

MNDGCA Contest Rules

Novice Duck contests – are for callers who have **NOT** won a previous novice contest or placed in the top **3 Places** of a sanctioned state or regional contest or a competition “Stuttgart” style open contest. This does not include “meat”, “live”, or 2-man contests.

Novice Goose contests – are for callers who have **NOT** won a previous novice contest or placed in the top **3 Places** state, regional, or open contest. This does not include “live” or 2- man contests.

MN State Duck (Sanctioned) - This contest is sanctioned by the World’s Duck Calling Contest and will be run according to the rules set forth by the WDCC Committee. Any caller who will attain the age of 17 as of the hour of the World’s Duck Calling Contest on Nov. 27, 2010 is eligible to compete. College students may enter either a state contest in the state in which they attend college (with certification from that school that he or she is a full time student) or a state contest in their home state, but not both. This also applies to military personnel stationed in MN. There will be a minimum of three rounds of calling, with cuts made after rounds one and two at approximately 50% plus ties. In the event there should be more than thirty (30) callers competing, cuts may be increased to a rate of approximately 60% cut after rounds one and two. The final round in both cases will be a minimum of five callers, plus anyone tied for fifth. The winner must sign an agreement to return 75% of their prize money if for any reason they are unable to compete in the World’s Championship, so that their replacement may cover travel expenses. All prizes will be kept by the winner.

MN State Goose- is for callers who are MN residents only and must have a valid MN ID at the time of the contest. Any person in the active military stationed in MN or a person enrolled in a college in MN may call in the MN State contests or may choose to call in their home state but not both.

Regional and Open Goose contests – This contest is OPEN to all callers! The contests will be judged on a “competition style” routine, which will be ninety (90) seconds maximum. Judging will be done with five judges....the high and low scores from each round will be thrown out and the remaining three scores totaled. There will be a minimum of three rounds of calling, with cuts made after rounds one and two at approximately 50% plus ties. In the event there should be more than thirty (30) callers competing, cuts may be increased to a rate of approximately 60% cut after rounds one and two. The final round in both cases will be a minimum of five callers, plus anyone tied for fifth.

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Open Duck (Competition style/"Stuttgart Style") - This contest is OPEN to all callers! The contests will be judged on a "competition style" routine, which will be ninety (90) seconds maximum. Judging will be done with five judges....the high and low scores from each round will be thrown out and the remaining three scores totaled. There will be a minimum of three rounds of calling, with cuts made after rounds one and two at approximately 50% plus ties. In the event there should be more than thirty (30) callers competing, cuts may be increased to a rate of approximately 60% cut after rounds one and two. The final round in both cases will be a minimum of five callers, plus anyone tied for fifth.

Live Duck & Live Goose – This contest is OPEN to all callers! This contest will be judged on realistic bird sounds. A recording of live birds (ducks or geese) will be played for 10 seconds prior to each contestant. After the recording ends, the caller will be asked if they would like a "warm-up". The contestant will nod their head to the emcee to begin their routine. **(NO TALKING ALLOWED!)** This will be a 60 second routine with the red light coming on the last 10 seconds. Calling after the red light goes out will be grounds for elimination. There will be 5 judges and they will judge on realism and on the variety of sounds. The high and low score will be tossed and the sum of the remaining 3 scores will be the callers score for that round. The points from each round will be added together and the caller with the highest total will be declared the winner. There will be no ties. In the event of a tie there will be a call-off.

Youth contests- youth contests are divided into two groups: Junior group which is any child under the age of 13. Intermediate group is for kids 13-16 years of age. These contests are usually run simultaneously and will be scored for each group.

Game Fair Junior Duck and Goose Calling Championships

These contests are OPEN to any caller age twelve (12) years and under. These contests will be judged on a “competition style” routine, which will be ninety (90) seconds maximum. Callers will be judged against others in their age group only! Judging will be done with five judges...the high and low scores from each round will be thrown out and the remaining three scores totaled. Each caller will call a minimum of two rounds when there are fifteen (15) or fewer callers in their age division. When there are more than fifteen (15) callers the standard rules of a three round contest will apply, with cuts of approximately 50% after rounds one and two will be used. In all cases the top five, plus any ties will advance to the final round. In the event of a tie for any of the top five place finishers the will be broken. *****Callers who wish to earn points towards the KrugerFarms.com Cup may “age up” and compete in the Intermediate division, but will then be considered an Intermediate for the determination of the final five in that division only.*****

Game Fair Intermediate Duck and Goose Calling Championships

These contests are OPEN to any caller sixteen (16) years of age and under. These contests will be judged on a “competition style” routine, which will be ninety (90) seconds maximum. Callers will be judged against others in their age group only! Judging will be done with five judges...the high and low scores from each round will be thrown out and the remaining three scores totaled. Each caller will call a minimum of two rounds when there are fifteen (15) or fewer callers in their age division. When there are more than fifteen (15) callers the standard rules of a three round contest will apply, with cuts of approximately 50% after rounds one and two will be used. In all cases the top five, plus any ties will advance to the final round. In the event of a tie for any of the top five place finishers the ties will be broken. *****The top five callers in this division will earn points for the KrugerFarms.com Cup Points Race.*****

The MNDGCA and its Board of Governors reserves the right to interpret the application of these rules and in all instances their decision shall be final.