



## 2011 Handcrafter's Spin-Off Entry Guidelines

**Entry Deadline:** All entries must be postmarked no later than June 30, 2011. **Show Date:** November 5th and 6th, 2011.

**Class Divisions:** Classes are to be divided according to the number of entries that determine Fleece Show Levels and Class division rules as follows: 1) First by Breed Type. 2) Second by the age of alpaca at time of shearing. 3) Third by color group. 4) Fourth by color designation. The Spin-Off coordinator will make the final determination of class divisions and entry colors. **Entry Limitation:** Entries are limited to three samples per farm/owner/partnership, per breed type, per age division at time of shearing, per color designation.

### Entry Requirements:

1. Entry Form
2. Minimum 2 ounces of prime blanket fiber (see note on Submitted Fiber below)
3. Completed Spin-Off Entry Tag
4. Copy of ARI Registration and Owner of Record for Show Entry Form (if applicable)
5. A color photo no larger than 4" x 6" of alpaca producing the fiber entered. Larger photos will not be accepted.

Entries must be entered by current owner, farm or member of partnership as shown on ARI Registration Certificate or Owner of Record for Show Entry Form (if applicable) and must accompany exhibitor's entry signed by current owner of record of the alpaca as shown on the ARI Registration Certificate. Please do not fold ARI Registration Certificate or photo because these will be displayed with the judged fleece sample.

**Fiber Shearing Dates:** Entries shall not be shown beyond 380 days of shearing date.

**Submitted Fiber:** 2 ounces of prime blanket fiber must be submitted in a clear, unmarked, plain, gallon size zipper type plastic bag with the completed Handcrafters' Spin-Off entry tag placed inside the bag with the fiber. Please DO NOT write on the zip-loc bag. Fiber shall not be carded, combed, washed or otherwise enhanced; however, it should be handpicked to remove debris and vegetable matter. Fiber with vegetable matter, contamination, or second cuts may be marked down accordingly.

**Anonymity:** Fiber will be judged by entry number only, with no exhibitor information visible or available to the judge(s).

**Staple Length:** Fiber must be at least 3" long. Fiber samples of less than the 3" minimum or longer than the show rules allow shall be disqualified. The reason for disqualification shall be recorded on the score card and the Judge's Worksheet.

**Judging Criteria:** Judges will card and spin an equal portion of the fiber from each sample entered. Scoring will be based on first impression, staple length, cleanliness, lack of second cuts, lack of guard hair or medullated fiber, lock structure in suris, and crimp, staple or architecture in huacayas, uniformity, fineness, handle, luster (suris) or brightness (huacayas), ease of spinning, ease of preparation and hand feel and softness of resulting yarn, plus loft in huacayas.

**Disqualification:** Fiber that is unsound, felted, contains tender breaks, mats, or excessive debris will be discounted appropriately but will NOT be disqualified. However, fiber samples exhibiting parasitic infestation or fiber not meeting the 3" minimum or exceeding the maximum staple lengths will be disqualified. The reason for disqualification shall be recorded on the score card and the Judge's worksheet. Points will be deducted for failure to submit at least 2 ounces of fiber for proper and adequate sampling and judging. Entries less than 2 oz will have 1 point deducted for each 1/10 oz under 2 oz. If entry is of too small a quantity for the judge to adequately evaluate all judging criteria, entry may be disqualified at the Judge's discretion. Entries exceeding 4 oz will have 1 point deducted for each 1/10 oz over 4 oz submitted.

**Entry Returns:** You must include \$8 for every 5 entries you wish to have returned to you. Entries and awards will be shipped back to you following the ROYAL ALPACA CHALLENGE. You or your representative that you have designated on the entry tag may also pick up the spin off entries after 1:00 pm on Sunday, November 6, 2011.

**Questions:** Please address any questions to Patty Fuller, RAC Spinoff Administrator, 540-953-0439 or fuller@poplarhill.com  
Entries are to be mailed to:

Patty Fuller, 2011 RAC SPINOFF2621 Mt. Tabor Road, Blacksburg, VA 24060





## The 2011 ROYAL ALPCA CHALLENGE Handcrafters' Spin-Off Entry Form

**MUST BE POSTMARKED BY June 30, 2011.**

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**ENTRY FEE:** \$25.00 Per Fiber Entry + \$6 AOBA Fee Per Fiber Entry.

(Include an extra \$8 for return mailing of your entry. Farms submitting over 5 entries include an additional \$8.00)

Each entry must have alpaca's ARI name, copy of ARI Registration Certificate, and a 3x5 or 4x6 photo of alpaca entered.

Please PRINT

Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_ AOBA Show Division # \_\_\_\_\_

Farm or Ranch Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use	Age Division	ALPACA NAME (On ARI Registration Certificate)	ARI Number	Birthdate	Color Designation	Previous Shearing Date	Current Shearing Date

**FIBER:** Mail payment (make checks payable to GAA, non U.S. entries

please send a cashier's check), **ENTRY FORM with FIBER,**

**ARI REGISTRATION COPY and PHOTO to:**

**Patty Fuller, 2011 RAC Spin-Off, 2621 Mt. Tabor Road, Blacksburg, VA 24060**

# of Entries \_\_\_\_\_ x \$25 = \_\_\_\_\_

# of Entries \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ 6 AOBA fee = \_\_\_\_\_

(Optional) Return Entry by Mail: \$8.00 + \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Add \$75 if not a member**

**of AOBA Show Division**

Total Spin-Off Entry (USD) \$ \_\_\_\_\_



2011 ROYAL ALPACA CHALLENGE  
Handcrafters' Spin-Off Entry Tag

Entry Number

Placing

Breed (Circle One): H (or) S

Age Division (Circle One): A B C D or E

Color Designation (Circle One): WH, BG, LF, MF, DF,  
LB, MB, DB, BB, TB, LSG, MSG, DSG,  
LRG, MRG, DRG, IL, ID, PT, PN, FN, AP

Alpaca's Date of Birth: MM DD YY  
\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Date of this Shearing: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Date of last Shearing: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Growth Time (between Shearings):

\_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_ Days

Alpaca's Age (at time of THIS Shearing): \_\_\_\_\_ Months

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Exhibitor Information

ARI Reg. #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Entry Number

Alpaca Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Farm: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ONE:

I have enclosed postage to have my sample mailed  
back to me.

I will pick up my sample at the show.

I have authorized the following person (Please Print Name):  
\_\_\_\_\_

to pick up my sample at the show.

\*NOTE: Gender is split ONLY in Level IV Shows.

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