

## **AGENDA ITEM I**

**Proposal:** Change Rules for Official Shows B.3.b as follows:

Change from:

b. Exhibitors shall not show any doe or buck in an NPGA-sanctioned show with the herdname(s) of the judge who is judging that show. This does not apply to wethers or unregistered classes or sanctioned 4-H/Youth shows. Effective January 1, 2003.

To:

b. Exhibitors shall not show any goat in an NPGA-sanctioned/sponsored show with the herdname(s) of the judge who is judging that show.

**Reasons:**

To keep consistency in the show rules.

Rules for Official Shows B.2.a. states “no person shall judge any goat in which he/she has an ownership or part ownership or which is owed by a member of his/her immediate family or household”. This rule for judges does not give any exceptions. And follows the concept for the National Show (Rules for Official Shows J.1.a) “...shall be judged by a panel of judges in attendance at the convention who do not own any goats being judged or have any goats with their herd name being judged.”

The addition of the word “sponsored” incorporates the wether shows since the wording in the rules for official shows states that does and bucks are sanctioned and the wether show is sponsored.

**Advantages:**

Adds consistency in the rules for official shows. Decreases the appearance of unfair advantage to showing an animal with the judges’ herdname.

**Disadvantages:**

Possible limitation of number of animals shown in wether classes and restricted shows.

**Financial Implications:**

none

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