

**2013 EMAIL MOTION  
ABC BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Motion to accept American Field DNA**

**MOTION BY:** Steve Ralph, Central Director  
**SECONDED BY:** Robert Rankin, Midwest Director  
**MOTION MADE & SECONDED:** July 11, 2013  
**DISCUSSION FOR 7 DAYS:** Friday, July 12 through Thursday, July 18, 2013  
**VOTES ACCEPTED FOR 5 DAYS:** Friday, July 19, 2013 through Tuesday, July 23, 2013

**MOTION:** I move to change the DNA requirement to allow AKC or American Field DNA. Motion is effective January 1, 2013: All dogs entered in any of the following American Brittany Club Sponsored Events must have a DNA profile on record with the AKC or American Field. The DNA number must be included on all entry forms.

**Reasoning:** I have had many phone calls from ABC members asking why the American Field DNA will not be accepted by ABC to run in the National events, since you are already required to DNA register through the American Field to be granted a Championship. Both AKC & American Field use the same laboratory to process the DNA, therefore there is no difference in how the samples are being processed.

Additional information:

Since the American Field requires DNA to be recorded for dogs within 30 days of a win to receive their Championship recognition, most people are going to get their dog's DNA through the American Field after such a win. It is true that you can then transfer your records to the AKC but to do so you not only have to send a copy of your DNA profile and \$20, but now AKC also requires you to send an additional DNA sample with their transfer kit. While this doesn't seem difficult it can cause several month delays and even more if the first sample doesn't contain enough DNA for them to process, which requires an additional sample and several more months (possibly a total of 4 months to get the results). This could be a factor of not allowing a dog to be entered in the Nationals due to the DNA sample not being processed in time. By requiring either AKC or American Field DNA to run in the Nationals, then we would not be eliminating a dog from entering due to DNA sample processing time.

DIRECTOR	YES	NO	ABSTAINED	NO VOTE
D. Dow		x		
R. Gorman	x			
L. Pollock		x		
G. Hopper		x		
B. Ackerman	x			
D. Riedl		x		
J. Brigham		x		
S. Ralph		x		
T. Jagielski		x		
B. Rankin				x
M. Karbiner		x		
T. Milam		x		
J. Henderson		x		
B. Wire		x		
S. Kern		x		

Yes 2 No 12, Abstained 0, Not Voting 1 Motion: Failed x

The following notice to be communicated on all ABC media (Magazine, Facebook, and Website).

**\*\*\* ABC National event notice \*\*\***

Reminder that an AKC DNA profile is required to enter the upcoming ABC National events (Gun Dog, All Age, Specialty Show).

If you have not sent in your AKC DNA sample, it is recommend that you do this ASAP as there is a minimum of **8 weeks** for processing (delay due to the relocation of the DNA lab that performs the DNA testing).