



EE-Regulations for Breed specific European Shows for **fancy Pigeons** (BESP)

Introduction

With regard to article 12.11 of the EE Constitution, Breed specific European shows can be organised for single breeds or breed groups in all affiliated countries. These breed specific European shows offer a better comparison for certain breeds than the general European shows which are held every three years. They are also becoming more popular.

Certain rules have to be obeyed for the organisation of these shows, which have been attached as an appendix to the general Regulations for European shows. These shows must not jeopardize the general EE European shows and will be titled as follows:

Breed specific European show for Breeds or for Breed groups respectively.

This description must be used on all applications, adverts and press statements.

1. Application

- a) All associations and breed clubs in EE affiliated countries can apply to host a breed specific European show for the pigeon section. The offer must be in the hands of the President of the pigeon section by 1. April of the previous year. This date stands for all shows that are held in January and February as well as those held in the previous autumn season. The shows will be approved by the general section meeting.
- b) The application has to be accompanied by the following data and documents:
 - a. Venue with exact address
 - b. Date of show
 - c. Host club or association
 - d. Contact person with exact address, telephone number and email address
 - e. Name of the breed
 - f. Estimate of the countries that will participate
 - g. Estimate of the number of entries
 - h. Show regulations
 - i. Details about awards and prizes
 - j. Applications should be made by using the official application form. This can be obtained from the website www.entente-ee.com
- c) A breed specific European show can be attached to another show or national show.
- d) All breed specific European shows are held according to the EE Regulations and these Regulations. The official show regulations of the country of organisation must be observed.
- e) All pigeons are to be penned in single tier pens at breed specific European shows.

2. Fixtures

Breed specific European shows can only be held once a year for each breed or breed group throughout Europe, with the exception of the year in which the general European Show takes place. Similar shows can then only be held as international shows under the proviso that the show does not take place within 2 weeks before or after the EE European Show, regarding the terms of art.2 of "General Regulations for EE European Shows".

3. Participation

All fanciers who are a member of a national association that is affiliated to the European Association for Poultry, Pigeons, Cage Birds, Rabbits and Cavies (EE) are eligible to enter.

4. Breeds

Breed Specific European Shows can be organised for any breed or color variant that is listed in the breed register of the EE pigeon section, or for which there exist an official standard.

5. Inscription des animaux

- a) All exhibits entered must be of the breed for which the Breed specific European show is organised.
- b) All exhibits must wear a closed EE ring, that is immovable and bearing the country's initials and the year of issue.
- c) The exhibits may not be older than six years.

6. Judges

In order to secure a fair judgment, the judges' corps should consist of judges from some of the participating countries and not only from the host nation.

If possible, judges should be recruited from the countries of origin of the breed.

All judges' names should be forwarded to the President of the section after the entries have closed.

7. Judges' Expenses

Judges' expenses will be paid out according to the EE Regulations for European shows if no other arrangements have been made.

All travelling-, board and lodging expenses will be borne by the show organisers. Foreign judges will be accommodated on the base of twin rooms for at least two nights for one day's judging.

Travelling expenses will be paid on the basis of second class rail fare upon submission of a ticket. Judges travelling by car will receive €0,25 per kilometer. If possible, judges should car-share.

Show organisers are free to negotiate special arrangements with judges.

8. Judging

The exhibits are judged according to the European standard and judging system. The judgement is made on the evaluation card under the headings: positive aspects – wishes – defects and with the rating scale from 90 to 97 points. A maximum of 80 subjects must be assigned per judge and per day. All judges are subordinated to a chairman judge, who is mostly recruited from the host nation, at each Breed specific European show.

9. Awards and prizes

The EE donates one medal for each breed. In the event that a breed or breed group exceeds 400 exhibits, a further medal will be donated. It is recommended that the show organisers present every exhibitor with a souvenir.

The show organisers have the right to issue further specials and prizes.

All prizes have to be mentioned in the application documentation.

10. European Master

If there are a minimum of twenty exhibits entered in a breed, the title can be awarded. A further title

can be awarded when 20 exhibits have been entered in a specific colour.

The European Master title will be calculated from the points' total of the best four exhibits (per exhibitor). Both sexes should be represented. In the event of equal points' totals, all exhibitors will be awarded with the title.

The winners will be arithmetically determined.

Breeds that have less than 20 exhibits can be amalgamated.

Regulations can be intensified by the show organisers but not lessened.

11. European Champion

This title can be awarded corresponding to the Regulations of the EE European shows, according to the following stipulations:

- a) A minimum of 20 exhibits per breed is essential for the title to be awarded, irrelative of the sex of the exhibit.
- b) If individual colours within the breed have 20 exhibits, further European Champion titles can be awarded.
- c) If there are more than 40 exhibits within one breed, the best male as well as the best female exhibit will be awarded the title. This also holds true for individual colours (40).
- d) Colours that have less than 20 exhibits can be amalgamated.
- e) AOC class : in this class are exhibits in colours which are not yet recognized in the breed, but should be in another one. The judgment is made by a judge assigned to this breed with particular attention to racial characters. This group excludes the presentation of subjects with deviations in racial characters, colours or patterns or markings.
The total entry rights must be paid for this AOC category, the subjects do not compete in the general classification, but one can award a title of European Champion.
- f) The minimum requirement judging rate for a European Champion title is – 95 points.

The titles are given out to the exhibit with the highest points. In the event of equal points, the title will be awarded by the chairman judge in cooperation with a jury consisting of at least two more judges from different countries.

The show organisers will issue the certificates, a sample of which has to be sent to the President of the pigeon section prior to the show.

12. Certificates

The winner of the title "European Master" or "European Champion" will be presented by the show organisers with an adequate certificate, which contains the following data:

- Type of European show - exact description (see example)
- Breed
- Colour and sex
- Judgment / points' rating
- Title European Master or European Champion
- Name of the exhibitor
- Venue, country and date of the European show
- Signature of the show organiser and head judge
- Eventually a photo of the winning exhibit
- EE-logo and logo of the Breed specific European show

A sample certificate can be downloaded from the EE website, but it is permissible to create another certificate, as long as it contains all the stipulated details.

All certificates have to be made up and presented to the exhibitor on the day of the show.

13. European Show for Juveniles

It's desirable that a class for juveniles is provided at a Breed specific European Show, into which juvenile exhibitors can enter up to the age of 18.

14. European Master (Juveniles)

The Title "Juvenile European Master is awarded according to the Regulations for EE European shows. If there are a minimum of ten exhibits entered in a breed, the title can be awarded. A further title can be awarded when 10 exhibits have been entered in a specific colour.

The European Master title will be calculated from the points' total of the best four exhibits (per exhibitor). Both sexes should be represented. In the event of equal points' totals, all exhibitors will be awarded with the title. The winners will be arithmetically determined. Colours that have less than 10 exhibits can be amalgamated.

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15. European Champion (Juveniles)

This title can be awarded to the best exhibit in the juvenile classes, irrelative of the sex of the exhibit and as long as there are 10 exhibits in that class.

If individual colours within the breed have 10 exhibits, further Juvenile European Champion titles can be awarded.

If there are more than 20 exhibits entered in the juvenile class, the best male as well as the best female exhibit will be awarded the title. This also holds true for individual colours (20). Colours that have less than 10 exhibits can be amalgamated.

The minimum requirement for a Juvenile European Champion title is – 94 points.

16. Certificates for Juveniles

The same criteria are applicable as those stated under item 12.

17. Obligations to the European Entente EE – effective from 2015

The show organisers have to transfer €0,50 per exhibit to the EE. The total amount has to be transferred to the EE bank account as soon as the animal registration is closed.

Union Bank, D 24937 Flensburg

BIC: UNBNDE21

IBAN: DE14 2152 0100 0000 2353 93

Account in the name of: Entente Européenne EE – Willy Littau, Elkjaervej 13, DK-7500 Holstebro

At the same time, the invoicing billing form must be completed and sent by e-mail to the Chairman of the branch and to the Treasurer, so that the EE medals can be delivered. Service shall be effected immediately upon receipt of the payment to the person indicated in the form.

At the end of the show a catalogue will be posted to the President of the EE pigeon section as well as the EE secretary and the EE Treasurer.

In the event of non-compliance with these provisions, no European breed shows may be accorded for the breed concerned.

18. Final Regulations

All descriptions with regard to persons or functions in these regulations are valid for both men and women, conforming to the principles of the Sex Discrimination Act.

19. Came into force

The regulation was adopted by the EE Members' Assembly on 15 May 2015 in Metz/ France and entered into force immediately.

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