

# **American Royal Barn Cat of the Year Contest**

## **American Royal Competitive Educational Activity Coordinator:**

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Entry Deadline: 11:59 PM CST on September 30, 2024

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#### About

The purpose of the American Royal Barn Cat of the Year Contest is to celebrate barn cats that play a significant role in the Equine Industry. Barn cats can play a crucial role in keeping rodents under control while offering companionship through serving as a chore buddy. This contest is a fun way to recognize the unique work barn cats do. The winner will be recognized at the American Royal National Championship Horse Show in November. This contest is only open to American Royal Equine Exhibitors.

### **Rules**

- 1. Contestants must be a Youth or Adult Exhibitor of one of the 2023 or 2024 American Royal Equine Shows, i.e. contestants must, or will, have competed in the American Royal Cutting Horse Show, Royal Showcase, Quarter Horse Show, National Championship Show, Arabian Show, or Virtual Horse Show to be eligible. No outside entries will be accepted.
- 2. No contestant will be eligible to compete in any contest at the American Royal if they have any sanctions or disciplinary action taken against them by the North American Livestock Show & Rodeo Managers Association, The International Association of Fairs and Expositions, 4-H, FFA, and/or breed association(s).
- 3. The contest coordinator and the management of the American Royal reserve the right to rule on any question of eligibility not covered in the preceding rules.
- 4. Entries will be submitted online through the registration link provided by the American Royal Association by 11:59 PM CST on September 30, 2024.
- 5. Contestants may enter up to three entries.
- 6. To enter, contestants must provide the name of their barn cat, a description of the value they provide to the contestant's equine operation, and a photo of their barn cat.



- 7. Photo files must be 300 dpi or higher resolution or and submitted electronically by 11:59 PM CST on September 30, 2024. The photo must be saved in a .jpeg or .jpg format.
- 8. All information submitted becomes available for use by the American Royal Association for promotion and use throughout the year.
- 9. A panel of qualified judges selected by the American Royal Association will score entries. Judging will be completed virtually.
- 10. A winner will be selected and recognized at the 2024 American Royal National Championship Horse Show in November.