

OFFICIAL NATIONAL ZEBU CATTLE CLUB YOUTH HANDBOOK

Show Rules, Regulations, Guidelines

101. Effective Date and Repeal

The rules and regulations become effective with the first sanctioned show of the current point year (January 1st thru December 31st) . All previous rules are hereby repealed, except that the status of all previous records made under previous rules shall remain unchanged. Rules as printed in the Official Handbook shall be used at all sanctioned shows unless otherwise approved by the NZCC.

102. Animal Welfare

Every animal exhibited at a sanctioned show shall, at all times, be treated humanely and with dignity, respect, and compassion. The standard by which conduct or treatment shall be measured is that a reasonable person informed and experienced in generally accepted livestock exhibition training procedures or veterinary standards, would determine to be cruel, abusive, or inhumane.

103. Awards Year

The current awards year begins with the first sanctioned show after January 1st . The points will be complete at the conclusion of the last sanctioned show prior to December 31st .

104. Membership Requirements

- (a) As an express condition of the privilege to participate at NZCC shows or events, each member of the NZCC, their families, third parties, and all participants assume the risks of participation. They release and discharge the NZCC, its officers, directors, and representatives from any and all liability, whenever or however arising, as to personal injury or property damage occurring as a result of participation in an event conducted by the sanctioned show, or on the show grounds thereof.
- (b) Proof of Youth Exhibitor age must be provided upon registration and validated by a NZCC Representative.

105. Youth Membership Fees

- (a) A membership fee of Fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be paid for each active youth membership. Membership fees are due and payable prior to the first show of the series, of each year and shall be considered delinquent if not paid before that date. Points for any competition year are only counted after Membership is paid in full.
- (b) Youth Members must enter the animals they intend to show to earn points at a fee of Ten dollars (\$10.00) per animal, yearly. Animal entries per exhibitor can be made at any part of the year but points for that animal will only be counted from time of official entry forward. Each Youth member can enter as many animals as they like to earn points exhibiting. Only points from top placing animal per member per show will be counted.

106. Membership Requirements to Receive Points

- (a) In order to be eligible to receive points to apply to the yearly standings in any division of competition, an exhibitor must be current on dues, and an active member prior to the show where he or she is exhibiting. Dues are due by May 1st of the current point series. After that point, if membership dues are not paid prior to the beginning of a given show, a member will not receive points awarded at that show.
- (b) Memberships are Non-Transferable. An active membership and animals points listed under membership is non-transferable to another member.

107. Points

- (a) The NZCC will award members accumulating the greatest number of points within a given year.
- (b) Points will be awarded on the following basis to members in good standing for the yearly awards program. Points are based on the animals placing in its given class. Only points from the top placing animal exhibited by a member will be counted for that show. Not all earned points for all entered animals will be totaled for that member.
1st-10 points 2nd-9 points 3rd-8 points 4th-7 points 5th-6 points 6th-5 points 7th-4 points 8th-3 points 9th-2 points All placing 10th and below-1 point
- (c) Anytime a member is named Champion or Reserve Champion, he or she shall receive, 25 points for Champion Challenge, 20 points for Grand Champion, and 15 points for Reserve Grand Champion rather than the number of points for first place in his or her original class.
- (d) All cattle may be shown including steers, heifers, cows, and junior bulls. Senior bulls (over 24 months of age) will not be allowed to compete and acquire points for a member. Any points earned as a junior bull (under 24 months of age) will be accepted.

108. Rules of Exhibition

- (a) All members must show their animals at all times while in the ring, including, but not limited to, class, division, and grand champion competitions.
- (b) The only exception shall be if the member has more than one animal in the class or another ring of competition at that same show. If a member does not show his or her own animal at the show for any reason other than the above he or she shall forfeit all points earned at that show.
- (c) The organization reserves the right to correct point standings at any time during the year.
- (d) Anytime an individual joins the NZCC he or she automatically gives permission for his or her point records to be made available to other members and for his/her photo to be published.

109. Official Showmanship Divisions

- (a) Age Divisions: Age divisions will be used in the official showmanship divisions.
 - 1. The age of the member must be true and correct in every respect.
 - 2. A member is eligible for participation as a member of the Peewee Division when he or she is 7 years of age or younger on or before July 1, of the current awards year.
 - 3. A member is eligible for participation as a member of the Junior Division when he or she is 8 to 11 years of age on or before July 1, of the current awards year.
 - 4. A member is eligible for participation as a member of the Intermediate Division when he or she is 12 to 14 years of age on or before July 1, of the current awards year.
 - 5. A member is eligible for participation as a member of the Senior Division when he or she is 15-18 years of age as of July 1, of the current year.
 - 6. It is the responsibility of the member to make sure that they enter the right age division. Points earned in an inappropriate age division will be disqualified.
- (b) The NZCC will give awards for showmanship in the Showmanship age divisions. In each of those showmanship divisions competition is also divided by age.

(c) It is the responsibility of the member to enter in the correct age division.

(d) Rules governing official Showmanship Shows include:

1. Official Showmanship Shows should record placings through 10th place.
2. Animals used in Official Showmanship contests do not have to be entered as an official points earning animal for that member.
3. Each Official Showmanship Show must submit the results of the Official Showmanship contests as part of their official records.
4. NZCC will give awards to Peewee, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior members accumulating the greatest number of points in Peewee, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior showmanship.
5. Points will be awarded to members in Official Showmanship contests on the following basis:

1st-10 points 2nd-9 points 3rd-8 points 4th-7 points 5th-6 points 6th-5 points 7th-4 points 8th-3 points 9th-2 points All placing 10th and below-1 point

110. Show Results

Show Superintendent or NZCC Show Representative must submit show results to the Director of Youth Programs no later than ten (10) days after the completion of the show. Show results must be submitted in a typed format. Any show, which does not report the show to the NZCC within ten (10) days after the completion of said show, or any show that does not submit results in an approved format will only hurt the youth exhibitors and the responsible party could be fined up to \$500 at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

111. Protests

(a) If a member or a parent wishes to lodge a protest concerning a show, organization, or individual violating the rules of the organization, that protest must be made within fourteen (14) days of said show or event and must be accompanied by a check for \$250.00 made payable to the TBD as a protest fee. If the protest is upheld, \$200.00 of that money shall be returned to the protesting party with \$50.00 going to the NZCC Youth Program.

(b) All protests are part of the NZCC official records and thus will be made public if anyone requests that information. All protests must be signed by the protesting party.

(c) Once a protest is filed, if one of the protesting parties contacts the management of one of the shows involved, the protest becomes null and void.