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Ferret of the Year (FOTY)

The AFA presents Ferret of the Year Awards to a ferret who has placed consistently in the top ten rings for Adolescent, Alter, Breeder, and Companion Title Classes for that show year. FOTY is determined by a weighted point based system from among all of the title classes.

The following criteria must be met in order for the class to count toward FOTY.

1. The ferret must show in the Title Classes in a minimum of 4 shows per year.
2. The FOTY system is a weighted point system - only top ten placements count. 1st place gets 10 points; 10th place gets 1 point and the show total is weighted by the number of ferrets shown in the ring. The total for each show is added together and then divided by the number of shows entered in for the year. The ferret in each class with the highest average is the FOTY for that class.
3. New starting in 2016 - only the best four shows will be counted.

Specialty Ferret of the Year (SFOTY)

The AFA presents Specialty Ferret of the Year Awards to a ferret who has placed consistently in a specialty class for that show year. SFOTY is determined by a weighted point based system for each specialty class. The SFOTY stimulates interest in the specialty classes.

The following criteria must be met in order for the class to count toward SFOTY.

1. The ferret must show in the specialty class at a minimum of 4 shows per year (if there are at least 6 shows put on in a year's period. If there are only 3 - 5 shows put on in a year's period than this would go down to a 3 show minimum).
2. To be eligible for the specialty classes to count towards SFOTY, the show organization must use AFA licensed judges (title or specialty) or AFA judges in training.
3. Classes must run with a minimum of 4 entries to be considered for SFOTY.
4. The specialty classes include: Albino/Dark-Eyed White, Black Mitt/Black Roan Mitt, Black Sable, Blaze/Mutt/Panda, Champagne, Chocolate, Mitt, Physically Challenged, Point, Roan, Sable, Shelter, and Super Senior. Organizations may call their specialty classes something a bit different, but we will track them by AFA's name. If the requirements for entering the class are changed then that class will not be tracked for SFOTY. Combined classes that are broken out by color or gender will still be tracked for the combined award.
5. The SFOTY system is a weighted point system. If there are 12 ferrets in the class, 1st place gets 12 points; 12th place gets 1 point (if only 5 then 1st place gets 5 points, etc) and the show total for that specialty is weighted by the number of ferrets shown in the specialty. The total for each show is added together and then divided by the number of shows entered in for the year. The ferret in each specialty with the highest average is the SFOTY for that specialty class.
6. New starting in 2016 - only the best four shows will be counted.