

GUIDELINES FOR THE BREEDING , ENTRY INTO THE STUD BOOK,  
TESTING. EVALUATION OF CONFORMATION  
AS WELL AS THE SALE OF WEIMARANERS APPROVED BY THE  
WEIMARANER KLUB OF GAUTENG

MEMBERS JOINING THE KLUB ARE ENCOURAGED TO FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES SET OUT  
BELOW

A. BREEDING GUIDELINES:

I GENERAL

The Weimaraner belongs to the oldest of the German hunting dog breeds. This breed traces back to the old 'hound' heritage and from this root, via the 'lead and tracking dog' to the present type. It is bred almost exclusively by active hunters.

The breeding is based on the principle of breed purity. The in-crossing of other breeds is prohibited. The preservation of the hunting abilities in the breed is of paramount importance.

In order to uphold the purity of the breed, the Members of the Weimaraner Klub have voluntarily agreed by virtue of their membership to abide by a certain breeding policy according to the undermentioned Breeding Guidelines.

The Klub will issue printed Pedigree Forms, which when completed will be endorsed by the Breed Registrar after satisfactory proof that the Breeding Guidelines have been adhered to by the breeder.

In order to give effect to this policy the Klub will appoint a Breeding Committee of three members from amongst its members, who will act in accordance with the Guidelines. The Breeding Committee will have powers of delegation in exceptional circumstances.

Members have the right of appeal against any decision of members of the Breeding Committee or its delegated authority, to the full Breeding Committee. The ruling of this Breeding Committee at appeal is final.

II. BREEDER AND BREEDING GUIDELINES

1. BREEDER

The breeder is the owner of the bitch at the time of whelping. The breeder undertakes the responsibility towards the breed to improve the faculties and performance according to the principles of the breeding guidelines as far as character and the conformation of the dog is concerned.

This includes the undertaking of the disclosure of breeding disqualifying faults of their own dog as well as it's offspring to the Breeding Committee.

2. APPROVED PEDIGREE

The approved pedigree is the exclusivity of members of the 'Weimaraner Klub', whereby the stud dogs must conform to the specification mentioned in paragraph III.

Note: In exceptional circumstances application can be made to the Breeding Committee to use a stud dog not registered with the Klub.

The owner of a bitch can put his dog at the disposal of a breeder for breeding purposes.

This concession is only valid for one litter and requires a written agreement and must be made known to the Breeding Committee.

A planned mating must be announced timeously in advance to the Breeding Committee in order to enable them to make recommendations as regards stud dogs. Without the consent of the Breeding Committee, the mating is not approved.

111 *PRE-REQUISITES FOR APPROVED STUD DOGS*

Dogs and bitches must be evaluated before being entered in the stud book of the 'Weimaraner Klub'. They must conform to the breed standard and represent a character-strong and hard utility working type. In particular they must conform to the following requirements. However in special cases concessions may be granted by the Committee.

1. *CONFORMATION*

Stud dogs and Stud bitches must have been awarded an evaluation not less than 'good' by the Breeding Committee appointed by the 'Weimaraner Klub' before being used for approved breeding.

2. *WORK UNDER THE GUN*

Regulations under this item cannot be applied in South Africa at present. At a later stage it is the intention of the Klub to introduce a requirement that dogs display an instinct for field work before being approved for breeding.

3. *DISQUALIFYING FAULTS FOR APPROVED MATINGS*

Dogs which show any of the following faults are disqualified for approved breeding purposes:

- (a) Lack of apparent strong character disposition (timidity, nervousness, gun & water shyness)  
(The right of appeal by the owner of the dog is possible if the dog does not meet the requirements in this instance)
- (b) Genetic malformation of any type
- (c) Serious dentition faults (over or under-shot, lack of more than 2 P1 and/or other teeth, with the exception of M3)
- (d) Any genetic diseases, e.g. Epilepsy
- (e) Physical malformation of the genitalia in either of the sexes
- (f) Entropion, Ectropion
- (g) HD greater than Grade 1.
- (h) Obvious brown sheen. No white marks other than a small patch on the chest or behind front feet are permissible  
Colour other than silver, roe or mouse-grey

4. *BREEDING AGE*

Dogs or bitches declared suitable for approved breeding can only be mated when they are at least 18 months old

IV *BREEDING CONSULTATION AND BREEDING ADMINISTRATION*

1. *BREEDING COMMITTEE*

The Breeding Committee is charged with the central control and direction of the breeding. It maintains together with all trial information and other information (or details on conformation etc.), a central breeding (stud) index, which is the basis of its activities.

2. *LIST OF STUD DOGS*

At the end of each year, the Breeding Committee publishes a list of approved stud dogs.

3. *APPROVED BREEDING DISQUALIFICATION*

Dogs which transmitted through heritage one or more faults, as enumerated in paragraph III, No 3 can be disqualified from further use for breeding.

The same goes for close relations or carriers of undesirable traits. It is the Breeding Committee who decides on breeding disqualifications.

V *REGULATIONS REGARDING LITTERS*

1. *NUMBER OF LITTERS*

During one calendar year, a bitch can have only one approved litter

2. *NUMBER OF WHELPS*

It is considered desirable to have litters of not more than 6 whelps. Defective whelps ought to be put down by a veterinarian and the reason for their elimination is to be stated on the control form

3. *NOTIFICATION OF LITTERS*

The breeder has to notify the Breeding Committee of each litter within 14 days of whelping.

4. *FOSTER REARING*

The rearing of the litter by a foster mother is approved.

VI. *CONCLUDING GUIDELINES*

In case of disregard of these breeding guidelines, the pedigrees will not be approved. In case of intentionally not disclosed faults according to paragraph III, use of stud dogs without approval or breeding without approval can lead to forfeit of further approvals

## REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUE OF A WEIMARANER KLUB PEDIGREE

### I. *PRINCIPLE*

Only approved whelps which have been bred by members of the 'Weimaraner Klub' will be issued with a Klub pedigree.

### II. *APPLICATION FOR PEDIGREE*

The pedigree is issued upon application by the breeder to the Breed Registrar on the relevant forms. Sale of whelps is to be announced to the Breeding Committee.

### III. *ENTRY OF COAT, COLOUR, AND KIND ON THE PEDIGREE*

Colour and kind of coat is only entered definitely on the pedigree when the dog is 12 months old. Prior to this the pedigree is marked in pencil.

### IV. *TATTOO*

Every Weimaraner bred in accordance with the agreement will be tattooed on the inside of the left ear as follows. The number is entered on the pedigree in order of:

- (a) Number of Kennel as allocated by the Klub
- (b) Alphabetical designation of litter (First litter of Kennel 'A', second litter 'B' etc)
- (c) Consecutive number of whelps, males first and bitches to follow.

### V. *REGISTERED NAME*

The name of a dog entered in the register will consist of two parts:

- (1) The Kennel name
- (2) The registered name of the whelp starting with the appropriate letter of the alphabet for that litter.

### VI. *CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND DEATH OF DOG*

Every change of ownership of a dog, as well as its death must be notified to the Breed Registrar immediately. The sale of pups is notifiable to the Breed Registrar on the designated form. In the case of a death of a dog, the pedigree of the animal must be returned to the 'Weimaraner Klub' which, if so requested, will return it to the owner appropriately endorsed.

## 6. *SALE REGULATIONS*

### I. *PRINCIPLE*

Only approved Weimaraners can be sold with a Klub pedigree. The seller has to state the name of the new owner on the pedigree

11. *COMMERCIAL SALES*

The sale of approved dogs not personally bred by the seller for the purpose of monetary gain is not approved. The Breed Registrar must be notified when the sale of a trained dog is intended. The sale of dogs to dealers is not approved.

111. *INFORMATION FOR THE BUYER REGARDING BREEDING DETAILS*

Every buyer has to be informed by the seller that all details regarding the breeding of the parents of the dog which he intends to purchase can be obtained from the Breed Registrar

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