Information regarding upcoming appraisal events - North America

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What to bring to the appraisal

1. A **COPY** of your SABBS Birth Certificate or Registration Certificate if the dog is to be re-appraised (or other acceptable registration). If you question which organizations are approved, please contact your appraisal host or SABBS directly. Dogs that come from parents that have not completed the SABBS appraisal process are still eligible for appraisal but may be required to be in the Developmental Registry (DR) or the Other Organizations Register (OOR) rather than the Standard Registry (SP). Please bring a copy of your document NOT the original as it is included with your appraisal sheet and sent to SABBS, it will not be returned to you.
2. The dog must be microchipped and will be scanned at the appraisal.
3. Printed and completed Entry Form of all dogs to be appraised (page 6). You can choose to appraise as a non-member or a member. If you would like to become a member, please complete the membership application as well as the appraisal entry form (page 5).
4. Signed and dated (day of event) Waiver form (page 4).
5. **Proof of payment** or Paypal receipt (Please use attached North American Fee Schedule). PayPal is the easiest form of payment. Please send payment to SABBS via their paypal account when pre-registering for the event. Pre-registry needs to be done 3 weeks PRIOR to the date of your appraisal. If enough dogs are not pre-registered the event may be cancelled due to lack of interest.

   PayPal- accounts@sabbs.org

   Please specify your dogs name and date and location of the appraisal when you send the payment via paypal. Please send a screenshot or receipt to your appraisal host when payment is complete to confirm your registration. A copy of this should also be brought to the appraisal with your completed paperwork.

6. DNA profile. Confirm with your appraisal host if kits will be available at the venue. If not, they can be requested at www.animalgenetics.com. Profiles done by other DNA companies will not be accepted. You are responsible to swab your dog and send to Animal Genetics. Once DNA has been completed, please forward to SABBS.

Appraisal etiquette

1. Hand in any outstanding paperwork upon arrival. If you can complete the Appraisal packet in advance to the venue this is beneficial. The Office will not be able to provide you with any results without all necessary documents from your side.
2. Always ask permission from the owner prior to petting any Boerboel.
3. Keep a safe distance between your Boerboel and others at the venue.
4. Always keep your Boerboel on a leash and in control.
5. Keep a close watch on children around unfamiliar dogs.
6. If your female is in season, make arrangements with the appraisal host to have her appraised last or in a different area away from the other dogs.
7. Wait until the appraiser is finished prior to asking questions.
8. Turn off cell phones or put on vibrate when having your dog appraised.
9. Stay clear of the entrance to the appraisal ring where there is a steady flow of people and dogs.
10. Always be vigilant of Covid protocols.

Getting ready for an appraisal by SABBS representative by Anemari Pretorius

We all want the highest scores for our dogs when they get appraised. The owner can play a big role in making the task of the senior appraiser easier and enjoyable in the appraisal ring. In knowing what is expected from the owner/handler it will also cause less stress for the owner – and the dog – and the appraiser. One must bear in mind that, to appraise a dog, is a responsible task and a very difficult task, especially when the owner/handler does not know what is expected of him and the dog. So, I thought it a good idea as to give you some pointers regarding this.

It will also be good practice to enlighten your puppy buyers of this. All dogs must be appraised before they are bred. The minimum age is 12 months, but it is recommended to rather bring it when it is 18 months and more matured. It must be noted that the appraiser appraises the dog according to the Breed Standard of an adult dog and does not take its age in consideration. If your dog still lacks development in comparison to an adult Boerboel in areas their score will reflect this. You are always eligible to re-appraise when a dog is older.

Pre-entry is required. When you pre-enter your dog for an appraisal, please attach a copy of its Birth Certificate or Registration Certificate (for a re-appraisal) to the appraisal registration along with proof of payment. If you choose not to send it to your appraisal host please bring it completed to the venue the day of the appraisal. Do not supply your master copy of the birth certificate as these documents will not be returned to you. Please supply a copy. Your dogs name, your contact information and proof of payment needs to be sent to appraisal host even if you decide to bring your paperwork the day of the appraisal. Pre-registration usually closes 2 weeks prior to the day of the appraisal. Special arrangements for time slots may be scheduled with the host, but if not appraisals are scheduled on a first come basis upon check in the day of the event.

Your dog must be on a choke chain or narrow collar – wearing harnesses will not be accepted. Harnesses are only allowed in the show ring for puppies under 6 months of age. Dogs must be on a choke chain are recommended for 2 reasons: to keep your dog safe in case of a fight and also that the appraiser can judge the shape of its neck properly. Keep the dog on a short leash. Socialize your dog. Get it used to travel by car. Socialize it with other dogs, loud noises like the strange and the loud noise of an announcer/music over the PA system – other dogs barking, strangers /dogs that move too close by, etc. During an appraisal the dog

must always stand next to its handler. It cannot be appraised when sitting or lying down. So, if you have taken it to training classes, you must teach him another command once you stop – he should not sit down when you stop walking.

Boerboel appraisals are not like what you see on television with AKC. The appraisers understand that these dogs are guard dogs and are often very protective of you as their handlers. Make the appraiser aware of the dog's attitude before the appraisal starts. Unlike dog shows on TV, the appraiser does not have to run hands over your dog, they do not need to check private areas of your dog that may make them uncomfortable. Most of the appraisal is done with the appraiser standing apart from your dog grading different qualities. You simply need to ensure your dog is standing for this part. You may be asked to take a step forward or back.

The two most difficult parts typically for a dog during the appraisal is being measured and showing teeth. To measure your dog, a volunteer will use a wicket measuring device. It is wooden and looks similar to a yard stick with a cross stick that can be moved to measure the width of the chest and height of the whither. You do not need to buy a wicket to practice this with your dog, but if you have a yard stick or a couple of rulers that can be bound together you can practice moving this on and around your dog's back and shoulders. Measuring is done before the appraisal and having your dog comfortable with this component will leave your dog more relaxed and comfortable as they move forward in the appraisal process.

Teach your dog from a very young age how to show its teeth. Stand on the right side of the dog. Close its jaws tightly by putting your left hand across its nasal bone and your right hand beneath the lower jaw, part the front of the upper and lower lips with your thumbs and, Wallah! Its bite can be seen. If the appraiser is unable to see this, the lowest possible score for the bite will be given. At some point you will be asked to walk your dog away and towards the appraiser with its head up in the air. Move the choke chain forward until just behind its ears. After that you will be asked to run in a triangular shape. Practice this with your dog, because some owners just seem to be unable to do this. If the owner cannot do this, the dog will also not be able to run smoothly, buoyant, effortless nor parallel. And this section of the appraisal chart carries a lot of weight. Your ability to move your dog with its head high will affect your score significantly. Movement is an important part of the appraisal and unlike other parts of the confirmation scoring, movement can be affected by practicing.

Although dogs are not scored on their overall condition anymore, make a good impression by presenting a clean and healthy dog. Do not bring an over- or underfed dog into the ring, neither a sick one. See to it beforehand that all wounds and sores have been treated. If the dog had been operated or had an accident that you think will impair its performance, you need to present a letter from your veterinarian to the appraiser on entering the ring. If possible, try not to bring a pregnant female or one that just has had a litter for appraisal – their top lines are sagging at that stage. As mentioned earlier, the appraiser can only score what he sees on that day. Please take other entrants in consideration by deciding prior to the event if your female is in season to appraise her last or in another area. Last, but not least: accept the fact that the perfect Boerboel has yet to be born. Accept your dog's shortcomings and faults. Listen to the advice that the senior appraiser has to offer – and ask if you do not understand. It is his duty to inform you the best we can. Please remember the appraisers are volunteers! They are sacrificing their time with their families away from their homes for the love of the Boerboel breed. Please treat them with the respect they deserve.

Good Luck!

GENERAL RELEASE, WAIVER OF LIABILITY – SABBS

Date of SABBS event: BOERBOEL EXPO USA, GREENTOWN INDIANA (05/14/2027 - 05/15/2027)

This General Release, Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement (Agreement) is made and entered into, by and between the undersigned and Boerboel Expo, it's employees, agents, successors and or assigns (Host or Hosts), the South African Boerboel Breeders Society and its employees or agents (SABBS), the property owner, and the South African Boerboel Breeders Club of North America, and its employees or agents (SABBS USA) (Collectively, the Host, Owner, SABBS, SABBS USA are Indemnified Parties) with regard to the following: The undersigned is attending an Appraisal, Show or Workshop (SABBS Event), conducted by SABBS and hosted by the Host. A Boerboel is a large dog of the mastiff breed. The undersigned specifically acknowledges that (1) he or she is attending the SABBS event by their own choice, and (2) that animals of all kinds may be unpredictable, especially when in an unfamiliar environment. The Indemnified Parties are not responsible for the safe handling and control of dogs at the SABBS event. Such responsibility is the sole responsibility of the owner of any dog attending the appraisal, whether or not appraised. The undersigned further acknowledges that it is his/her sole responsibility to care for and control his/her animals, children and guests, if applicable. The undersigned does hereby release and forever discharge the Indemnified Parties and each and all of them and their successors, heirs, assigns, agents, employees, representatives, attorneys and all persons acting by, though, or in concert with them, or any of them, of and from and all manner of action or actions, cause or causes of actions, at law or at equity, suits, debts, liens, contracts, agreements, promises, liabilities, claims, rights, obligations, demands, damages, losses, costs or expenses, of any nature whatsoever, known or unknown, fixed or contingent (collectively referred to herein as Claims), which the undersigned now has or may hereafter have against each or any of the above persons or entities. The undersigned shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties from and against any and all losses, claims, expenses, liabilities and judgements arising out of the undersigned or the undersigned's guests, children, or animals in attendance at the SABBS Event, regardless of if such loss, claim, expense, liability, judgement arose out of any negligent act or omission of the undersigned. If any provision or portion of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall nevertheless continue in full force without being impaired or invalidated in any way; provided, however that there shall be deemed to be made in any such invalid or unenforceable provision or portion such minor changes, and only minor changes, as necessary to make it valid and enforceable. The undersigned agrees covenants and warrants that he/she is authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf of, and to legally bind the Party he/she legally represents.

GENERAL RELEASE, WAIVER OF LIABILITY - SABBS List of spouses, children and guests attending with you:

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Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

E-mail address: _____

South African Boerboel Breeders' Society

Registered as a breeders' society in terms of the Animal Improvement Act, No 62 of 1998
Registration Number 62/98/B-68

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Member application **International**

Complete "A", "C" and "D" in full, "B" only if applicable. *Complete using MS Word®, print, scan, and submit.*

Submit the completed form with proof of payment by e-mail to office@sabbs.org, or by fax to +27 (0)86 579 9400.

A. Personal Particulars

Language preference:	☑ English ☐ Afrikaans	Member Type:	☐ Ordinary Member	☐ Junior Member	☐ Other[1]
If Member Type is *Other*, Name of Body[1]:	...				
If Member Type is *Other*, Reference Number[1]:	...	Identity Number[2]:	...		
Last Name:	...	First Name:	...		

Physical address:	Postal Address:
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State:	...	State:	...		
Country:		Postal / Zip Code: ...	Country: ...	Postal / Zip Code:	...
E-mail address:					

Telephone Numbers: Please provide number in the following format:	**+1 (000) 410-0950**				
Home:		Work:	...	Cell:	...

B. Breeder: Application for Stud / Kennel Name (Prefix)

Application form available at: http://sabbs.org/services/membership

☐ I wish to join SABBS as a breeder member and register a unique stud name (prefix) with SA Stud Book. The completed application form is attached.

C. Fees

Applicable Fees and Payment Instructions

Please refer to the appropriate information sheet for your region, available at: http://sabbs.org/services/fees.
If your country/region is not listed, please contact the SABBS Office at office@sabbs.org for a quotation.

Joining fee (once-off SA Stud Book participation):	...
Subscription:	...
Registration of Prefix, if required (breeders only):	...
Total:	...

Select your Region:
☐ Australia (A$) ☐ Canada (CAN$)
☐ Europe & Scandinavia (€) ☐ Other
☐ United Kingdom (GB£) ☐ USA (US$)

D. Agreement

I agree to:

1. Accept and abide by the SABBS Constitution and Bylaws.
2. Pay all prescribed subscription and service fees upon request and when due.

_____ Date

_____ Name

_____ Signature

SA Boerboel Breeders' Society
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Registration Form 2027

APPRAISAL

REGION	APPRAISAL VENUE (TOWN)	APPRAISAL DATE	SUBMISSION DATE

OWNER		MEMBERSHIP NUMBER	NON-MEMBER	
TELEPHONE	**CELL 1**	**CELL 2**	**E-MAIL**	
POSTAL ADDRESS				

KENNEL NAME	DOG NAME	REGISTRATION NUMBER	COLOUR OF DOG	DATE OF BIRTH	MICROCHIP NUMBER	GENDER	AMOUNT
Receipt No.		Results will be made available during the course of the day, but are subject to ratification after processing by SA Stud Book.			TOTAL		

APPRAISAL FEE	ENQUIRIES	GENERAL
$125 per dog for members $190 per dog for non-members	Only pre-registrations are accepted	Covid protocol to be followed at all times
Payment options	See Event Details for: Event Organiser, Contacts, Event Address and Directions at sabbs.org/diary/appraisals	For a Boerboel to be eligible for appraisal it must: - be 12 months or older - be microchipped - number to be available - dog will be scanned - have a SABBS Birth Notification or a birth notification from another accepted organization - have a SABBS Registration Certificate for a Re-Appraisal (to be handed in) - Dog MUST be on a leash -DNA with Animal Genetics required for all appraisals Please bring a bowl with food & water and a poop scoop and bags to clear up any mess. Complete Registration form and e-mail it to the appriasal host along with copies of required documents.
FOR ADVANCE PAYMENT PAYPAL: accounts@sabbs.org Bank: ABSA Name: South African Boerboel Breeders' Society Account No.: 4084873089 Branch Code: 632005 Reference: "Your name + Venue" Send this form with proof of payment to your appraisal host to pre-register.		

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2027 Subscriptions and Fees: North America

Description	US $
Joining fee: once-off (SA Stud Book participation)	49
Annual subscription	65
Prefix (stud/kennel name) registration with ARC: once-off for breeders only	55
Per capita fees *(All dogs that are not cancelled on per capita list)*	3
Appraisal Fee: Member per dog	125
Non-member per dog	190
Birth notifications (*COMPLETE litter announced simultaneously).	
* **Split litter, litter announced bit by bit**	44
• Per pup within 1 – 120 days **including** PET	17
• Per pup after 120 days **including** PET	44
Transfer of ownership (first transfer from breeder to owner is free)	18
Reinstatement (Reinstatement of a dog that was cancelled)	50
Per Duplicate certificate	10

Payment options	
PayPal SA Boerboel Breeders Society PayPal: accounts@sabbs.org	

Enquiries and proof of payment		
Reference SABBS Member No.	**E-mail** accounts@sabbs.org	