

Judging Standard for the
2009 Outstanding Breeder Award

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Finalists should expect to tour a panel of judges through their project explaining their work, demonstrating related skills and answering questions. The visit may take approximately 30 minutes.

1. Appearance and Scope of Project, 30 point max

Judges may consider: the preparation of the applicant; the preparation and efficiency of the project area; the number of animals owned and produced; the number of breeding cycles the applicant has directed; the overall herd health and appearance; how informed the applicant is about their project; applicant's enthusiasm for their project and industry.

2. Skills Learned, 30 points max

Judges may consider: amount of work/time that goes into the project daily and/or seasonally; the applicant's ability and knowledge to maintain optimum health in their animals; skills and ag mechanics learned and applied by the applicant, such as fence repair or installation of new equipment; accuracy of bookkeeping records on finances and genealogy of the herd.

Applicants may wish to have a short demonstration prepared showing a technical skill used in their project. They may also want to have their bookkeeping records available to show the judges.

3. Future Plans, 40 points max

Judges would like to know: what the applicant likes most about their animals currently; applicant's plans for changes in their herd and details of how this will be attained; the applicant's thoughts on a specific animal that they have bred – what they like and what they would like to change; plans for the applicant's own future.

Further questions may be directed to www.rainbowag.com or 743-1907.