

AMERICAN PINZGAUER ASSOCIATION

National Show General Rules & Classes

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A. Rules - The American Pinzgauer Association (APA) shall follow all rules and regulations as set forth by the facility/location hosting the National Show.

(NOTE: Regional Associations must abide by all APA rules, National Show Rules and current breed standards in order to host the National Show, with exceptions allowable only in the number of group classes offered.)

1. All exhibitors must be members in good standing of the APA.
2. All entries must be registered with the APA
3. All entries must have legible tattoos that agree with their registration papers. Tattoos will be checked and verified by an official at the show.
4. All entries must be at least 87.5% Pinzgauer if female and 93.5% Pinzgauer if male, with the exception of Percentage Pinzgauer entries in classes 46 and 47, which must be at least 46.87% Pinzgauer for both sexes.
5. All Fullblood and Purebred entries must meet breed standards
6. Percentage Pinzgauer entries must possess Pinzgauer physical traits
7. All entries will be subject to sifting for correctness of papers and suitability to show
8. Animals will enter the show ring in ascending order according to age, youngest to oldest.
9. Entries in group classes must also show in individual classes.
10. Classes 13-15 must be accompanied by a pregnancy evaluation from a licensed veterinarian noted on the health certificate
11. Females with a calf at side will show in Class 16 regardless of age. The calf may not be more than 240 days old when shown and must be registered with the APA. The calf must be the natural calf and the cow must be wet. The calf must meet the percentage requirements as stated in Rule 4 (above).
12. Bulls in classes 29-37 must have a nose lead or ring
13. Classes 34-37 must be accompanied by a satisfactory semen evaluation by a licensed veterinarian if offered for sale at the National Show
14. Alterations:
 - a. No surgical alterations are permitted to the animals other than dehorning.
 - b. No pumping, or force filling with liquids, air or any other substance.
 - c. Tails are not to be "balled".

NOTE: These Alterations Rules shall not prohibit removal of warts, teats or horns, clipping or fitting of hair, trimming and/or polishing of hooves or other recommended and established management practices.

B. Interpretation, Amendments and Violations

1. The APA National Show Rules Chairperson shall have final authority and responsibility for interpretation and enforcement of rules during judging.
2. The APA National Show Rules Chairperson shall have the authority to disqualify those individuals seen in violation of rules.
3. Any person who violates the rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums and will be subject to any other penalties that the National Show Rules Committee may order.
4. The National Show Rules Committee reserves the final and absolute rights to interpret the rules and regulations if a protest or appeal is presented to the Committee Chairperson, in writing.
5. The National Show Rules Committee reserves final and absolute right to amend or add rules and regulations with final approval of the APA Board of Directors.
6. APA membership and/or Junior membership reserve the right to petition the APA Board of Directors for rule and regulation amendments, additions, or removal. Said membership and/or Junior membership need 50% plus 1 signature of all active members and/or Junior members, in good standing, on a petition to be presented to the APA Board of Directors.

C. Protest and Appeals

1. All protests must be made, in writing, to the APA National Show Rules Chairperson within three (3) business hours after the cause. The written protest must be accompanied by a deposit of \$100, which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained.
 - a. The protest must clearly state the cause of complaint or appeal and must be filed with the APA National Show Rules Chairperson.
 - b. Official protest will be accepted only from entered exhibitor or parent or legal guardian in the case of the Junior Show.
 - c. If the deposit is forfeited at a National Show, the funds will be retained by the APA pending action by the APA Grievance Committee, if applicable.
2. No complaint or appeal based upon the statement that the judge or judges are incompetent or have overlooked an animal, will be considered.
3. Appeals arising from situations occurring during the Show must be made in writing, to the APA National Show Rules Chairperson, within three (3) business hours after the cause for protest and must contain:
 - a. At least one specific charge stating all facts relied upon or the rules violated
 - b. Name(s) and address(es) of witness(es).
4. The APA National Show Rules Chairperson shall have the authority to settle all disputes and protests, provided both parties agree on said settlement. Otherwise the protest or appeal shall be referred to the Grievance Committee of the American Pinzgauer Association. The Grievance Committee shall set a date and time to hear the protest. The decision of the Grievance Committee shall be final. Protest awards will be held in abeyance until final action by the Grievance Committee.

D. Hold Harmless Statement

1. In no case shall the APA Board, the National Open/Junior Pinzgauer Show Chairperson, the National Show Rules Chairperson, other official, and/or livestock show be held responsible for any loss, damage, death, or injury, by disease or otherwise to any person, property, or exhibitor while en route to, from, or on exhibit grounds.

2. If the owners or others interested in the animals, equipment, or property, desire protection from loss, damage, or injury from fire or any other cause, they must make their own arrangements for insurance and pay premiums for that purpose.

E. Premiums - Total premiums depend on the Fair and added entry fees by Region

F. Classes

1. Females (by age at show)

- Class 1. Under 7 months
- Class 2. 7 and 8 months
- Class 3. 9 and 10 months
- Class 4. 11 and 12 months
- Class 5. Calf Champion
- Class 6. Reserve Calf Champion
- Class 7. 13 and 14 months
- Class 8. 15 and 16 months
- Class 9. 17 and 18 months
- Class 10. 19 and 20 months
- Class 11. Junior Champion
- Class 12. Reserve Junior Champion
- Class 13. 21, 22, and 23 months
- Class 14. 24, 25, and 26 months
- Class 15. 27 months and older must be dry
- Class 16. Calf at Side (Wet cow, natural calf < 240 days, ½ calf---- ½ cow)
- Class 17. Senior Champion
- Class 18. Reserve Senior Champion
- Class 19. Grand Champion
- Class 20. Reserve Grand Champion
- Class 21. Pair of females bred and owned by exhibitor

2. Males (by age at show)

- Class 22. Under 7 months
- Class 23. 7 and 8 months
- Class 24. 9 and 10 months
- Class 25. 11 and 12 months
- Class 26. Calf Champion
- Class 27. Reserve Calf Champion
- Class 28. 13 and 14 months
- Class 29. 15 and 16 months (nose lead or ring required)
- Class 30. 17 and 18 months (nose lead or ring required)
- Class 31. 19 and 20 months (nose lead or ring required)
- Class 32. Junior Champion
- Class 33. Reserve Junior Champion
- Class 34. 21, 22, and 23 months (nose lead or ring required)
- Class 35. 24, 25, and 26 months (nose lead or ring required)
- Class 36. 27, 28, and 29 months (nose lead or ring required)

Class 37. 30 through 48 months (nose lead or ring required)

Class 38. Senior Champion

Class 39. Reserve Senior Champion

Class 40. Grand Champion

Class 41. Reserve Grand Champion

3. **Group Classes** (Consisting of animals from the purebred/fullblood show **only**)

Class 42. Pair of Bulls bred and owned by exhibitor

Class 43. Produce of Dam: 2 animals with same genetic dam, and at least 1 owned by exhibitor

Class 44. Get of Sire: 3 animals by the same sire, both sexes represented, and at least 2 owned by exhibitor

Class 45. Breeders Herd: 4 animals bred by exhibitor, both sexes represented, and at least 2 owned by exhibitor

4. **Percentage Pinzgauer Classes** (formerly Crossbred Classes)

NOTE: Percentage Pinzgauer classes will be broken down by ages depending on entries

Class 46. Percentage Pinzgauer females (46.87 to 87.5% Pinzgauer) - At least one parent of entered animal must be a registered Pinzgauer

Class 47. Percentage Pinzgauer males (46.87 to 93.5% Pinzgauer) - At least one parent of entered animal must be a registered Pinzgauer

G. Premier Exhibitor, Premier Breeder, Premier Sire (includes only animals in Purebred/Fullblood show)

1. **Premier Exhibitor** – For an exhibitor to be eligible, exhibitor must show at least 3 animals, both sexes represented, all owned by exhibitor. Award will be calculated on 6 highest ranking animals shown by exhibitor.
2. **Premier Breeder** - For a breeder to be eligible, at least 3 animals bred by exhibitor must be shown; both sexes represented. Award will be calculated on their 6 highest ranking animals bred by exhibitor. No requirement that breeder own or exhibit any of these animals.
3. **Premier Sire** - For a bull to be eligible, at least 3 offspring of the bull must be shown, both sexes represented. No requirement that the exhibitor own the bull. Award will be calculated on 6 highest ranking animals sired by each eligible bull.
4. **Point System for Premier Exhibitor, Breeder and Sire:**
 - a. First Place in Class – 6 points
 - b. Second Place in Class – 5 points
 - c. Third Place in Class – 4 points
 - d. Fourth Place in Class – 3 points
 - e. Fifth Place in Class – 2 points
 - f. Sixth Place in Class – 1 point

NOTE: In the event of a tie, a seventh animal would be used for the tie breaker.

