

At the FCI APAC Board meeting in Taiwan in 2015, the FCI APAC Board amended the rules with regards to the Asia Pacific Champion title which was created in 2014. Please let your members know about these amended rules and regulations which come into effect on 1st January 2016.

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Many FCI countries have been awarding "Regional Titles" to dogs which have which have met the requirements for the achieve the specific title. In The FCI Americas Section for example, they have a few regional titles such as Pan American Champion, Latin American Champion and the likes. These titles are awarded at shows held specifically for these titles in countries within the FCI Americas Section and have attracted many exhibitors to consider attending these shows, to the point that even dogs from other continents travel transcontinental just to enter these shows and to attain the title.

With the diminishing number of entries worldwide, many countries and Sections have found ways and means to attract more exhibitors to enter their shows and "titles at stake" play a major part in enticing more entries to join the shows.

Presently, the Asia-Pacific Section does not have any regional titles. These titles are not "illegal" as far as FCI is concerned and they have no jurisdiction over such regional titles.

Therefore, the creation of the Asia-Pacific Champion would be a good way to promote our dog shows and entice dogs from overseas to attend our shows.

Organization of ASIA-PACIFIC Shows:

1. Each NCO may organize FOUR ASIA-PACIFIC Championship Shows (APCS) in a calendar year and must be shows organized by the NCO and not affiliate clubs.

Any NCO that wishes to organise more than four APCS in a calendar year, may apply for TWO more APCS provided they furnish proof of the nominated additional show getting a historical entry of more than 300 dogs. In the event that the additional APCS is sanctioned but the number of exhibits at the show falls short of 300 exhibits, then the organizing NCO will still be liable to pay the APCS levy for a minimum of 300 dogs.

- 2. Countries that are geographically large, must have the shows in distinct geographic locations to give all exhibitors a chance to participate for this title.
- 3. The date, place of the APCS will be at the discretion of the NCO, but no two NCO may organize APCS on the same weekend.
- 4. The judge(s) of the APCS MUST be from the an FCI Asia-Pacific member country, or at least the BIS must be judged by a judge from an FCI Asia-Pacific member country.
- 5. The NCO must apply for the APCS at least 3 months before with the FCI Asia-Pacific Secretariat.

How to apply for APCS show

All the NCOs within the ASIA-PACIFIC Section that are interested in organizing the ASIA-PACIFIC Championship Show must have the APCS CAC Certificates available at the show. A common design will be supplied by the FCI APAC secretariat, but can be printed locally in each home NCO.

Cost of title

- 1. The NCO will pay a fee of USD\$2per dog entered to the FCI APAC Secretariat for the APCS.
- 2. Each home NCO should include this levy/surcharge in their entries at APCS CAC shows. Once the final report is supplied by the organizing home NCO of the APCS, together with the catalog for the show, the FCI APAC secretariat will then issue a bill to the home NCO. APCS Champion Title certificates will only be issued if all levies have been duly paid to the FCI APAC secretariat. The FCI APAC secretariat will issue the ASIA-PACIFIC CHAMPION certificates at no cost.

Requirements to attain the ASIA-PACIFIC CHAMPION titles:

- 1. To obtain the title of **Asia Pacific Champion** : A dog/bitch who is already a Champion of an FCI member country, must win **FOUR APCS CAC** dog/bitch with a rating of EXCELLENT at any APCS anywhere within the FCI Asia-Pacific Section. A dog/bitch may obtain the APCS CACs in the same country to attain this title, since some countries have problems with quarantine.
- 2. To obtain the title of **Asia Pacific Grand Champion** : A dog/bitch who is already a Champion of an FCI member country, must win **EIGHT APCS CAC** dog/bitch with a rating of EXCELLENT at any APCS anywhere within the FCI Asia-Pacific Section. At least <u>TWO</u> of the Eight APCS CAC MUST be won in two different FCI Asia-Pacific Section countries for the dog to qualify for this title.
- 3. To obtain the title of **Asia Pacific Supreme Champion** : A dog/bitch who is already a Champion of an FCI member country, must win **TWELVE APCS CAC** dog/bitch with a rating of EXCELLENT at any APCS anywhere within the FCI Asia-Pacific Section <u>PLUS</u> win a BIS1 (Best in Show 1) at an APCS. At least

<u>THREE</u> of the Twelve APCS CAC MUST be won in three different FCI Asia-Pacific Section countries for the dog to qualify for this title.

General Notes for NCO's

- 1. The organizing NCO will award the CAC won by the dog/bitch at the APCS that they organize. A report of the APCS CACs awarded to all dogs/bitches, including all relevant details in the format supplied by the FCI APAC secretariat must be submitted to the FCI APAC secretariat for their records. A catalog for the show must also be forwarded to the FCI APAC secretariat.
- **2.** Once a dog/bitch has attained required APCS CAC awards, they must submit the APCS CACs to their home NCO wherein the dog is registered. The home NCO will then forward the application for the ASIA-PACIFIC CHAMPION title to the FCI APAC secretariat, who will then verify and check that the dog qualifies and then issue the ASIA-PACIFIC CHAMPION Certificate.
- **3.** The FCI APAC secretariat will inform the home NCO of titles awarded officially so these can be recognized on the pedigree certificates. The proposed short form for this title is FCI APAC Champion (FCI APAC CH).

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