#### 2024 RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO CATTLE CLASSES



- 1. Classes are open to pedigree, non-pedigree animal. All animals entered and recognised as pedigree must be registered in their respective official Breed Society Records.
- 2. Only animals from attested herds are eligible.
- 3. Exhibitors are asked to bring their animals passports and British Cattle Movement Scheme Barcode labels will be provided by the Show for entry in cattle passports.

#### **MOVEMENTS**

- 4. All animals must be brought to the Showground in vehicles and will be unloaded at the cattle lines under the supervision of the Society's Stewards. Animals must be halter led from the vehicles to the stalls.
- 5. No exhibit of cattle may be removed from the showground until after 4.00pm on the day concerned.
- 6. Entry to the Showground:

If exhibiting on:	Cattle Lines available from:	To be vacated by:	
Tuesday 30th July	Monday 29th July 2:00pm	Tuesday 25th July 5:30pm	
Wednesday 31st July	Tuesday 30th July 6:30pm	Wednesday 31st July 5:30pm	
Thursday 1st August	Wednesday 31st July 6:30pm	Thursday 1st August 5:30pm	

All competitors will be asked to remain on site until 4.00pm due to the one way traffic system and if arriving the evening prior to competing, you may not arrive till 6.30pm

#### **EXHIBITING**

7. All bulls must have a ring or clamp attached to the nose and in the aged classes must be provided with a long chain and, if necessary, led with a proper stick. Exhibitors of bulls must also comply with the Guidance Note AIS35 issued by the Health and Safety Executive concerning the safe custody and handling of bulls at Agricultural Shows, Markets and similar premises off the farm.

All other cattle must be halter led whilst on the Showground. Stock attendants are responsible for their own cattle at all times.

- 8. In classes for cows and/or heifers "with calf at foot", that calf should meet one of the following three criteria. The calf should either be:
  - I): her natural born calf from her most recent calving.
  - ii): in circumstances where her natural calf died at birth or within 7 days of birth she can be shown with a surrogate calf which was born within +/- 7 days of her actual calving date and which has been reared by her as her own. The date of calving, death of the natural calf and the birthdate of the surrogate calf all need to be confirmed by veterinary certificate or other official records

iii): a calf born as a result of an embryo transfer into the cow/heifer being shown, ie: the cow/heifer being shown is the recipient dam of the calf and has reared the calf as if her own from birth. This will be supported by the passport of the calf.

- 9. No persons other than Show officials, Judges, Stewards and the owners or their representative will be permitted to enter the Show Rings.
- 10. Prize winning cattle must appear in the Grand Parade in the Ring at 3.00pm on Tuesday and Thursday and 3.45pm on Wednesday.
  - It would be appreciated if any other cattle entered could also take part in the Parade.
- 11. The Society reserves the right to amalgamate classes as it sees fit.

## **PROTESTS**

Any Exhibitor wishing to make a protest, having reference to any Stock exhibited at this Show must make the same in writing to the Show Secretary and deposit the sum of £100 which may, at the discretion of the Board, be forfeited to the funds of the Society if the protest shall appear frivolous and unreasonable. Protests must be delivered to the Show Secretary before 16.00 on the day of the Show concerned or within half an hour of the class being judged. After that hour no protest will be received unless a special and satisfactory reason can be given for the delay.

A Quorum of three, consisting of the Cattle Chairman, Show Secretary and a Member of the Society's Board of Directors, will consider any such protest and their decision, which will be given leave if possible before the close of the Show, shall be final.

## **PRIZE MONEY**

## **SLIDING SCALE** will apply across all classes

Entries	Prizes Awarded	Place	Amount
1 - 3	1st and 2nd	1st	£30
		2nd	£20
4 - 5	1st, 2nd and 3rd	3rd	£15
6 - 7	1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th	4th	£10

- 12. All prize money can be collected in cash from the cash bank located near the Show Office and they are open from 8.30am to 6.30pm. Stewards will issue winning exhibitors a prize money card which can be redeemed on the day (or sent in after the Show for payment by bank transfer). Please see conditions on the reverse of the prize money card.
- 3. Breed boards and promotional information are encouraged to help educate the public who are always keen to learn more about the animals.

# **WASHING / CLEANSING**

14. Water, milking and grooming areas will be clearly marked and used by no other stock. Exhibitors must bring their own buckets for watering cattle. Mains water with taps will be provided. No clipping is allowed in the cattle stalls - a clipping tent is provided.

15. All animals must be washed away from the rings, in the marked "wash down" area.

#### **MILKING OUT - MILKING**

- 16. Sterilised milking units will be provided by the Show, these must be suitably disinfected between each cow.
- 17. The Judges are empowered to direct that any animal be milked out before making their final awards.
- 18. Exhibitors will be allowed to transfer to the In-Calf classes, any animals which they have entered in the In-Milk classes, which do not calve prior to the Show. Animals entered in the In-Calf classes, which calve before the day of the Show, may be transferred to the In-Milk classes.

## **CALVING**

- 19. Cows calving at the Show:
- a. Animals which calve, or show evidence of calving, whilst at the showground must be placed in the approved accommodation pending their possible early removal from the showground.
- b. Where an animal calved at full term and the owner arranges for a blood sample and a vaginal swab to be taken and examined at an approved laboratory and the RBPT and microscopical examination of a smear made from the vaginal swab are negative, the animal may return to the Show lines at the discretion of the Show Secretary.
- c. Where an animal calves prematurely, or aborts, the Show DVM must be informed immediately. The animal must be placed in isolation in the approved accommodation and the full range of samples (including, if at all possible, a placental smear) should be taken. The animal will not be allowed to take part further in the Show and once it is fit to travel, can be returned home to the registered premises, or alternatively retained until the end of the Show in isolation and returned with other competing cattle from the same premises.
- d. All other bovine animals from the same registered premises will not be allowed to compete further in the Show until negative results from certain tests carried out by a Veterinary Investigation Centre (RBPT and microscopical examination of a vaginal smear from the aborted animal) have been received. They can be returned with the suspect animal at the completion of the Show.

The Show's Location Number is: 15/167/8000-01

THESE NOTES and CONDITIONS ARE SUBJECT TO ANY REGULATIONS THAT DEFRA MAY INTRODUCE.

Please refer to the Livestock Office between 6.30pm and 7.30pm or 8.30am and 9.30am with your passports.

If you are not able to attend please phone the Show Office on 01590 622400 as soon as possible.