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To the
Ladies & Gentlemen SV Breed Judges
and the
SV recognized Breed Judges abroad
for the information of the WUSV Continental Directors
and to the WUSV member clubs

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Ladies and Gentlemen – dear SV Breed Judges,

Recently, we noted that clarification seems to be necessary in terms of the ranking of the titles **V** and **VA** abroad, following the approval of the WUSV Breeding Programm in the year 2019 and with regard to the transitional period in this respect that shall apply until the final taking of effect of the rule book on January 01st, 2025. For that reason, we would like to once again take a closer look at the details.

In the WUSV Breeding Programm the ranking of the title **V** – Excellent is defined as follows.

– "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.

A mandatory requirement for the participation in the *working dog classes* is a trial degree. Against this background, all those animals who have not yet obtained a trial degree are to be presented in the *Open Classes*. This stipulation already existed before the approval of the WUSV Breeding Programm in the year 2019 on the occasion of the WUSV General Annual Assembly. Accordingly, the title **SG – Very Good** – is the highest possible ranking for the participation in the *Open Classes*.

For that reason, the ranking **V – Excellent** can only be granted in the **working dog classes**, and one important prerequisite for the participation in this class is the confirmation of a trial degree. Otherwise, a participation in the aforementioned class is not permitted.



The following minimum requirements need to be met to obtain the ranking of **EXCELLENT SELECTION V-A**

- DNA* (registered or verified)
- HD and ED: normal, almost normal, or still admitted = fit for breeding
- IPO 1 or IGP 1 or Sch H 1 or SV recognized examinations for existing VA a transitional period until 2020 applies*
- First Breed Survey examination with TSB pronounced
- TSB pronounced, drops and releases on the occasion on the national winner show
- Parents with trial examination and breed permission (initial breed survey)

The last item in terms of the verification of a breed survey and successfully passed examination quite obviously led to some misunderstanding, and for that reason please allow us to explicitly point out that <u>only</u> the parent dogs need to pass a breed survey and trial examination as a proof. However, the grandparent dogs are indeed exempt from this requirement.

Furthermore, we would like to use this opportunity to draw your attention to the fact that from January 01st, 2025 on, the status HD/ ED "*still admitted*" does no longer suffice in terms of the ranking VA. The same applies for inbreeding 2-3 respectively 3-2 or closer.

If the aforementioned minimal requirements are not met by the participating dogs – the officiating breed judge may not grant the ranking "V-A".

Thank you for understanding and for attention in this matter. In case of doubt, please feel free to contact us.

With kind regards from Augsburg,

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^{*}According to its own country regulations