

**ABC BOD EMAIL MOTION  
AUGUST 17, 2011**

**MOTION #3 : Deleting 2 Classes at the National Specialty Show 2011**

**MOTION BY:** Lisa Pollock, East Coast Director  
**SECONDED BY:** Darlene Dow, East Coast Director  
**MOTION MADE & SECONDED:** August 2, 2011,  
**DISCUSSION FOR 7 DAYS:** Wed. August 3 - Tues. Aug. 9, 2011  
**VOTES ACCEPTED FOR 5 DAYS:** Wed. Aug. 10 - Sun. Aug. 14, 2011

**MOTION # 3:** I move that we delete the Dual Champion and National Qualifiers classes from the ABC National Specialty Show, to take effect November 2011.

**Rational:** Holding more than one non-regular Field dog class is superfluous. Dual Champions, AFC's, National Qualifiers, and dogs with a FT placement in the past 12 months are all qualified to show in FT Class. In the past few years, entries in all three of these classes have been small. If we held only 1 non regular class for field dogs the entry in that class would be larger. It would cut down on the expense of trophies and ribbons that often go to waste.

The Field trial or "Working" class is a tradition that goes back many years to the origins of breeds and their root purposes. In that light the Field Trial Class should stand and be a mandatory class for any breed that has a working origin. This sort of class is mandatory the world over. Holding the other 2 classes (Dual Champion and National Qualifiers) gives officiating judges more information about the dogs, outside of what can be seen in the ring on a given day.

**4 Yes Votes (Dow, Gorman, Pollock, Ackerman), 10 No votes (Robin, Patterson, Brigham, Janulis, Ralph, Karbiner, Truksa, Henderson, Wire, Kerns), 0 Abstained, 1 Not Voting (Rankin) MOTION DEFEATED.**