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**Important Registration Notice:

Please be advised that all four signed pages of your registration must be submitted for your application to be considered. Incomplete submissions will not be accepted.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Any questions or concerns please email: ask@groomsouthflorida.com or call 609 350 6480 ex3



Groom South December 6th and 7th 2025 Delta Hotels by Marriott West Palm Beach: 1301 Belvedere Rd. West Palm Beach, FL 33405

Name:				
Billing Address:				
City	State/Province:		Zip Code:	
Phone:	Email:			
Credit Card #	Expiration:	CVC:	Zip Code for CC:	
Amount:	Signature:		Date:	

PLEASE FILL OUT A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH CONTESTANT Participating

\$150 per class or \$525 all four classes – Please circle the category you will be participating in

Hand Stripping	Purebred Scissoring	Spaniels & Setters Sunday 8:00 AM Check-in	Poodles Sunday 12:15 PM Check-in
1:45 Affenpinscher 2:15 Airedale 2:00 Australian Terrier 1:45 Border Terrier 1:45 Brussels Griffon 2:00 Cairn Terrier 1:45 Dachshund Wire (Miniature) 2:00 Dachshund Wire (Standard) 2:00 Dandie Dinmont 2:15 Giant Schnauzer 2:00 Irish Terrier 2:00 Lakeland Terrier 2:00 Miniature Schnauzer 1:45 Norfolk Terrier 1:45 Norwich Terrier 2:00 Scottish Terrier 2:00 Sealyham Terrier 2:00 Welsh Terrier 2:00 West Highland White 2:00 Wire Fox Terrier	Saturday 12:30 PM Check-in 2:00 Bedlington Terrier 2:00 Bichon Frise 2:15 Black Russian 2:15 Bouvier 2:00 Irish Water Sp 2:00 Kerry Blue Terrier 2:00 Portuguese Water 2:00 Soft Coated 2:00 Wheaten	2:00 Clumber Spaniel 2:00 American Cocker 2:00 English Cocker 2:00 English Setter 2:00 English Springer 2:00 Field Spaniel 2:00 Gordon Setter 2:00 Irish Red and White 2:00 Irish Setter 2:00 Sussex Spaniel 2:00 Welsh Springer	1:30 11" and under 1:45 Over 11" up to including 17" 2:00 Over 17" up to and including 23" 2:15 Over 23"

*Groomers who are registered to compete in 2 classes on the same day are entitled to a \$25 lunch voucher from the hotel for that day.



I agree to absolve and hold harmless GroomSouth Inc., owners, employees, contestants,
contest judges, sponsors, show staff personnel and the hosting hotel and their employees for
any legal claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly
to any person or thing thereto. I personally assume all responsibility and liability including but
not limited to damages and costs, such as attorney's fees, for any such claim. I further agree no
to hold the aforementioned parties legally responsible for any claim of loss or damage,
including but not limited to, my dog(s), my property, or myself by disappearance, theft, death,
damage, or injury caused by negligence of any parties, or due to the negligence of any person,
or any other cause or causes . I also understand that I
acknowledge and accept sole and full financial responsibility and hold harmless, Groom South,
Inc., for any damage done to hotel/show site property or any other damages or negligence of
any kind. I agree to adhere to all Groom South's contest rules and the GroomTeam USA, Inc.®
Code of Conduct. I will accept the decision of judges and Show Management as final and
binding. I also understand that there will be no refund of fees due to dismissal, disqualification,
class changes, or eviction from show site or hotel. The Show Promoter reserves the right to use
photographs, slides, audio, videos and digital images of contestants for show coverage
including future advertising and promotion of the Show Promoter's events in books, magazines
and web sites. COMPLETING THE SIGNATURE/NAME BOX BELOW INDICATES THAT I HAVE
FULLY READ, UNDERSTAND, & AGREE TO ADHERE TO AND BE BOUND BY THE TERMS AND
RULES OF THE CONTEST AND THE GROOMTEAM USA, INC.® CODE OF CONDUCT.PAYMENT
& LIABILITY AGREEMENT: You will not be pre-registered unless you have completed
the boxes to confirm amount and agreement. I/We (Name here in box provided)
the boxes to commit amount and ag
are in agreement with the terms and conditions and hereby authorize GroomSouth to
charge the above credit card in the amount of \$ in payment for the services I/We
are pre-registering for. By typing my/our name(s) and entering the total fees above
Groom South is authorized to charge the above credit card and agree this will serve as
my/our Electronic Signature. Entries are non-refundable after twenty-four hours from
date of purchase.
Signature Date
Signature

Please send all completed entries via email to ask@groomsouthflorida.com or mail to:
Groom South, 9615 Ventnor Ave, Margate City, New Jersey 08402
Or message us on the Groom South Facebook page





GROOMTEAM USA, Inc® CODE OF CONDUCT

The GroomTeam USA, Inc® code of conduct establishes expectations for professional behavior and actions of all GroomTeam USA, Inc® point holders. Adhering to these policies protects the reputation and perception of the groomers on an individual level as well as the entire organization.

As a member in good standing of GroomTeam USA, Inc®, I promise to:

- aspire to the highest professional standards
- treat all team members and industry professionals with respect, honesty, and kindness
- treat all pets with kindness, patience, and respect and provide for their health and safety while they are entrusted to my care
- continue to pursue education and skill development
- encourage unity among pet stylists by promoting professionalism, the highest ethical standards, education, and creativity
- exhibit conduct befitting these standards in my actions, whether it be in writing, in person, or through online communications
- discourage unprofessional behavior toward others in my industry community
- Adhere to the Standards of Conduct and Sportsmanship Rules

I understand that failure to adhere to the Code of Conduct may result in the elimination of honors and privileges awarded by GroomTeam USA, Inc®.

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Conflict Of Interest Policy



This policy helps to establish the highest standards in the pet styling profession as stated in the GroomTeam USA, Inc® Code of Conduct and guidelines for point acceptance.

GroomTeam USA, Inc® Board Members, Officers, and Team Coordinator are prohibited from competing in GroomTeam USA, Inc® Sanctioned Classes or judging Open Division in GroomTeam USA, Inc® Sanctioned classes.

1. Competitors will not be eligible to earn GroomTeam points under the following conditions:

- ACCEPTING JUDGING OR APPRENTICE JUDGING ASSIGNMENTS FOR ANY GROOMTEAM SANCTIONED CLASSES. THERE WILL BE A WAITING PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FROM THE LAST CLASS JUDGED OR THE NEXT TEAM CYCLE, WHICHEVER IS GREATER
- ENTRY PROVIDED BY YOUR JUDGE(S)
- ENTRY PREPARED BY ANY JUDGE(S) THROUGHOUT THE DURATION OF THE SHOW
- FAMILIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH ANY JUDGE(S) ASSIGNED DURING THE TIMEFRAME(S) OF THAT SANCTIONED CLASS(ES)
- PERSONAL MENTORING RELATIONSHIP WITH JUDGE(S) ASSIGNED DURING THE TIMEFRAME(S)
 OF THAT SANCTIONED CLASS(ES). (EXCLUDING POST CONTEST CRITIQUES)

Including:

- Private or semi-private instruction (less than six attendees) within four months of competition.
- Instructor/Student/Apprentice within the last six months.
- VESTED BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP, DEFINED AS AN INVOLVEMENT HAVING THE ELEMENT OF PERSONAL GAIN, WITHIN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:
 - Employee/Employer/Subcontractor
 - Consulting
 - Professional Handling or Handling Assistant
 - Business Partnership or Venture

- 2. Show Organizers must adhere to the following conflict of interest policies pertaining to GroomTeam USA, Inc® sanctioned classes to retain sanctioning status. Show management:
 - MAY NOT INFLUENCE OR ADVISE CONTEST PLACEMENTS
 - MAY NOT UTILIZE THE SERVICES OF JUDGES WHO:
 - Are employees/employer (free-lance authors/sub-contractors are exempt).
 - Are directly involved with the planning and production of the contest.
 - Are relatives of show management.
 - Have a business ownership/partnership with show management.
 - Use professional handler services for/with show management.
- Although judge/competitor conflicts of interest are ultimately the competitor's responsibility, it is in the best interest of show management to hire judges that have retired from the competition ring.
 - SHOW MANAGEMENT SHOULD PROHIBIT JUDGES FROM:
 - Judging their students, relatives, or employees/employers.
 - Judging contestants with whom they have a vested business relationship.
 - Providing contest dogs to contestants in a class that they are judging.
 - Personally assisting a competitor with dog preparation during the show duration.

GroomTeam USA, Inc® has the responsibility to quickly address issues directly related to the awarding of points as referenced in sections 1, 2, and 3, above. To resolve issues, immediately submit a Grievance Form for the perceived infraction to the attention of the GroomTeam USA, Inc® Board of Directors, Team Liaison, or Team Coordinator. At least one of these GroomTeam USA, Inc® leaders are present at almost all shows. Contact information can be found on the GroomTeam USA, Inc® website.

All other concerns should be brought to the attention of the Show Promoter/Contest Coordinator, utilizing the protocol established for the specific contest in question.

Signature	
Date	



Sanctioned Class Rules



ACCEPTABLE COAT GROWTH FOR ALL GROOMTEAM USA, INC® SANCTIONED CLASSES

It is the responsibility of the show promoter and/or their designated judges to determine adequate coat growth.

ACCEPTABLE STYLING FOR ALL GROOMTEAM USA, INC® SANCTIONED CLASSES:

- ALL STYLING MUST TAKE PLACE DURING THE TIME FRAME OF THE COMPETITION EXCEPT WHERE NOTED BELOW
- ALL DOGS MUST BE GROOMED ACCORDING TO BREED STANDARD WITH THE EXCEPTION OF POODLES AS NOTED BELOW
- ALL DOGS MAY HAVE SANITARY AREAS AND PADS SHAVED PRIOR TO CLASS START
- ALL DOGS MAY HAVE NAILS TRIMMED AND EARS CLEANED PRIOR TO CLASS START
- FINISHING SPRAYS, ARE PERMISSIBLE IN ORDER TO TIDY UP AFTER COMPETITION TIME FRAME ENDS HOWEVER, RE-SHAPING WITH WATER OR PRODUCT APPLICATION IS PROHIBITED
- CHALK PRODUCTS ARE PERMISSIBLE PRIOR TO AND DURING THE COMPETITION TIME FRAME BUT ARE PROHIBITED AFTER TIME IS CALLED
- WIRE COATS MUST BE HAND STRIPPED. CLIPPERS ARE ONLY PERMISSIBLE AS PRESENTED IN THE CONFORMATION SHOW RING
- SPORTING COATS MUST BE CARDED AND/OR HAND STRIPPED. CLIPPERS ARE ONLY PERMISSIBLE AS PRESENTED IN THE CONFORMATION SHOW RING
- OTHER PUREBREDS MUST BE STYLED AS PRESENTED IN THE CONFORMATION SHOW RING
- POODLES CAN BE STYLED AS PRESENTED IN THE CONFORMATION SHOW RING OR PET TRIMS,
 PROVIDED THEY RESPECT THE BREED PROFILE AS SET FORTH BY THE STANDARD

POODLES

Acceptable breeds: All sizes, natural colors of purebred Poodles.

This class may be split into two separate classes as follows: 17" and under, Over 17".

11" and under – 1:30 (One hour & thirty minutes)

Over 11" up to and including 17" - 1:45 (one hour and forty-five minutes)

Over 17" up to and including 23" - 2:00 (Two hours)

Over 23" - 2:15 (Two hours and fifteen minutes)

When splitting the Poodle class the following stipulations apply:

A competition must take place between the three finalists from each of the two Open Division Poodle classes to determine the placements of the combined Poodle class, for a final 1st, 2nd and 3rd for all Open Division Poodles. Only the Final place winners may be awarded GroomTeam USA, Inc® points.

POODLE STYLING: ALL PET AND SHOW POODLE STYLES ARE ACCEPTABLE PROVIDED THEY RESPECT THE BREED PROFILE OF THE POODLE.

- FEET MUST BE SHAVED
- FEET MAY BE SHAVED PRIOR TO COMPETITION START TIME. NO EXTRA TIME WILL BE PERMITTED IF NOT COMPLETED PRIOR TO CLASS START
- FACE MUST BE SHAVED DURING COMPETITION TIME FRAME
- SMALL MUSTACHE OR GOATEE ARE PERMITTED
- SCISSORED FACE STYLES SUCH AS BICHON OR SCISSORED TYPE FACES ARE PROHIBITED
- SHOW TOPKNOTS MAY BE PRE-BANDED, INCLUDING HAIR EXTENSIONS PRIOR TO THE START
 OF THE CLASS, SPRAY UP PRODUCTS ARE PROHIBITED PRIOR TO THE START OF THE CLASS

SPORTING

Acceptable breeds Open Division: Spaniels and Setters (see specific breed list.)

Styling: Must be groomed to breed profile as presented in the conformation show ring.

Time frame: 2 hours

ALL WIRE COATED PURE BREEDS

Acceptable breeds, Open Division: Pure breeds with wire coat types that are hand stripped. (See specific breed list.)

Styling: Must be groomed to breed profile as presented in the conformation show ring.

Time Frames: See specific breed List.

ALL OTHER PURE BREEDS

Acceptable breeds, Open Division: See specific breed list.

Styling: Must be groomed to breed profile as presented in the conformation show ring.

Time Frames: See specific breed list.



Groom South Policies Groom Team USA Sanctioned Contests

Policies

- One division open to all competitors. Entry fee: \$150 per class or \$525 for all four classes
- Prizes: 1st \$300 2nd \$200 3rd \$100 Best in Show: \$ 1,000
- Four Classes: Hand stripping, Purebred Scissoring, Spaniels & Setters, Poodles: will adhere to GroomTeam USA® published rules and point schedule.
- Entry deadline closes five days prior to first day of show.
- Competition dog should be clean, dry, healthy, free of parasites, not show obvious signs of pregnancy or nursing, non-aggressive and vaccinated per applicable local laws.
- Dog should have enough coat to make a distinct change in appearance. Insufficient coat will be penalized or disqualified.
- Competition dog should be between the ages of 1-10 and appropriate condition for competition.
- Contestants should arrive at check-in thirty to forty-five minutes prior to class start. (See contest Schedule)
- Contestants not present with their competition dog, fifteen minutes prior to class start will not be permitted to compete.
- Tables and Grooming arms will be provided. Contestants must bring their own loops and all
 personal equipment.

Product application

- Decorative objects are prohibited
- Chalk may be used prior to start of class and during time frame but prohibited after scissors down.
- Light use of finishing sprays is permitted prior to, during and after scissors down but re-shaping
 of coat is strictly forbidden. Hair spray may only be applied during time frame of competition.

Disqualifications and Warnings

- Dogs must not be left unattended at any time.
- Kind and humane handling must be adhered to at all times.
- Appropriate grooming attire and shoes must be worn.
- Good sportsmanship must be displayed as per the GroomTeam USA® Code of Conduct.
- Nicks, cuts and clipper irritations will be penalized.
- Judge and show committee will determine severity of infractions.
- Prohibited during competition: visual or written instruction, cell phones or headsets, coaching by anyone during competition, hair dryers, standing on tables or chairs.

Show committee will provide clarification of any issues that are not addressed above Please report all issues to show committee at once. Grievances will not be addressed after close of show.



Standards Of Conduct And Showmanship Rules



OUR MISSION:

TO UTILIZE GROOMTEAM USA, INC.® AS A VEHICLE TO ENCOURAGE CONTINUED EDUCATION, GROWTH, PRIDE AND THE COMPETITIVE SPIRIT WITHIN THE PET STYLING INDUSTRY.

GroomTeam USA, Inc.® is a non-profit organization which encourages professional pet stylists in this country to maximize their grooming education and skills and offers them the opportunity to represent the United States of America at World Team Competitions. Team selection is based on points accumulated at various GroomTeam USA, Inc.® sanctioned contests held throughout the country over a two-year period. GroomTeam USA, Inc.® sends the top point earners as a team, to compete at the World Team Championships.

GroomTeam USA, Inc.® is entirely funded through generous donations from within the pet styling industry including major corporate sponsors, auctions held at shows and merchandise sales. The Board of Directors, Officers, Associates and many helpers, all volunteer their time. The concept of GroomTeam USA, Inc.® was founded in 1987. Due to the beliefs, the potential and cooperation of US pet stylists and our supporters, GroomTeam USA, Inc.® has thrived over the years.

DEFINITIONS

GroomTeam USA, Inc. * will hereafter be referred to as GT USA

Competitor – Any person who enters into a grooming competition where *GroomTeam USA*, *Inc.*® points are to be awarded.

Board of Directors and Officers – A group of individuals conducting the business of *GroomTeam USA*, *Inc.* as described in the Bylaws set forth by the organization.

GroomTeam USA, Inc.® Member – Board member, Officer, Coordinator, Representative or a competitive groomer (past or present), who has accrued points through competitive pet grooming at GroomTeam USA, Inc.® Sanctioned competitions and has been recognized for their accomplishments.

Volunteers – Anyone who gives their time for no compensation.

Show promoter – The person, company or entity who is responsible for conducting the event.

The accused – A general term. Any person or entity having a complaint lodged against them.

STANDARDS OF CONDUCT & SPORTSMANSHIP RULES

Whenever people gather together to compete and achieve goals, some rules are needed to help everyone work together efficiently, effectively, and harmoniously. By earning points at a sanctioned *GT USA* competition, contestants have a responsibility to *GT USA* to adhere to certain rules of behavior, sportsmanship and conduct. All members of *GT USA* share this responsibility. The purpose of these rules is to be certain that members understand what conduct is expected and necessary. These rules and policies have been put in place to benefit and protect everyone involved within the competitive pet styling arena.

Lodging A Complaint

Any association, organization, person or persons, may make a complaint against any person, persons or entity for conduct alleged to have been detrimental to the best interests of competitive pet grooming, GT USA sanctioned grooming events and/or GT USA.

One example in the connection with any kind of scene or altercation occurring in conjunction or relationship to a grooming competition is as follows:

If an individual new to the pet grooming profession were to view the incident, would they be inspired to grow their career though similar educational events, trade shows, enter the grooming contest area or seek out advice from open level competitors or individuals associated with GT USA.

The GT USA Board of Directors, Advisory Board or official show promoter staff will have the power to investigate any matters brought to their attention in connection with Unacceptable Activities or appoint a committee to investigate the infraction.

If after such review, the Board of Directors or Advisory Board believe that sufficient evidence exists to warrant a counseling session, a session will be held for both Oral and Written Disciplinary Actions. If more advanced discipline is required, they shall appoint an investigative committee. The investigative committee may not include any member of the Board of Directors. The investigative committee shall perform their investigation independent of the GT USA Board.

The Board of Directors shall act upon said findings. By a majority vote, they may vote to dismiss the complaint, reinstate the competitor, continue the suspension from point earning opportunities for a stated time or have GT USA member status revoked for a determined amount of time.

GT USA will not involve itself in any arguments, disputes or disagreements of a personal nature between competitors, judges, show promoters or vendors. Any private, personal, civil issues should be dealt with by the involved parties only and not brought to the public light.

Unacceptable Activities

We expect each person to act in a mature and responsible way always. If a member has any questions concerning any rule, or any of the unacceptable activities listed below, please contact a GT USA Board Member, Advisory Board Member or the Show Promoter.

The following list of Unacceptable Activities does not include all types of conduct resulting in disciplinary action, up to and including Oral or Written Warnings, Suspension, Revocation or Termination. Nothing in this list alters the at-will nature of the show; either a member or GT USA may withdraw, suspend or terminate any association with GT USA, with written notice, with or without reason.

Violation of any organizational rule; including any action detrimental to GT USA's efforts to uphold its mission while operating efficiently, cooperatively, and covering the cost of operating the organization.

Careless action, which endangers the life or safety of another person or pet.

Being intoxicated or under the influence of a controlled substance while in the competition ring or preparing a pet for competition; except medications prescribed by a physician which do not compromise the safety of the pet or competitive performance.

Engaging in criminal conduct or acts of violence or making threats of violence toward anyone on the tradeshow grounds or when representing GT USA.

Negligent damage of property.

Insubordination or refusing to obey instructions properly issued by a GT USA official, judge or sanctioned show promoter staff member.

Publicly threatening, intimidating or coercing fellow competitors, show promoters or their staff or GT USA officials on or off show grounds at any time through any social media outlet, for any purpose.

Engaging in an act of sabotage; negligently causing the destruction or damage of tradeshow attendees, competitors, sponsors, show promoters or staff members or GT USA officials property or reputation.

Spreading malicious gossip and/or rumors; engaging in behavior which creates discord and lack of harmony within the pet grooming industry; interfering with another competitor during a grooming competition or making a public display or un-sportsman-like behavior towards any individual involved in or at a sanctioned GT USA event and/or public social media posts.

Immoral conduct or indecency either physically or electronically during a sanctioned GT USA event.

Using GT USA related images without express consent and authorization.

Obscene or abusive language, indifference or rudeness toward fellow competitor, judge, sponsor, tradeshow attendee, show official; or any disorderly/antagonistic conduct on the sanctioned show grounds or public online forums.

Competitors must comply with the official rules of each individual grooming competition supplied by the sanctioned show promoter.

Show Promoters must comply with the official GT USA sanctioning policies.

Reporting Unacceptable Activities

Anyone who has directly witnessed an infraction of Unacceptable Activities involving a member of GT USA should bring the perceived infraction to the attention of the GT USA Board of Directors, Advisory Board or official show promoter immediately. Our goal is to quickly resolve issues while individuals are still at the show site. A GT USA Leader is present at most shows and show staff is always present.

It will be the opinion of GT USA. and/or the Show Promoter to decide on Unacceptable Activities not listed above and what level of Disciplinary Action should be taken.

Contact information can be found at WWW.groomteamusa.org. Complaints must be submitted in writing, within seven (7) days of perceived infraction. Complaint forms can be found online at the GT USA web site as well as at the registration desk at all GT USA Sanctioned shows.

All other concerns should be brought to the attention of the Show Promoter/Contest Coordinator utilizing the protocol and timeline established for the specific contest in question.

THE FOLLOWING DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS APPLY TO ANY GROOMTEAM USA, INC.® MEMBER:

Discipline Procedure

Under normal circumstances, GT USA Officers and Board members are expected to follow the procedure outlined below. There may be situations, however, in which the seriousness of the offense justifies the omission of one or more of the steps in the procedure. Likewise, there may be times when the organization may decide to repeat a disciplinary step.

UNACCEPTABLE ACTIVITIES WHICH DO NOT LEAD TO IMMEDIATE TERMINATION MAY BE DEALT WITH IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

- Oral Reminder
- Written Warning
- Decision-Making Suspension
- Revocation

To ensure that the GT USA organization functions properly and efficiently, everyone must conform to certain standards of conduct, sportsmanship and other rules and regulations. When problems arise, a GT USA official will work with the individual(s) to mutually reach an effective solution. If, however, individual(s) fail to respond to counseling, or an incident occurs requiring formal discipline, the following procedures will be enacted.

Step One: Oral Reminder

A GT USA representative will meet with the member to discuss the issue. They will make sure the member understands the nature of the issue and the expected remedy. The purpose of this conversation is to remind the member of exactly what the rule or conduct expectation is and to remind the member it is their responsibility to meet GT USA expectations.

The member will be informed the Oral Reminder is the first step of the discipline procedure. The GT USA representative will fully document the Oral Reminder, which will remain in effect on record for three (3) years. Documentation of the incident will remain in the confidential file and will only be shared with the GT USA Board and the event Show Promoter unless another disciplinary event occurs.

Step Two: Written Warning

If the member's actions do not improve or if the member is again determined to be in violation of GT USA rules or standards of conduct, a GT USA representative will discuss the problem with the member, emphasizing the seriousness of the issue. The member will need to remedy the problem. The member is now at the second formal level of disciplinary action. After the meeting, a GT USA representative will write an official memo to the member summarizing the discussion and document any agreement to remedy the situation. A copy of the official memo will be kept on file with GT USA and provided to all show promoters.

The Written Warning will remain in effect for three (3) years. Documentation of the written warning will remain in the confidential file but will be shared with the GT USA Board and all GT USA Sanctioned contest Show Promoters for their information.

Step Three: Decision-Making Leave / Counseling Session

If the actions of the member do not improve within the three (3) year period following the Written Warning, or if the accused is again in violation of GT USA rules or standards of conduct, they may be placed on Decision-Making Leave. The Decision-Making Leave is the third and final step of GT USA disciplinary process.

Decision-Making Leave is a disciplinary suspension rendering the competitive member unable to have points awarded at the next two scheduled Sanctioned Grooming Competitions or a time period determined by the Board of Directors.

Non-competitive members may be placed on a Decision-Making Leave for thirty (30) to ninety (90) days. Suspension of duties during this time period and length of Leave is at discretion of Board of Directors and/or Advisory Board.

Members undergoing a Decision-Making Leave must make a choice to abide by the GT USA rules or to terminate their association with the organization.

All Sanctioned Show Promoters will also be notified of this Decision-Making Leave. It will be their choice to suspend the member from their future shows.

If the accused member's decision, following the Decision-Making Leave, is to abide by GT USA rules and standards of conduct, a GT USA Representative will submit a letter to the member. The Representative will outline the commitment to GT USA, including the consequences of failing to meet this commitment. The member will be required to sign the letter acknowledging receipt. A copy will be placed in the accused member's GT USA file.

The accused member will be permitted to continue participation in GT USA events and/or duties. The contestant member will be permitted to return to point earning status at future Sanctioned Shows. The member should understand that if a positive change in behavior does not occur or if another disciplinary problem occurs within the next three (3) Years, the member risks permanent suspension of participation in GT USA Sanctioned events and/or duties.

If the member is unwilling to make such a commitment, member's status will be revoked.

Crisis Suspension

If a member commits any of the actions listed below, or any other action not specified but similarly serious, they will be suspended pending an investigation of the situation. Following the investigation, they may have membership status revoked without any previous disciplinary action having been taken.

Theft during a grooming competition or during a grooming industry tradeshow.

Threat of, or the act of, doing bodily harm during a grooming competition or a grooming industry tradeshow.

Deliberate and/or negligent action which endangers the safety of a pet or person.

Willful or negligent destruction of hotel or showground properties.

The provision of this Disciplinary Policy is not a guarantee of its use. GT USA reserves the right to suspend a point holding competitor at any time, with or without reason. Additionally, GT USA reserves the right to prosecute any past or present point holding competitor, GT USA, Board Member, Officer or official representative for any of the above infractions.

The GT USA Board of Directors may instill a penalty greater or lesser than provided in these guidelines as final action.

Grounds for immediate and permanent termination of GroomTeam USA, Inc.® status.

If any recognized member, (past or present) or volunteer is convicted in a court of law of any crime relating to animal cruelty, abuse or neglect they shall be immediately and permanently stripped of any GT USA status and shall be instructed to immediately cease the use of any GT USA related logo items, use of the name of GT USA in any advertising or promotional material and shall be asked to return any products exclusive to GT USA honorees. The accused shall have their name and biography permanently removed from the GT USA website.



Breeds By Class And Time Allowed



Wire Coats- Handstrips

Affenpinscher 1:45 Airedale 2:15 Australian Terrier 2:00 **Border Terrier 1:45 Brussels Griffon 1:45** Cairn Terrier 2:00 Dachshund Wire (Miniature) 1:45 Dachshund Wire (Standard) 2:00 Dandie Dinmont 2:00 Giant Schnauzer 2:15 Irish Terrier 2:00 Lakeland Terrier 2:00 Miniature Schnauzer 2:00 Norfolk Terrier 1:45 Norwich Terrier 1:45 Scottish Terrier 2:00 Sealyham Terrier 2:00 Standard Schnauzer 2:00 Welsh Terrier 2:00 West Highland White Terrier 2:00

Poodles

Wire Fox Terrier 2:00

11" and under 1:30
Over 11" up to and including 17" 1:45
Over 17" up to and including 23" 2:00
Over 23" 2:15

Setters And Spaniels

Clumber Spaniel 2:00
American Cocker Spaniel 2:00
English Cocker Spaniel 2:00
English Setter 2:00
English Springer Spaniel 2:00
Field Spaniel 2:00
Gordon Setter 2:00
Irish Red and White 2:00
Irish Setter 2:00
Sussex Spaniel 2:00
Welsh Springer Spaniel 2:00

Other Pure Breed Scissoring

Bedlington Terrier 2:00
Bichon Frise 2:00
Black Russian Terrier 2:15
Bouvier des Flandres 2:15
Irish Water Spaniel 2:00
Kerry Blue Terrier 2:00
Portuguese Water Dog 2:00
Soft Coated Wheaten 2:00

Saturday, December 6th

Wire Coat

8:00am - check in

- 9:00am competition begins
- 12:00pm-12:15pm winner announcement

All other pure Breeds

- 1:00pm check in
- 2:00pm competition begins
- 5:00pm-5:15pm winner announcement

Sunday, December 7th

Sporting Breeds

- 8:00am check in
- 9:00am competition begins
- 12:00pm-12:15pm winner announcement

Poodles

- 1:00pm check in
- 2:00pm competition begins
- 5:00pm-5:15pm winner announcement

Questions about attending to watch competitions?

Call us at: 609-350-6480 ex3 Or Email: ask@groomsouthflorida.com

VISIT GROOM SOUTH FACEBOOK PAGE

Delta Hotel By by Marriott West Palm Beach

Pet-Friendly Accommodations 🐾

Traveling with furry companions? Delta Hotels by Marriott West Palm Beach is happy to welcome your pets! Take advantage of pet-friendly rooms and enjoy a discounted group rate of **\$189 per night** as part of the **Groom South** block.

To Secure Your Stay:

Call 561-659-3880 or 1-888-236-2427 and mention "Groom South" to get your special rate.











Seminar Ticket Request

Friday: Dec 5th: "READY-SET-GO! PREP-BATHE-DRY! SEMINAR" by Teri DiMarine
\$150 per seat
QTY
Saturday: Dec 6th: "Super Styling Sessions" by Sue Zecco and Jay Scruggs
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