

2009 Mandatory Halter Exhibitor Disclosure

Under the Show Division Handbook Rules, certain alpacas and fleeces are automatically disqualified from competition and certain Exhibitors & Handlers are prohibited from personally showing in front of a Judge when a business or financial relationship exists between an AOBA Certified Judge and their customers.

Each year at contract renewal time, our Judges are required to disclose those alpacas, exhibitors and handlers who cannot be shown in their show ring when judging at an AOBA Certified show. Exhibitors are also required to disclose business and financial relationships with Judges and to acknowledge animals/fleece entered into the competitions that are not allowed to show in front of certain Judges at each show they attend. This is being done to ensure Exhibitors understand the written rules and to eliminate confusion for Exhibitors & Handlers about which alpacas, Exhibitors & Handlers cannot walk into a Judge's show ring during competition and which fleeces can not be entered into a Fleece Show.

Using your 2009 – Major Changes Document, and when you receive it your 2009 AOBA Show Division Handbook, please see Part 5. Rules & Ethics for All Show Participants; Section 2, Rules for Exhibitors and Handlers, S. An alpaca/fleece is disqualified from competition if....., T. An Exhibitor or Handler, including his/her immediate family.... And U. An Exhibitor is prohibited from entering an alpaca's fleece if

Please review the following list of Great Western Alpaca Show Judges and their assignments:

Ruth Elvestad, AOBA Judge [Huacayas black through white; group classes for Huacayas]

Cathy Merkley, AOBA Judge [Huacaya Females plus gray & multi male Huacayas and Huacaya group classes]

Tim Lavan, AOBA Judge [all Suri classes including group]

Then complete the following form which is part of the Show's Information Entry Form.

Exhibitor Disclosure Statement
Great Western Alpaca Show
May 1-3, 2009

____ I, and my immediate family members*, have had a business relationship with _____
(Name of Judge) pursuant to the nine-month period as stipulated in the AOBA Show Division Handbook. I understand that I or my immediate family can not show in front of this judge. None of the alpacas I have registered for this show are disqualified from the show ring. None of the alpaca fleeces I have entered in this show are disqualified from the Fleece Show.

____ I, and my immediate family members, do NOT have a business relationship with any judges of the show. None of the alpacas I have registered for this show are disqualified from the show ring. None of the alpaca fleeces I have entered in this show are disqualified from the Fleece Show.

* Immediate Family Members is defined as: owner, spouse/domestic partner, parents, children, children's spouse or any other family member living with you.

Important Notice: I understand and agree failure to report a business relationship with the judge and/or showing in front of that judge shall result in a one year suspension for me and my farm(s) from exhibiting at AOBA certified shows.

Exhibitor(s) Signature(s)

Printed Exhibitor(s) Name(s)

Farm Name(s)

Date