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Statement of the Breed Registry of the German Shepherd Dog Association (SV)

After the Breed Registry was informed that the dog “**Nero vom Nöbachtal, SZ-Nr. 2080775**” had covered bitches abroad, the SV managing committee decided to give the following advice to the relevant associations abroad, and moreover to the bitch owners in Germany, warning them of the offspring of “Nero vom Nöbachtal” which were born **after the 9th August 2004** (date on which the offspring registration ban legally came into effect).

The associations abroad were told that since we have now discovered that the dog Nero vom Nöbachtal is to be used in their country as a stud dog, we would like to point out that an **offspring registration ban** has been imposed by the SV on this dog **since 09th August 2004**. Therefore offspring from this dog, even if they are registered in their country in the breed register, will not be included in our breed register.

This means that should an application be made for offspring from this dog to be registered in the SV Breed Register, it will be rejected by us with reference to the relevant regulations. This means, de facto, that these dogs will also be banned from registering in the German Breed Register (breeding prohibited). In order to be able to register dogs in Germany in the Breed Register, it is necessary, in accordance with Paragraph 4.1.1 of the Breeding Regulations, that the parent animals are themselves included in the SV Breed Register.

The exhibition of these dogs is also not possible, since the SV does not judge the confirmation itself, but instead gives a breed assessment, and in accordance with the conformation show rules, dogs which have an offspring registration ban imposed on them are not permitted to take part in conformation shows of the SV. This applies to all dogs that are fathered by Nero vom Nöbachtal after the offspring registration ban came into force.

We would be grateful, if the foreign associations were also to decide to impose an offspring registration ban, since this would certainly be opportune in protecting bitch owners.”

The Breed Registry of the SV