excessively hot or cold weather and/or treating it in a cruel manner.

11.4.3 The organisers must ensure that the only breeds that will be shown are those for which breed standards have been definitively or provisionally accepted by the FCI and which are registered with the studbook or with the appendix to the studbook (waiting list) of an FCI member country. The same will apply to a non-FCI member country whose studbook is, however, recognised by the FCI. Breeds that are not yet recognised (neither definitely or provisionally) by the FCI, must be recognised at a national level and have pedigrees issued by a national kennel club that is a member or a contract partner of the FCI. These breeds cannot be incorporated in any group (they have to

appear in a special section of the catalogue called “breeds not recognised by the FCI) and they are not eligible for the CACIB and for the various FCI titles. In addition, they cannot compete in the Best of Group finals. The normal FCI fee has to be paid also for each dog of these breeds. At all shows in which the CACIB of the FCI is awarded, the division into groups must be in accordance with the current FCI Breed Nomenclature. In case this ruling would not be observed, the FCI reserves the right to refuse future authorisations to award the CACIB at international shows.

11.4.4 These groups are as follows:

Group 1: Sheepdogs and Cattle Dogs (except Swiss Cattle Dogs)

Group 2: Pinschers and Schnauzers — Molossoid Breeds — Swiss Mountain and Cattle Dogs

Group 3: Terrier Group

Group 4: Dachshunds

Group 5: Spitz and Primitive Types

Group 6: Scenthounds and related breeds

Group 7: Pointing Dogs

Group 8: Retrievers — flushing dogs — water dogs

Group 9: Companion and toy dogs

Group 10: Sighthounds

11.4.5 Group Judging

At all shows with few entries, the organisers are allowed to have different groups judged together in the ring of honour for “Best in Group” competitions; however this does not apply to World and Section Shows.

In accordance with the above provision, at FCI/CACIB Shows conducted in New Zealand, the following groups may be utilised:

Group 1: Sheepdogs and Cattle Dogs (except Swiss Cattle Dogs)

Group 2: Pinschers and Schnauzers, Molossoid Breeds, Swiss Mountain and Cattle Dogs

Group 3: Terrier Group

Combined Group 4: Dachshunds

Group 6: Scenthounds and related breeds

Group 10: Sighthounds

Group 5: Spitz and Primitive Types

Combined Group 7: Pointing Dogs

Group 8: Retrievers, Flushing dogs, Water Dogs

Group 9: Companion and Toy Dogs

11.5 Classes for CACIB Shows

The decisive date for age is the day the dog is shown. Only the following classes are recognised at NZKC CACIB shows sanctioned by the FCI. Any exhibit under the age of 15 months is not eligible for a CACIB. Dog Classes state number only; Bitch Classes state the number followed by ‘a’.

While the regulations as presented in this article can be considered as currently definitive, further detail about breeds, breed groups and breed divisions can be found in the following *NZ Dog World* back issues:

October 2019, page 8: Dogs New Zealand Renews Agreement with FCI

November 2019, page 24: Breeds: The FCI List

December 2019/January 2020, page 17: FCI Breed Divisions

February 2020, page 38: FRI Show Regulations

March 2020, page 39: FCI Update

Class No. 20: ‘Baby Puppy Dog’/No. 20A ‘Baby Puppy Bitch’ (For dogs or bitches aged three calendar months and under six months of age, on the first day of the show).

Class No. 21: ‘Puppy Dog’/No. 21A ‘Puppy Bitch’ (For dogs or bitches aged six calendar months and under nine months of age on the first day of the show).

Class No. 22: ‘Junior Dog’/22A ‘Junior Bitch’ (For dogs or bitches aged nine and under 18 months of age on the first day of the show.) Not eligible for the CACIB.

Class No. 23: ‘Intermediate Dog’/23A ‘Intermediate Bitch’ (For dogs and bitches aged 15 and under 24 months on the first day of the show).

Class No. 24: ‘Open Dog’/24A ‘Open Bitch’ (For dogs and bitches aged 15 months and over on the first day of the show).

Class No. 25: ‘Working Class Dog’/25A Working Class bitch aged 15 months and over. (The dog or bitch must have a FCI “Working Class Certificate”.)

Class No. 26: ‘Champion Dog’/26A ‘Champion Bitch’ Fifteen months and over (To enter a dog in the Champion Class, the title must have been confirmed by the issue of a Registered Pedigree Certificate with the title added by the day of the official closing of entries; a Champion that has not attained fifteen months of age may not be awarded a CACIB).

Class No. 27: ‘Veteran Dog’/27A ‘Veteran Bitch’ (from eight years and over) Not eligible for the CACIB.

11.6 Qualifications and Placings

The qualifications given must correspond to the following definitions:

Excellent may only be awarded to a dog over 9 months of age which comes very close to the ideal standard of the breed, which is presented in excellent condition, displays a harmonious, well-balanced temperament, is of high class and has excellent posture. Its superior characteristics in respect of its breed permit that minor imperfections can be ignored; it must however have the typical features of its sex.

Very Good may only awarded to a dog over nine months of age that possesses the typical features of its breed, which has well-balanced proportions and is in correct condition. A few minor faults may be tolerated. This award can only be granted to a dog that shows class.

Good is to be awarded to a dog over nine months of age that possesses the main features of its breed. The good points should outweigh the faults so that the dog can be considered a good representative of its breed.

Sufficient should be awarded to a dog which corresponds adequately to its breed, without possessing the generally accepted characteristics or whose physical condition leaves a lot to be desired. The four best dogs in each class are placed provided that they have been awarded at least the qualification “VERY GOOD”.

11.7 Titles, Awards and Main Ring Competitions

11.7.1 CACIB — Certificat d’Aptitude au Championnat International de Beauté de la FCI. The only dogs which can be taken into consideration for the CACIB are the 1st Place Winners who have been awarded “EXCELLENT” in Intermediate, Working, Open and Champions class and are over 15 months of age.

The Reserve CACIB is awarded to the second-best dog which was given the qualification “EXCELLENT” from the above-mentioned classes. The dog placed second in the class where the CACIB winner comes from can compete for the Reserve CACIB, if awarded excellent. It is not compulsory to award the Reserve CACIB.

11.7.2 Best of Breed (BOB)

The CACIB winner from both sexes will compete for Best of Breed (BOB). The Class in Breed Awards will be conducted as at NZKC Championship Shows. The BOB winner will automatically take the award for their respective class.

Best in Group

The Best of Breeds will compete for Best in Group. There will be four (4) Group Placings, announced in the order four, three, two and one. The Class In Group Awards will be conducted as at NZKC Championship Shows. The four (4) Group Placings will automatically take the award for their respective classes.

Best In Show

The Best in Groups will compete for best In Show. There will be four (4) In Show placings, announced in the order four, three,

two and one. The Class In Show awards will be conducted as at NZKC Championship Shows. The four (4) In Show placings will automatically take the award for their respective classes.

11.8 In all other respects, Show Regulations 1–30 will apply.

Notes:

1. In accordance with the terms of the Associate Membership between NZKC and FCI all NZKC CACIB shows are to be conducted under FCI regulations, including group nomenclature and breed standards for the duration of the event. This includes the awarding of National Challenge Certificates.
2. At NZKC CACIB shows, clubs hosting the event will have the option of utilizing the 10 FCI Groups or combining the 10 FCI Groups into the 7 Groups as nominated in Regulation.

FCI Breeds and Breed Groups

For NZKC CACIB Show only the following 10 breed groups and each group's constituent breeds will apply.

FCI breeds recognised on a definitive basis are eligible for the CACIB and for the FCI titles (Winner of the World Dog Show, Winner of the Section Shows — Europe, Asia and the Pacific, Americas and the Caribbean). There will be some differences to the groups we're used to in New Zealand, and some breeds that aren't common or present in NZ.

Group 1 Sheepdogs and Cattle dogs (Except Swiss Cattle Dogs)

Australian Cattle Dog	German Shepherd
Australian Kelpie	German Shepherd (Long Stock)
Australian Shepherd	Komondor
Australian Stumpy Tail Cattle Dog (prov)	Kuvasz
Bearded Collie	Maremma Sheepdog
Beauceron	Miniature American Shepherd (prov)
Belgian Shepherd (Groenendael)	Old English Sheepdog
Belgian Shepherd (Laekenois)	Polish Lowland Sheepdog
Belgian Shepherd (Malinois)	Puli
Belgian Shepherd (Tervueren)	Pumi
Bergamasco Shepherd Dog	Pyrenean Sheepdog (Long Haired)
Border Collie	Schipperke
Bouvier Des Flandres	Shetland Sheepdog
Briard	Tatra Shepherd Dog
Collie (Rough)	Welsh Corgi (Cardigan)
Collie (Smooth)	Welsh Corgi (Pembroke)
Czechoslovakian Wolfdog	White Swiss Shepherd Dog
Dutch Shepherd Dog	



Group 2 Pinscher and Schnauzer — Molossoid Breeds and Swiss Mountain & Cattle dogs

Affenpinscher	Great Dane	Pyrenean Mountain Dog
Bernese Mountain Dog	Great Swiss Mountain Dog	Rottweiler
Boxer	Italian Corso	Russian Black Terrier
British Bulldog	Kangal Dog	Schnauzer
Bullmastiff	Leonberger	Schnauzer (Giant)
Central Asian Shepherd Dog	Mastiff	Schnauzer (Miniature)
Dobermann	Miniature Pinscher	Shar Pei
Dogue De Bordeaux	Neopolitan Mastiff	Spanish Mastiff
Estrela Mountain Dog	Newfoundland	St Bernard
German Pinscher	Pyrenean Mastiff	Tibetan Mastiff

Group 3 Terriers

Airedale Terrier
American Staffordshire Terrier
Australian Silky Terrier
Australian Terrier
Bedlington Terrier
Border Terrier
Bull Terrier
Bull Terrier (Miniature)
Cairn Terrier
Cesky Terrier
Dandie Dinmont Terrier
English Toy Terrier (Black and Tan)
Fox Terrier (Smooth)
Fox Terrier (Wire)
German Hunting Terrier
Glen Of Imaal Terrier
Irish Terrier
Jack Russell Terrier
Kerry Blue Terrier
Lakeland Terrier
Manchester Terrier
Norfolk Terrier
Norwich Terrier
Parson Russell Terrier
Scottish Terrier
Sealyham Terrier
Skye Terrier
Soft Coat Wheaten Terrier
Staffordshire Bull Terrier
Welsh Terrier
West Highland White Terrier
Yorkshire Terrier

Group 4 Dachshunds

Dachshund (Standard Long-Haired)
Dachshund (Miniature Long-Haired)
Dachshund (Standard Smooth-Haired)
Dachshund (Miniature Smooth-Haired)
Dachshund (Standard Wire-Haired)
Dachshund (Miniature Wire-Haired)

Group 5 Spitz and Primitive Breeds

Akita
Akita (Japanese)
Alaskan Malamute
Basenji
Canaan Dog
Canadian Eskimo Dog
Chow Chow
Eurasian
Finnish Lapphund
Finnish Spitz
German Spitz (Klein)
German Spitz (Mittel)
Ibizan Hound
Icelandic Sheepdog
Japanese Spitz
Keeshond
Norwegian Buhund
Norwegian Elkhound
Peruvian Hairless Dog (Medium)
Peruvian Hairless Dog (Large)
Peruvian Hairless Dog (Small)
Pharaoh Hound
Pomeranian
Portuguese Podengo (Large)
Portuguese Podengo (Medium)
Portuguese Podengo (Small)
Samoyed
Shiba Inu
Siberian Husky
Swedish Lapphund
Swedish Vallhund
Thai Ridgeback
Xoloitzcuintle (Miniature)
Xoloitzcuintle (Intermediate)
Xoloitzcuintle (Standard)
Shikoku

Group 6 Scent Hounds and Related Breeds

Basset Fauve De Bretagne
Basset Hound
Beagle
Black And Tan Coonhound
Bloodhound
Dalmatian
Foxhound
Grand Basset Griffon Vendeen
Hamiltonstovare
Harrier
Otterhound
Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen
Rhodesian Ridgeback

Group 7 Pointing Dogs

Bracco Italiano
Brittany
Cesky Fousek
English Setter
German Short-haired Pointer
German Wire-haired Pointer
Gordon Setter
Hungarian Vizsla
Hungarian Wire-haired Vizsla
Irish Red & White Setter
Irish Setter
Italian Spinone
Large Munsterlander
Pointer
Weimaraner (Short-haired)
Weimaraner (Long-haired)

Group 8 Retrievers — Flushing Dogs — Water Dogs

Chesapeake Bay Retriever	Irish Water Spaniel
Clumber Spaniel	Labrador Retriever
Cocker Spaniel	Lagotto Romagnolo
Cocker Spaniel (American)	Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever
Curly Coated Retriever	Portuguese Water Dog
English Springer Spaniel	Spanish Water Dog
Field Spaniel	Sussex Spaniel
Flat Coat Retriever	Welsh Springer Spaniel
Golden Retriever	

Group 9 Companion and Toy Dogs

Bichon Frise	Lowchen
Bolognese	Maltese
Boston Terrier	Papillon
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel	Pekingese
Chihuahua (Long Coat)	Poodle (Standard)
Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	Poodle (Miniature)
Chinese Crested Dog	Poodle (Toy)
Coton De Tulear	Pug
French Bulldog	Shih Tzu
Griffon Bruxellois	Tibetan Spaniel
Havanese	Tibetan Terrier
Japanese Chin	Biewer Terrier (prov)
King Charles Spaniel	
Lhasa Apso	

Group 10 Sight Hounds

Afghan Hound
Azawakh
Borzoi
Deerhound
Greyhound
Irish Wolfhound
Italian Greyhound
Saluki
Sloughi
Whippet



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