



AJCA 2012 Sanctioned Show Requirements / Rules

Organizations or individuals planning to sponsor or stage a show to be sanctioned by the Arkansas Jr. Cattlemen's Association must obtain prior approval by the AJCA if the results of such events are to be entered into the AJCA records for points to be awarded to exhibitors. Approval must be granted each year. Approval does not carry over from year to year. Approval must be obtained for each individual show or event.

1. The postmark deadline for submitting paperwork to have a show sanctioned by the AJCA is January 1, 2012. An AJCA sanctioned show must be publicized as such so that members who wish to exhibit will have an opportunity to compete. Sanctioning paperwork may be found on the official AJCA website (www.ajcattle.com). It is suggested that show flyers with pertinent or specific show information (deadlines, fees, additional rules, etc.) be sent to the AJCA webpage administrator as soon as possible for publication on the website.
2. A sanctioned show must be open to all youth in Arkansas age 20 or under (as of October 1) with the exception of state shows that have a preset age limit such as the Arkansas Spring Livestock Show.
3. AJCA sanctioned show are required to announce the judge(s) at least 7 days before the show. Shows not following this requirement will not be sanctioned the following year. Email the judges name to michellerieff@aol.com for publishing on the AJCA website two weeks prior to your show. You may also call Michelle Rieff at 479.936.1685.
4. Show management will be responsible for keeping accurate records of their show placings. They will also be responsible for submitting the information to the AJCA points administrator as indicated on the website. **POINTS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL AJCA POINTS REPORTING FORM. Points not submitted on the OFFICIAL reporting form will NOT be accepted and will be sent back to show management to be resubmitted.** The AJCA points paperwork must be received within ten working days of the conclusion of the show. The information must include exhibitor names, classes, placings, and the number of animals in each class. It would be helpful to the AJCA points administrator to include each AJCA member's membership number if available.
5. A fee to sanction a show is \$100. The fee to sanction a show must be submitted with the original "request to sanction a show" paperwork. The paperwork and fee should be submitted to Michelle Rieff, AJCA State Director, by January 1, 2012.
6. Exhibitors must own the animals they exhibit unless an exhibitor has multiple animals in ring(s) at the same time. Points will NOT be awarded if the exhibitor does NOT own animals. Exceptions to this rule will be given in writing and be granted only by the AJCA State Director for extenuating circumstances.
7. To be uniform and consistent, sanctioned shows will use the following AJCA guidelines:
 - A. Using the month of birth, no animals will be allowed to show before the age of six months or past of two years of age. Use the month for determining eligibility – not the actual date of birth. For example, if a heifer's birthdate was March 1, she could show through the month of March. Another example - a heifer that would not turn six months old until March 30 would be eligible to show in an event on March 1.
 - B. Breeding bulls and females will be broken into classes by no more than two months.
 - C. Bulls will be shown with their breed. Please refer to the list of AJCA approved breeds.
 - D. Steers should be divided to make workable classes, preferably using weight and/or hip height measurement.
 - E. Commercial heifers are defined as any female not registered with a breed association. Commercial heifers will be divided into three divisions to include American, English and Exotic crosses. **Exhibitors exhibiting commercial heifers not meeting criteria for their division,**

may be asked by the State Director for breeding genetics and to move to another more appropriate division.

Further division by number, age, weight, etc. is at the show management's discretion. Champion and Reserve commercial heifers will be selected from each division (American, English, and Exotic).

- F. AJCA does not award points for Supreme Grand, Supreme Reserve Champions or Division Champions or Division Reserve Champions (breeding bulls, heifers and steers).
 - G. Bulls of one year of age and older MUST be exhibited with a nose ring/nose clip and lead.
 - H. Ownership – Exhibitors that have not yet received registration papers will be allowed to show in their respective breed with a bill of sale. The Bill of Sale must include the date of sale, the seller's name, the new owners name, the breed of the animal, the sex of the animal and the date of birth of the animal, and the tattoo # of the animal. The bill of sale will be sufficient for 45 days from the date of sale to allow the new owner to receive registration papers. It is not acceptable to allow a registered animal to show in the commercial show because the exhibitor does not have registration papers in hand. EXHIBITORS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SHOW ON A BILL OF SALE AT THE ARKANSAS STATE FAIR SPRING LIVESTOCK SHOW. EXHIBITORS MUST HAVE REGISTRATION PAPERS SIGNIFYING OWNERSHIP OF THE ANIMAL. THE ANIMAL MUST BE IN THE EXHIBITOR'S NAME. SEE ARKANSAS STATE FAIR SHOW RULES FOR CLARIFICATION.
8. Animals used in showmanship classes must be owned by the exhibitor and be shown in class in addition to the showmanship division. The only exception is Pee Wee Showmanship. Pee Wee showmanship exhibitors do not have to own their animals. Showman contest divisions ages are ages as of OCTOBER 1, 2011.
- A. Pee Wee – 8 and under
 - B. Junior - 9-13 years old
 - C. Senior - 14 – 20
9. Breed association shows or field days are open to those breeds announced.
10. Exhibitors must be an AJCA member and participate in at least seven AJCA sanctioned shows or accumulate at least 70 points in a particular breed to be eligible for year-end awards in that breed. This rule does not apply to showmanship.
11. Points will not be tabulated for exhibitors until AFTER AJCA membership dues are received by the AJCA.
12. The AJCA will not be responsible for accidents or loss of property or the formulation or enforcement of individual show rules. These are the sole responsibility of the show management. It is the show management's responsibility to enforce AJCA rules. Additional show rules MUST be posted. It is heavily suggested that additional show rules be submitted to the AJCA website administrator for publication prior to the show. At the discretion of show management, animals that cannot be controlled by the exhibitor (i.e. breaking away from the exhibitor more than 3 times during a class) may be removed from the arena with the exhibitor not receiving points.
13. Shows should not use the word "jackpot" in their name unless the show plans to jackpot or pay out a percentage of entry fees. If the show is for points and/or prizes only, that information should be specified on the flyer so that exhibitors are aware ahead of time.
14. No AJCA show will be sanctioned that conflicts with a scheduled Arkansas fall, district, or county fair.
15. Violations of any rules listed will result in the loss of points to exhibitors as well as the possibility of the show being placed on probation and/or losing sanctioning rights for years to follow.