

Proposal 12 - Amend Show Rules Article THIRTEEN (Invitations to and acceptances by Judges)

Rationale:

Not every club or judge signs the formal TICA Judges Contract in duplicate, so the rules should be updated to reflect current practice. However, the terms of this standard contract must apply to all judging assignments, unless both parties agree other arrangements.

Pros:

- Updated to take account of clubs not using paper-based contracts

Cons:

- Possible lack of a paper trail
- With a verbal agreement there is no paper trail to confirm/prove a contract is in place (or when it was agreed)

Amend Show Rules 213.2, 213.4.2, 213.5:

~~213.2 Completed written "Agreement to Judge TICA Cat Show" (i.e., the official TICA Judges Contract) in duplicate shall be used by the affiliated clubs in making arrangements for judges to officiate at these shows~~

~~213.2.1 The "Judge's Information Sheet" shall be completed by the club and provided to the judge not less than 4 weeks prior to the show.~~

213.2 The official "TICA Judges Contract" contains the governing terms of the agreement to judge TICA cat shows. Clubs shall use this agreement in making arrangements for judges to officiate at these shows. Once a judging assignment is accepted (including but not limited to: formally signed contracts, agreed to in a separate writing or agreed to verbally) the terms of this Agreement are binding on both parties unless other arrangements have been mutually agreed upon in writing.

213.2.1 Unless otherwise mutually agreed upon, not less than 5 days prior to the show the club shall provide the judge with the completed "Judge's Information Sheet" or the equivalent information specified in the document.

213.4.2 Conflicts in Dates. Any judge who has **agreed** ~~signed a contract~~ to judge a show shall not accept another contract to judge a show on that same date unless the original show is cancelled. In the event that more than one contract has been **agreed upon** ~~signed~~, the ~~earlier~~ **earliest** date of ~~signing~~ **acceptance** will determine the applicable contract.

213.5 Judges are required to remain for the advertised hours of the show or as agreed upon ~~in the original contract~~ **beforehand**. In an emergency, this Rule can be waived ~~per~~ **by** mutual agreement between the show management and the judge.