



Club de l'Épagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.

OFFICIAL PROCEDURES FOR CONFIRMING AND ASSIGNING OVERALL CONFORMATION RATINGS FOR THE EPAGNEUL BRETON AND FOR QUALIFICATION OF CEB-US APPROVED EXPERT CONFIRMERS

(As annotated and amended through January 22, 2021.)

1. Confirmation--Basic Confirming of the Dog

The basic Confirming of the Épagneul Breton (hereinafter referenced as "EB") is the process of examining, evaluating and passing judgment on the EB to determine whether an individual representative of the breed fits within the Official United Kennel Club (UKC) Conformation Standard as prescribed for the breed. The confirming procedure is presently performed by qualified Expert Confirmateurs from France and by Expert Confirmateurs from the United States who are trained, examined and qualified by the CEB-US, in addition to those approved as Expert Confirmateurs from abroad who shall upon invitation continue to assist in the held evaluation of conformation of dogs in the United States. The dog will be Confirmed, Disqualified or Deferred during the course and scope of a basic examination of the individual dog outside of the show ring at an approved confirming session. During the confirming session, various observations will be noted on the Confirmation Evaluation Worksheet which may include notations of the dog's strengths in conformation, as well as areas in need of improvement.

Official Evaluations for Conformation may be performed at a confirming session offered at an event sponsored by CEB-US. Nothing herein shall be construed to conflict with the separate requirement specified herein that assignment of Overall Conformation Ratings of Excellent-C-1, Very Good-C-2 Good-C-3 or Insufficient shall be required to be made inside the ring of a UKC licensed CEB-US Épagneul Breton NATIONAL Specialty Show or subsequent CEB-US approved and designated "Épagneul Breton Super Specialty Show" hosted and conducted by a regional EB club or in a group setting in the venue of a UKC Licensed CEB-US NATIONAL Specialty Show or subsequent CEB-US approved and designated Épagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB Club.

Epagneul Breton Clubs affiliated with CEB-US who sponsor UKC Licensed Specialty Shows may request the Judges officiating at any such show to provide advisory overall conformation quality ratings for that particular show. However, any such ratings are advisory in nature and SHALL NOT be recorded or published in the CEB data base nor shall such advisory Overall Conformation Quality Ratings be officially recognized by CEB-US

(Annotation: This paragraph embodies amendments recommended by the CEB-US Confirming Committee and enacted via CEB-US resolutions dated March 19, 2016, October, 2018 and January 2021 made effective upon amendment.)

2. Rating--Assignment of Overall Conformation Quality Ratings Recognized by CEB-US

EBs which are subsequently entered in a UKC licensed NATIONAL Epagneul Breton Specialty Show/Exhibition Sponsored by CEB-US and/or EB's which are entered in a subsequent UKC Licensed Epagneul Breton Specialty Show designated and approved by CEB-US as an approved "Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show organized, hosted and conducted by a regional EB club, which Show/Exhibition is officiated by a judge specifically approved and designated by CEB-US as possessing the knowledge and training to evaluate the EB breed in a show or exhibition and whom has been designated pursuant to these procedures to assign overall conformation quality ratings, may then be formally evaluated and assigned an overall conformation quality rating in the show or exhibition ring which will be officially recognized and published by CEB-US. The Overall Conformation Quality Rating assigned may be "Insufficient", "Good C-3", "Very Good C-2" or "Excellent C-1". The purpose of requiring overall Conformation Quality Ratings which are officially published and recognized by CEB-US to be assigned in the show ring at CEB-US sponsored National Epagneul Breton Specialty Shows or any future CEB-US designated and approved Epagneul Super Specialty Shows hosted and conducted by a regional EB club is to insure that such ratings are assigned by the most experienced, and most highly qualified judges which are knowledgeable of the proper conformation of the EB, and to further provide for a forum in which the objectivity of such evaluations is enhanced within the setting of a UKC licensed breed specialty show/exhibition, rather than assigned in an informal type of setting. If for any reason assignment of such overall ratings were hereafter disallowed during the course and scope of a designated UKC licensed conformation show at which Overall Conformation Quality Ratings are authorized to be assigned as provided herein, then solely in that event, as an alternative method of rating dogs in a group setting, the Expert Confirmateur(s) would be authorized to reassemble ALL dogs shown or exhibited into a group, and to then assign such overall conformation quality ratings for each dog on an individual basis such that each dog confirmed and shown receives an overall conformation quality rating. No dog may be assigned an Overall Conformation Quality Rating outside of the group setting, unless such rating is assigned in the show ring of a UKC licensed CEB-US Sponsored National Epagneul Breton Specialty Show or subsequent CEB-US approved and designated Epagneul Breton Super-Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB club as provided herein.

This Overall Conformation Quality Rating, in addition to the process of basic confirming of the dog, will provide the owner/breeder and others observing with information about the

Epagneul Breton body quality of conformation and other notable characteristics exhibited by the dog. These observations which are quantified in the form of a formal overall conformation quality rating may or may not include notations of the strengths of the dog's conformation, as well as any areas which are in need of improvement. Conformation of the particular dog cannot be "improved" per se, however improvement of any noted deficiencies could be a goal of FUTURE breedings.

3. Underlying Purposes of Confirming and Ratings

The purpose of a basic conformation evaluation to "confirm" a dog is merely to insure that an individual dog's conformation is evaluated to meet the minimum acceptable requirements of the UKC Official Conformation Standard for the Epagneul Breton breed. Any dog which has been approved or accepted as "confirmed" shall be deemed to meet the minimal acceptable requirements of the Official UKC Conformation Standard of the Epagneul Breton.

The purpose of assigning Overall Conformation Quality Ratings within the context of a UKC licensed CEB-US National Epagneul Breton Specialty Show or any subsequently CEB-US approved and designated Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB Club in addition to the awards provided at such shows is to provide an objective opinion of how an individual dog's overall conformation and anatomy compares from an overall quality standpoint to other proper representatives of the Epagneul Breton breed.

Although these two separate procedures are designed to work in concert so as to assist in the improvement of the breed and are sometimes performed at the same venue and nearly contemporaneous in time, the initial process of basic confirming an EB dog and the subsequent process of rating an EB dog are separate and distinct functions with separate and distinct purposes as defined above.

The non-breeding owner will gain knowledge of the dog's conformation quality for their own knowledge, information, future use and enjoyment. For Epagneul Breton breeders or owners considering breeding a dog, the conformation evaluations and/or separately provided Overall Conformation Quality Rating assigned in a show will be a tool to help decide on the relative merits of possibly breeding the dog and will be a valuable tool in deciding whether or not to actually breed the dog. If the decision is made to breed the dog, the information will highlight and inform the owner about areas of strength or weakness to consider when selecting a prospective mate. The potential value of objective, trained, and informed opinions from the persons confirming and/or then separately rating the dog is self-evident.

More precisely, the formal process of evaluation of conformation will provide some technical information about the dog's body structure and overall physical conformation for those seriously considering breeding the dog. As information learned and recorded during the formal confirming process is used regularly by the breeders to more frequently breed dogs rated to be of higher confirmation quality, the frequent accepted use of such information will over a period of time produce EBs of improved overall confirmation, and thereby contribute to the betterment of the overall Epagneul Breton breed conformation in the United States and elsewhere for dogs exported out of our country.

4. UKC Involvement

The process of formally confirming the EB and the function of recognizing and recording Overall Conformation Quality Ratings is strictly the responsibility and a function of the Club de l'Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc. (CEB-US). It is possible in the future that the UKC may place confirming ratings or a notation indicating the dog has been "Confirmed" and placing the overall rating of the confirmed dog on the UKC registration and pedigree of the dog confirmed (i.e. "Confirmed-Excellent C-1" or "Confirmed-Good C-3"). However, that is not the case at present, and is subject to future discussion, negotiation and potential mutual agreement between the UKC and CEB-US.

It is the intent of CEB-US to conduct all UKC licensed shows and conformation exhibitions in strict compliance with UKC rules, policies and procedures. The process of formally confirming and rating Epagneul Bretons is a CEB-US club function which is supplemental to the UKC show and exhibition, and is conducted with the purpose and goal of improvement of the Epagneul Breton breed and education of the owner and UKC Epagneul Breton breed constituency. All such conformation evaluations and Overall Conformation Quality Ratings shall be performed/assigned in strict compliance with the official UKC Conformation Standard for the Epagneul Breton breed, and each person performing such conformation evaluations or assigning official overall conformation quality ratings shall assent to perform such evaluations in strict accord with official UKC breed criteria.

5. Epagneul Bretons Eligible to be Confirmed

A. UKC Permanent Registration Required

Epagneul Bretons residing or sojourning in the United States that are presented for basic evaluation of conformation must be registered or registerable with the UKC as a purebred Epagneul Breton. The dog's owner must be a member of the CEB-US or pay the fee applicable to a non-member for having the applicant's first dog confirmed, which shall include a one year basic CEB-US membership. Breeds other than the Epagneul Breton are not eligible for the CEB-US confirmation process. Upon tender of applicable fees in U.S. Dollars, a UKC Permanent Registration or UKC Temporary Listing Number (TL) is acceptable for having the basic evaluation for conformation performed. Such fee is paid for performance of the official evaluation for conformation, and is not contingent upon the outcome of the evaluation. For dogs not confirmed, the fee is not refundable. It is highly preferred that the dog be permanently registered with the UKC at the time of the evaluation of basic conformation. However, it is MANDATORY that the dog be permanently registered with the UKC BEFORE the Certificate of Official Conformation Evaluation is supplied to the owner of the dog by CEB-US. If the dog's registration status is other than Permanent UKC Registration, the Confirming will NOT BE FINAL until UKC Permanent Registration is completed and the designated CEB-US Confirming Committee Recording Secretary or a designated member of the CEB-US Confirming Committee is provided documentation of UKC Permanent Registration and supplied the UKC Permanent Registration

number. Accordingly, no results of a conformation evaluation of an Epagneul Breton without Permanent UKC registration will be published in the CEB-US Magazine, or recorded and published in the CEB-US computer data base of confirmed dogs, until the UKC registration is final and documentation provided by the owner.

B. Age

The dog must be a minimum of one year of age or older to be formally evaluated for basic confirmation and to receive an overall conformation rating which is published pursuant to these policies and procedures.

C. Sex / Altered Status

The dog must be “intact” and not altered; that is not spayed or neutered. The Expert Confirmateur(s) is/are required to examine male dogs for evidence of two testicles and to ask the owner or handler of the dog presenting the dog for evaluation of conformation, male or female, if it is spayed or neutered. If the dog has been spayed or neutered, the dog may not be officially confirmed. However, this altered status shall not preclude the Expert Confirmateur(s) from providing the owner an informal verbal opinion in the sole discretion of the Expert Confirmateur(s), as to whether or not the dog otherwise meets the conformation standard of the breed. However, such informal opinion shall not be reduced to writing and no documentation shall be provided or recorded.

6. Confirmation Evaluations And Overall Conformation Quality /Ratings Completed Abroad

Epagneul Bretons which are imported to the United States and previously officially confirmed in France by qualified Confirmateurs of the Club de l'Epagneul Breton (CEB) of France or which have received Overall Conformation Quality Ratings outside the United States, may be retroactively approved by CEB-US as having been officially confirmed and rated abroad upon completion of the CEB-US application, payment of the applicable fee and providing proper documentation of the confirmation and rating completed abroad. Should Epagneul Breton breed clubs in countries other than France develop official confirming procedures comparable to that of the French CEB using the Federation Cynologique Internationale (FCI) Conformation Standard, it is the intent of the CEB-US that the Epagneul Bretons imported to the United States from those countries may also be approved as having been officially confirmed. However, the CEB-US reserves the right to review such procedures as employed in the future by any country outside of France, if or when such procedures are enacted, and to formally approve acceptance of such additional foreign confirmations by the CEB-US for any dog confirmed abroad outside of France.

Imported dogs previously confirmed outside of the United States, as of adoption of this policy and any subsequent amendments, must have been confirmed in France because the French CEB is the only country to presently have a system for the formal confirmation of Epagneul Bretons. These dogs must have proper documentation (i.e., Societe Central Canine (SCC) Three Generation Import Pedigree or import pedigree from another kennel club which is a constituent

member of the Federation Cynologique Internationale (FCI) to be registered by the UKC prior to accepting French confirming and rating information. No formal certification of acceptance of such confirmation will be provided the owner and no publication in the CEB-US data base of Dogs which have been confirmed and assigned Overall Conformation Quality Ratings will be officially recognized and recorded until the owner can provide documentation of UKC Permanent Registration, to include the UKC Permanent Registration number assigned the imported dog.

The dog owner shall provide to the CEB-US Confirming Committee Recording Secretary or designated Conformation Committee Representative copies of the results of the basic confirmation evaluation and/or any Overall Conformation Quality Ratings assigned abroad as a condition of the foreign confirmation and/or ratings being recognized by CEB-US.

7. The Basic Confirming Process and Subsequent Rating Procedure

A. Basic Evaluation of Conformation/Confirming

The CEB-France, as of adoption of this policy document, first confirms applicant dogs and judges them as either “Disqualified” or “Confirmed”. Then the dog may be rated by scale in a formal Conformation Show or Exhibition setting from “Insufficient”, “Good”, “Very Good”, or “Excellent”. The following procedures of the CEB-US are specifically patterned after that example.

After submission of the basic application form attached hereto as Exhibit “A” by the owner, the Epagneul Breton dog being evaluated/confirmed will first be evaluated by the Expert Confirmateur on a basic “Pass” or “Fail” basis. Such evaluation shall be conducted outside of a formal show or exhibition where dogs are being shown/exhibited at a UKC licensed Epagneul Breton Specialty Conformation Show or at a CEB-US approved confirming session sponsored by a regional UKC approved CEB-US affiliated Epagneul Breton pointing dog club. If the dog passes the basic conformation evaluation, the CEB-US Official Confirmation Evaluation Result Form attached hereto as Exhibit “B-2” will be appropriately marked as “Yes/Confirmed” to connote that the dog has been approved and accepted as a proper representative of the Epagneul Breton breed based on comparison to the official UKC conformation standard for the Epagneul Breton. If the dog does not pass the basic evaluation for conformation and possesses an eliminating or disqualifying fault when compared to the official UKC conformation standard, the CEB-US Official Conformation Result Form will be appropriately marked “Refused/Disqualified” by the Confirmateur(s). The Confirmateur(s) should record on the form in the notations section what caused the dog to be failed or disqualified. If in the judgment of the Expert Confirmateur(s) the dog cannot be confirmed at the time of the evaluation, but the confirmateur(s) feels that the dog may be able to be confirmed after some additional time to grow and mature, the Confirmateur(s) should circle “Deferred” on the CEB-US Official Conformation Result Form and should include the specific notation as to why the dog is “Deferred” rather than “Refused/Disqualified”. The words “Refused/Disqualified” should not be circled or highlighted and the reason(s) the dog has been “Deferred” should be written in the notations section of the official Conformation Evaluation Worksheet Form. It is very important that the Expert Confirmateur(s) make a distinction between a dog which is “Refused/Disqualified” and which cannot ever be confirmed absent a successful

appeal, and a dog which is merely “Deferred” on a temporary basis, and which may in the future possibly be able to be confirmed.

The Expert Confirmateur(s) performing the basic evaluation of conformation to confirm the dog must sign and date the Conformation Evaluation Worksheet Form designated Exhibit “B-1” at the bottom of the form, in order to complete and formalize each respective Confirmateur’s evaluation. At the end of the session, the results of the various Conformation Evaluation Worksheet Forms shall be reviewed, the result indicated and each form shall be signed by the Confirmateur performing the conformation evaluation, and the final result shall be indicated on the CEB-US Conformation Evaluation Result Form, which form is designated as Exhibit “B-2” and which is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference. The owner should be provided the pink copy of the signed CEB-US Official Conformation Evaluation Result Form designated as Exhibit “B-2” and shall subsequently be provided a CEB-US Official Show Exhibition Conformation Rating Form designated as Exhibit “C” following the completion of the event where the basic evaluation for conformation is completed and show/exhibition takes place, or as soon thereafter as possible. The yellow Conformation Evaluation Worksheet Form designated as Exhibit “B-1” SHALL Be provided to the dog’s owner, and the white and pink copies of the Conformation Evaluation Worksheet Form shall remain the property of CEB-US and will be retained with the records of the confirming session and provided to the Confirmation Committee Recording Secretary along with the Conformation Evaluation Result Form designated as Exhibit “B-2”. Only “Confirmed” dogs whose owners have supplied all supporting documentation, to include their UKC Permanent Registration number, will be published in the CEB-US Magazine, or listed in any official CEB-US database record or listing of confirmed dogs which is published on the official club website located at www.ceb-us.org or shall receive the official certificate from CEB-US confirming that the dog was formally confirmed.

B. Overall Conformation Quality Rating Assigned In A Show/Exhibition and Publication of Rating

An Epagneul Breton dog may be entered in a CEB-US sponsored UKC licensed National Epagneul Breton Specialty Show or a subsequent CEB-US approved and designated Epagenul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB Club to receive an Overall Conformation Quality Rating which will be formally recognized and published by CEB-US.. EB dogs which have not been formally confirmed or which have been previously confirmed at another venue may also receive such an Overall Conformation Quality Rating. At approved CEB-US sponsored Epagneul Breton National Specialty shows or at any subsequent CEB-US designated and approved Epagneul Breton Super Specialty show hosted and conducted by a regional EB Club formal evaluation by a CEB-US approved UKC licensed conformation judge possessing substantial specialized knowledge and training in evaluating the Epagneul Breton shall assign an Overall Conformation Quality Rating as to the individual dog’s ranking within the rating categories of: “Insufficient”, “Good C-3”, “Very Good C-2”, and “Excellent C-1”. The owner shall be supplied the pink copy of Exhibit “C”, the CEB-US Official Show/Exhibition Conformation Rating Form as soon as practical, after completion of the show.

Epagneul Breton dogs that receive a formal rating of “Good C-3”, “Very Good C-2”, or “Excellent C-1” at a CEB-US sponsored National Specialty Show or CEB-US designated and

approved Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB club shall automatically have the overall rating and other pertinent information published in the official CEB-US listing of confirmed dogs appearing in the club magazine "l'Épagneul Breton" and on the club official website database found at www.ceb-us.org and listing confirmed dogs, and dogs which have received Overall Conformation Quality Ratings for confirmation. Dogs receiving a result of "Refused/Disqualified" or a result of "Deferred" in connection with the basic evaluation for conformation or an overall rating of "Insufficient" assigned in the show ring shall not have their confirmation results and information published by CEB-US in the club magazine or on the CEB-US official website.

8. Forms and Certificates

Forms and Certificates that will be used in the Confirming of the Epagneul Breton are:

- 1) ***CEB-US Application For Performance Of Evaluation For Basic Conformation And For Publication of Confirmation Rating*** (Exhibit "A"). This form should be submitted in advance by the owner, along with the applicable fee and shall provide all the information requested;
- 2) ***CEB-US Official Confirmation Evaluation Worksheet*** (Exhibit "B-1"). This form is printed on the front and back and is for the use of the Expert Confirmateurs. The pink copy of the Conformation Evaluation Worksheet may be provided to the owner. The white and yellow copies of the completed forms shall remain the property of CEB-US and shall be provided to the Conformation Committee Recording Secretary. The completed Conformation Evaluation Worksheet Forms must be signed by the Expert Confirmateur(s) performing the evaluation.
- 3) ***CEB-US Official Conformation Evaluation Result Form*** (Exhibit "B-2"). This form is printed in triplicate, and is the form used to tally and record the results of the conformation evaluation as reflected by the Conformation Evaluation Worksheets completed by each Expert Confirmateur participating in the conformation evaluation. (In the event of a lack of consensus, the majority decision shall be recorded on the Conformation Evaluation Result Form. The pink copy of the form is provided to the owner, and shall serve as evidence of the official result of the conformation evaluation. The yellow copy of the form is retained by a chairperson of the confirming committee for the event for backup documentation. The white copy of this form is forwarded to the CEB-US Confirming Committee Recording Secretary for use in completing the recording of the results in the club magazine and club data base found at www.ceb-us.org and for use in issuing the CEB-US Certificate of Official Conformation Evaluation.
- 4) ***CEB-US Official Overall Conformation Quality Rating Form*** (Exhibit "C") This form is printed in triplicate, and the pink copy shall be provided the owner or person exhibiting the dog in the show, and reflects the overall conformation rating assigned by a qualified UKC licensed conformation judge, who is approved by CEB-US to assign overall conformation ratings in a UKC licensed CEB-US sponsored Epagneul Breton National Specialty Show

or any subsequent CEB-US designated and approved Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted by a regional EB Club. The result on the pink copy of the form is provided for the information of the owner and the original white copy of the form must be signed by the Show Judge assigning the overall conformation rating. The yellow copy of the form is retained for backup documentation by the Show Secretary with the records of the show. The white copy of this form is forwarded to the CEB-US Confirmation Committee Recording Secretary for use in completing the recording of the official results in the club magazine and club data base found at www.ceb-us.org and for issuance of the CEB-US Certificate of Official Conformation Evaluation, which also indicates the overall conformation rating.

- 5) ***CEB-US Certificate Of Official Conformation Evaluation*** (Exhibit “D”). This certificate containing the official club emblem, and certifying that the dog has been confirmed, and listing the dog’s assigned overall confirmation rating (if the dog is shown and formally rated at a CEB-US Epagneul Breton National Specialty Show or a subsequent CEB-US approved and designated Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB Club shall be provided to the owner of record of the dog as soon as practical after the event. This certificate shall constitute the official and final certification of the results of a basic evaluation for conformation and shall reflect and certify the overall conformation rating, as assigned in the show ring. Such certificate shall be signed by the Conformation Show Judge who assigned the overall rating, and shall be attested by the President of CEB-US.

(These documents to be used as forms in the confirming process are included as Exhibits “A”, “B-1”, “B-2”, “C” and “D”. Such forms are incorporated herein by reference and officially approved for use by CEB-US.)

The CEB-US Confirming Committee is authorized to utilize, develop, and employ such labels for use with the official forms as may expedite and simplify the process. An example of the label prototype shown as Exhibit “J”.

9. CEB-US Confirming Committee

The original committee charged to develop and recommend these policies and procedures, The Committee On Developing And Using Confirming Of The Epagneul Breton, will make recommendations to the CEB-US President and Board of Directors (BOD) for composition of a CEB-US Confirming Committee to monitor the process provided herein for use in the future. Such CEB-US Confirming Committee shall make recommendations to the CEB-US Board of Directors for any future modifications of policies and procedures as may become timely and necessary. The original committee consisted of: R.L. Dalrymple-Chairman, Wallace Huey, Sherry Hughes, Lynda Kieres, Randy Meester, Bob Olson and Fred Overby-Recording Secretary. The CEB-US President joined the present committee at the 2013 National Meeting and served as Ex-Officio member as will each subsequent president of CEB-US. The Chairman will confer with the present committee referenced above which shall make recommendations of persons to the CEB-US President and Board of Directors for service on the CEB-US Confirming Committee and to be

appointed subsequent to the ratification of these amendments set forth herein. Such recommendations shall be based on work and earned knowledge in the original committee, as well as other qualified persons from the club membership. After consulting the members of the committee, the Chairman of the original committee shall supply formal recommendations to the CEB-US President and Board of Directors for appointment of no less than five (5) and up to seven (7) committee members. In addition, the current President of CEB-US shall serve as an ex-officio member of the CEB-US Confirming Committee. The approval and formation of the CEB-US Confirming Committee shall take place subsequent to formal amendment of this policy document by CEB-US during August 2013. The CEB-US Confirming Committee shall be a perpetually existing committee of the CEB-US charged with the duties of managing the process and procedures of confirming and assigning Overall Conformation Quality Ratings of the EB by the CEB-US. If there is a tie in a committee vote, the President of CEB-US, as ex-officio committee member, shall cast a vote and break any tie in committee deliberations of the CEB-US Confirming Committee. As members of the Confirming Committee wish to rotate off the committee or as the club leadership determines that new committee members are desirable, prospective new members will be obtained and recommended by the CEB-US Confirming Committee, and thereafter nominated by the CEB-US President and approved by the CEB-US Board of Directors and will serve on the Confirming Committee via appointment pursuant to these policies and procedures. The terms of committee membership are desired to be ongoing from year to year, as substantial collective member experience is desired on this particular committee; however, the committee members shall serve at the pleasure of the CEB-US President and the Board of Directors. Subject to the general oversight and review by the CEB-US President and CEB-US Board of Directors, the CEB-US Confirming Committee shall be responsible for monitoring and managing the CEB-US confirmation process in all aspects-- supervising and conducting confirming, compiling results, keeping reporting current (*see Recording System section 10*), approving and providing Forms and Certificates to applicants whose dogs have been confirmed, updating Forms and Certificates as needed, and managing Confirmateur training and testing. The final approval of Expert Confirmateurs shall be recommended to the CEB-US President and Board of Directors by the CEB-US Confirming Committee and shall be approved by majority vote of the Board of Directors. The CEB-US Confirming Committee shall be responsible for making recommendations to the Board of Directors for compiling, updating and publishing an approved judges list. Any such approval shall be noted in writing after a vote of the CEB-US Conformation Committee and supplied to the CEB-US President for a vote of approval by the Board of Directors. Upon final approval by the CEB-US Board of Directors, the Conformation Judge's name shall be added to the CEB-US official list of judges who have been credentialed to assign overall Conformation Quality Ratings pursuant to § 11(b) of these rules, policies and procedures.

10. Recording System And Administration

Results of the basic conformation evaluation and any Overall Conformation Quality Rating assigned in a CEB-US sponsored National Specialty Show or subsequently organized CEB-US Super Specialty Show will be provided to the dog owner at the end of the event at which the dog is evaluated for basic conformation or as soon as practical thereafter. The owner should be supplied the pink copy of the CEB-US Official Conformation Evaluation Result Form attached here as Exhibit "B-2", which is signed by the Expert Confirmateur who performed the

conformation evaluation. If an owner loses the pink copy, they may request that the CEB-US Confirming Committee or the Confirmation Coordinator(s) for the event supply them an additional copy certifying the results of the basic conformation evaluation.

The results of any overall rating of a dog confirmed as reflected upon Exhibit "C" and known as the CEB-US Office Show/Exhibition Conformation Rating Form shall likewise be provided the dog's owner at the end of the applicable CEB-US National Specialty Conformation show/exhibition or any subsequently organized CEB-US Super Specialty Show as soon as practical thereafter. Furthermore, after a Permanent UKC Registration number and proof of registration are supplied to the CEB-US Confirming Committee Recording Secretary, the result of the basic confirming process along with any applicable Overall Conformation Quality Rating shall be published once in the CEB-US biannual magazine "l'Epagneul Breton", and shall be recorded on the club website located at www.ceb-us.org in the data base maintained by the CEB-US Confirming Committee as soon as practical after the official confirmation rating is assigned and the results can be assimilated and recorded. The official publication shall appear in the CEB-US club magazine and on the CEB-US club website found at www.ceb-us.org in the section listing Confirmed Dogs and/or Dogs Receiving Overall Conformation Quality Ratings. Results will be included in the CEB-US's permanent website database record periodically each year after sessions at which confirming of Epagneul Bretons occurs, with that database backed up on CD, at least annually. The results for each dog receiving a passing score of "Yes/Confirmed" shall be recorded and published as provided herein. Only overall conformation ratings greater than "Insufficient" for the dogs which have received an evaluation of "Yes/Confirmed" will be recorded and published after being assigned at a CEB-US National Specialty Show or subsequent CEB-US designated and approved Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB club. The results for a dog previously confirmed and receiving additional Overall Conformations Quality Ratings at a CEB-US National Specialty Show or subsequent CEB-US designated and approved Super Specialty Show hosted by a regional EB Club shall also be published as provided herein.

At any event where Epagneul Bretons are desired to be confirmed, a Regional Epagneul Breton club affiliated with CEB-US shall submit an application to CEB-US in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "I" to request approval to conduct an approved Confirming Session. At any event where a Regional EB Club affiliated with CEB-US desires to have overall conformation quality ratings performed and assigned during the show which will be recognized by CEB-US, the club will submit a written request to the Board of Directors of CEB-US for the UKC licensed Epagneul Breton Specialty Show to be approved and specifically designated as a "Super Specialty Show". Such designation and approval by CEB-US to conduct a desired "Super Specialty Show" at which Overall Conformation Quality Ratings are performed, assigned and recognized by CEB-US is conditioned specifically upon securing a judge to officiate which has been specifically designated by CEB-US to assign overall ratings or alternatively upon securing approval by CEB-US of the designated show judge who officiates at the desired approved Super Specialty Show pursuant to these procedures. The appropriate CEB-US person reviewing the application shall review the application based on the information supplied and shall submit it to the Board of CEB-US for approval. The event application shall list a person(s) to be designated as Confirmation Event Coordinator(s) along with the Confirmateur(s) who will conduct any conformation evaluations or any Judge who is proposed to assign overall conformation quality ratings and a minimum of a third

person to assist. Such application must reflect an adequate time slot for the performance of such conformation evaluations, which does not conflict with any other planned event or activity. A minimum of three persons PER CONFIRMATEUR are required to properly conduct a CEB-US approved confirming session, including the Expert Confirmateur, a scribe who records all observations, and a confirming assistant (who may be an apprentice, additional Confirmateur or club volunteer) who assists in management of the dog being evaluated. Each of these three persons shall dedicate their full and undivided attention to completion of the evaluations for conformation of all dogs. In the event that the sponsoring club does not provide the requisite support to the Confirmateur at all time during the confirming session sponsored by a Regional EB Club, the Confirmateur in his or her sole discretion may suspend and cancel the remainder of the confirming session for lack of support. Such Conformation Coordinator(s) shall be familiar with these rules, policies, and procedures and shall oversee and coordinate the confirmation evaluations of all dogs. The duties of the Confirmation Event Coordinator(s) and the Committee for Such Confirming Session appointed are specified in Exhibit "I"- Application and Guidelines For Organizing & Performing Conformation Evaluations at Events. Those duties include, but are not limited to insuring that the proper forms and supporting documentation are completed by the owner prior to the conformation evaluation being performed, that the applicable application and Conformation Evaluation Worksheet forms, Conformation Evaluation Result Forms and Certificates of Official Conformation Evaluation are signed and executed by the Expert Confirmateur(s) for each dog confirmed, and that such documentation to include the pink triplicate forms as provided herein are provided to the dog's owner in a timely and cooperative fashion as soon as practicable after the event. Further, prior to publication of the results or issuance of formal certification by CEB-US, the CEB-US Confirming Committee Recording Secretary or other authorized CEB-US representative reporting the results shall insure that evidence of the dog's permanent UKC registration is provided, recorded in the file and documented for such event. The Conformation Coordinator(s) shall be responsible to see that the final results for all dogs confirmed are properly and timely transmitted to the CEB-US Confirming Committee Recording Secretary via the white copy of the triplicate forms designated as Exhibits "B-2" and "C", as designated by the CEB-US Confirming Committee, with the yellow copy of both of the triplicate forms being retained by the designated Coordinator(s) or organizers of the event at which the Conformation Evaluations are performed.

The Recording Secretary for the CEB-US Confirming Committee shall be a qualified member of CEB-US and shall serve on the CEB-US Confirming Committee, with such person being recommended by the CEB-US Confirming Committee to the President of CEB-US and thereafter approved by the Board of Directors of the CEB-US. This person shall have custody of and responsibility for maintaining, updating and preservation of the CEB-US computer database and associated records of all Epagneul Breton dogs formally confirmed and rated for overall conformation pursuant to these Rules, Policies and Procedures and shall coordinate such publications with the CEB-US webmaster. Such person shall timely and periodically update the club computer database and shall cause such updated information to be published on the CEB-US website, and shall further timely and periodically provide the updated records for such dogs as required herein for publication in the CEB-US bi-annual magazine. The Recording Secretary for the CEB-US Confirming Committee shall keep on hand and provide forms and otherwise provide basic assistance as requested to any designated event Conformation Coordinator(s) at which confirming and Overall Conformation Quality Ratings of EB dogs takes place.

The record of an individual dog's official conformation evaluation and overall conformation quality ratings shall be retained until such time as the CEB-US Confirming Committee shall direct that such records be removed from the database.

11. Approved Confirmateurs and Approved Conformation/Exhibition Judges List

A. Expert Confirmateurs

The approved list of CEB-US Expert Confirmateurs shall include Expert Confirmateurs from France who are listed as qualified Expert Confirmateurs in the most recent issue of the CEB-France Magazine "L'Epagneul Breton," and Expert Confirmateurs from Club de l'Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc. who are approved by recommendation of the CEB-US Confirming Committee, and duly qualified by action of the CEB-US Board of Directors. International Expert Confirmateurs (other than those specifically approved by the CEB-US Board of Directors) shall be only from France, until such time that clubs from other countries develop proper confirming procedures which are approved by CEB-US. The process of confirming is solely a CEB-US procedure and Expert Confirmateurs need only CEB-US approval. They do not require UKC approval.

Approved Expert Confirmateurs from France who have evaluated dogs in the United States to date are:

Henri Guelou (2006)	Christian Gunther (2009)
Jacques F. Bordet (2007, 2012)	Jean Carpentey (2010)
Regis Toulet (2008)	Ange Franchi (2011, 2013)
Jacques Goubie (2014)	Phillipe Dubroca (2015)
Reynald Lefebvre	Jean Francois Malliete (2016)
Serge Guilbert (2010)	

Approved CEB-US Expert Confirmateurs and the year qualified are:

John A Hutwagner (2018)
William Sandy Gunn (2016)
Lynda L. Kieres (2014)
Reynald Lefebvre (2014)
Robert E. Olson, Jr. (2014)
C.Frederick Overby (2014)

(Annotation: Rosters updated as of July 17, 2016 resolution by CEB-US Board of Directors.)

B. Approved Show/Exhibition Judges Who May Assign Conformation Ratings for UKC Licensed Epagneul Breton Specialty Shows

UKC qualified and CEB-US Approved Conformation show/exhibition judges who may assign overall conformation quality ratings in any licensed UKC CEB-US National Epagneul Breton Specialty Show or subsequent CEB-US designated and approved Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB Club are as follows to date:

Jacques F. Bordet (approved 2007)	Jean Carpentey (approved 2010)
Regis Toulet (approved 2008)	Ange Franchi (approved 2011)
Christian Gunther (approved 2009)	Jacques Goubie (approved 2013)
Reynald LeFebvre (approved 2013)	Phillipe Dubroca (approved 2015)
William Sandy Gunn (approved 2016)	Jean Francois Malliete (approved 2016)

(Annotation: Roster updated as of July 17, 2016 resolution by CEB-US Board of Directors)

Any UKC qualified and approved judge of any subsequent annual CEB-US National Epagneul Breton Specialty Show or any judge officiating at any subsequent CEB-US designated and approved Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB Club, unless specifically declined by recommendation of the CEB-US Confirming Committee prior to such show, and such decision ratified by the CEB-US Board of Directors, shall be deemed to be an approved Epagneul Breton breed specialist judge who may assign overall conformation ratings during the course and scope of any subsequent UKC licensed CEB-US Sponsored National Epagneul Breton Specialty Show or CEB-US Sponsored Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show.. Additionally, any Expert Confirmateur listed as qualified as an Expert Confirmateur in the latest issue of the CEB-France Magazine and who shall be qualified and approved by UKC to judge a UKC licensed confirmation show, shall be deemed by CEB-US to be qualified to serve as a judge of any CEB-US Epagneul Breton National Specialty Show or any subsequent CEB-US approved and designated Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB Club, and to assign Overall Conformation Quality Ratings within the show ring at such show. Exhibition or as otherwise provided herein. Any and all other show judges of any additional UKC licensed CEB-US National Epagneul Breton Specialty Show or CEB-US designated and approved Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted and conducted by a regional EB Club, must be qualified and approved by UKC to officiate at such show, and must be further specifically approved by recommendation from the CEB-US Confirming Committee and approval of the Board of CEB-US to assign overall ratings of the Epagneul Breton, and such decision ratified by the CEB-US Board of Directors before any Overall Conformation Quality Ratings assigned by such judge will be recognized and published by CEB-US pursuant to these policies and procedures..

12. Request for Additional Confirmation of Dogs Not Confirmed During Initial Basic Evaluation of Conformation

If the owner of a dog which is “Deferred” and not confirmed in connection with an initial conformation evaluation desires to request a subsequent evaluation, they may request a single subsequent and additional evaluation for confirmation at a time and place of the owner’s choosing. In certain circumstances, a younger dog or dog which is not fully developed may be evaluated as “Deferred, with the notation as to why the confirmation be “Deferred” until a future time. For

example, such initial evaluation may take place at or near one year of age with the result being due to the dog being slight of body and below proper height or the deferral being for some other specified reason. However, the same dog at two years of age may present as taller, more robust, and a more completely and properly developed mature Epagneul Breton dog. Such a dog may be confirmed if evaluated for basic conformation at the older age, if given the chance for an additional later basic evaluation for conformation. A decision to “Defer” is solely within the discretion of the Expert Confirmateur(s). Regardless of the reason provided by the owner, a single request for Re-Confirming may be made as a matter of right by the owner for a dog for which confirming was Deferred, UNLESS the dog was disqualified due to an eliminating or disqualifying fault which cannot be removed by providing the dog additional time to mature. The owner shall pay and tender a separate and additional fee of \$20.00 at the time the dog is presented for the subsequent evaluation of conformation and shall provide the Expert Confirmateur a copy of the CEB-US Official Conformation Evaluation Result Form designated as Exhibit “B-2” from the prior initial evaluation, if available. If not available, the reason for the initial deferral shall be communicated by the owner and notated on the Conformation Evaluation Result Form at the time the new conformation evaluation is performed.

13. Appeals

The decision of any Expert Confirmateur(s) shall be deemed to be final, absent a written Appeal of the result of the Basic Evaluation of Conformation being submitted to the CEB-US Confirming Committee within sixty (60) days of the date of performance of the basic evaluation of confirmation. Any Appeal of any decision made in an initial confirmation or subsequent additional confirmation must be presented to the CEB-US Confirming Committee in writing by the dog’s owner in a timely fashion as provided herein, and shall include all the information on the previous Application(s) for Performance of Conformation Evaluation Form(s), copies of all completed CEB-US Official Conformation Evaluation Result Forms with notations included and a letter addressed to the CEB US Confirming Committee stating the basis for submitting the Appeal. Supporting photographs or other appropriate documentation related to the appeal shall be included with the appeal. The appellant shall tender a non-refundable appeal fee of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) made payable to CEB-US at the time of submitting the Appeal to the Chairperson of the CEB-US Confirming Committee. The CEB-US Confirming Committee will consider all Appeal requests as soon as reasonably practical. The CEB-US Confirming Committee has the right to sustain or deny all Appeals. The CEB-US Confirming Committee will notify the appellant and Expert Confirmateur(s) in writing as to whether or not the Appeal is granted or denied and state any conditions deemed appropriate in the sole discretion of the CEB-US Confirming Committee, which writing shall be presented by the owner to the Expert Confirmateur(s), if and when the dog is re-evaluated for confirmation subsequent to any Appeal which may be sustained.

If the Permanent Confirming Committee fails to sustain the Appeal, the initial decision of the Expert Confirmateur(s) shall be deemed sustained, and the matter shall be deemed final, absent any additional formal action being taken by the Board of Directors of CEB-US to override the decision of the CEB-US Confirming Committee concerning such Appeal, upon an extraordinary request for an additional Appeal by the dog’s owner to the CEB-US Board of Directors. Any such extraordinary Appeal shall require no additional fee beyond the specified fee for the Initial Appeal

and any such Appeal shall be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors within fifteen (15) days (via postmark or fax) after notice of the denial of an original Appeal by the CEB-US Confirming Committee. Such extraordinary Appeals are discouraged, and will not be heard by the CEB-US Board of Directors absent extraordinary circumstances.

14. Publication of Additional Subsequent Ratings for Overall Confirmation

Once a dog has received Overall Conformation Quality Rating in a UKC licensed CEB-US National Epagneul Breton Specialty Show or any subsequent CEB-US designated and approved Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Show hosted by a regional EB Club and judged by UKC Qualified Conformation Judges, further approved by CEB-US as possessing specific knowledge and training in judging Epagneul Bretons in shows or exhibitions such dog may receive additional and subsequent Overall Conformation Quality Ratings at future CEB-US Sponsored National Epagneul Breton Specialty Shows or subsequent CEB-US designated and approved Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Shows hosted and conducted by a regional EB club. Such dog subsequently shown in the specified shows is eligible to receive additional ratings for overall confirmation within the ranges of “Excellent C-1”, “Very Good C-2”, “Good C-3”, and “Insufficient”. Such ratings, if they are greater than “Insufficient” shall be published once in the CEB-US club magazine known as “l’Epagneul Breton” which magazine is published twice a year. Such additional and subsequent ratings shall also be recorded in the CEB-US official computer database of Confirmed Dogs Which Have Received Overall Confirmation Quality Ratings, by supplementing the information previously published about earlier ratings.

All prior overall conformation quality ratings previously recognized and published prior to the October 2018, amendment to this policy and procedures document shall be retained and officially recognized by CEB-US, with such amendments be applied prospectively and not applied retroactively.

15. Breeding Policy and Recommendations

A major part of the purpose of evaluating Epagneul Bretons for conformation within the confines of a formal process which provides for basic evaluation of conformation and the separate process of assigning subsequent Overall Conformation Quality Ratings within the context of UKC Licensed CEB-US Sponsored Epagneul Breton Specialty or any subsequent CEB-US designated and approved Epagneul Breton Specialty shows/exhibitions hosted and conducted by regional EB clubs is to identify the best representatives of the breed which exhibit the best overall conformation for breeding considerations, as well as for learning about that Epagneul Breton and the personal knowledge of understanding how an individual owner’s dogs rate. This confirming does not pertain to any part of the dog’s training or instincts in field work. Actual breeding choices are left to the owners of the dogs.

The Club de l’Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc. encourages and recommends that breeders consider the following Breeding Policy and Recommendations which are intended to serve the purpose of increasing the overall quality of conformation of representatives of the Epagneul Breton breed:

It is recommended that all Epagneul Breton breeding stock undergo a basic evaluation for confirmation and that all breeding stock receive a result of “Yes/Confirmed” prior to being bred. It is likewise recommended that all Epagneul Breton breeding stock receive an Overall Conformation Quality Rating prior to producing any progeny, and that no dog receiving a rating of “Insufficient” be used for breeding stock.

It is recommended as highly desirable to breed a dog rated “Excellent” to a dog rated “Excellent”. It is also recommended to breed a dog rated “Excellent” to a dog rated “Very Good” or to breed a dog rated “Very Good” to another dog rated “Very Good”. It is acceptable, but not encouraged, to breed a dog rated “Excellent” or “Very Good” to a dog rated “Good”. It is not recommended to breed a dog rated “Good” to a dog rated “Good”. It is deemed unacceptable and actively discouraged to breed any combination of dogs that includes a dog rated “Insufficient”. The foregoing are general recommendations suggested to be employed, absent extraordinary circumstances falling within the purview of judgment of an individual breeder.

The CEB-US Confirming Committee firmly believes and advocates that as these guidelines are followed, there will over time be noticeable improvement of the general conformation of the Epagneul Breton breed in the United States. This improvement is exactly what has occurred in the country of France where the breed originated, and where confirming and Overall Conformation Quality Rating procedures have been in place for a number of years. Since initial enactment and implementation of confirming procedures by CEB-US in 2006, it is well accepted that substantial improvement in the quality of overall conformation of Epagneul Bretons whose ancestors have been evaluated for basic conformation and participated in the overall rating process during shows/exhibitions sponsored by CEB-US is apparent.

16. UKC Listing of Conformation Ratings

It is possible, that at some time in the future, the UKC may agree to allow and accept the Overall Conformation Quality Ratings to be placed on the dog’s Pedigree/Registration records. This will be pursued in due course, and if this comes to pass, specific procedures for accomplishing this objective will be developed by the CEB-US Confirming Committee and recommended to the CEB-US Board of Directors to supplement these rules. Achievement of this objective would be anticipated to be a similar procedure to the listings of the UKC Natural Ability Test (commonly referenced as “TAN”) as is done presently provided by UKC, whereby the information reflecting that the dog has been confirmed and the overall conformation quality rating of the dog may be supplied to UKC along with appropriate documentation and an application fee, with a request from the owner that such information be reflected on the dog’s UKC Registration and Pedigree.

17. Requirements and Qualifications to Become a CEB-US Qualified Expert Confirmateur

A. CEB-US Club Members Seeking Qualification as CEB-US Qualified Expert Confirmateur

The candidate for Expert Confirmateur shall complete an Application to Seek Qualification as CEB-US Expert Confirmateur as shown in Exhibit "F", which is expressly incorporated herein by reference.

The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must be a member of the Club de l'Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc. in good standing and must remain a member in good standing for the duration of their qualification and service as a CEB-US Expert Confirmateur. The candidate must have been a CEB-US member for at least three years and must be twenty-one (21) years of age or older.

The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have been personally active and involved with the Epagneul Breton for a minimum of five (5) years total. These years need not necessarily be consecutive years. It is preferred but not absolutely required that a candidate should have produced one or more litters of Epagneul Breton pups.

The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have handled EBs three times or more in either UKC Field Trial or UKC TAN events.

The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have handled EBs in UKC Conformation Shows or Exhibitions three times or more (such requirement may include entries in Epagneul Breton breed specialty shows in France, Epagneul Breton breed specialty shows in the United States, or in other UKC licensed conformation shows at which Epagneul Bretons are exhibited by the candidate).

The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have apprenticed (or served as assessor in France) a total of twice in National Epagneul Breton Breed Specialty Conformation Shows in the United States or in Epagneul Breton Specialty Shows/Exhibitions in France. (Merely scribing for the Judge, does not satisfy the requirement of formally apprenticing or serving as assessor which duties require actual study and evaluation of each dog exhibited) The candidate for Expert Confirmateur shall assist the conformation show judge in assigning overall conformation ratings and upon request, shall provide to the supervising conformation show judge reasons for the recommended overall ratings.

The candidate for Expert Confirmer must have twice apprenticed (or served as assessor in France) in Confirming Sessions in the United States or France where at least a minimum of six (6) dogs are presented for confirmation and evaluated for basic conformation. Such apprenticeships must be served under two or more different approved Expert Confirmateurs from the CEB-US or the French CEB. (Merely scribing for at a confirming session does not satisfy this requirement, as the apprentice must devote their full attention to the process of performing the conformation evaluation for the dog.) At least one apprenticeship session must be completed under the supervision of a French CEB Expert Confirmateur in the USA or in France, and must take place contemporaneously with an Epagneul Breton Breed Specialty Show/Event at which dogs are confirmed and/or assigned overall ratings for conformation. At the end of his or her training, the candidate for Expert Confirmateur must evaluate at least five (5) or more dogs for basic confirmation under the supervision of a qualified and approved Expert Confirmateur and should

reduce the results of such evaluations, to include notations, to writing which shall be made a part of the applicant's application. (Such evaluations by the candidate, in his or her capacity as an apprentice or assessor, shall not be a part of the official documentation for any such dog evaluated for basic conformation or assigned an overall conformation rating.)

The candidate shall have attended and completed an Expert Confirmateur or Conformation Judge Training Seminar held in the United States sponsored or approved by CEB-US or held in France and sponsored or approved by the CEB-France and shall list such seminars and affirm such attendance in the application, or provide appropriate documentation of attendance. Attendance at the CEB-US Conformation Seminar conducted in Muscatine, Iowa in 2011 and presented by Reynald Lefebvre and Lynda Kieres shall satisfy this particular requirement. Any subsequent reproduction, video tape, or update of such seminar shall likewise satisfy this requirement.

After January 1 2014, the candidate should document these various apprenticeships (or assessorships) and seminars via a letter or note from the supervising judge or Expert Confirmateur or other appropriate documentation from the then serving President of CEB-US which depicts the date, time and subject matter of the seminar or training session. For training received prior to January 1 of 2014, the applicant may list such events in the application materials and affirm such attendance in the application, since the need to document such prior participation as apprentice or assessor was not anticipated at the time these events took place. The form for Documentation of Apprenticeship, attached as Exhibit "E", which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, shall be appropriate evidence of satisfaction of such requirement.

All of these requirements are retroactive throughout the candidate's membership in the CEB-US. These requirements may be fulfilled in the USA and/or France. It is strongly encouraged that the candidate receive as much training from approved conformation judges and/or Expert Confirmateurs from France, as possible.

It is strongly preferred that candidates for the position of Expert Confirmateur observe and participate in basic conformation evaluations of in excess of one hundred (100) Epagneul Bretons before being formally qualified as an Expert Confirmateur.

The candidates (students) for Expert Confirmateur must have studied and successfully completed a test in a form and testing format approved by the CEB-US Confirming Committee on the following basic subjects:

- 1) General Canine Anatomy;
- 2) Specific Epagneul Breton Anatomy;
- 3) The Official Conformation Standard of the Epagneul Breton;
- 4) CEB-US Official Procedures for Confirming and Assigning Overall Conformation Ratings For the Epagneul Breton and For Qualification of CEB-US Expert Confirmateurs;

- 5) L'Epagneul Breton DVD (2013) Edition produced by CEB-France
- 6) Other pertinent canine general or genetic subjects, as specified in the future by such committee; and
- 7) History and Development of the Epagneul Breton Breed.

Primary study materials are the Official Conformation Standard of the Epagneul Breton published on the UKC website and the most up to date version of these official Rules Policies and Procedures, and the recently produced L'Epagnuel Breton DVD (2013 Edition) Released by the CEB-France along with any similar supporting information and such other materials as have been formally designated by the CEB-US Confirming Committee from time to time. The official UKC Conformation Standard of the Epagneul Breton is the major tool employed to evaluate the dogs during the confirming process, when applied as provided in the most current version of these Rules, Policies and Procedures.

Additional recommended study materials will be provided, recommended and approved by the CEB-US Confirming Committee. Candidates may study any other related materials of their own choosing or any additional materials designated as optional study materials by the CEB-US Confirming Committee.

The CEB-US Confirming Committee has designated the form attached hereto as Exhibit "F" as the Application To Seek Qualification As CEB-US Expert Confirmateur which includes a means of recording the satisfaction of all the requirements as set forth herein. Such form is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference.

B. Applicants Who Are Licensed Conformation Judges Seeking Qualification as CEB-US Qualified Expert Confirmateur

Applicants who are Licensed Conformation Judges with substantial experience evaluating and Judging the Epagneul Breton in conformation may apply to be qualified and certified by CEB-US as Expert Confirmateurs for the Epagneul Breton upon completion of an application for Judicial Applicants in the form specified herein as Exhibit "F-2" which is expressly incorporated herein by reference, and upon demonstration that they satisfy the following criteria:

1. They are a member or honorary member of the CEB-US in good standing.
2. They are twenty one (21) year of age or older;
3. A period of evaluating and judging the Epagneul Breton in shows for a minimum time period of five years.
4. The Candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have judged E.B.s a period of three times or more in Field Trials or TAN competition.

5. The Candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have judged E.B.s in UKC, CKC or FCI conformation Shows or Exhibitions three times or more. (This shall include judging in EB Specialty Shows in France, the United States or elsewhere, or in other UKC, CKC, or FCI conformation shows at which Epagneul Bretons are exhibited and judged by the candidate.)
6. If not having been previously selected to Judge and having Judged EBs in shows or exhibitions as a licensed Judge, the Candidate for Expert Confirmateur must complete an apprenticeship (or assessorship) in a minimum of three E.B. Specialty Shows or Exhibitions in the United States or France and must document such apprentices.
7. If not having previously Judged EBs at one or more conformation specialty shows or exhibitions, the licensed judicial applicant for Expert Confirmateur must apprentice at one or more confirming sessions in the United States or France, where at least twelve (12) dogs are presented and a basic conformation evaluation performed by the apprentice, separate from the evaluation by the officiating Expert Confirmateur.
8. The judicial applicant for qualification as an Expert Confirmateur must have attended or completed at least one Expert Confirmateur or Conformation Judge Training Seminar sponsored by CEB-US, CEB-France, or by an approved Kennel Club (UKC, AKC, CKC or and FCI affiliated kennel club in a foreign country.)
9. The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have made a detailed study of the Official Conformation Standard for the Epagneul Breton and the Official Working Standard of the Epagneul Breton, along with other prescribed topics in the official study materials designated by the CEB-US Conformation Committee.
10. Licensure as a conformation Judge by the UKC, CKC, AKC or and FCI affiliated foreign kennel club for more than five (5) years.
11. Demonstration in the judicial applicant's application for qualification as an Expert Confirmateur of any additional qualifications or past experience which has acquainted the applicant with the Epagneul Breton breed.

(Annotation- The original version of Section 17 relating to CEB-US members seeking qualification as an Expert Confirmateur was redesignated as Section A, and Section B relating to Expert Confirmateur applications by persons who are licensed conformation judges was formally enacted and implemented via CEB_US Board Resolution dated July 17, 2016 and further amended in October 2018, which amendments made the amendment effective upon approval.)

18. Confirmateur Restrictions in Confirming

The Expert Confirmateur must not confirm any dog he owns, co-owns, has ever owned, or has produced as a breeder. If the Expert Confirmateur is uncomfortable about any potential confirming situation concerning a dog, or feels that his or her objectivity or impartiality is in

question, he/she should decline to perform such evaluation by excusing himself/herself, and request that an alternate Expert Confirmateur be assigned to assist in the evaluation of that particular dog or dogs. The President of CEB-US, or in his/her absence, the Chairperson of the CEB-US Confirming Committee shall approve any substitute, and shall note said approval in writing on the forms applicable to the dog in question.

19. Personal Qualifications

A person applying to become an Expert Confirmateur should have a serious ongoing interest in the Epagneul Breton breed which is expected to be of permanent duration, and shall be interested in promoting the maintenance, health, soundness and general welfare of the breed.

20. Confirmateur Equipment Required

Each Expert Confirmateur must have their own measuring tool (a wicket) for accurately measuring height and length. Wickets may be purchased from several USA and international dog supply businesses via the internet. These can be located by searching for “wicket” or “dog measuring tool.” They may also be made in a machine shop capable of precision work. The measurements should be calibrated via comparison to a measuring stick containing measurements in centimeters and in inches.

The measuring surface for measuring the dog precisely should be a hard, flat, and level surface. A 2 foot by 4 foot (2' x 4') flat plywood board is excellent, as is a smooth, level, flat concrete or other flat level hard floor setting. The Expert Confirmateur should have all the needed items such as writing instrument, 9" x 12½" clip board, notepad, and the CEB-US Official Confirmation Evaluation Worksheet Form designated as Exhibit “B-1” upon which to make notations and to record the results of the evaluation. Said Expert Confirmateur shall also properly sign the completed CEB-US Confirmation Evaluation Result Form designated as Exhibit “B-2” when the conformation evaluation is completed.

21. Confirmateur Pledge

Upon being qualified and certified by CEB-US each Expert Confirmateur shall subscribe to the following oath or pledge administered by the President of CEB-US in the presence of the CEB-US Board of Directors, CEB-US Confirming Committee and/or general membership:

“I, _____(name of candidate), hereby promise and affirm that I will well and truly perform my duties as an Expert Confirmateur for the Epagneul Breton breed in the United States, and will perform all such evaluations in strict accord with the Official UKC Conformation Standard of the breed, and pursuant to the Rules and Regulations pertaining to same, as now or hereafter provided by the Club de l’Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.”

22. Confirmateur Diploma and Duration of Service

Each CEB-US approved Expert Confirmateur will be presented a Certificate/Diploma in the form depicted in Exhibit "G" which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference illustrating his or her formal qualification by CEB-US and assigning an Expert Confirmateur number for that individual. The Expert Confirmateur agrees as a condition of being qualified by CEB-US to surrender such authority to confirm any dog, if he or she ceases to be a member of CEB-US or upon written request from the CEB-US for any cause in the sole discretion of the CEB-US Board of Directors.

Service as an Expert Confirmateur shall be deemed a privilege and opportunity for service to the Epagneul Breton breed and shall carry with it a responsibility to the Epagneul Breton breed as well as to the CEB-US as the parent breed club sponsoring the confirmation process. Once approved and qualified by CEB-US, an Expert Confirmateur shall remain qualified until he or she dies, resigns from service, ceases to be a member of CEB-US, or is requested by CEB-US to surrender his or her Expert Confirmateur's diploma. A confirmateur's certification shall be deemed revoked, and shall be inactive and invalid during any period where the individual's membership in CEB-US lapses or ceases.

23. Qualification to Become CEB-US Approved Epagneul Breton UKC Licensed Conformation Show Judge Qualified To Assign Overall Conformation Ratings

Any person qualified by CEB-US as an Expert Confirmateur is eligible to apply for licensure as a UKC qualified conformation show judge pursuant to the applicable rules, regulations and requirements of the UKC. Such qualification as a UKC Conformation Show Judge shall be solely in the discretion of the United Kennel Club, Inc. Upon satisfying the requirements for licensure as a UKC conformation show judge who has been a licensed show judge for a minimum of seven (7) years and who has judged a minimum of ten (10) Epagneul Breton Specialty Shows and who has participated in the formal process of performing conformation evaluations on a minimum of one hundred (100) Epagneul Bretons at CEB-US approved confirming sessions, having supervised and completed a minimum of fifty (50) official CEB-US conformation evaluations, such judicial applicant may then present evidence of such licensure/qualification to the CEB-US Confirming Committee and request approval to assign overall conformation ratings at UKC licensed CEB-US National Epagneul Breton Specialty Shows/Exhibitions or at any subsequently organized CEB-US Super Specialty Shows. Upon receipt of same, the CEB-US Confirming Committee shall address the application and if approved shall recommend and request that the CEB-US Board of directors ratify such approval. Upon approval by the CEB-US Board of Directors, the CEB-US President, and shall provide a credentialing letter in the form illustrated by Exhibit "H" confirming such qualification. Upon receipt of such written credentialing, the UKC Licensed Conformation Show Judge shall be further deemed qualified by CEB-US as provided by these rules, policies and procedures to assign overall conformation ratings for Epagneul Bretons in the show/exhibition ring at UKC licensed CEB-US sponsored National Epagneul Breton Specialty Shows and CEB-US Sponsored Epagneul Breton Super Specialty Shows. Upon such credentialing, such judge's name shall be added to the CEB-US list of approved

judges pursuant to § 11(b) of these rules, policies and procedures. Exhibit “H” is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference and shall be provided by the CEB-US President, and shall serve as evidence that such judge is approved to assign overall ratings.

24. Applicable Fees

The owner of a dog who is a member of the CEB-US making application for evaluation of conformation shall pay a non-refundable application fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) per dog to have the basic evaluation for conformation completed.

The application fee for a non-member of CEB-US to have a dog evaluated for confirmation shall be Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for the first dog and Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each subsequent dog. The Fifty Dollar (\$50.00) fee payment by a non-member shall include a one year basic CEB-US membership. Such fees are associated with having the conformation evaluation performed and charged to assist in defraying the overall cost of administering the CEB-US sponsored confirming process and shall be non-refundable, regardless of the outcome of the conformation evaluation. .

The fee for filing an Appeal to the CEB-US Confirming Committee shall be Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00), shall be tendered in U.S. Funds payable to CEB-US, and shall be non-refundable. There shall be no additional fee for filing an additional extraordinary Appeal to the CEB-US Board of Directors in the event that the initial appeal to the CEB-US Confirming Committee is denied.

All of the fees above shall be separate and in addition to any other fees for entry in a UKC licensed CEB-US sponsored show/exposition at which overall ratings are assigned.

There shall be no additional fees for requesting an overall conformation quality rating in a UKC Licensed CEB-US Sponsored National Epagneul Breton Specialty Show or a subsequently organized CEB-US Super Specialty Show, other than the normal and customary entry fee associated with such show(s).

All fees must be tendered in U.S. dollars via cash, check or certified funds. All fees are non-refundable and are paid as consideration for having the conformation evaluation performed, regardless of the result in connection with an application for basic conformation evaluation, or the result of rating assigned in a show/exhibition or the result of any appeal.

If a confirmation session is sponsored by a Regional EB club other than CEB-US after being approved by CEB-US, the sponsoring club shall be entitled to retain one-half of the Twenty Dollar (\$20.00) fee paid for having dogs confirmed so as to defray expenses associated with such event, and shall remit the other one-half of the basic conformation fee for each dog to CEB-US which shall be for the purpose of defraying costs associated with CEB-US recording the results, providing documentation, certificates, and for publication of results.

25. Guidelines For Organizing And Performing Conformation Evaluations At An Event

As an aid to planning for providing conformation evaluations and overall ratings at club sponsored events, the CEB-US Confirming Committee has developed specific guidelines and suggestions which are included as an appendix to these rules, policies and procedures and which are specifically approved and hereby incorporated by reference as Exhibit "I" to this document.

26. Use And Authority of Expert Confirmers Qualified by CEB-US

a) As of March 9, 2016, any single Expert Confirmateur duly qualified in France, or duly qualified by CEB-US in the United States shall be authorized, permitted and quailed to perform basic conformation evaluations pursuant to these rules policies and procedures, and to complete and certify all associated documentation as authorized and required by these rules policies and procedures, as currently amended. Nothing herein shall prevent an Expert Confirmateur from France from advising, mentoring, instructing and assisting CEB-US Expert Confirmateurs in the performance of their duties, nor shall anything herein be construed as to limit or prevent any Expert Confirmateur from France from instructing and educating CEB-US members who desire to apprentice to become an Expert Confirmateur duly qualified by CEB-US.

b) The Expert Confirmateurs designated to perform their duties at any CEB-US approved event sponsored by CEB-US or any affiliated Regional Epagneul Breton club, where conformation evaluations are offered for the purpose of formally confirming Epagneul Bretons shall conduct the process in an orderly manner, as the Expert Confirmateur(s) shall deem appropriate. The results of each Conformation Evaluation shall be recorded on the Conformation Evaluation Worksheet designated herein as Exhibit "B-1" for each dog. Each Expert Confirmateur shall sign the Conformation Evaluation Result Form designated as Exhibit "B-2" in the place provided for each dog which is confirmed. If a dog is not confirmed and is either Refused/No or Deferred the Expert Confirmateur shall notate the reason for such decision on the Conformation Evaluation Result Form. The final result of the conformation evaluation for dogs confirmed shall be recorded and published as required by these Rules, Regulations and Procedures. The Expert Confirmateur certifying and approving confirmation of the dog shall be listed as the Expert Confirmateur(s) in the CEB-US computer database of confirmed dogs, and on the certificate issues by the CEB-US as space shall permit.

c) Nothing herein shall be construed so as to limit additional persons from the CEB-US membership from apprenticing at any session where conformation evaluations are being performed so as to participate in the process of becoming qualified as an Expert Confirmateur, as provided by these Rules, Policies, and Procedures.

d) As of March 9, 2016, all subsequent official CEB-US approved Conformation Evaluations conducted pursuant to these rules, policies, and procedures may be performed and certified by a single duly qualified Expert Confirmateur at any CEB-US approved event sponsored by a CEB-US affiliated Epagneul Breton club at which confirmation evaluations are offered to be performed by a sponsoring club and for which an application is submitted and approved by CEB-US.

e) Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the performance of conformation Evaluations pursuant to these rules, policies, and procedures and the confirmation process may be conducted as it was administered prior to amendment, with confirmation evaluations being performed and certified by a single Expert Confirmateur from France.

Annotation: (For a period of time after January of 2014, these rules, policies and procedures required conformation evaluations to be performed by a committee of three persons certified by CEB-US as Expert Confirmateurs. On March 9, 2016 the CEB-US Board of Directors enacted an amendment via formal resolution revising these procedures to permit any single CEB-US Expert Confirmateur to perform official conformation evaluations and to complete and certify all associated documentation. Subsections a) through d) were revised in compliance with said amendment, which was effective upon enactment.)

27. Subsequent Amendment of These Rules, Policies and Procedures

The rules, policies and procedures set forth herein are intended to set forth a basic framework for the basic evaluation of the conformation of Epagneul Bretons in the United States, and the separate Overall Confirmation Quality Ratings of the conformation quality of individual dogs composing the Epagneul Breton breed. It is the intent of the original and present committee that these rules, policies and procedures shall be amended, and modified in the future, as such amendments and modifications may be deemed appropriate by the CEB US Confirming Committee, which is charged with the duty and responsibility to administer and monitor the system prescribed herein. All such amendments or modifications shall be put forth by recommendation of a majority vote of the CEB-US Confirming Committee, and shall thereafter be subject to the final approval by majority vote of the CEB-US Board of Directors pursuant to the Constitution and Bylaws of the CEB-US.

28. Effective Date

The amendments to the CEB-US policies and procedures set forth herein shall become effective upon the specified date on the cover sheet after which they are recommended by the original confirming committee, and formally ratified, approved and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Club de l'Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.

This document, having been recommended by the CEB-US Confirming Committee was adopted and approved by action of the Board of Directors of CEB-US, Inc. in October 2013 and reflects all amendments and revisions effective as of the 17th day of July, 2016 and further amended as of October 15, 2018 and again on January 22, 2021, as modified/compiled and annotated as set forth herein as directed via formal resolution of the Corporation's Board of Directors.

Club de l'Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.

By: 
President

(Corporate Seal)

Attest: 
Secretary

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Exhibit “A”



Application For Performance Of Evaluation For Basic Conformation And For Publication of Conformation Rating

The undersigned applies to the Club de l'Épagneul Breton of the United States, Inc. (referenced as CEB-US) or any CEB-US approved local affiliate sponsoring club to have a Basic Conformation Evaluation performed upon the dog listed below. The undersigned further requests to have an overall rating assigned during the course and scope of any UKC licensed Epagneul Breton Specialty show approved by CEB-US in which the dog may be entered, and understands that the results of such rating for confirmed dogs shall be reduced to writing, recorded and published by the CEB-US pursuant to the standard policies and procedures of CEB-US.

1. Dog Owner/Applicant Information (Owner to Supply)

Name of Dog Owner/Applicant

Street Address, City, State/Province, Country Postal Code

Telephone

Email

2. Information Concerning Dog Evaluated for Conformation and to be subsequently rated for overall conformation. (Owner to Supply)

Registered Name of Dog

Sex (dog may not be neutered as of day of exam)

UKC Registration Number of Dog Dog's Date of Birth (Dog must be one (1) year of age as of date of exam)

3. Information Concerning Conformation Evaluation

Date of Conformation Evaluation

Place of Conformation Evaluation (City, State/Province, Country)

Dog's Age at Time of Evaluation

Name of Expert Confirmateur (Please Print Legibly)

Fee Schedule: \$20.00 per dog for each evaluation for CEB-US members. (\$10 shall go to CEB-US, balance to the sponsoring club.) \$50.00 for first dog of non-members of CEB-US which includes a one year basic membership, \$20.00 for each subsequent dog.

Instructions to Applicant:

A. To Complete Application: Please enclose: 1) The completed application form, 2) A copy of the Epagneul Breton's Official UKC Pedigree or UKC Easy Entry Card, and 3) The applicable fee. Send to the address specified at www.ceb-us.org or to the designated club representative for the applicable event.

B. CEB-US Publication of Overall Conformation Ratings. Overall ratings shall be assigned only for dogs entered in CEB-US approved UKC licensed Epagneul Breton Specialty Shows. The overall rating categories are: Excellent-C1, Very Good-C2, Good-C3 and Insufficient. The overall rating of dogs receiving a rating greater than Insufficient shall be recorded in the Association's database, and published on the CEB-US Official Website and/or semi-annual Magazine.

C. Owner's Certification/Authorization: In consideration of payment of the applicable application fee, the undersigned owner of the referenced UKC Registered Epagneul Breton requests that a Basic Conformation Evaluation be

performed upon the designated dog, and that the results of such evaluation be reduced to writing. The undersigned further affirms: 1) That the dog evaluated is the dog referenced in Section (2) above and that the dog is intact and NOT NEUTERED, 2) That the dog is or will be permanently registered by the United Kennel Club, Inc. as an Epagneul Breton prior to any certification being issued by CEB-US to finalize the results of the evaluation, and 3) That the dog is at least one (1) year of age when the requested evaluation was performed. In consideration of the basic evaluation for of conformation being performed outside the show ring, and in the event that the dog is subsequently shown in a UKC licensed Epagneul Breton Specialty Show and assigned an overall rating (or previously assigned an overall rating in France), the undersigned understands, agrees, and authorizes CEB-US to record the dog's overall rating in the Association's Official Database of Epagneul Bretons Rated For Conformation and/or to publish same on the Association website and magazine so long as such rating is greater than Insufficient. Owner/applicant for all dogs receiving a rating greater than Insufficient further authorizes CEB-US to cause such rating to be placed upon the dog's Official UKC Registration and Pedigree maintained by the United Kennel Club, Inc. at any such future time as the UKC may agree to record such information.

This _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Owner/Applicant Signature

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Exhibit “B-1”



Club de l'Épagneul Breton of the United States Conformation Evaluation Form

Date:		Location:	
Owner:			
Address			
Phone:	()	Email:	

Dog Information:

Registered Name of Dog:						Age in Months:			
UKC Reg. #		DOB:		Male	Female				
Identification: (Tattoo/Microchip)									
Height:	cm	Length:	cm	Color:	O/W	B/W	L/W	BlkTri	LiverTri

Commentary:

Partial List Of Serious Faults Which Prohibit Confirmation:

(Expert Confirmateur: please circle any that apply and make appropriate notations)

- Height- (Excessive) or (Inadequate)
- Improper Markings- Specify: _____
- Unacceptable Color- (Self-colored coat w/no white) or (Sable) or (Other-specify _____)
- Improper Pigmentation- Specify: _____
- Bite/Jaws- (Overshot) or (Undershot)
- Dentition- (Absence Of Required Teeth) Specify: _____
- Behavior- (Viciousness) or (Extreme Shyness)
- Cryptorchid- (Unilateral) or (Bilateral)
- Any Other Serious Morphological Anomaly (specify) _____
- Other Disqualification (specify) _____

Confirmation:	YES/Confirmed	REFUSED/Disqualified	Deferred
Comments <i>(required if Refused or Deferred)</i>			

Confirmateur Printed Name:	
Signature:	

Assisted by Apprentice(s)*:	
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*Confirmateur, please list only Apprentices who actually assisted in performance of the conformation evaluation and request that they sign to connote participation. White copy to CEB-US, yellow copy to Sponsoring Club (for backup), pink copy to –owner (when fully completed) Copyright 2018 CEB-US

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Exhibit “B-2”



Club de l'Épagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.
Official Conformation Evaluation Result Form

Date of Event _____ Location _____ Sponsoring

Club _____

UKC Registered Name of Dog: _____

UKC Reg. No.: _____ Sex of Dog: _____

Printed Name of Confirmateurs _____

The above Épagneul Breton evaluated for conformation is hereby: (circle the applicable rating)

Confirmed Refused/Disqualified Deferred

Remarks: _____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Signatures of Expert Confirmateurs:

Pink copy – Owner
Yellow Copy – Show Secretary or Confirmation Coordinator
White Original – CEB-US Confirming Committee Recording Secretary

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Exhibit “C”



Club de l'Épagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.
Official Show/Exhibition Conformation Rating Form

Date of Show _____ Location _____

Sponsoring Club _____

Name of Conformation Show Judge _____

Arm Band Number of Dog Assigned For Show _____

**The Épagneul Breton exhibited/shown at the above event is hereby assigned an overall rating of
Conformation Quality as follows: (circle the applicable rating)**

Excellent C-1

Very Good C-2

Good C-3

Insufficient

Remarks: _____

Dog's Registered Name: _____

Dog's UKC Registration No. of Temporary Listing No.: _____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Conformation Judge's Signature

Residing In: _____

Pink copy – Owner

Yellow Copy – Show Secretary

White Original – CEB-US Confirming Committee Recording Secretary

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Exhibit “D”



Club de l'Épagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF OFFICIAL CONFORMATION EVALUATION

It is hereby certified and duly recorded that the purebred Épagneul Breton registered as:

Registered Name:

UKC Registration Number:

Was duly examined and evaluated for overall conformation pursuant to the official conformation standard of the Épagneul Breton breed (race). Said Épagneul Breton was confirmed to meet the official conformation standard of the breed (race) and received an overall evaluation of:

Rating:

Duly Examined, evaluated and confirmed on the ____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Confirmed By: _____

Residing in: _____

Attest: *President, Club de l'Épagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.*

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Exhibit “E”



CLUB de l'EPAGNEUL BRETON of the UNITED STATES, INC.

Documentation of Apprenticeship

Pursuant to the Rules, Policies, and Procedures of the Club de l'Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc., as established and implemented by the CEB-US Confirming Committee my signature below confirms that the person listed as applicant below, attended and reasonably participated in the following event as a 1) apprentice, 2) assessor, or 3) student/participant (circle one that applies):

Name of Apprentice/Assessor/Student: _____

Address: _____

Name of Event/Description: _____

Date(s) of Event: _____

Location: State /Province _____

Country _____

Name of Hosting Organization(s)/ Sponsoring Entity(s): _____

Person in Charge of Instructing Supervising Apprentice/Assessor/Student:

Name _____

Address: _____

Contact Information: Telephone _____

Email _____

Narrative Description of Event: (Please describe the basic format, extent of instruction, etc.)

Remarks: Please describe the apprentice/assessor/Students level of participation and performance:

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Signature of Person Certifying Attendance _____

Legibly Print Name _____

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Exhibit “F”



APPLICATION TO SEEK QUALIFICATION AS CEB-US EXPERT CONFIRMATEUR

Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICATIONS: Please complete the application below in order to demonstrate and document satisfaction of the requirements and qualifications to become a CEB-US Qualified Expert Confirmateur. If additional space is needed to complete answering a question, please use a supplemental plain white sheet, to supply additional information in order to respond to a particular question. If you are submitting documentation in support of a particular requirement please supply a cover sheet designating what the documents are. (i.e. Exhibits in response to Question 7, etc.)

1. The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must be a member of the Club de l'Épagneul Breton of the United States, Inc. in good standing and they must remain a member in good standing for the duration of their qualification and service as a CEB-US Expert Confirmateur. Are you a member of CEB-US, in good standing and are your club dues current? _____
2. The candidate must have been a CEB-US member for at least three years and must be twenty-one (21) years old or older. Please list a approximately when you became a member of CEB-US. _____ Are you (21) year of age or older? _____
3. The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have been involved with the Epagneul Breton personally for a minimum of five (5) years total. These years need not necessarily be consecutive years. It is preferred but not absolutely required that a candidate should have produced one or more litters of EB pups. Please describe your involvement with the Epagneul Breton Breed, to include the year you became involved and the various categories of involvement. (breeder, owner, exhibitor, field trailer, trainer, etc.) Also, please list how many litters, of Epagneul Bretons you have produced and during what years or span of time you have produced them.

4. The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have handled EBs three times or more in either Field Trial or TAN events. Please describe the events, dates and names of the dogs handled, and list information for the last three Trials or TAN Events in which you handled a dog.

5. The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have handled EBs in UKC Conformation Shows or Exhibitions three times or more (such requirement may include entries in EB breed specialty shows in France, EB breed specialty shows in the United States, or in other UKC licensed conformation shows at which Epagneul Bretons are exhibited by the candidate). Please list the events, the approximate dates, and the names of the dogs shown, to include specific information for the last three shows.

6. The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must have apprenticed (or served as assessor in France) a total of twice in Epagneul Breton Breed Specialty Conformation Shows in the United States or France. The candidate for Expert Confirmateur shall assist the conformation show judge in assigning overall conformation ratings and shall provide to the supervising conformation show judge reasons for the recommended overall ratings. Please list the name of the event, the club sponsoring same, the approximate date, and the Conformation Judge who supervised/instructed you as apprentice, or assessor.

7. The candidate for Expert Confirmer must have twice apprenticed (or served as a assessor in France) in Confirming Sessions in the United States or France where at least a minimum of six (6) dogs are presented for confirmation and evaluated for basic conformation. Such apprenticeships must be served under two or more different approved Expert Confirmateurs from the CEB-US or the CEB- France. At least one apprenticeship session must be completed under the supervision of a French CEB Expert Confirmateur in the USA or in France, and must take place contemporaneously with an Epagneul Breton Breed Specialty Show at which dogs are confirmed and/or assigned overall ratings for conformation. Please list the name of the event, the club sponsoring same, the approximate date, and the Expert Confirmateur under whom you apprenticed.

8. The candidate for Expert Confirmateur must evaluate at least five (5) or more dogs for basic confirmation under the supervision of a qualified and approved Expert Confirmateur and should reduce the results of such evaluations, to include notations, to writing which shall be made a part of the applicant's application. (Such evaluations by the candidate, in his or her capacity as an apprentice or a assessor, shall not be a part of the official documentation for any such dog evaluated for basic conformation or a assigned an overall conformation rating.) Please list the name of the event, the club sponsoring same, the approximate date, and the Expert Confirmateur under whom you apprenticed, and attach documentation.

9. The candidate shall have attended and completed an Expert Confirmateur or Conformation Judge Training Seminar held in the United States and sponsored or approved by CEB-US or held in France and sponsored or approved by the CEB-France and shall list such seminars and affirm such attendance in the application, or provide appropriate documentation of attendance. Attendance at the CEB-US Conformation Seminar conducted in Muscatine Iowa, in 2011 and presented by Reynald Lefebvre and Lynda Kieres shall satisfy this particular requirement. Please list the name of such seminar or course, the club or organization sponsoring same, the approximate date, and the instructors.

Additional Instructions to Applicant:

After, January 1, 2014, the candidate must document these various apprenticeships (or assessor ships) and seminars via a letter, CEB-US Form, or other writing from the supervising judge or Expert Confirmateur or submit such other appropriate documentation which depicts the date, time, and subject matter of the seminar or training session (such as a seminar syllabus or handout). Prior to such date, the applicant may list such events in the application materials and affirm such attendance in the application, since the need to document such prior participation as apprentice or assessor was not anticipated at the time these events took place.

All of the above requirements are retroactive throughout the candidate's membership in the CEB-US. These requirements may be fulfilled in the USA and/or France. It is strongly encouraged that the candidate receives as much training from approved confirmation judges and/or Expert Confirmateurs from France, as possible, but training from CEB-US confirmateurs is also encouraged and accepted in satisfaction of the requirements.

The candidates (students) for Expert Confirmateur must prepare for and obtain a successful result on a test approved by the CEB-US Confirming Committee on the following basic subjects:

Primary study materials are the CEB-US Official Procedures for Confirming and Assigning Overall Conformation Ratings For the Epagneul Breton and for Qualification of CEB-US Expert Confirmateurs, the Official Conformation Standard of the Epagneul Breton published on the UKC website, the CEB-US Study Manual, and any similar supporting information and such other materials formally designated by the CEB US Confirming Committee, from time to time. The official conformation standard of the breed is the major tool employed to evaluate the dogs during the confirming process and a thorough knowledge and understanding of the official procedures employed by the club is very important. Additional recommended study materials will be provided, recommended and approved by the CEB-US Confirming Committee. Candidates may study any other related materials of their own choosing or any additional materials designated as optional study materials by the CEB-US Confirming Committee.

All of these requirements are retroactive throughout the candidate's membership in the CEB-US. These requirements may be fulfilled in the USA and/or France.

I attest I have read the above and accurately completed this application to the best of my ability. I hereby request that the CEB-US Confirming Committee and the CEB-US Board of Directors consider and act upon my application, as soon as I have completed the required test.

Signature: _____ Date _____

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Exhibit “G”



EXPERT CONFIRMATEUR DIPLOMA

(Name of Expert Confirmateur)

having applied and properly satisfied the requirements to become duly qualified to perform conformation evaluations of Epagneul Bretons pursuant to the Official Rules, Policies and Procedures of the Club de l'Epagneul Breton of United States, Inc.; and such applicant having been examined and further recommended by the Confirming Committee of the Club de l'Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.; and such applicant having been further approved by the Board of Directors of the Club de l'Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc. to perform such conformation evaluations in an effort to aid in the overall improvement of the conformation of the Epagneul Breton breed;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that such applicant is hereby qualified and designated by the Club de l'Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc. as:

EXPERT CONFIRMATEUR FOR THE EPAGNEUL BRETON

This ____ day of _____, 20__.

President, Club de l'Epagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.

Attest: _____
Chairperson, CEB-US Confirming Committee

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Exhibit “H”



Club de l'Épagneul of the United States, Inc.

Date _____

**Re: *Credentialing for Assignment of Overall Conformation Ratings In
CEB-US approved UKC Licensed Epagneul Breton Specialty Shows***

Dear _____:

This hereby confirms and shall serve as evidence, that having presented documentation that you have satisfied the requirements for licensure as a UKC Conformation Show Judge pursuant to the Rules and Regulations of the United Kennel Club, Inc., and having further satisfied all the requirements and having been duly qualified and designated as an Expert Confirmateur by the Club de l'Épagneul Breton of the United States, Inc. that you are hereby formally credentialed and authorized to assign overall conformation ratings for Epagneul Bretons at any UKC licensed Epagneul Breton Specialty Show approved by CEB-US and sponsored by a UKC approved Pointing Dog Club, where you may be formally invited to officiate as judge at such show or exhibition.

This action was formally recommended by the CEB-US Confirming Committee and approved by vote of the CEB-US Board of Directors. Your continued credentialing is at the pleasure of the CEB-US Board of Directors. Thank you for your dedication to improvement of and service to the Epagneul Breton Breed.

Sincerely,

President, Club de l'Épagneul Breton of the United States, Inc.

Attest: _____
Secretary

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Exhibit “I”



Guidelines For Organizing & Performing Conformation Evaluation at Events

The **Sponsoring Club must complete and submit the attached Application form, which requires specific information to make sure that the conformation evaluation session is properly organized and staffed with sufficient people to complete the process in an appropriate manner.**

I. Preparations Prior to the Confirming Session

- A. Someone is designated to receive applications prior to the meeting. The person who is assigned to receive the applications from people who need a dog confirmed is logically the Show Secretary if there is a show being offered but can be another person. This person should keep a file with each of the applications for having the evaluation performed and a record of who has paid. They should turn this over to the person in charge of confirming at the event well in advance of the confirming day. This is important because the committee needs time to **FILL OUT THE ACTUAL FORM THAT WILL BE USED DURING THE EVALUATION** with **ALL** of the information about the dog and owner complete **BEFORE** the confirming process begins. It is difficult enough to get the observations about the dog written down and recorded accurately, without scrambling to complete information that should be done ahead of time.
- B. Prior to a confirming session and at the time the required application is submitted, the President of the sponsoring club (if confirming is offered at a regional event) shall designate or assign a number of qualified persons to serve as the Confirming Committee for the particular event. The President should designate a chairperson, or co-chairs, along with additional persons desired to perform the functions and to serve in the roles required herein. The committee shall meet or confer prior to the beginning of the confirming session and shall organize and designate the work and roles to be performed by persons assisting with the confirming session as set forth in this document.
- C. Employment of Apprentices. The President of the sponsoring club and the CEB-US Confirmation Committee shall make efforts to secure the assistance of club members interested in the confirming process and assign them appropriate roles and duties as required herein, so that these persons will have the opportunity to learn and satisfy apprentice requirements, so as to aid in the development and qualification of additional members as CEB-US qualified confirmateurs.

II. Handling the Confirming Session

In addition to the Expert Confirmateur there should be (3) three persons assigned with specific duties on the date of the confirming session. There **MUST** be at least (2) two persons from the sponsoring club **IN ADDITION TO THE** Confirmateur who are assigned to give their **FULL** attention to assist at a confirming session during the **ENTIRE** session.

A. Facilitator

1. This person's job is to organize the process and he or she may also serve as the scribe, although it is highly desirable that the Facilitator and Scribe be different people. They get people in line. They

hand each of the owners their form, make sure it is accurate and complete, confirm that they have paid the fee, make sure the dog's age is correct for confirming, and confirm that the dog is not neutered. For person's showing up on the day without having applied ahead of time and who do not send in their form ahead of time, the facilitator insures that the form is filled out, collects the money, and adds to or keeps a new record of who has paid. This person may be a member of the CEB-US Confirming Committee, a CEB-US Qualified Confirmer, a person serving as apprentice, or in the absence of those specified persons may be any other club member or volunteer willing to assist with the confirming session.

B. Scribe-Paperwork Person

1. This person records the observations called out by the confirmateur(s) and should be a member of the CEB-US Confirming Committee or a CEB-US Qualified Confirmer. They fill in the form for each dog before the process begins or sees that it has been done. They record the information noted during the examination, and they make sure the confirmateur(s) signs each form and checks "Yes/Confirmed", "No/Disqualified", or "Deferred" with such indication being made AT THE TIME THE DOG IS being examined and before the dog and owner leave the premises. They make sure that each person going through the line and having a dog confirmed gets their copy of the pink form after the confirming is completed, so they know the dog's results. This prevents the form from having to be mailed.
2. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT the Scribe-Paperwork person should make sure that the confirmateur(s) signs enough blank certificates (plus half a dozen or more extras), so that the certificates do not have to be mailed abroad to France or around the U.S. for signatures, when the certificates are printed subsequent to the meeting. It is also advisable to have the CEB-US President attest the blank forms at the same time, to prevent yet another step in the mailing process and to keep the expense of mailing down. The forms signed in blank should be provided to the Recording Secretary, so that he may complete them as soon as reasonably possible.
3. The Scribe-Paperwork person then makes sure that the completed form for each dog is signed by the Expert Confirmer and that all forms are collected and accounted for and turned in to the proper club representative or sent to the CEB-US Recording Secretary.

C. Confirming Assistant – or Apprentice(s)

1. This person may be a volunteer, or preferably an apprentice and helps the confirmateur physically go over the dog, helps measure the dog, holds the dog, helps examine the teeth, and helps communicate with the owner as the process is taking place. This person may be one of the three CEB-US required confirming personnel. They also help make sure the paperwork is completed and can serve as an emissary of the club, if there is some question or issue which needs to be addressed about a problem or issue with a dog. This person may be a member of the CEB-US Confirming Committee, a CEB-US Qualified Confirmer, or a CEB-US club member serving as an apprentice at the confirming session or another volunteer if there are no apprentices available.

D. The Confirmer

1. This is the actual person who goes over the dog and who does the formal evaluation and signs the paperwork to certify that the dog was confirmed, not confirmed, or deferred.

III. Subsequent to the Confirming Session But Still At The Meeting

The Scribe-Paperwork person, must make sure that all the conformation evaluation worksheets and forms are signed and should work with the Show Secretary to make sure that a yellow form for each dog is separated from the white form and that the file of all white forms is delivered or mailed to the Recording Secretary of the Confirming Committee. The yellow copy is kept for backup by the Show Secretary or head of the Confirming committee, in the event that the white forms are lost, damaged, or misplaced in transit or if a question arises and the Recording Secretary needs to confirm or verify some information. The pink form, when completed may be given to the dog owners at the event, or mailed to them after the event.

IV. After the Conclave or Meeting at Which Confirming Occurs

A. Recording Secretary and Basic Duties

This person shall be a member of the CEB-US Confirming Committee and shall be nominated by the committee and approved by the CEB-US President, with the consent of the CEB-US Board of Directors. The Recording Secretary is the person in the club designated to maintain and update the CEB-US computer data base records of dogs which have been confirmed or confirmed and rated. This person shall insure that all persons having a dog confirmed receive their certificates from the club, that the results following a confirming session are recorded in the CEB-US computer data base of dogs which have been confirmed and rated, and that the results after a confirming session are properly submitted for publication in the club magazine and on the club website located at www.ceb-us.org. The Recording Secretary is not required to be physically present at each confirming session, although it is helpful for this person to be present.

B. Recording Procedures Following A Confirming Session

1. Following a confirming session, the Recording Secretary then sees that a Certificate for each dog is printed and mailed to each person who had a dog confirmed. The Recording Secretary sends the list of dogs to CEB-US Publications for printing in the magazine as required by the club adopted confirming document. The Recording Secretary then requests that the CEB-US webmaster update the official CEB-US computer data base of confirmed and rated dogs and sends the updated document to the club web master, who then updates the list published on the Club Webb site www.ceb-us.org. The paper records from the confirming session are kept in a file by the Recording Secretary, so that if future questions arise, the documents can be researched and any issue or question addressed. (This has happened on multiple occasions, so it is important to keep the records intact for at least a year or more.)
2. All monies received for having confirmation evaluations performed should be accounted for and turned in to the sponsoring club. The sponsoring club, if not CEB-US shall receive \$10.00 or one half of each confirming fee, and the remaining \$10.00 and one half should be sent to the Treasurer of CEB-US with a list of the total dogs confirmed, so that CEB-US may verify that they received the appropriate amount of remuneration.

Club Application for Sponsoring Conformation Evaluation Session

1. Name of Sponsoring Club: _____
2. Person in charge of Supervising/Organizing Conformation Evaluations: _____

Email and Address of Person in Charge: _____

3. Date of Confirming Session _____
Time Slot Allocated for Confirming Session: _____ *

**15 minutes per dog should be allocated.*

Please list all associated Club or UKC Events at this venue:

4. Names of Expert Confirmateurs: _____, _____

5. Names of persons associated with Sponsoring Club and assigned to devote FULL duties to ENTIRE Session as:

A. Facilitator: _____

B. Scribe: _____

C. Confirming Assistant or Apprentice: _____

(The above posts must be filled and the information supplied for approval if this application to be granted by CEB-US.)

6. Fee/Cost for having the evaluation performed is \$20.00 per dog for CEB-US members and \$50.00 for the first dog for non-CEB-US members, but covers the cost of one year's CEB-US membership, and \$20.00 for each additional dog. The fee is owed, regardless of outcome, and there are no refunds. (For each \$20.00 fee, the sponsoring club keeps one half, or \$10.00, and remits the balance payable to CEB-US. For each \$50.00 membership fee, the sponsoring club keeps \$10.00 and the remaining \$40.00 is remitted to the CEB-US for the cost of one year's membership in CEB-US.)

NOTE: If the above required personnel are not present and properly engaged at all times during the confirming session, the Expert Confirmateur is authorized to cancel the confirming session in his or her sole discretion, in which event the event organizers shall be responsible for refunding any monies to applicants.

Submitted this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

By: _____

Signature

Print name

Email and Phone

Please email this completed form to the President of CEB-US at the email address listed on www.ceb-us.org.

OFFICIAL PROCEDURES FOR CONFIRMING AND ASSIGNING OVERALL
CONFORMATION RATINGS FOR THE EPAGNEUL BRETON AND FOR
QUALIFICATION OF CEB-US APPROVED EXPERT CONFIRMERS

Exhibit “J”

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