

CATTLE

APPENDIX A TO THE RULES OF THE SOCIETY. Rules and conditions of entry in cattle classes

Entries will only be accepted from T.B. Attested Herds and accredited animals under the Brucellosis Eradication Scheme.

It is the exhibitors' responsibility to ensure that all current legislation is met, with regards to showing any livestock. If in doubt please contact East Sussex Trading Standards – telephone 01323 418238

In the event of Show cancellation entry fees will be refunded less 10% to cover administration costs.

All exhibitors must warrant that the animals entered have been in a fit and healthy condition for the last six months.

1. Exhibitors must comply with all current DEFRA Rules and Regulations.
2. It is the responsibility of exhibitors to insure all property and livestock on the Showground or elsewhere which is his own, or for which he is responsible. The Society requires exhibitors to effect Employers Liability insurance where this is required by statute. The Society also requires exhibitors to effect Public Liability and Products Liability. The Society therefore recommends all exhibitors to ensure they have the appropriate insurance cover
3. Brucellosis Eradication Scheme Controls
Cattle at the Show which abort or calve or show evidence of doing so must not be exhibited and must be placed in the approved isolation immediately. The isolation accommodation will be easily accessible from the cattle lines and clearly marked.
 - a) Where an animal calves prematurely or aborts, the DVO must be informed immediately, it must be returned home together with all other show animals from the same registered premises after a full range of samples, including if possible a placental smear, has been taken. The suspect animal should be isolated during transit.
 - b) In the case of full-term calving, if the owner or Show Secretary arranges for a blood sample and a vaginal swab to be submitted to an approved laboratory for RBPT and microscopic examination and the tests are negative, the animal may return to the Show lines at the discretion of the Show Secretary.The Show Organisers reserve the right to refuse entry to the Show to any animal deemed unfit by the Show Veterinary Inspection.
4. When milking, udder cloths, hands or milking machine units must be suitably disinfected between each cow.
5. Dams may suckle their calves but otherwise calves must be fed only reconstituted dried milk.
6. Any cow or heifer that, in the opinion of the Hon. Veterinary Surgeon, is bagged to such an extent as to cause the animal undue suffering must be eased in his presence and to his satisfaction.
7. The Show Committee reserves the right to amalgamate any class where the entries are insufficient, i.e. 4 entries or under.
8. Exhibitors may make an unlimited number of entries in any class on payment of the appropriate fees. Cows or heifers in recorded classes may be entered in the inspection class for which they are eligible. With the exception of the recorded classes and calves entering in Young Handlers classes, no animal may compete in more than one class as a single animal.
9. The Committee reserves the right to reject or cancel the entry or entries made by any person, if they should deem fit to do so and the right to amalgamate classes or cancel any class or classes, refunding any fees paid in respect thereof.
10. In the interest of public safety, no cattle or sheep may be loaded until all animals have been returned to their stalling after the Cattle Parade.
11. **Protests** – Notice of objection to any entry or decision must be made in writing to the Cattle Secretary as soon as possible and in any case not later than 30 minutes after the judging is completed. A deposit of £5 must be made; if on investigation the protest is not sustained, the deposit will be forfeited to the funds of the Show Society.
12. Substitution of animals in the cattle section will be allowed, after the closing date of entries provided the animal substituted is in the same class as the original entry. Details of the substitute entry must be given to the Cattle Secretary on arrival on the Showground on the Friday night and this information must be displayed above the stall. Failure to notify the Cattle Secretary will result in disqualification and any prizes won will be forfeited.
13. In the event of a serious accident to an animal and on the recommendation of the Show Veterinary Officer that the animal be slaughtered all efforts will be made to contact the animal's owner for consent to slaughter. If the owner cannot be found within a reasonable period of time, a police officer on site will be asked to provide written authority as empowered under the Protection of Animals Act 1911.
14. **Championship.** To be eligible for a championship all cows must have calved within 14 months of the show date. Date of last calving must be stated on the entry form.
Exhibitors must be aware of judging Special Awards and be ready with their animals when called.
15. In all cases the Judge's decision is final.
16. **Parade of Cattle.** All cattle will be required to parade as directed by the stewards. It is specially requested that stock attendants shall wear white coats or breed uniforms. Failure to parade may result in forfeiture of prize money. Catalogue numbers must be worn by all animals on parade.
17. **Safety.** The organisers of this Show have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the organisers and all the Officials and Stewards.

SHEEP

APPENDIX C TO THE RULES OF THE SOCIETY RULES AND CONDITIONS RELATING TO SHEEP CLASSES

Entries will be accepted from both categories.

All entries must be accompanied by correct remittance and are received on condition that the Show Committee accepts no responsibility for any loss damage or accident, etc. which may be sustained to vehicles, sheep or persons or any property whatsoever.

In the event of Show cancellation entry fees will be refunded less 10% to cover administration costs.

All exhibitors must warrant that the animals entered have been in a fit and healthy condition for the last six months and it is the exhibitors' responsibility to ensure that all current legislation is met.

1. EXHIBITORS INSURANCE

It is the responsibility of exhibitors to insure all property and livestock on the Showground or elsewhere which is his own, or for which he is responsible. The Society requires exhibitors to affect Employers Liability insurance where this is required by statute. The Society also requires exhibitors to affect Public Liability and Products Liability insurance. The Society requires all exhibitors to ensure they have the appropriate insurance cover by checking with their insurance company.

2. SHEEP & GOAT HEALTH SCHEME

i) The society will accept entries as follows:

- (1) MV Accredited
- (2) Non Scheme sheep

ii) Separate accommodation will be provided and identified for both categories.

iii) Separate unloading/loading points will be provided.

iv) ALL sheep must be halter/collar led and will be judged together, according to their status.

v) Scheme sheep must be accompanied by a certificate stating the number and classification of their Scheme Status including, in the case of an Accredited Flock, the flock registration number.

vi) Certificates will be handed to the Steward in charge before being allowed into the pens provided for them. **THE FLOCKS SCHEME STATUS MUST ALSO BE SHOWN ON THE SHEEP HEALTH DECLARATION FORMS AND A PHOTOCOPY OF THE RELEVANT CERTIFICATE MUST BE SENT WITH ENTRIES (Ref. Ministry Form No. SH 20).**

vii) Exhibitors (flock owners) are responsible for the following: Avoidance of any contact with sheep of a lower category. If no contact has been made, sheep may return home without isolation or blood test. If contact has been made then the sheep must be placed in isolation on return and undergo appropriate blood tests to regain their scheme status.

viii) Whilst the Society will take all necessary precautions to protect the status of scheme sheep it will not hold itself responsible for any accidental contacts made which may affect the status of an exhibitor's flock.

3 **In view of the Animal Welfare Regulations, all sheep entered for the Show must comply with the Regulation that sufficient tail will have to be retained to cover the vulva of female sheep and the anus of male sheep. Any sheep which fails to meet this legal requirement will be refused admissions to the Showground by the Society.**

4 Shearing to be in accordance with Breed Standards.

5 In all classes for shearlings and lambs, these terms shall be as currently defined by the Breed Society for the sheep entered. Date of birth to be included on entry form. Lambs must show all lamb teeth and be bred by exhibitor.

6 In any case in which, in the opinion of the Judge, sheep have been unfairly clipped, he will mark and report such sheep for disqualification.

7 Any sheep that has been dipped/sprayed and is still emitting fumes from this process will be excluded from the Show on the grounds of public health and safety. The use of Bloom dip or Bloom powder will be prohibited.

8 In all cases where single sheep are shown, these are not eligible for the Pen classes.

9 Flock promotional material may only be exhibited adjacent to livestock by each exhibitor in a manner which does not constitute a trade stand and does not exceed the length of the pen (i.e. 6 feet). Only rosettes awarded at the 2016 Heathfield Show may be displayed.

10 The Show Committee reserves the right to cancel any class with three or less entries.

- 11 The Committee reserves the right to reject or cancel the entries made by any person, if it should deem fit to do so and the right to amalgamate classes or cancel any class or classes, refunding any fees paid in respect thereof.
- 12 In the interest of public safety, no cattle or sheep may be loaded until all animals have been returned to their stalling after the Cattle Parade.
- 13 **Morning Unloading.** All animals must be on the ground by 8.00 am. Failure to comply may make exhibitors liable to a fine or disqualification.
- 14 **Protests** – Notice of objection to any entry or decision must be made in writing to the Sheep Secretary as soon as possible and in any case not later than 30 minutes after the judging is completed. A deposit of £5 must be made; if on investigation the protest is not sustained, the deposit will be forfeited to the funds of the Show Society.
- 15 **In all cases the Judge's decision is final.**
- 16 **Sheep Pens.** The Society is concerned at the increasing numbers of unoccupied sheep pens. The Council reserves the right to limit the allocation of pens at future shows to exhibitors who fail to show the number of sheep entered and included in the livestock programme. All bedding and feed must be supplied by the exhibitor. Drinking and washing water is available on the showground.
- 17 Although there is a closing date for entries, the Show Council reserves the right to limit entries to match the pen capacity.
- 18 Sheep may only be shown in one class except Group and Young Handler classes.
- 19 Sheep Cups to be collected from the Sheep Secretary's tent from 4.30 pm.
- 20 **Exhibitors may enter one category of sheep only, either accredited or non accredited no matter how many breeds are entered.**
- 21 **SCRAPIE MONITORING SCHEME.** It is a condition of entry that all female sheep exhibited at the Show (except Dorset Horn and Poll Dorset) must be:
 - i) non pregnant (empty)
 - ii) not have lambed within 30 days prior to the Show
 - iii) not be subject to procedures which change the seasonal breeding pattern.
- 22 **We require all exhibitors to make a declaration with their entry forms that their female sheep conform to the above ruling. The Society reserves the right to remove from the Showground any sheep suspected of being in lamb or having recently lambed or generally showing signs of ill health.**
- 23 In the event of a serious accident to an animal and on the recommendation of the Show Veterinary Officer that the animal be slaughtered all efforts will be made to contact the animal's owner for consent to slaughter. If the owner cannot be found within a reasonable period of time, a police officer on site will be asked to provide written authority as empowered under the Protection of Animals Act 1911.
- 24 **No entries will be accepted from any exhibitor** unless accompanied by the appropriate declaration forms and copy of certificate, in the case of scheme sheep.
- 25 Mobile phones are not permitted in the sheep judging rings.
- 26 Please be advised the Sheep Committee do not provide straw for exhibitor pens.
- 27 Exhibitors are responsible for the safe keeping of their cups if they wish to remove them from the Showground will be required to pay a £50 deposit repayable upon the return of the cup.

All Sheep Entry and Remittance Forms to be sent to:

**MRS N MAGILL
2 GRANT COTTAGES
BRIGHTLING
EAST SUSSEX
TN32 5HZ**

ENTRIES CLOSE ON 1st APRIL 2016.

<p>EXHIBITORS REQUIRE PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE COVER TO BE ABLE TO EXHIBIT SHEEP AT THE HEATHFIELD & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SHOW.</p>

PIGS

APPENDIX D TO THE RULES OF THE SOCIETY.

Rules and conditions of entry in pig classes

In the event of Show cancellation entry fees will be refunded less 10% to cover administration costs.

All exhibitors must warrant that the animals entered have been in a fit and healthy condition for the last six months, it is the Exhibitors responsibility to ensure all current legislation is met.

1. Please adhere to all DEFRA Rules and Regulations, including necessary movement documents and identifications.
2. It is the responsibility of exhibitors to insure all property and livestock on the Showground or elsewhere which is his own, or for which he is responsible. The Society requires exhibitors to affect Employers Liability insurance where this is required by statute. The Society also requires exhibitors to affect Public Liability and Products Liability. The Society therefore requires all exhibitors to ensure they have the appropriate insurance cover
3. **Movement to and from exhibition or Show.**
 - a. Owners wishing to exhibit Pigs at Shows must submit their declaration and application for a Schedule 4 Licence to the Local Authority. The License covers movements to and from a Show and on return the show pig(s) must be segregated (i.e. kept apart) from the remainder of the herd for 21 days. The return of a pig from a Show does not trigger off the 21 day rule.
 - b. If the owner wishes to exhibit a pig which has returned from a previous Show and which is in segregation, must complete and submit a fresh declaration indicating that his pig herd still complies with the 21-day rule before the Local Authority will issue a further licence. On return from the subsequent Show a fresh 21-day segregation period commences.
 - c. Owners may sell show pigs which are in segregation provided they can complete the declaration and obtain a Licence from their Local Authority. Such pigs should be moved on a Schedule 3 Licence and would trigger off the 21 days at the new premises.
 - d. Commercial pigs must come to the Show with metal ear tags or slap marks as stated in the DEFRA Ruling
4. The Show Committee reserves the right to amalgamate any class where the entries are insufficient, i.e. 4 entries or under.
5. Exhibitors may make an unlimited number of entries in any class on payment of the appropriate fees.
6. The Committee reserves the right to reject or cancel the entry or entries made by any person, if they should deem fit to do so and the right to amalgamate classes or cancel any class or classes, refunding any fees paid in respect thereof.
7. **Morning Unloading.** All animals must be on the ground by 8.00 am. Failure to comply may make exhibitors liable to a fine or disqualification.
8. **Pig Pens.** The Council reserves the right to limit the allocation of pens at future shows to exhibitors who fail to show the number of pigs entered and included in the livestock programme. **Pens will be allocated on an entry number basis, please** advise on Remittance Form number of pens required. All bedding and feed must be supplied by the exhibitor. Drinking and washing water is available on the showground. When possible some straw will be made available.
9. Exhibitors/stockmen will be responsible for exhibiting their pigs in the ring.
10. Exhibitors/stockmen will be responsible for slap marking their pigs.
11. To conform with pig health schemes please ensure that all animals are free from lice
12. Colouring. The use of artificial colouring, whitening and/or powder on pigs, as well as the removal or addition of spots by artificial means is prohibited. (White woodflower is permitted).
13. **Protests** – Notice of objection to any entry or decision must be made in writing to the Pig Secretary as soon as possible and in any case not later than 30 minutes after the judging is completed. A deposit of £5 must be made; if on investigation the protest is not sustained, the deposit will be forfeited to the funds of the Show Society.
14. In the event of a serious accident to an animal and on the recommendation of the Show Veterinary Officer that the animal be slaughtered all efforts will be made to contact the animal's owner for consent to slaughter. If the owner cannot be found within a reasonable period of time, a police officer on site will be asked to provide written authority as empowered under the Protection of Animals Act 1911.
15. Exhibitors must be aware of judging Special Awards and be ready with their animals when called
16. In all cases the Judge's decision is final.
17. **Pigs to slaughter – exhibitors are to use their own vehicles to transport livestock to the abattoir and advise the abattoir of the number of pigs prior to Show Day.**
18. **Young Handler classes, boars will not be permitted.**
19. Exhibitors are responsible for the safe keeping of their cups if they wish to remove them from the Showground and will be required to pay a £50 deposit repayable upon the return of the cup.

HORSE

APPENDIX B TO THE RULES OF THE SOCIETY RULES & CONDITIONS OF ENTRY IN HORSE EVENTS

In the event of Show cancellation fees will be refunded less 10% to cover administration costs.

1. It is the responsibility of exhibitors to insure all property and livestock on the Showground or elsewhere which is his/her own, or for which he/she is responsible. The Society requires exhibitors to effect Employers Liability insurance where this is required by statute. The Society also requires exhibitors to effect Public Liability and Products Liability. The Society therefore recommends all exhibitors ensure they have the appropriate insurance cover for showing purposes.
2. All entries must be accompanied by the correct remittance and are received on condition that the Show Committee accept no responsibility for any loss, damage or accident etc., which may be sustained to vehicles, horses, or persons or any property whatsoever.
3. Late entries will NOT be accepted. Closing date for entries is 11th April 2016.
4. Should insufficient entries be received for any one class, the Committee reserve the right to combine two or more classes forward on Show day.
5. The Committee also reserves the right to disqualify or refuse the entry of any competitor for any reason they may deem fit.
6. No substitute entries are allowed unless accompanied by a vet's certificate and details of the substituted animal are given to the Horse Secretary at least one hour before the relevant class.
7. Forfeiture of Fees. Failure to exhibit any animal entered will entail forfeiture of entry fees and no refund will be made in any circumstances.
8. Objections or any matter involving judging shall be submitted in writing to the Show Secretary within 30 minutes of the judging of the event being completed, accompanied by a deposit of £25.00, non-returnable, if the objection is overruled. Any objection will be considered by the Show Secretary with two members of the relevant Committee.
9. Rapping in the collecting ring or anywhere in the vicinity of the showground is prohibited.
10. Riders must keep to the Official Exercising Grounds and must use the Horse Walks for access to all rings on the Showground.
11. **Cob and Riding Horse** classes will be judged under the rules and jurisdiction of the British Show Horse Association.
12. Animals entered in the **Ridden Hunter** classes may not also be entered in the Cob or Riding Horse classes.
13. **NPS Qualifying rounds:** These classes are judged under the Rules of the NPS. Ponies must be registered in the main body of their respective Mountain & Moorland Stud Books. Part bred are not eligible for Mountain & Moorland Classes. To compete in Show Pony and Show Hunter Pony classes ponies must be registered in the NPS British Riding Pony Stud Book. Register. Appendix. International or Sports Pony sections of the BRPSB, the GSB, the AHSB, AASB or in the main body of their respective Mountain & Moorland Stud Books. Part-Breds are not eligible unless entered in the NPS British Riding Stud Pony Book. Register. Appendix. International Sports Pony section of the BRPSB.
Qualifying Rounds for most NPS competitors are open to ponies owned by NPS members and non-members but only ponies owned by adult NPS **Qualifying or Life** members are eligible to qualify for the final of the competition at the NPS Summer Championship Show at Malvern from 2nd – 4th August 2016.
The highest placed pony, if owned by an NPS member, in each class will qualify for the final. Qualifications may pass down to third place if the first and second ponies are already qualified.
NPS/Rosettes Direct Home Produced Ridden Championship – Rider of Home Produced ponies (see definitions in the NPS Rules Book) can wear a white arm band in classes where this is indicated. These ponies, if owned by NPS members, are then eligible to qualify for the final at the NPS Summer Championship Show. The Owner's Membership cards **MUST** be produced in the ring when requested or the qualification will be forfeit.
14. **Ponies Association (UK).** Ponies (UK) Summer Showing Championships. Affiliation No. 014/S14/7194. The 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each qualifying class will qualify. No qualification cards will be awarded in the ring, placings will be confirmed by results sent in by the Show
15. Veteran classes are being held in association with **Senior Showing & Dressage Ltd.** Please note all competitors should acquaint themselves with the rules of the SSAD Ltd. www.seniorshowinganddressage.co.uk. Qualification cards will be handed out in the ring at the time of presentation.

16. The **Shetland Stud-Book Society** classes must be registered ponies and named on the entry form. Society rosettes will only be given to society registered ponies or eligible for registration i.e. foals. Three year old fillies with foals at foot must not be shown. All foals must be a minimum of three weeks old on day of show. There must be no colts or entire males in Young Handler classes. Children under 14yrs old may not show colts (excluding foals) or entire males in In-hand classes. In the interests of safety, hard hats must be worn by all handlers aged 14yrs or under in In-hand classes. Exhibitors should not kneel but remain standing while in the ring.
17. **Protective Headwear.** Any person riding a horse OR LEADING a horse/pony anywhere on the Showground must be wearing a hat approved by the governing body of the association under whom they are exhibiting. All competitors in the jumping phase of the Working Hunter classes must wear a skull cap or a hat and safety harness according to BS/EN1384. Skull caps must have a navy or black cover and be properly fastened at all times.
18. **Exhibitors Admission Tickets and Vehicle Passes.** All non-member exhibitors will be supplied with wristbands on a strict scale according to the number of animals entered, plus a vehicle pass. (Members will have their members' badges). It should be noted that all passes are issued for the use of the exhibitor only and are strictly non transferable. Any person (whether owner, servant, driver or rider) not carrying an admission ticket must pay the appropriate charge at the gate. Provision is made on the Remittance Form for additional tickets to be purchased (at the advanced price).

No. of Animals	Non-Member Admission Tickets
1 or 2	3
3 or 4	4
5 or 6	5
7 or 8	6
9 or 10	7

19. **Vehicle Parking.** All vehicles must carry an exhibitor's vehicle pass to be allowed access to the designated parking area apart from the public carpark. No vehicle access will be allowed to any other areas of the showground unless prior arrangements have been made.
20. All correspondence regarding changes to ring timings, etc., will be on headed notepaper and signed by the Show Secretary. If in doubt, please check with the Show Secretary.
21. **Safety.** The organisers of this Show have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the organisers and all the Officials and Stewards. Animals must not be left unattended or left tied up to vehicles on any part of the showground. No wheeled vehicles are allowed in the collecting and judging rings except the approved vehicles in the driving classes.
22. The use of mobile phones is not permitted withing collecting and judging rings.
23. In the event of a serious accident to an animal and on the recommendation of the Show Veterinary Officer that the animal be slaughtered all efforts will be made to contact the animal's owner for consent to slaughter. If the owner cannot be found within a reasonable period of time, a police officer on site will be asked to provide written authority as empowered under the Protection of Animals Act 1911.
24. **Vaccination.** It is required that all horses and ponies are vaccinated and be able to produce a vaccination certificate, which undeniably relates to that animal, completed, signed and stamped by a veterinary surgeon, who is not the owner of the animal, stating that it has received two injections for primary vaccination against Equine Influenza given not less than 21 days and no more than 92 days apart. In addition a booster injection must be recorded as having been given within each succeeding twelve months. None of these injections must have been given within the preceding seven days, including the day of the Show. This vaccination certificate must accompany the horse/pony to the Show. Spot checks will be carried out.
25. All horses must comply with current legislation. There will be random checks during the Show day and Horse Passports may be checked.
26. Exhibitors should carefully read the Rules and Conditions and by making an entry the exhibitor is making an agreement to comply with these terms.

ENTRIES CLOSE: 11th APRIL 2016

**EXHIBITORS REQUIRE PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE
COVER TO BE ABLE TO EXHIBIT HORSES AT THE
HEATHFIELD & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SHOW.**