

The UKC Top Ten Coonhound Bench Show Program - Offering A \$15,000 Total Event Purse!

Top Ten Coonhound Bench Show Invitational for the event purse: Winter Classic for points earned at UKC Licensed Coonhound Bench Shows starting November 1 through October 31. Points are finalized and tabulated by December 31. Invitations will be mailed in January for qualified dogs to attend the Top Ten Coonhound Bench Show Invitational at Winter Classic.

WINTER CLASSIC TOP TEN BENCH SHOW

Overall Winner: **\$3,000** • Six Breed Winners: **\$2,000 each**

Final show to be judged by designated panel of three qualified, UKC Licensed judges using a point-based scoring system. The Top Ten dogs of each breed will be eligible to compete for the \$15,000 total event purse in the Coonhound Top Ten Bench Show Invitational at the UKC Winter Classic!

How it works: UKC will tabulate and publish the Top Ten rankings monthly. The point system is based on the number of dogs defeated at each UKC Licensed Bench Show.

A Preliminary Round will have all eligible dogs of each breed show against each other, regardless of category or sex. Each breed winner will move on to a Final Round where one dog is selected as the **Overall Top Ten UKC Bench Show Champion**.

Refer to page 48 of the 2020 Coonhound Rulebook for complete details on the Point System for Top Ten Bench Show Dogs. Or see UKCdogs.com

Designed to: provide UKC Bench Show participants and their dogs an incentive to enter bench shows with the chance to compete for a yearend payout to reward those exemplary dog & handler teams placing in the Finals.

UKC Top Ten Coonhound Bench Show Program is a yearlong endeavor where points can be earned at any UKC Licensed Bench Show. Qualified dogs are then invited to compete at the Finals.

The contest is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. Void where prohibited.

PRIZE PAYOUT SCHEDULE

Overall Winner: \$3,000

Six Breed Winners: \$2,000 each

Prize payouts will be made with a check and mailed within three weeks of the completion of the UKC Top Ten Coonhound Bench Show Finals Event. Payouts are subject to any applicable IRS reporting and withholding requirements. An IRS Form 1099 will be issued to all prize winners.

To be eligible to receive a prize payout, the first registered owner must complete and submit a completed IRS Form W-9 before UKC (the Company) may issue the check. Prize payouts will be made entirely to the first registered owner of the dog.

If the qualified dog is owned by a minor, a parent or guardian of any participant who is a minor must sign a release on behalf of the minor to be eligible to receive a prize, but the Company reserves the right to refuse to award a prize to or on behalf of any minor.

ENTRY FEES

The entry fee for each qualified dog that enters the 2021 UKC Top Ten Bench Show Finals is \$25 for pre-entry or \$30 day of show.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Top Ten points may be earned from November 1 through October 31 each year. The Top Ten dogs of each breed will be eligible for the Top Ten Invitational at the UKC Winter Classic. The point system to qualify for Finals is based on the number of dogs defeated and the number of dogs shown as reported on the Official Bench Show Report.

ENTRY INFORMATION

A UKC Top Ten Coonhound Bench Show Invitation is mailed to the first named owner of a dog who has qualified by October 31st of the appropriate calendar year, after those wins are processed by UKC. The Invitation will include all necessary directions for entry into the UKC Top Ten Coonhound Bench Show.

To enter the UKC Top Ten Coonhound Bench Show Invitational at Winter Classic, the entrant for each qualified coonhound must:

- Submit a completed Official UKC Top Ten Coonhound Bench Show Invitational Entry Form
- Pay the entry fee by the designated deadline
- Be in good standing with UKC
- Be a resident of the United States

Entry fees are non-refundable with the following exceptions: a written statement received by UKC from the owner on or before the event date, reporting; 1) a deceased dog; 2) injured dog (must include vet statement); or 3) a female in season.

SCORING AT FINALS

Final show to be judged by designated panel of three qualified, UKC licensed judges using a point-based scoring system.

GUARANTEED PURSE

UKC guarantees and is solely responsible for the total purse as advertised.

The UKC Top Ten Coonhound Bench Show Program and payout is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. Void where prohibited, taxed or restricted by law. The UKC reserves the right to reject entries from countries, states and jurisdictions where such sweepstakes are prohibited or restricted.

The UKC reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to refuse, disqualify or withdraw any entry at any time. The UKC will not be responsible for any injury, damage or loss of any kind arising out of your participation in the Top Ten Bench Show. YOU AGREE TO RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND HOLD HARMLESS UKC, ITS AFFILIATES, SUBSIDIARIES, EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AGENTS AND ASSIGNS FROM AND AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, LOSSES, INJURIES, OR DAMAGES RESULTING FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE TOP TEN BENCH SHOW. Except where prohibited by law, by accepting a prize, winner grants UKC a perpetual, worldwide, royalty-free license to use winner and his/her dogs name, photograph, voice and/or likeness without further authorization, compensation, or remuneration of any kind for promotion and other publicity purposes in any and all media now or hereafter known throughout the world.

UKC® POINT SYSTEM FOR THE TOP TEN BENCH SHOW DOGS (page 48 of the UKC Coonhound Rulebook)

Revised January 1, 2020

Top Ten points may be earned from November 1

through October 31 each year. The Top Ten dogs of each breed will be eligible for the Top Ten Invitational at the UKC Winter Classic. A Preliminary Round will have all eligible dogs of each breed show against each other, regardless of sex. Each breed winner will move on to a Final Round where one dog is selected as the Overall Top Ten UKC Bench Show Champion. UKC will tabulate and publish the Top Ten rankings. The rankings will be published in COONHOUND BLOODLINES and on www.ukcdogs.com on a regular basis.

The point system is based on the number of dogs defeated and the number of dogs shown as reported on the Official Bench Show Report.

- (1) The winner of the Best Male of Show will be awarded one point for all males defeated in the classes.
- (2) The winner of the Best Female of Show will be awarded one point for all females defeated in the classes.
- (3) The winner of the Champions of Champion Male category will be awarded three points for all males defeated in the Champion class.
- (4) The winner of the Champions of Champion Female category will be awarded three points for all females defeated in the Champion class.
- (5) The winner of the Grand Champion Male category will be awarded four points for all males defeated in the Grand Champion class. Two (2) points will be awarded for dogs shown without competition (in the Grand Champion category only).
- (6) The winner of the Grand Champion Female category will be awarded four points for all females defeated in the Grand Champion class. Two (2) points will be awarded for dogs shown without competition (in the Grand Champion category only).

The reason for increasing the number of points earned per category is to equalize the points earned over a year. The points carry from category to category. If your dog was a Show Champion at the beginning of the year, and finished to a Grand Show Champion, those points would carry on with the dog as it competed in the Grand Champion class.

Points will not be recorded after a dog has completed the requirements for a particular category (i.e. — Champion or Grand Champion). The dog can continue to show in that category until notified by UKC, but will not earn any additional points.

Points may be withheld if it is determined that: 1) owners refuse to show at the next level after completing championship requirements but before receiving UKC notification; or 2) non-competitive dogs are being entered for the purpose of padding points. Note: Spayed and neutered dogs may compete in all UKC Licensed Coonhound Events, including bench shows, nite hunts, water races and field trials.