



Queensland Ag Shows

Competition Rules Poultry Young Judges

To be eligible to compete in the *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

- 1.1 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*.
- 1.2 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*.
- 1.3 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

- 2.1 Competitors must meet one of the following criteria -
 - (a) A Queensland resident for a minimum of three (3) months prior to competing;
 - (b) Attend a Queensland educational institution;
 - (c) Residing interstate but can prove a connection with a Queensland Agricultural Society and satisfy one of the following criteria:
 - (i) Permanent address has a Queensland postcode;
 - (ii) Competitor or parents are active working members of that Agricultural Society.
- 2.2 Competitors in the State Poultry Young Judges Competition must have won at a Local Show affiliated with Queensland Ag Shows in the period between 1st July in the year prior to the competition and 30th June in the year of the competition. In the event that the local winner is ineligible or unavailable the Runner Up becomes eligible.
- 2.3 Competitors must lodge their completed entry form through the Show Society they are to represent. The Show Society must confirm that the competitor is the winner of their competition and is eligible to represent them.
- 2.4 Competitors can represent only one (1) Show in the *State Final*. Competitors represent the first show with which they became eligible.
- 2.5 Previous *National winners* are ineligible to compete at any level of competition.

3 Entry Forms

- 3.1 Entry Forms are available from the Queensland Ag Shows Website www.qldagshows.com.au
- 3.2 An *Entry Form* must be completed by all competitors at local Agricultural Show level.



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- 3.3 Local Agricultural Show Stewards are to:
- Ensure *Entry Forms* are completed for all competitors and waivers are duly signed by eligible persons.
 - Annotate the **WINNER** and **RUNNER-UP** *Entry Forms* appropriately (section included for local details)
 - Forward **WINNER** and **RUNNER-UP** *Entry Forms* to Queensland Ag Shows office admin@qldagshows.com.au within 7days of the competition conclusion.
 - Separate *Entry Forms* must be completed for **each** competition entered.

4 Young Judges Competition Special Rules

- 4.1 **Hormel Slide OR Computerised Judging Scoring System** must be used at all levels in the Young Judges Competition. Please note that Hormel Slides are no longer available and have been replaced by the Computerised Judging Scoring System. The Computerised Judging Scoring System is an Excel spreadsheet and is available at www.qldagshows.com.au under Queensland Ag Shows Competitions | Young Judges and Paraders.
- 4.2 In all competitions four (4) exhibits **NUMBER 1, 2 3 and 4** are to be used to suit the scoring from the Hormel Slide.
- 4.3 Where possible competitions should have the following classes:
- Three (3) groups of four (4) birds – different breeds

5 Competition (Procedures & Guidelines)

- 5.1 The Competition is conducted in accordance with the Rules 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/
- 5.2 **Visual Judging** - Judging time six (6) minutes per class
- 5.3 **Oral speaking tests**- two (2) minutes per class
- 5.4 **Penalty points apply.** 1 point for every ten (10) seconds over your allotted two (2) minutes will be deducted.
- 5.5 **The Overjudge** must not have access to any Master Score Sheets.

NOTE: Affiliated Shows may decide to run other age groups, this is permissible, HOWEVER, all Finals are to be run as per the State Finals RULES. All entry forms are to be completed correctly.