

Estonian Kennel Union CHAMPION REGULATIONS

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0. General Provisions

The EKV Champion Regulations set the standards for attributing the following champion titles:

- Estonian Junior Champion (EST J CH);
- Estonian Show Champion (EST CH);
- Estonian Veteran Champion (EST Vet CH);
- Baltic Junior Champion (BALT J CH);
- Baltic Champion (BALT CH);
- Baltic Veteran Champion (BALT Vet CH);
- Estonian Lure Coursing Champion (EST LC CH);
- Estonian Agility Champion (EST AG CH);
- Estonian Working Champion (EST IGP CH, EST PJK CH, EST SK CH, EST KK CH, EST FH CH, EST IPO-R CH, EST VP CH, EST RK CH)

1. Assigning the title “Estonian Junior Champion”

- 1.1. The title "Estonian Junior Champion" (EST J CH) shall be nominated for the dog who has received three junior certificates (JUN CAC) issued by three different judges.
- 1.2. JUN CAC - a rosette with blue outer and white inner circle, blue and white streamers, the blue streamer displays the text JUN CAC. In the centre of the rosette there is a golden-white logo of EKU. The blue and white colours have to correspond to those of the Estonian flag.
 - 1.2.1. JUN CAC is nominated for the best dog entitled with "Certificate of Quality" in the respective age group, separately for each breed approved by FCI or EKU and separately for males and females.
 - 1.2.2. JUN CAC can be issued only at the official shows entered into the Estonian Kennel Union show calendar.
- 1.3. The dogs who have already received the title Junior Champion of an FCI member or contracting state can be awarded the title EST J CH with one JUN CAC, provided that the country of registration of the dog also awards the title of Junior Champion of its state to the dogs registered in Estonia based on one JUN CAC of respective state.
- 1.4. A dog may not accept JUN CAC if:
 - 1.4.1. the dog has already received one EST J CH title;
 - 1.4.2. the dog already has one JUN CAC issued by the same judge;
 - 1.4.3. the dog has already received three JUN CAC certificates issued by three different judges.
- 1.5. In case the JUN CAC has been incorrectly awarded, the Estonian Kennel Union has the right to transfer the title to the next dog qualified for it, or annul the title.

2. Assigning the title “Estonian Show Champion”

- 2.1. The title "Estonian Show Champion" (EST CH) shall be nominated for the dog:
 - 2.1.1. who has received three Estonian Show Champion Certificates of Quality (CAC), or
 - 2.1.2. who has received two JUN CAC and two CAC certificates issued by different judges, or
 - 2.1.3. who has received the title EST J CH and one CAC.
 - 2.1.4. At least one CAC must be issued at the age of at least 24 months.
 - 2.1.5. Working dogs have to have passed the working trials assigned for the specific breed (Appendix 1).
- 2.2. CAC – a rosette with blue outer and white inner circle with blue, black and white streamers. The black streamer displays the text CAC. In the centre of the rosette there is a golden-white logo of EKU. The blue, black and white colours have to correspond to those of the Estonian flag.
 - 2.2.1. CAC shall be awarded to the first dog with the qualification "EXCELLENT" in the competition round. CAC is awarded separately for males and females in all FCI and EKU approved breeds.
 - 2.2.2. In case the dog who becomes first does not have the right to accept CAC, the judge will transfer the title to the next dog who received "EXCELLENT" and who can accept the title.
 - 2.2.3. CAC may only be awarded at the official shows entered into the Estonian Kennel Union show calendar.
- 2.3. The dogs who have already received the title Show Champion of an FCI member or contracting state, can be awarded the title EST CH with one CAC that was received at the age of at least 24 months (except for the states that EKU has corresponding special contracts with) provided that the country of registration of the dog also awards the title of Show Champion of its state to the dogs registered in Estonia based on one CAC issued by one of the countries mentioned.
- 2.4. A dog cannot accept CAC if:
 - 2.4.1. EST CH has been nominated for the dog;

- 2.4.2. the dog already has one CAC from the same judge;
 - 2.4.3. the dog already has two CAC certificates from two different judges but the dog is younger than 24 months;
 - 2.4.4. the dog already has three CAC certificates from three different judges;
 - 2.4.5. the dog already has two JUN CAC certificates and one CAC but the dog is younger than 24 months;
 - 2.4.6. the dog has received two JUN CAC and two CAC certificates, the latest of which was awarded when the dog was older than 24 months;
 - 2.4.7. the dog has received EST J CH title or he has been awarded three JUN CAC certificates issued by three different judges but he is younger than 24 months;
 - 2.4.8. the dog has been attributed the title EST J CH or three JUN CAC certificates issued by three different judges and he has received CAC when he was older than 24 months.
- 2.5. In case the CAC has been incorrectly awarded, the Estonian Kennel Union has the right to transfer the title to the next dog qualified for it, or annul the title.

3. Assigning the title “Estonian Veteran Champion”

- 3.1. The title "Estonian Veteran Champion" (EST Vet CH) shall be nominated for the dog who has officially received three veteran certificates (VET CAC) issued by three different judges.
- 3.2. VET CAC is awarded to the best dog entitled with "Certificate of Quality" in the respective age group, separately for each breed approved by FCI or EKU, and separately for males and females.
- 3.3. The dogs who have already received the title Veteran Champion of an FCI member or contracting state can be awarded the title EST Vet CH with one VET CAC, provided that the country of registration of the dog also awards the title of Veteran Champion of its state to the dogs registered in Estonia based on one VET CAC of respective state.
- 3.4. Dogs with the title of Estonian Show Champion need one VET CAC to receive the title of EST Vet CH provided that the dog is registered in Estonia or the country of registration of the dog also awards the title of Veteran Champion of its state to the dogs registered in Estonia based on one VET CAC.

4. Assigning the title “Baltic Junior Champion”

- 4.1. Standards of awarding the title "Baltic Junior Champion" (BALT J CH) are set by the Baltic contract made between the Kennel Unions of the three Baltic States that was signed in Palanga 02.08.2002.
- 4.2. The title BALT J CH shall be awarded to a dog that has already received the Junior Champion titles of all three Baltic States (Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania).
- 4.3. To receive the title, the owner of the dog has to present the diplomas of Estonian Junior Champion, Latvian Junior Champion and Lithuanian Junior Champion to EKU office.

5. Assigning the title “Baltic Champion”

- 5.1. Standards of awarding the title "Baltic Champion" are set by the Baltic contract made between the Kennel Unions of the three Baltic States that was signed in Palanga 02.08.1997.
- 5.2. The title BALT CH shall be awarded to a dog that has already received the Show Champion titles of all three Baltic States (Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania).
- 5.3. To receive the title, the owner of the dog has to present the diplomas of Estonian Show Champion, Latvian Champion and Lithuanian Champion to EKU office.

6. Assigning the title “Baltic Veteran Champion”

- 6.1. Standards of awarding the title "Baltic Veteran Champion" (BALT Vet CH) are set by the Baltic contract made between the Kennel Unions of the three Baltic States that was signed in Palanga 02.08.2002.

- 6.2. The title BALT Vet CH can be awarded to a dog that has already received the Veteran Champion titles of all three Baltic States (Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania).
- 6.3. To receive the title, the owner of the dog has to present the diplomas of Estonian Veteran Champion, Latvian Veteran Champion and Lithuanian Veteran Champion to EKU office.

7. Assigning the title “Estonian Lure Coursing Champion”

- 7.1. The title "Estonian Lure Coursing Champion" (EST LC CH) is awarded to a dog that has already received three (3) Estonian Lure Coursing Certificates. A dog can be awarded up to two (2) certificates per year.
- 7.2. Lure Coursing CAC – a rosette with blue outer and white inner circle with blue, black and white streamers. The black streamer displays the text LC CAC. In the centre of the rosette there is a golden- white logo of EKU. The blue, black and white colours have to correspond to those of the Estonian flag.
 - 7.2.1. LC CAC can be awarded only in the competitions entered into the greyhound coursing competition calendar of the Estonian Kennel Union.
- 7.3. Dogs without an Estonian record book who have already been awarded with the title of Coursing Champion of greyhounds in an FCI member or contracting state, need one CAC to receive the title of EST LC CH.
- 7.4. A dog cannot accept CAC if:
 - 7.4.1. EST LC CH has already been nominated for the dog;
 - 7.4.2. the dog has already received four CAC certificates during the same calendar year.

8. Assigning the title “Estonian Agility Champion” (EST AG CH)

- 8.1. The title "Estonian Agility Champion" (EST AG CH) shall be awarded to a dog who has received three 1st placings (result: 0) in the highest class from at least two different judges in the competitions entered into the show calendar of the Estonian Kennel Union. One win can be received from the jumping track. The dog has to have at least the qualification "good" received at an official show after turning 15 months of age.
- 8.2. Dogs who have already been attributed an Agility Champion title by an FCI member or contracting state need one 1st placing (result: 0) from the agility track of the highest class at the competition entered into the show calendar of the Estonian Kennel Union to receive the title EST AG CH.

9. Assigning the title “Estonian Working Champion”:

**EST IGP CH, EST PJK CH, EST SK CH, EST KK CH, EST FH CH,
EST IPO-R CH, EST VP CH, EST RK CH.**

- 9.1. To be eligible for the title "Estonian Working Champion", a dog must have achieved the following qualifications at the official competitions entered into the Estonian Kennel Union competition calendar:
 - 9.1.1. IGP - at least three highest class qualifications "good" from a certain training field from two different judges, while the result of each part (A, B and C) has to be at least 80 points.
 - 9.1.2. PJK - at least three ratings "very good" of the highest class from two different judges;
 - 9.1.3. KK - at least three highest ratings of the highest class from three different judges;
 - 9.1.4. SK - at least three I ranks in the International Obedience Class (*EVÕI*) class under two different judges.

- 9.1.6 FH – at least three FH2 ratings “very good” or one IGP-FH rating “very good” and one FH2 rating “very good” or two IGP-FH ratings “very good“ from at least two different judges.
- 9.1.7 IPO-R - at least three ratings "very good" of the highest class from one or different IPO-R field(s) from two different judges;
- 9.1.8 VP- at least three ratings "very good" of the highest class from two different judges
- 9.1.8. RK - at least three ratings "excellent" of the highest class from two different judges
- 9.1.9. In addition the dog must have received at least the rating “good” at an official show class”.
- 9.2. Dogs who have already been awarded the title "Working Champion" in an FCI member or contracting state, need a highest class result from a competition entered into the show calendar of the Estonian Kennel Union in order to obtain the title EST Working CH.
 - 9.2.1. IGP – at least the rating “good”, while the result of each part (A, B and C) has to be at least 80 points;
 - 9.2.2. SK – rank I;
 - 9.2.3. FH – at least the rating “very good” (in FH2 or IGP-FH class);
 - 9.2.4. IPO-R – at least the rating “very good”;
 - 9.2.5. VP – foreign national water rescue champion – at least the rating “very good”.
 - 9.2.6. RK – at least the rating “excellent”

10. Assigning the title “Estonian Retrievers Breed Trial Champion”

- 10.1. A title “Estonian Retrievers Breed Trial Champion” (EST RTT CH) is awarded to the dog, who has received in the breed trial for retrievers approved by the Board of the Estonian Kennel Union rank I three times in the winners class from at least two different judges, whereas at least two trial results must be obtained with a game.

In addition the dog must have received at least the rating “good” at a show acknowledged by EKU after turning 15 months of age.

Dogs who have already been awarded the title RTT CH by an FCI member state or contracting state, need one rank I from the winners class from the breed trial for retrievers approved by the Board of the Estonian Kennel Union to be awarded the title EST RTT CH provided that the kennel union of the country where the dog is registered confirms the respective title of their country to the dogs in the EST-register also with a similar result of the respective country.
- 10.2. A title “Estonian Retrievers Working Test Champion (EST RWT CH) is awarded to the dog, who has received in the working test for retrievers approved by the Board of the Estonian Kennel Union three CACs in the winners class from at least two different judges. In addition the dog must have received at least the rating “good” at a show acknowledged by EKU after turning 15 months of age.

Dogs who have already been awarded the title RWT CH by an FCI member state or contracting state, need one rank I from the winners class from the working test for retrievers approved by the Board of the Estonian Kennel Union to be awarded the title EST RWT CH provided that the kennel union of the country where the dog is registered confirms the respective title of their country to the dogs in the EST-register also with a similar result of the respective country.
- 10.3. A title “Estonian Retrievers Field Trial Champion” (EST RFT CH) is awarded to the dog, who has received in the field trial for retrievers approved by the Board of the Estonian Kennel Union three CACs. In addition the dog must have received at least the rating “good” at a show acknowledged by EKU after turning 15 months of age. CAC may be passed on, if the first dog is a CH and at least 6 dogs participated in the trial.

Dogs who have already been awarded the title RFT CH by an FCI member state or contracting state, need one CACs from the field trial for retrievers approved by the Board of the Estonian Kennel Union to be awarded the title EST RFT CH provided that the kennel union of the country where the dog is registered confirms the respective title of their country to the dogs in the EST-register also with a similar result of the respective country.

11. Assigning the title “Estonian Hunting Test Champion” (speciality)

- 11.1 The title Estonian Hunting Test Champion in Artificial Blood Tracking (EST JK-VJ-T CH) is awarded to the dog, who has received at the test ”Evaluating hunting capability of hunting dogs on a 500-600 meter long artificial blood trail” officially approved by the Hunting Dogs Assembly of the Estonian Kennel Union at least three times rank I within a period of over 9 months with the result CACT or four times rank I, of which two with the result CACT and two reserve-CACT from at least three different judges. In addition the dog must have received at least the rating “good” at a show acknowledged by EKU after turning 15 months of age. Dogs who have already been awarded the champion title in artificial blood tracking by an FCI member state, need CACT from official artificial blood tracking test approved by the Hunting Dogs Assembly of Estonian Kennel Union to be awarded the title EST JKVJ-T CH, provided that based on the same rules the title is awarded to the dogs in the EST-register also in the respective country.
- 11.2 A title “Estonian Hunting Test Champion for wild boar in artificial conditions (EST JK-MS-T CH) is awarded to the dog, who has received at the test “Evaluating hunting capability of hunting dogs for wild boar in restricted area” officially approved by the Hunting Dogs Assembly of the Estonian Kennel Union at least twice rank I at least from two different judge pairs (at least three different judges) within a period of over 9 months with the result CACT or three times rank I, of which one with the result CACT and two with the result reserve-CACT from at least three different judge pairs (at least 4 different judges). In addition the dog must have received at least the rating “good” at a show acknowledged by EKU after turning 15 months of age. Dogs who have already been awarded the champion title for wild boar in artificial conditions by an FCI member state, need CACT from official wild boar in artificial conditions test approved by the Hunting Dogs Assembly of Estonian Kennel Union to be awarded the title EST JK-MS-T CH, provided that based on the same rules the title is awarded to the dogs in the EST-register also in the respective country.