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WSRBA 2026 NATIONAL TEAMS APPLICATION

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Individuals interested in representing WSRBA as a member of the national judging team and or breed ID team at the annual ARBA convention will need to participate in the competitions held at the annual Wisconsin State Convention.

2. **Youth must be registered for the individual ARBA contests by the ARBA deadlines. This is prior to our State Convention, so you will need to do this if you intend to be on the WI Youth Team.**

3. For consideration for the national Judging team, each individual will judge and score 4 groups of rabbits or cavies using the ARBA judging score card at the State Convention competition the second weekend in September.

4. For consideration for the Breed ID teams, they will identify 25 rabbits or cavies including the Breed name, show room classification, registration classification, and 4 or 6 class animals. This will also take place at State Convention.

5. Each youth member will complete the application and email it the national team advisor listed on the application. To receive full credit, the application must be postmarked by the appropriate date listed on the application.

6. Individuals are encouraged to participate in the educational opportunities at the shows throughout the last two years (2024-2026). They should make sure they sign in on the attendance advisors at these activities. They will earn 5 points towards for each event they participate in.

7. Judging Score breakdown is as follows:
- 200 points: Judging 4 classes of animals (50 points max. each class)
- 20 points: 5 points for each educational opportunity participated in (Maximum of 20 points)
- 10 points: Application received on time

Total Points Earned _____ /230 points

8. Breed ID Score breakdown is as follows:
- 200 points: Correctly Identifying a class of 25 animals
- 20 points: 5 points for each educational opportunity participated in (Maximum of 20 points)
- 10 points: Application received on time

Total Points Earned _____ /230 points

Final team selection will be based on highest total point values within each age division.

If a team member withdraws, the next highest scoring eligible contestant may be invited to fill the position.

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GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS

1. Applications must be received by August 1, 2026.

2. Contests will begin at 7 a.m. on the Saturday of WSRBA Convention. All contestants must check in with Youth Contest Volunteers by 6:45 a.m.

3. Contestants must be a member of the WSRBA and reside in the State of Wisconsin.

4. Contestants may not compete for another state or district team.

5. Please see the National Team pages in the WSRBA Constitution for more information on the Contest.

6. Contestants must be able to attend the ARBA National Convention in Reno, Nevada this fall from October 24-28, 2026.

7. Upon making the National Team, the parent of the youth MUST NOTIFY National Team Chairs within one week after WSRBA State Convention if they no longer wish to participate on Team Wisconsin. Notification must be made in writing (email or mail) to the National Team Chairs.

8. ARBA Youth Contest will be held on Saturday October 24th. Check-in is Friday, October 23rd, and youth need to be there or be in contact with the coaches on arrival time.

9. Youth may not leave the test area without permission, or they will forfeit their scores.

10. Youth must follow the rules and direction of the Youth Committees and their volunteers. All team members are expected to represent WSRBA in a professional and respectful manner at all times during the ARBA National Convention.

11. Any disobedience might disqualify youth from competition at the discretion of WSRBA Youth or National Teams Chairperson.

12. Any contestant who earns a position on a National Team and chooses to withdraw from the team between the WSRBA State Convention and the ARBA National Convention following the one week grace period, for reasons other than verified medical or family emergencies, will be ineligible to participate on a WSRBA National Team the following year. The youth member can submit a letter to the WSRBA Board to be reviewed in a closed session if desired.

Email entries to: wsrbayouthcontests@gmail.com

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FIRST NAME _____ **LAST NAME** _____

ADDRESS _____ **CITY** _____

STATE_____ **ZIP CODE**_____ **DATE OF BIRTH** _____ / _____ / _____

AGE AS OF NOVEMBER 15, 2026 _____ **T-SHIRT SIZE** _____

PHONE NUMBER_____ **EMAIL** _____

LIST BREEDS EXHIBITING AT WSRBA STATE CONVENTION _____

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NATIONAL BREED ID TEAM

☐ Junior (Ages 5 to 11 years) ☐ Intermediate (Ages 12 to 14 years) ☐ Senior (Ages 15 -18 years)

NATIONAL JUDGING TEAM

☐ Intermediate (Ages 12 to 14 years) ☐ Senior (Ages 15 -18 years)

NATIONAL QUIZ BOWL TEAM

☐ Junior (Ages 5 to 11 years)

I have read and understand the rules of the contest and I have completed the application. I understand that the WSRBA Youth Advisors and their committees will do their best to ensure a fair contest.

CONTESTANT SIGNATURE _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____