



3rd European Cavy Show

16.05. – 18.05.2014



Official Show Rules

§ 1 Rules and regulations

All exhibitors entering this show shall agree to abide by the following rules and regulations.

§ 2 Eligibility requirements

An Entente Européene affiliated association membership is required to participate in this show.

§ 3 Entries

1. German entries are only accepted via the MFD BD e.V. online registration tool.
2. Participants from abroad are expected to send their entry forms to their local contact person. The local contact person is expected to collect and send all forms to the show manager, Britta Schröder, ausstellung@meerschweinchenfreunde.de after application deadline.
3. Entry forms must be filled out in German or English.
Application deadline: Saturday, April 5, 2014. Local contact persons are expected to send all entry forms to the show manager,
Frau Britta Schröder, Südstraße 41, 50189 Elsdorf
by the 6th of April at the latest.

Entry fees are as follows:

Basic entry fee	19€
Entry fee per cavy	5,50€* (incl. 0,50€ EE contribution)
Fee per cavy sales cage	5,50€
Catalogue	3,50€
Social evening incl. buffet	21,50€ pp

Entry fees must be paid in full by any participant to the following account until 14th April 2014:

Meerschweinchenfreunde Deutschland BD e.V.
IBAN DE68 3125 1220 1400 1691 30
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§ 4 Eligibility requirements for show cavies

1. Hairless cavies are not admitted!
2. Cavies must meet MFD BD e.V. minimum weight of 500 g (a tolerance of 5% will be permissible). Cavies below this weight limit will not be judged.
3. All cavies are to be shown in a perfectly healthy condition. Neither sick or diseased nor gravid or nursing cavies will be allowed in Showroom. Any cavy showing signs of disease or pregnancy after arrival will not be judged and be quarantined.

4. Cavies can be shown in 4 different categories:
 - a. *recognized breeds and colors according to the European standard*
Cavies will be judged according to the European standard and may be awarded with the title European Champion (collection or single). Additional awards are: Best Smooth Haired Cavy, Best Rough Haired Cavy and Best Long Haired Cavy.
 - b. *not recognized breeds and colors according to the European standard*
Entries must be accompanied by a national standard abstract. Cavies will be judged according to the European standard but not awarded.
 - c. *pet class*
Cavies will be judged according to the MFD BD e.V. pet standard which mainly focus on condition and behavior and may be awarded Best in Show pet class 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.
 - d. *recognition procedure*
MFD BD e.V. members only. Recognition groups must meet requirements as specified in the MFD BD e.V. Regulations for Exhibitions § 12.

§ 5 Cages & Feeding

1. All cavies will be shown in single cages. Cages are shielded on three sides by plastic inserts.
2. All cavies must be permanently and legibly earmarked in the left ear. Earmarks (made of plaster) are handed out by the show manager at the arrival.
3. MFD BD e.V. members are responsible themselves for feeding their cavies. This includes equipping the cages with bowls and water bottles. Exhibitors from abroad may choose and check on the entry form if their cavies will be feed by themselves (includes equipping the cages with bowls and water bottles) or be feed by an organized team. Cavies need to be well provided with feed and water throughout the show.

§ 6 Liability

1. The Show organizer (MFD BD e.V.) will not accept responsibility and liability either for any damage or injury resulting from disease or theft or death of a cavy; whether to exhibits, property of exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left therein or any other property of any nature whatsoever.

§ 7 Judging

1. All cavies will be judged according to the European standard on Friday, 16 February, 9.00 a.m. by Entente Européene judges. Cavies for recognition procedure according to MFD BD e.V. standard will be judged on Saturday, 17 February.
2. All cavies will be carried to the judges' table by designated auxiliaries.
3. Exhibitors of cavies shown in full coat are allowed to prepare their cavies themselves before they are carried to the judges' table by designated auxiliaries.

§ 8 Awards

1. **European champion (collection)**
 - a. The title "European champion (collection)" will be awarded for the following groups: smooth haired, rough haired and long haired cavies. Therefore must be entered as many as 12 cavies of the pre-mentioned groups from at least two different countries. First of all the highest rated collection of one of the pre-mentioned groups will be awarded with the title "European Champion"

- (collection)". The title "European Champion (collection)" requires a minimum score of 382 points.
- b. Further "European champion (collection)" titles can be awarded within a single breed, if as many as 12 cavies of one of the pre-mentioned groups from at least two countries are entered.
 - c. Further "European champion (collection)" titles can be awarded within a single color, if as many as 12 cavies of one of the pre-mentioned groups from at least two countries are entered.
 - d. The title "European champion (collection)" will be awarded on the basis of the given points by the judges. A separate entry of collections by the exhibitor is not necessary. A collection consists of 4 cavies, similar in group, breed and color of one exhibitor and both sexes are represented. In the case of a points tie all exhibitors with the same score will be awarded "European champion (collection)".
 - e. Each "European champion (collection)" will receive a framed honorary certificate.

2. European champion (single)

- a. Just as for "European champion (collection)" cavies from at least two different countries are required.
- b. If as many as 12 cavies are entered of the same breed the title "European champion (single)" will be awarded. Independent of sex, the best of breed will be awarded with a certificate. 2nd and 3rd placed may receive further prizes.
- c. If single colors or color groups meet the requirements (as many as 12 cavies from at least two different countries) further "European champion (single)" titles will be awarded in that color/color group.
- d. If 24 or more cavies of the same breed are entered, the best male as well as the best female will be awarded as "European Champion (single)".
- e. If single colors or color groups meet the requirements (as many as 24 cavies from at least two different countries) further "European champion (single)" titles will be awarded to the best male as well as to the best female.
- f. The title "European Champion (single)" will be awarded at a minimum score of 95 points (Very Good).
- g. First of all the highest rated cavy will be awarded with the title "European Champion (single)". In the case of a points tie the title will be awarded by the main judge in cooperation with a group of judges which needs to be represented by judges of at least two different countries.
- h. Each "European champion (single)" will receive a framed honorary certificate.

Best smooth haired, rough haired and long haired cavy

Awarding of best smooth haired, rough haired and long haired cavy according to the European standard. Placed will receive a price cup and a certificate.

3. German champion

- a. requires a MFD BD e.V. membership
- b. recognized breed and color according to the MFD BD e.V. standard
- c. placement main class, 1st to 3rd place
- d. placement Best in Show, 1st to 3rd place
- e. all pre-mentioned will receive a price cup and a honorary certificate

4. Best in Show pet class according to the MFD BD e.V. pet standard

- a. placement Best in Show, 1st to 3rd place
- b. all pre-mentioned will receive a price cup and a honorary certificate

§ 9 Cavy sales

1. While filling in the entry form it is possible to book a sales cage. Every sales cage may contain one cavy at a time.
2. Cavies for sale will not be judged and can be sold as soon as the show is declared open. Sold cavies will be delivered by designated auxiliaries only.
3. Cavies for sale must meet MFD BD e.V. minimum sale weight of 350 g (a tolerance of 5% will be permissible).
4. As soon as a cavy is sold the exhibitor is allowed to restock the sales cage.
5. Prepared sale forms can be downloaded from www.meerschweinchenfreunde.de or will be available at the sales checkout.
6. Every single cavy for sale will be checked for a perfectly healthy condition by the sales manager.
7. It is possible to sell participating show cavies, too. This needs to be announced towards the sales manager. Sold participating show cavies may only be delivered at the last day of the show one hour before the show closes or in consultation with the show manager.
8. The cavy sale is managed by designated auxiliaries who are determined by the show manager. Only these designated auxiliaries are allowed to sell and deliver cavies.
9. A fee of 10% from the indicated price will be charged by the show organizer. The fee will be deducted from the exhibitors' sales revenue during final account and payout.
10. The binding minimum price for every cavy is 20 €

§ 10 Social evening with award presentation

1. Social evening will take place on Saturday evening at 7.30 p.m. at the following address: Community center Neu-Etzwiler, Irisweg 101, 50189 Elsdorf (Neu-Etzwiler)
2. Social evening attendance is only granted upon prior registration on the entry form and costs 21,50 € pp incl. buffet. For organizational reasons attendance without buffet is not possible.
3. At the social evening all awards mentioned under § 8 will be handed over. Exhibitors who will not attend social evening are able to collect their awards at the MFD BD e.V. information stand on Sunday. Additionally the results for the recognition procedure will be announced.
4. A corresponding entertainment program will be offered.

§ 11 Show catalog advertisement

Exhibitors may place advertisements in the show catalog at the following prices:

half page 35 € (width 185 mm, height 133,5 mm)

full page 60 € (width 185 mm, height 275 mm)

Please send your template as JPG or PDF file to

Britta Schröder (schatzm2@meerschweinchenfreunde.de) or

Petra Ludwig-Bauer (vorstand@meerschweinchenfreunde.de).

The amount needs to be added to the entry fees and paid to the above-mentioned account.

§ 12 Release and dismantling

As all European exhibitors are our guests it is taken for granted that after removing the show cavies from the cages after the show has ended, they will receive their cavy sales payout immediately and are able to set off for home. Dismantling will be done by MFD BD e.V. members.