Rules & Regulations

General Rules

- 1. **ENTRIES** Cattle and lambs may only be entered in one class.
- 2. CLOSING DATE Entries close strictly on Monday 13th October 2025.
- 3. SUBSTITUTIONS Substitutions will be permitted up until Monday 13th October.
- **4. ENTRY FEES** Full entry fee must accompany the entry.
- **5. REFUNDS** Refunds of 50% of the entry fee will be available up until Monday 13th October, thereafter no refunds will be made.
- **6. REFUSAL OF ENTRIES** The Devon County Agricultural Association reserves the right to refuse entry for whatever reason.
- **7. ARRIVAL** All livestock must arrive between 10:00hrs and 16:00hrs on Tuesday 4th November and remain in their stalls until 16:00hrs on Wednesday 5th November
- **8. WEIGHING** Weighing of cattle and lambs will take place between 12:00hrs and 18:00hrs on Tuesday 4th November unless organised by prior engagement with the show office.
- **9. STRAW** A limited amount of straw will be provided.
- **10. VEHICLES** All non exhibition items and cars must be in the correct parking area by 08:00hrs on Wednesday 5th November.
- **11. ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT** All electrical equipment used on site must be PAT tested within the last 12 months.
- **12. PASSES** Exhibitors must display correct passes at all times.
- 13. SMOKING Smoking and e-cigarettes are not permitted inside the Westpoint building.
- **14. DOGS** Dogs are not permitted inside the Westpoint building.
- **15. DISEASE** Animals suspected of suffering from disease must be reported to a Steward. They may be required to be removed from the Show immediately or placed into an isolation unit if, In the opinion of the Honorary Veterinary Surgeon, they are not fit or safe to be exhibited. Such animals will not be permitted to compete.
- **16. VETERINARY CHARGES** Any veterinary expenses incurred at the event must be borne by the exhibitor.
- **17. MOBILE PHONES** The use of mobile phones is not permitted by exhibitors whilst they are leading or showing stock anywhere on site.
- **18. CLASSES** The Devon County Agricultural Association reserve the right to split or amalgamate classes as entries warrant. Any animal not forward at the time of judging will not be judged, it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure each exhibit is present in the Show Ring at the appropriate time.
- **19. CLOTHING** Exhibitors are required to wear white coats and suitable footwear when exhibiting stock.
- **20. OBJECTIONS** Objections must be made in writing within 30 minutes of the result and delivered to the Livestock Office accompanied by a deposit of £50 in cash, which shall be forfeited if the objection is decided to be unfounded by the Devon County Agricultural Association.
- 21. LIABILITY Neither the Devon County Agricultural Association, nor any of its Officers or Servants, shall be in any way responsible or accountable for anything that may happen from any infectious or contagious disease, or any other cause, or circumstance whatever to Exhibitors or their Servants, or to any animal or article exhibited or property brought onto the Showground; or otherwise for anything else in connection with, or arising out of or attributable to, Agrifest South West, or these or any other conditions or regulations described in relation thereto; each Exhibitor shall be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury, or damage done to, or occasioned by, or arising from, any animal or article exhibited by him, including any infectious or contagious disease, and shall indemnify the Devon County Agricultural Association against all legal or other proceedings in regard hereto.
- **22. INSURANCE** All exhibitors should ensure they have adequate public liability insurance cover of a suggested minimum of £5 million.
- responsible for the financial consequences or any losses or any actions claims or demands caused to or made by an exhibitor or their servants or agents caused by the failure of Agrifest South West to be held but for the event of Force Majeure on which it would otherwise to be held. Force Majeure means for the purposes of this clause exceptionally inclement weather; flooding of the whole or any part of the Devon County Showground or the whole or any part of the car parks associated with it; an act of God including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, windstorm or other natural disaster; act of any sovereign including but not limited to war, invasion, act of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power or confiscation, nationalisation, requisition, destruction or damage to property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority or imposition of government sanction embargo or similar action; law, judgment, order, decree, embargo, blockade, labour dispute including but not limited to strike, lockout or boycott; interruption or failure of utility service including but not limited

- to electric power, gas, water or telephone service; failure of the transportation of any personnel equipment, machinery supply or material required by DCAA to run Agrifest South West; breach of contract by any essential personnel; any other matter or cause beyond the control of DCAA.
- **24. BLUE TOUNGUE** We will follow the current Bluetongue control measures at the time of the show and will ask to see the relevant licences if animals require them.
- **25**. Any person under the age of 15 showing cattle must be accompanied by an adult over 18 in the ring for safety measures.

Cattle Rules

- TB TESTING All cattle must be pre movement tested for TB and comply with any standstill requirements.
- **2. CATTLE ENTRIES** Overall cattle numbers may be limited, entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis and may be limited to four per exhibitor with a maximum of two entries per class per exhibitor.
- **4. HANDLING** All cattle must be halter led.
- **PASSPORTS** All cattle passports and movement forms must be handed in at the Livestock Office on arrival.
- 6. **RESTRAINTS** Exhibitors must be satisfied in all cases, and at all times, that the correct and appropriate restraining method and equipment is provided for use by animal handlers and where appropriate heifers should be trained to accept "bulldogs" as a restraint. All cattle must be secured to the satisfaction of the Stewards, who shall have the power to exclude from the Showground any vicious or unruly animal.

Sheep Rules

- **1. RAM LAMBS** Ram lambs are not permitted in the prime lamb classes.
- **2. COLOURING** Sheep should be shown according to their respective Breed Society rules.
- **3. DOCKING** The Mutilation (Permitted Procedures) (England) Regulations 2007 Schedule 5.5 In all cases sheep must have enough of the tail retained to cover the vulva of the female sheep and the anus of the male sheep. Any sheep which do not comply with the aforementioned legislation will not be eligible to be shown in the Ring.
- **4. TRIMMING** Lambs in any class may be trimmed, untrimmed or shorn.
- **5. MV ACCREDITATION** Lambs may be MV or Non MV, separate penning available.
- **6. ENTRIES** Exhibitors may enter a maximum of two pairs per class.
- 7. Weighing -