

## **AMZA Official Show Rules and Regulations**

The following rules and regulations are for American Miniature Zebu Association sanctioned shows and these rules shall govern.

All Registered Miniature Zebras are welcome to show in an AMZA sanctioned show. (Registry must be recognized by the AMZA. Please contact the AMZA with any questions regarding this).

All exhibitors must be a member in good standing with their respectable registry.

Unless otherwise stated within the show documentation, the American Miniature Zebu Association will allow animals to be registered as late as 2 weeks prior to the show.

The original or photocopy of the original registration certificate will need to be made available to the Show Superintendent for every animal entered and the document must be available for inspection during check-in.

All cattle entering the show ring must be 42" or less measured at the hip.

Horned or de-horned animals are acceptable.

All miniature zebu must be shown in their natural state. The only clipping allowed for cattle shown is inner ear, genitalia, and whiskers. No body clipping is allowed. No paint, dye, chalk, or glitter may be used to modify appearance. Only clear polish may be used on hoofs and horns. Tail switch cannot be embellished in any way, no additions to the switch may be added. The alteration of physical features and appearance of any animal by cosmetic and/or surgical means are deemed unethical practices and will be grounds for disqualifications.

All animals must show with a halter and lead strap attached to the halter. It shall be at the exhibitor's discretion whether to use a nose ring. Any animal that becomes unruly or dangerous may be disqualified by the judge.

Any animal disqualified from its class will not be counted in the total number of animals shown for sanction purposes.

Entries in the group classes must also show in their respective age class.

Permanent Grand Champion animals may be entered in their respective age group OR the Champion Challenge but NOT both.

**Master Champion animals may only be shown at an AMZA National Show in the National Champion Class.**

It is recommended that every show animal has some sort of permanent identification. It is not necessary now, but eventually all miniature zebu cattle shown will need to be

identified. This could be tattoos, USDA tags, or brands. Please check with your State requirements on cattle identification. This permanent identification needs to match the animal's AMZA registration papers.

Health certificates may be required if specified in the show rules of the show venue. When health certificates are not required by the show venue, the Show Officials shall see that all animals brought to the show are in apparent good health and free from noticeable disease. Show officials may deny entry if an animal does not appear to be in good health.

### **AMZA Show Classes**

#### **Steers**

Class 1	0 to under 6 months
Class 2	6 to under 12 months
Class 3	12 to under 18 months
Class 4	18 to under 24 months
Class 5	2 to under 3 years
Class 6	3 years and older
	Grand Champion Steer
	Reserve Grand Champion Steer
Class 9	Champion Challenge Steer

#### **Junior Bulls**

Class 10	0 to under 6 months
Class 11	6 to under 12 months
Class 12	12 to under 18 months
Class 13	18 to under 24 months
	Grand Champion Junior Bull
	Reserve Grand Champion Junior Bull

#### **Senior Bulls**

Class 16	2 to under 3 years old
Class 17	3 to under 4 years old
Class 18	4 to under 5 years old
Class 19	5 years and older
	Grand Champion Senior Bull
	Reserve Grand Champion Senior Bull
Class 22	Champion Challenge Bull

#### **Heifers**

(Females that have never freshened, calved)

Class 23	0 to under 4 months
Class 24	4 to under 8 months
Class 25	8 to under 12 months
Class 26	12 to under 18 months
Class 27	18 to under 24 months
Class 28	24 to under 30 months

Class 29            30 to under 42 months

**NOTE:** Females 42 months and older that have never freshened may not be shown until they have calved at least once.

Grand Champion Heifer

Reserve Grand Champion Heifer

### **Cows**

(Females that have freshened, calved)

Class 32            under 3 years old

Class 33            3 to under 4 years old

Class 34            4 and under 5 years old

Class 35            5 and under 6 years old

Class 36            6 years and older

Grand Champion Cow

Reserve Grand Champion Cow

Class 39            Champion Challenge Female

The AMZA has the best interest of the exhibitor and animal at hand, therefore the AMZA does not allow classes to be combined for any reason.

There must be a minimum of 4 heifers shown in a show and a minimum of 3 exhibitors for the wins to be considered as "Official Legs" towards a PGCH.

There must be a minimum of 4 cows shown in a show and a minimum of 3 exhibitors for the wins to be considered as "Official Legs" towards a PGCH.

There must be a minimum of 4 Jr. bulls shown in a show and a minimum of 3 exhibitors for the wins to be considered as "Official Legs" towards a PGCH.

There must be a minimum of 4 Sr. bulls shown in a show and a minimum of 3 exhibitors for the wins to be considered as "Official Legs" towards a PGCH.

There must be a minimum of 4 steers shown in a show and a minimum of 3 exhibitors for the wins to be considered as "Official Legs" towards a PGCH.

There are no age restrictions on accumulation of points towards PGCH.

A show program will need to be provided 10 days prior to the show/event for the AMZA to verify all AMZA exhibitors and animals that have been entered into the show.

A signed copy of each show program with the official show results is to be mailed to the AMZA office at, PO Box 2095, Lady Lake, FL 32158, no later than 10 days following the show. The Show Secretary must also retain a signed copy of each show program with the official show results for 12 months following the AMZA sanctioned show. Show results must be legible with a date, signature, and printed name.

All AMZA sanctioned shows must be advertised as such by the Venue/Organization that has been approved to hold an AMZA sanctioned show. Advertisements may be as such, all printed materials of such shows, advertisements of such shows on social media, or otherwise.

There will be no Sanction Fees unless the venue/organization is asking for extras such as, but not limited to, rosettes or awards to be provided by the AMZA.