

## **AWARD OF MERIT GUIDELINES**

### **PURPOSE:**

At the Basset Hound Club of America National and Regional Specialty Shows, the judge may bestow, at his or her discretion, up to five (5) Awards of Merit to exhibits other than the dog awarded Best of Breed.

### **PROCEDURE:**

The following listing indicates the formula for determining the maximum number of merit awards allowed:

- If there are 05 – 14 Basset Hounds competing for Best of Breed, 1 Award of Merit may be given.
- If there are 15 – 24 Basset Hounds competing for Best of Breed, 2 Awards of Merit may be given.
- If there are 25 – 34 Basset Hounds competing for Best of Breed, 3 Awards of Merit may be given.
- If there are 35 – 44 Basset Hounds competing for Best of Breed, 4 Awards of Merit may be given.
- If there are 45 or more Basset Hounds competing for Best of Breed, 5 Awards of Merit may be given.

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