

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH SHOWS INC. SWEEPSTAKES RULES

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1. The **RMHS** President will appoint the Sweepstakes Chairperson.
2. Points will be accumulated on Rocky Mountain Shows, Inc sanctioned shows only.
3. Points will be accumulated only by members of Rocky Mountain High Shows, Inc.
4. Sweeps year starts **with the first RMHS sanctioned show following the Colorado** State Fair, and concludes with **the Colorado** State Fair the following year.
5. The **Sweepstakes** Chairperson will select an **Award** committee from the general membership at the end of **each** sweepstake year to determine **the awards to be awarded a the RMHS annual meeting/RMHS State Convention.**
6. **The** Award Committee shall have an annual budget not to exceed **\$1000.00** for open sweeps and **\$1000.00** for youth sweeps, to purchase sweepstakes awards.
7. Awards will be given for class placings as follows:
 - a. **For Open Breeders**, 25 to **199** shown in the breed during the sweeps year. **FIRST PLACE AWARD, SECOND PLACE AWARD**
 - b. **For Youth Breeders**, **10** to **199** shown in the breed during the sweeps year. **FIRST PLACE AWARD, SECOND PLACE AWARD**
 - c. **For All Breeders**, 200 to 399 shown in the breed during the sweeps year. **FIRST PLACE AWARD, SECOND PLACE AWARD, THIRD PLACE AWARD.**
 - d. **For All Breeders**, 400 to 599 shown in the breed during the sweeps year. **FIRST PLACE AWARD, SECOND PLACE AWARD, THIRD PLACE AWARD.**
 - e. **For All Breeders**, 600 and over shown in the breed during the sweeps year. **FIRST PLACE AWARD, SECOND PLACE AWARD, THIRD PLACE AWARD.**
 - f. Top Quality Points will be recognized.
 - g. **The Awards Committee has the ability to create a "sliding scale" for awards if needed to stay within proposed budget for the current sweepstakes year.**
8. Awards are to be given at the **RMHS** annual meeting/**RMHS State Convention.**
9. Points **are** to be tabulated regularly and the list of top five exhibitors in each breed shall be published in the Association's newsletter.
10. Points to be figured on basis of show secretary record as submitted to Association Secretary and Sweepstakes Chairperson.
11. Points shall be tabulated as follows:
 - a. 1st place --6 times number in class.
 - b. 2nd place --4 times number in class.
 - c. 3rd place --3 times number in class.
 - d. 4th place --2 times number in class.
 - e. 5th place --1 times number in class.

12. Quality Points will be tabulated as follows:
 - a. Best of Breed --2 points
 - b. Best Opposite Sex --1 point
 - c. Best in Show --1 point.
13. For Quality Points to be earned there must be five (5) or more shown with three (3) or more exhibitors.
14. There will be a sweepstakes on MEAT PENS --based on points system above. MEATPEN points to be multiplied by three (3) times number of rabbits shown.
15. Double sweepstakes points to be given at Annual Convention Show and at the Colorado State Fair. Quality Points and Specialty shows to be excluded from double sweepstakes points.
16. The winners of the Breed Sweepstakes awards will be determined by total points accumulated (in each breed) in a given sweeps year.
17. SPECIALTY SHOWS do NOT receive "Best in Show" Points except in FRENCH/ENGLISH LOP and ANGORA Specialty Shows, providing at least TWO BREEDS are shown.

SWEEPSTAKES KEEPER GUIDELINES

1. Compute sweepstakes in a timely manner from reports received from individual clubs. Computer reports **are** necessary. Show must be Rocky Mountain High sanctioned. One copy of the completed sanction form must accompany the show report.
2. Keep list of number of rabbits by breed for each show.
3. Report sweepstakes standings in each newsletter. Keep track of points by breed. Report in newsletter will include:
 - a. 1st-5th place exhibitor information by breed.
 - b. Exhibitor name.
 - c. Total points.
 - d. Total quality points.
 - e. Total best in show points.
 - f. Number of shows each exhibitor has shown in.
 - g. Best in show winner, name of show (club), and breed.
 - h. Sweepstakes keeper will list the shows included in the sweepstakes report and the reports that are not included in the sweepstakes standing.
4. Other information for the newsletter that is to be published in the Spring and Fall newsletter issues.
5. Exhibitors please remember:
 - a. Fill out your entry exactly the same for each show. Do not use shortened names or abbreviations. Adding or subtracting names from your entry splits your points. Be consistent.
 - b. Each exhibitor on an entry must be a member of RMHS for the points to count. If any one exhibitor is not a RMHS member NO points will be given.
 - c. Sweepstakes are given to individual names and NOT to rabbitries.
6. The sweepstakes keeper is responsible for determining the correct number of trophies to be given as awards at State Convention. List due by 10/31 of each calendar year.
7. Exhibitors with the top quality points in open and youth will be recognized at the State Convention and receive a certificate.
8. Observe the deadlines for the newsletter editor.
9. For State Convention, the sweepstakes keeper makes a list that includes the top three point getters for each breed and a place to sign for the award (trophy or rosette).
10. Points are assigned per the attached open sweepstakes point system.