



# Contest Terms & Conditions



## 1. Organization

The European Koi Show is organized by Koiclub Nederland.

## 2. Registration/participation

Participation in the competition is open to everyone.

Participation is done by registration. After registration you will receive an invoice. The invoice is also proof of registration (if paid). Payment must be made to the account number of Koi Club Nederland before the payment date stated on the invoice. The registration is only a fact when the registration fee has been credited to the account number of Koi Club Nederland. If the payment is not made before or during the show, Koiclub Nederland can immediately refuse the participant/exhibitor access.

A maximum of 14 Koi per barrel can be registered per participant, whereby the total length of all Koi may not exceed 500 cm per barrel. This is due to the maximum permissible load of a competition barrel. The total length of all Koi in a barrel should be at least 100 cm. The fish must meet a minimum length of 15 cm. In principle, each participant will be allocated a maximum of two vats. The cost per barrel is €120 for hobbyists and €150 for traders. In case of online benching of the koi by the treasurer, a refund of €25 will be made on the spot.

The following applies at all times: full is full. Koi participating in the competition must be hardened (stop feeding approx. 7 days before the show, stop feeding ponds with algae 14 days in advance), to prevent contamination in the barrels as much as possible. **Please note that this is for the well-being of your fish!** Each participating hobbyist will receive a wristband that gives them access to the show grounds on both days. Participation in the competition is entirely at your own risk. Per address, or per trader, it is only possible to register/participate under one name.

## 3. Registration for the competition

Participants can only bring in the Koi participating in the competition on Friday 23 May 2025 from 9.00 – 18.00 hours on presentation of the participation form (=invoice)

The introduction of the Koi in the vessel(s) assigned to you is done by yourself.

However, if you need assistance, the race management or someone from the benching team will assist you. If you crate your Koi yourself, you must bring the benching form fully completed and hand over to the benching team together with the USB stick on which the photos of the Koi you use in the competition.

You must take a sharp and clear digital photo of all Koi you use in the highest possible resolution. The Koi should be photographed in a measuring tank and in a horizontal position. You deliver the digital photos on a USB stick (640 X 480 pixels). The order of the photos on the USB stick must be the same as the order in which you listed your Koi on the benching form. Koi number 1 on the benching form must correspond to photo number 1 on the USB stick. All photos of the Koi to be used by you must be received by the organization no later than May 19th. The organization will be allowed to use these photos for publication.

If you do not bench the koi yourself, you only bring the crate form. Upon arrival you must report to the organization. They will check the number of Koi you have used and fill in the crate form. The organization registers the entered Koi on the bench form, after which the form is signed for approval by both the competition management and the participant.

Only on presentation of the barrel reservation form signed by both parties can you now take your used Koi home after the match. So please keep this form safe!

### **Pay attention!! :**

Either you bench and photograph all your participating Koi yourself or you have all your participating Koi benched and photographed by the benching team. It is not possible to do this partly by the benching team and partly by you yourself. This is to prevent mistakes during benching. Online benching is therefore **mandatory** in order to be able to complete the judging faster and to announce the prizes earlier. Our aim is to announce the prizes on Saturday afternoon by means of stickers on the forms at the barrels.

After registration, the participant must follow all instructions given by the race management or his representatives. The organization ensures that every Koi that is benched gets a competition number.

If the Koi has been benched, it can no longer be removed from the competition other than with the permission of the competition committee, under penalty of disqualification of all Koi entered from the owner in question and with the surrender of any prizes won.

Participants are not allowed to put or remove koi in or out of the competition barrels, or to enter the barrels themselves with landing nets, unless at the express request and supervision of the competition management or benching team. Not even for photographic purposes. If there is a need for this, the race management can determine that this will be followed up by the organization.

## 4. Benching

Sick Koi will be excluded from the competition and must be taken back, the same applies if you have more than 5 m of Koi per barrel. Paid registration fees will not be refunded.

The Koi are classified into the following varieties and classes:

VARIETIES:

Kohaku

Sanke

Showa

Utsurimono

Bekko

Asagi / Shusui

Hot / Goshiki

Tancho (Go-sanke, INCL. Doitsu N. Ginrin)

Kinjinrin A (Go-sanke)

Kinjinrin B (Non Go-sanke)

Kawari Muji(mono) (all mono Kawarimono such as Chagoi, Soragoi and Benigo)

Kawari Moyo(mono) (all multi-coloured Kawarimono)

Hikari Muji (Mono) (INCL. Kin Matsuba, Jin Matsuba)

Hikari Meo (Mano)

Hiri Utsuri (disabled)

Doitsu A (Go-sanke)

Doitsu B (Non Go-sanke)

GO-SANKE = varieties KOHAKU, SANKE and SHOWA

NON GO-SANKE = all other varieties

The 8 sizes are:

Size 1 van 15 t/m 20 cm

Size 2 >20 t/m 30 cm

Size 3 >30 t/m 40 cm

Size 4 >40 t/m 50 cm

Size 5 >50 t/m 60 cm

Size 6 >60 t/m 70 cm

Size 7 >70 t/m 80 cm

Size 8 from 80 cm and above

The following champions will also be chosen:

European Grand Champion A (Go-Sanke)

European Grand Champion B (Non Go-Sanke)

European Supreme Champion

European Jumbo Champion (size 7 en 8)

European Mature Champion (size 7 en 8)

European Adult Champion (size 5 en 6)

European Young Champion (size 3 en 4)

European Baby Champion (size 1 en 2)

European Senior Tategoi (size 4, 5 en 6)

European Junior Tategoi (size 1, 2 en 3)

European Most Unique (Size 6, 7 of 8)

In addition, various foreign friendship prizes will be distributed. It is possible that the competition management, in consultation with the jury members, will aim for a different distribution of prizes

On Saturday afternoon or as much earlier as possible, all prize winners will be announced on the boards behind the barrels.

The award ceremony will take place on Sunday 25 May 2025 at 1.30 pm.

## **5. End of match**

After the award ceremony, the race committee will announce when the "debenching" will start. During the debenching, the participant will receive his Koi back after handing over the participation form. Only after handing over the participation form can the competition committee proceed to release Koi! It is not allowed to take Koi out of the barrels before the award ceremony. If participants do this, they are excluded from participating in Koi competitions of Koiclub Nederland for an indefinite period of time.

Participants are obliged to bring their Koi back on Sunday 25 May 2025. An exception to this rule is only possible with the written consent of the race management. This must be requested before the show. For organizational reasons, there will be no automatic water change from Sunday 25 May 2025 at 19:00. After the debenching has ended, the owner of any Koi that may still be present is responsible for their own care and supervision.

## **6. General**

The race management can decide to deviate from the rules at any time. In such cases, which are not provided for in the regulations, the race committee will decide. Koiclub Nederland reserves the right to refuse traders/hobbyists to participate in the Koi competition, even without giving reasons. Koiclub Nederland is not liable for damage, however caused, to participating Koi. Photos of participating Koi can be used for publication purposes. Traders are those (including hobbyists) who are engaged in the trade/sale of Koi or related articles (whether or not registered in/with the Chamber of Commerce). Hobbyists are not supposed to do this. Participants are not allowed to place advertisements, in any form whatsoever, on the barrels or to deposit them in the water. Participation is at your own risk. Each participant is deemed to have taken note of these rules.

## **7. General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)**

In the context of the European law General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the exhibitor hereby gives permission to the Koiclub Nederland (hereinafter referred to as KCN) for the following operations:

- Taking (atmosphere) photos of the stands by photographers of the KCN.
- Taking pictures of the exhibitor (or delegate) during the Award Ceremony.
- Posting photos on the website of the European Koi Show ([www.europeankoishow.com](http://www.europeankoishow.com)) and other Media such as Instagram and Facebook)

The KCN will only carry out the above-mentioned actions if you specifically wish to do so. has given permission and will handle your data with the greatest possible care as a contest participant.

## **8. Mention name during the European Koi Show**

This year we want to give the contest participants the opportunity to mention their (company) name during the European Koishow. That is why we have decided to give everyone the opportunity to disclose the owner, any address details and telephone number of the owner at the barrel. The names will be placed on the boards as soon as possible after judging. This gives traders the opportunity to advertise and hobbyists can get in touch with people who might be interested in a particular fish. Incidentally, this option is an extra service and therefore completely free of charge. Keep in mind that fish may only be taken out of the barrel during debenching on Sunday.

How does this work? You indicate by means of the form below that you want to place your details with your barrel. We will then put your name and the desired data on a standard board (maximum 4 lines) and place this on the competition board next to the photos of your fish after judging. We would like to make it clear that only our standard signs are allowed at the barrels, homemade signs or stickers will be removed immediately.

Hobbyists, we would like to point out that it is not only possible interested buyers who will but also gentlemen who can visit your pond with less good intentions.

We would like to expressly point out that Koiclubnederland cannot be held responsible for damage, theft, etc. as a result of your name being mentioned.

Rule 1 ..... (e.g. company name or own name)

Rule 2 ..... (e.g. address)

Rule 3 ..... (e.g. phone number)

Regel 4 ..... (bv email of website)

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Date:.....

Participant's name.....

Signature.....