Swine Quiz Bowl Rules - 2016

1. Quiz Bowl is a single elimination competition.

2. Approximately 50% of the questions will come from specific sections in the Pork Information Gateway. For the 2015 Quiz Bowl approximately 50% of the Junior Quiz Bowl questions will come from either the Reproduction or the Animal Behavior and Welfare Issues Factsheets in the Pig Library within the Pork Information Gateway (www.porkgateway.org). For the Senior Quiz Bowl, approximately 50% of the questions will come from the Reproduction, Animal Behavior and Welfare Issues or the Swine Nutrition Factsheets in the Pig Library within the Pork Information Gateway (www.porkgateway.org). The Pork Information Gateway can be found at the following World Wide Web address; www.porkgateway.org.

3. Each team should consist of four persons. Teams with less than three persons may be combined with another team. Single person teams will not be allowed to compete.

4. There will be two rounds per game.

5. Each round will have eight questions, each worth 10 points.

6. Each team should have a captain, and the captain should sit closest to the timer.

7. In Round 1, each question will be directed to specific members of each team. The persons closest to the timer will be the first person in which a question will be directed. Subsequent questions will be directed in order from the persons closest to the timer to the persons farthest away from the timer. If the person who signals answers incorrectly the question is then given to the corresponding member of the other team. The person to which the question is directed can not confer with other team members before answering. If team members confer they lose the opportunity to answer the question.

8. If a team has an open seat (e.g. 3 person team vs a 4 person team), the individual question will be directed to the team with a filled seat and the team that has the open seat will not have the opportunity to answer the question during Round 1.

9. In Round 2, any person from either team can signal to answer a question. Only the person that signals can answer and there is no conferring among team members. If the person answers correctly their team is awarded 10 points. If the person answers incorrectly the question is then given to the other team. Any person on the other team can answer but team members cannot confer. If team members confer then they lose the opportunity to answer the question.

10. If someone signals as the Moderator reads a question, the Moderator will stop and the contestant will provide their answer. If the answer is correct their team receives points. If their answer is incorrect the other team will be read the question and be given the opportunity to answer.

11. After the Moderator reads a question, contestants will be given 10 seconds to answer. If no contestant answers within 10 seconds, the moderator will move on to the next question.

12. Within the second round of each game is a toss-up question. The team who answers the toss-up question correctly receives 10 points. The team can win an additional 5 points by correctly answering the Bonus Question. To answer the Bonus Question team members can confer and the captain provides the answer. If the answer is incorrect no points are recorded.

13. If there is a question regarding the accuracy of the official answer the captain of either team can appeal to the Moderator and/or the Judge. However, all decisions by the Moderator and/or the Judge are final.

14. There will be no deductions for wrong answers.

15. If there is a tie, the moderator will ask tie-breaking questions. The first team to answer correctly wins.

16. Spectators are welcome to view quiz bowl games. Spectators must be quiet and not respond to questions. If spectators compromise the Quiz Bowl competition in any way the Moderator can suspend the game at any time and remove spectators from the room. Quiz Bowl teams whether they remain within the competition or have been eliminated cannot be in the audience, except for the Championship round. Spectators will not be allowed to take notes during a quiz bowl game. Spectators will not be allowed to use audio or video devices during a quiz bowl game.

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