

Horse Section Regulations:

All competition at this show is governed by these regulations and by the Agricultural Societies Council of NSW Rules for Discipline in Horse Sections at Shows, which can be viewed at www.agshowsnsw.org.au. Should it become necessary for the AgShows NSW Disciplinary Committee to open an enquiry into any aspect of competition in this Horse Section, this Society will support any penalty imposed by that Committee because of the inquiry and will support penalties resulting from enquiries arising from Horse Sections at other NSW Shows.

Indemnity and Waiver forms: The Horse Committee will take all care in managing the Section, but competitors taking part in this Horse Section do so at their own risk. Each adult competitor must, before competing, complete and sign a form indemnifying the Goulburn Show Society and waiving any claims against the Society for any injury sustained in competition or for loss or damage to the competitor's property or damage caused by the competitor or his/her animal(s) at the show. A similar form must also be completed and signed by a parent or guardian for each competitor who is under 18 years of age. ALSO, all competitors must complete a Horse Health Declaration; each horse with which the competitor has brought onto the Showgrounds must be listed together with the Property Identification Code (PIC) of the property from which the horse came to the show.

Refusal of Entry/Alteration of Schedule: The committee reserves the right to refuse an entry without assigning any reason for doing so and to alter the schedule to meet emerging circumstances.

Cancellations/Refunds: Cancellations may be made up until the entry closure date for a full refund. After the closure date, refunds will only be issued upon receipt of a valid veterinary certificate.

Judge's Decision/Discretion: The judge is empowered to withhold any or all prizes in anywhere the exhibits are, in his/her opinion, unworthy of the prize, and the judge's decision will be final. A judge has the discretion to ask that a led or performance exhibit and handler/rider/driver be asked to leave the ring if he/she considers the animal is unruly and/or likely to cause an accident.

Approaching Judges: No exhibitor or associate will initiate conversation with a judge on judging day, before, during or after judging except through the Ringmaster or Steward.

Cruelty: Persons who are considered by the Ringmaster or Chief Steward to be abusive or cruel to a horse will be expelled from the ground. No horse will be permitted to compete if, in the opinion of the Ringmaster or Chief Steward, it is in poor health or condition.

Drugs: Drug testing may be carried out at this show.

Stallions: Stallions must be always wearing a bit when being led and must be under the control of a person 17 years of age and older. They must always be supervised and securely fastened when tied to the outside of a truck or float. They are not eligible to compete in ridden classes unless their eligibility is specifically stated in the schedule.

Attire: Competitors must be appropriately attired for the competition in which they are competing.

Helmets: Every rider must wear a safety helmet compliant with the current Australian standard. Chin straps must be fastened whilst mounted.

Footwear: All competitors must wear appropriate footwear when leading or riding a horse. When riding, the footwear must enable the removal of the foot from the stirrup.

Coaching: Any person detected coaching a competitor while that competitor is being judged may be removed from the showground.

Proper Conduct: Any person who behaves offensively on the Showground may be expelled from the ground. The matter may be investigated by the Society and/or the Ag Shows NSW Disciplinary Committee, and penalties may be imposed.

Horse Measuring: No official measuring will take place at the Show, but if a question about height arises, proof of height may be required. In the absence of proof, a decision will be at the absolute discretion of the Ring Master or Chief Steward.

Pony - not exceeding 14 hands

Galloway - Over 14 hands not exceeding 15 hands

Hack - Over 15 hands

NOTE: Changes to the program after the time of printing may be necessary due to circumstances beyond our control.