

SA BOER GOAT BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION

AUCTION RULES

The following auctions must be presented by members of the SABGBA under the protection of the SABGBA:

- National Auctions
- World and National Show Auctions
- Production and Private Auctions
- Club Auctions
- Accredited Veld Ram Auctions

The following auction rules apply to the above-mentioned auctions and may be amended and/or adjusted from time to time by the Council of the SABGBA:

1. NATIONAL AUCTIONS

1.1 Admission:

1.1.1 Only members of the SABGBA who are registered with SA Stud Book may present animals at the Association's National auction

1.2 Application:

1.2.1 Applications to present animals at the National auction must be submitted annually on the prescribed form provided by the office to members, to the office on or before a date determined by the Council.

1.2.2 No applications will be considered after the closing date as determined by the Council

1.2.3 To participate in the National Auction, a member must have presented animals at their club auction within the last 12 months.

1.3 Scope:

1.3.1 The number of animals that may be presented at the National auction rests in the sole discretion of the Council and will be determined annually by the Council.

1.3.2 Should the Council be of the opinion that the supply of animals exceeds the potential demand by too great a margin, the Council shall be empowered to reduce the number of animals on a pro-rata basis.

1.4 **Spectrum:** Only fully registered (SP) animals may be entered by members at the National auction.

1.5 Entry Fee:

1.5.1 An entry fee as determined from time to time by the Council is payable to the SABGBA (Currently R 100.00 per ram and R 60.00 per ewe).

1.5.2 The above amounts may be adjusted from time to time by the Council.

1.5.3 If a prospective seller does present his/her animals at the National auction, an amount of R 50.00 in the case of rams and R 30.00 in the case of ewes shall be refunded to the sellers by the Breeders' Association after completion of the National auction.

1.5.4 The latter amounts may also be adjusted from time to time by the Council.

1.6 Inspection:

1.6.1 Rams and ewes presented at the National auction will be inspected separately by at least three (3) inspectors, appointed annually by the office, on the day before the auction. The decision of these inspectors as to whether an animal may be presented at the National auction or not shall be binding on the relevant seller(s)

1.6.2 The inspectors have the right to check the mouths of goats on the following day, before the auction commences, to ensure that the mouths were not manipulated prior to the inspection process.

1.6.3 To be inspected and approved, rams must be 10 months or older or weigh at least 60kg, and ewes 10 months or older or weigh at least 40kg.

1.6.4 Should a dispute arise regarding the inspection process, the present Executive Committee members of the Council, in cooperation with the relevant inspectors, shall take a final and binding decision.

1.7 Selling order:

1.7.1 The selling order in respect of rams as well as ewes at National auctions is determined by calculating the average of a seller's highest three (3) rams and/or highest three (3) ewes at the preceding National auction.

1.7.2 If a seller presents fewer than three (3) rams and/or ewes, the proceeds of the animals will nevertheless be divided by three (3) to calculate the average proceeds.

1.7.3 In the case where a seller(s) presents animals at the National auction for the first time, such seller(s) will be added in alphabetical order to the list of sellers who presented animals at the preceding National auction.

1.8 Auctioneers: The Council shall from time to time and at its discretion invite tenders from auction houses for hosting the National auction.

Tenders from auction houses will be for a term of 3 years after which new applications will be received.

1.9 Commission structure:

1.9.1 A commission structure, as negotiated and agreed upon from time to time with the selected auction house, shall be recovered from the sellers at the National auction.

1.9.2 A further 1% commission shall be recovered by the auctioneers/ auction house from the sellers and paid over to the Breeders' Association.

1.10 Advertising costs:

1.10.1 An advertising program for the National auction shall be negotiated annually by the office with the selected auction house.

1.10.2 Should the advertising costs not be fully financed by the auctioneers, the balance of the advertising costs shall be recovered from the sellers on a pro-rata basis.

1.11 Fertility of Rams:

1.11.1 Rams shall annually be tested for fertility at the auction venue before the National auction by a veterinarian appointed by the office.

1.11.2 Rams that test infertile during this process may not be presented at the National auction and/or be sold at the auction venue after the auction.

1.11.3 Only the certificate of the relevant veterinarian conducting the tests at the auction venue shall be accepted as valid.

1.11.4 The cost of the veterinarian shall be paid pro-rata by the members presenting rams at the auction.

1.12 Pregnancy and teats of ewes:

1.12.1 All ewes 6-tooth and older that are not suckling a lamb shall be pregnancy scanned by a veterinarian at the auction venue. This shall be the only valid certificate.

1.12.2 The cost of the veterinarian shall be paid pro-rata by the members presenting ewes at the auction

1.13 Pre-approved animals:

1.13.1 Animals declared as stud animals and issued with a stud badge by an inspector(s) of the Breeders' Association prior to the commencement of the National auction shall again be subject to inspection during the inspection process at the auction venue

1.13.2 Such animals may be presented as stud animals at the National auction provided that the inspectors find the relevant animals acceptable as stud animals during the inspection process at the auction venue

1.13.3 Should the inspectors, for any reason whatsoever, not declare such pre-approved animal(s) as stud animals during the inspection process at the auction venue, such animal shall retain its stud badge and be presented at that specific auction as a herd animal.

1.14 Abscesses: Abscesses are permitted provided they are covered with hair and are smaller than an R5 coin.

1.15 Post-auction sales:

1.15.1 Only animals declared auction-worthy by the inspectors and veterinarian and not sold during the auction may be sold after completion of the auction at the auction venue, provided that such transactions are handled through the books of the auctioneers.

1.15.2 Animals declared not auction-worthy by the veterinarian and inspectors may under no circumstances be sold at the auction venue after completion of the auction. Members who engage in this practice may be suspended by the SABGBA for a period determined by the Council.

2. WORLD AND NATIONAL SHOW AUCTIONS

2.1 Admission:

2.1.1 Only members of the SABGBA who are registered with SA Stud Book and who exhibit animals through the ring at the World and National shows may enter animals for the above show auctions.

2.1.2 In addition, judges at the World and National shows shall also be entitled to enter animals at the above auctions.

2.2 Application

The same procedures and rules as in the case of National auctions apply (Refer para 1.2).

2.3 Scope

2.3.1 There is currently no limitation on the number of animals that may be entered at the above auctions

2.3.2 It remains within the sole discretion of the Council to amend this practice if necessary.

2.4 Spectrum: Only SP animals may be presented by members at the above auctions.

2.5 Stud Book Registration: From 2023 all animals presented at the above auctions must be registered with SA Stud Book.

2.6 Entry Fee:

The same rules as in the case of National auctions apply.

2.7 Inspection:

2.7.1 The same persons acting as judges at the World and National shows will also be responsible for the inspection of animals for presentation at the above auctions.

2.7.2 The remainder of the auction rules regarding inspection, as applicable at National auctions, shall also apply at the above two auctions.

2.8 Selling order:

The same rules as for National auctions.

2.9 Auctioneers, Commission Structure and Advertising Costs

The same rules as for National auctions.

2.10 Fertility of Rams:

The same rules as for National auctions.

2.11 Pregnancy and teats of ewes:

The same rules as for National auctions.

2.12 Abscesses

The same rules as for National auctions.

2.13 Post-auction sales

The same rules as for National auctions.

3. PRODUCTION AND/OR PRIVATE AUCTIONS

3.1 Admission:

3.1.1 In order to obtain approval from the Council to present production and/or private auctions under the protection of the SABGBA, such members must present animals at at least one of the SABGBA's official auctions.

3.1.2 For this purpose, National, National Show, Club and Accredited Veld Ram auctions are regarded as official auctions of the SABGBA.

3.2 Application:

3.2.1 From 1 January 2014 members and Clubs intending to present production and/or private auctions must submit such applications annually on or before 30 June on the prescribed application form to the office, clearly indicating at which official SABGBA auction animals were presented during the past year.

3.2.2 No new or late applications will be considered annually after 30 June by the Council unless it is an application to hold a complete dispersal sale of animals. Such applications will be considered on merit by the Council.

3.2.3 Applications to hold production and/or private auctions will annually be considered for approval or not at the Council's July meeting for the following year.

3.2.4 Should a clash of auction dates between members arise, the auction committee of the Council in cooperation with the Club Chairpersons shall resolve such clashes between the Council's July and October Council meetings by way of negotiation with the parties concerned for final approval or not at the Council's October meeting.

3.2.5 During consideration and approval of these applications by the Council, an attempt will be made to ensure that auctions in the same region do not take place within 7 calendar days of each other.

3.3 Scope:

There is no limitation on the number of animals that may be presented at production and/or private auctions

3.4 Spectrum:

3.4.1 Both stud and herd animals may be presented by members at production and/or private auctions.

3.4.2 Persons who are not members of the SABGBA may from 1 January 2013 be allowed to present animals as guest sellers at production and/or private auctions under the protection of the SABGBA on the understanding that:

3.4.2.1 such guest sellers may only present ewes.

3.4.2.2 the animals of such guest sellers shall be subject to inspection and must comply with the minimum breed standards of the SABGBA.

3.4.2.3 the applicable commission (currently 1%) in respect of the guest sellers' animals shall also be payable to the office.

3.4.3 If it is advertised that a particular production and/or private auction is presented under the protection of the SABGBA, no slaughter animals and/or rejected animals may be presented at the same auction.

3.5 Inspection

3.5.1 Production auctions: One (1) Inspector is permitted, provided that the Office formally nominates and approves the relevant person. (Different inspectors may be used within groups.).

3.5.2 The decision of these inspectors as to whether an animal may be presented at the relevant auctions or not shall be binding on the relevant seller(s).

3.5.3 This inspection process must be conducted within 14 days prior to the auction date.

3.5.4 After completion of the inspection process the relevant inspectors must provide the office with a list of approved animals within three (3) working days.

3.6 Auctioneers, Commission structure and Advertising costs

3.6.1 Members presenting production and/or private auctions are entitled to use auctioneers of their choice; at a commission structure and with an advertising program as agreed with the relevant auctioneers

3.6.2 A commission of 1% on the turnover of the relevant auctions shall be payable to the SABGBA

3.6.3 In cases where members present production and/or private auctions outside the boundaries of their base club area, a further percentage commission (if so agreed) may be payable to the club within whose geographical area such auctions are held.

3.7 Fertility of Rams

3.7.1 Although testing of rams presented at these auctions is not yet compulsory, the SABGBA strongly recommends that rams be tested for fertility.

3.7.2 If a buyer of a ram at these auctions has such ram tested for fertility by a veterinarian within 14 days of the date of purchase and it appears that such ram is infertile, the responsibility rests with the seller to replace such ram with one acceptable to the buyer or to refund the purchase price of the relevant ram to the buyer.

3.7.3 Should libido problems be experienced with rams purchased at these auctions, the buyer(s) shall be entitled to report the name(s) of such seller(s) to the office for recording in the libido register. If a seller's name is recorded 3 times in the libido register, the Council shall be entitled to investigate the animals of the relevant seller(s).

3.8 Fertility and teats of ewes

3.8.1 In order to be presented at production and/or private auctions from 1 November 2008, Boer goat ewes of 6-tooth and older must be visibly pregnant or pregnancy scanned at the auction venue or accompanied by a pregnancy certificate not older than one month prior to the commencement of the relevant auction, or at the discretion of the inspectors have clearly lambed previously or be suckling lambs.

3.8.2 Ewes with herd teats may be presented at the auctions if the inspector considers them functional.

3.9 Post-auction sales

The same rules as for National auctions.

4. CLUB AUCTIONS

4.1 Clubs shall, in terms of a decision of the Council, be entitled to determine their own auction rules provided that such auction rules do not conflict with the auction rules applicable to official auctions of the SABGBA.

4.2 Club members who are not members of the SABGBA may be allowed by Clubs to present ewes at Club auctions but not rams.

4.3 In cases where Clubs fully finance the auction costs themselves, no commission shall be payable to the SABGBA. 1% commission is paid over to the club.

4.4 Club auctions: Two (2) Inspectors permitted.

5 ACCREDITED VELDRAM AUCTIONS

5.1 In order to obtain accreditation for veld ram projects under the protection of the SABGBA and to present auctions under the protection of the SABGBA, the rules under which such veld ram projects are operated must be submitted to the SABGBA for approval.

6. GENERAL

6.1 **Cull animals:** No cull animals may be sold at auctions presented under the protection of the SABGBA – not even as slaughter animals.

6.2 **Commercial Auctions:** Members of the SABGBA must at all times present breeding animals at auctions under the protection of the SABGBA and are therefore not empowered to present “commercial auctions” that do not fall under the protection of the SABGBA.

6.3 **Online / Whatsapp Auctions:** Any form of online / Whatsapp auctions must be applied for in advance, animals must be inspected and the auction must comply with the SABGBA regulations.