

Transition table from Breed Club Judges Lists to Kennel Club Judges Competency Framework

(to be read in conjunction with Annex B(i) and B(ii) - JCF Guide to Being a Dog Show Judge)

1. The Judges Competency Framework (JCF) will commence on 1 January 2019 with transitional arrangements for each breed at each level until full implementation on 1 January 2022
2. From 1 January 2019 judges will be able to assume the new judging privileges at whichever level they register on the Academy during the transition period and transition into. The required education at each new level must be completed by 1 January 2022 for judges to continue to be eligible to judge beyond this date.
3. The Framework is effective from 1 January 2019 and from this date judges can login to the Kennel Club Academy and create their personal account.
4. With effect from 1 January 2019 no new judge will be eligible to start judging at licensed shows until Level 1 status has been achieved. All those who have judged prior to 1 January 2019 will transition to their new level, assume their new judging privileges and have until 1 January 2022 to complete all the relevant criteria as detailed below at their new level to continue to judge at licensed shows from this date. However if a judge is not on a B list or higher for the breed to be judged, then they need to be registered as a Level 1 judge, having met the required criteria.
5. The mandatory requirements referred to below for Level 1 are, and if already achieved can be carried forward:
 - a. A proven interest of a minimum of **5** years in one or more aspects of the breeding and exhibiting of pedigree dogs (including show administration/stewarding)
 - b. Undertaken 6 full days of stewarding appointments
 - c. Attended a Kennel Club Requirements of a Dog Show Judge (RDSJ) seminar and passed the exam.
 - d. Passed the Kennel Club Points of the Dog assessment
 - e. Attended a Kennel Club Conformation and Movement seminar
 - f. Complete a Kennel Club Critique Writing Seminar.
6. Judges can be on several different levels for several different breeds at the same time.
7. A level 4 judge can register at Level 2 or Level 3 as appropriate for other breeds in which they have an interest and wish to continue to judge.

Current status	Requirements
<p><u>Not on a C list</u> (not attended any seminars)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Register on KCA at entry level • Undertake all Level 1 requirements by 1 Jan 2019 to be able to continue to judge up to 3(4) or 5(6) classes of any breed at Kennel Club licensed shows from 1 Jan 2019 • Must pass the refresher Requirements of a Dog Show Judge exam every 5 years¹ • Progress to L2 as required for each breed they wish to judge
<p><u>Not on a C list</u> (has previously passes/attended some or all of the previous mandatory requirements)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Register on KCA at entry level • Complete all Level 1 requirements to be able to continue to judge up to 3(4) and 5(6) classes of any breed at Kennel Club licensed shows from 1 Jan 2019 • Previously passed Points of the Dog assessment and attendance at an official Conformation and Movement seminar remain valid and can be carried forward • Must pass the refresher Requirements of a Dog Show Judge exam every 5 years¹ • Progress to L2 as required for each breed they wish to judge
<p><u>On a C list</u> (has previously passes/attended some or all of the previous mandatory requirements)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Register on KCA at entry level or Level 1 • Complete all Level 1 requirements to be able to continue to judge up to 3(4) and 5(6) classes of any breed at Kennel Club licensed shows from 1 Jan 2019 • Previously passed Points of the Dog assessment and attendance at an official Conformation and Movement seminar remain valid and can be carried forward • Must pass the refresher Requirements of a Dog Show Judge exam every 5 years¹ • Progress to L2 as required for each breed they wish to judge
<p><u>On a B list</u> (has previously passes/attended some or all of the previous mandatory requirements and has attended a Breed Appreciation Day and passed a breed standard exam)²</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Register on KCA at Level 1 once completed outstanding criteria (see para 5 above) • Complete L2 requirements² to be able to continue to judge more than 3(4) and 5(6) classes of this breed at Kennel Club licensed shows from 1 Jan 2022 • Apply to progress to L2 • Must pass the refresher Requirements of a Dog Show Judge exam every 5 years¹ • Progress to L3 as required
<p><u>On an A3 list</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply to register on KCA at L3 and register all L1 and L2 requirements, including the Critique Writing Seminar (only to be taken once) to be able to continue to judge more than 3(4) and 5(6) classes of these breeds at Kennel Club licensed shows from 1 Jan 2022 • Must complete all L3 requirements including passing an official Kennel Club Breed Competence Assessment for relevant breed or breeds, before applying to progress to L4 • The mentoring and observation requirements do not need to be achieved • Must pass the refresher Requirements of a Dog Show Judge exam every 5 years¹
<p><u>On an A2 list</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Register on KCA at L4 to be able to accept an appointment to award Challenge Certificates and to be able to judge more than 3(4) or 5(6) classes of this breed at Kennel Club licensed shows from 1 Jan 2022 • Must pass the refresher Requirements of a Dog Show Judge exam every 5 years¹
<p><u>On an A1 list</u> (judge has previously awarded Challenge Certificates to one or more breeds)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activate personal account of KCA³ as a L4 judge to be able to continue to award Challenge Certificates and to be able to judge more than 3(4) or 5(6) classes of these breeds at Kennel Club licensed shows from 1 Jan 2022 • Judges must register at L4 for each breed for which they are previously approved to award Challenge Certificates • Judges can be on several levels for a range of breeds at the same time. Existing CC judges are exempt from undertaking the Critique Writing Seminar and the KC 'Eye for a Dog' assessment but strongly encouraged to view these seminars on the KCA and take the associated exam • Must pass the refresher Requirements of a Dog Show Judge exam every 5 years¹

Existing JDP Pass with Credit

A previously gained JDP pass with credit obtained by eligible candidates remains valid and cancels out the requirement to pass a L2 Breed Appreciation Day and Multiple-choice Breed Standard Exam under the Framework. The judge can register as Level 3 and must have completed all other relevant KC non-breed specific criteria at this level. Mentoring and Observation are not required.

Banked JDP pass with credits will no longer be valid under the new framework. Any judge who has a banked JDP pass with credit will be required to attend a Breed Competence Assessment under the Judges Competency Framework.

Notes

¹ If a judge has passed the Requirements of a Dog Show Judge exam within the 5 years prior to the start of the JCF (1 January 2019) this fact needs to be registered on the KCA. The timescale for taking the refresher exam will start from this date. Any existing CC judge who is to judge a new CC breed during the transition period will be required to pass the refresher exam before under taking their appointment.

Existing CC judges who have not previously had a need to pass this exam will be required to pass the refresher exam before 1 January 2024.

² Where a judge has passed a breed specific hands on assessment it is not necessary to pass the new Level 2 Multiple-choice Breed Standard Exam. Where a judge has passed the Points of the Dog assessment and has attended a Conformation and Movement seminar these remain valid under the JCF.

³ The Kennel Club will create KCA accounts for all currently active Championship Show judges using records already held. From 1 January 2019 judges will be able to activate their personal account by paying their KCA membership fee and verifying their records.