

LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS & COMPETITORS
SAFETY STANDARDS

DOGS

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- It is the responsibility of all Exhibitors to ensure that all their staff are fully briefed on safety standards.
- Exhibitor's attention is drawn to the following points:
 - Exhibitors must ensure that leaders are sufficiently experienced and that animals wear suitable restraining harness.
 - All exhibitors must use the official walkways for movement of livestock to and from their judging rings.
 - All exhibitors must follow designated traffic routes.
 - Animals must not be left unattended whilst the Show is open to the public.
 - No animal may enter the Showground if its place of origin is under health restriction.
 - Animal Health legislation will be enforced by the Shropshire Council, and all exhibitors will be expected to comply with this legislation.
 - Junior Handlers: All young handlers must be capable of controlling the animal being shown. The animals must be used to being handled and an experienced adult must be present ringside during judging in case of an emergency. Animals must be suitable for the age and ability of the handler. The judge has the authority to ask any exhibitor not having sufficient control of their animal to leave the ring.

Specific Guidance Notes:

Heavy Horses:

- All exhibits, including foals, must be led by an experienced adult handler.

Cattle:

- There **MUST** be two experienced handlers with each **BULL** exhibit.
- As milking practices fall under the dairy hygiene regulations there must be no machine milking in the lines.

Sheep:

- Maedi Visna Accredited Flock Scheme exhibitors should ensure that if their sheep are in the scheme, they do not come into contact with non-scheme sheep.

Fire:

- In the event of a fire occurring, the following action must be taken: Immediately notify the Show Manager, giving exact details of the location. Follow Steward's instructions. In the absence of a Steward ensure that everyone retreats to a safe area away from the fire and clear the approach roads. If it is safe to do so, tackle the fire with extinguishers until the Fire Service arrives. Any directive given by the Fire Service or Police must be followed.

Veterinary presence:

- The on-site duty vet can be contacted via the Livestock commentators, Chief Stewards or Stewards.

Evacuation of Livestock:

- Should it be necessary to evacuate livestock, exhibitors must comply with Steward's instructions. Remember to keep accredited stock separate.

Gazebos:

- Gazebos are welcome to shelter your animals. However, they should not obstruct the view from the Commentary boxes and **MUST** be erected over animal pens only and **NOT** cause obstruction by extending into walkways.

LIVESTOCK RULES & BY-LAWS

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- Heavy Horse exhibitors are requested to comply with the Equine Flu Requirements as stated on Page 9 of this Schedule.
- Exhibitors are responsible for the correctness of their entries, which must be lodged with the Entries Secretary on or before the dates fixed and published. No entry will be accepted unless accompanied by the appropriate fees. The Society cannot be held responsible for any incorrect information supplied by Exhibitors and reproduced in the catalogue.
- The Society is required to retain a list of registration numbers of all vehicles transporting livestock to/from the show. Please ensure you include this on your entry form(s).
- All exhibits in the Livestock classes must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must have been their property and on their premises for at least three months prior to the Show.
- Judges and Stewards have the authority to disqualify any unruly animal from the show if, in their opinion, it is behaving in such a way likely to cause accident and/or injury to other animals, competitors, their associates or any member of the public.
- The Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry and also to accept any entry provisionally.
- The Committee reserves the right to withhold any of the prizes offered:
 - if in the opinion of the Judges, the exhibits do not possess sufficient merit, or
 - from any competitor or exhibitor whose entry does not appear in the Catalogue under the appropriate class unless specifically stated otherwise in the Schedule.
- The Committee reserves the right to cancel or amalgamate any class of insufficient entries. Exhibitors will be notified of any cancellation or amalgamation prior to Show Day.
- Any breed Champion from Classes 8-63 and 71-80 not forward in the Interbreed Championships will automatically forfeit the £25.00 Champion award.
- All animals will be considered as being in the sole charge of the exhibitor and every exhibitor shall be responsible for any loss or damage caused by such exhibits.
- The Committee, or officials appointed by them, shall be empowered to disqualify and demand the removal from the Showground of any animal which, in their opinion, is suffering from or infected with a contagious or infectious disease. All entrance fees for such animals shall be forfeited.
- The Society expects all exhibitors to comply with Breed Society rules for showing of animals whilst on the showground.
- The Committee, or officials appointed by them, shall be empowered to disqualify any exhibitor found to be contravening welfare regulations.
- The Society, its Officers and servants, shall not be responsible to any person whatsoever whilst entering, visiting or leaving the Showground, for any damage or loss, however caused to the property of such person, or for any injury, fatal or otherwise, to any such person.

- The Society, its Officers and servants shall not be responsible for any accident, damage or loss, however caused, that may occur to any exhibitor or their employee or to any animal, article or property brought into the Showground, or whilst entering, visiting or leaving, or being carried into or out of the said Showground.
- The 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 into the Showground by him/her and he/she shall indemnify and hold harmless the Society from all action, suits, expenses and claims on account of, or in respect of any such damage or injury which may be so caused or occasioned.
- All livestock exhibits must be in place on the Showground not later than 9.00am on the morning of the Show, in the charge of an attendant, who will be required to conform with the Rules and Regulations of the Society or instructions from Stewards. Exhibit may not be removed before 4.30pm without written permission from the relevant Chief Steward.
- No exhibitor shall act as Steward in the class in which they exhibit. No person will be allowed in the Judging Ring except Judges, Officials, authorised Stewards and Competitors.
- The Grand Parade of all Champion, Reserve Champion, first, second and third placed cattle and sheep will take place at an appointed time. All animals present in the Grand Parade will be entered into a raffle to win one of two £50 cash prizes. These will be presented in the Main Ring.
- Any objections must be made in writing to the Show Manager within one hour of the finish of the event, together with a deposit of £25.00 for each objection, which will be forfeited if the objection is considered trivial. Objections will be considered by the Committee, and their decision shall be final.
- The Committee reserves the right to alter the timing of events, but the order of the Schedule will be adhered to as much as possible.
- **CHALLENGE CUPS.** With the exception of the Perpetual Challenge Cups, all Challenge Cups are to become the property of exhibitors winning them three times in succession or four times in all. All Breed Champions must parade for judging for the Supreme Championship Challenge Cups. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of all prize money and other awards gained by the animal concerned. Winners must undertake to return all Challenge Cups not later than 30 June 2026.
- The decision of the Committee, or anyone appointed by them, in all cases of dispute and on all questions as to the conduct of the Show, shall be absolutely final.
- All prize money will be paid by BACS by 31 August. Please enter your bank details with your entry to enable this method of payment. Officers will not chase for bank details and any prize money not claimed will be treated as a donation to the Society. No prize money or refunds will be paid after 30 September in the year of the Show.
- Exhibitors are required to abide by the Safety Standards listed on page 31.

The organisers of this show have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of society officials and stewards at all times. Vehicles are not allowed to leave the livestock lorry/car park either before or whilst the grand parade entry and exit is in progress.