

Calpaca

Spin-Off Judge Request for Proposal

Please complete the following information to be considered as Spin-Off Judge *NAME_OF_SHOW* in *_LOCATION_* on the dates: .

NOTE: The Spin-Off will open for Registration on *_date_* and close on *_date_*. Entries will be mailed to the Spin-Off Judge(s) on *_date_* for Receipt by the Judge(s) on *_date_*. The Judge(s) will have to mail back (or arrange for pick-up, depending upon location) the judged entries so that the Spin-Off Coordinator will have them *_date_*. This will allow approximately 64 days for the judge(s) to complete the judging.

Please indicate how many entries (both Suri and Huacaya) you believe you would be able to complete in this 64 day period_____.

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ FAX: _____

E-Mail: _____

Please submit this form with the attachments to:
Email addr of Show Manager

OR
Snail Mail addr of Show Manager

Submissions should be received by *_date_*.

Spin-Off Judge Responsibilities as set forth in the 20XX AOBA Show System Handbook: NOTE: Should the Spin-Off rules listed below change, the *_Name_of_show_* Spin-Off Coordinator will notify the Judge(s) of the changes

“Judging criteria: Judges will card and spin an equal portion of the fiber from each sample entered. No washing or scouring of the sample prior to spinning is allowed, but the spun skein sample shall be washed as part of the evaluation process in judging criteria (refer to L.13). The skein shall be washed by the Judge using only soap and rinsed in clear water with no other enhancing products added (i.e. fabric softener, conditioner and other enhancing products) using the same method and procedure for each skein.

Scoring will be based on:

1. First impression
2. Staple length
3. Cleanliness
4. Lack of second cuts
5. Lack of guard hair
6. Lock structure in Suris, and crimp, staple or architecture in Huacayas
7. Uniformity
8. Fineness
9. Handle (softness and/or smoothness of fiber)
10. Luster (Suris) or brightness (Huacayas)
11. Ease of preparation
12. Ease of spinning
13. Hand feel and softness of resulting yarn, plus loft in Huacayas

M. Fiber that is unsound, felted, contains tender breaks, mats, or excessive debris will be discounted appropriately but will not be disqualified. However, fiber samples exhibiting parasitic infestation or fiber not meeting the three inches minimum or exceeding the maximum staple lengths shall be disqualified and the reason for disqualification shall be recorded on the Judge’s Scorecard and the Judge’s Worksheet.

N. Points may be deducted for failure of exhibitor to submit at least two ounces of fiber for proper and adequate sampling and judging. Point deductions would result in one point deducted for every 0.1 ounce short of the two ounce sample.

O. When more than four ounces are submitted, a one point deduction would result for every 0.1 ounce over the four ounce sample.

P. There shall be no ties in scores.

Q. Judge’s decisions are final.

S. Special awards such as “Judge’s Choice” and “Highest Scoring Fleece in a Color Group” may be offered for Handcrafter’s Spin-Off for both Huacaya and Suri. The “Judge’s Choice” is limited to one award per breed type **and will be awarded to any superior Spin-Off entry that has achieved a minimum score of 80 points**. The intent to offer such awards must be indicated when the show certification is requested and is subject to approval by the AOBA Show Rules Committee.

T. Spinners shall:

1. Evaluate, prepare and spin a portion of the sample, taking care to ensure that all samples are prepared in the same manner (i.e. hand or drum carded) and that prepared portions are relatively equal portions of one fleece sample to another.
 - a. No washing or scouring of the raw fiber prior to spinning is allowed.
 2. Wash the spun skein to properly evaluate hand feel and softness of the resulting yarn.
 - a. Washing or scouring of the sample after spinning is allowed, and the spun skein sample shall be washed as part of the evaluation process in judging criteria (refer to L.13, page 65).
 - b. The skein shall be washed by the Judge using only soap or a scouring product and rinsed in clear water with no other enhancing products added (i.e. fabric softener, conditioner and other enhancing products) using the same method and procedure for each skein.
 3. Return the spun and washed skein to the zipper type plastic bag containing the unspun fleece, or place the skein into a smaller size clear bag which then is returned to the zipper type bag containing the unspun fleece.
 4. Complete a Scorecard (in ink) containing scores and comments or feedback for the exhibitor for each sample and include it in the zipper type bag. This Scorecard is to be returned to exhibitor, after display of results and at conclusion of show. If disqualified, the reason for disqualification shall be noted on the Scorecard.
 5. Complete and sign a Judge's Worksheet recording scores and placings for each entry in each class. Note: All disqualifications and reason for disqualification shall be noted on the Judge's Worksheet.
 6. Return judged entries to Spin-Off Show Superintendent at least one week prior to the event where the competition is to be displayed.
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Experience and References

- How many years have you been spinning and what kind of training have you received?

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List all AOBA Certified Spin-Off Shows where you were the Spin-Off Judge for the last two (2) years. Please provide all information below for each show, including a name as a point of Reference for each show. (If you require more room, you may attach an addendum).

Name of Show

Dates of Show

AOBA Certified Show (Y/N)

of Spin-Off Entries Judged

of Spin-Off Classes

Reference Name, Telephone # and email

Please list all other Shows where you may have been a Spin-Off Judge or Judged spinning in some other manner for the last two (2) years.

Name of Show

Dates of Show

of Entries Judged

Reference Name, Telephone # and email

Please list any ribbons or awards you may have won as a spinner over the last five (years).

Compensation:

Please indicate your expected per fleece compensation (Suri and Huacaya's to be paid at same rate)_____.

The selection of the Calpaca _Name_of_show_ Spin-Off Judge(s) will be made by the Calpaca Board with input from the 20XX _Name_of_show_ Event Manager and will be relayed to submitters by -date-

Thank you for your interest.

Calpaca Board: