Amended rules:

Additions are in green and deletions in red.

D3. 'A' grade helpers

Helpers who wish to be considered for selection for the Nationals or the following years WUSV / FCI qualification trials, must attend the annual helper licensing event.

To be considered for the following seasons major trials helpers must:

- Attend the licensing event and obtain a 'B' grade license with at least 90% of the available points
- Attend the licencing event and work at least one dog that they do not train on a regular basis and gain at least 90% of the available points. Helpers may be asked to work additional dog(s) if required for accurate assessment.
- Be able to complete a fitness test and answer questions on the helper rules
- Show proof of working at least 10 dogs at club trials
- Current 'A' grade helpers will have their performance in Major events for the GSDL-WDG taken into account at licensing.

D6. The helpers for the Nationals and the following seasons WUSV / FCI qualifiers will be picked at the annual licensing by the assessors. At the licensing event the assessors will publicly announce the helpers to be used at the Nationals. The helpers for the other major events will be selected by the EC bearing in mind fairness by rotation (if more than the required amount are licensed, consideration to the number of previous events will be considered and the logistics regarding logistically according to the cost/whereabouts of the preceding years trials.)

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D6. The helpers for the major events will be selected by the EC bearing in mind fairness by rotation (if more than the required amount are licensed, the number of previous events will be considered and the logistics regarding the cost/whereabouts of the trials.)

D13. 'B' Grade helpers

'B' grade helpers can work dogs in all club trials, koerungs and at the British Sieger, but not in major events.

'B' grade helpers must work at least one dog (can be provided by the applicant's own club), which must be capable of an IGP3 round and score at least 70% 80% of the

available points to pass their 'B' grade. Helpers may be asked to work additional dog(s) if required for accurate assessment.

G. WUSV / FCI World Championships

G1. The GSDL-WDG committee will discuss changes to the qualification criteria for the WUSV World Championships and the FCI World Championships and publish them on the GSDL-WDG website as soon as possible. The qualifying criteria shall be effective upon publication.

Selection Trial Management Procedures and Team Selection Criteria:

G2. Handlers must be fully paid up members of the GSDL-WDG at least three (3) months before the time of entry and be eligible for team selection in accordance with the rules laid out in the Joint FCI agreement for the FCI World Championships or the WUSV Joint selection trial agreement and the rules below for the WUSV World Championships. and either be a British citizen or have resided and paid taxes in Great Britain for a minimum of three years to be eligible for entrance into the selection trials as a GSDL-WDG member.

WUSV World Championships

G3. Only GSDL-WDG members handling pedigree German Shepherd Dogs registered with The Kennel Club or their country of birth (must be FCI recognised registration papers) and micro chipped shall be eligible to enter the Qualification Trials for a place on the GSDL-WDG's WUSV Team.

By the end of the WUSV Joint Selection trial the dog/handler team must fulfil all current criteria for entry in order to be selected for the team.

The current criteria are:

- The place of principal residence of the dog's owner and handler must be in the WUSV member country (i.e. Great Britain).
- The dog's pedigree must have HD/ ED diagnostic entries (normal, fast normal, noch zugelassen as recognized by the SV) only applicable for dogs born from January 01st, 2018 onwards

- A show grade with a minimum rating of GOOD, obtained at a minimum 12 months of age. This applies for dogs born from January 01st, 2020 onwards.
- An IGP3 score of minimum 250 with minimum 80 points in each phase obtained since the last WUSV World Championship by the same dog/handler team.

In addition, a veterinary certificate and dog liability insurance are usually required, these can be obtained after the event but in good time for team entry.

G4. The GSDL dogs for the GSDL/BAGSD Joint Selection trial shall be selected as follows: (Note, the qualification used for entering the trial must be with the person who will handle the dog in the WUSV Joint Selection trial.)

- The top three (3) qualified dogs from the GSDL Nationals the previous year.
- The top three (3) qualified GSDs from the All Breeds National in the same year.
- In the event of any dog finishing in the top three in both trials, the next place will go the dog from either event which finished in 4th place with the highest score, followed by the dog in 4th place with the lowest score, then the dog in 5th place with the highest score etc. until up to 6 dogs have been found.
- In the event the Nationals and All Breeds Nationals are held as one trial only the top three (3) qualified GSDs from this event will be allocated spaces.
- The top 4 highest IGP3 scoring dogs (bonus system) with scores obtained after the previous Joint Selection trial. Scores can be obtained from any GSDL trials judged by a GSDL and/or SV judge, WUSV/FCI World Championships, the Nationals, qualifiers or the All Breeds Nationals.
- Dogs going forward to the Joint Selection trial from a club trial must have scored at least 250 points with a minimum of 80 points in each of the three phases.
- All dogs entering the Joint Selection trial must provide proof of acceptable BVA and/or SV hips and elbows scores.

- **G5.** If there are still more than 10 places available to GSDL dogs in the GSDL/BAGSD Joint WUSV Selection trial, the extra available places will be offered in the following order: following the same principle as above.
 - Dog with an internationally recognised IGP3 qualification since the previous years WUSV Joint selection trial.
 - Dog with an internationally recognised IGP3 qualification. (In the event of the trial becoming oversubscribed these dogs will be selected according to their historically highest IGP3 score).
- **G6.** In the event of a tie, the dog with the highest points score in Phase 'C' shall take precedence. Should there still be a tie, the highest points score in Phase 'B' shall prevail.

Amended rules, clean version:

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By the end of the WUSV Joint Selection trial the dog/handler team must fulfil all current criteria for entry in order to be selected for the team.

The current criteria are:

- The place of principal residence of the dog's owner and handler must be in the WUSV member country (i.e. Great Britain).
- The dog's pedigree must have HD/ ED diagnostic entries (normal, fast normal, noch zugelassen as recognized by the SV) – only applicable for dogs born from January 01st, 2018 onwards
- A show grade with a minimum rating of GOOD, obtained at a minimum 12 months of age. This applies for dogs born from January 01st, 2020 onwards.
- An IGP3 score of minimum 250 with minimum 80 points in each phase obtained since the last WUSV World Championship by the same dog/handler team.

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 - The top three (3) qualified dogs from the GSDL Nationals the previous year.
 - The top three (3) qualified GSDs from the All Breeds National in the same year or previous year if the event were held together.
 - In the event of any dog finishing in the top three in both trials, the next place will go the dog from either event which finished in 4th place with the highest score, followed by the dog in 4th place with the lowest score, then the dog in 5th place with the highest score etc. until up to 6 dogs have been found.
 - In the event the Nationals and All Breeds Nationals are held as one trial only the top three (3) qualified GSDs from this event will be allocated spaces.
 - The highest IGP3 scoring dogs (bonus system) with scores obtained after the previous Joint Selection trial. Scores can be obtained from any GSDL trials judged by a GSDL and/or SV judge, WUSV/FCI World Championships, the Nationals, qualifiers or the All Breeds Nationals.

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