

Notes for the IPCC for shows with 2 or more rings

Before starting judging ensure:

- that adequate washing and sanitising facilities are available for the judge and exhibitors – pocket sanitiser and/ or hand wipes are recommended
- that for classes using both rings, the goats being shown in ring 2 have two catalogue number cards – one for the goat and one to be retained by the steward
- that all rings have separate entry and exit points, and allocate Ring 1, Ring 2 etc. to the relevant rings
- that a supply of ‘card holders’ – small posts, electric fence stakes etc. – is available to hold the IP numbers

During judging:

- advise handlers and owners handling another owner’s goat to wash and sanitise hands between animals
- line up the goats in class order in their respective rings, ready for the IP, with the duplicate numbers replacing the ring 2 animals in ring 1.
- Start the IP in ring 1, and place the respective numbers of the ‘missing’ goats (i.e. those in ring 2) in the card holders in ring 1 as substitutes for the actual goats, which remain in ring 2.
- as the goats in ring 1 are pulled out for the IP, place the duplicate numbers for those goats in ring 2, in their respective places in the IP in ring 1
- the IP line-up in ring 1 will then contain all the catalogue numbers for those goats required for the IP as a mix of goats and free-standing numbers
- go down the line allocating CCs and BCCs by NUMBER glancing at the second ring, if necessary
- ask the steward to hand out relevant cards/ rosettes to the highest health status ring first, followed by the first/ main ring entrants
- do not shake hands with exhibitors or touch exhibits during the IP