

# SOUTH SUFFOLK AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION SHOW

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024

## LIVESTOCK CLASSES - CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. The South Suffolk Agricultural Association Ltd. (The Association) accepts no responsibility for accident to cattle, sheep, pigs or any other animal, spectator or property.
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  - i) The Association will provide a Designated Area under the Animals Gathering (Interim Measures) Order 2003 and the layout and management shall be in accordance with Defra and SAC's approval.
  - ii) Movements to and from shows will have to be reported in line with the requirements of the general movement license issued under the Disease Control (Interim Measures) (England) Order 2003.
  - iii) The Association requires that all exhibits are disease free and come from a healthy environment and that they will be inspected by a Veterinary Surgeon on arrival at the showground before they mingle with other animals.
  - iv) The Association will accept entries from non-scheme as well as accredited animals in Defra Health Schemes. To allow scrapie monitored **sheep** to be exhibited; **all sheep** exhibitors are required to sign a Health Declaration Form.
  - v) Exhibitors are reminded that:
    - a) All livestock entering the showground must be individually marked. Pigs should have a Defra approved ear tag or tattoo and for Commercial pigs they should have an approved tag/tattoo and/or slap marks as per the standard for pigs to slaughter.
    - b) Cattle, sheep, and pigs will be able to claim the six day standstill exemption provided that they have been isolated from all other non-show animals on their holding in Defra approved isolation facilities for six days before attending their first show.
    - c) Cattle, sheep and pigs coming to the show from a holding where there are no suitable isolation facilities will have to observe a six day whole farm standstill prior to the show, that they will trigger a six day standstill on their return (pigs incur a 20 day standstill).
    - d) To maintain the correct separation of their stock at all times during the Show because scheme stock which comes into contact with non-scheme stock may be required to lose status and undergo appropriate blood testing to regain their status. The Association will not hold itself responsible for any accidental contacts which affect the status of any exhibitor's herd or flock.
    - e) The Association expects all exhibitors to observe best practice at all times regarding Animal Welfare and Bio-Security requirements. The Association has adopted an Animal Welfare Plan (Animal Welfare Act 2006 Section 9(2)) based on 'The Five Freedoms' for animal welfare, copies of which can be obtained from the Secretary. Anybody found not complying with these regulations will be asked to leave the showground immediately and all stock returned to the holding, and no refund of entry fee or prize money, if applicable will be forwarded.
3. **Data Protection:** It is a condition of entry that the SSAA reserves the right to forward exhibitor information to the press, breed societies and other regulatory bodies (i.e. DEFRA or Trading Standards). It is also a requirement that the owner's name will be published in the show catalogue. No address details will be listed in the catalogue.
4. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry and also to substitute any judge without prior notice.
5. The Association reserves the right to have blood samples taken from any animal exhibited, if a judge or steward is suspicious of the illegal use of drugs.
6. In the event of there being insufficient entries for each class or breed, the relevant classes will be amalgamated or may be cancelled at the discretion of the Committee.
7. All cattle entered for the Show must be adequately trained to be led by halter.
8. All bulls over ten months of age must be ringed and shall be, if required by the stewards, lead with a pole. It is recommended that all senior bulls have two handlers in the ring.
9. All bulls must be securely tied and haltered with two ties throughout the event.
10.
  - i) Livestock boxes/trailers are admitted with the relevant vehicle pass and must be parked as directed by Stewards. Exhibitors will be issued with one vehicle pass, which must be clearly displayed on vehicle windscreen. Additional vehicle passes may be issued by the Secretary on request.
  - ii) Every person entering the showground, including drivers of Livestock wagons/trailers must have a valid entrance ticket or pay the full price of admission at the gate (£18). This regulation will be strictly enforced. The show will not take responsibility for any tickets, which may have been mislaid or forgotten. No refunds will be considered unless application is made in writing to the Secretary. All persons on leaving the showground who wish to re-enter must obtain a pass from the Gate Stewards.

- iii) All owners making exhibit applications through an agent and who wish to attend the show will be required to apply in writing to the Secretary by 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024 for issue of an exhibitor's ticket. **All owners, exhibitors, competitors and attendants will be required to have an exhibitors ticket and a wristband to gain free access to the showground and Livestock Area.** No entry will be allowed without a ticket, unless normal gate charges are paid. No refunds will be considered unless application is made in writing to the Secretary. **No entry into the Livestock Area will be allowed without a wrist band, which must be worn.**
- iv) **Public Safety in Livestock Lines.**  
**In the interest of public safety, the livestock lines will be closed whilst the main movements of livestock for judging and for the Grand Parade are in progress. Livestock exhibitor's wristbands will admit them to the livestock lines at all times. This wristband is not transferable and must be worn. No-one other than wristband holders will be allowed to enter.**  
**Please note:** The General Public will have access to the livestock lines upon the completion of the judging of all the livestock classes.

**Livestock Exhibitor Entrance Ticket / Wrist Band Allocation:**

<b>No of Exhibits</b>	<b>Exhibitor Tickets</b>	<b>Wrist band allocated</b>
1	3	3
2	4	3
3	5	4
4	5	4
5 & over	6	5

Additional tickets may be sent at the discretion of the show if more than 6 animals have been entered, please ensure that you have enough tickets. Additional tickets may be purchased from the Secretary at reduced rates prior to 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024.

11. Livestock exhibitors are asked to stay with their animals on display at the showground until 4pm.
12. i) Prize money will be paid on the day up to 5.30 pm, by the Treasurer, only on receipt of the prize card issued in the Ring. Prizes not claimed by this time will be settled by cheque within 28 days on receipt of the relevant prize card by the show.  
 ii) No monetary second prize will be awarded where there are less than 3 entries or more and no monetary third prize where there are less than 5 entries or more. Rosettes at the Judges' discretion.  
 iii) All Cup and Trophy prize winners must sign for their Cup or Trophy at the Secretary's Office before taking them from the Showground. Competitors are advised that due to past difficulties, any cup won may be collected and signed for only by the winner or member of his/her immediate family. All Cup/Trophy winners will be required to return them on request before the next Show and ensure that they are insured whilst in their possession.

**Liability:**

The Association reserves the sole right of decision to postpone, cancel, abandon or curtail the show. Where such decisions arises from directive, happenings or circumstances outside the control of the Association, it shall not create liability to claim for loss or damage. The refund of fees will be at the discretion of the Association.

In this clause, the term Exhibitor shall include persons taking part in any competition or display arranged by the Committee, and the owner of any animal, plant, machinery or other thing involved in any such competition or display or otherwise exhibited on the Showground.

Save for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Committee, its servants or agents, the Committee will not be responsible for death, injury, disease, damage or loss caused to any exhibitor or to his servant or agent or to any animal, article, plant, machinery or thing of whatever nature brought on to the Showground by the said exhibitor from whatever cause death, injury, disease, damage or loss arises.

The exhibitor shall indemnify the Committee against all claims, damages, and expenses whatever in any way arising out of the presence of the exhibitor, his servants, agents, exhibits, vehicles or equipment on the showground and shall assume full responsibility therefor.

**Exhibitors are advised that they MUST have public liability insurance against any third party claims.**

**A copy of this insurance MUST be available for inspection if required on show day by an official.**

**Acceptance of the foregoing provisions shall be a condition of entry.**

**Entries Close 21<sup>st</sup> April '24**