

GENERAL SHOW RULES AND CONDITIONS

Headings are for ease of reference only and do not form part of the show rules.

1. ENTRIES

1.1 Every exhibitor or competitor entering for the show is deemed to have agreed to abide by these rules and entries are accepted on that understanding.

1.2 All entries must be made in writing or online to the show secretary on or before the date specified in the schedule on the requisite forms, accompanied by the necessary entry fees and subscriptions.

1.3 Entries received after the closing date will only be accepted at the discretion of the secretary or Executive Committee.

1.4 The Executive Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry without giving any reason.

1.5 If in the opinion of the Executive Committee there are insufficient entries in a class at the closing date the class may be withdrawn in which case the entrant will be informed and the entry fees returned.

1.6 The acceptance by the Society of any entry in a class shall not exonerate the exhibitor from the responsibility of ensuring that the entry complies strictly with the rules of that class. Any entry that does not comply will be disqualified.

1.7 Exhibitors will comply with any direction or instructions given to them by the Society which the Society deems to be expedient.

1.8 If a class is cancelled the only compensation due to an exhibitor will be the refund of the entry fee paid for the cancelled class.

1.9 Competitions qualifying for events organised by other bodies are offered in good faith on information provided by those bodies. No liability is accepted by the Society if those events take place in circumstances other than those originally stated or do not proceed.

1.10. Entries in the Cheese Lover's Class will be cut up to allow the general public to sample different cheeses. Please provide any information or promotional literature which you have for the entered cheese. The Public are always interested in types of cheese and where they can be purchased. It is a good promotional opportunity.

1.11. Exhibitors with a trade stand will be given free entry into class 77(Cheese Lover's Trophy).

2. OWNERSHIP.

Exhibits in all classes must be the bone fide property of the exhibitors and must be the property of, and in the possession of the exhibitors at the time of the entry. Any person who has care and control of an exhibit on the Showground will be deemed to be the agent of that exhibit's owner for all purposes connected with the show.

2.1 WHOLESALERS.

Wholesalers are welcome to enter on behalf of producers provided they have the relevant permissions from the producer. Please state on the entry form both the exhibitor name & the producer name.

3. ENTRY FEES.

Entry fees must accompany entries or they will not be accepted. The entry fee for any product entered and not exhibited will be forfeited. Any additional costs incurred by the Society arising from non-clearance of a cheque must be paid by the exhibitor before he/she is allowed to compete.

4. JUDGES.

The Show Secretary may substitute a different judge to the one nominated in the show catalogue or programme.

4.1. An exhibitor cannot act as a judge or steward in any class in which he/she has an entry.

5. OBJECTIONS.

The decision of the judges shall be final. Objections of any kind must be made in writing and delivered to the Show Secretary within one hour of judging, with a deposit of £40 for each objection, in the case of a joint objection the deposit shall be payable by each objector. Such objections will be considered by a panel of not less than three members of the Society appointed by the chairman or vice-chairman and their decision shall be final. Anonymity shall not be available to any objector. The deposit shall be forfeited if the objection is not upheld.

6. SAFETY.

The organisers of the show have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective everyone must take reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the organisers and all officials and stewards. It is a condition of entry that exhibitors conform with the requirements of the Society's Safety Policy and the Health and Safety legislation and for ensuring that safe working practices are followed by themselves, their employees, agents and contractors and that appropriate safety and/or protective equipment is worn.

7. For exhibits weighing less than 250g, please send two samples – one without any branded packaging for judging & another in its usual branded packaging for display on show day.

8. LIABILITY.

The Executive Committee shall not be responsible for any error which may appear in the programme or catalogue or for any entry made in the wrong class; nor shall the committee be responsible for exhibits arriving too late to be judged.

8.1. The Society shall not be liable for any loss, injury or damage to any persons or exhibits at the show and it shall be a condition of entry that exhibitors hold the Society blameless and indemnify it against all such claims and liability.

8.2. The Society shall not be liable for any damage to vehicles that may occur while being towed while on the showground

9. DATA STORAGE.

Information from entry forms may be stored on computer and the name, address and details of entries will be published in the catalogue; information about results may also be published and/or provided to the press for publication. The making of an entry is irrevocable consent for the storage and disclosure of information in this way.

10. **SPECIAL REGULATIONS** applicable to any section and any special class conditions shall be deemed to be part of these General Rules and Conditions. In the event of a conflict then the Special Regulations shall prevail.

**Exhibitors may make more than one entry in all classes except
Class 29 IFF Grand Prix.**

***Cheeses and other dairy products must be delivered to the Showground by
noon on Saturday 16th August***

or sent, clearly labelled, between Tuesday 12th to Friday 15th August 2025 to:

***Peter Green Chilled, Leighton Lane, Evercreech,
Shepton Mallet, Somerset, BA4 6LQ***

OR

between Monday 11th to Thursday 14th August 2025 to:

***Dewlay Cheesemakers, Garstang By-pass Road,
Garstang, Preston PR3 0PR***

***Please contact Conor Daunt at Dewlay: conor@dewlay.com
07889 720501 and advise when he should expect your delivery.***

***Enter online at www.midsomersetshow.org.uk
or complete the order form and send to:
The Show Secretary, The Mid Somerset Showground,
Cannards Grave Road, Shepton Mallet, BA4 4GF***