

Show Commander[®] Glossary

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This is a list of common terminology used within the Show Commander app.

Age Group. The general age of the exhibitor, i.e., “Adult” or “Youth.” Used to identify eligibility for various parts of a show.

Autocomplete Field. A field that brings up suggested values as you begin to type. At least 2 characters must be entered to begin the suggestion process. Autocomplete fields use the beginning letters of candidate words to identify suggestions. Show Commander uses autocomplete fields for exhibitor name and breed description.

Award. An award that an exhibit might be eligible for. All standard awards are automatically generated by Show Commander when the show is finalized. Additional special awards may be added using the Awards pages. All awards appear in the appropriate place on the judging sheets.

Breed Database. The list of breeds used in the Show Commander app. The list started with only recognized breeds, and non-recognized breeds have been added over time as needed. This list is used in the autocomplete lookup in the Breed Description field on the Entry Lines page.

Coop Card. The card attached to the exhibit’s cage. Show Commander can either create labels that need to be affixed to the coop card or can print directly to sheets of cardstock that are then cut into individual coop cards.

Coop Card Label. The label that is attached to the pre-printed coop card. Show Commander can print labels on several standard Avery label numbers.

Coop Trio Females Together. Show Commander generally gives each exhibit in a trio its own cage. This setting overrides that behavior and puts both females of a trio into the same cage. This does not impact the number of coop cards or labels produced.

CSV. An abbreviation for Comma Separated Value. This is a file format that can be used by common mail merge programs. Show Commander allows creation of Mailing List, Coop Tag, and Division Name data files in CSV format.

Breed Description. An autocomplete field that is used to identify exhibits on the Entry Lines page. Breed descriptions include size, breed, variety, and any further identifying features such as beards, combs, or feather type. Show Commander has a comprehensive database of recognized breeds and varieties, but also can use those not recognized.

Date of Record. A date on the Entry page that contains a date that may be of interest to the show. Many shows use this as either the date the entry was received in the mail, the date the entry was input, or the date the mailed entry was postmarked.

Direct-to-Card. The feature of printing directly to coop cards instead of labels. They are printed on sheets of cardstock with either 4 on a page or 6 on a page, then cut into the individual coop cards.

Displays. The APA and ABA definitions are used to automatically identify displays. While the actual criteria are complex, a minimum of 7 exhibits of the same breed and variety comprise a display.

Division. A major partition of the show. A division usually has its own “Best of” award. Examples of divisions include poultry “Open” and “Junior” shows, and pigeon breed specialty shows.

Entry Status. An entry can have 1 of 2 statuses:

- **Complete.** the entry has valid information and has been input into Show Commander
- **Incomplete.** The entry has an issue that needs further clarification before it is considered a valid entry

Exhibit. An individual bird, trio, display, or exhibitor. Each Exhibit receives a unique number (see Exhibit Number).

Exhibit Number. A unique number assigned to each Exhibit. The format is <Exhibitor #> - <Exhibit #>. The Exhibit Number 024-00003 is an example of an exhibit number for a bird entered by Exhibitor #24. For trios, the trio itself is given a normal Exhibit Number, and a suffix of “a,” “b,” or “c” is added to identify individual birds in the trio. A special Exhibit Number of all zeroes is assigned to the Exhibitor (e.g., 024-00000 is for Exhibitor #24).

Farm ID. Also known as Premise ID in some states. This is a state-issued identification number that some states require of livestock exhibitors.

Fast Access Bar. The shaded area found at the top of all Show Commander pages. It displays the show name and contains links to various sections of the app.

Fee Adjustment. An optional adjustment added to an entry to account for a discount or surcharge. Discounts are added as negative numbers. A “Reason” must be given when inputting a fee adjustment.

Inputting. The act of entering information into Show Commander. A synonym for “entering,” which is avoided to relieve the confusion when talking about “entering entries.”

Jackpot Show. A “show within a show” most often used in pigeon shows to accommodate youth exhibitors. Exhibits can be entered in the jackpot show on the Entry Lines page.

Judging Sheets. The sheets used by the show clerks to record results. They are meant to be 3-hole punched and placed into binders. Higher awards are also recorded on the judging sheets.

Multiple Division Entries. Refers to paper entry forms, and the supporting Show Commander feature, where an exhibitor can enter multiple divisions on one form. For example, a form where both Open and Youth shows can be entered by an exhibitor, or where multiple specialty shows can be entered. Note that an individual exhibit cannot be entered into multiple divisions.

nrb. Stands for “non-recognized breed.” An indicator found at the end of a breed description that indicates the breed is not recognized by both the ABA and APA.

nrv. Stands for “non-recognized variety.” An indicator found at the end of a breed description that indicates the breed variety is not recognized by both the ABA and APA.

Payment Reference Number. Not necessarily a number, but any identifying information for the payment. Most often a check number money order number, or PayPal ID.

Payment Type. The type of payment used to pay for the entry. Can be “Cash,” “Check,” “Money Order,” or “PayPal.”

Paid-By Entry. When another entry contained a payment for this entry, this field is set to the “paying” entry. Often used for entries of multiple family members.

Publish? On an entry, setting this to “no” will prevent contact information from being published on the Exhibitors List Report. Provided to enhance privacy for exhibitors.

rpb. Stands for “rare breed pigeon.” An indicator found at the end of a breed description that indicates that the pigeon breed is recognized as a rare breed by the national Rare Breed Club.

Remote User. A user that is using the Remote User functions to input entries. Remote users use scanned images of entries to work from. An assignment queue system is used to manage their work. This feature is an experimental, but often used, capability of Show Commander.

Sales Area. Areas, indoors or outdoors, that are reserved for selling birds and equipment. Also known as Swap Area or Outdoor Sales area.

Sales Cage. A cage reserved for selling birds. Also known as Swap Cage.

Show. Refers to the overall event. Some shows call each division a show (e.g., "Open Show," "Junior Show"). To satisfy this, in Show Commander divisions can be titled as "shows."

Show Status. The current state of the show. It can be changed on the Utilities page. Possible values are:

- **Pending.** Used by the administrator to indicate that the show is still being setup in Show Commander.
- **Open.** The show is open for the input of entries. Coop tags and other reports are generally not available when the show is in Open status.
- **Finalized.** All entries have been input and verified. The show remains in this state until all results are input, and the show is done. Coop tags, Judging Sheets and show reports are created when the show has this Status.
- **Closed.** No more changes to the show are allowed, all results have been entered, and the show is over.

Special Cooping. Indicates that the exhibits should be cooped differently than standard. Possible values are "Double Coop Males," "Double Coop All," "Paired," and "Pen Together" and apply to all exhibits on an entry line.

Trio. A group of 3 birds as defined by the APA and ABA. Trios compete for awards among themselves, with the top bird(s) of a trio eligible to compete for individual placing awards.

Upload Forms. This is a feature that uploads scanned-in images or PDFs of entry forms and store them with the entry. This allows easy lookup to resolve information and serves to archive the information.