

GUIDELINES FOR RECLASSIFICATION OF GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG COAT TYPES IN TERMS OF SCHEDULE 02, REGULATION 1.1.8 RECLASSIFICATION OF RECESSIVES (EXCO APPROVAL) AND REGULATION 9 AMENDMENT TO REGISTERS

OPTION 1 – ASSESSMENT BY A JUDGE AND BREED REPRESENTATIVE

For reclassification the following is required:

- The dog must be assessed by a German Shepherd Dog (GSD) Specialist Judge, or a Working Group (Level 4) Judge, or FCI Group 1 Judge that has been endorsed by the GSD Liaison Council to provide Show Gradings, at a GSD Specialist Breed Show;
- The Judge is required to attest to having scanned and verified the microchip number of the dog;
- A Breed Representative of the GSD Liaison Council is required to attest to having scanned and verified the microchip number of the dog;
- The Judge is required to complete and sign the GSD Classification of Coat Type Form;
- The Breed Representative of the GSD Liaison Council is required to complete and sign the GSD Classification of Coat Type Form;
- The dog in question is to be entered into the GSD Specialist Show at which it is presented for assessment, in the Class for the coat type that it has being reclassified as, irrespective of the coat type recorded on the original KUSA Certificate of Registration;
- The original KUSA Certificate of Registration for the dog is to be presented to the Judge and Breed Representative of the GSD Liaison Council to view and verify against the microchip.

Thereafter, the following documents are to be submitted to the KUSA office as well as the GSD Liaison Council: applications@kusa.co.za and allthingsgsd@gmail.com

1. Signed GSD Classification of Coat Type Form;
2. Copy of Microchip Certificate;
3. The original KUSA Certificate of Registration of the dog to be reclassified is to be returned to the KUSA Office, or, if sending electronically, photographic proof that the original Certificate has been defaced or destroyed. A new Certificate of Registration will be issued to the Registered Owner;
4. Proof of Payment of the prescribed fees due. Please refer to the KUSA Schedule 07 Subscription and Fees Item 6.1 *Application to amend Register* and 6.2 *Re-issue of Certificate of Registration* (both must be paid); and
5. Courier Delivery Form plus proof of payment for selected courier service.

The Judges endorsed by the GSD Liaison Council to judge and/or grade German Shepherd Dogs, and who may perform the assessment and evaluation for the reclassification of German Shepherd Dog coat types are:

GSD SPECIALIST JUDGES

- J.G. van Rijswijk (Western Cape)
- M.C. Anderson (Western Cape)
- N. Shortland (Eastern Cape)
- R.D. Jukes (Free State)

WORKING GROUP JUDGES

- J.M. Hubbard (Gauteng)
- A.T. Hauptfleisch (Gauteng)
- N. Perkins (Gauteng)
- N. Redtenbacher (Gauteng)
- P. de Coning (Gauteng)
- K.D. Young (Gauteng)

Their contact details can be found on the KUSA website using the KUSA Judges' search option on the Home page.

Please contact the KUSA Office (jecjudges@kusa.co.za) or the GSD Liaison Council (allthingsgsd@gmail.com or via WhatsApp 0726064989) for a current list of GSDLC Breed Representatives.

OPTION 2 – DNA VERIFICATION

For reclassification utilising DNA Tests the following is required:

- A Breed Representative of the GSD Liaison Council is required to attest to having scanned and verified the microchip number of the dog;
- The original KUSA Certificate of Registration for the dog is to be presented to the Breed Representative of the GSD Liaison Council to view and verify against the microchip;
- A Breed Representative of the GSD Liaison Council is required to take the DNA Sample from the dog (as required by the Medical Laboratory that will run the DNA verification) and secure it in a sealed envelope, correctly labelled for submission to the Medical Laboratory;
- The Breed Representative of the GSD Liaison Council is required to complete and sign the GSD Classification of Coat Type Form (DNA);
- The Breed Representative of the GSD Liaison Council is to submit the sealed envelope directly to the Medical Laboratory for testing or to the GSD Liaison Council Chairperson / Secretary to be sent to the Medical Laboratory. Sending of the DNA sample to the Medical Laboratory and the processing of the sample will only be done once payment has been received from the owner;
- The GSD Liaison Council Secretary will be in touch with the owner of the dog to obtain payment for the prescribed DNA testing and courier fees. Payment is required before the DNA sample will be sent to the Medical Laboratory for Testing;
- A specific bank account will be designated for the receipt of DNA sample postage and audited bank statements and income and expenditure summaries will be provided to KUSA annually.

Thereafter, the following documents are to be submitted to the KUSA office as well as the GSD Liaison Council: applications@kusa.co.za and allthingsgsd@gmail.com

1. Signed GSD Classification of Coat Type Form (DNA);
2. Copy of Microchip Certificate;
3. The original KUSA Certificate of Registration of the dog to be reclassified is to be returned to the KUSA Office, or, if sending electronically, photographic proof that the original Certificate has been defaced or destroyed. A new Certificate of Registration will be issued to the Registered Owner;
4. Copy of the DNA Verification Certificate provided by the Medical Laboratory;
5. Proof of Payment of the prescribed fees due. Please refer to the KUSA Schedule 07 Subscription and Fees Item 6.1 Application to amend Register and 6.2 Re-issue of Certificate of Registration (both must be paid); and
6. Courier Delivery Form plus proof of payment for selected courier service.