

**Judging Exam & Judges Con-Ed
2020 NPGA Convention
Loveland, Colorado**

June 4-9, 2020

The name of the hands-on testing session for potential judges is the Judging Exam (JE). The JE will be held during the 2020 NPGA National Convention in Loveland, Colorado. Anyone who wants to learn more about how pygmy goats are judged may attend to observe and help handle goats. Candidates for judging licenses must (1) Be NPGA members in good standing; (2) Be at least 18 years old; and (3) Be on time for and attend both days of the JE. All candidates to take the training and test classes at the JE at convention must pre-register with all fees paid with the current JTC chair on or before **April 7, 2019**. A minimum number of 4 judge candidates must be met per the requirements set forth in 10.B.1 (Rules & Regs) in order to facilitate the clinic/exam.

SCHEDULE

- **Judging Clinic** \$100 –Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7 – Judge candidates are required to complete the official two-day NPGA Judging Clinic immediately prior to taking the Judging Exam. Each day will start at 8:00 AM unless told different by Clinician April Seiler.
- **Con-Ed** – Judges scheduled for Con-Ed on Saturday will be in attendance starting at 9:00 AM for the day until released. Those judges attending Con-Ed need to contact current JTC Chair to sign up by June 1, 2020.
- **Auditors of Candidate Judging Clinic** \$100 – Auditors must fill out an auditors form provided by JTC Chair and have fees paid by May 15 and be in attendance and ready to start at 8:00 AM both Saturday June 6 and Sunday June 7.
- **Practical Test** \$200 – Monday, June 8 – The day will start at 8:00 AM with registration for candidates. The first test class for candidates will follow the registration process as well as a brief explanation of the testing process. Breaks and lunch will be announced during the day.
- **Practical Test Day 2** – Tuesday, June 9 – The starting time for the rest of the test classes will be provided on the first day. Judging licenses will be presented to qualified candidates at the end of the testing process.

JUDGES MANUAL

The Candidate Judging Clinic and the JE test classes are based on the information provided in the Judging Manual (revised January 2014) Rules & Regs, Current Show Rules. The manual is available from NPGA Merchandising for \$10 plus shipping charges. There is a merchandise order form at the back of this MEMO or you can order the handbook on the NPGA website at: <http://www.npga-pygmy.com> (Click "Shop NPGA" to get to the NPGA Merchandise website). Observers/auditors will not be tested, but will learn more if they have also studied this manual before they attend the JE.

FEES

Judge Candidates Judging Clinic \$100 Practical Test for judge candidates \$200
Auditors of Candidates Judging Clinic \$100

QUESTIONS

For JE questions, contact the current Judges Training Committee Chairperson at phone number, email address, listed on NPGA website or in MEMO. Please contact JTC chair Carol Hepner by cell phone 815-325-5587 or email pgoats98@gmail.com.

See the 2020 Convention ad in MEMO or on the NPGA website for information about accommodations or showground facilities.