Regulations for Breed Specific European Shows (BSES) Cavy Section

Introduction

BREED SPECIFIC EUROPEAN SHOWS (BSES) for individual breeds or groups of breeds can be organised according to article 12.11 of the Constitution of the European Association (EE), after permission has been obtained from the Cavy section. These shows offer a better comparison of the level of quality for certain breeds in Europe than the "general" European Show for all species that is held every three years. Breed specific shows shall not endanger the status of the general European show held every three years and are becoming more and more popular. In order to organise a BSES, the following rules, that can be found in an appendix to the "Rules and Regulations for European Shows" have to be observed.

A BSES should be entitled as follows:

Breedspecific European Show for Cavias

This title has to be used on all advertising, promotions and for PR purposes in this exact wording.

1. Application

- a) Any affiliated organisation can put in an application to host a BSES for the cavy section. The application has to be sent by email to the president of the EE Cavy section before the Cavy section meeting previous year. All applications will be voted on by all delegates in the section meeting and must therefore be listed on the agenda of the section meeting.
- b) The application has to include the following details:
 - a. Venue with precise address details
 - b. Date of the show
 - c. Hosting club or organisation
 - d. Contact person with exact address, tel. number and email address
 - e. Name of the Breed(s)
 - f. Details of expected participation of countries
 - g. Details of expected number of exhibits
 - h. Rules and Regulations of the show
 - i. Details about specials, awards and prizes
 - j. Applications have to be submitted on the official EE Application Form. This form can be downloaded from the EE website under: www.entente-ee.com on the cavy pages.
- c) It is allowed to attach a BSES to another show, e.g. a national show.
- d) The organisation of a BSES is subject to the Rules and Regulations for European Shows as well as these BSES Rules. Official regulations in the host nation must be observed.
- e) A BSES for cavies should ideally be staged in rows of pens of one animal only. Each pen to include a plastic wall insert / partition and be of a minimum size 40cm x 40cm.
- f) Exhibition area should be without draft with min. temperature 15 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ and max 25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

2. Fixtures

A BSES can only be held once a year for one or more breeds on European territory, with the exception of the year in which the general European Show takes place, when no BSES can be staged. Similar shows can then only be held as international shows

under the proviso that the show does not take place the same weekend if is not part of the European Show (see art. 2.1 and 2.2 of the Regulations for European Shows of the EE).

3. Participation

All fanciers who are a member of a national association that is affiliated to the European Association for Cavies (EE) are eligible to enter.

4. Breeds

BSES can be organised for any breed or colour that is listed and fully standardised in the European cavy standard.

5. Entries

- a) All exhibits entered must be of the breed for which the BSES is organised.
- b) Exhibitors that take part with their cavies at a BSES, can also enter other breeds, not catered for in the BSES, e.g. in the host show (has to be judged in national standard / propagation of new breeds and colours).
- c) Every exhibit needs to wear a plaster on one ear containing its pen number.
- d) Exhibits should not be older than 5 years and minimum 3 months and 500 g

6. Judges

- a) To secure a fair and good judgment, the judges' corps must consist of fully qualified judges from the host nation as well as from the participating nations; they can also include members of the EE Standards Committee for Cavies (ESKC).
- b) If possible, judges must be booked who have attended the EE judges' seminars, and it is recommended to book judges who are absolute experts in their breeds, either because they keep and show the breed or are on the respective breedclub panel.
- c) Judges are booked after consultation with the President of the Cavy section.
- d) The judges' names must be announced prior to the entries' closing date.
- e) The judges' corps at a BSES will be presided over by a head judge who will be nominated by cavy section and he can not exhibit on the show on the same day.

7. Judges Expenses

- a) All travelling-, board and lodging expenses will be borne by the show organisers.
- b) Foreign judges will be accommodated in twin rooms for at least two nights' for one day's judging.
- c) Travelling expenses will be paid on the basis on second class rail fare or at € 0,30 per kilometer by car. If possible, judges should travel together in this case it is plus 0,05 per passenger.
- d) No judge's fees are paid at a BSES.
- e) The show organisers are free to negotiate special arrangements with judges in mutual agreement.

8. Judging

Judging is carried out according to the European judging system, based on the EE standard for Cavies.

9. Awards

a) The EE donates an EE medal for every section (i.e. Smooth, Rough and other short haired varieties, Long haired and Skinny). The EE cavy section further

- encourages the organisers to give every exhibitor a souvenir, e.g. to those that have entered 4 or more exhibits.
- b) All other awards are to be determined by the show organisers. All awards have to be mentioned in the show conditions.
- c) If the organiser can have the BIS of all shows (i.e. Smooth, Rough and other short haired varieties, Long haired and Skinny) And head judge has to choose.

10. European Masters (Collections)

- a) The "European Masters" title is awarded in accordance with the Regulations for European Shows of the EE, as follows:
- b) The title is awarded in every breed where a minimum of 12 exhibits (3 groups) have been entered. If 12 or more exhibits have been entered in individual colours in that breed, further titles can be awarded.
- c) The title is awarded to the best collection of 4 exhibits in any one breed and colour with the highest points' total that contains both sexes. In the event of a tie in points, all exhibitors will be awarded the European Masters title. The minimum amount of points for a collection to win the coveted title is 376.

11. European-Champions

- a) The "European-Champion" title is awarded in accordance with the Regulations for European Shows of the EE, as follows:
- b) The title is awarded in every breed where a minimum of 8 exhibits have been entered to the best exhibit, irrelevant of its sex. If 8 or more exhibits have been entered in individual colours in that breed, further titles can be awarded.
- c) Should there be 20 or more exhibits from exhibitors, the best male as well as the best female exhibit will be awarded the title. If 20 or more exhibits have been entered in individual colours in a breed, the best male and the best female exhibit will be awarded the title.
- d) The minimum amount of points, needed to qualify for the title "European-Champion", is 95 points.
- e) In the event of a tie in points by several exhibits, the head judge will adjudicate and award the title to the best exhibit in his/her opinion.

12. Certificates

- a) The EE Cavy section will present the winner of the "European Master" or "European Champion" title with an appropriate certificate, which will include the following data:
 - Official name of the show
 - Breed name and Sex
 - Points
 - Name of the exhibitor
 - Place, country and date of the European show.
 - Title –either "European Master" or "European Champion"
 - Signatures of the President of the host nation and the head judge
 - Possibly a photograph of the winning exhibit
 - EE logo and logo of the BSES
- b) If possible, the certificate should be made up during the show and presented to the exhibitor.

13. Breed Specific European Shows for Juveniles

It is very important to encourage and support juvenile cavy exhibitors. It is therefore highly recommended that special ,Juvenile Classes' are to be incorporated into the schedule for a BSES. Juvenile exhibitors up to the age of 18 can show in these classes.

14. Juvenile European Master

- a) The "Juvenile European Masters" title is awarded in accordance with the Regulations for European Shows of the EE, as follows:
- b) The title is awarded in every breed where a minimum of 8 (2 collections) exhibits have been entered. If 8 or more exhibits have been entered in individual colours in that breed, further titles can be awarded.
- c) The title is awarded to the best collection of 4 exhibits in any one breed and colour with the highest points' total that contains both sexes. In the event of a tie in points, all exhibitors will be awarded the European Masters title.

15. Juvenile European Champion

- a) The title "Juvenile European-Champion" is awarded when a minimum of 6 exhibits from juvenile exhibitors have been entered from at least two countries in every breed. The Best of Breed (irrelative of its sex) will win the certificate.
- b) If 6 or more exhibits have been entered in individual colours in a breed, further titles can be awarded.
- c) Should there be 20 or more exhibits from juveniles, the best male as well as the best female exhibit will be awarded the title. If 20 or more exhibits have been entered in individual colours in a breed, the best male and the best female exhibit will be awarded the title.
- d) The minimum amount of points, needed to qualify for the title "Juvenile European-Champion" is 94 points (Very Good).

16. Certificates for Juveniles

The same criteria apply as mentioned under item 12.

17. Obligations to the European Association EEb.

a) The show organisers are obliged to pay 50 Euro cents per exhibit to the EE treasury. The total amount has to be transferred **immediately after the entries' closing date** to the EE bank account:

Union Bank, D 24937 Flensburg

BIC UNBNDE21 -- IBAN DE14 2152 0100 0000 2353 93

Made payable to: Entente Européenne EE

- b) The statement form has to be filled out at the same time and emailed to the cavy section's president and the treasurer, so that the EE medals can be sent to the organising committee. The medals will not be sent until the 50 Euro cent obligation has been fulfilled.
- c) The organising committee will send a copy of the catalogue by post to the president and secretary of the cavy section as well as the EE treasurer immediately after the show.
- d) If the abovementioned obligations remain unfulfilled, no further BSES can be hosted by that specific nation.

19. Coming into Effect

These Regulations were discussed, established and passed by the delegates of the cavy section of the EE in Kecskemét/ Hungary 9. of May 2024 and came into effect immediately.

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