



## NSW Cat Fanciers Association Junior Handler

### SHOW PROCEDURES – ATTACHMENT E

#### JUNIOR HANDLER

- The aim of this class is to encourage Junior Handlers & Exhibitors, whether they own a pedigree or domestic, to bench their cat and look after it at the show.
- A Junior Handler must be under the age of 18 years at the beginning of the calendar/show year.
- There are to be two age divisions - 6 to 12 years & 13 to 17 years.
- It is required that the parent/guardian accompany their child during the assessment at a discrete distance. It is at the parent/guardian discretion whether their child in the 6 to 12 yrs age division handle their own exhibit.
  
- Assessment to be based on
  - o General knowledge of their exhibit.
  - o How it was prepared prior to the show ie grooming.
  - o Knowledge of their chosen breed if a pedigree cat.
  - o General care, cat husbandry, exhibition cage preparation.
  - o Cat presentation and cleanliness
  - o Exhibits temperament
  - o 13 to 17 yr age division must handle and present their exhibit.
  
- The Junior Handler must be either a financial Junior Member OR part of a Family Membership.
- A Junior Handler does not have to own the cat which he/she exhibits and does not have to exhibit the same cat throughout the whole year.
- No charge is made for entering the Junior Exhibitor class.
- All Junior Handlers' cats must be entered in their normal open or age class.
- Junior Handlers are to be issued with their own vet slip which must be endorsed Junior Exhibitor. They must attend the show, take the cat through vetting, and bench their cat.
- All Junior Handlers' cats will be judged together irrespective of whether the cat is a pedigreed or not.
- First, second and third places will carry points which are awarded to the Junior Handler, and the points will accumulate during the year.
- The judge judging the challenge classes need not judge this class. However the challenge classes must be judged first.

#### NOTES:

- 1) Junior Handler is not a compulsory miscellaneous class.
- 2) NSW CFA will provide a form to be filled out for any participating show. The completed form is to be sent to the NSW CFA Office for end of year tally.
- 3) Regardless of the number of shows attended, the Junior Handler with the most points will be awarded the Junior Handler Award in each age division. There will be an overall Junior Handler based on the total number of points scored.

#### Point Score

1<sup>st</sup> = 10 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> = 7 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> = 4 points, 4<sup>th</sup> = 2 points, 5<sup>th</sup> = 1 point

