



## How to use the student judge certificate

The student judge certificate reflects the general aspects of the WCF Training Concept, published on the WCF website and has the main goal to improve the quality of student judge training.

### For the student judge

The student judge has to print the certificate and to fill the information about the show date and the personal data before the training starts.

### For the training judge

The training judge has to assess the knowledge and skills of the student judge using the following scale of points:

*5 – excellent*

*4 – very good*

*3 – good*

*2 – acceptable, but not enough*

*1 – unacceptable*

When the training is finished, the training judge sums up all points and divides them by the number of positions being valued.

If the average score is 3 points and higher – the student judge certificate is valid.

If the average score is less than 3 points – the student judge certificate is invalid and cannot be accepted by the WCF Standard and Judges Commission.

The training judge who signed the student judge certificate has the personal responsibility for the reliability of the information provided.

### Clarification of the estimated criteria

#### 1. *Knowledge of spoken foreign language*

#### 2. *Skills in describing a cat in a foreign language*

As mentioned in the WCF Training Concept a student judge shall be able to express himself/herself in a refined manner. Since the title “International Judge” is acquired, good knowledge of a foreign language of the WCF is expected. The training judge has to check the ability of student judge.

- Description of the cat according to the breed quality in oral and written form
- speaking about the particular breed standard (on choice of the training judge)
- speaking about the WCF show rules
- explaining the rules of the WCF rings

#### 3. *Skills in cat judging*

The training judge has to check the student judge technics of the judging and experience in the handling of every presented breed.



#### 4. *Breed standard knowledge*

The training judge has to ask the student judge about

- the most important parts of the standard of each particular breed presenting for the judging
- the scale of points in breed standards
- the range of colors accepted for each particular breed presenting for the judging

#### 5. *Color determination skills*

The training judge gives to the student judge at least three cats for the color determination without showing the information mentioned in the judge report

#### 6. *Cat genetics knowledge*

The training judge has to ask the student judge about

- basic genetics principles
- genetics of colors
- genetics of special traits (coat, ears, legs etc)

#### 7. *Show paperwork knowledge*

The training judge has to ask the student judge about the structure and using of the show papers – catalog, show protocol, judging report.

#### 8. *Show rules knowledge*

The training judge has to ask the student judge about

- how to organize the judging place
- rights and duties of the WCF judge
- nomination rules
- WCF ring rules
- Best in show rules

#### 9. *Ethics of behavior*

Working as student judge requires social competence and communication skills.

Good interaction is important and shall be fair, transparent and cherished.

The student judge is not allowed:

- to leave the judge before the end of the judging
- to give any comments or opinions about the cats or its identity
- to inform the exhibitors about the judgement except in the case when the judge allows it expressly and/or his translation is required.

#### 10.11.12. *Student judge's judging reports*

- The student judge has to write at least three own judging reports.
- The training judge makes the choice of the cat for the student judge judging.
- The student judge gives the full description of the cat in each judging reports.

Electronic copies of these reports must be sent within five days after the show to the Chairwoman of the Standard- and Judges Commission (to the published email address on the WCF website).