

# **RABBIT SECTION**

# **SATURDAY 10 MAY 2025**

**Entry Closing Date: Friday 25th April 2025** 





# **Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society**

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President: Mr T S Richmond OBE TD DL Society Chairman: Mr Roger Jackson Chief Executive: Mr Simon Eccleston

This event ("Show") is organised by the Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society (the "Society") is held in accordance with the Memorandum & Articles of Association and the Regulations of the Society which are binding on all Exhibitors ("exhibitors", "competitors", "trade stand exhibitor") and others attending the Show. Copies of the Memorandum & Articles of Association and Regulations are held in the Society Office.

Exhibitors should read carefully all the documentation in relation to exhibiting at the Show including the Exhibiting conditions and guidance, Show Regulations and Information and Exhibitors Code of Practice which are listed in the Schedule of Classes document available on the Show website.

Where appropriate, competition schedules are is issued subject to the Orders & Advice of DEFRA (The Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs) and any Local Authorities which may be operative at the time of the Show.

Traders and trade stand exhibitors should carefully read the Trade Stand Regulations available on the Show website or within the Stand Booking information.

By making an entry or booking a trade stand, the Exhibitor is agreeing to comply with all the Society Conditions & Regulations and is irrevocably consenting to the storage and use of the information provided in catalogues, show guides, circulation to the media and regulatory authorities such as Trading Standards.

Membership of the Society is annual from either 1st January to 31st December or 1st July to 30th June the following year. Membership includes entry to all Society Shows on production of a valid Membership badge. Membership is not transferable for any reason and must be presented by the named individual at the time of entry. All Memberships are valid for one year and there are no pro-rata refunds should you wish to terminate membership prior to its expiry. Renewal information will be sent in the post or emailed to you ahead of the Membership year.

The Society reserves the right to postpone or cancel the Show, or any particular section or event, if the Council of the Society resolves that the holding of the Show, or section or event, is impractical or not in the interest of the Society or for any other cause beyond the control of the Society, including, but without limitation, Act of God, Governmental Act, legislation, regulation or request, fire, accident, war, riot, strikes, lock-outs, trade disputes or labour problems, or inability to obtain adequate labour or materials or sufficient number of entries.

#### **Show Office:**

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# **EXHIBITING CONDITIONS AND GUIDANCE FOR RABBIT SECTION**

# **Conditions of Entry and Show Regulations**

Exhibitors should read carefully the 'Conditions and Guidance' at the front and the 'Show Regulations' at the back of each schedule.

Please Note: by making an entry, the exhibitor is making an agreement to comply with all the Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society Conditions & Regulations. This show is affiliated to and run in conjunction with the British Rabbit Council and lasses will be run under their rules.

# **Entry Closing Date:**

# FRIDAY 25th APRIL 2025

Entries received after the closing date of entries cannot be accepted.

Entries must be processed ONLINE and accompanied by the correct remittance.

# Online Entries

- Go to the Nottinghamshire County Show website and select 'Competitors' at www.nottinghamshirecountyshow.com
- No entry will be accepted unless made on our ONLINE entry system and accompanied by the correct fees.
- No entries will be excepted on the day.

# Entry fee: £4.50

#### **Tickets**

Enter **four** Rabbits to gain two free exhibitor wristbands.

#### **Admission tickets**

Exhibitor tickets (wristbands) may be purchased in advance through our online entry system for £14 each before the close of entries. All Tickets (wristbands) ordered with the submission of entries will be dispatched within the Exhibitor Information Pack approximately 14 days prior to the start of the Show.

#### **Prizes**

The Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society will offer a rosette to the class winners.

The British Rabbit Council will award special rosettes in the following categories:

- Best in Show
- Best Junior Exhibitor
- Best Fancy
- Best Lop
- Best Fur
- Best Rex

The British Rabbit Council offers 50 CC's, 12 BoB's and 10 Diplomas.

#### **Arrival Times**

- Access for Rabbit exhibitors is through the Livestock Gate (Green Gate), please follow the signs for this gate. You will
  then be directed through the Showground to park at Red Gate, next to Newark Pavilion.
- The Livestock Gate (Green Gate) will open at 6:00am on Saturday 10th May.
- No Rabbit exhibitors will be allowed onto the Showground before this time.
- Once wristbands have been checked, please follow the internal showground signs for Equine/Cattle/Rabbit parking.
- Exhibitors must be on site for 8:30am

# **Parking**

On arrival, all vehicles transporting Rabbits will be met by a designated steward and advised where to park. Due to limited parking space, support vehicles will not be permitted to park in the Rabbit parking area and will be directed to the public car parks.

Shavings must be removed at the end of the show, pen cleaning charges will be applied if cages are not cleaned out. All Exhibitors MUST as a condition of entry provide water, hay/straw/roughage with the Rabbit.

Rabbits must not be left unattended.

Any Rabbit displaying stress or illness will be referred immediately to the Show Vet at the cost of the exhibitor. All rabbits will be provided with a 24"x24" pen except for long haired breeds which will be provided with a 36"x18" pen.

# Judging will start at 10:00am

Judge: Mr J Fletcher

**Chief Steward: Simon Whincup** 

# **Conditions:**

- 1. All rabbits entered must bear the BRC identification ring
- 2. All rabbits must be provided with water and some sort of roughage/food during the show
- 3. All rabbits must be free from disease and poor health at time of being shown, any rabbit displaying poor health will be referred to the show vet at a cost to the exhibitor and not the show

# Classification Ad & u5 (Challenges AA)

<u>Fancy</u>		<u>Fur</u>	
Class: 1	Angora White	Class: 35	New Zealand White
Class: 2	Angora AOC	Class: 36	New Zealand AOC
Class: 3	Tan Black	Class: 37	Marten Sable
Class: 4	Tan AOC	Class: 38	Siamese Sable
Class: 5	Silver AC	Class: 39	Argente Noir
Class: 6	Polish REW	Class: 40	Argente Crème
Class: 7	Polish AOC	Class: 41	Argente AOC
Class: 8	Netherland Dwarf REW	Class: 42	Alaska
Class: 9	Netherland Dwarf Sable	Class: 43	Californian
Class: 10	Netherland Dwarf Smoke	Class: 44	Havana
Class: 11	Netherland Dwarf Otter	Class: 45	Satin Ivory
Class: 12	Netherland Dwarf Agouti	Class: 46	Satin AOC
Class: 13	Netherland Dwarf Chin	Class: 47	AOV Fur
Class: 14	Dutch Black/Blue		
Class: 15	Dutch Brown Grey/Yellow	Class: 48	Fur Challenge
Class: 16	Dutch Steel	Class: 49	Fur Youth
Class: 17	Dutch AOC		
Class: 18	English AC		
Class: 19	Belgian Hare AC		
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<u>Dups:</u> Class s60 Grand Challenge AA. Class s61 Youth Grand Challenge AA

#### **REGULATIONS & INFORMATION**

Please observe the following for the smooth running of the Show, your safety and enjoyment of all who visit the Show in any capacity.

# Exhibitor responsibilities.

#### Responsibility

The Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society, its officers and servants, shall not be responsible to any person whatsoever whilst entering on, or leaving the Society's premises, for any damage or loss, however caused to the property of such person, or for any injury, fatal or otherwise, to any such person. The Society, its officers and servants shall not be responsible for any accident, damage, loss however caused that may occur to any exhibitor or his employee or to any animal, article, or property brought into the showground, or whilst entering, or on leaving, or being carried into or out of the said showground. The exhibitor shall be solely responsible for any loss, injury, or damage that may be done to, or occasioned by, or arising from any animal, article or property exhibited or brought into the showground by him/her and he/she shall indemnify and hold harmless the Society from all action, suits, expenses and claims on account of, or in respect of any such damage or injury which may be so caused or occasioned.

# Conduct of exhibitors and their employees

All persons in charge of stock will be subject to the orders of the Society's officials. Employees/ Stockmen must be in attendance each day during the Show, at least half an hour prior to the time appointed for the examination, exhibition or parade of the animals in their charge. Exhibitors will be held responsible for the behaviour of their employees/stockmen, and for the consequence of any misconduct of such employees/stockmen. Any fine imposed upon an exhibitor or his/her employee/ stockman for infringing the regulations, or disobedience to the order of the steward shall be recoverable from the exhibitor as a debt due to the Society, and until such fines be paid shall debar the exhibitor from exhibiting at future Shows of the Society.

# Animal Welfare

The Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society expects all exhibitors to observe best practice at all times.

#### **Entries**

#### 4. Entries will be accepted online only.

No entry will be accepted unless accompanied by the correct fees.

Information from entry forms will be stored on a computer and the name, address and details of entries will be published in the Catalogue unless otherwise advised to the Society. Information about results may also be published and/or provided to the press and Breed Societies for publication.

Information about exhibitors may also be passed to any regulatory authority such as DEFRA or Trading Standards as well as the Society's Veterinary Advisers.

The making of an entry is irrevocable consent for the storage and disclosure of information in this way.

# 5. Entries in more than one class

Animals may be entered in more than one class unless otherwise stated in each section schedule. The number of such additional classes shall be entered on the entry form and where applicable the additional fees remitted for each entry.

# 6. Entries for special prizes

Exhibitors are not required to enter for Special Prizes unless stated. Only animals which have competed in ordinary classes are eligible for entry into Special classes.

# 7. Substitution of entries

Substitution of entries will only be allowed in "exceptional circumstances" on production of a Veterinary Certificate for the animal being substituted and will be at the Show organisers' discretion. There will be no refund of entry fees where substitutions are made.

# Closing Date for entries in 2025

Please refer to the closing date of the front of each sections schedule. Entries received after the closing date of entries cannot be accepted.

# 9. Correctness of entry

Exhibitors will be held responsible for the correctness of their entry and must check all entry details when confirmation is sent. If the exhibitor fails, when called upon by the Stewards or Officers of the Nottinghamshire County Show, to prove the correctness of such entry, the entry may be disqualified, and any award made to it will be forfeited. If it shall be proved that any exhibitor or competitor has knowingly signed an incorrect entry form or has attempted to obtain a prize by unfair means whatsoever, all awards made to such an exhibitor or competitor in any class or competition may be cancelled and he/she may be disqualified from exhibiting at future Shows of the Society. For the purpose of online entries, by accepting the NNAS terms and conditions at the point of confirming their entry an exhibitor or competitor is 'signing' their entry form.

# 10. Ownership

All exhibits shall be the bona fide property of the Exhibitor at the specified closing date except where the regulation is varied by any condition applicable to specific classes stated in the Schedule. In the event of death of an owner between the date of

entry and the date of the Show the executor of the deceased or personal representatives of the deceased will be deemed to be the exhibitor.

## 11. Entry by minors

Entries by persons under 18 years of age shall be accepted only provided the rule and regulations of entry are agreed by the parent, guardian or trustee of the entrant, who shall be held responsible for the correctness of the entry and for the compliance with the Show's Regulations.

# 12. Particulars of exhibits

Full pedigree details must be given on the entry form. These details may be printed in the Show catalogue. Every animal entered for competition must be entered or certified as eligible for entry in the Herd/Flock Book of its breed in the U.K. This regulation does not apply to Commercial Cattle classes.

# 13. Breed Society/Governing Body Regulations

Any exhibitor competing under breed society or governing body affiliation will be considered to have agreed to abide by the rules of that society in addition to the show rules.

#### 14. Age of exhibits

The exact date of birth of each exhibit must be stated on the entry form, except in the case of sheep where the year of birth only need be given. In the case of doubt or protest, a certificate signed by the Society's duly appointed Veterinary Surgeon shall be considered final and conclusive.

# 15. Right to reject entries

The Council of the Society reserves the sole right to reject or cancel the entry or entries made by a person, if it shall deem fit to do so, and right to cancel any class or classes, refunding any fees paid in respect thereof.

# 16. Cancellation of entries

The Nottinghamshire County Show reserves the right to cancel or amalgamate any class in the event of there being insufficient entries or exhibitors in the Class - details listed under each section, or to transfer entries to another Class.

# 17. Nomination of entries

Nomination entries are not accepted.

# 18. Accuracy of catalogue

The Society will not be responsible for any inaccuracy in any pedigree or other particulars inserted in the catalogue, though every care will be made to ensure the accuracy of all particulars printed therein. The Society accepts no liability for incorrect details when entries are made online.

# 19. Refund of entry fees

Entry fees can be refunded only in the event of cancellation of classes or when an animal is incapacitated by accident, injury or illness. Applications for refunds must be made in writing to the Nottinghamshire County Show Manager no later than 31 May 2025 and must be accompanied by a Veterinary Certificate dated before the show, together with all passes issued by the Society in respect of the entry/entries in question. No copies will be accepted and an administration charge of £15 will be levied. Any claim received after 31 May 2025 be invalid. Refunds will be processed after the Show.

# **Tickets**

# 20. Tickets - exhibitors' passes

Each exhibitor will receive tickets in the form of wristbands as listed at the front of each section schedule. Wristbands are complimentary and are not for re-sale. Anyone found to be selling exhibitor wristbands will have their entries withdrawn without fees being refunded. Wristbands must be worn at all times when on the Showground.

#### 21. Extra admission tickets

Extra exhibitor tickets (wristbands) may be purchased in advance through our online entry system for £14 each before the close

of entries. All Tickets (wristbands) ordered with the submission of entries will be dispatched within the Exhibitor Information Pack

approximately 14 days prior to the start of the Show. Tickets can be bought after the close of entries through the Shows website, <a href="www.nottinghamshirecountyshow.com">www.nottinghamshirecountyshow.com</a>. Please note additional tickets cannot be bought at the livestock/equine gate on show day.

# 22. Vehicle Passes

Exhibitors will be issued with one complimentary vehicle pass; this pass will admit the vehicle only. Please display passes visibly in your vehicle's windscreen. Exhibitors may be issued with additional vehicle passes at the discretion of the Show Manager, applications must be put in writing clearly before the close of entry.

Additional or support vehicles without a vehicle pass will not be admitted into the respective parking area and sent to the public car parking area or away from the Show.

# 23. Livestock Vehicle Passes

A vehicle pass will enable livestock exhibitors/competitors to bring their stock into the Showground, offload their stock and

park in the designated livestock parking area. Upon off-loading of stock, lorries will be required to be parked in the designated area and will not be permitted to return to the vicinity of the stock lines until departure time on the evening of the last day of the Show.

#### **Diseased Animals**

# 24. Animals suspected of, or suffering from disease

Every exhibitor shall indemnify the Society against all actions, claims, proceedings and demands by any person, company or other representative body of whatsoever nature in respect of any matter, directly or indirectly connected with the bringing onto the Society's Showground of any animal which may have been suffering from any contagious or infectious disease or which develops such a disease whilst on the Showground and, in addition, the exhibitor shall pay all costs and expenses incurred by the Society in connection with any such claim. The Society's Veterinary Officers are authorised to refuse permission for any animal to be admitted to, or have removed from, the Showground any animals affected with contagious or infectious disease. The exhibitor of such animal may obtain a certificate from the Veterinary Officer, stating the nature of such disease or infection. The onus of proving the freedom of any such animal from contagious or infectious disease shall rest on the exhibitor of the animal concerned.

#### **Awards**

#### 25. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded on the scales shown at the beginning of each entry section.

#### 26. Rosettes

No animal will be allowed to wear a rosette or ribbon other than those issued by the Society. No rosette or ribbon may be displayed during judging which has been awarded in a previous class.

# 27. Conditional awards

In all cases where prizes are offered or awarded conditionally, they will be withheld until the exhibitor shall have proved to the satisfaction of the Council that the conditions have been complied with.

#### 28. Protests

Any Exhibitor wishing to lodge a protest having reference to livestock or horses exhibited at the Show must make the same in writing to the Society Office and must deposit a sum of £50. All protests must be delivered at the Society Office on the Showground before 3pm on the day on which the protest shall have been made, or in the case of an award judged later than that time, then within one hour of the completion of the judging of that section, and no protest will be accepted subsequently unless a satisfactory reason be assigned for the delay. Protests will be considered by the Chief Steward of the Section concerned in consultation with the section stewards. If the Chief Steward is unable to resolve the protest, then he/she will refer the matter to the Society's Appeals Committee. The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final and if the protest is not substantiated then the deposit will be forfeited. The animal, to which the protest refers, must remain on the Showground until permission to leave has been obtained from the Show Office in writing. The Society reserves the right to refer any objection to any authority or organization to adjudicate, wholly or in part, in respect of an objection, on behalf of the Society.

# 29. Alteration of awards

In case of any protest made in accordance with Regulation 28 whereby any prize animal becomes disqualified, the winner of the next succeeding prize in that class shall take the prize that had been awarded to the disqualified animal. This applies to all prizes awarded.

# 30. Payment of prize money

Prize money can only be paid by bank transfer following the Show. Bank details are required (on entry forms) for any monies to be paid out.

# 31. Challenge trophies

Cups and Trophies awarded at the Show may be collected from the Judges & Stewards Office on the day of the Show and will be given out on production of a 'Trophy Collection Card'. Winners of trophies must give the Society a written guarantee to return the cup in good condition, at their own expense by recorded delivery, to the Showground not less than six weeks prior to the next Show and that, in the event of loss, the amount of its value be made good to the Society by the holder. Any exhibitor who ignores this ruling will be charged a sum sufficient to the value of the trophy plus an admin charge and the cost of any engraving. The Society will not be held responsible for any failure on the part of donors, or others, to produce Cups or Special Prizes offered for competition in the Schedule or Catalogue, nor will the Society accept any liability in respect of the description of Trophies and Special Prizes as printed in the Schedule and Catalogue. The Society reserves the right to prevent any cup or trophy from leaving the Society's premises.

Prize winners must insure their cup or trophy whilst in their possession.

# **Judging**

#### 32. Judges

The Judges are instructed to withhold prizes where the entry is not of sufficient merit and, in awarding prizes, the Judges are instructed to make their awards according to the relative merits of the exhibits for breeding purposes in breed classes. If, in the opinion of the Judges, any animal appears to be unfit for breeding purposes, the Judges shall be at liberty to have the animal examined by one of the Society's Veterinary Surgeons, whose opinion shall be considered to be final and conclusive

and, if he/ she so directs, the animal will be disqualified from taking a prize which might otherwise be awarded to it. No person other than a Steward or authorised Official of the Society shall enter a ring when judging is in progress, nor shall have any communication with the Judges during the time of judging. All exhibitors and their agents acting in opposition to this regulation shall forfeit such prize as may be awarded to their exhibit.

#### 33. Substitution of judges

The Society reserves the right to substitute other Judges for those announced in the Prize Schedule or to make other appointments.

# 34. Change of judge

Should an exhibit be forward for competition which was either bred, or previously owned by the officiating Judge, then a referee may be introduced at the request of the Chief Steward of the Section. The onus of declaring an animal being exhibited in a class judged by a person who has had a financial interest in the animal or which has stood in his/her stable etc, must be on the exhibitor. The exhibitor will know who is judging from the schedule whereas the Judge will not know which animals are coming before him/her until he arrives in the ring. If there is an unforeseen change of judge, then the exhibitor should stand down from the class and entry fees will be refunded. Every effort will be made to inform exhibitors of a change of judge.

# 35. Parades and judging

Any exhibitor or employee refusing to bring their exhibits on parade at a specified time when requested by the Stewards to do so, shall be liable to forfeit to the Society any prize money previously awarded to the exhibits in question. All employees in charge of stock which is to be paraded must have their exhibits ready for such parade thirty minutes prior to the times of parades as laid down in the official timetable. White coats or Breed Society uniform must be worn in the Breed Judging ring and the Grand Parade. Cattle exhibitors should note that bulls should always have two handlers.

# 36. Mobile phones

The use of mobile phones is not permitted to be used within the judging rings by Competitors or their assistants, Stewards or Judges.

# **Health and Safety regulations**

#### 37. Smoking

Smoking is strictly forbidden in the livestock lines, judging rings, the stable area and all buildings. This includes E-Cigarettes.

# 38. Control of Horses and livestock

Horses and livestock must be under the control of a competent handler at all times, and they must use approved restraints which are safe and fit for purpose. Movements on the Showground include areas used by the public and from the cattle lines, livestock pens, stables or horse box parking into the judging rings and handlers must ensure adequate safeguards are in place to prevent an animal from escaping.

# 39. Health and safety at work regulations

All exhibitors and their handlers must comply with the Health & Safety at Work Act 1974. Exhibitors are reminded that they are responsible for the observance, by themselves, their employees and their contractors, of all Health and Safety at Work Regulations. Any item of risk or hazard should be reported to the Chief Steward or Society Office immediately.

# Insurance

# 40. Public liability insurance

Exhibitors should ensure that they have appropriate public liability insurance cover (suggested minimum of £5 million).

#### General

# 41. Veterinary Surgeon

It is a condition of entry that the Society's Veterinary Surgeons may, on their own authority, give such emergency treatment as they may consider appropriate in the event that the owner or his representative cannot be found, and that the owner will be responsible for the cost of such treatment.

# 42. DEFRA Regulations

Exhibitors must be aware of, and conform to, the regulations in place by DEFRA at all times.

# 43. Fitness to Travel / Transport of Pregnant Animals

Animals must be fit for the intended journey prior to beginning the journey and must remain sufficiently fit throughout the travel period. This means the animal should be healthy enough to tolerate the entire journey it is about to make (including loading, unloading and any journey breaks) with no or very little adverse effect on it and the journey should not cause the animal any suffering or injury. The means of transport must be designed, constructed, maintained and operated so as to avoid injury and suffering and ensure the safety of the animals. A journey includes the period from the loading of the first animal to the unloading of the last animal. Any animal entered in the Show that is not fit to travel should be left at the holding premises. The transport of pregnant animals for whom 90% or more of the expected gestation period has already passed, or who have given birth in the previous week is prohibited. Any animal entered to which these criteria apply should not be brought to the Show under any circumstances. [Council Regulation (EC) 1/2005, implemented by The Welfare of Animals (Transport)(England) Order 2006].

#### 44. Banned substances

The Society does not tolerate the administration of tranquilizers or any other form of drug to Show exhibits, whether entered for competition of demonstration, which may in any way affect the performance of the animal or have the effect of making it behave in the Show Ring or elsewhere on the Showground in a manner which is not natural. The Society does not tolerate any unfair practices. Any exhibitor, or his representative, who is found to have administered or permitted the administration of tranquilizers or drugs to any Show exhibit will be reported to the Council of the Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society to be dealt with at its discretion and the matter will be reported to the appropriate Breed Society or organization which will render the exhibitor liable for disqualification. The Society reserves the right to insist on a drugs test to be carried out by the Society's appointed Veterinary Officer.

# 45. Stalling of exhibits

Exhibitors and their employees must see that their exhibits are stalled or penned in the allotted place for them in accordance with their exhibit numbers, and no person shall remove or otherwise deface any notice or exhibit number placed by the Society of its Officers on the stalls or pens, nor shall any exhibit be stalled or penned in the place allotted to another exhibit and no person shall utilise a vacant stall or pen without the consent of the Steward or Chief Steward.

Any exhibitor, whose exhibit is incorrectly stalled or penned, shall forfeit any prizes awarded and shall incur a fine of £50. Exhibitors must ensure that their exhibits are securely penned.

All mucking out must be completed by 7.00 a.m. on show day and before exhibitors leave the showground. All stock attendants are requested to co-operate in ensuring that the lines are kept clean, and that water is not thrown into the lines.

# 46. Washing of stock

Animals may only be cleaned at the wash down area provided for this purpose. Exhibitors may use their own pressure washer, but care should be taken. Taps must not be left running and fire hoses must not be used for washing down.

#### 47. Straw

A limited amount of straw is provided in the livestock lines. Extra bales are available to purchase at £4 each.

#### 48. Rugs and sheets

Except by special permission of the Steward of the section, no rug or sheet shall be hung up so as to conceal any animal in a horsebox, stall or pen. All sheets used for this purpose must be removed before the opening of the Show to the general public and must not be replaced until after the closing of the Show.

# 49. Publicity

Exhibitors are allowed to promote their herd/flock with the use of signs which may not exceed 3' wide by 2' high per stall or pen. No promotional material may be placed in the gangways. Only rosettes and prize cards from the Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society may be displayed and these must be for the current year. Exhibit cards provided by the Society must be clearly displayed for each animal forward.

# 50. Stoves

Exhibitors are not permitted to cook on an "open fire". Heating or cooking appliances are not permitted to be installed or used inside a tented structure which is not specifically set out for this purpose. All heating and cooking appliances are strictly forbidden in the livestock lines, stable area and horse box areas.

# 51. Stewards

No person shall officiate in the judging ring as Steward at the time of judging of a class in which he or she has an exhibit. In the event of a Steward making entries after his or her appointment as Steward, the Chief Steward shall appoint a deputy Steward to carry out stewarding duties for the class in question.

### 52. First Aid

There is a designated Medical Centre on the Showground where First Aid will be available.

#### 53. Dogs/Pets

Dogs/pets are not allowed in the livestock stalls and pens. In other areas of the Showground well behaved dogs/pets are permitted on fixed short leads only and must be friendly. Dogs are not to be left tied on leads in any areas on the Showground including trade stands. Any dogs showing aggressive behaviour will be asked to leave the Showground. No dogs are to be left unaccompanied in vehicles, if found, reasonable attempts will be made to rescue the dog. Please be a responsible dog owner and clean up after your dog.

#### 54. Cancellation or Termination of the Show

If by reason of force majeure, severe adverse weather conditions, water-logged ground, failure or neglect on the part of any utility supplying electricity or water, labour strife, civil commotion, war (or threat thereof), act or threatened act of terrorism, fire or explosion or any other event beyond the control of the Society (other than a shortage of money or shortage of materials)

the Society deems it necessary for it to cancel or terminate the holding of the Show or any part of it, then the Society shall use its reasonable endeavours to ensure that the Exhibitor is made aware as soon as practicable of such cancellation or termination either in writing, by email, verbally by telephone or mobile, or by publication on the Society's website(s).

In the event of cancellation or termination pursuant to clause above, this Agreement shall determine automatically, and the Society shall repay to the Exhibitor all, charges and fees already paid under this Agreement (if the Show is cancelled before its commencement) or a rateable proportion of such charges and fees (if the Show is terminated after its commencement) but otherwise shall be under no liability to the Exhibitor or its sub-licensees for any loss which they may sustain in consequence of any such determination and the Exhibitor shall in the event of determination be under no liability to the Society in respect of its future obligations under this agreement (but without prejudice to any rights of either party against the other in respect of any claim accrued under this Agreement down to the date of such determination).

#### 55. Penalties

Any infringement of any of the Regulations or Conditions printed in this Schedule will result in the exhibitor forfeiting any prize to which he/she may be entitled in addition to the consequences attaching to the infringement and the Society reserves the right to inform other Agricultural Societies and bodies of any decision it may come to regarding an exhibitor.

# 56. Interpretation of Regulations

The Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society reserves the sole and absolute right to interpret these or any other prescribed regulations, conditions and prize lists, and to settle arbitrarily and determine all matters, questions or difference in regard hereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with incident to the Show. Also, to substitute Judges, refuse and to cancel entries, disqualify exhibitors, prohibit exhibition of entries, vary or cancel awards of prizes or reserve numbers and relax conditions as the Society may deem necessary.

#### 57. Statement

All exhibitors and other persons admitted to the Showground shall be subject to the rules, orders and regulations of the Council of the Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society. The Organisers of this Show have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. In order 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 of all Officials and Stewards.

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