



Memorandum of Understanding between FCI and CKC

WHEREAS the Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI) and The Canadian Kennel Club (CKC) share the common goals of promoting and protecting purebred dogs;

WHEREAS the CKC and the FCI have, in the past, cooperated to a certain extent in carrying out these goals and have been acting pursuant to certain informal agreements made from time to time for that purpose;

WHEREAS it is recognized that both the FCI and the CKC are required to operate within the limits of the legislation governing their activities, including their respective constitution and by-laws;

NOW this letter of understanding expresses a mutually agreed to basis for the relationship between the CKC and the FCI as follows:

1. The CKC acknowledges the role of the FCI and its governing institutions as set out in the FCI Statutes as the primary world federation of dog registries.
2. The FCI acknowledges the CKC as the primary kennel club in Canada.
3. The CKC and the FCI agree that when any information comes to the knowledge of one party, which might reasonably affect or be useful to the other party (judges suspension, amended standards etc.), it will immediately communicate, in writing, such information to the other party.
4. The parties will meet at the request of either of them, within a reasonable timeframe and on basis of a consistent mutually agreed agenda which will include matters of common interest.

5. The FCI agrees to send to the CKC head office a copy of all breed standards with revisions as they occur and CKC agrees to send to the FCI headquarters all CKC breed standards with revision as they occur. The FCI and CKC will also share information concerning the decisions of their respective governing bodies such as the exchange of official publications.
6. The CKC will periodically provide the FCI with a list of the registries from the FCI member countries with which the CKC has reached an agreement providing for the mutual recognition of studbooks and pedigrees. The CKC will get in touch with all the FCI members and contract partners and inform them about the procedure to follow to gain CKC recognition. The FCI will notify the CKC of the accession of any country to FCI membership.
7. The details of a mutual recognition of FCI and CKC judges are written on a document which is part of this contract.
8. The FCI will not sponsor or sanction any event within Canada without the express permission of the CKC.
9. The CKC will not sponsor or sanction any event in an FCI member country without the express permission of the FCI and the agreement of the member country.
10. While not an FCI member, FCI graciously agrees to permit CKC to participate in its World or Section Agility, Utility, and Obedience Championship Events and any forthcoming canine performance event that may be mutually recognized by both organizations.
11. As long as no agreement is reached with regard to the working breeds (according to the FCI nomenclature) between the FCI and CKC, these breeds (CKC-registered dogs) are not eligible for the title of "International Beauty Champion". The non-working breeds (CKC-registered dogs) are eligible for this title provided that they comply with the FCI International Championship Regulations, i.e. 4 CACIB in 3 countries under 3 different FCI judges.
12. The CKC registered dogs are eligible for the other FCI international titles provided that they meet with the FCI requirements.
13. The FCI international directory of kennel names (affixes) is not open to CKC breeders and the FCI cannot guarantee that a CKC kennel name (affix) will not be similar to an FCI registered kennel name (affix) and conversely.

14. Both parties agree that the present Letter of Understanding shall not be interpreted or applied so as to require either party to act in a manner not authorized by or contrary to applicable legislation, including each party's constitution, rules or by-laws.

15. The terms of this Letter of Understanding are agreed to by both parties. This agreement may be terminated by either party upon giving the other party 60 days notice in writing.



CANADIAN KENNEL CLUB

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Hans Müller, President,

Handwritten signature of Dwain McLean in blue ink.

Dwain McLean, Chairman,
Board of Directors

Handwritten signature of Karl Reisinger in blue ink.

 Vice-President
KARL REISINGER

Handwritten signature of Joe Mauro in blue ink.

Joe Mauro, Chief Executive Officer



CKC Judges eligibility to officiate at FCI International Events

From May 1st, 2024, the following dispositions will apply:

- a) CKC judges are allowed to judge in the FCI member countries all-breed, group and specialty national shows, the breeds they are approved to judge in Canada.
- b) **CKC judges are allowed to judge the breeds they are approved to judge in Canada, at FCI International CACIB Shows and are allowed to award CACIB to them.**

It will be the responsibility of the FCI Office and of the judges concerned to keep track of assignments undertaken in an FCI member country. Taking into account the legal restrictions on the exercise of extra-territorial jurisdiction by the CKC, it will be the responsibility of the CKC to communicate them to their judges and the practical implementation and enforcement of the agreed above principles will be under the responsibility of the FCI Office, of the FCI members and the judges concerned.



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Title: Executive Director
Signature:
Date: Apr. 2, 2024



CANADIAN KENNEL CLUB

Full Name: Jeff Cornett
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