

World Pet Association – Atlanta Pet Fair & Conference - SuperZoo

GroomTeam & Like Kind Contest Rules

For 2017-2018

World Pet Association produces two grooming shows – One at SuperZoo, Las Vegas, NV and the other at The Atlanta Pet Fair & Conference, Atlanta, GA. Contact: info@wpamail.org 135 West Lemon Ave., Monrovia, CA 91016, USA, (800) 999-7295 or (626) 447-2222.

Contest Entry will close 5:00PM PST, 2 weeks prior to contest start date for the Atlanta Pet Fair and will close 5:00PM PDT, 2 weeks prior to contest start date for the SuperZoo event. Only entries submitted online will be accepted.

WPA shows are GroomTeam sanctioned. Open Division is the only GroomTeam Sanctioned competition, GroomTeam awards points to the open division placements only. These shows are Three Tiered, Multi-Division competitions. Intermediate Division and Entry Division compete simultaneously for the titles of first, second and third in each division. Winners from each division then compete against each other for Group placements. Group placements are calculated to determine the Best All Around Groomer. First place from every Group will then compete for Best in Show. Group placements, Best in Show and Best All Around Groomer, are from the four regular classes.

Divisions:

Open: (GroomTeam Points) Open to all Competitors/Stylists/Professional groomers.

Intermediate: Restricted to competitors who have not won:

- Two Best in Show or two Best All Around groomer titles from the intermediate division at anyshow.
- OR three first placements from the intermediate division at anyshow.
- OR three Group placements from a tiered show.

Entry: Restricted to competitors who have never competed, or who have not won:

- A Best in Show or Best All Around Groomer Title from any division at any Grooming show
- Or three first placements from the Entry Division at any Grooming show
- Or one Group placement from a Groomingshow
- Owners, handlers, or breeders who have “finished a Champion,” instructors, pet styling contest judges, and certifiers must compete in either the Intermediate or Open Division.

Awards: Immediately following class awards, first place winners from each division will be judged against each other for the first place in Group. The second place contestant from the winning division will then compete against the remaining first place division winners for second place in Group. The division winning Group second will then compete for Group third place.

First place winners from the Groups should remain in the ring immediately following their class for evaluation by the Best in Show judge. The contestant must return with their dog at the designated time and place in

order to be considered for Best in Show awards. Bathing and/or sprucing up of Group winning dogs are permitted, however no other trimming, carding, stripping or styling of any kind is allowed at this time.

Best All Around Groomer (BAAG) is calculated from Group placements as follows: Group first = 3 points, Group second = 2 points, Group third = 1 point. First tiebreaker is the highest number of placements. Second tiebreaker is the highest number of entries defeated. If an exact tie still exists, the prize will be divided equally. In order to be eligible for BAAG, the contestant must enter a minimum of three GroomTeam sanctioned classes. Specialty classes such as Mixed Salon, Creative, Rescue and Jackpot do not count toward BAAG.

Provided sufficient eligible competitors are entered, 1st, 2nd and 3rd placements will be awarded. Awards will not be withheld unless specific rule infractions, as determined by the show management, are severe enough to warrant disqualification.

Classes: Poodles Small, Poodles Large, Wire Coats (Hand Strip), Sporting (Spaniels & Setters), and Other Purebreds (Scissoring).

For all Classes: Ring opens at least 15 minutes prior to prejudge, contestants must be present for prejudging or they will not be permitted to compete. Check Show addendum schedule for time.

Six weeks or more coat growth is recommended; however, as some dogs grow coat more quickly than others, adequate coat growth is defined as enough coat to make a distinct change in the dog's appearance. Rolled or rotated coats are permitted in the hand stripped breeds, but must be adequate to make a distinct change in the dog's appearance. Finishing sprays are permitted after time is called however, re-shaping with any product is prohibited.

Poodle:

Acceptable breeds: All Purebred Poodles.

Standard: Show trims and pet trims that adhere to Poodle breed profile are permitted. Faces must be shaved during the competition time period. Small moustache and/or goatee beards are acceptable. Scissored faces, such as teddy bear/bichon heads are prohibited. Poodle feet must be shaved. Feet may be shaved prior to competition start time. NO extra time will be permitted if not completed prior to class start. Show topknots may be pre-banded, including hair extensions prior to the start of the class, spray up products are prohibited prior to start of the class.

Time:

Small Poodle: 11" and under at withers (1 ½ Hours)
Over 11" and up to & including 17" at withers (1 ¾ Hours)

Large Poodle: Over 17" at withers, up to and including 23" (2 Hours)
Over 23" at withers (2 ¼ Hours)

Wire Coat Class (Hand Strip):

Acceptable Breeds: Pure breeds with wire coat types that are hand stripped. See list below

Standard: Trimmed to acceptable breed standard and profile.

It is permissible for Entry division, to use clippers, scissors and thinning shears when the bodywork is typically hand stripped for the show ring. Hand stripping on wire-coated breeds is encouraged and adhering to breed profile on all breeds is mandatory.

Time:

Breeds Wire Coat (Hand Strip)	Time A Clip/Scissor	Time B Card/Strip
Affenpinscher	1:30	1:45
Airedale Terrier	2:00	2:15
Australian Terrier	1:30	1:45
Border Terrier	1:30	1:45
Brussels Griffon	1:30	1:45
Cairn Terrier	1:45	2:00
Dachshund Wire	1:30	1:45
Dandie Dinmont Terrier	1:45	2:00
Giant Schnauzer	2:00	2:15
Irish Terrier	1:45	2:00
Lakeland Terrier	1:45	2:00
Miniature Schnauzer	1:45	2:00
Norfolk Terrier	1:30	1:45
Norwich Terrier	1:30	1:45
Scottish Terrier	1:45	2:00
Sealyham Terrier	1:45	2:00
Standard Schnauzer	1:45	2:00
Welsh Terrier	1:45	2:00
West Highland White Terrier	1:45	2:00
Wire Fox Terrier	1:45	2:00

Sporting Class (Spaniels & Setters):

Acceptable Breeds: See list below.

Standard: Trimmed to acceptable breed standard and profile. Pet trims are not permitted. It is permissible for Entry level, to use clippers, scissors and thinning shears when the bodywork is typically hand stripped and/or carded for the show ring. Hand stripping/carding is encouraged as customary and adhering to breed profile mandatory.

Time:

Breeds Sporting	Time "A" Clip	Time "B" Strip/card
Clumber Spaniel	1:45	2:00
American Cocker Spaniel	1:45	2:00
English Cocker Spaniel	1:45	2:00
English Setter	1:45	2:00
English Springer Spaniel	1:45	2:00
Field Spaniel	1:45	2:00
Gordon Setter	1:45	2:00
Irish Red and White Setter	1:45	2:00
Irish Setter	1:45	2:00
Sussex Spaniel	1:45	2:00
Welsh Springer Spaniel	1:45	2:00

Other Purebreds (Scissoring):

Acceptable Breeds: See List below

Standard: Trimmed to acceptable breed standard and profile. Pet trims are not permitted.

It is permissible however, to use clippers, scissors and thinning shears. Adhering to breed profile on all breeds is mandatory.

Other Purebreds (Scissoring)	Time
Bedlington Terrier	2:00
Bichon Frise	1:45
Black Russian Terrier	2:15
Bouvier des Flandres	2:15
Irish Water Spaniel	2:00
Kerry Blue Terrier	2:00
Portuguese Water Dog	2:00
Soft Coated Wheaton	2:00

See General Contest Rules

Show management will determine clarification of any issues that may arise that are not covered by the rules.