



Queensland Ag Shows

Competition Rules Dairy Cattle Young Judges & Paraders

To be eligible to compete in the *Dairy Young Judges & Paraders State Finals*, competitors must comply with ALL rules noted below. Agricultural Society and Sub Chamber Stewards and Coordinators are to ensure relevant rules are consistently enforced for competitions under their control.

1 Age of Competitors

- 1.1 Competitors must be aged between 15 years of age and under 25 years as at the 1st May in the year of the *State Finals*.
- 1.2 Competitors under the age of 18 years 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 meet one of the following criteria -
 - (a) A Queensland resident for a minimum of three (3) months prior to competing;
 - (b) Attend a Queensland educational institution;
 - (c) Residing interstate but can prove a connection with a Queensland Agricultural Society and satisfy one of the following criteria:
 - (i) Permanent address has a Queensland postcode;
 - (ii) Competitor or parents are active working members of that Agricultural Society.
- 2.2 Competitors in the State Dairy Young Judges and Paraders Competitions must have won in a similar class at a local agricultural show competition in the period between 1st July in the year prior to the competition and 30th June in the year of the competition. In the event that the local winner is ineligible or unavailable the Runner Up becomes eligible.
- 2.3 Competitors must lodge their completed entry form through the Show Society they are to represent. The Show Society must confirm that the competitor is the winner of their competition and is eligible to represent them.
- 2.4 Competitors can represent only one (1) Show in the *State Final*. Competitors represent the first show with which they became eligible.
- 2.5 Previous *National winners* are ineligible to compete at any level of competition.

3 Entry Forms

- 3.1 *Entry Forms* are available at www.qldagshows.com.au



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- 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 Queensland Ag Shows office admin@qldagshows.com.au within 7days of the competition conclusion.
 - (d) Separate *Entry Forms* must be completed for **each** competition entered.

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 Paraders will not wear lace up footwear to parade any animal to ensure compliance with workplace health and safety regulations.
- 4.4 Dairy Cattle Paraders must lead a Dry Dairy Female under 36 months.
- 4.5 For safety reasons, Judges are not permitted to ask competitors in Young Parader Competitions to swap animals at the local show level.
- 4.6 At **State Finals**, one (1) class of Paraders is to be judged.
- 4.7 At **State Finals**, Paraders must be willing to swap animals, if required.

NOTE: This is not recommended at Show level, however, competitors 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 the beasts to ascertain if their animals can be switched between handlers. Stewards are to advise Judges that switching of animals is only to be considered if agreed to by the Owners and when absolutely necessary to achieve a result.



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5 Young Judges Competition Special Rules

- 5.1 **Hormel Slide OR Computerised Judging Scoring System** must be used at all levels in the Young Judges Competition. Please note that Hormel Slides are no longer available and have been replaced by the Computerised Judging Scoring System. The Computerised Judging Scoring System is an Excel spreadsheet and is available at www.qldagshows.com.au under Queensland Ag Shows Competitions | Young Judges and Paraders.
- 5.2 In all competitions four (4) exhibits **NUMBER 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:
 - (a) Dairy Cattle 3 classes to be used (e.g. A.Q, Friesian, Jersey, etc.)

6 Competition (Procedures and Guidelines)

- 6.1 The Competitions are conducted in accordance with the Rules set by Agricultural Shows Australia (ASA) for National Finals. The Agricultural Shows Australia Rules (Handbooks) can be found on the ASA website www.agshowsaustralia.org.au/member-resources/national-competitions-guidelines/

NOTE: Affiliated Shows may decide to run other age groups, this is permissible, HOWEVER, all Finals are to be run as per the State Finals RULES. All entry forms are to be completed correctly.