

Recently, the ISWS, the Parent Club of the Silken Windhound, submitted an Application for Recognition pursuant to Article X of the ASFA Constitution. On November 7, 2009, the ASFA Board approved the application by the 2/3 majority specified in Article X, Section 2 of the ASFA Constitution. This approval gives Silken Windhounds Limited status -- an exhibition only status -- and allows Silken Windhounds to enter the Limited Stake in ASFA. Under the ASFA Constitution, eligible entries from Silken Windhound owners for the Limited Stake can begin to be accepted on December 1, 2009. Remember all rules and procedures pertaining to competition in the Open Stake apply to the Limited Stake. Section 9 of Chapter V of the ASFA Running Rules provides further information about the Limited Stake. For those clubs with approved Premiums for events scheduled on or after December 1, 2009, you do not need to reissue those Premiums, but you can still accept Limited Stake entries from eligible Silken Windhounds. For those of you preparing premiums for post-December 1 ASFA trials, remember to include Silken Windhounds in your listing of breeds eligible for the Limited Stake. The ASFA Constitution requires a breed to remain in Limited Status for a minimum of two calendar years and to equal or exceed certain minimum entry requirements before advancing to Provisional Recognition. Provisional Status must be held for at least one year and certain minimum entry requirements must be maintained before the breed can be presented to all ASFA Member Clubs at an ACoD for full breed recognition. It requires a 2/3 majority of all ASFA Member Clubs to attain full breed recognition.