

## Show Regulations for Chapters

1. A chapter must notify MBDCA's Awards Secretary in writing at least 30 days prior to a show and, upon application and approval by the Awards Secretary, may designate the show an "MBDCA Sanctioned Show." A chapter may not advertise an event as a sanctioned show until it has received approval of the show's date.
2. A chapter which joined MBDCA earlier will have a prior option to hold a show on any given date over a chapter which joined later, providing the former chapter submits the date before the later Chapter has been given permission to use that date.
3. MBDCA will not permit chapters to hold shows in an area of possible conflict on the same date unless both chapters notify the MBDCA Awards Secretary in writing of their willingness.
4. Each chapter must have a Show Committee which will be responsible for notifying the MBDCA Awards Secretary of shows, for sending show results to MBDCA and for ascertaining that ring size, classes and judging procedures conform to these regulations. The Show Committee must also notify the MBDCA Awards Secretary and the chapter holding the show of any violations of these regulations and shall have such other duties as set forth in these regulations.
5. A chapter's name shall not be used by any other chapter.
6. A chapter may make rules for governing its own members and shows as long as these rules do not conflict with MBDCA Regulations or Bylaws.
7. A chapter may offer as many non-regular classes as it desires.
8. A chapter may also hold rally obedience trials, tracking tests, retriever instinct tests, or lure coursing tests. These need not be held the same day as an obedience trial.
9. A chapter need not include all levels of obedience at any show; however, a chapter is strongly encouraged to offer all levels.
10. A schedule must be displayed at an Open Show listing the approximate time of the start of each class. Specialty Shows must send a judging schedule to all exhibitors. No class may be started before the time listed on the schedule.
11. If Conformation is included, the chapter must provide each judge of Mixed Breed Conformation with a Judge's Book listing each dog's class, armband number, registration number, and space for the judge to write placements.
12. The chapter must send the Judge's Book, or if no Judge's Book was

- provided, must send the number of mixed breed dogs with their names and registration numbers to the MBDCA Awards Secretary within 14 mailing days after the show. This is the Show Committee's responsibility. A \$1.00 per day late penalty will be charged.
13. The chapter's show committee is required to send the Awards Secretary \$.50 for each dog entered in a sanctioned show within 14 mailing days after the date of the show. A \$1.00 per day late penalty will be charged.
  14. The following ribbon and rosette colors will be required at Specialty Shows and are optional, though preferred, at Open Shows. Chapters may offer other Ribbons or Rosettes at these shows if they wish.

ALL CLASSES – RIBBONS OR ROSETTES

First . . . . .	Blue
Second . . . . .	Red
Third . . . . .	Yellow
Fourth . . . . .	White

CONFORMATION CLASSES – ROSETTES

Points Dog/Bitch . . . . .	Turquoise
Reserve Points Dog/Bitch. . . . .	Turquoise and White
Best of Points . . . . .	Green and Gold
Best Mixed Breed . . . . .	Turquoise and Gold
Best of Opposite Sex . . . . .	Green and White
Judge's Award of Merit . . . . .	White and Gold

OBEDIENCE CLASSES

Qualifying . . . . .	Maroon (Ribbon)
High in Trial . . . . .	Maroon and Gold (Rosette)
High Combined (opt.) . . . . .	Maroon and Gray (Rosette)

## Specialty Regulations

1. Definition

1. A Specialty Show is a show open only to dogs registered with MBDCA.
2. All general show regulations also apply to Specialty Shows.

## 2. Show Committee

1. A Show Committee consists of a minimum of a Show Chairperson and a Show Secretary; an Awards Secretary, Grounds Person, and any other show staff may be added at the club's discretion.
2. After informing MBDCA of the date and place of their show, a chapter must notify MBDCA of the names of judges and the classes they are to judge, the name and address of the Show Committee Chairman, and the type of show (i.e., Regional or National), not less than two weeks prior to the show.

## 3. Premium Lists

1. A premium list should be sent to prospective exhibitors, including chapter members and other members who have asked to be put on the chapter mailing list, at least one month prior to the date of the show.
2. The premium list should contain: The Secretary's name and address; members of the Show Committee; names of judges and the classes they are to judge; the location, date and time of the show; and the prizes offered. Any type of limit in entries or classes must also be listed.
3. If a single class is divided, assignments for judges for each section should be listed in the premium list.

## 4. Judging Program

1. A judging program must be sent to all entrants.
2. The judging program must list: The starting time of each class; lunch time, if any, for the judges and the time judging resumes after lunch; any changes in prizes or judges.
3. The rate of judging should be based on 20 dogs per hour for conformation and 7 dogs per hour for obedience.
4. If an advertised prize is not available due to circumstances beyond the control of the chapter, one of the following must be done: Replace the reward with one of equal value; or, send the reward as soon as it is available.

## 5. Catalog

The Show Committee must provide a catalog which lists the following information: The dog's registered name; sex; birth year; registration number; owner's name and armband number; and the classes entered. The catalog must also contain the Show Secretary's name and address, members of the Show Committee, the chapter's name, the date, time and place of the show, and space for recording the winners. Other information may be included as desired.

## 6. Procedures

1. If an MBDCA judge is unable to judge any class or portion of a class he was scheduled to judge, the chapter must provide a stand-in judge to take his place. An exhibitor showing for legs or points must have one-half of his entry refunded if requested before the start of the class. The change of judge must be posted at the entrance to the ring, near the entry table, and if possible, on the judging schedule.
2. Judges and stewards must not give out any scores until the end of the class. Dogs which have earned a leg will be called back into the ring to receive scores.
3. Dogs must be judged in the order listed in the Judge's Book, except any exhibitor may request a judge to place him at the end of the judging list if done prior to his judging time.
4. In regular classes, only dogs receiving qualifying scores are eligible for prizes.

## **Violation Procedures**

1. If any rule or procedure written herein is violated by a member or chapter, any other member or chapter of MBDCA may press charges against them by paying a \$25.00 deposit and submitting to MBDCA a written account of the incident within four months after the date of the incident.
2. Within 10 business days after receiving the written account of the incident, the Board of Directors will appoint a Violations Board to review the incident.
3. The Violations Board shall consist of one member of the Board of Directors, two chapter members, or one individual member and one chapter member, and will meet within 30 days of receiving the written account of the incident from the Board of Directors.
4. The Violations Board will notify the member or president of the chapter of the charges and require a written account of the incident from all parties involved. If the written account is not sent, the decision will automatically be decided against the member not sending the information and a fine may be levied against said member or chapter.
5. Using the information from the accounts and any witnesses or other evidence available, the Violations Board will decide if the charge is substantiated and/or under MBDCA jurisdiction. If so, the deposit will be refunded and the Violations Board will make a ruling. The

- Violations Board's decision must be sent to both parties within 7 business days after the Violations Board makes a ruling.
6. The Violations Board may impose a fine of not more than \$100.00. The Treasurer will be responsible for reporting to the Board of Directors whether the fine has been paid.
  7. The Violations Board may also recommend to the Board of Directors a period of suspension of the member or chapter.
  8. The period of suspension will be figured from the date of the incident and any points, legs, or prizes awarded during such period will be voided.
  9. A period of suspension may range from one day to life.
  10. If a chapter's Show Committee feels a violation is serious enough, it may suspend a member for a violation committed at one of their shows until such time as the Violations Board declares its ruling. The suspension must be in writing and must be sent to the member and to the Board of Directors.
  11. The Board of Directors may overturn any decision of the Violations Board by a 2/3 affirmative vote.