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Guidelines of the FCI Rescue Dogs Commission : **Pool of judges for FCI World Championships**

The pool of judges was established in accordance with a resolution of the FCI Rescue Dogs Commission (*Meeting of 15.03.2008*). The primary intention of the pool of judges is to support the nomination of trial judges (PR) for the World Championships. In addition, the national organisations can make use of the pool when selecting judges for their international contests.

The following guidelines were worked out at the meeting of the FCI Rescue Dogs Commission in Zatec, August 31st 2008 and unanimously approved:

1. The national organisation (LAO) can at any time nominate a trial judge for the pool or remove one. Written notice of nominations and removals must be made to the president. A maximum of 4 judges per national organisation are allowed. The list of trial judges in the pool is to be updated and is accessible at all times. With regard to both his knowledge and personality the nominated trial judge should belong to the best from his national organisation. The national organisation takes responsibility for the appropriateness of the judge for World Championships.
2. To become a member of the judge pool, a current cynological CV must be submitted, demonstrating the person's practical capability in rescue dog sport (trained and handled dogs), his capacity as an official and his previous assignments as a judge.
3. Selection of the judges for the World Championships for Rescue Dogs:
 - a) The selection committee is elected by the Rescue Dogs commission and consists of the president, the vice-president and two further members of the Rescue Dogs commission.
 - b) The selection committee will meet case by case, appointing the trial judges for the coming years. Judges from national organisations regularly entering participants at the World Championship will be preferred when selecting from the current pool list. Furthermore, the time span that a national organisation has not been represented will be taken into account.
 - c) A judge can only be nominated if he has participated in an FCI seminar for judges and is under 70.
 - d) A member of the selection committee or a person commissioned by the selection committee has the right, in particular cases, to monitor and assess the nominated judge while judging. The assessment must be submitted in written form and be open-minded. Subject to previous approval, the national organisation to which the assessed judge belongs will pay the expenses of the assessor.
 - e) Should a nominated judge be found to be not acceptable, he can be substituted by a qualified judge at short notice

The German text is the authentic document.

These Guidelines were approved by the FCI General Committee in Luxemburg on March 26-27 2009.

Appendix:
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Every NCO can at any time and in writing propose trial judges for the pool to the president. These judges must have international experience and have judged at several important championships. Removal of judges from the pool is also to be made in writing to the president.

Selection committee:

President, Vice-president and two further members of the Rescue Dogs Commission.