

THE CANADIAN DUCK & GOOSE CALLING CHAMPIONSHIP



2011 Contest Rules & Regulations

1. "The Canadian Duck and Goose Calling Championship" is held on August 20 at the Bass Pro Shops in Vaughan, Ontario. *Canadian sanctioned senior duck calling contest is open to all persons who reside in Canada. All other contests/competitions are open to all Canadian and U.S. residents.* There will be Junior and Senior divisions in both duck and goose along with team calling and two-man duck calling. Anyone who has not turned 16 (sixteen) years old by the day of the contest may call in the junior division. Proof of birthday may be required by judges for participation in the junior division.
2. Registration will be by official entry blank only. Registration must be received by August 12, 2011.
3. *Anyone having placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in any adult contest is ineligible to compete in the Junior contest.* Junior divisions will call for 60 (sixty) seconds. Senior divisions will call for 90 (ninety) seconds. After 90 seconds, contestants will have at least one round of preliminary elimination. The next round will be comprised of top scores from the previous rounds; the field will be reduced pending the number of contestants. All ties subject to a call-off. *Contestants must make no vocal sound except for calling while in the blind. Failure to do so is grounds for elimination.*
 - a. Senior contestants will call from a blind for 90 seconds in view of audience but concealed from the judges. As the contestant takes position in the blind, a red light will be turned on. The contestant will be asked if they would like a "Warm-up" or not. When the contestant starts calling the red light goes off. After 80 seconds the red light comes back on. The contestant then has 10 seconds left to complete their calling. After 90 seconds the red light goes off. Calling after the red light goes off or any talking will be grounds for elimination.
4. Goose callers must blow the "Hail or Long Distance" call, the "Feed or Come On" call, the "Come Back" call and finally, the "Confidence or Lay Down" call. Time of calling is not to exceed 60 or 90 seconds depending on division. Imagine a flock of birds on the horizon that are not coming your way. Turn them toward your blind. At about 100 yards out they flair off from your blind. You call them back toward your blind. You call them over your decoys and you land them.
5. Duck callers will simulate the calling of mallard ducks and must blow the "Hail or Long Distance" call, the "Feed or Chatter" call, the "Come Back" call and finally, the "Mating or Lonesome Hen" call. Time of calling is not to exceed 60 or 90 seconds depending on division. Imagine a flock of birds on the horizon that are not coming your way. Turn them toward your blind. At about 100 yards out they flair off from your blind. You call them back toward your blind. You call them over your decoys and you land them.

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6. Team contestants will call from a blind for 60 seconds. Contestants will be judged on the ability to imitate the species. Any mixture of legal pneumatic calls and voice calls may be used. No limit to the number of calls used by contestants. All ties subject to a call-off.
7. Old Man Flute contestants are subject to Senior division rules (3), and mandatory goose calls (4), using a flute call.
8. In all contests, callers may use any legal pneumatic call and or voice calls. No electronic equipment of any kind is allowed. For any reason, contestants may be asked by the judges to repeat calls.
9. Contestants will be known by number only. Numbers will be selected by chance at the last minute in the warm-up area under supervision for each preliminary round and the final event. No contestant can leave the isolation area after numbers have been drawn. No contestant can leave the isolation area until the conclusion of the contest.
10. Scoring will be on a point system. There will be 5 judges. The highest and lowest score will be thrown out with the three remaining scores added together for contestants' total score for that round. The same applies for the finals. The scores from each round and the finals will be added together for finalist total score. Decision of the judges in all matters is final.
11. No alcoholic beverages or drugs will be allowed at any time during the contest. This or any conduct unbecoming a sportsman shall result in automatic disqualification at the discretion of the Master of Ceremony and judges or Ducks Unlimited Canada.

For more information call 1-705-721-4444 or email calling@ducks.ca

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*The senior competition duck calling prize (approximate \$1,500 retail value) will consist of:

- a) Economy airfare for one, from the winner's nearest Canadian international airport to Little Rock, Arkansas for travel on the days of November 24 and November 27, 2011.
- b) three (3) night standard accommodation based on single occupancy
- c) \$350 US spending money
- d) entry fee to the World's Championship Duck Calling Contest (approximate value \$50USD)

Other items such as return transportation between the winner's home and the departure airport, airport/hotel transfers, all meals, beverages, gratuities, airport departure taxes and travel documentation (such as a passport or proof of citizenship) and other items of a personal nature are the responsibility of the winner.

In the event the senior duck calling winner cannot attend the World's Championship Duck Calling Contest in Arkansas, the second runner up will be asked to attend in place. First place winner will forfeit associated prize.

The senior competition goose calling cash and/or prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place finishers.

Prizes have no cash value, cannot be substituted, returned or refunded. Prizes must be accepted as described. Prizes must be accepted by the winner that is selected and may not be transferred to any other person(s) without written consent of Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC), which consent may be arbitrarily withheld. All decisions by Ducks Unlimited Canada with respect to all aspects of this contest are final. DUC will not be responsible for, or accept any liability resulting from, entries that are delayed, lost, stolen or misdirected.

By entering this contest, participants consent to DUC publishing or announcing the winner's name and photograph(s), in future publicity, without permission or compensation.



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