

Attachment A
VER Alpaca Of The Year and Best of Colour
Competition Rules

Qualifying Shows:

Lardner Alpaca Show

Sale Alpaca Show

Berwick Ag Show

Red Hill Ag Show

1. Rules

(a) The Victorian Eastern Region Alpaca of the Year (AOTY) and Best of Colour awards for both Huacaya and Suri Alpacas will only be achievable by members of the Victorian Eastern Region (VER) of the Australian Alpaca Association (AAA). In order to achieve these awards, eligible exhibits have the opportunity to be judged at four Victorian Eastern Region Shows (excluding any show that do not run). These are deemed as ‘Qualifying’ shows.

(b) AOTY - Huacaya and Suri will each receive an award for their respective breed:

(i) ‘VER Huacaya Alpaca of the Year’

- The winner of ‘Huacaya Alpaca of the Year’ will receive the Huacaya Alpaca of the Year Sash, the Lyla Fisher Memorial Trophy and Replica Trophy.

(ii) VER Suri Alpaca of the Year’

- The winner of ‘Suri Alpaca of the Year’ will receive the Suri Alpaca of the Year Sash, the Keith Turner Memorial Trophy and Replica Trophy.

(c) Best of Colour - Huacaya and Suri will each receive awards for their respective breed:

(i) Best of Colour – White, Light Fawn, Med/Dark Fawn, Brown, Roan, Grey, Black, Fancy

(d) At the conclusion of the ‘Qualifying’ shows during the respective financial year, the eligible Huacaya and Suri exhibits with the highest number of points accumulated at their best three shows, will be deemed the winner of the AOTY breed’s award and eligible Huacaya and Suri exhibits with

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the highest number of accumulated points in each colour class will be deemed the winners of the Best of Colour competitions.

(i) Under special circumstances, the number of qualifying shows may be reduced to allow for the competition to proceed (eg. the cancellation of two or more qualifying shows within one competition year).

2. Eligibility Criteria

(a) Exhibits must be registered with the Australian Alpaca Association.

(b) Points will only be awarded to exhibits that are owned by Financial Members of the Victorian Eastern Region as at the time of the 'Qualifying' shows.

(i) An animal exhibited by a member of another AAA Region cannot accrue points towards the awards.

(ii) An animal purchased by a VER member that has previously been shown by a member of another AAA Region will only be eligible to earn points towards the award(s) from the date at which the animal was transferred to the VER member on eAlpaca.

(c) Exhibits must be owned by a current Financial Member of the Victorian Eastern Region of the Australian Alpaca Association.

(d) An Alpaca must be exhibited at a minimum of three of the qualifying shows; an alpaca not shown at three qualifying shows will not be eligible for the award, except under special circumstance pertaining to Rule 1 (d) (i).

(e) In the event of a draw:

(i) AOTY - will be awarded to both eligible exhibits

(ii) Best of Colour – a count back will be conducted, and the successful exhibitor will be the alpaca with the most competition during the three eligible shows.

3. Point Allocation System for both AOTY and Best of Colour Competitions

Point allocations for Age and Colour Shows are as follows:

(a) Age Champion Show

Age Championship Awards	Points Allocated
Supreme Champion	7
Age Champion	6
Age Reserve Champion	5
Best in Colour	4
1st	3
2nd	2
3rd	1

(b) Colour Championship Show

Colour Championship Awards	Points Allocated
Supreme Colour	7
Colour Champion (Male or Female)	6
Colour Reserve Champion (Male or Female)	5
1st	3
2nd	2
3rd	1