



The Poultry Club
OF GREAT BRITAIN

Affiliated Societies

Membership Guide

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Foreword

The Poultry Club of Great Britain (PCGB) is the governing body for standard and pure bred poultry in Great Britain. As a charity, the PCGB has strong values associated with promotion, conservation and education.

This guide serves as a working document, combining all aspects of Affiliated Show Society protocols, thereby providing a robust standalone reference. We begin with a brief preamble, providing a summary of the benefits of joining as an AS, as well as important points to consider prior to joining.

An Affiliated Society (AS) is defined as a Show or Awards organisation having paid their annual subscription to the PCGB and thereby taking advantage of all the benefits associated with membership. AS must run their shows under PCGB rules.

It is hoped that this document will help in providing key information for AS Show Secretaries and Officials in the organisation and administration of their shows.

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Introduction

Affiliated Societies (AS) are Agricultural Societies and Poultry Clubs that run shows under Poultry Club rules.

The status granted depends on entries:

Royal
Championship
Regional
Voucher

The above show classifications and charges are applicable to Poultry and Standalone Egg Shows.

Affiliated Societies will have a Poultry Club Representative at show, who must not be a member of the organising committee, but must be a member of the PCGB. The PCGB Representative must complete a report on the show.

The Poultry Club provides the following to Affiliated Societies:

- Special cards or rosettes
- Special awards for multiple winners of sections
- Listings in the Yearbook for Royal and Championship section winners
- Entry to Regional 'Roll of Honour'
- Specials for juveniles and entry to 'Junior Fancier of the Year'
- Copy of Yearbook and Newsletters

Tiers of Show

Affiliated Society Shows are organised into a tiered system depending on the number of entries recorded by the PCGB on return of the Show Report, over a number of years. The number of entries expected for at least 3 years of shows is detailed below.

Tier 1: Voucher	Less than 350 entries
Tier 2: Regional	More than 350 and less than 500 entries
Tier 3: Championship	More than 500 entries
Tier 3R: Royal Championship	More than 500 entries and Royal Status of Agricultural Show

Standalone Egg Shows

A similar tier structure is in place for standalone egg shows which is also depending on the number of entries recorded by the PCGB on return of the Show Report form. The number of entries expected for at least 3 years of shows is detailed below.

Tier 1: Voucher	Less than 350 entries
Tier 2: Regional	In excess of 200 plates of eggs over a 3 year period
Tier 3: Championship	In excess of 400 plates of eggs over a 3 year period
Tier 3R: Royal Championship	In excess of 400 plates of eggs over a 3 year and Royal Status of Agricultural Show

New Shows, affiliating to the PCGB for the first time begin at Tier 1, as Voucher Shows, and completing form AS1. Upon reaching sufficient entries, a show can request an upgrade of status. This is accomplished by completing form AS2. Shows must demonstrate their sustained entries over 3 years, which justify their status upgrade to the next tier.

Voucher Shows

Voucher Shows are the first tier of affiliated show offered by the PCGB. Entries for Voucher shows should be below 350 birds and eggs.

Any affiliated show or Breed Club is entitled to offer PCGB rosettes and Voucher Cards for Show Champion, Reserve Show Champion, Best Eggs and Best Junior. These cards entitle the winner of five Show Champion or Reserve Show Champion cards to an award.

Eight Best Egg Voucher cards qualify for an award. These cards must be awarded under Poultry Club Rules so eggs in produce sections of Agricultural Shows do not qualify unless judged by a Poultry Club Judge, and awarded a PCGB Voucher Card. Five Best Junior Voucher Cards entitle the winner to an award.

These cards must be signed by the judge or show secretary and dated, without this they are invalid.

To obtain awards for Voucher Shows, the show must first be affiliated to the PCGB under Voucher Status after having completed and returned form AS1 (included in the Appendices of this document). A draft version of the schedule must then be sent to the General Secretary of the PCGB for ratification before the awards can be sent out. This must be provided as a draft and prior to production of the final schedule, as the Show Awards Officer must ensure that sufficient classes have been offered under PCGB Show Rules.

Voucher Shows are the first tier of show, and serve the needs of local fanciers. They provide the novice with a chance to show and gain experience. Usually having between 150-350 exhibits. They require between one and three judges who are encouraged to discuss the qualities of the birds with their owners after judging. A majority of judges must be members of the PCGB Judges' Panel.

Regional or Voucher Shows that wish to be upgraded should inform the Poultry Club Secretary at least six months before the show date providing details of the last three years' entries.

Suggested Classes for Tier 1: Voucher Shows

Included in this section is an example schedule for a Voucher Show.

Class	<i>Large Hard Feather</i>	Class	<i>Bantam Soft Feather Light</i>
1	Carlisle O.E.G. M/F	33	Ancona M/F
2	Oxford O.E.G. M/F	34	Araucana M/F
3	A.V. Asian Hard Feather M/F	35	Appenzeller M/F
4	A.O.V. Hard feather M/F	36	Hamburgh M/F
Class	<i>Large Soft Feather Light</i>	37	Leghorn M/F
5	Hamburgh M/F	38	Minorca M/F
6	Leghorn M/F	39	Poland M/F
7	Minorca M/F	40	Silkie M/F
8	Poland M/F	41	Welsummer M/F
9	Silkie M/F	42	A.O.V Soft Feather Light M
10	Welsummer M/F	43	A.O.V Soft Feather Light F
11	Any Other Variety S/F Light M	Class	<i>Bantam Soft Feather Heavy</i>
12	Any Other Variety S/F Light F	44	Australorp M/F
Class	<i>Large Soft Feather Heavy</i>	45	Barnevelder M/F
13	Australorp M/F	46	German Langshan M/F
14	Barnevelder M/F	47	Marans M/F
15	Brahma M/F	48	New Hampshire Red M/F
16	Cochin M/F	49	Orloff M/F
17	Faverolle M/F	50	Orpington M/F
18	Orpington M/F	51	Plymouth Rock M/F
19	Rhode Island Red M/F	52	Rhode Island Red M/F
20	Wyandotte M/F	53	Sussex M/F
21	Any Other Variety S/F Heavy M	54	Wyandotte M/F
22	Any Other Variety S/F Heavy F	55	A.O.V Soft Feather Heavy M
Class	<i>Large Rare Breed</i>	56	A.O.V Soft Feather Heavy F
23	Any Rare Breed Male	Class	<i>Rare Breed Bantam</i>
24	Any Rare Breed Female	57	Thuringian M/F
25	Any Non-Standard Rare M/F	58	Sulmtaler M/F
Class	<i>Large Autosexing Breeds</i>	59	Sumatra M/F
26	Any Autosexing Breed M/F	60	Any long tailed Rare Breed M
Class	<i>Bantam Hard Feather</i>	61	Any long tailed Rare Breed F
27	O.E.G Any Colour M	62	Any Other Variety Rare Breed M/F
28	O.E.G Any Colour F	Class	<i>Bantam Autosexing Breed</i>
29	Modern Game A C M	63	Any Autosexing Breed M/F
30	Modern Game A C F	Class	<i>True Bantam</i>
31	A V Asian Hard Feather M/F	64	Booted Bantam M/F
32	Any Other Hard Feather breed M/F	65	Barbu d'Anvers M/F

66	A.O.V Belgian M/F	99	Rare breed bantam M/F
67	Dutch M/F	100	Waterfowl M/F
68	Japanese M/F	Class EGGS	
69	Rosecomb M/F	101	3 Bantam Dark Brown/Mottled
70	Sebright M/F	102	3 Bantam White/Cream
71	Serama Male	103	3 Bantam Light Brown
72	Serama Female	104	3 Bantam Any Other Colour
73	Serama Silkie feathered M/F	105	3 Bantam Distinct Colours
74	Pekin Male	106	1 Bantam Dark Brown/Mottled
75	Pekin Female	107	1 Bantam White/Cream
76	Pekin Black Male	108	1 Bantam Light Brown
77	Pekin Black Female	109	1 Bantam Any Other Colour
78	A.O.V True Bantam M/F	110	3 Large Dark Brown/Mottled
Class Waterfowl		111	3 Large White/Cream
79	Call Drake	112	3 Large Light Brown
80	Call Duck	113	3 Large Any Other Colour
81	A.O.V Bantam Duck Male	114	3 Large Distinct Colours
82	A.O.V Bantam Duck Female	115	1 Large Dark Brown/Mottled
83	Any Variety Light Waterfowl Male	116	1 Large White/Cream
84	Any Variety Light Waterfowl Female	117	1 Large Light Brown
85	Any Variety Heavy Waterfowl Male	118	1 Large Any Other Colour
86	Any Variety Heavy Waterfowl Female	119	A.C 6 Bantam Eggs
87	Geese any Gander	120	A.C 6 Large Eggs
88	Geese any Goose	121	6 Waterfowl
Class Turkeys		122	3 Waterfowl
89	Any Turkey M/F	123	1 Waterfowl
Class Utility Classes		124	Bantam Contents
90	Pure Breed for Egg Production (Female)	125	Large Contents
91	Pure Breed for Meat Production (Male)	126	Waterfowl contents
92	Commercial Hybrid	127	Painted or decorated Eggs
Class Junior Handler		Class Photography & Art	
93	5-10yrs Old on Day of Show	128	Adult A5 Photo (single fowl)
94	11-16yrs Old on Day of Show	129	Adult A5 Photo (poultry subject)
Class Juvenile Classes 5-16 years		130	Adult Poultry Art
95	Any Variety Large Fowl M/F	Class Juvenile 5-16yrs Photo & Art	
96	Hard Feather Bantam M/F	131	A5 Photo (poultry subject)
97	Soft Feather Bantam M/F	132	Juvenile Poultry Art or Poster
98	True Bantam M/F		

Regional Shows

Regional Poultry Shows were the brainchild of our past President, Will Burdett. They were introduced in 1977 to mark the Club's centenary year. The aim was to provide regions with a major show which was supported by way of specials from the Poultry Club. Over the years the rules have been modified and are presently the same as those given under Championship Shows.

The Regionals offer prestige cards embossed in gold and these are much sought after.

Winners of two section awards qualify for the Regional Roll of Honour that is published in the Yearbook.

It is essential that the Show Secretaries send the results to the PCGB General Secretary, so all exhibitors who have won more than two awards can be recorded.

Suggested Classes for Tier 2: Regional Shows

Included in this section is an example schedule for a Voucher Show.

<i>Large Hard Feather</i>		<i>Bantam Hard Feather</i>	
1	Carlisle O.E.G M/F	33	OEG Black/Blue M
2	Oxford O.E.G Cock	34	OEG Black/Blue F
3	Oxford O.E.G Stag	35	OEG Black Red/Spangle M
4	Oxford O.E.G Hen	36	OEG Wheaten/Spangle/Partridge F
5	Oxford O.E.G Pullet	37	OEG Furness/Brassy Black/Blue M
6	Indian/Jubilee Game M/F	38	OEG Furness/P,Cat/Salm Blue F
7	A.V Asian Hard Feather M	39	OEG Any Other Colour M
8	A.V Asian Hard Feather F	40	OEG Any Other Colour F
9	A.O.V Hard Feather M/F	41	Modern Birchen/Brown Red M
<i>Large Soft Feather Light</i>		42	Modern Birchen/Brown Red F
10	Hamburgh M/F	43	Modern Game Black Red M
11	Leghorn M/F	44	Modern Game Black Red F
12	Poland M/F	45	Modern Game A.O.C M
13	Scots Dumpy M/F	46	Modern Game A.O.C F
14	Silkie White M/F	47	Indian/Jubilee Game M/F
15	Silkie A.O.C M/F	48	Ko Shamo A.C M/F
16	Welsummer M/F	49	A.O.V Asian Hard Feather M/F
17	Any Other Variety S/F Light M	50	Any Non-Standard H/F M/F
18	Any Other Variety S/F Light F	<i>Bantam Soft Feather Light</i>	
<i>Large Soft Feather Heavy</i>		51	Ancona M/F
19	Barnevelder M/F	52	Araucana M/F
20	Brahma M/F	53	Appenzeller M/F
21	Cochin M/F	54	Hamburgh M/F
22	Dorking M/F	55	Leghorn M/F
23	Faverolle M/F	56	Minorca M/F
24	Marans M/F	57	Poland M/F
25	Orpington M/F	58	Scots Dumpy M/F
26	Rhode Island Red M/F	59	Silkie White M/F
27	Any Other Variety S/F Heavy M	60	A.O.C Silkie M/F
28	Any Other Variety S/F Heavy F	61	Welsummer M/F
<i>Large Rare Breed</i>		62	A.O.V Soft Feather Light M
29	Any Rare Breed Male	63	A.O.V Soft Feather Light F
30	Any Rare Breed Female	<i>Bantam Soft Feather Heavy</i>	
31	Any non-Standard Rare M/F	64	Australorp M/F
<i>Autosexing Breeds Large</i>		65	Barnevelder M/F
32	Any Autosexing Breed M/F	66	German Langshan M/F
		68	Marans M/F

69	New Hampshire Red M/F	110	Serama Male
70	Orloff M/F	111	Serama Female
71	Orpington M/F	112	Serama Silkie feathered Male
72	A.C Plymouth Rock M/F	113	Serama Silkie feathered Female
73	Rhode Island Red M/F	118	Pekin White Male
74	Sussex Light M/F	119	Pekin White Female
75	Sussex A.O.C M/F	120	Pekin Black Male
76	Wyandotte White M/F	121	Pekin Black Female
77	Wyandotte Silver Laced M/F	122	Pekin Blue M/F
78	Wyandotte Gold Laced M/F	123	Pekin Mottled M/F
79	Wyandotte Laced A.O.C M/F	124	Pekin A.O.C Male
80	Wyandotte Partridge M	125	Pekin A.O.C Female
81	Wyandotte Partridge F	129	A.O.V True Bantam
82	A.O.C Wyandotte M/F		Waterfowl
84	A.O.V Soft Feather Heavy M	130	Call Duck White Male
85	A.O.V Soft Feather Heavy F	131	Call Duck White Female
	Rare Breed Bantam	133	A.O.C Call Duck Male
86	Thuringian M/F	134	A.O.C Call Duck Female
87	Sulmtaler M/F	135	Black East Indian M/F
88	Sumatra M/F	136	Bantam Silver Appleyard M/F
89	Any long tailed Rare Breed M	137	A.O.V Bantam Duck Male
90	Any long tailed Rare Breed F	138	A.O.V Bantam Duck Female
91	Any Other Variety Rare M	139	Welsh Harlequin M/F
92	Any Other Variety Rare F	140	Cayuga M/F
93	Any Non-Standard Rare M/F	141	Saxony M/F
	Autosexing Breeds Bantam	142	Any Variety Light Waterfowl M
94	Any Autosexing Breed M/F	143	Any Variety Light Waterfowl F
	True Bantam	144	Any Variety Heavy Waterfowl M
95	Booted Bantam M/F	145	Any Variety Heavy Waterfowl F
96	Barbu d'Anvers A.C Quail M	146	Geese any Gander
97	Barbu d'Anvers A.C Quail F	147	Geese any Goose
98	Barbu d'Anvers A.O.C Male		Turkey
99	Barbu d'Anvers A.O.C Female	148	Turkey Male
100	A.O.V Belgian Male	149	Turkey Female
101	A.O.V Belgian Female		Trio Classes
102	Dutch Gold Partridge Male	150	Any Variety Large Fowl
103	Dutch Gold Partridge Female	151	Any Variety Bantam
104	Dutch A.O.C Male	152	Any Variety True Bantam
105	Dutch A.O.C Female		Utility Classes
106	A.C Japanese M/F	153	Pure Breed for Egg Production (Female)
107	Rosecomb M/F	154	Pure Breed for Meat Production (Male)
108	A.C Sebright M		
109	A.C Sebright F		

Large Fowl Current Year Bred		181	1 Bantam Dark Brown/Mottled
155	Hard Feather M/F	182	1 Bantam White/Cream
156	A.V Soft Feather Light M/F	183	1 Bantam Light Brown
157	A.V Soft Feather Heavy M/F	184	1 Bantam Any Other Colour
158	A.V Rare Breed M/F	185	3 Large Dark Brown/Mottled
Bantams Current Year bred		186	3 Large White/Cream
159	A.V Hard Feather Male	187	3 Large Light Brown
160	A.V Hard Feather Female	188	3 Large Any Other Colour
161	A.V Soft Feather Male	189	3 Large Distinct Colours
162	A.V Soft Feather Female	190	1 Large Dark Brown/Mottled
163	A.V True Bantam Male	191	1 Large White/Cream
164	A.V True Bantam Female	192	1 Large Light Brown
165	A.V Rare Breed Male	193	1 Large Any Other Colour
166	A.V Rare Breed Female	194	A.C 6 Bantam Eggs
Junior Handler		195	A.C 6 Large Eggs
167	4-10yrs Old on Day of Show	196	6 Waterfowl
168	11-16yrs Old on Day of Show	197	3 Waterfowl
Juvenile Classes 4-16 years		198	1 Waterfowl
169	Any Variety Large Fowl M/F	199	Bantam Contents
170	Hard Feather Bantam M/F	200	Large Contents
171	Soft Feather Bantam M/F	201	Waterfowl contents
172	True Bantam Male	202	Painted Egg/Eggs
173	True Bantam Female	203	Decorated Egg/Eggs
174	Waterfowl A.V Drake	Photography & Art	
175	Waterfowl A.V Duck	204	Adult A5 Photo (single fowl)
EGGS		205	Adult A5 Photo (poultry subject)
176	3 Bantam Dark Brown/Mottled	206	Adult Poultry Art
177	3 Bantam White/Cream	Juvenile 5-16yrs	
178	3 Bantam Light Brown	207	A5 Photo (poultry subject)
179	3 Bantam Any Other Colour	208	Juvenile Poultry Art or Poster
180	3 Bantam Distinct Colours	209	Juvenile Painted/Decorated Eggs

Championship Shows

Shows designated as Championship shows are regarded by the Poultry Club Council as main shows with entries in excess of 500 birds. In awarding this status the Council take into account the entries averages over a three year period with certain criteria to be met as regards classes scheduled.

Embossed cards are awarded to Best in Show, Reserve and the main section winners. Poultry Club members who win five cards in the same section qualify for special Poultry Club Trophies.

Cards bearing the plumes of HRH The Prince of Wales, Patron of the Poultry Club, are awarded to winners of the Bronze award for Best "Utility breed".

At Championship shows the following conditions have to be met:

1. The club or show to be affiliated to the Poultry Club.
2. The show is held under Poultry Club Rules.
3. The majority of the judges making the awards are recognised as Poultry Club Panel Judges.
4. To award the section cards the minimum number of classes and entries for each section are:

	Classes
a) Large Hard Feather	4
b) Large Soft Feather	6
c) True Bantams	8
d) Waterfowl	6

NB Separate Cards for Goose, Heavy Duck, Light Duck and Bantam Duck are awarded when there are 4 classes.

e) Eggs	8
f) Trios	2
g) Bantam Hard Feather	10
h) Bantam SF Heavy	10
i) Bantam SF Light	8
j) Juveniles	2
k) Rare Breeds	4
l) Turkeys	2
m) Utility	2

Utility here means pure breeds. It is possible for shows to put on a class for Hybrids/Non-standard utility if requested.

5. The bronze awards are given to the best exhibit in sections a.-k. One exhibit cannot win two awards, it qualifies only for the award of the section in which it is entered.