

GENERAL REGULATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. ENTRY FORMS AND FEES

- (a) Closing Dates of Entry are shown on page 3. No late entries can be accepted.
- (b) All entries must be made on the Society's official forms and be accompanied by the appropriate fees. In order to be entitled to exhibit at Members' Rates, an Exhibitor must pay Membership Subscription for 2010 (For this purpose the Owner is considered to be the Exhibitor). The current minimum Annual Subscription is £35. For details of Membership see page 94.
- (c) Under no circumstances can Entry Fees be refunded after the Closing Date concerned, except under Regulations 26 (e) or 28. Stabling charges are only refundable if the box(es) can be re-let for the period for which they had been booked.

2. CORRECTNESS OF ENTRY

- (a) Every Exhibitor or Competitor will be held responsible for the correctness of his entry. If, when called upon to prove its correctness, he fails to do so, the entry in question will not be accepted; if already accepted, may be cancelled; or the exhibit may be disqualified and any award made to it cancelled.
- (b) All exhibits must be the bona fide property of the Exhibitor at the closing date of entries for the particular section, except where this condition is varied by conditions applicable to specific classes. In the event of the death of an Exhibitor between the date of entry and the date of the Show, the Executors of the deceased will be deemed to be the Exhibitor.
- (c) No animal other than that named and described in the Catalogue can be exhibited at the Show. If any such Substitution is made, any award made to the substituted animal will be cancelled (except in Show Jumping and Cattle Classes, where special rules apply).
- (d) If it is proved to the satisfaction of the Council, whose decision shall be final, that an Exhibitor or Competitor has knowingly signed an incorrect entry form or has attempted to obtain a prize by Substitution or by any other unfair means, all awards made to such exhibitor or competitor in any class may be cancelled, and he may be disqualified from exhibiting at future shows of the Society.
- (e) An Exhibitor may not knowingly exhibit an animal in which the judge has or has had a financial interest.

3. NUMBER OF ENTRIES PERMISSIBLE

Except where further limitations are shown, an Exhibitor may make up to six entries in any one Class, but not more than three of these entries may be brought to the Show. In the Cattle and Pig Sections, Stalling or Pens will not be provided for more than three exhibits in any one Class.

4. AGE OF EXHIBITS

The exact date of birth of all Cattle, Pigs, Goats and Foals must be stated on the entry Form, in the case of Sheep and Horses (other than Foals), the year of birth only need be given.

5. RIGHT TO REJECT ENTRIES OR TO CANCEL CLASSES

- (a) The Council reserves the right to reject or cancel entries made by any person if they deem it fit to do so, and the right to cancel any class, refunding any fees paid in respect thereof.
- (b) Should the entry per class be below three and/or the number of different exhibitors in the class be less than three the class may be cancelled and entry fees refunded accordingly or amalgamated with an appropriate Class. This regulation does not apply to the sheep and goat classes, not to any class for which the prize money has been wholly sponsored.

6. ANIMALS SUFFERING FROM INFECTIOUS OR CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (including Warts, Ringworm, Orf)

- (a) Every Exhibitor of Livestock shall be liable to pay to the Society a sum not exceeding £50 as and for liquidated damages if any animal which he sends for exhibition is, in the opinion of the Society's Veterinary Inspectors, affected with any contagious or infectious disease. Such animal shall be removed with due speed by the Exhibitor or his servant from the Showground or be otherwise dealt with as the Veterinary Inspector may direct. See also "Conditions relating to Cattle Classes".
- (b) The use of tranquillisers or other drugs which may in any way affect the performance of an animal either entered in the competition classes or for sale/demonstration, is NOT permitted. Any Exhibitor (or his representative) who is found to have used such prohibited drugs will be dealt with by the Society at its discretion and the matter referred to the relevant Breed Society or organisation.
- (c) Exhibitors will be expected to pay for any veterinary attention at the time.

7. JUDGES

- (a) The Society reserves the right to substitute other Judges for those named in the Prize List or to make additional appointments.
- (b) Conduct of Judging see Regulations 23 and 24, on page 11.

8. THE NUMBER OF PRIZES

To be awarded as stated at the head of each section. Reserve rosettes will be awarded in all classes.

9. CONDITIONAL AWARDS

In all cases where the prizes are offered or awarded conditionally, they will be withheld until the Exhibitor shall have proved to the satisfaction of the Council that the conditions have been complied with.

10. CHAMPION AND SPECIAL PRIZES

All prize winners eligible to compete for such prizes must turnout, or the original prizes awarded to such exhibitors will be withheld. Written authority must be obtained from the Veterinary Inspector(s) for any deviation from this rule.

11. ROSETTES

No animal will be allowed to wear rosettes or ribands other than those issued by the Stewards of the Society. No rosettes or ribands may be displayed during judging which have been awarded in a previous Class, except in the judging for Championships and Groups.

12. PROTESTS

Any Exhibitor wishing to lodge a protest regarding any exhibit must make the same in writing to the Secretary and must deposit a sum of £50 or such sum as ordered by the relevant Breed Society or Organisation. If on investigation the protest is not sustained to the satisfaction of the officials of the Society concerned, the sum thus deposited may be forfeited to the funds of the Society. All protests must be delivered at the Secretary's Office by 1800 hrs on the day on which the award in dispute may have been made, and no protest will be subsequently received unless a satisfactory reason be assigned for the delay. In the case of one-day exhibits, the protest must be made immediately after the award is given.

13. OBJECTIONS AND ALTERATION OF AWARDS

In case of any objection being upheld or other protest whereby any prize animal becomes disqualified, the winner of the next lowest prize in that Class shall take the prize that had been awarded to such disqualified animal, and the lowest prize in the Class shall go to the Reserve Number, provided a Reserve Number has been awarded. An objection to the placing of any animal may only be made by the owner of an exhibit that has taken part in the Competition, or his or her Agent, or a Representative of the Society, or of the relevant Breed Society or Governing Body under whose rules the Competition has been judged and such objection shall be lodged within one hour of the result of the Class being declared. The objection shall be made in writing to the Secretary of the Society stating the grounds of the objection. The Secretary shall then convene a hearing of the objection at which time all parties to the dispute are entitled to be present. The Objector shall lodge a deposit of £20, which sum is refundable at the discretion of the Society.

14. GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY AND THIRD PARTY LIABILITY

Save the death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Society which expression includes the officers, servants or agents, the Society, shall not be responsible to any persons whatsoever while upon the Society's premises, or while entering or leaving the same, for any death, injury, disease, loss or damage caused to any exhibitor or his or her agent, or to any animal, article, plant, machinery or thing brought into the Showground or while entering or leaving or being carried into or out of the said Showground. Each Exhibitor shall be solely responsible for any loss, injury or damage that may be done to, or occasioned by, or arising from any animal, article, or property, exhibited or brought on to the Showground by him, and he shall indemnify and hold harmless the Society from and against all actions, suits, expenses and claims on account of, or in respect of, any such damage or injury which may be so caused or occasioned.

15. CONDUCT OF EXHIBITORS AND THEIR SERVANTS

All persons in charge of exhibits will be subject to the orders of the Officers of the Society, and will be required to parade or exhibit the animals in their charge at such times as may be directed. They must be in attendance at least half-an-hour before the time appointed for the examination, exhibition or parade of the animals under their charge.

Exhibitors will be held responsible for the behaviour of their servants and for the consequences of a him, for infringing the regulations or disobedience to the orders of the Stewards shall be recoverable from the Exhibitor as a debt due to the Society, and until such fine is paid such Exhibitor shall be debarred from exhibiting at any future Shows of the Society.

Any cooking stoves and similar apparatus brought into the Showground may be inspected, if required by the Society's Fire Safety Officers. No cooking is allowed in marquees, Robins building, Abergavenny building or other areas with stock in.

16. PARADES

All Prize-winners in the Cattle and Dairy Goat Classes will parade at the required times, as will specified Sheep and Pig Champions.

In Horse Classes some Prize-winners will be required to parade. Please check with the Steward of the Class to ascertain whether or not you are required to do so before leaving the ring after judging.

An Exhibitor or Exhibitor's Servant refusing to bring such exhibits on parade at the specified times will be liable to FORFEIT ANY PRIZE MONEY WON.

17. CONCEALMENT OF EXHIBITS

During the time the Show is open to the public, no sheeting or other material shall be affixed to any stall, pen or loose box, in such a way that any animal is concealed from public view, unless special permission has been obtained from the Chief Steward of the Section concerned.

18. EXHIBITORS' ADMISSION TICKETS

- a) See Special Conditions on page 60 applicable to Horse Section. Exhibitors who are Members will receive their Badge and Car Pass, as applicable to their category of Membership. Other Exhibitors of Livestock whose entry fees amount to £12.50 and upwards will receive a free ticket of admission to the Showground for one day. Tickets for the use of servants in charge of stock will be issued on the scale of one ticket for the first two entries, plus an additional ticket if three or more entries are made.
- (b) (i) Exhibitors must state on the Remittance Form accompanying Entry Forms the number of servants they propose to send in charge of their stock based on the scale above mentioned and will be held responsible for the proper use of ticket(s) issued in this connection.
(ii) Stockpeople will be admitted through the Contractors Gate at any time on production of their Stockperson's wrist band.
- (c) (i) All vehicles carrying stock (except goats) will be admitted free of charge to the Showground WITHOUT ANY PASS up to 2200 hrs on Wednesday, 9th June. No vehicles will be admitted thereafter until 1600 hrs on the Last Day of the Show for stock clearance. Vehicles carrying goats will be admitted up to 1630 hrs on Wednesday 9th June. Goat exhibitors' vehicles will be parked in the allocated area in the Blue Car Park behind the Goat Marquee.
(ii) Stock exhibitors attending the Show daily may apply for a season car pass, free of charge, admitting them to a reserved area in the Green Car Park adjacent to the Green Gate. (These passes will not admit exhibitors' cars to the Showground). They will be issued on the scale of no more than one per exhibitor.
- (d) (i) Stock Exhibitors may apply for a Caravan Pass at £30 (inclusive of VAT). Parking space will be in an area adjacent to the Contractor's Gate. Goat Exhibitors caravans in the allocated area behind the Goat Marquee. Passes must be reserved and paid for at the time of making entries.
Stock Exhibitors who wish to use their lorries for sleeping in, must apply for a pass, free of charge, admitting the vehicle to an area adjacent to the Contractor's Gate.
(ii) Horse Exhibitors may apply for a Caravan Pass at £30 (inclusive of VAT). These caravans will be parked in the Red Car Park. Passes must be reserved and paid for at the time of making entries.

19. DEPARTURE OF EXHIBITS AND REMOVAL ORDERS

Except where otherwise stated in the Prize List (see Special Conditions applicable to the Horse Section), no stock can be removed from its place in the Showground until 1600 hrs on Saturday, 12th June, WITHOUT THE SPECIAL PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN IN WRITING, after consultation with the Chief Steward of the Section.

20. PENALTIES

Any infringement of any of these or any other prescribed Regulations or Conditions will subject the Exhibitor to the forfeiture of any prize to which he may be entitled (in addition to all other consequences attaching to such infringement). The Council reserves the right to inform other Agricultural Associations of any decision it may come to with respect to an Exhibitor.

21. INTERPRETATION OF CONDITIONS

The Society reserves the sole and absolute right to interpret these or any other prescribed Conditions and Regulations, or Prize Lists, and finally to settle and determine any matter, question, or indifference in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incidental to the Show.

22. PAYMENT OF PRIZES

Cheques for Prizes awarded (except those withheld where further qualifications for an Exhibit are required) will be forwarded by post to Exhibitors within one month of the Show. An Exhibitor will be deemed to have waived his prize money in favour of the Society if he has not presented his cheque by the 30th September, after which date payment of the cheque will be stopped.

23. INSTRUCTIONS TO STEWARDS

- (a) That no Exhibitor or stranger be admitted to or allowed in the rings while judging is going on, unless in charge of an exhibit or officiating as a Judge, Trainee Judge or Steward of the Class(es) concerned. No Exhibitor may act as a Steward of the Breed in which he may be exhibiting.
- (b) That they call the attention of the Judges to Regulation 24 (f) and (g) with regard to award of prizes.
- (c) In Championship Classes all 1st prize-winning exhibits in the relevant Classes are brought before the Judges and 2nd prize-winners will also be available for judging if required.
- (d) That as soon as the Judges have in each case made their awards, the prize exhibits are distinguished as the winners by different coloured prize cards, and rosettes.
- (e) That they have a copy of the Prize List with them to carry out the conditions and instructions contained in same which are not specified in the Catalogue.
- (f) **THAT THEY SEND THE AWARD SLIPS FOR EACH CLASS, AS COMPLETED, SIGNED BY THE JUDGE, TO THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE. THIS IS IMPORTANT.**
- (g) Stewards should be aware of breed rules.

24. INSTRUCTIONS TO JUDGES

- (a) The object of the Society in awarding Prizes for Cattle and Pigs is to promote improvement in breeding stock. Judges therefore should not take into consideration the present value to the butcher of animals exhibited, but should decide their awards according to the breeding merits of the animals concerned, unless the conditions of the class specifically direct otherwise.
- (b) Judges must wash and dry their hands before handling Accredited stock.
- (c) All Horses and Ponies must be workably sound and (except in Show Jumping Classes) also be sound in wind. Animals exhibited in the Breeding Classes must be free from any unsoundness or disease that has been decided by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons to be hereditary.
- (d) No Judge may enter an animal in classes for which he/she has been appointed to act as Judge.
- (e) If a Judge finds before him/her an animal which he/she has bred or owned, he/she shall place all other animals in the class and the steward shall then call in the Society's appropriate referee to place the particular animal in question.
- (f) A RESERVE NUMBER MUST be given by the Judge in all classes, in case any exhibit to which a prize has been awarded should be disqualified.
- (g) In the event of lack of merit in any class, the Judge may at his/her own discretion withhold any Prize, Reserve or Commendation award.

This show will be adhering to any rules set by DEFRA.

- 25. All foals being Shown must be three weeks old or over by the first day of the Show.
- 26. In the event of a serious accident to an animal and on the recommendation of the Show Veterinary Officer that the animal be slaughtered all efforts will be made to contact the animal's owner for consent to slaughter. If the owner cannot be found within a reasonable period of time, a police officer on site will be asked to provide written authority as empowered under the Protection of Animals Act 1911. **Completion of the entry form for the animal with the signature of the owner, or agent thereof acting on behalf of the owner, accepts this condition of entry and also liability for any fees or charges incurred.**

Mobile phones must be switched off by everyone in the ring whilst judging is in progress by any person in the ring.

By order of the Council