



GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG LIAISON COUNCIL

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Definition of "Specialist Club"

The committee of the GSD Liaison Council committee has discussed the request regarding the definition of "Specialist Club" and decided, it has no intention to change the definition it submitted to the fedco as part of the constitution of the GSD Liaison Council, which reads as follows:

"GSD Club" shall mean any German Shepherd Dog Specialist Club, the objects of which include the welfare of, interest in, breeding, showing and importation of purebred GSDs, as distinct from a Training Club, whose main object is the training of dogs of any ancestry, not eligible for entry into the Breed Registers. Such Club shall be affiliated to KUSA and carry on its activities within the area of jurisdiction of GSD Liaison Council and should be active and acknowledged as such in the breed concerned."

Our constitution then further reads:

"Whenever a new GSD Club is affiliated to KUSA, its membership of GSD Liaison Council shall commence from the date that its affiliation has been accepted by the Federal Council of KUSA, in terms of Article 8 of the KUSA Constitution and no other formality shall be required to obtain and retain membership other than that its committee at all times shall comprise of members 80% of which are past or present GSD owners. (14.3.3)

To meet the objects of and hold membership of GSD Liaison Council, Member Clubs shall:

- 7.3 Accept the Constitution of GSD Liaison Council.
- 7.4 Promote Breed Surveys/Breed Value Assessments for GSDs and/or Working Trials recognised by KUSA as well as to promote GSD Breed Shows in terms of the KUSA Constitution.
- 7.5 Provide information on the breeding, rearing and training of GSDs.
- 7.6 Encourage the exchange of mutual experiences amongst members, the fostering of friendly relations between members and the building a good Club spirit.
- 7.7 Promote the GSD as a working breed."

We are of the opinion that this is the definition which has to be applied, otherwise we will have to change our constitution and have the new constitution accepted by Fedco.

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