DOG SHOW JUDGING PROCEDURE

DOG CLASSES
Puppy (6-9, 9-12) 1st
Junior 12-18 mos 1st
Novice 1st
Bred By Exhibitor 1st
American-Bred 1st
Open 1st

BITCH CLASSES
Puppy (6-9, 9-12) 1st
Junior 12-18 mos 1st
Novice 1st
Bred By Exhibitor 1st
American-Bred 1st
Open 1st

First place in Dog and Bitch Classes are eligible to complete for the Winners Dog and Winners Bitch.

WINNERS
RESERVE WINNERS
WINNERS DOG
DOG

WINNERS BITCH
RESERVE WINNERS
BITCH

Winners Dog and Winners Bitch are each awarded points, determined by the number of dogs competing according to the AKC schedule. Reserve Winners for each class is then selected.

BEST OF BREED OR
BEST OF VARIETY
COMPETITION

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OR BEST OF VARIETY
BEST OF WINNERS
BEST OF OPPosite
SEX TO BEST
OF BREED

Best of Breed or Variety Competition consists of both male and female champions, plus Winners Dog and Winners Bitch. Best of Breed or Variety award qualifies this dog to represent its Breed in its own group. Best of Winners is selected from the Winners Dog and Winners Bitch. Best of Opposite Sex is then selected from the remaining dogs of the Opposite Sex to the Best of Breed or Variety.

SPORTING GROUP
28 Breeds or Varieties
HOUND GROUP
26 Breeds or Varieties
WORKING GROUP
25 Breeds or Varieties
TERRIER GROUP
28 Breeds or Varieties
TOY GROUP
23 Breeds or Varieties
NON-SPORTING GROUP
18 Breeds or Varieties
HERDING GROUP
21 Breeds or Varieties

BEST IN SHOW

First Place Winner in each of the Seven Groups represents its Group for Best In Show.

This Dog Stands Alone At The End Of The Show Remaining Undefeated.

Although the progression of a dog show may appear complicated, it's really a simple elimination contest. Each dog competes in its class. The winners of each class compete for Winners Dog and Winners Bitch. The Winners Dog and Bitch compete against the entered champions for Best of Breed, Best of Winners and Best of Opposite Sex. Each Best of Breed winner competes in its respective Variety Group. Then the seven Group Winners compete for Best In Show. At the end of the day one dog remains undefeated.