

## **Protocol for Handling Colour and Standards Matters**

### **BACKGROUND**

1. Development of this Protocol has been on going following previous decisions, which were ratified by Council. Completion was held over until the task to re-write The Standard was completed.

### **AIM**

1. The aim of this Protocol is to outline the requirements for handling Colour and Standards matters.

### **STRUCTURE**

1. The National Colour and Standards Committee is a Sub-committee appointed by the ANBC. It is required to report annually to Council at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

1. Member Bodies of the ANBC nominate a delegate to the sub-committee, which is required to meet annually at the National Competition prior to reporting to Council at the AGM. The sub-committee recommends annually, to Council for ratification, a National Colour and Standards Co-ordinator to hold this position for the ensuing year.

1. In relation to Council task list matters, which are ongoing between meetings, this sub-committee reports through its Co-ordinator to Council. This reporting is through the ANBC National Secretary/Treasurer by post, fax or electronic medium in accordance with Section 12 of the ANBC Constitution.

### **COLOUR AND STANDARDS MATTERS**

1. Colour and Standards matters may be progressed at any time by Member Bodies to the ANBC National Secretary/Treasurer. These matters will normally be referred to the National Colour and Standards sub-committee for consideration and recommendation to Council at the AGM.

7. Items for inclusion on the Agenda for the annual meeting of the Colour and Standards sub-committee may be referred to the National Colour and Standards Co-ordinator by the Member Body Secretary or Colour and Standards Committee. These items are required no later than 31 March.

## TASK LIST

8. The Colour and Standards Task List includes matters referred by Council or items contained on the ANBC agenda for the AGM which require a Colour and Standards sub-committee recommendation or report.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE STANDARD

8. Amendments to the Standard may be updates or changes to existing sections or include new sections or Variety Standards.

8. **Update/Amend Existing Sections.** Following Colour and Standards Sub-committee consideration of proposed updates/amendments to existing sections of the Standard a recommendation is to be made to Council as part of the Annual Report. If the recommendation is ratified by Council the following is to occur:

- The National Colour and Standards Co-ordinator drafts Update/Amendment.
- National Secretary/Treasurer on behalf of Council endorses Update/Amendment.
- Changes are incorporated in the master copy of the Standard by the National Standards Co-ordinator.
- Amendment to the Standard is issued.

8. **New Sections.** New sections may be included in the Standard if they are ratified by Council. For example, the History of the ANBC Show and Penalty and Disqualification Clauses for the Guidance of Judges and Exhibitors were included in the Standard (2003) by direction of Council.

8. **New Variety Standards.** For New Varieties recommended for inclusion in the Standard, recommendations are to include:

- Proposed Variety Standard following the format used for varieties already contained in The Standard and including any suggested notes.
- Reasons to justify inclusion:
  - Detailed summary of breeding results including genetic information in relation to the proposed variety ie. Dominant, Recessive, Semi-dominant, Sex Linked etc.,
  - Variety features which differentiate it from other Standard varieties.

- Compound Varieties included in its make up ie. Rainbow = Yellow Faced Blue Opaline Clearwing.
- Suggested placement in the Matrix with reasons and suggested groups for combinations included.
- Popularity ie. Gaining popularity with breeders and exhibitors and is being exhibited in NSV Classes in significant numbers (Detail is to be provided).
- Promotion – who is promoting the variety and with what frequency?
- Proposed date for inclusion in the Standard.
- Recommendation in relation to inclusion in the National Competition.

## **CONCLUSION**

8. The standard has been produced in loose-leaf form to facilitate timely amendment when considered necessary by Council. In cases where a recommendation to change the classes in the National Competition will follow a recommended change to the Standard cognisance should be taken of the time restraints needed to effect the changes and provide sufficient notice to breeders, exhibitors and judges.

