



## Participation Rules

After the success of the first edition, the second **European online Jersey show**, organised by the European Jersey Forum (EJF), will take place on the EJF's Facebook page this December. A complete timetable with dates of publication for each class and championship will be distributed as soon as the registrations will be closed.

### Deadline for registrations and submissions of videos

The deadline for registration as well as videos submissions is fixed on **December 2nd**.

For the animal registration, please use the excel sheet attached.

For the submissions of videos, please send them to [aurore.grave@union-bgs.com](mailto:aurore.grave@union-bgs.com) using [we transfer](#). Please rename each video using country code + national number + name.

For example: FR5900112266-SOLEIL

### Animal's selection

Each national Jersey association has to do its own selection of entries to the show before the submission deadline. To be eligible for the show, animals must be registered as purebred in their national herdbook. A maximum of 10 animals per country is permitted.

Individual entries outside National associations will not be accepted except if there is no Jersey association in the country.

### Registration fee and prizes for winners

A registration fee of 10€ per animal is requested in order to raise a budget to offer prizes to the winners. Each national association is responsible to collect the fees from the selected participants or to pay for it on its own.

To reduce as much as possible the bank transfers to EJF account, each national country can pay the prizes when the winners are from its country and these expenses will be deducted from the total show registration fees. If the prizes represent a bigger amount than the show registration fees of the country, then EJF can deduct it from the annual EJF fees.

Winner's prizes are:

- Professional picture of the champions (heifer, junior, senior)
- "Jersey breed jacket" for each class winner offered by national countries
- Free female genomic test offered to the owner of each class winner

## **Classes and Championships**

The following Championship categories are planned. Champion, reserve and honourable mention will be attributed for each championship. Depending on the registrations, different classes under each championship will be organised.

- Heifer Champion (from 10 months old)
- Junior Champion + Best udder (1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> lactation cows)
- Senior + Best udder (3rd lactation cows and more)
- Special class for old cows: minimum of 6th calvings
- Grand Champion
- « Miss sympathy »: elected by public votes

## **Judgement**

A panel of three judges will be designated. They will share the classes and judge all together the championships. Video of each class and championship will be published online with the ranking at the end.

## **Fitting rules**

Fitting is permitted with respect of animal welfare and while keeping animals as natural as possible. Ribs « marking » is not allowed. Cows with overloaded udders or showing pain can be discarded by EJF organization committee.

## **Video making**

In order to present animals in a unified way, make the judgment easier and appreciate animals in the best way, a video example is available [here](#).

Maximum length of the video: 1 minute

Video format: Landscape mode

Additional advises:

- Film animals with the sun on your back, to avoid backlighting
- Special care to have a nice background of the animals during the video.

- Do not make animals walking on rocks or pebbles. Prefer concrete or grass.
- Film the whole animal and not in different part. Except for udder where a focus is needed
- For the udder focus, do not use the zoom mode too much, prefer to film as close as possible

Scenario: animal at the stop, you start by filming the front to appreciate chest width and front legs, you go along the right side to go towards the right fore udder attachment, then the back to see rump width, rear udder and rear legs, and then you turn left side to see left fore udder attachment. To continue, you go at the back and only at this moment the cow starts to walk (rear view) then return to the right side to see the cow walking (side view) for several seconds. For heifers, the same steps are required, without the udder focus of course.

EJF may not broadcast the entire video, especially if its duration is too long.