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#### **OBJECTIVE**

To recognize breeding excellence in the Shetland Sheepdog in Australia & New Zealand.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for entry into the Register of Merit Australia & New Zealand a Sire must have sired ten (10) or more Champion titles, and/ or Obedience/Agility Champion titles, Herding Champion titles, Tracking Champion titles progeny and a Dam must have produced five (5) or more Champion titles and/ or Obedience/Agility Champion titles, Herding Champion titles, Tracking Champion titles progeny.

Before entry into the register of Merit Australia & New Zealand the progeny's titles must be verified.

Note – A Sire and /or Dam's progeny is only counted once regardless of the number of titles obtained.

#### **VERIFICATION**

Acceptable proof of awarding of progeny's title –

1. A photocopy of progeny's registration papers clearly showing the title.
2. A photocopy of any official State Canine Council or ANKC notification or registration papers clearly showing the title of the progeny.
3. A photocopy of the page of the State Canine Journal where the title is recognized.
4. In the case of overseas Champion progeny a photo copy of any official document including from the country where the title was obtained that clearly shows the progeny's title will be accepted.

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All applications to be sent to the current NSSC Secretary.

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