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**The German Versatile Dog Studbook (DGSTB)**  
**System and Sections**

as adopted by the 1995 General Meeting

- (1) The Studbook contains several Sections. Results of Association tests are recorded in Sections I-IV, as are those of special tests held by breed clubs that are equivalent to breed performance tests. Sections VI et seq. are reserved for recording miscellaneous data.
- (2) Test results for dogs that have run a *VGP* (Association Utility Test) or the equivalent utility test in a special breed club are recorded in Section I. When dogs have passed more than one *VGP* or equivalent utility test, and received a prize, only the first successful test shall be recorded. Subsequent prizes will be documented separately in the Studbook. Performance awards, such as *Vbr* (Retrieve Liability Test on Freshly Shot Game) and *Btr* (Reliability Retrieve Test on Cold Game) will be documented in Section I. The same Section also documents breed and temperament faults.

There will be an alphabetical list of all new dogs to be entered dogs in a reporting year.

There shall also be a list of all *VGPs* (Association Utility Test) and equivalent utility tests conducted by member clubs.

- (3) The results of the Spring breed tests are recorded in Section II; also recorded herein are the equivalent special tests organized by breed clubs.
- (4) The results of the Fall breed tests are recorded in Section III; also recorded herein are the equivalent special tests organized by breed clubs.
- (5) The results of Association blood tracking tests (*VSwP*) are recorded in Section IV.
- (6) Section V is reserved for all other test results. The decision on which test results will be listed lies with the Studbook Commission.
- (7) Sections VI and the "Miscellaneous" Section shall list the following data:
  1. Minutes of the most recent General Meeting;
  2. Supplements and amendments to the By-laws as adopted by the General Meeting;
  3. Supplements and amendments to the Association Test Rules & Regulations as adopted by the General Meeting;
  4. List of member clubs and their membership numbers as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year;
  5. List of all persons who have received Association merit awards;
  6. Articles of particular importance pertaining to Association affairs, the testing system or issues of breeding.

7. Photos of dogs that are listed in the Studbook (Illustration Section).

- (8) The Rules and Regulations for each Association test describe the manner in which test reports are to be written, including report contents and any applicable deadlines. Spring test results, including documentation, shall be reported to the Studbook Registry not later than May 15<sup>th</sup>, Fall test results by November 15<sup>th</sup>. Member clubs failing to comply with timely reporting requirements shall be fined an administrative penalty payable to JGHV. The fine shall be € 153 Euro Dollars if the member club is up to one week late with its report on any of the tests, and € 256 Euro Dollars for an additional delay of one week. When the above deadlines have expired, the Studbook Custodian shall issue the order for the penalty assessment. A delinquent member club shall not be authorized to conduct tests until the fine has been paid. If the fine has not been paid within 3 months after the order was issued, the official publication "*Der Jagdgebrauchshund*" will announce that the delinquent member club is under suspension and not authorized to conduct any tests.

If a member club fails to submit test reports in a timely fashion, it forfeits its right to the timely entry in the respective yearbook section of the Studbook. Claims by handlers, owners or breeders for damages as a result of a delayed entry or non-entry shall be the responsibility of the delinquent member club.

- (9) The Studbook Custodian shall issue a certification with entry number and the performance awards achieved for each newly entered dog in Section I of the Studbook. A separate certification shall be issued for Association performance awards. Certifications issued by the Studbook Custodian are considered annexes to the dog's pedigree.

