

REGULATIONS FOR THE « FCI CENTENARY WORLD CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS »

The « FCI CENTENARY WORLD CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS », called COC, is organized under the high patronage of the FCI that assigned its practical organization to the Société Royale Saint-Hubert, founding member of the FCI. This competition is run according to the FCI Show Regulations as well as according to the following dispositions:

Article 1 : Pre-information

- a) Only the dogs with a pedigree issued by an FCI member or contract partner (or by an organisation with which the FCI signed a contract for mutual recognition of the pedigrees) and complying with the requirements under article 2 of the present regulations are allowed to compete in the COC.
- b) Access to the hall is forbidden to dogs that are not entered in the COC.
- c) « Double handling » is forbidden.
- d) Owners and/or handlers are directly reliable for the behaviour of their dogs.
- e) Owners and/or handlers must clean after their dogs.
- f) Any dog showing an aggressive behaviour towards another dog or a person will be disqualified by the organizers.
- g) It is forbidden to wear clothes showing pet food manufacturers or pet accessories during the whole event.
- h) The decisions of the jury are undisputable. The other questions will be fixed by the organizing committee on the day of the event. Its decisions cannot be appealed. No complaint will be accepted after the event is completed.
- i) The owner/handler is responsible for any damage caused by his dog within the COC hall.
- j) By entering his dog, every participant accepts the present and entire regulations « FCI Centenary World Champion of Champions ».

Article 2 : Participation

Participation in the « FCI CENTENARY WORLD CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS » is reserved exclusively to the FCI International Champions (CIB - CIE) whose title has officially been confirmed by the FCI **AND** to the dogs that have gained at least one (1) CACIB at one of the following four shows : Brussels Dog Show 2010 (18-19 December 2010), FCI Centenary Winner Dog Show (Dortmund, 6-8 May 2011), FCI Centenary World Dog Show (Paris, 7-10 July 2011) and FCI Centenary European Dog Show (Leeuwarden, 1-4 September 2011).

Article 3 : Entry

- a) Entry is possible exclusively via the ON LINE form available on www.srsh.be from September 5, 2011 until 30 September 2011 included. The dogs that are not entered correctly or outside that period cannot take part in the COC. Entries made before 5 September 2011 cannot be processed until that date.
No other entry will be taken into consideration. The organizing committee reserves the right to check that the CACIB obtained were gained correctly and that the title of FCI International Champion (CIE-CIB) is duly confirmed.
- b) Entry is limited to 150 dogs per group (according to the FCI Breed Nomenclature). Breeds recognized at provisional level are not admitted in the competition. As soon as 150 dogs are entered in a specific group (according to the FCI Breed Nomenclature), entry in this group is definitively closed even before September 30, 2011.
- c) Entry fee is 60 € per dog. By paying the entry fee, the owner/handler of the dog and one more person get free access to the FCI CENTENARY WORLD CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS and one (1) catalogue.
- d) Entry confirmation is sent ON LINE to the owner/handler of the dog, after entry and payment details have been checked. Entry made before September 5, 2011 cannot be confirmed until that date.

Article 4 : Entrance of the dogs

- a) Entry confirmation has to be presented by the owner/handler at the entrance to Hall 11 of the Brussels Expo.

- b) Pet passport and/or vaccination records have to be shown to the veterinarian in charge of checking the dogs.
- c) The participation numbers and catalogues are available after the veterinarian control, upon presentation of the entry confirmation.
- d) Once the dog is in the hall, it is taken to the collecting area specifically assigned to each group (according to the FCI Breed Nomenclature).
- e) Upon arrival, the owner/handler gets in touch with the chief steward of his dog's group. He has to follow his instructions and abide by the information he is given. The participant who turns up too late in the ring (or any other designated place) will be disqualified by the organizing committee.

Article 5 : First round of the competition

- a) Access of the dog to the ring assigned to its group (according to the FCI Breed Nomenclature) is made following the "growing" order of the bip numbers. The dog is allowed to enter the ring only after the owner/handler was allowed to do so by the ring steward.
- b) Dogs enter the ring, one after the other, regardless of the breed, in order to be evaluated by two judges. Both of them, individually, examine the dogs and give an overall grade (100 points) which they hand over to the ring secretary. The results are kept secret.
- c) After the judging, every dog goes back to its respective collecting area.
- d) All the participants will be offered a gift and a rosette.**
- e) Once the different group judging is completed, the names of the 64 dogs that got the highest grades and qualified for the second round are announced by loud-speakers. The number of dogs (per group) that qualified for the second round is proportionate to the total entry in each group.
- f) The owners/handlers whose dog did not qualify for the second round are allowed to leave the show venue with their dog.

Article 6 : Second round of the competition

- a) The 64 qualifiers get access to the second round. Drawing lots will determine the order in which they will be shown to the judges.
- b) The dogs are shown, two by two, to a jury made up of 3 all-breed judges.
- c) The principle of "direct elimination" (knock-out) will apply. The 3 judges will choose either dog by using signs of different colours. The dog that wins under two (or three) judges will qualify for the next round.
- d) This judging procedure will be the same throughout the whole second round until the end of the competition and the designation of the **FCI CENTENARY WORLD CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS**.

Article 7 : Trophies and Prizes

The winning dog will be awarded the unique and prestigious title of FCI Centenary World Champion of Champions. It will be given the **golden « VICTOR »**. Its challenger will be awarded the **silver « VICTOR »** and the following two dogs (the losers of the two 1/2 finals) will each receive the **bronze « VICTOR »**. Other exceptional trophies will be awarded to the following four dogs (losers of the 1/4 finals) as well as a cup to the remaining 56 qualifiers (second round).

Article 8 : Miscellaneous

The first four (4) placed dogs (4 VICTOR winners), their owner/handler and one accompanying person are kindly invited by the Fédération Cynologique Internationale to the official gala dinner on the occasion of the great Centenary anniversary of the FCI in the evening. The dinner will take place at Concert Noble, Rue d'Arlon 82, 1040 Bruxelles.

(The French version is the only valid text.)