



Royal Agricultural Society of NSW

**GENERAL REGULATIONS  
OF THE  
ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NSW**

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## INTRODUCTION

1. The General Regulations apply to all Sections of the Show.
2. The Special Regulations apply only to the Section of the Show to which they are expressed to relate.
3. Unless expressly stated in the General Regulations, if there is an inconsistency between the General Regulations and any Special Regulations, the Special Regulations prevail.

## DEFINITIONS

4. In the Regulations but subject to the context:

**Allocated Area** means an area allocated to an Exhibit by the RAS.

**Applicant** means the Person in whose name an Application for Entry is lodged with the RAS, whether or not the Application for Entry was signed by that Person and includes the representatives and agents of an Applicant.

**Application for Entry** means the form of application for entry (including an online application) of an Exhibit at the Show and includes entry forms.

**Attendant** means the Person in charge of and any handler of an Exhibit in the Showground and may include an Exhibitor.

**Award** means an item awarded by the RAS in recognition of achieving a certain standard in a Competition and includes a certificate, prize, cash prize, trophy, medal, ribbon and rosette.

**Bedding** means materials as approved by the RAS utilised on the floor of an Allocated Area.

**Book** includes a Stud Book, a Herd Book or a Flock Book.

**Board** means the Standing Committee of Council whose members are appointed pursuant to the Rules.

**Catalogue** means the RAS' Show Catalogue and, except where specifically stated otherwise, means the Catalogue current at the time as published on the RAS' website.

**Chief Executive** means the Chief Executive of the RAS.

**Chief Steward** means the Steward appointed by the RAS to act as Chief Steward in respect of any Class and includes the Steward-in-Chief and any assistant Stewards-in-Chief of a Section.

**Claim** includes any action, suit, cause of action, arbitration, debt, dues, costs, claim, demand, verdict and judgment either at law or in equity or arising under statute.

**Class** includes an Exhibition in respect of which an Award is scheduled.

**Committee** means the Committee responsible for the Section, event or activity in question.

**Competition** means a contest between like Exhibits or Competitors.

**Competitor** means a Person competing in a Class whether or not such Person is also the Exhibitor.

**Conditions of Entry** means the Regulations applicable to the Section in which the Exhibit is entered and includes such other conditions as may be imposed by the RAS.

**Council** means the Council of the RAS.

**Day of Entry** means the date prescribed by the RAS as the latest date by which an Application for Entry must be lodged with the RAS.

**Day of Exhibition** means the day upon which an Exhibit competes before a Judge.

**Disciplinary Committee** means the Committee appointed as such by the Council.



**Entire**, in relation to an animal, includes ungelded and unspayed.

**Entry Fee** means a fee as determined by the RAS payable in relation to an Application for Entry.

**Exhibit**, when used as a noun, includes any thing entered in any Class of the Show.

**Exhibit**, when used as a verb, includes a parade, contest and display.

**Exhibition** includes a parade, contest, competition and display.

**Exhibitor Pass** means a pass (including a digital pass) issued by the RAS to an Exhibitor enabling entry to the Showground.

**Exhibitor** means the Person on whose behalf an Application for Entry is lodged with and accepted by the RAS and includes the representatives and agents of an Exhibitor.

**Fodder** means food and feed for animals but does not include Bedding.

**General Regulations** means these regulations as amended from time to time by the Council pursuant to the Rules.

**Group Class** means a Class where each Exhibit comprises two or more animals or items.

**GST** means GST as defined in *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999 (Cth)*.

**Health Declaration** means a declaration in the form prescribed by the Veterinary Committee.

**Intellectual Property** means all intellectual property rights existing world wide and the subject matter of such rights including without limitation any patent, design (whether registered or not), copyright, trademark, trade secret, confidential information, business, technical and product information, or other right or benefit whether existing under any Act of Parliament or other law, or at common law or in equity.

**Judge** means a Person appointed by the RAS to adjudicate on a Class.

**Mass**, when expressed in kilograms, means quantity of matter.

**Misstatement** or **Misdescription** includes the failure of an Exhibit to conform in all respects with the Application for Entry on the day of Exhibition.

**Nomination Fee** means a fee as determined by the RAS payable in relation to an Application for Entry.

**Non-Competitive Exhibit** means an Exhibit for Exhibition which is not eligible to receive any Award.

**Official Produce Merchant** means a produce merchant authorised by the RAS to supply Produce at a Show.

**Official of the RAS** includes a member of Council, the Chief Executive, a Steward or other Person appointed by the RAS to exercise a function.

**Owner**, in relation to an Exhibit, means the Person:

- (a) who is registered as the Owner of the animal in a Book; or
- (b) in whom the ownership of the Exhibit is beneficially vested to the exclusion of any equitable interest or contractual right on the Day of Entry. A stock mortgage is not of itself sufficient to have transferred any legal ownership or to have created any equitable interest.

**Penalty** includes:

- (a) a reprimand,
- (b) a monetary fine,
- (c) withdrawal or withholding of any Award,
- (d) a disqualification in respect of any Class,
- (e) suspension or termination of membership to the RAS,
- (f) expulsion from the Showground,
- (g) a handicap,
- (h) a ban,
- (i) an exclusion,
- (j) prohibiting a Person from exhibiting or competing at the current Show or at any future Show,
- (k) a direction (by Removal Notice or otherwise) that an Exhibit be removed from the Showground, and
- (l) any other mandatory requirement.

**Permanent Tooth** means a tooth which has erupted from the gum in whole or in part.

**Person** includes a natural person, firm, partnership, company or corporation with a current ABN or ACN.

**Policy** means and includes the RAS' Animal Welfare Policy, the Biosecurity Policy, the Environmental, Social and Governance Policy, the Work, Health and Safety Policy and the Event Manual and any other Policy or written requirement (however described or entitled) of the RAS relating to the Show, a Competition, Exhibitors or persons on the Showground.

**Produce** means Fodder and Bedding.

**Prohibited Relationship** means a relationship between an Exhibitor and a Judge in any of the following circumstances:

- (a) the Exhibitor and the Judge are, or have within the preceding 2 years been, married or living in a de facto relationship,
- (b) the Exhibitor or the Judge is, or has within the preceding 6 months been, a guest in the other's home,
- (c) where in the preceding 6 months the Judge has judged the Exhibit in question,
- (d) where in the preceding 2 years the Judge has provided to any Person training, instruction, advice or guidance in respect of the Exhibit,
- (e) the Judge, or a Person to whom the Judge is or has ever been married or lived in a de facto relationship with, bred (or, in the case of an inanimate object, created or constituted) the Exhibit,
- (f) either the Judge or the Exhibitor is (whether genetically or by marriage) the parent, child, brother, sister, uncle or aunt of the other,
- (g) if in the opinion of the Committee considering the matter, the Judge and the Exhibitor have a close business or personal relationship, or
- (h) in any other circumstance where, in the opinion of the Committee considering the matter, the relationship between the Judge and the Exhibitor is such that a fair minded person could reasonably form the view that the Judge's assessment of the Exhibit may be influenced by factors other than the attributes of the Exhibit.

**Prohibited Substance** means any substance originating externally to an animal (and whether or not endogenous to the animal) capable of affecting the performance or behaviour of the animal by its action upon:

- (a) the central or peripheral nervous system,
- (b) the cardiovascular system,
- (c) the respiratory system,
- (d) the alimentary digestive system,
- (e) the musculo-skeletal system, or
- (f) the urogenital system,



and includes without limitation:

- (i) analgesics,
- (ii) anti-histamines,
- (iii) anti-inflammatory agents,
- (iv) blood coagulants,
- (v) diuretics,
- (vi) hormones and their synthetic counterparts,
- (vii) cortico-steroids,
- (viii) anabolic steroids,
- (ix) local anaesthetics,
- (x) muscle relaxants,
- (xi) tranquillisers,
- (xii) vitamins,
- (xiii) antibiotics, and
- (xiv) stimulants.

**RAS** means the Royal Agricultural Society of New South Wales.

**RAS Staff Member** includes all employees of the RAS.

**RAS Veterinarian** means any veterinarian who is a member of the RAS' Veterinary Committee and includes any veterinarian who has been appointed or engaged by the RAS to provide veterinary services in connection with the Show.

**Regulations** means the General Regulations and Special Regulations.

**Removal Notice** means a written notice requiring the removal of an Exhibit from the Showground or to another part of the Showground.

**Ringmaster** includes:

- (a) the Person appointed as such by the RAS;
- (b) any deputy Ringmaster appointed as such by the RAS; and
- (c) any Person exercising some or all of the functions of the Ringmaster.

**Rules** means the rules of the RAS as amended from time to time.

**Sale** includes an agreement to sell.

**Schedule** means the RAS' Show Schedule of Prizes defining the qualifications for entry in the various Sections, subsections and Classes of the Show as amended and published from time to time on the RAS' website.

**Section** has the same meaning as reflected in the descriptions thereof in the Schedule and the Catalogue.

**Section Manager** means in respect of each Section, the person designated as such by the RAS.

**Section Office** means in respect of each Section, the area within the Showground designated as such by the RAS.

**Selling Agent** means an agent who:

- (a) is authorised by the RAS to offer for Sale by auction, or
- (b) sells by private treaty.

**Show** means the annual event known as the Royal Easter Show held by the RAS in the Easter season, and includes any other Competition conducted by the RAS at any time of the year and whether or not in conjunction with the Royal Easter Show.

**Showground** means such grounds as are from time to time vested in, leased to or occupied by the RAS.

**Single Class** means a Class where each Exhibit comprises only one item.

**Special Regulations** means those regulations applicable to a particular Section of the Show as determined by the Committee responsible for that Section.

**Steward** means a person appointed as such by the RAS.

**Steward-in-Chief** means a person appointed as such by the RAS.

**Unethical Conduct** means any conduct that is considered by the RAS to not be morally correct and includes the presentation as an Exhibit for judging:

- (a) of an animal other than in its natural conformation after normal feeding and grooming, except as otherwise provided either expressly or by necessary implication in the Regulations or in the definition of a Class in which the animal is entered,
- (b) of an animal having undergone any operation or procedure that:
  - (i) alters the structure, natural conformation or behaviour of any part of its body, including:
    - (A) the administration of any Prohibited Substance,
    - (B) any surgery,
    - (C) the administration of any drug or chemical,
    - (D) the attachment of any object or thing, or
  - (ii) changes by exaggeration, minimisation or otherwise its natural conformation or physical constitution or appearance,
- (c) of an inanimate object, that is created, constituted, formed or includes goods, substances or things not normally found in objects of like nature,
- (d) that is not the animal or object entered for the Class to be judged,
- (e) that is Exhibited in such a manner that it is unfair to the other Exhibits,
- (f) that is Exhibited in a manner that is unsportsmanlike,
- (g) that is Exhibited in a manner that is inimical to the lawful interests of the Exhibitor, or
- (h) that is Exhibited before a Judge with whom the Exhibitor has a Prohibited Relationship.

**Unacceptable Behaviour** means any conduct that is considered by the RAS to be inappropriate or improper and includes:

- (a) conduct that may put the RAS at risk of breaching any law, including without limitation any law relating to health and safety, children, any notifiable disease, privacy, defamation, bullying and harassment or discrimination,
- (b) conduct that is in breach of, or not in conformity with, any Policy,
- (c) causing annoyance or disrespect by comment upon:
  - (i) the decision of a Judge,
  - (ii) any act or omission on the part of a Judge,
  - (iii) any Official of the RAS on duty in the Showground,
  - (iv) any direction of any Official of the RAS, or
  - (v) any direction by an RAS Staff Member directly relating to crowd or traffic management or to the safety, health and wellbeing of Persons on the Showground,
- (d) discriminatory or insulting behaviour,
- (e) any behaviour, whether or not apparently sanctioned by the Regulations, that is considered by the RAS to be:
  - (i) unsportsmanlike,



- (ii) causative of dissent or divisiveness,
- (iii) detrimental to the interests of the Show, the Competition, Exhibitors or persons on the Showground, or
- (iv) inappropriate in all the circumstances,

and whether any such conduct or behaviour is in person or by publication through any media or online channel.

**Young Judges' Competition** means a Competition where a prospective Judge is judged.

5. In the Regulations, but subject to context:

- (a) the singular includes the plural and vice versa, and
- (b) headings are for ease of reference only and do not affect the meaning or interpretation of the Regulations.

## **REGULATIONS BINDING**

6. All Applicants, Attendants, Exhibitors, Owners, Competitors and every Person admitted into the Showground during a Show, are bound by the Regulations.

## **POWERS**

- 7. The RAS has the sole and absolute control of all matters affecting the conduct of the Show and the Showground.
- 8. Any power or discretion of:
  - (a) the RAS,
  - (b) the Council,
  - (c) any Committee,
  - (d) any Official of the RAS,
 may be delegated in such manner and upon such conditions as may from time to time be determined by the RAS.
- 9. An act or determination of the Council or a Committee exercising a power or discretion authorised by the Rules or Regulations is an act or determination of the RAS.
- 10. The RAS may in its absolute discretion make any determination upon any matter.
- 11. A determination of the RAS shall be final.

## **MAKING OF REGULATIONS**

- 12. General Regulations may be made and amended by the Council, as provided in the Rules.
- 13. Special Regulations may be made and amended by the Committee responsible for the relevant Section.
- 14. Special Regulations may be published in the Schedule and/or Catalogue.

## **CATALOGUE AND SCHEDULE**

- 15. The program for the Show is divided into Sections.
- 16. A Section may be divided into subsections.
- 17. Sections and subsections may be divided into Classes.
- 18. Sections, subsections and Classes may be indicated by the RAS in the Schedule and/or Catalogue.



19. The RAS may make any change to:
- (a) the program for the Show, and
  - (b) the times and places,
- set out in the Schedule or Catalogue.
20. The names of any Judges and Stewards shown in the Schedule or Catalogue are subject to any changes that the RAS may make.

## EXHIBITS

21. An Exhibitor who sells an Exhibit after the Day of Entry remains:
- (a) liable for that Exhibit, and
  - (b) bound by and obliged to observe the Regulations.
22. Where an animal is under lease for stud purposes, the lessee may Exhibit the animal, but the relative lease must be produced to the RAS upon demand by the RAS.
23. All farm produce must be the production of the Exhibitor.
24. An Exhibit may not enter or compete in two Classes, except:
- (a) Horses, or
  - (b) where otherwise provided by the Schedule or the Conditions of Entry.
25. The entry of an Exhibit in a special Class described in the Schedule does not constitute an entry in a Class.
26. Except where otherwise provided by the Conditions of Entry, all first prize Exhibits of a Section will be eligible to compete for championship honours.
27. An Exhibit may not be entered in a Class for which it is not eligible or qualified.
28. An Exhibitor or Attendant of an animate Exhibit must:
- (a) use all reasonable steps to ensure that the Exhibit is housed and cared for in accordance with the Animal Welfare Policy,
  - (b) obey any direction from an Official of the RAS relating to the examination, testing, care and welfare of that Exhibit, and
  - (c) if called upon to do so by the RAS, surrender the Exhibit to the RAS if in the opinion of an RAS Veterinarian, the Exhibit is in need of urgent veterinary attention.

## CONSENTS, NOTICES AND DIRECTIONS

29. Unless otherwise stated in the Regulations, a consent, notice or direction of the RAS may be given either in writing, verbally or electronically by:
- (a) any Official of the RAS, or
  - (b) such other person authorised by the RAS to do so.
30. Any notice in writing addressed and posted to an Applicant or Exhibitor at the address given in the Application for Entry, is deemed to have been received by the Applicant or Exhibitor 72 hours from the time of posting. Any notice given electronically is deemed to have been received by the addressee 12 hours from the time at which the notice was given.

## APPLICATION FOR ENTRY

31. Every Applicant who wishes to become an Exhibitor must complete in its entirety and lodge with the RAS an Application for Entry.
32. The RAS may prescribe the form of Application for Entry.
33. An Application for Entry may refer to the Special Regulations applicable to the Section or subsection to which such Application for Entry applies.
34. Every Applicant guarantees the correctness of the contents of every Application for Entry and accompanying documentation submitted by or on behalf of the Applicant.





35. An Applicant must not make any Misstatement or Misdescription in an Application for Entry or accompanying documentation lodged by or on behalf of the Applicant.
36. Every Application for Entry must be signed by or on behalf of an Applicant. Applications on behalf of, or in the name of, deceased persons will not be accepted. If an Applicant dies before an Application for Entry has been accepted by the RAS, the RAS may, in its absolute discretion, allow another Person to be substituted as the Applicant in respect of that Application for Entry.
37. If a Person signs an Application for Entry as a representative or agent of an Applicant:
- (a) the representative or agent is deemed to have given a warranty of their authority to the RAS, and
  - (b) nothing relieves or modifies the obligations of the Applicant on whose behalf such Application for Entry was signed.
38. Every Application for Entry must be lodged with the RAS on or before the Day of Entry.
39. The Day of Entry in any Section may be extended by the RAS.
40. The RAS may, at its discretion, accept an Application for Entry received after the Day of Entry.
41. The RAS may:
- (a) accept an Application for Entry,
  - (b) refuse or reject any Application for Entry,
  - (c) refuse to allow any Person to be an Exhibitor and/or Competitor, and
  - (d) cancel or withdraw the status of any Person as an Exhibitor and/or Competitor,
- without giving any reason for so doing.
42. An Applicant becomes an Exhibitor upon the acceptance of that Applicant's Application for Entry by the RAS. If an Exhibitor dies after acceptance of the Application for Entry, the RAS may, in its absolute discretion, allow another Person to be substituted as the Exhibitor, but subject to such conditions as the RAS may consider to be appropriate in the circumstances.
43. Where an Applicant or Exhibitor comprises more than one Person and there is a dispute between those Persons concerning the Exhibit, the RAS may act in accordance with the wishes of the Person whose name first appears as Applicant or Exhibitor on the Application for Entry.

#### **NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS**

44. The RAS may accept a Non-Competitive Exhibit.

#### **NOMINATION FEE**

45. A Nomination Fee determined by the RAS may be payable in relation to an Application for Entry.
46. A Nomination Fee is not refundable by the RAS unless an Exhibit is:
- (a) withdrawn with the consent of the RAS prior to the Day of Entry, or
  - (b) ineligible for the Class in which it is entered.

#### **ENTRY FEE**

47. An Entry Fee is payable in respect of every Application for Entry
48. An Entry Fee is not refundable by the RAS unless the Exhibit is withdrawn with the consent of the RAS prior to the Day of Entry.

#### **WITHDRAWAL OF ENTRIES**

49. An Application for Entry may be withdrawn by an Applicant or Exhibitor:
- (a) on the written request by the Applicant or the Exhibitor to the RAS, and
  - (b) only with the consent of the RAS.

## **ATTENDANTS**

50. An Exhibitor must, if required by the RAS:
- (a) notify the RAS in writing of the full name, and
  - (b) provide a specimen signature,
- of each Attendant.
51. Every Attendant must be in attendance upon the Showground each day of the Show for the purpose of Exhibiting and or tending to the Exhibits.
52. An Attendant is not a servant or agent of the RAS.
53. A pass for the admission of an Attendant may be issued by the RAS upon application.

## **ACCESS TO THE SHOWGROUND**

54. Unless permitted by law, no animal may be brought onto the Showground unless it is an Exhibit in respect of which an Application for Entry has been accepted by the RAS or the RAS has provided its prior consent.
55. An Exhibit will not be admitted to the Showground unless:
- (a) the Attendant is in possession of an Exhibitor Pass,
  - (b) the Exhibit complies with the particulars as set out in the Exhibitor Pass issued by the RAS,
  - (c) the Exhibitor Pass is produced at the entry to the Showground, and
  - (d) any requirements of the RAS are met prior to the arrival of the Exhibit at the Showground.
56. Should there be any reason to suspect that any Exhibit is either diseased or dangerous, the RAS may refuse admission of such Exhibit to the Showground.
57. Each Exhibitor is deemed to guarantee and warrant to the RAS that each Exhibit brought upon the Showground is, at the time of its entering the Showground, free of any contagious or infectious disease and, if directed by the RAS, must produce a Health Declaration in respect to such Exhibit by the time specified by the RAS.

## **ARRANGEMENT OF EXHIBITS**

58. An Exhibit must be on the Showground not later than the time specified in the Schedule.
59. Attendants must arrange their Exhibits as directed by an Official of the RAS.
60. Upon entry to the Showground, each Exhibit must, at the cost of the Exhibitor, be at once housed by its Attendant in its Allocated Area.
61. An Exhibit may not be housed in any other area apart from its Allocated Area without the consent of the Steward-in-Chief.
62. An Attendant:
- (a) does not have any right to any Allocated Area; and
  - (b) must vacate an Allocated Area upon being directed to do so by an Official of the RAS.
63. The Attendant must not change the external appearance of their Allocated Area nor make any change or alteration to the Allocated Area.
64. The Exhibitor or Attendant must at the Exhibitor's cost:
- (a) keep the Allocated Area in good repair, order and condition at all times and ensure that the Allocated Area is left in the same repair, order and condition as it was immediately prior to occupation,
  - (b) keep the Allocated Area and the adjacent areas clean and free from waste and rubbish at all times and ensure that their property is retained within the Allocated Area,
  - (c) immediately make good any damage caused or contributed to by the Exhibitor or Attendant to the Showground or any property of the RAS and if this is not promptly attended to, the RAS may recover from the Exhibitor the cost of the RAS making good such damage as a liquidated sum payable on demand.



65. Except in the case of a display of the RAS, no animal, other than an Exhibit, shall be displayed or exposed for sale in the Showground.
66. An Exhibitor, Competitor or Attendant must not:
- (a) remove any notice, placard, ticket or Award, displayed, affixed, placed or posted by the RAS in the Showground,
  - (b) display, affix, place or post any other notice, placard or ticket in the Showground, or
  - (c) display, affix, place or post any Award, whether singly or otherwise or as part of a rug or other composite article, other than an Award awarded pursuant to the Regulations, at that Show,
- without the approval of an Official of the RAS.
67. An Exhibit, Attendant, Exhibitor or Competitor must not appear on a Day of Exhibition in any part of the Showground set apart for judging purposes bearing any medal, ribbon or other mark which, in the opinion of an Official of the RAS, may influence the Judge.

#### **IDENTIFICATION OF EXHIBITS**

68. Each Attendant must point out each of their Exhibits for the purpose of identification and classification if requested to do so by any Official of the RAS.
69. Each Exhibit must be numbered and bear its number according to the Catalogue whilst being Exhibited.
70. Each Exhibit must bear and retain throughout the Show the brand, distinctive mark, microchip or label corresponding with that (if any) described in the Application for Entry.
71. Each Exhibitor or Attendant, when directed to do so by any Official of the RAS, must:
- (a) produce evidence to the satisfaction of the RAS as to the correctness of the description contained in the Application for Entry, and
  - (b) point out each of their Exhibits for purposes of identification and classification,
  - (c) and if directed to do so, give the RAS a statutory declaration to the effect that:
    - (i) the description of an Exhibit set out in the Application for Entry is accurate in every particular; and/or
    - (ii) the Exhibit is in every way qualified for entry in the Class in which it has been entered.

#### **PARADING AND EXHIBITION OF EXHIBITS**

72. Each Exhibit must be Exhibited as directed by the RAS.
73. All Exhibits, whilst participating in a parade, must carry a breast plate or other identification provided by the RAS in such a manner as the RAS may direct.
74. Livestock Exhibits in a Young Judges Competition must not carry a breast plate or other means of identification unless so required by the RAS.
75. Every Competitor and Attendant of an Exhibit in an Exhibition must be attired in accordance with directions given by the RAS.

#### **JUDGING**

76. An Exhibitor is not permitted to be with a Steward or Judge during the time of judging an Exhibit without the approval of the Judge or Chief Steward of the Class.
77. If a Judge has reason to doubt:
- (a) the age specified in respect of any livestock Exhibit; or
  - (b) whether an Exhibit is qualified to compete in the Class in which it is presented for judging,
- the Judge must refer the matter to the Chief Steward, who may make such enquiries and require such evidence as they consider appropriate in order to establish whether or not the Exhibit is eligible to compete in the Class.

## AWARDS

78. An Exhibit may not receive an Award if, in the opinion of the Judge, it is unworthy of such Award.
79. The RAS may:
- (a) cancel or vary any Class or Award; or
  - (b) alter or amend the specification, conditions or requirements applying to any Class or Award.
80. If the Schedule or the Catalogue makes provision for a trophy becoming the property of an Exhibitor if and when that Exhibitor has won it or the relevant Class on a specified number of occasions, an Exhibitor who has won the trophy or relevant Class on fewer occasions, has:
- (a) no right or interest in the trophy,
  - (b) no Claim against the RAS, or
  - (c) no right to further compete for the trophy,
- if the Class is cancelled or varied by the RAS or the trophy is withdrawn from further competition prior to the Exhibitor winning it on the requisite number of occasions.
81. An Award awarded at the Show and left unclaimed for a period in excess of six months may be forfeited by the prize-winner and cancelled by the Committee at its absolute discretion.
82. An Award may be withheld if:
- (a) any description or particulars furnished by the Exhibitor in the Application for Entry or accompanying documentation is erroneous; or
  - (b) any doubt exists in the mind of the Judge and of the Chief Steward of the Class in which such Exhibit is presented as to whether such Exhibit is qualified to compete in such Class.
83. The RAS may publish to any Person the result of any judging process, including without limitation any comments by the Judge and any reason why the Exhibit did, or did not, receive an Award, or was considered (by the Judge or the RAS) ineligible for an Award. No Person shall have any Claim or right of action against, nor be entitled to make any protest or complaint to, the RAS, or the Judge, in respect of any such publication.
84. The Awards provided to Exhibits shall be distinguished by the following colours:
- |   |                             |
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| PURPLE, WHITE and LIGHT BLUE for Best in Show |                             |
| RED, WHITE and BLUE for Champion              | GREEN for Fifth             |
| BLUE and YELLOW for Reserve Champion          | BROWN for Sixth             |
| BLUE and RED for Junior Champion              | BUFF for Seventh            |
| RED and YELLOW for Reserve Junior Champion    | PINK for Eighth             |
| BLUE for First                                | ORANGE for Ninth            |
| RED for Second                                | LIME for Tenth              |
| WHITE for Third                               | PURPLE for Special Prize    |
| YELLOW for Fourth                             | MAROON for Highly Commended |

## PROTESTS

85. An Exhibitor, Attendant or Competitor may enter a protest against any decision or act or omission on the part of:
- (a) a Judge,
  - (b) the RAS, or
  - (c) any Official of the RAS
- in connection with the judging of a Class.

86. A protest must:
- (a) be in writing,
  - (b) set out the circumstances relied upon,
  - (c) be accompanied by a fee determined by the RAS, and
  - (d) be lodged with the relevant Section Manager at the Section Office:
    - (i) in the Arts and Crafts Section - by noon on the first Wednesday of the Show,
    - (ii) in the NSW District Exhibits Competition - within four hours of the final points being announced,
    - (iii) in the Cattle Section - by 8am of the day following the Day of Exhibition, and
    - (iv) in all other cases - before noon of the day following the day upon which such decision, act or omission occurred.
87. Protests will be heard and determined by:
- (a) The Chair of the Committee responsible for that Section and at least one other member of the Committee (selected by the Chair);
  - (b) in the absence of the Chair, by the member of Council then overseeing the judging and at least one other member of that Committee (selected by that member of Council).
88. Upon hearing and determining of any protest, the Committee may take and act upon such evidence as it thinks fit regardless of the ordinary rules of evidence.
89. The fee accompanying the protest may be forfeited to the RAS if the protest is, in the opinion of the RAS, frivolous.
90. The determination of a protest is final and binding upon all parties and there is no right of appeal.

#### **SALES BY EXHIBITORS**

91. Auction sales of Exhibits may only be held on the Showground on the day, place and in the order as the RAS may determine.
92. The day, place and order of auction sales of Exhibits may be advertised by the RAS.
93. Unless otherwise decided by the RAS, an Exhibit which has not been Exhibited may not be offered for Sale while on the Showground.
94. An Exhibitor who sells an Exhibit on the Showground must ensure that a Person acquiring ownership of or an interest in the Exhibit is fully informed of the provisions of the Regulations before the Sale and the Conditions of Entry upon which the Exhibit was accepted for Exhibition.
95. A Person acquiring the ownership of or any interest in an Exhibit sold on the Showground has the same obligations to the RAS in respect of the Exhibit as they would have if they were the Exhibitor.
96. The rights of the RAS in respect of any Exhibit are not affected by the Sale or disposition of an Exhibit.
97. The obligations of an Applicant and an Exhibitor to the RAS are not affected by the Sale or disposition of an Exhibit and are in addition to any obligations imposed on the Person acquiring the ownership of or any interest in the Exhibit.

#### **FEE FOR USE OF SHOWGROUND FOR PURPOSES OF SALE**

98. Each Selling Agent who makes a Sale of an Exhibit on the Showground must pay to the RAS a fee of 1 percent of the gross sale price
99. Each Exhibitor who sells an Exhibit while it is on the Showground must pay to the RAS a fee as determined by the RAS at its absolute discretion.

#### **FODDER, BEDDING AND FEEDING**

100. Except for poultry and pigeons, it is the responsibility of an Exhibitor to arrange for their Exhibit's Fodder requirements. The RAS will provide access to drinking water for all animate Exhibits.
101. Only the Official Produce Merchant may sell Fodder or Bedding on the Showground prior to, during or after the Show.
102. It is the responsibility of an Exhibitor to arrange for their Exhibit's Bedding requirements.
103. The RAS may prohibit the use of certain Fodder and bedding.



## **VETERINARY TREATMENT**

104. The RAS may (but is not obliged to) provide a 24 hour service by an RAS Veterinarian during the Show which is:
- (a) subject to (b), free for first aid treatment of Exhibition-related emergencies and incidents,
  - (b) available at a fee:
    - (i) for drugs and materials used in such a service, and
    - (ii) for continuing service if required by the Exhibitor.
105. If an Exhibitor wishes to have their Exhibit attended to by their nominated veterinarian while the Exhibit is on the Showground, the Exhibitor must first make arrangements for that purpose with an RAS Veterinarian.
106. Despite any other General Regulation, the RAS has power to take all such steps as it may in its discretion consider necessary or desirable in relation to the welfare of any animal on the Showground.

## **REMOVAL OF EXHIBITS**

107. The RAS may in its absolute discretion and for any reason issue a Removal Notice to an Attendant.
108. All costs of or incidental to:
- (a) moving the Exhibit within the Showground, and
  - (b) removing the Exhibit from the Showground,
- must be borne by the Exhibitor.
109. If, in the opinion of an RAS Veterinarian, an animal Exhibit on the Showground is so injured or affected by sickness, disease or other ailment or is so dangerous as to warrant its destruction or its removal either from the Showground or to another location within the Showground, the RAS Veterinarian may:
- (a) have the animal destroyed; and/or
  - (b) serve a Removal Notice on the Attendant.
110. The Attendant, upon receipt of a Removal Notice, must:
- (a) move the Exhibit to the location prescribed in the Removal Notice; and
  - (b) do so within the time prescribed in the Removal Notice.
111. If the Attendant does not comply with the Removal Notice, the RAS may remove the Exhibit or cause the Exhibit to be removed.
112. If the costs and expenses of removal have been paid by the RAS, they shall constitute a liquidated debt owing by the Exhibitor to the RAS and must be paid to the RAS by the Exhibitor immediately upon receipt by the Exhibitor of an invoice.
113. The Person removing an Exhibit, whether appointed by the RAS or not, is the agent of the Exhibitor and all acts and omissions of the Person removing an animal are the acts and omissions of the Exhibitor.

## **CONDUCT**

114. A Person must not engage or be knowingly involved in Unethical Conduct.
115. A Person must not engage in Unacceptable Behaviour.
116. The Committee responsible for the relevant Section or the Disciplinary Committee are the sole arbiters as to whether conduct or behaviour constitutes Unethical Conduct or Unacceptable Behaviour.
117. The determination of the Committee responsible for the relevant Section or the Disciplinary Committee in relation to Unethical Conduct or Unacceptable Behaviour is final and binding on all parties and there is no right of appeal.

## **ADMISSION TO SHOW**

118. The RAS may require partial or exclusive use of any part of the Showground which may, in its opinion, be needed for any purpose in connection with the conduct of the Show.
119. Acceptance of a Person's admission fee by the RAS entitles the Person to:
- (a) enter the Showground, and
  - (b) have access to those parts of the Showground made available by the RAS.

120. Acceptance of a Person's admission fee by the RAS does not entitle the Person to enter an area:
- (a) in respect of which an additional payment is required, or
  - (b) reserved by the RAS for any purpose.
121. Any member of Council may at their absolute discretion authorise the ejection of a Person at any time from the Showground or any part of the Showground.
122. Every Person occupying a stand or other seating on the Showground must vacate the stand or other seating if and when required to do so by any Official of the RAS.
123. A Person must leave the Showground or part of the Showground immediately upon being required to do so by any Official of the RAS.
124. No Person may:
- (a) give, sell, advertise, distribute, display or canvas any goods, livestock or matter,
  - (b) present or advertise any entertainment, attraction or display,
  - (c) solicit, canvas, advertise or do any act, matter or thing for the purpose of or as an inducement for or incidental to the collection or contribution of money or goods,
  - (d) do any act, matter or thing to induce or calculated or designed to induce or for the purpose of inducing any Person to join any club, association, society or other body,
  - (e) gamble, play games of chance or dispose of property by lot or chance, or
  - (f) provide entertainment for a charge
- upon the Showground without the written permission of the RAS.

#### **PROHIBITED SUBSTANCE**

125. A Person must not administer a Prohibited Substance to an Exhibit, except as permitted by the Regulations.
126. The Exhibitor, the Owner and Attendant of any Exhibit to which a Prohibited Substance has been administered is in breach of the Regulations unless the Prohibited Substance is:
- (a) permitted by the Regulations to be administered; and
  - (b) administered to the Exhibit in accordance with the procedures set out in the Regulations.
127. An Exhibit to which a Prohibited Substance has been administered in breach of the Regulations must be removed from the Showground upon demand by the RAS.

#### **TREATMENT NOTIFICATION FORM**

128. A Treatment Notification Form must be:
- (a) completed if a Prohibited Substance has been administered to an Exhibit within:
    - (i) in the case of hormones and their synthetic counterparts, cortico steroids and anabolic steroids, 180 days,
    - (ii) in all other cases, 14 days, before the Day of Exhibition,
  - (b) signed by a qualified veterinarian, and
  - (c) submitted to the Superintendent's office of the relevant Section by 6pm on the day before the Day of Exhibition.
129. An incomplete Treatment Notification Form may be rejected by the RAS and if that occurs, the Exhibit must not compete in any event unless, prior to that event:
- (a) the Exhibit has been examined as contemplated in General Regulation 132,
  - (b) the Exhibitor has paid to the RAS an examination fee as determined by the relevant Committee, and
  - (c) permission to compete has been given in writing by the Chair of the Veterinary Committee or an RAS Veterinarian.



130. A Prohibited Substance must not be administered to an Exhibit after submission of a Treatment Notification Form in respect of that Exhibit except:
- (a) with prior written permission of the Chair of the Veterinary Committee or an RAS Veterinarian, and
  - (b) by an RAS Veterinarian.
131. Where there has been compliance with the Regulations, an Exhibit to which a Prohibited Substance has been administered may be Exhibited:
- (a) at the discretion of the Chair of the relevant Committee (who may consult with the Chair of the Veterinary Committee); and
  - (b) subject to such conditions as the Chair of the relevant Committee may impose.
132. The RAS may in its discretion and at any time, cause an examination to be made of an Exhibit by an RAS Veterinarian who, in the course of such examination, may:
- (a) take such samples (including, without limitation, urine, blood, saliva and faeces) from such Exhibit they consider necessary or advisable;
  - (b) have such samples tested by such methods and procedures as they consider appropriate; and
  - (c) examine the Exhibit for desensitised limbs.
133. Any Exhibit found by an RAS Veterinarian to have a limb (or part thereof) desensitised is deemed to have had administered to it a Prohibited Substance in breach of the Regulations.
134. Where, prior to a Competition or any other event, an RAS Veterinarian is of the opinion that a Prohibited Substance may have been administered to an Exhibit, the RAS Veterinarian may require that the Exhibit be examined prior to competing in that Competition or participating in that event.
135. The RAS may publish procedures relating to the examination of Exhibits. Such procedures are binding on Exhibitors, Owners and Attendants.

#### **DISCIPLINARY PROCESS**

136. If there is any inconsistency between General Regulations 137 to 159 (inclusive) and any other Regulations, General Regulations 137 to 159 (inclusive) prevail.
137. The Disciplinary Committee hears and determines all complaints, allegations and other matters relating to:
- (a) Prohibited Substances,
  - (b) any alleged breach of the Regulations by an Owner, Exhibitor, Competitor or Attendant, except if the alleged breach is of a kind that the Chair of the relevant Committee considers is of a less serious nature and should properly be dealt with by that Committee; and
  - (c) any other alleged breach of the Regulations that may be referred to the Disciplinary Committee upon the oral or written request of the President of the RAS, any Chair of a Committee, the Ringmaster or the Chief Executive.
138. The Disciplinary Committee comprises such members of Council as are appointed by the Council from time to time pursuant to the Rules.
139. The Board will appoint a member of the Disciplinary Committee as Chair of the Disciplinary Committee.
140. For the purpose of any proceedings of the Disciplinary Committee, the Disciplinary Committee must comprise, subject to General Regulation 141, no less than three of its members and those Persons constitute the Disciplinary Committee for the purpose of those proceedings. In the case of any proceedings relating to a Prohibited Substance, the Chair of the Veterinary Committee or an RAS Veterinarian nominated by the Disciplinary Committee Chair must be in attendance.
141. If a member of the Disciplinary Committee dies or becomes otherwise unable or unwilling to participate in proceedings:
- (a) prior to the commencement of any hearing in relation to the matter, then the Chair of the Disciplinary Committee shall appoint a replacement;
  - (b) after the commencement of any hearing in relation to the matter, then the remaining members of the Disciplinary Committee shall constitute the Disciplinary Committee for the purpose of concluding the proceedings.





## Initiation of Proceedings before the Disciplinary Committee

142. Proceedings before the Disciplinary Committee may be initiated:
- (a) upon the request of the President of the RAS, any Chair of a Committee, the Ringmaster or the Chief Executive,
  - (b) upon receipt by the Chair of the Disciplinary Committee of a written complaint relating to a matter referred to in paragraphs (a) or (b) of General Regulation 137,
  - (c) by the Chair of the Disciplinary Committee on their own motion.
143. Despite General Regulation 142, proceedings before the Disciplinary Committee may not be initiated where any alleged breach of the Regulations is of a kind that the Chair of the Disciplinary Committee considers is of a less serious nature and should be dealt with by the relevant Committee.
144. Upon initiation of any proceedings before the Disciplinary Committee, the Chair of the Disciplinary Committee shall:
- (a) select the members of the Disciplinary Committee who are to constitute the Disciplinary Committee for the purpose of those proceedings,
  - (b) appoint one of those Persons as Chair of that Disciplinary Committee, and
  - (c) give all such directions as are necessary to ensure the efficient disposition of the proceedings.
145. The Disciplinary Committee may conduct proceedings at any time between 6am and midnight on any day.
146. All Persons who constitute the Disciplinary Committee for the purpose of any proceedings must be present at any hearing conducted by the Disciplinary Committee.

## Notice of Hearing before the Disciplinary Committee

147. A Person whose conduct is called into question in any proceedings before the Disciplinary Committee must be given notice of the hearing proceedings. It is sufficient for such notice to be given orally and by any Person acting with the apparent authority of the RAS, but it must as soon as practicable thereafter be confirmed in writing.
148. The notice referred to in Regulation 147 must include:
- (a) particulars of the facts and circumstances in question,
  - (b) a time frame, considered by the Disciplinary Committee to be reasonable in the circumstances, within which the Person in question must, if they choose to do so, respond,
  - (c) information as to the evidence or other material the Person in question may wish to submit in any response, and
  - (d) if the conduct in question concerns the possible use of a Prohibited Substance, a time frame, considered by the Disciplinary Committee to be reasonable in the circumstances, within which the Person may obtain and submit as evidence the results of secondary testing.
149. Upon expiration of the time for receipt of a response pursuant to Regulation 148, the Chair of the Disciplinary Committee must determine if the proceedings are to:
- (a) proceed no further – in which case the Person concerned will be so informed in writing, or
  - (b) proceed to hearing – in which case the Person concerned will be informed, in writing, of the date, time and place of the meeting of the Disciplinary Committee at which the matter will be determined.
150. The Disciplinary Committee may conduct proceedings notwithstanding that any Person who has been given notice fails to attend the proceedings.
151. The Disciplinary Committee is not bound by any rules of evidence and may conduct the proceedings with the minimum of formality and in such a manner as it sees fit.
152. The Disciplinary Committee may require any Person to attend at any proceedings of the Disciplinary Committee and to furnish such information and evidence and to produce such documents relevant to the proceedings as to the Disciplinary Committee sees fit.
153. No Persons shall be legally represented before the Disciplinary Committee.

## Decisions of the Disciplinary Committee

154. The Disciplinary Committee may announce its decision orally or in writing. A decision that is announced orally shall have effect in accordance with its terms and must be confirmed in writing.
155. If the opinion of the members of the Disciplinary Committee is not unanimous, the decision of the majority must prevail. If the members of the Disciplinary Committee are equally divided on any question concerning the guilt or innocence of a Person, the question must be resolved in that Person's favour.
156. If the Disciplinary Committee considers that there has been a breach of the Regulations, it may subject to General Regulation 171, impose such Penalty as it considers to be appropriate.
157. If the Disciplinary Committee, having conducted any proceedings, is of the opinion that the complaint or allegation which led to the initiation of the proceedings was made:
- (a) frivolously,
  - (b) without sufficient evidence to justify the making of the complaint or allegation, or
  - (c) out of ill will, spite or in bad faith,
- the Disciplinary Committee may decide that:
- (i) financial compensation be provided to the Person the subject of the complaint or allegation in respect of expenses actually incurred in dealing with the matter,
  - (ii) there be a Penalty imposed on the Person considered by the Disciplinary Committee to have acted in any manner described in (a) to (c) of this General Regulation, and the RAS shall take all such action as may be necessary to give effect to such a decision of the Disciplinary Committee.
158. The Disciplinary Committee's decision is final and there is no right of appeal from any decision of the Disciplinary Committee.
159. The RAS may publish to any Person the result of any proceedings before the Disciplinary Committee.

## PENALTIES

160. The Council may, in the event of any breach of the Regulations not previously dealt with by the Disciplinary Committee, impose a Penalty that the Council thinks fit.
161. A penalty notice may be given to the Person on whom the Penalty is imposed.
162. The penalty notice may:
- (a) be in writing,
  - (b) specify the time and the place any monetary penalty must be paid by or Award returned,
  - (c) be addressed to the Person on whom the Penalty is imposed, and
  - (d) either be:
    - (i) delivered by hand to the Person on whom the Penalty is imposed,
    - (ii) posted by prepaid post to the Person's last known place of abode or business, or
    - (iii) sent electronically to the Person's email address or mobile telephone number as recorded by the RAS.
163. A penalty notice:
- (a) is deemed to have been delivered by hand if, during the Show, if it is left at the Allocated Area for the Person upon whom the Penalty is imposed either with that Person or with another Person who appears to be over the age of eighteen years,
  - (b) if posted, is deemed to have been received by the Person upon whom the Penalty is imposed 72 hours from the time of posting,
  - (c) if delivered electronically, is deemed to have been received by the Person upon whom the Penalty is imposed 12 hours from the time at which the notice was sent.



164. If a monetary penalty is not paid or Award not returned to the place within the time specified in the penalty notice:
- (a) the monetary penalty is recoverable as a liquidated debt due to the RAS,
  - (b) the RAS may seize and retain any Exhibit or other property on the Showground of the Person upon whom the Penalty is imposed, and
  - (c) the RAS may prohibit the Person upon whom the Penalty is imposed from Exhibiting at any Show.
165. The power of seizure contained in General Regulation 164(b) also applies in the case of an Exhibitor failing to pay any other money due to the RAS.
166. The RAS may detain any Exhibit on the Showground for such time as the RAS may consider necessary.
167. An Exhibit or goods of any kind may be detained by the RAS in the event of non-payment of rent, fine or dues, or for any other cause, and shall not be released without the permission of the RAS but may be sold by the RAS as and when and upon such terms as the RAS may decide in its absolute discretion.

## **MONETARY PENALTIES**

168. The RAS may set the monetary value of a monetary penalty from time to time.
169. Any Exhibitor of an equine or bovine animal who fails to parade the Exhibit when called upon to do so by the Chief Steward automatically forfeits all prize money won by the Exhibitor and is liable to a Penalty of \$100 for each animal not paraded.
170. An Exhibitor is liable to a Penalty of:
- (a) \$100 in respect of each equine or bovine animal which they have entered but not Exhibited, in addition to any Penalty imposed under General Regulation 169, and
  - (b) \$40 in respect of each other animal they have entered but not exhibited.
171. In the case of an Exhibitor who is in breach of a Regulation relating to a Prohibited Substance, the following minimum Penalties apply:

### **First Offence**

- (a) any Award, including any prize money, won by the Exhibit in any Class is forfeited,
- (b) the Exhibitor is banned from competing in any event conducted by the RAS for a period of 13 calendar months,
- (c) the Exhibit is banned from entry into any event conducted by the RAS for 13 calendar months, and
- (d) the Exhibitor must pay the RAS a minimum monetary penalty of \$2,000;
- (e) despite (a) to (d) above, the Disciplinary Committee may in particular extenuating circumstances determine the penalty for the first offence may be less than provided to (a) to (d).

### **Second Offence**

- (a) any Award, including any prize money won by the Exhibit in any Class is forfeited,
- (b) all prize money won by the Exhibitor with any Exhibit at the Show in question is forfeited,
- (c) the Exhibitor is banned from competing in any event conducted by the RAS for a period of 37 calendar months,
- (d) the Exhibit is banned from entry into any event conducted by the RAS for a period of 25 calendar months, and
- (e) the Exhibitor must pay the RAS a minimum monetary penalty of \$5,000.

### **Third Offence**

- (a) the Award, including any prize money, won by the Exhibit in any Class is forfeited,
- (b) all prize money won by the Exhibitor with any Exhibit at the Show in question is forfeited,
- (c) the Exhibitor is banned from competing in any event conducted by the RAS at any future time, and
- (d) the Exhibit is banned from entry into any event conducted by the RAS at any future time, whether or not owned by the person who was the Owner of the Exhibit at the time of the offence.

In addition, the Exhibitor may be required to pay to the RAS an amount which reimburses the RAS for costs and expenses incurred, or to be incurred, in relation to the presence, or suspected presence, of a Prohibited Substance in an Exhibit.



## RECOGNITION OF PENALTIES

172. The RAS may recognise and act upon any Penalty imposed by any other similar society, organisation or body in Australia on any Person or Exhibit.

## RELEASES AND INDEMNITIES

173. To the fullest extent permitted by law:
- (a) The RAS, RAS Staff Members and Officials of the RAS shall not be liable to any Person for any loss or damage by reason of any defect, accident, negligence, neglect or breach of duty howsoever arising;
  - (b) The maximum liability of the RAS, RAS Staff Members and Officials of the RAS to any Exhibitor or other Person arising out of such defect, accident, negligence, neglect or breach of duty whether under the law of contract, tort or otherwise, shall be:
    - (i) in the case of an Exhibitor, an amount not exceeding the total of all Entry Fees paid by the Exhibitor in respect of the Show in question,
    - (ii) in all other cases, the sum of \$25,000 (or such other greater amount as the Chief Executive may in writing have agreed);
  - (c) Each Applicant, Attendant, Exhibitor, Competitor and every Person admitted into the Showground:
    - (i) releases the RAS, RAS Staff Members and Officials of the RAS from and against all Claims by the Applicant, Attendant, Exhibitor, Competitor or the Person admitted into the Showground or any Person claiming by or through the Applicant, Attendant, Exhibitor, Competitor or the Person admitted into the Showground in connection with any act, matter or thing done or omitted by the RAS, RAS Staff Members or Officials of the RAS, whether deliberately, inadvertently or negligently;
    - (ii) indemnifies the RAS, RAS Staff Members and Officials of the RAS against all Claims by any Person in connection with any act, matter or thing done or omitted by that Applicant, Attendant, Exhibitor, Competitor or Person admitted into the Showground or its Exhibits, employees or agents.
174. An Exhibitor's or Competitor's participation in any Exhibition, or Competition, entertainment or activity is at their own risk.
175. Every Person who enters the Showground does so at their own risk.
176. The RAS, RAS Staff Members and Officials of the RAS are not responsible or liable for any error, Misstatement or Misdescription appearing in any:
- (a) Schedule,
  - (b) Catalogue,
  - (c) Application for Entry,
  - (d) Form,
  - (e) Advertisement, or
  - (f) Notification,
- whether advertised, posted, displayed or published.
177. An Exhibitor who sells an Exhibit must indemnify the RAS, RAS Staff Members and Officials of the RAS against any Claim at the instance of any Person purchasing or otherwise acquiring an interest in the Exhibit.
178. A Person acquiring the Ownership of or any interest in an Exhibit sold on the Showground:
- (a) does not have any Claim against the RAS, RAS Staff Members or Officials of the RAS in respect of the Exhibit to which the Exhibitor would not themselves have had, had the Exhibitor continued to be the Owner of the Exhibit; and
  - (b) has the same obligations and liabilities to the RAS, RAS Staff Members and Officials of the RAS as they would have if they were the Exhibitor.



## **INSURANCE**

179. The RAS may (but is not obliged to) take out a policy of insurance in respect of the legal liability on the part of an Exhibitor for loss or damage suffered by a third party caused by any act or omission of an Exhibit or the Exhibitor.
180. The RAS, RAS Staff Members and Officials of the RAS are not liable to any Exhibitor if the RAS fails to take out a policy of insurance effectively protecting any Exhibitor or Exhibit, or if any such policy does not operate to indemnify the Exhibitor in respect of the loss or damage in question.

## **GST**

181. Unless specified all monetary amounts, including fees, commissions, Penalties and Awards, set out in the Regulations are exclusive of GST.
182. If the RAS is or becomes liable to pay GST in relation to the monetary amounts referred to in General Regulation 183, GST will be added to such amount.
183. Where applicable, an Exhibitor must issue a valid tax invoice and do all things necessary to ensure that the RAS is able to claim an input tax credit, set off, rebate or refund.

## **WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY**

184. All Persons entering the Showground must comply with Work Health and Safety (WHS) laws, and if required under the legislation, have in place their own WHS policy and safe systems of work for their activities. All Persons must consult, cooperate and participate with the RAS' WHS programs and comply with the RAS' Work, Health and Safety Policy.

## **ENVIRONMENT OBLIGATIONS**

185. An Exhibitor, Competitor or Attendant must not bring or permit any other Person to bring onto the Showground any dangerous, noxious, volatile, explosive, inflammable or environmentally hazardous substance or compound in any form or substance or thing unless all necessary approvals and the RAS' consent are first obtained and the hazardous material is essential for the Exhibitor or Competitor to compete in a Competition.
186. An Exhibitor, Competitor or Attendant must not contaminate or pollute the Showground or any other property real or personal, or any part of the environment with any hazardous material.
187. If an Exhibitor, Competitor or Attendant causes or contributes to any pollution or contamination of the Showground then the Exhibitor, Competitor or Attendant must at their own cost and expense remove all hazardous material causing or contributing to the pollution or contamination from the Showground and immediately make good any damage caused and comply with all requirements from any relevant authority in respect of the pollution or contamination including notices to make good and pay fines.
188. Exhibitors, Competitors and Attendants must act in strict conformity with the RAS' Environmental, Social and Governance Policy.

## **RAS INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

189. All Persons acknowledge and agree that RAS owns the Intellectual Property.
- (a) No Person may use the Intellectual Property, or any part or element thereof, without RAS' written permission.
  - (b) RAS may from time to time, but only in writing signed by the Chief Executive, grant to a Person a non-exclusive licence to use the Intellectual Property, or an element thereof:
    - (i) for a particular purpose,
    - (ii) in a particular manner and style,
    - (iii) for a particular period of time.
  - (c) If any Person fails to use the Intellectual Property strictly in accordance with the terms of any such licence, that licence ipso facto terminates.
  - (d) The Person to whom RAS has granted a nonexclusive licence to use the Intellectual Property, or any element thereof, indemnifies RAS against all Claims related to, arising out of or connected with such use.

## WORKING WITH CHILDREN

190. All Persons who have attained the age of 18 must:
- (a) comply with all laws relating to working with children, and
  - (b) upon demand, produce such evidence of compliance as the RAS may require.

