RULES AND REGULATIONS OF EUROBODALLA DISTRICT SHOW SOCIETY INC.

Eurobodalla District Show Society (EDSS) runs under our rules and regulations which work with the rules and regulations of the Agricultural Societies Council of NSW (ASC) and the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW (RAS). All the rules and regulations for running all Agricultural Shows can be found in these Societies' paperwork.

NOTE: All questions which may arise as to the construction of the Rules and Regulations shall be decided by the Committee, whose decision shall be final, and the Committee also shall have the power of determining all matters and questions which may arise in connection with the Show, and to which the Rules and Regulations do not extend.

GENERAL

- 1. Insofar as these Regulations are concerned, 'Committee' will mean the committee of the Eurobodalla District Show Society Inc. and 'Judges' and 'Stewards' will mean the Judges and Stewards acting on behalf of the Eurobodalla District Show Society Inc.
- 2. The Exhibition shall take place on the Society's grounds, or where the Committee may appoint. The Committee reserves the right at any time to postpone the Exhibition, or any event thereof, in consequence of the inclemency of the weather or from any other sufficient cause, to a date or dates deemed suitable by the Committee, and no entrance fee shall be returnable in the event of such postponement.
- **3.** The Committee may abandon the Exhibition, or any event thereof, through wet weather, or for any other reason which may make such a course advisable in the opinion of the committee. Should the Show or any event be cancelled, the Exhibitors shall be entitled to a return of the entrance fees paid, but no course of action, liability or obligation shall be maintainable or be incurred by the Committee, or by the Secretary, by reason of such abandonment or cancellation.
- **4.** All entries must be made in writing and lodged with the Secretary at the Office on or before the day appointed for receiving the same. If entries are made by telephone, they must be confirmed in writing at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of the Show.
- **5.** Entry fees shall be as set out in each Section of the Schedule. Late entries may be received in all sections up until the time specified in the Schedule. An additional fee may be charged for late entries.
- **6.** The Committee has the power to eject or prevent from entering any grounds under its control at any time, any person deemed undesirable.
- 7. The Committee may disqualify any competitor, or any person deemed by the Committee to have committed any fraudulent or dishonourable act in connection with any activities of the Eurobodalla District Show Society Inc. for such period of time as the Committee deems fit.
- **8.** Any person using offensive language to Judges and Stewards or any other person, maybe disqualified by the Committee for such period of time as the Committee deems fit.
- **9.** Disqualification of any Exhibitor, or exhibit, by any other Society with which this Society is affiliated shall have endorsement by this Society.
- **10.** No person under disqualification by the Eurobodalla District Show Society Inc. may enter any grounds under the control of the Society, and if such person does enter the grounds he or she is liable to be prosecuted.
- 11. The Judge in any Section may disqualify from the competition any exhibit or competitor not conforming with the necessary requirements or contravening any regulation or condition in that particular Section.
- **12.** The Committee has the right to refuse any entry without necessarily stating any reason.
- 13. The Committee reserves the right to call upon any competitor subject to age limit, at any time, to furnish at his or her expense, a Birth Certificate and may at its discretion withhold any prize money until such Certificate of proof shall have been furnished. The age of the competitor shall be taken as on the day of appearance in the Show.
- 14. It will not be compulsory for Judges to award any of the scheduled prizes when in their opinion the exhibits do not possess sufficient merit.
- 15. All protests against awards must be in writing and accompanied by a fee of \$ 5.00 and with the exception of pavilion awards, must be lodged with the Secretary within one hour of the close of the event. Protests in pavilion awards must be lodged within 24 hours of judging and also must be in writing accompanied by a fee of \$ 5.00. The fee may be forfeited if the Committee considers the protest frivolous. In the event of any protest or disqualification being upheld, the next award in order shall take its place.

- 16. The Society will not be responsible for any accident caused through or by any exhibit, and will not under any circumstances hold itself responsible for any loss or misdelivery of livestock or other exhibits of any kind, or any damage done thereto.
- **17.** Exhibitors not appearing when called upon may be disqualified.
- **18.** Daily passes will be issued by the Secretary to those deemed to be entitled.
- **19.** Exhibitors must supply persons competent to take charge of all horses and cattle, and all led horses must be haltered.
- **20.** Pavilion exhibits will have award tickets placed on them as soon as awarded.
- 21. The Stewards, will under the direction of the Committee, have entire control over the exhibits in their respective Sections and will conjointly with the Judges, sign the award papers. The Principal Steward in each Section will attend to the Judges when called upon and is authorised to prevent intrusion during the time of judging and also to see that all conditions relating to exhibits are strictly adhered to.
- **22.** All indoor exhibits must be in the hands of the Stewards before 9 am on the day of judging, except where otherwise stated.
- 23. No indoor exhibit may be removed on the last day of the Show until the time announced.
- **24.** All Pavilions will be closed to the public while judging is in progress unless otherwise stated.
- **25.** No exhibits shall bear any mark of ownership except livestock brands.
- **26.** Produce etc. to be made or grown by Exhibitor All exhibits of dairy produce, cereals, vegetables, fruit and food must be made or grown by the person exhibiting.
- 27. During the days on which the Exhibition is open, the Society's Ground shall be under the immediate control of the Executive Committee. Unlawful games and gambling of any kind will be strictly prohibited, and all persons infringing this rule will be ordered off the ground.
- 28. Diseased Animals The entry of any live exhibit will be taken as a guarantee that it is free from disease and/or external parasites and the exhibitor of such animal will be held liable for any infringement of this.
- **29.** Any exhibitor must sign a Statutory Declaration if called upon by the Committee, failing which he may be disqualified.
- **30.** No hawkers will be allowed in at the Show.
- **31.** All trucks and other conveyances bearing supplies will be admitted to the ground free up to 9 am each day of the Show, but must leave the ground as soon as unloaded or requested to do so by any of the Stewards or the Secretary.
- **32.** No tents may be erected on the showground unless with the express permission of the committee, and these may be erected only in a position approved.
- **33.** In all stock sections the rules of the various Breed Societies shall be adhered to.
- **34.** Acknowledgement of Rules The signature of the exhibitor or agent on the entry form shall be considered evidence that he or she is aware of all the rules under which the Exhibition is held and prizes awarded, and that he or she will abide by such rules.
- **35.** No dogs are allowed on the Showground unless they are involved with the Pet Show, as a Feature of the Show, Side Show members (lock-up during Show days) or as Assistance / Companion dogs.

RING

- **36.** No person will be allowed in the Ring with the exception of the Stewards and Judges, while a competition is in progress.
- **37.** Competitors must conform to the following standards of dress:
 - a. Ladies' Attire Hat, jodhpurs or breeches and coat.
 - **b.** Gentlemen's Attire Hat or cap, jodhpurs or breeches, coat and tie.
- **38.** Skull caps shall be worn in all hunting, jumping and sporting events. Optional in all other events. All competitors shall enter and leave the Ring in a dignified manner.
- **39.** All horses, ponies and galloways may be measured by the Society's official measurer before competing in the Show.
- **40.** The owner of any horse, pony or galloway competing must, if called upon by the Stewards, produce a certificate of the animal's height.
- **41.** DEFINITIONS: A pony is 14 hands and under. A galloway is over 14 hands but not over 15 hands. A horse is over 15 hands.

PAVILION

42. Any entries not delivered into the hands of the Stewards by 9 am on the day of judging may be disqualified from the competition unless otherwise provided for in the Schedule.

- **43.** Exhibits shall not be removed from the stands of the Pavilion until permission is granted by the Chief Steward.
- 44. Stewards, in Pavilion sections, will where possible, not be an exhibitor in that section, but if unavoidable, shall not accompany the Judge during or preceding the deliberation on that steward's exhibits.
- **45.** A 'Novice' exhibitor in any Section is one who has never won a first prize in that particular class or a similar class at any Agricultural Show.
- **46.** All Sections of Produce, Crafts etc. and all commercial exhibits and any other display whatsoever shall be placed in the position allocated by the Chief Steward.
- 47. Non-competitive exhibits will be allowed, but a fee may be imposed for exhibits of an advertising nature.
- **48.** Chief Steward shall be appointed by the Committee in each Section
- **49.** The Stewards, under the direction of the Chief Section Steward shall be responsible for the effective arrangement of exhibits on the stands and may take such action as they deem necessary in this direction.

GROUND SPACE (SIDESHOWS)

- **50.** The charge for ground space will be calculated on a frontage basis, the rate to be determined from time to time by the Committee with a minimum charge of \$ 90.00.
- **51.** The Committee reserves the right to arrange positions for ground space but may delegate this power to an approved body.
- **52.** The Committee reserves the right to refuse any application for ground space.
- **53.** Sole rights may be granted to any applicant for space at the discretion of the committee.

SPACE (INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITS)

- **54.** The charge for Industrial space will be determined by the Committee.
- **55.** Positions of Commercial exhibits will be arranged by the Committee.
- **56.** The decision of the Committee shall be final in all matters.
- 57. In the case of dispute as to the interpretation of these Rules, the same will be determined by the Committee and the interested parties notified.

DRUGS

- No person shall cause to be administered internally or externally to a horse, either before or during an event, any medication or drug which is of such a character as could affect its performance. Upon discovery of such a drug or medication the horse shall immediately be disqualified. Any action of the substance, whether drugs or otherwise which may interfere with the testing procedure is forbidden.
- **59.** Every exhibitor shall, upon request of the Show Management, permit a specimen of urine or saliva or other substance to be taken for testing, and refusal to comply with the such request shall constitute grounds for immediate disqualification of the animal from further participation in the Show.
- **60.** If the Laboratory report on the chemical analysis of the sample taken from the horse indicates the presence of a forbidden drug or medication, this shall be taken as prima facie evidence that such a substance has been administered internally or externally.
- **61.** The Exhibitor, whether the owner or otherwise shall be responsible for and be the absolute insurer of, the condition of the horses he enters and exhibits, regardless of the acts of third parties. In any case, where the Laboratory reports show evidence of forbidden drugs, such a person together with the groom or other person in attendance on the horse shall be deemed to have administered the drug.
- 62. It shall be the responsibility of the Show Management of the Breed Association concerned to supply complete information in writing concerning a forbidden drug case or refusal to allow testing.

CATERING / REFRESHMENTS

- **63.** BAR Any alcohol served at the Bar will be opened by the Bar Staff, in accordance with the Government Legislations.
- **64.** Any person deemed to be intoxicated will be refused service.
- **65.** BAR All Alcohol must be consumed within the confined bar area.
- 66. All persons exhibiting, competing or attending the Eurobodalla District Show Society's Show or functions thereby signify their willingness to abide by these rules.

DISCLAIMER: The Eurobodalla District Show Society Inc. or any of its Officers, undertakes no risk, and incurs no liability for loss or damage in respect of all exhibits - however, occasioned. Showmen, Sideshows, Commercials, Entertainment and other organisations must hold their own PUBLIC RISK INSURANCE and be able to produce evidence of current policy on request.