

## **GUIDELINES FOR THE CHAIRPERSON OF TROPHY SUPPORTED SHOWS**

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Per our Constitution, MBC Trophy Supported Entries (TSE) can only be held in the states of Wisconsin, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana & Michigan. MBC functions will not be scheduled to conflict with Borzoi Club of America's functions. Borzoi sweepstakes can only be held with an MBC Specialty show, or an MBC Trophy Supported Entry.

First, contact the all-breed kennel club or hound group club (the host club) to ask if the club will approve a borzoi trophy supported entry at their show. Most clubs will offer a breed club a rebate, such as \$3 a dog entered, for holding a trophy supported entry. The host club must provide a letter to the AKC, agreeing to allow the borzoi TSE & sweepstakes, a copy of which needs to be sent to the MBC corresponding secretary. Find out the deadline for getting the trophy list in the premium, and who in the host club to give the trophy list to, and who the Borzoi breed judge will be. Sweepstakes is optional, but is usually held with a TSE. Contact a suitable person to judge sweepstakes, and get their agreement that he/she will judge sweepstakes at that show, at no expense to MBC. (The host club will usually provide lunch to a sweepstakes judge, but will not reimburse the sweepstakes judge for travel expenses). Provide the date & location of show, name of the host club, name & address of the host club's show chairperson, & name of the sweepstakes judge & address (unless the person is a MBC or BCOA member), to the MBC corresponding secretary, in order to get MBC Board approval of the TSE. This must be done for a board meeting, at least 6 months before the closing date of the show. The MBC corresponding secretary will submit the application for the TSE & sweepstakes to the AKC, which has to be done at least 18 weeks ahead of the closing date of the show (per AKC rules). MBC will donate a 3" club medallion for Best of Breed. MBC will also donate \$100 for trophies, if the TSE is on the same weekend as an MBC specialty. MBC will not cover any deficiency that may occur in the course of the supported show. Once MBC has approved the TSE, contact other borzoi exhibitors for trophy donations. Provide the information about the TSE to the MBC webmaster, and to the MBC Bulletin editor to get publicity for the show, at least 4 months in advance of the show.

The entry fee for the MBC sweepstakes is \$16 for puppy & veteran classes, unless the all-breed kennel club has set a different entry fee for sweepstakes. The following information should be in the premium: "Puppy Sweepstakes: 35% of entry fee for club expenses. The remaining entry fee (65%) to be awarded First place – 40%, Second place – 30%, Third place – 20% and Fourth Place 10%. Classes to be offered for sweepstakes are 6-9, 9-12, 12-15 and 15-18 months, for both males and females. No champion of record may be entered. All puppies must be entered in a regular class at this show at the regular entry fee. Best Puppy and Best Opposite Sex (BOS) puppy shall be awarded. Veteran Sweepstakes: 35% of entry fee for club expenses. The remaining entry fee (65%) to be awarded First place – 40%, Second place – 30%, Third place – 20% and Fourth Place 10%. Classes divided by sex and age: 7 to under 9 years, 9 to under 11 years and 11 years, and older. Dogs entered in veteran sweepstakes need not be entered in a Regular class. Dogs may be neutered and bitches spayed (but may not enter another class) but must otherwise be sound. Best veteran and BOS veteran to be awarded."

Provide the show results to the MBC Bulletin editor unless the results can be copied from a show website (such as infodog.com ).