

Proposal 1: Amend Bylaw 118.2 and 118.2.2 (Standard Change Ballots)

Rationale:

With the vast majority of members now using electronic voting, a period of 45 days for these ballots is excessive and is now inconsistent with Bylaw 113.2.3 (for voting on membership proposals).

The use of a TICA Ballot judge has now generally been replaced by a firm specializing in electronic voting and the Bylaw needs to be updated to reflect this.

Pros:

Brings the Bylaw up to date to reflect the use of electronic voting

Cons:

Reduces the time available for voters to make a choice

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118.2 Amendment of Existing Standards.

Proposed Standard amendments including but not limited to the addition or deletion of colors or the adoption of a new Standard for a recognized breed shall be submitted by the Breed Committee Chairperson to the Genetics, and Rules Committees 120 days prior to the Board meeting at which the changes are to be considered. The Genetics and Rules Committees shall act on the proposal within 15 days of receipt. Upon approval of the Genetics and Rules Committees, the Executive Office shall issue a ballot to all bona fide voting members of the Breed/Breed Group Section(s) no less than 100 days prior to the Board Meeting at which the changes are to be considered. **The poll is to be counted by either an organization or a person appointed by the Board in accordance with Bylaw 113.3.1** ~~the official TICA Ballot Judge~~. Financial responsibility for said poll shall rest with the requesting party(ies).

118.2.2 Breed/Breed Group Section Members shall have at least **45 30** days from the date of mailing to return the ballot ~~to the TICA Ballot Judge~~.