

**DATE:** 05/21/2020

**BALLOT NUMBER:** BB20-06

**SUBJECT:** Clarification of "Isolated Area" in TICA Judging Program

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**REQUESTED BY:** Vickie Fisher

**BALLOT:** Amend JP 410.1.6.1 to clarify that "Isolated Areas" is a defined term in Standing Rules

410.1.5 A judge may serve as a Guest Judge no more than five weekends per TICA show season except as stated in 410.1.6.1.

410.1.6 There shall be no more than two Guest Judges per show weekend or 50 percent of the rings whichever is less except as stated in 410.1.6.1.

410.1.6.1 The number of Guest Judges allowed to judge shows in ~~isolated areas~~ **Isolated Areas (see Standing Rules 1012.3.1)** shall be considered on a case by case basis.

**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. This proposal recognizes that shows and travel may be very localized for this show season.

**Instruction from Board to Judging Committee: For the show season ending April 30, 2021, the Board requests the Judging Committee be as flexible as possible in approving Guest Judges for shows but without knowingly compromising the quality of the judging experience for the exhibitor.**

**Also, it is noted that the temporary designation of Regions as "Isolated Areas" should neither affect any persons currently enrolled in the training program nor influence applicants and the Judging Committee in selecting between the full version and the remote version of the program.**

This Board Ballot has Passed.