

IULH WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS



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1. Foreword

The IULH World Championship should embody a special show where the best of the breed is being showed, judged, and selected.

To create an International Leonberger breed specialty event of the highest status as perceived by the dog owners, breeders, and judges.

The purpose of this show is thus an extraordinary show with some additional features, prizes and (non-FCI) titles. A competition with a special character where breed specialist from all over the world will judge our beautiful breed.

To create a common ground for the breed related activities like show ring competition, temperament testing, sport events, socializing and having fun to showcase and celebrate excellence in the Leonberger breed.

The regulations in this document are based on the FCI show regulations.

The abbreviation IULH is the German abbreviation for the Internationale Union für Leonberger Hunde (a.k.a. International Leonberger Union).

2. General

2.1. Organizing / hosting the IULH World Championship

A bid to organize / host the IULH World Championship must be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the IULH at least two months before the IULH annual meeting, or 2 months before an online meeting. A copy should also be sent the IULH President.

2.2. Choosing the IULH World Championship Location.

IULH World Championship show location will preferably be chosen during the IULH general meeting or during an IULH online meeting two years in advance.

2.3. Show costs, fees, and profits

All costs, revenues, and all responsibilities of whatever nature, concerning the organization of the show are with the organizing club.

2.4. Sponsorship by the Union

The IULH will sponsor each show with 250 euro from its own resources. A claim must be made by the organizing club to the board for this sponsorship.

2.5. Show location

The wellbeing of the dogs should be the absolute priority in the choice of the show location, whether it is an outdoor or indoor event. For the choice of the location the following needs to be considered:

- The spectators must have an unhindered view of the show without themselves hindering the participants.
- Sufficient parking should be available at the show location and reasonably priced.
- Restrooms should be available and accessible.
- The grounds should be **sufficient large** to serve for sanitary purposes of the dogs.
- Facilities should be present to sell food and drinks to participants and spectators.
- A special reserved area should be available for judges and other designated people to have food and refreshments.
- An appropriate sound system with microphone and loudspeakers should be available for the judges and organizers.
- Medical and veterinary stations, with materials for the first aid, are to be present during the event.
- During the event and distribution of the prizes, it is recommended to display national flags of all participants (flags of all IULH member Clubs, **Ukraine** and **Cyprus** are available from the IULH Board)
- To honour the BOB, the national anthem of the nationality of the winning dog can be played during the conclusion of the show. This is not an obligation.

3. Show

3.1. CAC

The organizing country must provide a CAC certificate from its national Kennel Club (Federation) for the winning dog(s) and bitch(es).

3.2. Classes

Classes to be defined according to the rules or national kennel organization show rules.

3.3. Special competitions in the main ring

Before BOB and BOS are selected the organizing country is free to organize a special unofficial competition for the following topics:

1. Best Head and Expression
2. Best movement

The selection for these special competitions is done by one judge. Each judge can appoint 1 dog per official class for these special competitions.

3.4. Reserve judges

We advise to invite a reserve judge for each show.

3.5. Photographer and photo's

The organizing committee should have a good photographer present to take good photos of each class winner to be published on the IULH website.

3.6. After the show

The organizing country must present the results and winners photos to the IULH secretary within two weeks after the event for publishing on the IULH website.

3.7. Prizes

The organizer country will buy a large Cup for the IULH World Championship Winner BOB with an engraved plate on it indicating "IULH World Championship BOB", place and date of the show.

The organizer country will buy the cups for the following awards with a graved placket on, indicating:

IULH Hope – Minor puppy male and female winners

IULH Young Promise – Puppy male and female winners

IULH World Championship Junior Winner - Junior male and female winners

IULH World Championship Winner – male and female winners in comparison of intermediate, open, working, breeders and champion classes.

IULH World Championship Veteran Winner – veteran male and female winners

3.8. Certificates

Each exhibitor will receive a Certificate showing the qualification obtained by the dog. The IULH logo will decorate the diploma Certificate. The certificate will also have a date and place of the show on it. Countries are at liberty to add their own logo to the certificate.

4. Judges

4.1. Selecting judges for the World Championship

The Judges are selected by the organizing club, preferably not later than 12 months before the date of the show.

Judges cannot be invited to judge the IULH World Championship:

- if they have judged the event in the previous year.
- if they are judging the same year the FCI World Winner show or European Winner show
- if they have judged the FCI World Winner show, or European Winner show in the previous year.

4.2. Specialist Judges

At least 1 specialist judge should judge at the IULH World Championship. The definition of a specialist judge can be found on the website of the IULH (this will be determined later / added to the website).

5. Judging

5.1. Judging, certificates, and titles

Judging must be done in accordance with the valid FCI-breed standard.

A good ring steward must be present in each ring, this person is not the one writing the critiques.

5.2. Each dog in in junior, intermediate, open, working, champion, breeders and veteran class receives one of the following qualifications:

- Excellent
- Very good
- Good
- Sufficient
- Disqualified
- Cannot be judged.

Each dog in minor puppy and puppy classes receives the following qualifications:

- Very promising
- Promising
- Not promising
- Cannot be judged.

5.3. Each participant will receive a written critique of his dog in the class ring.

The judge will dictate these detailed critiques to the ring secretary in the language of the organizing club, or one of the FCI languages he/she chooses. The critiques must be written or typed in the same language and will be given to the participant in this language