IN ORDER TO RETAIN SANCTIONED STATUS, ALL SANCTIONED STATE, REGIONAL AND FOREIGN CONTESTS MUST COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM STANDARDS:

- Pay \$250 sanction fee due **BEFORE March 1st** and submit the date of the contest. This fee includes the winner's registration fee for Stuttgart. Contests occurring in January, February or March should be paid by January 31st.
- 2. Our electronic scoring system may be used for your contests. If you have questions about how to use it, please let us know and we will make sure someone explains it to you. The system will be emailed to you so be sure we have a good email address.
- 3. Judging shall be based upon contestant's ability to bring in a simulated flight of ducks using all of the following calls: 1) Hail or long distance call; 2) Mating or lonesome duck call; 3) Feed or chatter call; 4) Comeback call. The decision of the judges shall be based upon cumulative scoring. Judges shall use score sheets as developed by the World's Championship Duck Calling Committee.
- 4. Each contestant shall be allowed a maximum of 90 seconds. A red signal/timing light shall be in view of the contestant.
- 5. Contestants shall be identified by number only until conclusion of the contest.
- 6. Contestants must be in an isolation area away from judges and audience and shall not be permitted to leave the isolation area until conclusion of the contest.
- 7. There shall be a designated place for the contestant to stand for competition. Contestants shall be required to face the audience.
- 8. Judges shall be located in such a manner as to avoid seeing each other, the spectators and contestants or from otherwise identifying any contestant except by number. **Dividers must be placed in between ALL judges at contests.** Judges should NOT be able to see any other judge's scores. It has been brought to our attention that some contests are not following this rule so it is being reinforced. This is not optional.
- 9. Each sanctioned contest shall submit a video of their respective contest in order to assist the Rules Committee in determining verifying compliance with items above. Submitted videos MUST show that required items in Rule have been fulfilled, otherwise compliance cannot be assumed. That contest will then be in violation of the sanctioned contest rules and is subject to revocation of their sanctioned contest status. In addition, each sanctioned contest shall provide to the Rules Committee a complete listing of all contests held in conjunction with their sanctioned contest and a listing of entry fees for each contest. Facebook Live is an acceptable way to submit a video.
- 10. Contest Chairman or Committee members may NOT compete or judge their own contest. Judges must be 17 years of age or older.
- 11. Contest shall provide a list of sponsors as well as prize list for each contest.
- 12. Previously sanctioned contests will be notified in January of each year as to sanctioning status. The World's Championship Duck Calling Contest Rules Committee shall make the decision as to whether a contest shall remain sanctioned. In making such decision, the Committee shall review and consider the degree of compliance with rules (whichever is applicable) and with the minimum standards set out herein.
- 13. All sanctioned contests must, within thirty (30) working days after their contest, forward to the World's Championship Duck Calling Contest Rules Committee all credentials required as well as the video required and the pre-registration form for the winner of such contest. Packets may be submitted by mail or emailed to worldducksanction@gmail.com

14. A change is contest chairman will require approval from the Rules Committee. A Change of Chairman form must be submitted a minimum of (60) days before contest is to be held unless there are extenuating circumstances.

AFTER CONTEST:

WITHIN 30 DAYS OF CONTEST DATE TO AVOID \$50 LATE FEE. Information may be emailed to worldducksanction@gmail.com.

- 1. List of judges and their addresses
- 2. List of contestants and their addresses
- 3. List of Sponsor(s) of contest(s) and addresses
- 4. Prize list for contest(s)
- 5. Pre-Registration form for the World's Championship Duck Calling Contest
- 6. Score sheets from judges
- 7. Video tape of contest showing the entire contest, and including the following (submitted with USB, disc, or electronically). Facebook live is also an acceptable way to showcase a video:
 - A. Judges location in reference to contestants.
 - B. Contestants isolation area.
 - C. Red Light
 - D. Audience as in reference to judges.