

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE MITCHELL SHOW SOCIETY INC.

1. **ACCEPTANCE OF ENTRIES:** The attention of intending exhibitors is drawn to the fact that entries are accepted subject to the Rules of the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies and to the Constitution and Rules of the Society in addition to any special regulations which appear within this schedule.
2. **PROOF OF AGE:** If requested, children must be able to produce proof of age in classes with age barriers.
3. **REGISTRATION PAPERS:** In all breed classes requiring papers, proof of age, breeding, registration and membership must be produced on demand of the Steward in charge of the event.
4. **RING STEWARDS:** Have the right to reject any animal entered, which, in their opinion, would be likely to endanger competitors or Society property.
5. **NO PERSON** will be allowed in the vicinity of the Judges during judging other than the stewards and those attendants actually in charge of the stock, who shall not be allowed to communicate with the Judges other than through the stewards. Penalty for breach of this rule shall be forfeiture of their claim to any prize.
6. **JUDGES** may withhold prizes and champion honors, if in their opinion, exhibits are not worthy of a prize.
7. **THE DECISION** of the Judges will be final as to the merits of the competition.
8. **THE COMMITTEE** reserves the right to adjudicate on any point or points, which may be under dispute and the Committee's decision, is final.
9. **ALL PROTESTS** must be lodged with the Secretary, addressed to her and accompanied by a deposit of \$100 within two (2) hours of the notification of the Judges award (30 minutes for horse events). If the Committee considers the protest frivolous, the deposit may be forfeited. On hearing of all protests and disputes arising out of the award, the Committee shall abide by the Judge's book unless it be shown that the Judges have been willfully or accidentally misled.
10. **PRIZE MONEY** unclaimed after a period of three (3) months is deemed to be the property of the Show Society Inc.
11. **DISTRICT EVENTS:** All persons, horses and ponies' resident, upon proof thereof, for three (3) calendar months prior to the Show in the regional council areas of MARANOVA REGIONAL and MURWEH are eligible to compete in all district events.
12. **LOCAL EVENTS:** Any competitors within the area of Mitchell & serviced by the 4465 postcode.
13. **DISTRICT RIDERS** must ride District Horses or Ponies. District horses or ponies must be ridden by district riders. Accordingly, local riders must ride local horses and ponies, and those local horses or ponies must be ridden by local riders.
14. **NOMINATIONS** for Ring Events will be taken by ticket systems in all events. Tickets will be available from the tent at the marshalling yards from 7 a.m. Monday. Before a competitor may enter the ring to compete in any event, a ticket for that event must be

handed to the steward in the ring. Unused tickets may be refunded at the marshalling yard office prior to 5 p.m. Tuesday.

15. **DISCLAIMER:** The committee has the right to alter the program at their discretion.
16. **HACK:** Ladies and Gents hack must be ridden by a lady or gent over 17 years of age on a horse over 15 hands. Stallions cannot be ridden in Hack classes
17. **PONIES:** All ponies (except Aust. Saddle Ponies) must be ridden by a child under 17 years. (At the discretion of the Committee and Stewards, adults may be permitted to ride ponies to boost numbers where it is deemed necessary)
18. **HEIGHTS:** All horses and ponies in height classes must be measured & have their cards with them for presentation to the judge or steward if requested. (1/2 inch will be allowed for shoes on shod horses).
19. **COMPETITORS** must have their horses in the assembly yard no later than 5 minutes prior to the commencement of the event. Any competitors not present with his or her horse when the event is called before the Judge will not be permitted to compete in the event.
20. **ALL competitors** who compete in any horse event in the arena of the Mitchell Show Grounds do so at their own risk.
21. **JUMPING:** A minimum of three (3) horses are to be nominated for all jumping events, otherwise the event shall not take place.
22. **ALL riders** in jumping contests are required to wear skull caps with straps and to appear in full show jumping costume, clean and neat.
23. **PLEASURE HACK:** Galloway or Pony to be ridden one hand with snaffle bit. Equipment not to be taken into consideration. To be judged for manners, conformation, paces and to be, in the judge's opinion, a suitable horse for comfortable riding apart from the show ring.
24. **MEMBERSHIP:** It is advised that all competitors should become members of the Mitchell Show Society Inc., to cover entry to the show ground.
25. **COMPETITORS DECLARATION:** All competitors and exhibitors have read and understand the Rules and regulations and agree to be bound in all respect by these Rules and Regulations. Competitors and exhibitors are also consent and agree that the Mitchell Show Society has the right to take or use photographs of him or her (and/or your property) and use the photos in any and all marketing and medic worldwide, including online, now and in the future. All entrants compete at their own risk. no claim in any form shall be made by the entrant, their families, friend and/or representative against the Mitchell Show Society or person/s associated with the holding of the competition/exhibit.

The Mitchell Show Society Inc. would appreciate if winners of trophies and prizes would convey their thanks to the donors.