

DATE: 05/21/2020

BALLOT NUMBER: BB20-04

SUBJECT: Designation of All Regions as "Isolated"

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REQUESTED BY: Vickie Fisher

BALLOT: For purposes of the 2020-2021 show season and effective May 1, 2020, designate all Regions as "Isolated Areas" and suspend Standing Rules 1012.4.2 and 1012.4.3.

1012.3 Isolated Areas. Areas in which exhibitors have limited show opportunities due to geographic isolation and other factors, such as travel constraints, the area's average exhibitor base, and the average number of rings available in the area during a show year.

1012.3.1 Isolated Area List: **For the 2020/2021 show season only, all TICA Regions shall be treated as Isolated Areas. As of May 1 2021, the list will be:** Asia East - South Korea; Northern Europe - Belorussia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Russia, Sweden, Ukraine; Northwest - Alaska area; South America - Entire Region; South Central – Mexico; Southwest – Hawaii; International - Entire Region; Southern Europe - Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Gibraltar, Greece, Israel, Jordan, Kosovo, Kuwait, Lebanon, Macedonia, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Syria, Turkey, UAE; Western Europe - Channel Islands, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Mann, Northern Ireland.

1012.4 Criteria for Determination of Isolated Area Status.

1012.4.1 The following criteria shall be used in determining Isolated Area status:

1012.4.1.1 The number of licensed judges in an area/region.

1012.4.1.2 The number of shows per year in an area/region.

1012.4.1.3 The number of rings per year in an area/region.

1012.4.1.4 The existence of a quarantine which limits or precludes exhibitors from showing.

1012.4.1.5 Distances which severely restrict travel to shows in an area or region.

1012.4.2 Any area which has sufficient judges for clubs in the area to produce shows on a regular basis in a given show season shall not be considered "Isolated". **This rule is suspended for the 2020/2021 show season.**

1012.4.3 If the number of shows and/or number of rings in an area outside of North America falls within the range of shows and/or rings within North American Regions in any given show season, that area shall not be considered "isolated." **This rule is suspended for the 2020/2021 show season.**

YES: Antenucci, Brooks, Brown, Faccioli, Harrison, Hawksworth-Weitz, Ishimura, Joseph, Kuo, Lawson, Meserve, Rudge, Russo, Stadter, van Mullem

NON-VOTING: Fisher

RATIONALE: It is apparent that the current show season will bring significant challenge and uncertainty to clubs and exhibitors due to the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 19 and orders of quarantine and "re-opening". TICA will only support the occurrence of shows following all local and country laws. At this point it is not certain where show activities will be able to occur or when. The effects of this proposal include:

1. S.R. 22.2.2.1 A club located in an Isolated Area may sponsor an Alternative Format Show any time.
2. Requirements for Titles:
S.R. 207.1.1.2 Isolated Areas: Champion HHP Requirements for Titles

CH CHA MS 150 points from 2 different judges, plus one final
GRC GCA GRM 500 pts with 3 finals, 1 in top 5 SP or any final in AB
DGC DGCA DGM 1000 points plus 1 final in top 5 SP or any final in AB
TGC TGCA TGM 1500 points plus 1 final in top 5 SP or any final in AB
QGC QGCA QGM 2000 points plus 1 final in top 5 SP or any final in AB
SGC SGCA SGM 3000 points plus 1 Best Cat as a QGC/QGCA/QGM

3. Limitations on contracts with judges relaxed

S. R. 29.3.2 No club may contract any judge to judge any cat or cats more than twice in 1 day, three times in 2 days or four times in 3 days, including congresses except in cases of emergency whereby a contracted judge has canceled, and a new (i.e. different) judge cannot be contracted. (See Show Rule 29.3.1.)

29.3.3 The same judge may judge each Alternative Format show, even though that show is in the same calendar day as a show already judged by that judge.

29.3.4 In non-isolated areas a judge may not judge more than two Alternative Format shows on the same weekend, except in cases of emergency whereby a contracted judge has canceled and a new (i.e. different) judge cannot be contracted. (See 22.3.)

This Board Ballot has Passed.