



## Part E - Judges permission procedure

### WCF judges

1. The judge's permission is valid for 3 years (decision of the General Assembly from 06.12.1997). The first issue is free of charge, as it is included in the examination fee. For an extension a fee of 20 Euro is charged currently. In case of a late-filed application for the extension of the permission the fee is 40 Euro. The owner of the judges permission is obliged to watch the expiration date by himself. A proof of payment and an actual passport photo have to be attached to the application for extension. WCF judges are obliged to have the application for extension stamped by their WCF club and to present the documents as in case of a first application.
2. The judge's permission can be renewed at the latest within a 2-month period after expiry of the validity date. There is no entitlement to a reissue or extension if, for example, the documents of the application are not completely in original, if no payment has been made, if disciplinary proceedings have occurred or if the 2-month time limit has expired.
3. The owner of the judge's permission will be displayed at the website of the WCF with complete address, tel./fax number, e-mail address, hair category and period of validity of the permission. After expiration he will be shown for 2 months at most with the note "expired". If there is no application for extension by that time, the data will be deleted.
4. WCF judges get a refund at the exhibitions for the costs for hotel, catering and travel as well as normally a present at the discretion of the club. The job as a judge at exhibitions is refunded with 100,00 Euro for each day of the exhibition. Additionally D.2.5 of the show rules applies. The inviting clubs are obliged to refund the costs of the officiating judges before the Best in Show on the first day of the exhibition, at the latest before the Best in Show on the second day.
5. Since the WCF has sufficient adequately trained judges in the WCF, no further judges permissions are issued for judges who have not passed their examinations in the WCF. Training at one of the WCC member associations is treated as a WCF training.

### Guest judges

1. A judge's permission is also possible for a judge who is not a member of a WCF club but in another registered organization. The judges permission procedure corresponds to that of a WCF judge.
  - 1.1 External judges absolve a shortened test for the qualification for issuing the judging permit according to the requirements of WCF.

The theoretical test includes 30 questions from the official catalogue of questions of WCF that have to be answered written. 10 of these questions are selected from the general section, 20 questions are selected from the specific hair categories, 5 from each category.

This partition applies to the admission for issuing the judge's permission as Allbreed judge.

If the qualification is requested for partial exams, the questions for the non-requested categories are not necessary.

The test has to be made in an official language of WCF. The language may not be the mother tongue or the language of the country the candidate is living in.

The practical test for an Allbreed judge consists in judging of at least:

- 5 cats Longhair category (incl.Exotic Shorthair)
- 5 cats Siamese/Oriental category
- 15 cats Semilonghair category
- 15 cats Shorthair category



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In the case of partial exams, the number of cats to be judged increases in the categories Longhair incl. Exotic Shorthair respectively Siam/ORI to 10.

The theoretical test in the partial exam consists of 10 questions per hair category.

1.2 The test can be made on a two-one-day-exhibition, where the practical part of the test shall be parted on both exhibition days. The practical test includes the choice for “Best Variety” and nominations for Best in Show.

1.3 The requirement does not apply to judges who belong to an organization with which the WCF has contractually agreed to mutual recognition of the judge's qualification. If the contractual relationship ends, the qualification of the concerned judges who hold a WCF permission during the contract period, remains recognized.

1.4 This rule is valid for all new requests.

2. WCC judges are treated like WCF judges and do not need to have a WCF judge's permission to judge. The only difference is that these judges may not take examines. If a WCC judge wishes to receive a WCF judges' permission, he / she will receive it according to the above mentioned regulations. With fulfilling the above mentioned requirements a WCC judge receives as well the right to examine.

3. Clubs wishing to oblige non-licensed judges to judge must submit to the Judges Commission copies of the evidence of the passed judges' exams for verification before submitting the show license application.

Approval for the judge in question is then given after verification of the exam certificates for the verified categories.

This verification must be repeated in each individual case and is a fee-based service of WCF. The fee is 20,00 Euro per individual case.

The verification of the qualification is not equivalent to the granting of a WCF judge's permission and does not automatically lead to a recognition of the judge as WCF judge.

This rule does not apply to judges of WCC members and associations who have a contractual agreement regarding their judges with the WCF.

*We ask for your attention: The Judges permission procedure of the WCF has been published, and we presume that you know all regulations.*