

International Sable Breeders Association
Black and Teal Sable Award Program

- I. **Purpose:** The purpose of the Black and Teal Sable Award Program will be to acknowledge and honor beautiful Sables across America who exhibit outstanding breed type and correctness in each of the specified gender and age groups, and deserve recognition even though they may not participate in shows. Classes shall be open to Purebred, American, and Experimental. Experimental must be at least 50% Sable, and must meet Sable Breed Standard. First Place in each category will be declared the “Black Sable”, while Second Place will be the “Teal Sable”!

II. **Categories:**

Does:

1. Junior Kid (April 1 and later)
2. Intermediate Kid
3. Senior Kid (Jan - Feb)
4. Dry Yearling
5. Milking Yearling
6. Two Year Old
7. Three Year Old
8. Four Year Old
9. Five Years Old and Older

Bucks:

1. Under One Year
2. Yearling
3. Two Year Old
4. Three Years Old and Under Five (Class may be split if the Chairman sees fit)
5. Five Years Old and Older

Each animal may be entered in only one age category at a time during a given year. Additionally, an animal may participate in either the Black and Teal Program or the All American Award, but may not participate in both during the same calendar year.

III. **Qualifications:** To qualify for nomination each animal must meet the following requirements:

- A. All Sables (Purebred, American, Experimental) will be eligible for participation. There will be two divisions: One for Purebred/ American, and the other for Experimentals. Experimentals must be at least 50% Sable and must meet Sable Breed Standard.
- B. Owned by a current member of the ISBA, with dues paid on or before December 31st of the previous year.
- C. Non-Members may participate for a \$3 Entry Fee

IV. **Application Procedure:**

- A. Submission of one completed Nomination Form for each individual animal being nominated.
- B. Submission should be made electronically (though traditional mail will be accepted).

C. Go to the ISBA Website. Download and save the Black and Teal Nomination Form. Convert the PDF to a Word-compatible document. Fill in the appropriate information, and then send the completed form to the Chair with two clear color photos attached in .jpg format.

D. Required views are Standard Profile and Rear View (rump, udder, legs, feet).

E. Clipping is not a requirement, but every effort should be made to present the animal groomed and positioned to its best advantage.

F. Digital camera photos are acceptable; however, no digital alteration to the goat's image is permitted.

G. No ribbons, trophies or extraneous people are allowed in the photo. The goat shall be the primary focus of the photo; the handler shall be cropped out above the shoulders.

H. Photos must be taken during the age year for which the entry is made.

I. Photos of the "Black Sable" and the "Teal Sable" winners will be retained by ISBA for use in news releases, the ISBA web page and digital photo album; as well as other relevant ISBA promotional material.

J. If submitting by mail, download the Nomination Form and legibly print all required information. Include in your mailing envelope two clear color photos, as described above. If you have no access to a computer, contact the Chair for a hardcopy of the form to be sent by mail. (Leave plenty of time for snail mail)

K. The completed Black and Teal Nomination Form must be postmarked, or electronically received by the Chair, by January 1st of each year, regardless of the day of the week.

L. This program is free to current ISBA members.

V. Composition and Authority of the Black and Teal Selection Panel:

A. Tenure: Three experienced ISBA Sable breeders will be appointed each year by the ISBA Black and Teal Sable Chair. Only one panel member per family or partnership may be chosen within the same year. Note: Employers and employees may serve concurrently.

B. Authority: The three-member panel of judges will select the Black and Teal Award winners based on a numerical grading scale, where the animal with the highest collective number of points shall be the winner.

C. At the discretion of the Judging Panel, in the event that no worthy animal is nominated for a particular age category, an award may not be offered. Or, if no more than one animal was nominated in its class, the panel may elect to award only the "Teal Sable" Award if the sole entrant is not deemed worthy of "Black Sable" designation.

D. The Chairperson shall make every effort to rotate judges so no individual shall serve as judge more than once in a three-year cycle, when at all possible. It is also preferable the judges DO NOT have animals entered in the "Black and Teal Award Program"

E. In the unlikely event that for any reason the submission from an empanelled judge becomes unusable, it will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors to decide the best course of action to facilitate quick response and accurate results.

VI. Method of Selecting Black and Teal Sable Winners:

- A. Administered decisions of the panel shall be final, excepting as specified in Section V; Clause E.
- B. The judges will make their placings based solely upon submitted photos.
- C. The panel will dispatch notification of their individual placement decision regarding each entrant to the ISBA Black and Teal Sable Chair, who will then tabulate the results and forward the placings on to the current ISBA President to ensure accuracy in tabulation and recordation.
- E. Selection shall be based solely on breed type. Show wins, Linear Appraisal scores, and production scores shall not be considered.
- F. For each of the gender and age categories, in the separate divisions of Purebred and American, and Experimental, the panel shall select the "Black Sable" and "Teal Sable"; except as outlined in Section V; Clause C.
- G. The panel will be requested to submit their final decisions no later than January 1st
- H. Announcement of Winners of the "Black and Teal Sable" Award shall occur on or before March 20th of each year.
- I. Submitted photos become the property of ISBA
- J. Commendation beyond routine publication notices shall be determined by the ISBA Board of Directors

Please send your Nomination Form to:

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