Competition Rules

Meat Sheep and Poultry Young Judges

*To be eligible to compete in the Meat Sheep & Poultry* ***State Finals,*** *competitors must comply with ALL rules noted below. Agricultural Society and Coordinators are to ensure relevant rules are consistently enforced for competitions under their control.*

1. **Age of Competitors**
	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***.
	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****.*
	3. Different age classes may be added to programs at local show level. These classes will not be recognised at ***State Finals.***
2. **Eligibility to Compete**
	1. Competitors must meet one of the following criteria -
3. A Queensland resident for a minimum of three (3) months prior to competing;
4. Attend a Queensland educational institution;
5. Residing interstate but can prove a connection with a Queensland Agricultural Society and satisfy one of the following criteria:
6. Permanent address has a Queensland postcode;
7. Competitor or parents are active working members of that Agricultural Society.
8. To be eligible to compete at State finals, competitors must have won in a similar class at a local agricultural show competition.
	1. Previous ***National winners*** are ineligible to compete at state level of competition.
9. **Entry Forms**
	1. Entry Forms are available from the Queensland Ag Shows Website [www.queenslandshows.com.au](http://www.queenslandshows.com.au).
	2. Local Agricultural Show Stewards are to:
10. Ensure Entry Forms are completed for all competitors and waivers are duly signed by eligible persons;
11. Forward ***WINNER*** and ***RUNNER UP*** Entry Forms to the Queensland Ag Shows Office competitions@queenslandshows.com.au within 7days of the competition conclusion.
12. **National Competition (Procedures & Guidelines)**

4.1Rules are set by Agricultural Shows Australia (ASA) for National Finals. The Agricultural Shows Australia Rules (Handbooks) can be found on their website[www.agshowsaustralia.org.au/member-resources/national-competitions-guidelines/](http://www.agshowsaustralia.org.au/member-resources/national-competitions-guidelines/)