

## STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE (SOE) SHOW RULES

The purpose of the *SOE* program is to assist in identifying and recognizing outstanding sires and dams of the breed. This will be accomplished on the basis of show ring placing of their offspring. The *SOE* shows shall be the "picture window" events of the year for PAUS.

Only Fullbloods and Purebreds will be allowed to show in *SOE* shows. Purebreds are stated as the following 15/16 Piedmontese or higher for females and 31/32 or higher for males. All Purebreds shall have the color and characteristics of the Piedmontese breed to show in PAUS *SOE* Shows.

At *SOE* shows, other than the breed's National Show, *SOE* points are credited to both the sire and dam of a calf in individual classes. The National Show points will be double the amounts shown below. Points will be awarded as follows:

1. Classes with 5 animals or more will be awarded points as follows: 1st place 5 points; 2nd place 4 points; 3rd place 3 points; 4th place 2 points; 5th place 1 point. Classes with fewer than 5 animals will receive points with the 1st place entry receiving points based on the total number of animals in the class, and the last entry receiving 1 point.
2. Division Champions (Calf, Junior, and Senior) receive 2 additional points.
3. Division Reserve Champions receive 1 additional point.
4. Grand Champions will receive 5 additional points.
5. Reserve Grand Champions will receive 3 additional points.
6. Sires and dams in the group classes with 5 entries or more will be awarded points as follows: 1st place 5 points; 2nd place 4 points; 3rd place 3 points; 4th place 2 points; and 5th place 1 point. Classes with fewer than 5 entries will receive points with the 1st place entry receiving points based on the total number of entries in the class, and the last entry receiving 1 point.

Sires that accumulate at least 100 *SOE* points based on show ring winnings of their calves at *SOE* shows qualify for GOLD TROPHY sire awards.

Dams must accumulate at least 35 *SOE* points to attain GOLD TROPHY dam status, and her points must be earned by more than one individual offspring.

To qualify for *SOE* status, a show must have **20** entries shown the previous year. They must maintain at least **20** entries showing to keep *SOE* status.

The National Show must have been a *SOE* show for 2 years, with the National Show having a minimum of 35 entries shown.

Official *SOE* point tabulations will be processed by the **PAUS Show Committee Chair and verified by the** PAUS office at the end of the show season. Specially designed awards for qualifying Gold Trophy sires and dams will be presented at the PAUS national meeting.

The Gold Trophy sire and dam distinction will be imprinted on their registration papers.

The following classes will be offered at all *SOE* shows. No changes will be allowed or points will not be awarded. Birth dates for classes will be adjusted to fit the season of the show.

Any unauthorized animals in the show ring will result in disqualification of the owner, and or the exhibitor in that class.

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