

Exhibitions/ Breed Shows

I. **Definitions**

1.1. **Club Breed Show**

The national member clubs organize and host breed shows for the varieties stock hair and long stock hair with undercoat. The judging of the dogs is to be carried out separately and in accordance with their type of coat, subdivided into classes and breed groups.

1.2. **National Winner Shows**

Every WUSV member country shall only organize and hold one national winner show per year where the ranking EXCELLENT SELECTION (VA) may be granted

This applies also for countries with more than one WUSV member club. In this case the clubs affected shall coordinate their activities accordingly and inform the WUSV secretariat General about the outcome.

International respectively transnational winner shows, such as for example COAPA winner shows, continental winner shows, and Nordic winner shows are admitted after having obtained the respective authorization from the WUSV Secretariat General prior to the event.

1.3. **Max-von-Stephanitz Memorial Show**

Within the context of the WUSV World Championship a breed show called Maxvon Stephanitz Memorial Show may be held provided that the local circumstances allow for it. However, the ranking VA shall not be granted on this occasion.

II. **Organization of Breed Shows der Zuchtschauen**

1. Breed Shows shall be open to the public.

2. On all breed shows the mentality in terms of tolerance of the dogs shown has to be taken into consideration. The possibility for appropriate gait exercises has to be guaranteed.

The steadiness to gun shot is verified at a distance of approximately 15 steps with a 6 mm calibre alarm pistol.

In case that the usage of alarm pistols is officially banned then the usage of a starting board is mandatory.

3. A printed breed show catalogue shall be mandatory.

The catalogue shall cover the names of the dogs registered for the show, their studbook numbers, their chip or tattoo numbers, the date of birth, the AKZ (trial degree), the HD/ ED examination diagnostic findings, information in terms of the dog's parents, the name of the breeder, the name of the owner respectively the dog's holders.

Only dogs that are registered in the official catalogue shall be subject to a recognized evaluation.

4. Dogs shall only be admitted to a show provided that they comply with the following requirements:

- Presentation of a WUSV/FCI recognized pedigree
- Identity verification by presentation of chip number or tattoo
- No symptoms of sickness or diseases
- No breeding ban imposed
- Owner may not be officially and legally binding banned from show events

- For female dogs the following applies:

No presentation from the 42nd day of a pregnancy on. Lactating females may only be shown 70 days after giving birth to the litter.

5. Judges

Only judges who are recognized by the national WUSV member club are authorized to serve on the occasion of breed shows that are subject to the WUSV breeding program.

6. Division into Classes

The dogs shown at a breed show are divided into the respective classes for variety stock hair and long stock hair with undercoat.

Closing date for the class division shall be the first day of the show in case that an event is scheduled for longer than one day.

6.1. Junior Dog Classes for dogs from the age of 12 months to 18 months.

6.2. Young Dog or Yearling Classes for dogs from the age of 18 months to 24 months.

6.3. Open Classes for dogs from the age of two years on without trial title respectively working certificate.

6.4. Working Dog Classes from the age of 2 years on, after having successfully passed the character test, proof of HD/ ED findings that certify the dog fit for breeding, and a recognized trial title in terms of HGH/ utility class, IGP/ international examination regulations for working dogs, ZTP/ certificate of aptitude for breeding, RH-2/ rescue dog according to the international examination regulations or an equivalent trial title.

6.5. Herding Working Dog Classes

Proof of the trial title HGH is mandatory for dogs over the age of 24 months, according to the herding dog regulations of the SV.

6.6. Progeny Classes

Breed shows for dogs at the age of 9 to 12 months, 6 to 9 months, and 3 to 6 months may be held in terms of a progeny show for the promotion of breeding. However, evaluations and rankings are not allowed to be granted.

The member clubs are free to decide whether they wish to impose all three levels in this respect.

6.7. Veteran Classes

Dogs over the age of six years are offered the chance to take part at breed shows in so-called veteran classes.

No evaluation shall be granted on this occasion. However, a ranking and placement can be given.

6.8. Breed Groups

Dogs of one breed group have to be of the same type of fur.

Dogs belonging to a breed group shall be presented as a closed group to the officiating judge. The breeders are free to present more than only one breed group on the occasion of one breed show.

A breed group consists of a minimum of three dogs and a maximum of five animals from one kennel. Prior to the presentation as a breed group the dogs must have been shown at the respective breed show where also the breed groups are shown. The minimum grading must be “Good”.

6.9 Progeny Groups

Progeny groups may be presented. The groups have to consist of a minimum of five dogs that were born by at least three different mother dogs.

6.10. Rankings/ Gradings

No rankings shall be granted to the progeny classes according to item 6.6. The placement shall reflect the current level of development of the dogs.

On the occasion of breed shows the following rankings may be granted (under consideration of a deviation of plus/ minus 1 centimetre in terms of the dog's height according to the breed plan for height)

– “Excellent/ Vorzüglich”

Dogs from the working dog classes who fully comply with the strictest requirements of the breed standard, who are self-confident and unconstrained, indifferent toward gun shooting, with a normal, almost normal or still admitted HD condition confirmed on the pedigree, with a normal, almost normal or still admitted ED condition confirmed on the pedigree, with a recognized trial title, and – if the animal is over the age of 3 ½ years – the first breed selection examination must have been successfully passed. Double premolars 1 are admitted.

– “Very good/ Sehr Gut”

The highest possible ranking for the open classes, the young and youth dog classes for animals who fully comply with the requirements of the breed standard. For the working dog classes for animals who comply with the requirements for the ranking excellent, however with minor anatomical deficiencies or a lacking trial title.

This ranking is also an option for animals with an impeccable anatomy who – however – exceed or fall below the standard height by up to 1 cm. The missing of one premolar 1 or one incisor is admitted.

“Good/Gut”

For animals who fully comply with the requirements of the breed standard – however- with clearly visible anatomical deficiencies. The missing of two premolars 1, or one premolar 1, and one incisor or one premolar 2, or one premolar 3, or two incisors, or one premolar 2, and one incisor, or one premolar 2, and one premolar 1, or two premolars 2 is admitted.

– “Sufficient/ Ausreichend”

For animals afraid of gun shooting and constrained on the occasion of the breed show, or for animals who do not qualify for a higher ranking in terms of their general and anatomical condition.

– “Insufficient/ Ungenügend”

For animals afraid of gun shooting with constrained behavior and with other deficiencies which disqualify them from breeding.

The ranking INSUFFICIENT entails a ban from breeding for the affected dog's offspring.

6.11. Presentation / unauthorized aids

The dogs shall be presented to the judges in a natural posture. Manually assisted positioning is not admitted.

Radio controlled devices or comparable equipment is not admitted on the occasion of WUSV shows and events. Only collars as shown in the attachment are admitted.

III. National Winner Shows

1. General

In accordance with item 1.2 of the present regulation once a year a winner show should be held.

Only judges who are recognized by the national WUSV member club are authorized to serve on the occasion of breed shows that are subject to the WUSV breeding program.

2. Evaluation **“Excellent Selection/ Bewertung „Vorzüglich Auslese“**

The ranking EXCELLENT SELECTION shall only be admitted on the occasion of a national winner show.

For the ranking EXCELLENT SELECTION further criteria are to be complied with in addition to the requirements for the ranking EXCELLENT (for details please refer to item 6.10.)

Only dogs with a premium pedigree who descend from a selection- and performance breed, including DNA verification, do qualify for the V-Selection Classes. The dogs must have successfully passed the first selection examination with the result distinct in the section TSB (instinctive behavior, self-confidence, resilience) on the occasion of the winner show.

The verification of an HD and ED condition normal or almost normal is mandatory, and the dogs have to show a complete and impeccable dentition. A successfully passed IGP 1 working trial examination is also mandatory.