

## AMLRC – SWEEPS FOR DUMMIES! ☺

Hello Everyone,

As some of you know, I was the WSRBA (Wisconsin State RBA) sweeps chair for several years. During that time, I was approached by many, MANY members with questions about how The Points work. Yes, The Points are an animal SO large, the very name does, in fact, deserve the Capital Letter Treatment! I don't ever want anyone to be afraid to ask questions about it – but for those of you too shy (!), here you go:

Please note, complete sweeps rules (no capitals for that!) can be found on both the AMLRC website ([www.amlrc.com](http://www.amlrc.com)) and the sweeps site ([www.amlrcsweeps.com](http://www.amlrcsweeps.com)).

The AMLRC Points Season runs from June 1<sup>st</sup> through May 31<sup>st</sup> each year. This may or may not line up with other clubs to which you belong. Points are only awarded to members in good standing. If you are showing as any kind of partnership, ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARTNERSHIP MUST BE MEMBERS OF THE AMLRC, or the points cannot be counted at all. Points will not be counted under the member-only in any partnership. Additionally, points cannot be counted under a rabbitry name. People names only! And, points must stay in the category (Open or Youth) in which they were earned. Points cannot be moved from one to the other.

The AMLRC currently runs 3 separate contests: Sweepstakes Points, Top Lop Points & Quality Points.

### **SWEEPS POINTS CATEGORY:**

First, you've got your basic Class Points. Class Points are points earned in, yep, you guessed it – the class! Class Points are counted in the Sweeps Points Category of the AMLRC's Contests. They're awarded as follows for "regular" shows (ARBA Convention & AMLRC NMLS are done differently & explained in a separate section of this article).

1<sup>st</sup> Place: 6 times the number of animals in the class (ex: 1<sup>st</sup> place of 20 would be 120 pts) - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 4 times the number of animals in the class (ex: 2<sup>nd</sup> place of 20 would be 80 pts) - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 3 times the number of animals in the class (ex: 3<sup>rd</sup> place of 20 would be 60 pts) - 4<sup>th</sup> Place: 2 times the number of animals in the class (ex: 4<sup>th</sup> place of 20 would be 40 pts) - 5<sup>th</sup> Place: 1 times the number of animals in the class (ex: 5<sup>th</sup> place of 20 would be 20 pts)

Then you have your BOB & BOS bonus points. These bonus points are added in to your class points total.

BOB: 1 point for every animal shown in the breed.

BOS: 1 point for every opposite animal shown in the breed (ex: If a buck wins, and you have the BOS doe, you get one point for every doe shown in the breed).

### **TOP LOP CATEGORY:**

In the Top Lop contest, the points are awarded to the RABBIT, by ear number, not the exhibitor. The exhibitor is, obviously, listed! But should an animal be sold, and the sale is reported to the AMLRC Sweeps Chair in writing (both buyer & seller must confirm the sale), the exhibitor name will be updated on the Top Lop listing. However, if an Open breeder purchases a Youth rabbit, the points cannot be transferred, and vice versa. Youth Rabbit Youth Points. Open Rabbit Open Points.

The BOB & BOS rabbits are awarded 1 point for each shown – and yes, this is the exact same number as the exhibitors' bonus points described above.

### **QUALITY POINTS CATEGORY:**

Quality Points are awarded to the exhibitor for BOS, BOB, Best 4 Class / RIS {Reserve in Show}, and BIS {Best in Show} as follows:

BOS – 1 Quality Point  
BOB – 2 Quality Points  
B4C / RIS / BOG – 2 Quality Points  
BIS – 5 Quality Points

NOTE: If you win both B4C / BOG & BIS, you don't get the B4C / BOG 2 Quality Points & the 5 BIS Quality Points. You get the BOB 2 & the BIS 5 for a total of 7 Quality Points.