

**Updates to the 2016 NCS Policies & Procedures Handbook, approved by the NCS Board of Directors effective June 2016. These revisions will be updated in the NCS Policies & Procedures Handbook, and until such updates, this document stands as the most up to date version for the two sections noted below.**

#### **4.7.1 Exhibiting Birds for Another Exhibitor (in the absence thereof)**

NCS Shows are OPEN shows. This means that no exhibitor can be denied the ability to show whether they are present or not, with the exception of individuals deemed resigned as a member in bad standing. Thus, exhibition of birds owned by another exhibitor is allowed and encouraged. The birds should be entered into the name of the exhibitor who owns the bird unless both exhibitors agree to another arrangement. Prior written authorization (via regular letter or electronically) should be given to the handler who is entering the birds into the show. The handler should have this authorization with them but is not required to turn in this authorization to the show secretary. The secretary should verify documentation with the exhibitor and the exhibitor should be prepared to show the authorization to the National Cockatiel Society for a period of 1 (ONE) year after the show.

#### **4.7.2 Open Show Rules:**

1. NCS Shows are OPEN shows to NCS Members and Non-Members. Exhibition should be encouraged and shows should not exclude any person from exhibiting, with the exception of individuals who have been resigned from the Society as a member in bad standing.
2. NCS Affiliated Club possession rules shall not prohibit the exhibition of birds by any particular exhibitor. NCS Shows are open to any person who would like to exhibit a bird, with the exception of individuals who have been resigned from the Society as a member in bad standing. Open banded birds are only permitted in the Pet Division.
3. NCS Affiliated Clubs shall make no rules that are in conflict with NCS rules.
4. Possession rules, except those that are made for the health of all birds, should not be used by NCS Affiliated clubs. Ownership rules should be used instead of possession rules to enforce quarantine procedures. Excessive rules (those with over 45 day quarantine periods) are not recommended as they discourage exhibition.
5. The officiating NCS judge should be aware of any circumstances that have arisen (without mentioning the names of the birds involved). The judge shall be the only person able to disqualify any bird from an NCS Show other than the owner/exhibitor of the bird.
6. Any incident at any NCS Show shall be reported to the NCS Judges Panel Chair and the NCS President.
7. Similar to the list of Advanced Band Codes, a list of individuals deemed resigned as a member in bad standing will be published once a year and updated as needed. In addition, this list will be provided to each NCS Club's Show Delegate and the NCS Judges Panel. Details of each individual's specific situation leading to them being on this list are private.
8. The affiliated club and/or show manager of the affiliated club may deny entry to the NCS affiliated show to any individual who has been resigned as a member in bad standing and is on the published list. This affiliated club decision does not constitute a closed show.