

2009 SABBA Boerboel Shows

Proceedings and Code of Conduct



Registration

1. Registration opens one hour prior to the published starting time of a Show.
2. Entrants report to the Registration Table.
 - Pre-registrations: Confirm entries, submit proof of payment, and collect entry numbers for display by all handlers.
 - New registrations: Register and pay required entry fee (cash or bank guaranteed cheque), provide proof of birth date / Registration or ID numbers of Boerboels, and collect entry numbers for display by all handlers.
 - Entrants in Classes 1 and 2: Submit proof of inoculations.

Opening

1. The organiser officially opens the Show.
2. The announcer gives an overview of the proceedings, venue layout, facilities, the adjudication criteria, and introduces the judges.

Assembly Ring

1. Participants report to the Assembly Ring in the order of classes to be judged as per the programme issued, or as announced at the start of the Show.
2. Participants must take note of the order of classes being judged, and follow the progress of proceedings.
3. The Ring Official calls the relevant participants to report to the Assembly Ring.
4. The Ring Official admits a class into the Adjudication Ring on confirmation that all participants are present.
5. Where there are an exceptional number of entrants in a specific class, the class will be subject to pre-selection by the judges. In such cases, dogs will be selected for the final class adjudication.

Adjudication Ring

1. Only judges and handlers with their dogs may be present in the Adjudication Ring.
2. Handlers walk anti-clockwise with their dogs to their left.
3. Handlers communicate with judges, only if approached by the judges.
4. Handlers may not communicate with any person outside the Adjudication Ring.
5. Handlers remain in their allocated positions. Any handler who moves with his/her dog from this position will receive one warning, and be disqualified on the second transgression.
6. Handlers must respect one another's distance, and act courteously towards one another.
7. Handlers may not distract the judges while they are busy adjudicating another dog.
8. The judges will disqualify overly aggressive and uncontrolled Boerboels.

Adjudication

1. The judges assess all Boerboels independently in accordance with the adjudication criteria, based primarily on general appearance, temperament, poise, angulation and movement. Note that the focus of show criteria differs from that of appraisal criteria, but that adherence to SABBA's Breed Standard remains the point of departure.
2. Judges shall not consult with one another during the adjudication process.
3. Judges independently submit the record of their selection of the first six positions for either the class adjudication, or for the final round of adjudication - if there are more than six entries in a class.
4. The announcer reads out the results, and calls the class winners to the Adjudication Ring for the presentation of trophies and prizes.
5. Handlers must make the Champions and Reserve Champions in each class available for official photos to be taken.
6. The names of dogs that have qualified for participation in the Championship Show in Parys, Free State on 7 November 2009, are announced at the end of Regional Shows.

See 'Show categories and classes' and 'Show rules' for information on the selection of category and class winners.

Boerboels

1. All Boerboels (participating and accompanying) at SABBA shows must be on a leash, and be accustomed to being handled on a leash.
2. Entrants are responsible for cages, water and shelter for their dogs.

SABBA does not accept responsibility for injuries sustained at any Boerboel Show