



# Queensland Ag Shows

## Competition Rules Cattle (Stud, Prime & Dairy) Young Judges & Paraders

To be eligible for *Sub Chamber* and *State Finals*, competitors must comply with ALL rules noted below. Agricultural Society and Sub Chamber Stewards and Coordinators are to ensure relevant rules are consistently enforced for competitions under their control.

### 1 Age of Competitors

- 1.1 Competitors must be aged between 15 years of age and under 25 years as at the 1<sup>st</sup> May in the year of the *State Finals*.
- 1.2 Competitors under the age of 18 years must have the approval of a parent or guardian to compete and the appropriate waiver signed on the **nomination form**.
- 1.3 Different age classes may be added to programs at local show level. These classes will not be recognised at *Sub Chamber* or *State Finals*.

### 2 Eligibility to Compete

- 2.1 Competitors must meet one of the following criteria -
  - (a) A Queensland resident for a minimum of three (3) months prior to competing;
  - (b) Attend a Queensland educational institution;
  - (c) Residing interstate but can prove a connection with a Queensland Agricultural Society and satisfy one of the following criteria:
    - (i) Permanent address has a Queensland postcode;
- 2.2 To be eligible to compete at *Sub Chamber Finals*, competitors must have won in a similar class at a local agricultural show competition. In the event that the local winner is ineligible or unavailable the Runner Up becomes eligible.
- 2.3 Competitors can represent only one (1) Show in the *Sub Chamber Final*. Competitors represent the first show with which they became eligible.
- 2.4 *Sub Chamber* Winners are eligible to compete at *State Final*. In the event that the Winner is unable to compete the next highest placed available competitor is eligible.
- 2.5 Competitors can represent only one (1) *Sub Chamber* in the *State Final*. Competitors represent the first *Sub Chamber* with which they became eligible.
- 2.6 Winners of similar competitions at the Royal Queensland Show will be invited to compete in the *State Final* provided they are eligible under these rules.
- 2.7 Previous *National winners* are ineligible to compete at any level of competition.



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## 3 Entry Forms

- 3.1 *Entry Forms* are available at [www.queenslandshows.com.au](http://www.queenslandshows.com.au).
- 3.2 An *Entry Form* must be completed by all competitors at local Agricultural Show level.
- 3.3 Local Agricultural Show Stewards are to:
  - (a) Ensure *Entry Forms* are completed for all competitors and waivers are duly signed by eligible persons;
  - (b) Annotate the **WINNER** and **RUNNER-UP** *Entry Forms* appropriately (section included for local details);
  - (c) Forward **WINNER** and **RUNNER-UP** *Entry Forms* to the Agricultural Society hosting the *Sub-Chamber* final; and
  - (d) Forward a copy of **WINNER** and **RUNNER-UP** *Entry Forms* are sent to the *Sub Chamber* Coordinator/Secretary.
- 3.4 Separate *Entry Forms* must be completed for **each** competition entered.
- 3.5 Once all **WINNER** and **RUNNER UP** *entry forms* are received by the Sub Chamber Coordinator, eligible competitors (Winners for each Agricultural Show) are to be invited to be complete at Sub Chamber Finals. Competitors should be advised of time and place as soon as possible after decisions are made. IF a Winner is unable to attend the Sub Chamber Coordinator is to take immediate action to invite the Runner Up or next eligible competitor.

## 4 Parader Competitions Special Rules

*Paraders competitions are designed to determine the Parader who presents and parades an animal before a judge most effectively.*

- 4.1 Paraders will parade their animals in a clockwise manner as is normal in a Cattle Judging Ring at the discretion of the Judge.
- 4.2 No glitter is permissible on animals or paraders. Cattle are to be presented in their natural, clean state.
- 4.3 Stud Beef Paraders must wear a white dust coat and not display any name or logo at the Steward's discretion.
- 4.4 Paraders will not wear lace up footwear to parade any animal to ensure compliance with workplace health and safety regulations.
- 4.5 Beef Cattle Paraders may lead a Steer, Heifer or Bull under 20 months.
- 4.6 Dairy Cattle Paraders may lead a Dry Dairy Female under 36 months.



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- 4.7 For safety reasons, Judges are not permitted to ask competitors in Young Parader Competitions to swap animals at the local show level.
- 4.8 At **Sub Chamber** and **State Finals**, one (1) class of Paraders is to be judged.
- 4.9 At **Sub Chamber** and **State Finals**, Paraders must be willing to swap animals, if required.

*NOTE: This is not recommended at Sub Chamber level, however, competitors must be aware that swapping of animals may occur at State and National Levels of this competition. If it is deemed necessary to swap animals, prior to the commencement of judging, Stewards are to consult with the owners of the beasts to ascertain if their animals can be switched between handlers. Stewards are to advise Judges that switching of animals is only to be considered if agreed to by the Owners and when absolutely necessary to achieve a result.*

## 5 Young Judges Competition Special Rules

- 5.1 **Hormel Slide OR Computerised Judging Scoring System** must be used at all levels in the Young Judges Competition. Please note that Hormel Slides are no longer available and have been replaced by the Computerised Judging Scoring System. The Computerised Judging Scoring System is an Excel spreadsheet and is available at [www.queenslandshows.com.au](http://www.queenslandshows.com.au) under QCAS Competitions | Young Judges and Paraders.
- 5.2 In all competitions four (4) exhibits **NUMBER 1, 2 3** and **4** are to be used to suit the scoring from the Hormel Slide.
- 5.3 Where possible competitions should have the following classes:
  - (a) Stud Beef 3 classes to be used (e.g. British, Tropical, European)
  - (b) Prime Beef 3 classes to be used (e.g. Jap Ox, Korean, Local Trade, etc.)
  - (c) Dairy Cattle 3 classes to be used (e.g. A.Q, Friesian, Jersey, etc.)

## 6 Federal Competition (Procedures and Guidelines)

- 6.1 Rules are set by Agricultural Shows Australia (ASA) for **National Finals**. The Agricultural Shows Australia Rules (Handbooks) can be found on the ASA website [www.agshowsaustralia.org.au/member-resources/national-competitions-guidelines/](http://www.agshowsaustralia.org.au/member-resources/national-competitions-guidelines/)

*NOTE: Affiliated Shows may decide to run other age groups, this is permissible, HOWEVER, all Sub Chamber Finals are to be run as per the State Finals RULES. All entry forms are to be completed correctly.*