

## Proposal to Change Regional Director Representation in Ontario and British Columbia

The AAC Board of Directors has recommended that Ontario be divided into three new regions and BC/YK divided into two (2) new regions. In order for this change to occur, a bylaw change by AAC member vote is required.

The proposed regional breakdowns are at the end of this report.

The implications of this split of the two Regions are:

1. Fairer representation of members to director at the Board level. This is clearly demonstrated in Figure 1 and is the most important benefit to the creation of the new Regions.
2. There may be separate regional events within a province. Pros to this are smaller, more manageable Regionals. Some competitors may not enjoy the less competitive nature of this split. It will be left to the smaller regions to propose a larger regional event encompassing all regions in the Province to be approved by the NSC.
3. Some members may be closer to one regional event than their designated region. In this proposition, members may be allowed to go to a different region following the guidelines set up by the NSC except that the dog can continue competing after attaining the required qualifying points and that the hosting club sets a cap on the number of non-regional competitors they accept.
4. People that move to different regions need to notify the Membership coordinator of changes. This is not unmanageable as people relocate throughout the Region.
5. There will be an increased cost for hosting the face-to-face AAC Board of Directors meeting once a term. The added expense is overshadowed by the fairer, more personal representation of the AAC members.
6. The larger provinces will see more representation at the Board level, not just by director representation but other Board positions. Smaller regions should encourage members to run for positions on the AAC Board.

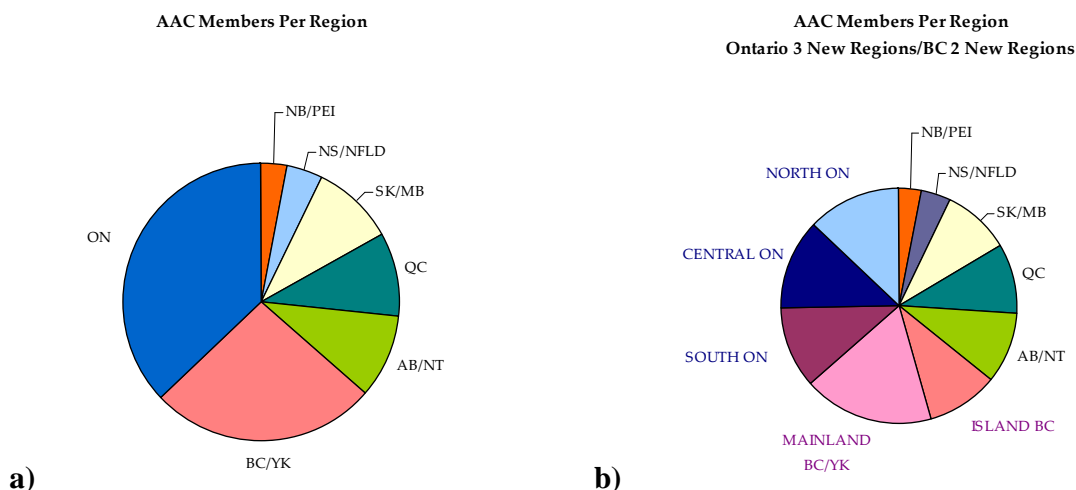


Figure 1 – Current (a) and proposed (b) membership breakdown.

