



Texas Trophy Hunters Association™ and Vortex™ Optics

Present

The 2018 Hunters Extravaganza®

ANNUAL DEER COMPETITION

RULES

ELIGIBILITY

The Hunters Extravaganza® Deer Competition is open only to current members of the Texas Trophy Hunters Association™ (TTHA) and their immediate family (immediate family is specifically limited to spouse and minor children).

All entries must have been hunter-killed (picked up deer are not eligible) during the 2017-2018 season (excluding Division V: Best in Previous Five Seasons—see additional rules), and by legal means as described in the applicable state's game laws. High-fenced ranches must be 200 acres or more. All entries must have been killed by the contestant (person entering the animal) though the physical entry at a Hunter Extravaganza® event may be made by a person appointed by the entrant to act in the capacity of a designated alternate. The alternate must provide all necessary entry information at the time of entry. Each deer may be entered only in one (1) Hunters Extravaganza® event (Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio, or Corpus Christi). All entrants release use of their photos and likeness for marketing and promotional use by TTHA. All entries MUST remain on display until after the awards presentation (4:00 p.m. Sunday of each show).

Immediate Disqualification will occur for any entry that is determined by TTHA Contest Officials to be found (picked up), purchased, taken prior to the current competition, a mounted shed, or added/shaved or otherwise altered points. All decisions will be final!

ENTRY DEADLINE

All entries must be registered for competition no later than 4:00 p.m. Saturday afternoon on the weekend of each city's Hunters Extravaganza®. The official Time Clock is located in the TTHA Deer Scoring Booth. Entries may be registered as early as Friday at 3:00 p.m.

SCORING PROCEDURES

TTHA Contest Officials of the 2018 Hunters Extravaganza® Annual Deer Competition will score each entry utilizing **net** scores, as determined by the Boone and Crockett (B&C) method of scoring, with the following exception regarding non-typical classification: bucks possessing fifteen (15) or more inches of non-typical antler will be considered by the TTHA Contest Officials to be non-typical entries. Bucks possessing less than fifteen (15) inches of non-typical antler will be considered by the Contest Officials to be typical entries. A score sheet prepared by a certified B&C official may be accepted by TTHA Contest Officials as a 2018 Hunters Extravaganza® Annual Deer Competition score sheet at the discretion of the TTHA Chief Scorer. All scores and decisions of the TTHA Chief Scorer are final.



DIVISIONS & CATEGORIES

There are four primary Divisions for which entrants may qualify:

- **DIVISION I: Modern Arms – Open Range**
- **DIVISION II: Modern Arms – High Fence**
- **DIVISION III: Archery (Conventional/CrossBow)– Open Range**
- **DIVISION IV: Archery (Conventional/CrossBow)– High Fence**

- Within each of the four primary Divisions are three Regional Subdivisions:
 - North Texas
 - South Texas (including Mexico)
 - Out of State (U.S. & Canada)

- For Divisions I-IV only, each entry will be made in the qualifying Regional Subdivision (under either the typical or non-typical classification) in the following four categories as it applies to the status of each contestant on August 31, 2018:
 - Adult Male (17 and older)
 - Adult Female (17 years and older)
 - Youth Male (16 years and younger)
 - Youth Female (16 years and younger)

In addition to the four primary Divisions, two special Divisions for which entrants may qualify:

- **DIVISION V: Best Whitetail in Previous Five Seasons**
 - Only deer killed during the 2012-2013 through 2016-2017 seasons will qualify in this division in the following Regional Subdivision categories:
 - North Texas
 - South Texas & Mexico
 - Out of State (U.S. & Canada)

- **DIVISION VI: Best Texas Mule Deer**
 - Only mule deer killed in Texas during the 2017-2018 season will qualify in the following categories:
 - Typical
 - Non-Typical



AWARDS

Only the top three scoring entries from qualified contestants for each category will be eligible for awards (excluding Division V: Best in Previous Five Seasons—see additional rules). In the event of a tie, inside spread will determine the break in place. All first-place winners must be present (or have a pre-arranged representative designated) to receive an award. All award decisions will be final!

Division V: Best in Previous Five Seasons will be determined by the whitetail entry in Division V that is the *closest to or in excess* of the B&C minimums (170 typical or 195 non-typical). For example, if the top-scoring typical deer scores 175, it is five (5) inches *in excess* of the 170 typical B&C minimum. If the top-scoring non-typical is 190, or five (5) inches *under* the 195 B&C minimum, the 175 typical will win the high award even though the 190 is a bigger score.

Additional Awards

Additional awards will be given to winners in the following categories:

- High Overall Adult Female Category
- High Overall Youth Category
- Best of Show (Open Range and High Fence Categories, Texas and Mexico only)
- People's Choice Award
- Best Perfect 8 Point Whitetail
 - The High Overall Awards (High Overall Adult Female and High Overall Youth) will be determined by the whitetail entry from *all* combined entries at each Hunters Extravaganza® event from Divisions I, II, III and IV, in the Regional Subdivisions of North Texas and South Texas & Mexico, in each typical or non-typical classification that is the *closest to or in excess* of the B&C minimums (170 typical or 195 non-typical). For example, if the top-scoring typical deer scores 175, it is five (5) inches *in excess* of the 170 typical B&C minimum. If the top-scoring non-typical is 190, or five (5) inches *under* the 195 B&C minimum, the 175 typical will win the high award even though the 190 is a bigger score.
 - Best of Show (Open Range & High Fence) will be determined from *all* combined entries at each Hunters Extravaganza® event from Divisions I, II, III, IV in the Regional subdivisions of North Texas and South Texas/Mexico.
 - High Overall Youth and High Overall Women's winners will be determined from the entries in those respective classes only from Divisions I, II, III and IV.
 - People's Choice Award will be decided by a popular vote of attendees at each Hunters Extravaganza show who completely fill out an official ballot. Only one vote per household will be counted.
 - Best Perfect 8 Point Whitetail will be determined by the highest **net** score of a whitetail entry from the entries in those respective classes only from Divisions I, II, III and IV, with exactly eight natural points (three (3) natural points off the beam on each side **plus** the point of the beam,) containing no abnormal growth of one inch or more or signs of broken or removed growth. Any deer suspected of once possessing more than exactly eight natural score able points will not be eligible.