

## **WRSF Breed and Registration Regulations**

### **1. General Information**

- 1.1 The WRSF is the only representative Club for the Riesenschnauzer under the umbrella of the American Working Dog Fédération (AWDF), which has currently guest status with the Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI). WRSF recognizes only the current breed standard as postulated by the country of origin, Germany, through the Pinscher-Schnauzer-Klub 1895 e.V., and published by the FCI.
- 1.2 The breed regulations of the AWDF and the WRSF are obligatory for all breeders within the WRSF. These regulations serve to further the planned pure breeding of Riesenschnauzer in regards to phenotype, breed-specific temperament and disposition, health, and especially to maintain and further their working ability.
- 1.3 The breeder is obliged to observe animal protection laws, and to be actively involved in the protection of animals through making a commitment to humane breeding and rearing practices. Adult dogs and puppies must be kept in such a way that much human contact is guaranteed.
- 1.4 The rights and privileges put forth in this document apply only to WRSF members in good standing. Commercial dog brokers are to be barred from membership in the WRSF.

### **2. Breeding Regulations**

- 2.1 Breeder is the owner or renter of the bitch at the time of breeding. Only persons who are personally responsible and care for the bitch from the day of breeding to the time the puppies are transferred to their new owners are considered breeders.
- 2.2 Only dogs may be bred that have FCI recognized or WRSF/AWDF pedigrees. Foreign dogs, which have been imported, must have their registry transferred to WRSF, which will issue an additional pedigree.
- 2.3 Minimum age for breeding (relevant is the day of first breeding) is 24 months. Bitches may not be bred after their 8<sup>th</sup> birthday. There is no upper age limit for males.
- 2.4 Dogs and bitches that do not fulfill the WRSF prerequisites for breeding, must be excluded from breeding (cf. § 2.6 ff).
- 2.5 Black RS and pepper-salt RS are considered separate breeds under PSK/FCI rules and must not be bred together.

- 2.6 Before each breeding, the breeder and the owner of the male have to make certain that both dogs fulfill the minimum requirements of the WRSF for breeding, which are as follows:
- 2.6.1 In conformation, dogs and bitches must have received at least one “Good” rating or better from a PSK judge or a recognized RS judge from another ISPU or FCI organization.
  - 2.6.2 Passing score in a BH/VT test, administered by an AWDF or FCI recognized judge.
  - 2.6.3 Dogs and bitches must have healthy hips. Proof of this shall be an OFA certificate, a PennHip certificate, or a certificate issued by the PSK.
  - 2.6.4 Bitches and studs must complete the entire Breed Survey (Körung) before the first breeding and have a Kör-Certificate issued by the WRSF Registrar or have passed a SchH/VPG/IPO title, issued by an AWDF or FCI approved organization.
  - 2.6.5 The entire breed survey consist of:
    - a) Passing score in the temperament/protection test administered by a PSK or WRSF Körmaster or a passed breed survey from another ISPU or FCI organization.
    - b) Endurance test (AD) passed
    - c) Certificate of healthy hips from OFA, PennHip or the PSK. (PSK “A” or “B” rating only.)
- 2.7 Breedings, in which both Dam and Sire have fulfilled the above prerequisites for the breed survey and the BH/VT will be issued WRSF pedigrees marked “Koer/Koer-Breeding.”
- 2.7.1 Breedings, in which prerequisites as put forth in § 2.6.1 (conformation rating) and § 2.6.2 (BH/VT) and § 2.6.3 (healthy hips) have been fulfilled and in which both dam and sire have passed a SchH/VPG or IPO title, shall be issued WRSF pedigrees marked “Working/Working Breeding.”
  - 2.7.2 Breedings, in which both dam and sire have passed prerequisites as put forth in § 2.6.1 through § 2.6.3 *in addition to a breed survey and a working title* (SchH/ VPG/IPO issued by an AWDF or FCI recognized organization) shall have their pedigrees marked “Kör and Working Breeding.”
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- 2.8 If sire and/or dam complete a Körung and/or a BH/VT and/or a working title *after* the breeding, even after the litter is born, a retrospective WRSF pedigree will be issued, reflecting the Working and/or Kör breeding. However, the breeding partners *must* have a passing hip rating as well as a conformation rating of “Good” or better *before* the breeding takes place.
- 2.9 Incest breeding is not permitted. Incest breeding is defined as breeding between siblings and parents and offspring.
- 2.10 Stud Fee: It is recommended to agree on the stud fee before the actual breeding and to draw up a contract to this effect. Payment is due after the breeding act(s).
- 2.11 Repeat of breeding: If the bitch does not get pregnant, the owner of the bitch has the right to request one more breeding with the same stud at no charge, provided the same owner is still in possession of the stud dog.

### **3. Rearing of the Litter**

- 3.1 All healthy puppies should be reared. Sick or deformed puppies must be taken to a vet who will decide if the puppy should be euthanized.
- 3.2. All puppies must be seen by a veterinarian before they are sold, and receive appropriate vaccinations and other medical routine procedures such as deworming, etc.

### **4. Registered Call Name**

The choice of call name is made by the breeder. The registered call name is the name before or after the kennel name, e.g.: “Diagon Alley’s Hagrid” or “Hagrid of Diagon Alley.” The call name has to be distinctly different from other call names under the same kennel name, and should be easily recognized as a male or female name. Numbers and letters as distinctive marks are not allowed. All puppies in the litter receive call names that start with the same letter. The litters are named consecutively through the alphabet.

### **5. Kennel Name**

- 5.1 Registration of Kennel Name: Application for WRSF Kennel Name has to be submitted at least 3 months before the planned breeding. Kennel names cannot be duplicates of other RS kennel names, either in the USA or abroad.
- 5.2. The WRSF registered kennel name is valid for the duration of the kennel owner's membership in good standing in WRSF. Transfer of the kennel name as a gift or by sale is not permitted.
- 5.3. Significant violations against WRSF breeding regulations or a loss of membership in good standing will result in a deletion of the kennel name. This kennel name will not be given to other breeders.
- 5.4. New or deleted kennel names will be published on our web site: [www.workingriesenschnauzer.com](http://www.workingriesenschnauzer.com) Objections against certain kennel names because of a similarity to other kennel names must be submitted to WRSF within 4 weeks. The board will decide the merit of the objection.
- 5.6. There will be a fee for issuing a pedigree, or a copy of WRSF pedigree and registration.

## **6. Sale of Puppies**

- 6.1 Puppies may not go to the new owner before they are 8 weeks old. Selling puppies to dog brokers or pet shops, as well as selling whole litters to the same source (3 or more puppies) is forbidden. In case of infraction, WRSF membership will be revoked.
- 6.2 Vaccination of the puppies has to take place at least 5 days before puppies are given to the buyer.
- 6.3. All puppies must be microchipped before they go to their new owners. The microchip number will be written on the pedigree/registration.
- 6.4. The following documents must be submitted for registration of a litter:
- Pedigree/registration of the dam.
  - Pedigree/registration of the sire
  - Proof of Conformation Rating for dam and sire (PSK/ISPU/FCI ratings only. No AKC ratings.)
  - Proof of hip rating for dam and sire
  - Micro-Chip numbers of the puppies
  - Proof of Kör- Certificate for Dam and Sire
  - And/Or
  - Proof of SchH, VPG or IPO title for dam and sire (AWDF/FCI recognized titles only. No AKC titles.)

Proof of Sieger-Titles to be written in pedigree. (PSK/ISPU/FCI titles only. No AKC titles).

The documents must be originals or legible photocopies. The registrar will examine the provided documents. If they are complete and in order, a WRSF Pedigree/registration will be issued.

- 6.5. Should it be established that false information has been given, the WRSF registration/pedigree will be invalid. Invalidation of pedigrees due to false information will be published on the WRSF web site. The WRSF board will determine further sanctions.

## **7. Registration Regulations. General Information**

- 7.1 Only members in good standing have the right to have their dogs/litters registered by WRSF.
- 7.2. Dual registry with AKC is permitted as long as the dogs/puppies have the same name on both registrations.
- 7.3. Prerequisite for registration in the breed-book and issuance of WRSF papers is proof of at least 3 generations of ancestors.
- 7.4. Dogs imported from abroad will only be registered with WRSF if the owner can provide a FCI approved pedigree of at least 3 generations.
- 7.5 Changes in the WRSF pedigree, as well as entry of hip certification can only be completed by an official of WRSF.
- 7.6 Change of ownership: The dog's pedigree and scorebook and the dog are not to be separated. If the dog is sold, the pedigree/WRSF registration and scorebook have to be given to the new owner at no additional charge.
- 7.7. The WRSF registrar and the dog's breeder must be informed of the sale of any WRSF registered dog.

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