

# IDW RULES & REGULATIONS

IDW is one of the premier dairy shows in the world. As an elite show, it has the responsibility to maintain a first-class image of fairness and ethics in its dairy show and sales.

The following rules and regulations apply to all exhibitors unless an exception is given by IDW organizers. Any violation of the IDW Rules & Regulations and Sale & Show Ethics will result in disciplinary action being taken by organizers.

The right is reserved by IDW organizers to amend or add to these rules at any time. Organizers also reserves the final and absolute right to interpret the rules and regulations of the show, and will arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions or difference in regards to the show.

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# **1. ENTRY INFORMATION**

## **1.1. ENTRY FEES**

Entry fees consist of two parts; entry fee and saw dust. The entry fee per animal entered is \$25.00 per head. This includes every class the animal is entered into, including youth show and main show (excluding Holstein Show), and pen classes. The saw dust per animal entered is \$33.00 per head. If the same animal has been entered in multiple classes, the saw dust is only paid once.

## **1.2. LATE ENTRY FEES**

The fee for a late entry (able to be entered up until 30 minutes prior to the commencement of judging for that breed/day) is \$110.00 per head. This includes the saw dust fee.

## **1.3. ENTRY FEE REFUND POLICY**

No refunding of entry fee will be made to exhibitors who enter animals, but do not show.

All statements provided by exhibitors in making entries in regard to registry, age, pedigree, veterinary treatments etc. are deemed to be true and correct by IDW organizers. Verification from a third party may be requested if required.

## **1.4. LIABILITIES**

Every precaution will be taken to properly protect animals and exhibitors at IDW. Organizers, however, will not be liable for the safety of animals, exhibitors or their employees, or for losses sustained because of robbery, damage by fire, accident or any other cause.

## **1.5. INSURANCE**

All exhibitors are required to provide statements outlining livestock insurance. Any insurance of livestock will be conducted by the exhibitor.

## **1.6. REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES**

All animals brought to IDW must be accompanied by a recognized breed registration certificate. Registrations will be checked by stewards and failure to present the registration certificate for any animal may result in that animal not being permitted to show.

## **1.7. HEALTH STATUS FORMS**

All exhibitors are required to complete a health status form prior to arriving at IDW. The health status form will be checked by IDW organizers and failure to present the form may result in that exhibitor not being permitted onto the grounds.

## **1.8. CODE OF CONDUCT**

IDW organizers expect all exhibitors and any employees or representatives tending to their animals, to behave in a manner that is courteous, respectful and patient at all times when dealing with fellow exhibitors. If any exhibitor is found to have committed a minor misconduct, IDW organizers have the option of a verbal warning, or an immediate removal from the grounds depending on the severity of the misconduct.

## **2. ANIMAL INFORMATION**

### **2.1. ANIMAL SIGNAGE**

Exhibitors are encouraged to display each animal's official name on signs above the cattle. Signage must be hung within the assigned stalling area and may not be hung on the outside or entryway of buildings/tents. They should not obstruct walk-ways or emergency access areas.

### **2.2. STALLING**

Shed allocations shall be assigned by stewards on the basis of health status and exhibitor requests. Please note that not all exhibitor requests can be full-filled due to health regulations and shed size. The shed allocation and site map will be provided in the Stock & Land in January and will be accessible via the IDW website. If you have any problems concerning your shed allocation please visit the IDW office on arrival.

### **2.3. TRASH DISPOSAL**

It is absolutely required that all trash be deposited into the trash containers provided.

### **2.4. CHECK-IN OF ANIMALS**

IDW does not invoke any strict times for when exhibitors can check in or out their animals to the grounds. It is however a mandatory standard at IDW that all animals are NLIS scanned on arrival and departure.

### **2.5. MILKING FACILITIES**

Milking facilities are provided on the grounds for all exhibitors. Exhibitors who experience any negative readings are required to provide adequate drug treatment documentation or submit to another test.

### **2.6. BEDDING**

Bedding is provided by IDW and is either saw dust, or a combination of saw dust and rice holes (depending on availability). We ask that you are considerate with the amount used during the week, as the fee charged to exhibitors upon entry does not cover all bedding used.

### **2.7. BEDDING DISPOSAL**

All used bedding is to be deposited into the proper collection areas for hauling. Exhibitors are to provide their own wheelbarrows for collecting used bedding. Failure to properly dispose of used bedding may lead to disciplinary actions.

### **2.8. VETERINARY SERVICE**

The official veterinary service at the grounds is provided by Tatura Veterinary Service. Veterinarian and assistants will be accessible to exhibitors for treatment of animals. Charges will be made to the exhibitor for such services.

## **2.9. FEED SUPPLIERS**

Feed supplies including hay, straw, oats and grains will be provided on grounds by Tatura Farm Supplies and Lex Bunn. Charges will be made to the exhibitor for such services.

## **2.10. SHOW SUPPLIES**

Show supplies will be provided on grounds by O'Deas Saddlery. Charges will be made to the exhibitor for such services.

## **2.11. HOOF TRIMMING**

Hoof trimming services will be provided on grounds by Bolton Hoof Trimming. Charges will be made to the exhibitor for such services.

## **2.12. ANIMAL CARE**

Exhibitors are at all times required to give the necessary personal attention to their animals and equipment.

## **2.13. PARKING**

Please comply with all 'No Parking' and other posted safety regulations. Fire lanes around each shed must be kept open. Exhibitors are required to park all trucks and vehicles on the Southern side of the showgrounds. Please refer to signs.

## **2.14. CATTLE WASHING**

Cattle washing must be done in designated washing bays, as they are drained to sanitary sewers to comply with council health requirements. Please be considerate to exhibitors preparing cattle for that days judging.

### **3. SHOWING INFORMATION**

#### **3.1. APPENDIX REQUIREMENTS**

Only animals from a registered dam and sire within the breeds respected herd book are eligible for entry. Holsteins and Jerseys must be of Appendix 3 or above.

#### **3.2. DRESS CODE**

All exhibitors are required to wear whites or breed uniforms when leading animals in the ring. Hats or caps not supplied by IDW will not be allowed. Apparel cannot list farm name or any other advertising. Violators will not be permitted to enter the ring.

#### **3.3. LEADERS**

Any person leading an animal at IDW must be 8 years of age as of opening day (Sunday) of IDW. No Child under 8 may be accompanied by an adult in the show ring. Only one person is allowed at the halter.

#### **3.4. YOUTH SHOW AGES**

Exhibitors leading animals in the Ruralco / ABS Australia All Breeds Youth Show, must comply with the age classification for senior and junior leaders. Senior leader is aged between 17 and 24 on the day of the show, and junior leader is aged between 8 and 16 on the day of the show.

#### **3.5. SHOW HARNESES**

All animals must be lead in the show ring with an official show harness of black leather.

#### **3.6. CLASS TRANSFERS**

Animals may be transferred between classes for the following reasons, (1) date of birth entered wrong on entry form (only at the discretion of IDW organizers), (2) dry to milk, and (3) milk to dry. The transfer must be made 30 minutes prior the beginning of the days showing at the IDW office and may incur a late entry fee penalty.

#### **3.7. YOUTH SHOW TRANSFERS**

Animals may be transferred from one senior leader class to another senior leader class, and one junior leader class to another senior leader class. Animals may NOT be transferred between a senior class and a junior class, or the reverse. Any changes must be made 30 minutes prior to the Youth Show judging at the IDW office.

#### **3.8. CHANGING YOUTH SHOW LEADERS**

Youth Show leaders may be changed only if they are in the same age group, senior or junior. Please refer to Youth Show Ages section for clarification. Any changes must be made 30 minutes prior to the Youth Show judging at the IDW office.

#### **3.9. SHOW RING NUMBERS**

Each individual animal or group will be allocated a show ring number, called a hat tag. Each entry will be issued with a hat tag number, which must be displayed in the leader's hat when

the animal or group is in the show ring. All hat tags must be picked up and returned to the IDW office. An \$11.00 fee will be charged to the corresponding exhibitor for missing hat tags.

### **3.10. PREMIER BREEDER DEFINED**

The exhibitor winning the most points in overall classes exhibited by themselves and/or other exhibitors, shall be designated the Premier Breeder. No points are given for group or champion classes. Point system;

For Dry Classes (Holstein/Jersey/Illawarra) - 1st 10 points, 2nd 9 points, 3rd 8 points, 4th 7 points, 5th 6 points, 6th 5 points, 7th 4 points, 8th 3 points, 9th 2 points and 10<sup>th</sup> 1 point.

For Dry Classes (Ayrshire/Brown Swiss/Guernsey) - 1st 10 points, 2nd 9 points, 3rd 8 points, 4th 7 points, and 5th 6 points.

For Milk Classes (Holstein/Jersey/Illawarra) - 1st 20 points, 2nd 19 points, 3rd 18 points, 4th 17 points, 5th 16 points, 6th 15 points, 7th 14 points, 8th 13 points, 9th 12 points and 10<sup>th</sup> 11 points.

For Milk Classes (Ayrshire/Brown Swiss/Guernsey) - 1st 20 points, 2nd 19 points, 3rd 18 points, 4th 17 points, 5th 16 points, and 6th 15 points.

### **3.11. PREMIER EXHIBITOR DEFINED**

The exhibitor winning the most points which he/she owns and exhibits in overall classes, shall be designated the Premier Exhibitor. No points are given for group or champion classes. Point system;

For Dry Classes (Holstein/Jersey/Illawarra) - 1st 10 points, 2nd 9 points, 3rd 8 points, 4th 7 points, 5th 6 points, 6th 5 points, 7th 4 points, 8th 3 points, 9th 2 points and 10<sup>th</sup> 1 point.

For Dry Classes (Ayrshire/Brown Swiss/Guernsey) - 1st 10 points, 2nd 9 points, 3rd 8 points, 4th 7 points, and 5th 6 points.

For Milk Classes (Holstein/Jersey/Illawarra) - 1st 20 points, 2nd 19 points, 3rd 18 points, 4th 17 points, 5th 16 points, 6th 15 points, 7th 14 points, 8th 13 points, 9th 12 points and 10<sup>th</sup> 11 points.

For Milk Classes (Ayrshire/Brown Swiss/Guernsey) - 1st 20 points, 2nd 19 points, 3rd 18 points, 4th 17 points, 5th 16 points, and 6th 15 points.

### **3.12. DRUG SAMPLES**

Following the judging of the milking classes, milk samples will be taken from the three top cows. Random samples of other animals will also be collected to be tested at the discretion of IDW organizers. A report will be submitted to IDW if any violations have occurred.

### **3.13. PRIZE MONEY**

Prize Money is only to be received by exhibitors only after any missing hat tags have been returned or outstanding payments have been received and verified. Please allow up to 3 weeks after the conclusion of IDW for prize money to be received.

## **4. ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES**

### **4.1. MONITORING**

IDW organizers and stewards will be responsible for monitoring violations of the IDW Rules & Regulations and the IDW Show & Sale Ethics by exhibitors and their representatives.

### **4.2. COMPLAINTS**

Complaints of alleged violations may be presented to the IDW organizers or stewards. The identity of the animal, owner and/or other involved parties will be kept confidential during the process.

### **4.3. DRUG TESTING**

Any animal found in violation of IDW Show & Sale Ethics will not receive any class prize money, and will be required to return any ribbons and/or trophies. If the individual, the exhibitor, their representative and/or the animal is guilty of repeating a major violation, they could be barred from participating at IDW for life.