



Queensland Ag Shows

YOUNG JUDGES AND PARADERS' COMPETITION RULES

To be eligible for the **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 enforced for competitions under their control.

1. AGE OF COMPETITORS

- 1.1. Competitors must be 15 and under 25 years of age on the 1st of May in the year of the **State Final**.
- 1.2. Competitors under 18 years of age 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 be:
 - a. A Queensland resident for a minimum of three (3) months prior to competing;
 - b. Resident at a Queensland educational institution;
 - c. Residing interstate but can prove an affinity with a Queensland Agricultural Society and satisfy one of the following criteria:
 - i. Permanent address has a Queensland postcode;
 - ii. Permanent Queensland home phone number; or
 - iii. Competitor or parents are active working members of that Agricultural Society.
- 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.

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

3. ENTRY FORMS

- 3.1. *Entry Forms* are available at 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 Co-ordinator/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* from each *Agricultural Show*) are to be invited to compete 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 *Stewards* discretion.

4.4. Beef Cattle Paraders may lead a Steer, Heifer or Bull under 20 months.

4.5. Dairy Cattle Paraders may lead a DRY Dairy Female under 36 months.

4.6. For safety reasons, *Judges* are not permitted to ask competitors in *Young Parader Competitions* to swap animals at the local show level.

4.7. At *Sub Chamber* and *State Finals*, One class of Paraders is to be judged.

4.8. At *Sub Chamber* and *State Finals*, Paraders must be willing to swap animals, if required.

Note: This is not recommended at Sub Chamber level but Competitors at this level 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 beasts to ascertain if their animals can be switched between handlers. Stewards are to advise Judges that switching animals is only to be considered if agreed by owners and where absolutely necessary to achieve a result).

5. YOUNG JUDGES COMPETITIONS SPECIAL RULES

5.1. **Hormel Slide OR Computerised Judging Scoring System** must be used at all levels in the *Young Judging Competitions*. (Please note that *Hormel Slides* are no longer available and has been replaced by the *Computerised Judging Scoring System*).

Note: Computerised Judging Scoring System is an Excel Spreadsheet and is available at www.queenslandshows.com.au under QCAS Competitions | Young Judges and Paraders Downloads.

5.2. In all competitions four exhibits **NUMBERED 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:-

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| a. Stud Cattle | 3 classes to be used (e.g. British, Tropical, European) |
| b. Prime Beef | 2 classes to be used (e.g. Jap Ox, Korean, Local Trade, etc.) |
| c. Dairy Cattle | 3 classes to be used (e.g. A.I, Friesian, Jersey, etc.) |
| d. Merino Sheep | 2 classes: (Rams, Ewes) |
| e. Meat Sheep | 2 classes: (Long Wool & Short Wool) |
| f. Merino Fleece | 2 classes of 4 Fleeces |
| g. Grain | 3 classes of 4 Grains |

6. Federal Competition (Procedures and Guidelines)

6.1. Rules are set by the *Federal Council of Agricultural Societies (FCAS)* for *National Finals* and these rules are available from *FCAS*.