

**BOXER BREED COUNCIL**  
**Judges Definitions**  
**(Revised January 2024)**

**A1 List**

Contains the names of people who have been approved by the Kennel Club to award Challenge Certificates in the breed and who have carried out their first appointment

**A2 List**

Contains the names of people who have not yet awarded CCs but who have been approved by the KC to do so and who are considered by Boxer Breed Council to have sufficient knowledge and experience of the Boxer to be recommended and supported to award Challenge Certificates

Specialists and Non-Specialists

- Must fulfil all the requirements of the A3 list
- Must have been assessed in accordance with current Kennel Club requirements and accepted by the Kennel Club for inclusion on an A2 list

**A3 List**

Contains the names of people who have not yet been approved by the KC and who are considered by Boxer Breed Council to have sufficient knowledge and experience of the Boxer to be recommended and supported to award Challenge Certificates

Specialists

- Over a period of at least 8 years (making 13 years from first exhibiting Boxers) must have judged the breed regularly at General Canine Society Open and Limited shows, Boxer Breed Club Special Events/Classes and Boxer Breed Club Shows
- Must have judged at least 180 Boxers (*total of B & C list / JEP Level 1 requirements*)
- Must have judged both sexes at a minimum of 1 Boxer Breed Club Open Show
- Must Have owned/bred a minimum of three dogs when they obtained their first entry in The Kennel Club Stud Book – save for exceptional circumstances (one-time qualification for first breed in which a judge awards CCs). If using a Junior Warrant for gaining a stud book number, the applicant must have gained all points needed from start to finish while in their ownership
- Must have passed a Hands On Assessment where candidates must judge 5 dogs, place them in order and write a critique on each, followed by a one-to-one with an Assessor
- Must have stewarded on at least 12 separate days at Open/Championship Shows. Limited Shows do not count

Non-Specialists

- Over a period of at least 8 years (making 13 years from first exhibiting) must have judged the breed regularly at General Canine Society Open and Limited shows, Boxer Breed Club Special Events/Classes and Boxer Breed Club Shows
- Must have judged at least 180 Boxers (*total of B & C list / JEP Level 1 requirements*)
- Must have judged both sexes at a minimum of 1 Boxer Breed Club Open Show
- Must Have owned/bred a minimum of three dogs when they obtained their first entry in The Kennel Club Stud Book – save for exceptional circumstances (one-time qualification for first breed in which a judge awards CCs). If using a Junior Warrant for gaining a stud book number, the applicant must have gained all points needed from start to finish while in their ownership
- Must have awarded Challenge Certificates in at least one other breed
- Must have passed a Hands On Assessment where candidates must judge 5 dogs, place them in order and write a critique on each, followed by a one-to-one with an Assessor.

## **B List**

Contains the names of people considered by Boxer Breed Council to have sufficient knowledge and experience of the Boxer to judge the breed at Boxer Breed Club Open and Limited Shows and Championship Shows without CCs

### Specialists

- Over a period of at least 4 years (making 9 years from first exhibiting Boxers) must have judged at least 75 Boxers at a minimum of 4 different shows at General Canine Society Open and Limited shows and Boxer Breed Club Special Events/Classes
- Must have attended a Boxer Breed Specific seminar
- Must have attended a Seminar on the Requirements of a Dog Show delivered by a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer and passed the relevant exam
- Must have attended a Conformation and Movement seminar delivered by a KC Accredited Trainer (*this will already have been undertaken on JEP Level 1 to progress*)
- Must have attended a Points of a Dog assessment given by a KC Accredited Trainer and passed the relevant exam

### Non-Specialists

- Over a period of at least 4 years (making 9 years from first exhibiting) must have judged at least 75 Boxers at a minimum of 4 different shows at General Canine Society Open and Limited shows and Boxer Breed Club Special Events/Classes
- Must have attended a Seminar on the Requirements of a Dog Show delivered by a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer and passed the relevant exam (*not required for non-specialists who already award CCs in another breed*)
- Must have attended a Conformation and Movement seminar delivered by a KC Accredited Trainer (*not required for non-specialists who already award CCs in another breed*)
- Must have attended a Points of a Dog assessment given by a KC Accredited Trainer and passed the relevant exam (*not required for non-specialists who already award CCs in another breed*)

## **C List (Replaced with JEP Level 1 ONLY)**

Requirements to meet this level:

- Minimum of five years proven interest in pedigree dogs
- Attend a Requirements of a Dog Show Judge seminar and pass associated exam (either in person or online via Kennel Club Academy, exam effective from 1 January 2024)
- Attend a Conformation and Movement seminar hosted by a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer
- Complete a minimum of two full-day stewarding appointments
- Pass the Points of a Dog assessment conducted by a Kennel Club Accredited Trainer (effective from 1 January 2024)

Eligibility to judge

- Up to three classes (four if one is a puppy class) for any breed at Limited or Open shows

### **Additional Guidance Notes**

- C Lists are now replaced with JEP Level 1 which must be completed yourself and submitted to the BEC
- The judging lists are progressive so you must fulfil the requirements of all earlier lists before progressing upwards
- Judges must have been approved for the appropriate list before accepting any appointment
- Shows where a critique has not been submitted to the dog press cannot be included
- Boxers can be counted at any KC Licensed Shows, Special Events and Special Award Classes and at single breed matches that took place after 1 February 2020
- Up to 5 Boxers judged at Mock/Training classes at Breed Club Shows or KC approved assessments (only one occasion and five dogs in total can be counted)
- Shows can only be included once. For example, if you use numbers judged at a Breed Club Special Event to progress from C to B you cannot count the same shows again as part of your move from B to A
- Any judge who holds a 'Credit' for Boxers under the Kennel Club's Judge's Development Programme only needs to complete half the specified criteria