

- In the past year there have been changes to the ABGA Sanctioned Show Rules. Please review them.
- Effective June 1, 2009, for shows on or after January 1, 2010, ABGA requires that an ABGA Sanctioned Show Application be submitted to the ABGA office no less than 120 days prior to the show.
- Effective January 1, 2009 all ABGA certified judges must be members in good standing with ABGA in order to judge ABGA sanctioned shows or perform inspections.

Rule 1400: Sanctioned Show Rules

- A. Eligibility of Animals
 - i. All goats must be registered in the herd book of a recognized association before date specified by the show. Recognized associations:
 - a. American Boer Goat Association
 - b. International Boer Goat Association
 - c. Canadian Boer Goat Association
 - ii. Original registration certificates are required, except that a copy of a registration application, stamped with the date received by one of the listed associations, can be accepted for kids less than 3 months of age. Animals over the age of 3 months must have the original registration certificate in hand at time of show.
 - iii. All goats must be appropriately identified and comply with USDA Scrapie Eradication Program Guidelines. Call 1-888-USDA TAG (873-2824) or visit the following website for more information: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/animal_diseases/scrapie/
- B. Show Focus:
 - i. The American Boer Goat Association will accept and permanently record all wins in Shows that have been determined to have met all requirements (as stated below) for ABGA sanctioning.
 - ii. Failure to comply with ABGA Show Rules may result in the loss of future sanctioning and funding, where applicable.
 - iii. Effective June 1, 2009, for shows on or after January 1, 2010, ABGA requires that an ABGA Sanctioned Show Application be submitted to the ABGA office no less than 120 days prior to the show.
 - iv. No show will be sanctioned during the week of the ABGA National Show.
- C. Purpose:

The main focus of ABGA Sanctioned Shows is the genetic improvement of the Boer breed and promotion of the goat industry.
- D. Entries:
 - i. Any show receiving ABGA sanctioning shall be open to all registered Boer goats. Show Representatives may use their discretion and have the right to ban an individual if they consider it necessary for the good of the show.
 - ii. There should be no limit on the number of animals that can be entered in a class by an exhibitor, unless the sponsoring show deems this limit necessary.
 - iii. Any show limiting the number of entries in any way must state this in their rules.
 - iv. ABGA sanctioned shows may not require animals to sell in a sale as a condition of participating in the show.
 - v. When the original registration certificates are presented at check-in, registered name, ABGA registration number and tattoos of each animal must be recorded so that they may be displayed on the results that are turned in to the ABGA office.

E. Ennobled Herd Book Points:

- i. Only goats entered under their ABGA registration number and presenting their ABGA Certificate of Registration will be eligible to earn points for their actual placing in the show as described in the ABGA Criteria for Ennoblement of a Boer Goat. (See Rule 1000, Ennoblement Program)
- ii. Points for ABGA Sanctioned Shows will be awarded as follows:

ABGA Class Points						
# Exhibited in Class	Placing in Class					
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
1 to 3	1					
4 to 5	2					
6 to 7	3					
8 to 9	4					
10	5					
11 to 25	10	5				
26 to 50	15	10	5			
51 to 100	20	15	10	5		
101 to 175	25	20	15	10	5	
176 or more	30	25	20	15	10	5

Overall Champion Points		
# Exhibited in FB/PB Gender Division	Overall Grand Champion	Overall Reserve Champion
1 to 10	5	2
11 to 25	10	5
26 to 50	15	10
51 to 100	20	15
101 to 175	25	20
176 or more	30	25

Division Champion Points		
# Exhibited in FB/PB Gender Division	Overall Grand Champion	Overall Reserve Champion
1 to 25	3	1
26 to 50	5	2
51 or more	10	5

F. Tattoos:

All goats must have legible tattoos consistent with the registration certificate or the animal will be disqualified. If an animal is disqualified due to illegible or inconsistent tattoos, all lower placing animals will be moved up in placement. Point winners from each class must have their tattoos read and recorded. The judge will be responsible for ensuring that tattoos are read and properly recorded. The show secretary will be responsible for recording the tattoos and informing the judge as to which point-eligible goats will need to be checked.

G. Computing Ages:

Birth dates, as listed on the registration certificate, will be used in determining class divisions. In order to calculate the class breaks, take the show date and count back to the birth date to determine the age and the class for the animal.

H. Classes:

- i. All animals must be registered Purebred, Fullblood, or percentage blood Boer goats. Divisions are according to the chart below.
- ii. Bucks 96.86% and lower are not eligible to be shown.
- iii. Progeny of fresh does will not be allowed in the ring with their dam.
- iv. At the discretion of the judge and the superintendent, the animals may be let loose in the ring as a function of judging.
- v. The Champion and the Reserve Champion classes will be chosen from the first and second place animals in that division of the show.

vi Divisions will be defined as follows:

Animal Division	Percentage of Boer
Percentage Does	50% to 88%
Fullblood/Purebred Does	93.75% and higher
Fullblood/Purebred Bucks	96.87% and higher

I. Show Responsibilities:

- i. It is recommended that the show provide a ring steward to assist in the ring.
- ii. It is the responsibility of the Show Secretary to have a copy of the ABGA Official Show Rules available at all times in case any questions arise during the course of the show.
- iii. In addition, the show report must be completed by the Show Secretary, and should be forwarded to the ABGA office within 30 days of the show. The report must include the following:
 - a. Class
 - b. Number of Animals exhibited in the Class
 - c. Each Animal's Name
 - d. Each Animal's ABGA Registration Number
 - e. Identifying Tattoos (left and right)
- iv. Any animal that is not checked in with an ABGA registration certificate will not receive recognition in any ABGA publication or website. Such animals are not eligible for ennoblement points.
- v. A copy of scheduled classes and applying entity rules must be sent to the ABGA.
- vi. Changes and/or corrections to the official show results, once they have been turned in to the ABGA office, will require the signature of the Show Secretary and one other show official.

J. Exhibitor Responsibilities:

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to refrain from presenting any animal owned by the presiding judge with 90 days prior to the show date.

K. Show Support System:

- i. Upon request, ABGA will provide placing ribbons 1st through 5th and division rosettes to ABGA Sanctioned non-major shows.
- ii. Monetary support will be provided to major shows as follows:
 - a. \$500 for shows with 200 or more animals exhibited in the open show.
 - b. \$375 for shows with 150-199 animals exhibited in the open show.
 - c. \$250 for shows with fewer than 150 animals exhibited in the open show.

L. Required Show Classes:

Beginning January 1, 2008 the standardized classes for percentage does, Fullblood /Purebred Does, and Fullblood /Purebred bucks at all non-major shows shall be as follows:

Percentage Does:

- Class 1: 0 to under 3 months
- Class 2: 3 to under 6 months
- Class 3: 6 to under 9 months
- Class 4: 9 to under 12 months
- Class 5: Junior Division Champion
- Class 6: Junior Division Reserve Champion
- Class 7: 12 to under 16 months
- Class 8: 16 to under 20 months
- Class 9: 20 to under 24 months
- Class 10: Yearling Division Champion
- Class 11: Yearling Division Reserve Champion
- Class 12: 24 to under 36 months
- Class 13: 36 months plus
- Class 14: Senior Division Champion
- Class 15: Senior Division Reserve Champion
- Class 16: Grand Champion
- Class 17: Reserve Grand Champion

Fullblood/Purebred Does:

- Class 18: 0 to under 3 months
- Class 19: 3 to under 6 months
- Class 20: 6 to under 9 months
- Class 21: 9 to under 12 months
- Class 22: Junior Division Champion
- Class 23: Junior Division Reserve Champ
- Class 24: 12 to under 16 months
- Class 25: 16 to under 20 months
- Class 26: 20 to under 24 months
- Class 27: Yearling Division Champion
- Class 28: Yearling Division Reserve Champ
- Class 29: 24 to under 36 months
- Class 30: 36 months plus
- Class 31: Senior Division Champion
- Class 32: Senior Division Reserve Champ
- Class 33: Grand Champion
- Class 34: Reserve Grand Champion

Fullblood/Purebred Bucks:

- Class 35: 0 to under 3 months
- Class 36: 3 to under 6 months
- Class 37: 6 to under 9 months
- Class 38: 9 to under 12 months
- Class 39: Junior Division Champion
- Class 40: Junior Division Reserve Champion
- Class 41: 12 to under 16 months
- Class 42: 16 to under 20 months
- Class 43: 20 to under 24 months
- Class 44: Yearling Division Champion
- Class 45: Yearling Division Reserve Champion
- Class 46: 24 to under 36 months
- Class 47: 36 months plus
- Class 48: Senior Division Champion
- Class 49: Senior Division Reserve Champion
- Class 50: Grand Champion
- Class 51: Reserve Grand Champion

American Boer Goat Association Suggestions for a Successful Open Boer Goat Show

- BEFORE you secure a show facility and hire a judge, make sure your show sanctioning has been approved by ABGA.
- Try to have as many volunteers as possible to assist you during your show. It is recommended that you have at least two people to help read tattoos. The more people you have to work the more smoothly your show should run.
- Make sure there is information listed in your advertisement for out of town exhibitors.
- Encourage local town officials to come to the show.
- Request sponsorship from the Chamber of Commerce, City Council, County Boards and Show Boards
- Involve the local youth agriculture organizations.
- Seek assistance in off loading exhibitors' tack/goats by one of the local youth groups.
- Provide ring assistance for the judge (preferably at least 2 people)
- Encourage exhibitors to review health papers and registration papers BEFORE leaving home.
- Create an exhibitor packet with a map, list of hotels and rules.
- Have an announcer for your show.
- Have the show secretary to record the results of the show.
- Have a Ribbon Coordinator to organize and hand out ribbons
- Make sure all water and electric outlets are working prior to check-in.
- Have someone at check-in to read ABGA certificates and verify tattoos.
- Pens should be of adequate size. Minimum suggested size is 4 ft. x 4 ft.
- Suggested ring size is 1000 square feet.
- Advertise your ABGA Sanctioned show! Make sure to allow adequate time to advertise your show. The more advertisement you have the more exhibitors you will draw.
- Please provide the ABGA office with as much information as possible about your show. This will allow the ABGA staff to be able to answer any questions that may arise concerning your show. Your show will also be published on the ABGA website Events Calendar.
- Stay in contact with the ABGA office. The staff is there to assist you.

American Boer Goat Association Sanctioned Show Program Information

The ABGA Sanctioned Show program is designed to encourage the exhibiting, marketing and promotion of ABGA Percentage, Purebred and Fullblood Boer goats. ABGA sanctioned shows are open to all Boer goat enthusiasts across the United States.

Why sanction with ABGA?

ABGA Sanctioning provides value to the hosting show and the exhibitor through:

- An established marketing, promotion and exhibiting opportunity for the ABGA membership and the registered Boer goat industry.
- Promotion of ABGA Sanctioned Shows to the ABGA membership and general public.
- Educate and market to public attending the ABGA sanctioned show.
- Recognize placing of ABGA registered Boer goats.
- Earn points and recognition through the ABGA Ennoblement, Percentage Doe of Excellence and Sire of Merit Programs.
- The ABGA Sanctioned Show Program ensures and encourages a simple set of guidelines to providing a quality show for the ABGA and the Boer goat industry.
- ABGA sanctioning provides value to the Hosting show and the exhibitor
- Standard class breaks and a reporting form
- Breed Standards
- Association Herd Book of over 250,000 animals
- Large Active Adult and Junior Membership
- Qualified Judges for animal evaluation
- ABGA Points System
- ABGA Ennoblement/Percentage Doe of Excellence/Sire of Merit Programs
- Registry Herd Books which include, American, Fullblood and Ennobled
- Breed Materials available
- Rosette/Ribbon Packages (for non-major shows)
- Show Funding (for major shows)
- Oldest Boer Goat registry in the United States
- Reporting of ABGA registered placing on ABGA website
- Visual Inspection Program
- Exhibitors can count on an established points system for Ennobled, Percentage Doe of Excellence and Sire of Merit animals.
- ABGA sanctioned shows across the United States.

American Boer Goat Association Sanctioned Show Application

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Submit one application for each proposed show.

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Show Information and Contact

Name of Show _____

Is this show held in conjunction with a fair? Yes _____ No _____

Is this show eligible as a Major Show? Yes _____ No _____

Name of fair or hosting organization _____

Proposed Date of Show _____/_____/_____ Alternate Date _____/_____/_____

Physical Address for Show _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Show Secretary _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Secondary Phone Number _____

Email _____

Additional Contact Person _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Disclaimer and Sanctioning Agreement (must be signed)

I, _____, acknowledge and agree that the American Boer Goat Association, it's officers, directors, agents, employees and volunteers (hereafter collectively known as "ABGA") shall not be held responsible for any loss, injury or damage in connection with, arising out of, or incident to said show. I further and hereby expressly waive all rights to claim against ABGA and I release ABGA from any liability whatsoever with respect to any injury to person or damage to or loss of property from any cause whatsoever (expressly including ABGA's negligence). By signing this agreement, I certify that all information submitted is true and correct. I also agree that said show will abide by and remain in accordance with the ABGA Sanctioned Show Rules to have a copy of the rules available in the event that any problem or question should arise during said show. I also agree to provide an ABGA approved judge to judge my show. I also agree to report the judge's name to the ABGA office no less than 30 days prior to the entry deadline. Furthermore, I also acknowledge that, in accordance with the ABGA Sanction Show Rules, results must be submitted to the ABGA office within 30 days of the conclusion of the show to be verified.

I understand that the ABGA has the right to decline sanction for this show. The ABGA office will send notification of sanctioning approval or denial to the show secretary. This notification may be made to the show secretary's email address, if provided.

Show Secretary _____ Date _____ / _____ / _____
(Signature)

Show Secretary _____ Email _____
(Please print)

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Show Entry and Facilities Information

Promotion of ABGA sanctioned shows is a key element in attracting Boer goat exhibitors, enthusiasts, and the general public. Once sanctioning is approved by the ABGA, the following details of your show will be placed on the "Events Calendar" at www.abga.org (see "Competition" tab).

Early Entry Fee \$ _____ per class Due by _____ / _____ / _____

Late Entry Fee \$ _____ per class

Pen Fees \$ _____ Pen Size _____

Arrival Date _____ Registration Check-In Time _____

ABGA Judge(s) _____

Email Contact _____ Web Address _____

Other Information _____

Ribbon Information

The American Boer Goat Association will provide ribbons and rosettes to non-major sanctioned shows.

Do you need the ABGA ribbons? Yes _____ No _____

Mail ribbon packet to (Please Provide Physical Address)

Name _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Note: Any unused ribbons may be returned to the ABGA office following the show.

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ABGA Promotion Package

If you would like to have promotional items to hand out at your show, send your request to ABGA at least 30 days prior to the show. Please email request to Aaron@abga.org