

Breed show regulation of the Deutsch-Kurzhaar-Verband e.V. (DKV)

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§ 1 Definition and Purpose

Breed shows within the meaning of this regulation are events of the DKV and are usually organized by one DK Club or several DK Clubs jointly.

Breed shows serve to promote the DK breeding. The purpose of the Breed show is to determine a dog's suitability or unsuitability for breeding, insofar as this is based on physical characteristics, and an assessment of the conformation value is to be carried out in accordance with the Standard and the Breeding Regulations of the DKV.

In addition to the breeding relevant Aptitude- and Performance Test, the evaluation during a Breed show is an important criterion for the selection of a dog for breeding.

Besides physical appearance, particular emphasis should also be placed on a balanced temperament. Any unusual behavior in a dog must definitely be noted.

In exceptional cases, individual evaluations may be carried out to determine breeding suitability in accordance with Artikel 2 of the Breeding Regulations.

§ 2 Announcement and Execution

a) Breed shows should be reported to the DKV Breed Warden and the Studbook Office at least 6 weeks before the date. Preferably one Breed show judge from an unassociated club should be appointed.

b) Breed shows must be announced and advertised in the "Deutsch Kurzhaar Blätter" (newspaper) in good time.

c) Breed shows may only take place at a location that allows the dogs to be shown in motion.

The dog must have the opportunity to freely express itself in all three gaits.

d) The evaluation forms for all dogs presented at a Breedschow must be submitted to the Studbook Office within four weeks.

The evaluation form for individual evaluations must be submitted to the DKV Breed Warden within 8 days.

§ 3 Admission to the Breed show

a) Breed shows in Germany may only be held in the month of May through August.

b) Only dogs with pedigrees from the DKV (Deutsch Kurzhaar Verband) or with foreign pedigrees recognized by the Federation Cynologique Internationale (FCI) are permitted at a Breed show.

c) the permit to attend may be limited to dogs owned by members of the DK Clubs affiliated with the DKV.

d) Participating dogs must provide a valid rabies vaccination. Sick dogs, dogs suspected of being sick and aggressive dogs are not permitted.

Female dogs in heat must be reported to the organizer and should be introduced and evaluated to the Breed show location at the end.

§ 4 Registration and Entry fee

a) The registration to a Breed show must be submitted in writing, including a copy of the current pedigree and the payment of the entry fee.

b) The registration of an individual evaluation must be submitted in writing, including a copy of the current pedigree, to the Club Chairman or the Club Breed Warden.

The evaluation should be reported to the DKV Breed Warden at least 10 days before the event via the Club Chairman or the Clubs Breed Warden.

The DKV Breed Warden nominates two Zuchtrichter (ZR) or Formwertrichter (FR) in the immediate vicinity of the dog to be judged, from whom the owner selects one to carry out the evaluation.

c) The owner of the dog being evaluated bears the costs for an individual evaluation, which must be paid with the registration.

The provisions according to DKV General Guidelines § 7 remain unaffected. The money is a forfeitable deposit and will not be refunded in case of non-attendance.

§ 5 Evaluation of the dogs

a) The dogs are usually judged by three judges, at least one of them should be a special breed show judge (ZR) according to the DKV Breeding judge regulations.

The judges are appointed by the DKV President if the DKV is hosting the Breed show and by the Clubs Chairman if the Club is hosting the Breed show.

The appointment of the senior judge is carried out in the same manner.

b) It is inadmissible for a judge involved in a Breed show to judge dogs that are his own, bred by him, or descended from him/her breeding's first generation.

c) The evaluation should take place primarily during movement; an evaluation conducted entirely or predominantly while standing is inadmissible.

d) The dogs are presented individually.

All temperament defects observed during the Breed show must be noted.

e) Aggressive, biting, or extremely fearful dogs are not to be judged.

However, these like all other temperament defects must be recorded in writing and reported to the Studbook Office, regardless of whether the dogs have been graded or not.

§ 6 Evaluation and grading of the dogs

a) Dogs, whose breeding suitability has not yet been determined, will receive the corresponding breeding suitability note on their pedigree based on the presentation at the Breed show, as long as the corresponding further requirements according to the classification of the DKV are met.

b) Male and female dogs are judged separately according to the age groups.

The junior class includes dogs from 9 month to 18 month of age. Dogs entered in the youth class may only receive a maximum rating of "very good".

The senior class includes dogs older than 15 month.

Dogs, whose physical defects have been surgically corrected, must be reported prior to any Breed show.

Note: Dogs aged between 15 and 18 month can be registered in the youth or senior class.

c) the following Grades can be awarded

Excellent (V) vorzueglich

Very good (SG) Sehr gut

Good (G) Gut

Satisfactory (GN) Genuegend

Unsatisfactory (U) Nicht genuegend

d) Before announcing the grade, the individual judge or the senior judge must give a verbal description of the overall picture, highlighting the dog's particular strength as well as its faults and shortcomings, and hand over a copy of the evaluation form to the handler.

The judge's (judges) decision is (are) final; legal recourse is excluded.

§ 7 Validity of the Breed show regulation

This Breed show regulation apply to all Breed shows of the DKV and its affiliated member clubs.

The Breed show regulation of the DKV applies independently of the regulations that Verband fuer das deutsche Hundewesen (VDH) and FCI apply to the exhibitions they conduct.

The Breed show director is not permitted to present his/her own dog on the show he/she is managing.

This amended Breed show regulation will come into effect on April 1, 2025