

AFRICAN RIFT LAKE CICHLID

BASIC MERIT AWARD

To be given to hobbyists who have advanced well beyond the novice stage. The following requirements will be used by the Awards Committee as a basis for selection of applicants.

1. All applications should be made by or countersigned by the BAP Chairperson (if there is no BAP Chairperson then the executive body of an aquarist club/society may authorize).
2. The applicant must have experience and a good working knowledge in the care and maintenance of African Rift Lake Cichlids.
3. The applicant must be successful in spawning at least twelve (12) species of African Rift Lake Cichlids and raise a reasonable number of fry to at least 8 weeks.

INTERMEDIATE MERIT AWARD

To be given to hobbyists who have advanced to a high level of achievement with constant success in the maintenance, breeding and raising of African Rift Lake Cichlids. The following requirements will be used by the Awards Committee as a basis for selection of applicants.

1. All applications should be made by or countersigned by the BAP Chairperson (if there is no BAP Chairperson then the executive body of an aquarist club/society may authorize).
2. It is mandatory that the applicant be a holder of the African Rift Lake Cichlids Basic Merit Award certificate.
3. The applicant must have a consistent record of successful spawning and raising of good quality African Rift Lake Cichlids.
4. The applicant must be successful in spawning thirty-six (36) species of African Rift Lake Cichlids and must include at least ten (10) fish from class B, six (6) fish from class C and at least one (1) fish from class D and raise a reasonable number of fry to at least 8 weeks.

ADVANCED MERIT AWARD

To be given to hobbyists who have reached a more advanced level of achievement with consistent success in the maintenance, breeding and raising of African Rift Lake Cichlids. The following requirements will be used by the Awards Committee as a basis for selection of applicants.

1. All applications should be made or countersigned by the BAP Chairperson (if there is no BAP Chairperson then the executive body of an aquarist club/society may authorize).
2. It is mandatory that the applicant be a holder of the African Rift Lake Cichlid Intermediate Merit Award certificate.
3. The applicant must have a consistent record of successful spawning and raising of good quality African Rift Lake Cichlids.
4. The applicant must be successful in spawning fifty (50) species of African Rift Lake Cichlids and must include at least twelve (12) fish from class C and four (4) fish from class D and raise a reasonable number of fry to at least 8 weeks.

SENIOR MERIT AWARD

To be given to hobbyists who have advanced to the highest level of outstanding achievement in the maintenance, breeding and raising of African Rift Lake Cichlids. The following requirements will be used by the Awards Committee a basis for selection of applicants.

1. All applicants must be nominated by the executive body of an aquarist club or group or by a member of the Awards Committee.
2. It is mandatory that the applicant be a holder of the African Rift Lake Cichlid Advanced Merit Award certificate.
3. The African Rift Lake Cichlid Senior Merit Award will be awarded to only those hobbyists who in the opinion of the Awards Committee have reached a most outstanding level of achievement.
4. The applicant must be successful in spawning seventy-five (75) species of African Rift Lake Cichlids. It must include fourteen (14) fish from class C and seven (7) fish from class D and raise a reasonable number of fry to at least 8 weeks.