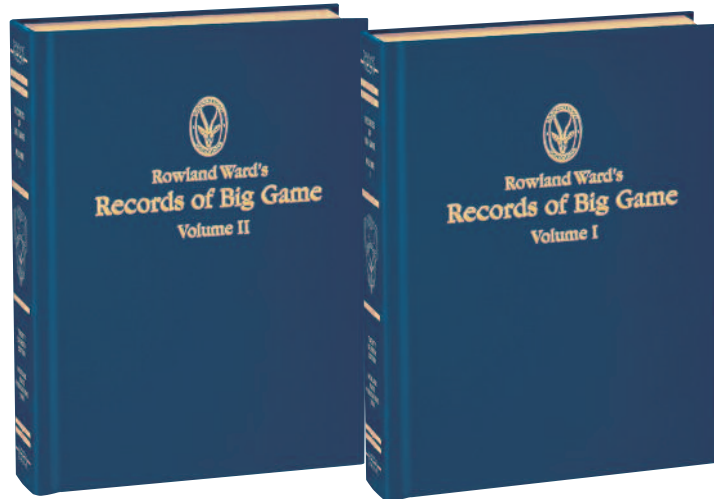


Records of Big Game 29th edition



The Record Book has recently undergone the biggest revision that has been undertaken in many years. Every aspect of every animal, including measurement methods, minimum entry levels and classifications have been re-examined.

We are now accepting entries for the 29th edition Record Book. Here are some of the requirements for the African species.

Methods of Measurement:

1. Method 5 - for Bush Pig and Hippo - will be replaced by Method 6. Here both the longest tusks will be measured on their length on the outer curve and their circumferences at the widest part. No carding is to be used.
2. Method 7 - Reedbuck. The basal pad will NOT be included.
3. Method 12 - Brindled Gnu and Buffalo. The outside spread will be combined with the sum of the width of the two bosses.

New Classifications:

1. Cookson's Wildebeest from the Luangwa Valley in Zambia - Method 12.
2. Oribi are divided into Southern (min. 5 inches), East African (min. 4 inches), Haggard's (min. 3¾ inches), Ethiopian (min. 4 inches), Central African (min. 4 inches) and West African (min. 4 inches).
3. Sitatunga are divided into Nile (min. 26 inches), Forest or Western (min. 25 inches), Zambezi (min. 27 inches) and Island (min. 22 inches).
4. Bushbuck are divided into Harnessed (min. 11¼ inches), Nile (min. 11¼ inches), Abyssinian (min. 11¼ inches), Imatong (min. 13 inches), Somalian (min. 11¼ inches), Shoan (min. 11¼ inches), Menelik's (min. 11¼ inches), Ugandan (min. 13 inches), East African (min 15 inches), Chobe (min. 14 inches) and South African (min. 15 inches).
5. Buffalo are divided into Cape, Nile, Central African, West African and Dwarf Forest. The minimums are still to be published.
6. Civet, Striped hyena, Brown hyena, Spotted hyena, Black-backed jackal, Side-striped jackal and Common jackal will be included using Method 17 (length and width of skull).

New Minimums:

1. Chanler's Mountain reedbuck - 5½ inches
2. Thomson's gazelle - 13 inches
3. Southern Grant's gazelle - 23 inches
4. African elephant - 60 pounds
5. Hippopotamus - 25 inches
6. Caracal - 8½ inches



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