ROYAL MELBOURNE SHOW

FLEECE COMPETITION

SCHEDULE
2021

Conducted by RASV

The Royal Melbourne Show Fleece Competition provides wool growers with the opportunity to showcase their best fleece during Victoria's largest and most celebrated annual community event.

From the ultra-fine Merino to the lustrous Lincoln, the inclusive range range of classes ensures that the traditional breeds and the modern styles are on display throughout the 11 days of the Royal Melbourne Show.

Incorporating the District Fleece and Australian Lambs Wool Competitions, the Competition celebrates and promotes the quality and versatility of wool products to more than 450,000 patrons annually.

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FLEECE JUDGING

In 2021, the Royal Melbourne Show Fleece Competition will be judged prior to the Royal Melbourne Show on Friday 10 September. Exhibitors are invited to attend the day, view the fleeces being judged and join the RASV Fleece Committee for the presentation of awards.

As a valued Fleece exhibitor, you are invited to attend the Livestock Pavilion during the Royal Melbourne Show Sheep competition from 23 – 24 September as it plays host to Victoria's sheep and wool industries.

Every effort will be made to display all exhibits entered in the Fleece Competition for the duration of the Royal Melbourne Show.

AWARDS PRESENTATION

Judging will commence at 9.30am in the Livestock Pavilion on Friday 10th September. Exhibitors are invited to attend the Awards Presentation following the Judging, to be held from 1:00pm.

ENTRY FEES, CLOSE OF ENTRIES DATE

Enter online at www.rasv.com.au/fleece

Entry fees:
- $12.00 per exhibit (GST free) entry fee (RASV Members)
- $22.00 per exhibit (GST free) entry fee (non-Members)
- Free for donated fleeces, District Fleece Competition

Entries close **Wednesday 21 July 2021**

DONATED FLEECES

Sheep Fleece exhibitors will again have the option to donate their fleeces for sale. In 2021, the proceeds of the sale will go to **MND Australia for Motor Neurone Disease.**

The sale of the District Fleece will support Legacy.

Arcadian Wool Brokers generously facilitates the sale of fleece at no charge to the RASV or exhibitors.

FLEECE DELIVERY & COLLECTION

DELIVERY
Delivery Dates: 23 April 2021 9:00AM to 20 August 2021 5:00PM

Deliver to:
Royal Melbourne Show Fleece Competition
Australian Wool Handlers
Frederick Street
Brooklyn VIC 3012

OR

Fleece Competition Coordinator
Gate 5, RASV Epsom Rd
Melbourne Showgrounds
Ascot Vale VIC 3032

AN EXHIBIT CARD MUST BE PLACED INSIDE EACH FLEECE BAG

COLLECTION

Fleece Collection Dates: 11 October 2021 9:00AM to 1 November 2021 5:00PM
Please email sheep@rasv.com.au to arrange a pick up time.

Collect in person from:

Fleece Competition Coordinator
Gate 5, RASV Epsom Rd
Melbourne Showgrounds
Ascot Vale VIC 3032

SUPPORTER LIST

The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria (RASV) thanks the following supporters of the 2021 Royal Melbourne Show Fleece Competition

Arcadian Wool Brokers Ltd

Doug Hopkins

Polwarth Sheep Breeders' Association Of Australia (Victoria Branch)

United Wool Company

Join today and save over 45% on entry fees

Enjoy blue ribbon value with RASV membership

Reap the benefits of RASV membership at Victoria's largest and most iconic annual community event, the Royal Melbourne Show, while supporting the ongoing success of our world-class competitions, events and award programs. Full members receive up to 11 days entry to the Show, a guest pass, savings on competition fees, discounted car parking at Flemington Racecourse, access to the RASV Members' hospitality areas and much more!

To join today visit rasv.com.au or call 03 9281 7444

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AUSTRALASIAN LAMBS' WOOL CHAMPIONSHIP

ENTRY FEES: $12.00 Member, $22.00 Non-Member, $0.00 Donated

LB1 - SUPERFINE MERINO LAMBS' WOOL

LB2 - FINE MERINO LAMBS' WOOL

LB3 - MEDIUM MERINO LAMBS' WOOL

LB4 - STRONG MERINO LAMBS' WOOL

LB5 - POLWARTH LAMBS' WOOL

LB6 - CORRIEDALE LAMBS' WOOL

LB7 - COMEBACK LAMBS' WOOL

LB8 - CROSSBRED LAMBS' WOOL

LB9 - BRITISH LONGWOOL LAMBS' WOOL

LB10S - BEST MERINO LAMBS' WOOL
Eligible Classes: LB1 - LB4
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

LB11S - BEST POLWARTH OR CORRIEDALE LAMBS' WOOL
Eligible Classes: LB5, LB6
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

LB12S - BEST COMEBACK OR CROSSBRED LAMBS' WOOL
Eligible Classes: LB7, LB8
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

LB13S - BEST BRITISH LONGWOOL LAMBS' WOOL
Eligible Classes: LB9
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

LB14S - CHAMPION LAMBS' WOOL
Eligible Classes: LB10S, LB11S, LB12S, LB13S
PRIZE: 1ST
PRIZE: 1ST VALUE $500 SUPPORTED BY **UNITED WOOL COMPANY**

United Wool Company Pty Ltd

LB15S - MOST SUCCESSFUL AUSTRALASIAN LAMBS' WOOL EXHIBITOR
Points allotted on the basis of first, 3 points; second, 2 points; third, 1 point. Where points are equal, the highest number of first prizes will decide award.
Eligible Classes: LB1 - LB9
PRIZE:
PRIZE: TROPHY SUPPORTED BY **ARCADIAN WOOL BROKERS LTD**

ARCADIAN WOOL

SKIRTED FLEECE

ENTRY FEES: $12.00 Member, $22.00 Non-Member, $0.00 Donated

SK1 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF ULTRA FINE MERINO RAM'S WOOL

SK2 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF ULTRA FINE MERINO EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK3S - BEST ULTRA FINE MERINO FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK4 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF SUPERFINE MERINO RAM'S WOOL

SK5 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF SUPERFINE MERINO EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK6S - BEST SUPERFINE MERINO FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK4, SK5
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK7 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF FINE MERINO RAM'S WOOL

SK8 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF FINE MERINO EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK9S - BEST FINE MERINO FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK7, SK8
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK10 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF MEDIUM MERINO RAM'S WOOL

SK11 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF MEDIUM MERINO EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK12S - BEST MEDIUM MERINO FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK10, SK11
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK13 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF STRONG MERINO RAM'S WOOL

SK14 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF STRONG MERINO EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK15S - BEST STRONG MERINO FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK13, SK14
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK16 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF DOHNE RAM'S WOOL

SK17 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF DOHNE EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK18 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF CORRIEDALE RAM'S WOOL

SK19 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF CORRIEDALE EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK20S - BEST CORRIEDALE FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK18, SK19
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK21S - MOST VALUABLE CORRIEDALE FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK18, SK19
PRIZE: 1ST

SK22 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF POLWARTH RAM'S WOOL

SK23 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF POLWARTH EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK24S - BEST POLWARTH FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK22, SK23
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK25 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF ROMNEY RAM'S WOOL

SK26 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF ROMNEY EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK27 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF BORDER LEICESTER RAM'S WOOL

SK28 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF BORDER LEICESTER EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK29 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF ENGLISH LEICESTER RAM'S WOOL

SK30 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF ENGLISH LEICESTER EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK31 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF LINCOLN RAM'S WOOL

SK32 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF LINCOLN EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL

SK33 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF CHEVIOT WOOL

SK34 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF DOWNS WOOL

SK35 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF COOPWORTH WOOL

SK36 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF PERENDALE WOOL

SK37S - BEST BRITISH BREED FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK25 - SK34, SK36
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK38S - BEST NON-MERINO FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK16 - SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 - SK36, SK41 - SK44
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK39S - BEST NON-MERINO FLEECE FROM A COMMERCIAL GROWER
Eligible Classes: SK16 - SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 - SK36, SK41 - SK44
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK40S - BEST MERINO FLEECE FROM A COMMERCIAL GROWER
Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK41 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF FINE COMEBACK EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL, 25 MICRON & FINER

SK42 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF COMEBACK EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL, 25.1 - 27 MICRON

SK43 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF CROSSBRED EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL 27.1 - 30 MICRON

SK44 - SKIRTED FLEECE OF STRONG CROSSBRED EWE OR WETHER'S WOOL, 30.1 MICRON & BROADER

SK45S - BEST COMEBACK OR CROSSBRED FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK41 - SK44
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

SK46S - CHAMPION SKIRTED FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16 - SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 - SK36, SK41 - SK44
PRIZE: 1ST
PRIZE: 1ST VALUE $500 SUPPORTED BY **UNITED WOOL COMPANY**

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SK47S - MOST SUCCESSFUL SKIRTED FLEECE EXHIBITOR
Points allotted on the basis of first, 3 points; second, 2 points; third, 1 point. Where points are equal, the highest number of first prizes will decide award.
Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16 - SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 - SK36, SK41 - SK44
PRIZE:

SK48S - MOST VALUABLE SKIRTED FLEECE
All skirted fleeces will be automatically entered into this competition.
Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16 - SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 - SK36, SK41 - SK44
PRIZE: 1ST

BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE

ENTRY FEES: $12.00 Member, $22.00 Non-Member, $0.00 Donated

BC1 - EXTRA FINE BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE, 64S & FINER, 21.9 MICRON & FINER

BC2 - FINE BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE, 58S - 60S, 22 - 25.5 MICRON

BC3 - MEDIUM BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE, 50S - 56S, 25.6 - 30 MICRON

BC4 - STRONG BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE, 44S - 46S, 30.1 - 38 MICRON

BC5 - EXTRA STRONG BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE, 40S & STRONGER, 38.1 MICRON & BROADER

BC6 - BEST HOGGET FLEECE, ANY COUNT, UP TO 12 MONTHS GROWTH, SHOWING LAMB'S WOOL TIP

BC7 - BEST SAMPLE BLACK & COLOURED LAMBS' WOOL, 450 GRAMS, ANY COUNT/MICRON

BC8S - CHAMPION BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE
Eligible Classes: BC1 - BC5
PRIZE: 1ST

BC9S - BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE MOST SUITABLE FOR CRAFT
This class recognises the most valuable use of Black & Coloured wool. All Black & Coloured fleeces will be automatically entered.
PRIZE: 1ST RASV ROSETTE

BC10S - MOST SUCCESSFUL BLACK & COLOURED FLEECE EXHIBITOR
Points allotted on the basis of first, 3 points; second, 2 points; third, 1 point. Where points are equal, the highest number of first prizes will decide award.
Eligible Classes: BC1 - BC7
PRIZE:

VICTORIAN DISTRICT FLEECE CHAMPIONSHIP

ENTRY FEES: $0.00 Donated, $0.00 Member, $0.00 Non-Member

DS1 - CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE - GIPPSLAND DISTRICT/PORT PHILLIP DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS2 - CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE - WIMMERA DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS3 - CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE - NORTH EASTERN/MURRAY VALLEY DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS4 - CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE - NORTHERN DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS5 - CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE - WESTERN/SOUTH WESTERN DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS6 - CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE - GOULBURN VALLEY RIVERINA DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS7 - CHAMPION MERINO FLEECE - MIDLANDS/CENTRAL & UPPER GOULBURN DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS8 - CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE - GIPPSLAND/PORT PHILLIP DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS9 - CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE - WIMMERA DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS10 - CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE - NORTH EASTERN/MURRAY VALLEY DISTRICT
PLACE: 1ST

DS11 - CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE - NORTHERN DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS12 - CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE - WESTERN/SOUTH WESTERN DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS13 - CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE - GOULBURN VALLEY RIVERINA DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS14 - CHAMPION NON-MERINO FLEECE - MIDLANDS/CENTRAL & UPPER GOULBURN DISTRICT
PRIZE: 1ST

DS15S - CHAMPION DISTRICT FLEECE
Eligible Classes: DS1 - DS14
PRIZE: 1ST

OTHER AWARDS

FL1S - POLWARTH SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (VICTORIA BRANCH) PERPETUAL CHALLENGE
Awarded to the most attractive Polwarth fleece in the Show. To be eligible for this trophy, ram fleeces must not weigh less than 4.9kg and ewe fleeces no less than 3.4kg.
Eligible Classes: SK22, SK23
PRIZE: PERPETUAL TROPHY SUPPORTED BY **POLWARTH SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (VICTORIA BRANCH)**

The Trophy will be inscribed with the winner's name

FL2S - THE HENRY W. HOPKINS MEMORIAL AWARD
The award is for the highest points and can be drawn from either the skirted fleece or lambs' wool classes.
Eligible Classes: LB1 - LB9, SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16 - SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 - SK36, SK41 - SK44, BC1 - BC7
PRIZE: TROPHY SUPPORTED BY **MR DOUG HOPKINS** TO BE AWARDED TO A FIRST TIME EXHIBITOR AS AN ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD.

FL3S - MOST SUCCESSFUL EXHIBITOR IN SHOW
Awarded to the most successful exhibitor of the Show, drawn from either the skirted fleece or lambs' wool classes.
Eligible Classes: LB1 - LB9, SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16, SK16 - SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 - SK36, SK41 - SK44, BC1 - BC7
PRIZE: RASV SASH

FL4S - MOST VALUABLE COMMERCIAL FLEECE
Eligible Classes: SK1, SK2, SK4, SK5, SK7, SK8, SK10, SK11, SK13, SK14, SK16 - SK19, SK22, SK23, SK25 - SK36, SK41 - SK44
PRIZE: 1ST

LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE

EXPLANATION

WHEREAS The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Ltd has agreed to effect a Public Liability insurance for certain Animal Exhibitors at the 2021 Royal Melbourne Show the following applies:

Insured Party:	Animal and Livestock Exhibitors participating in competitions and events
Period of Insurance:	From seven days prior to the competition until seven days thereafter.
Insured Activities:	All activities undertaken whilst within and from the confines of the event venue consistent with the Insured's livestock exhibit activity including setting up and removal
Description of Cover:	Insurance in respect of the Insured Party's liability to pay costs and compensation in respect of loss of or damage to third party property and death of or injury to third party persons caused by and arising out of the Insured activities, all subject to the RASV's policy terms, conditions, exclusions and warranties, etc.
Amount of Cover:	$10,000,000 any one occurrence
Deductible:	$10,000 any one occurrence
Geographic Limits:	At and from the event venue
Claims Payable:	Worldwide excluding claims made USA and Canada
Insurer(s):	Primary - $10,000,000 Lloyds of London
Address:	Lloyds Australia Ltd., Suite 2, Level 21 Angel Place, 123 Pitt Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000.
Policy Numbers:	B1262PC0723920

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS

1. The Insured Party must exercise reasonable care to maintain all premises, fittings and plant in sound condition.
2. The Insured Party must take all reasonable precautions to prevent injury and damage to persons and property.
3. The Insured Party must give immediate notice of an incident which may give rise to a claim or of receipt of advice of a claim.
4. The Insured Party must not make any admission, offer or promise in connection with any claim and must not any time admit liability.
5. The Insured Party must make themselves aware of and comply with the following Notices:-

Duty of Disclosure: Before you enter into a contract of General insurance with an insurer, you have a duty, under the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 as amended, to disclose to the insurer every matter that you know, or could reasonably be expected to know, is relevant to the insurer's decision whether to accept the risk of the insurance and, if so, on what terms.
You have the same duty to disclose these matters to the insurer before you renew, extend, vary or reinstate a contract of General insurance.
Your duty however, does not require disclosure of matter:

* that diminishes the risk to be undertaken by the insurer
* that is of common knowledge
* that your insurer knows or, in the ordinary course of his business, ought to know.

Non-Disclosure: If you fail to comply with your duty of disclosure, the insurer may be entitled to reduce his liability under the contract in respect of a claim or may cancel the contract.
If your non-disclosure is fraudulent, the insurer may also have the option of avoiding the contract from its beginning.

Average Provision: The insurer will pay legal expenses in addition to the sum insured, if however, the total amount of the loss (less legal expenses) ultimately paid to the claimant(s) exceeds the sum insured then insurers will only pay (in addition to the sum insured) that proportion of the legal expenses as the sum insured bears to the loss.

Third Party Interests: This policy will only provide cover for your interest and does not cover the interests of any third party (e.g. financiers, lessors, etc) unless the interests of the third party are noted in the policy.

Waiver of Insurer's Rights: You must not enter into any agreement without the written authority of the insurer whereby any of their rights to which they become entitled as your insurer after settling or agreeing to settle a claim are prejudiced or limited in any way otherwise all benefit under the policy will be forfeited.

NOTE:

1. All enquiries to be referred to Arthur J Gallagher: Telephone No: (02) 9424 1888
2. **CLAIMS**
   (a) No admission of liability or fault may be made in any form to a claimant. To do so may breach the policy conditions and enable insurers to avoid settlement.
   (b) Any notice of a potential or actual claim must be referred immediately to Arthur J Gallagher.
3. Nothing herein shall be construed to alter in any way the scope of insurance policy, its terms, conditions or exclusions, issued by insurers.
4. RASV is not liable to the Insured Party in the event a claim is not paid or payable by Insurers unless RASV fails to take reasonable steps to advise that the cover is or is likely to be cancelled or not renewed.
5. RASV is not an Australian Financial Services (AFS) Licence holder. RASV is not providing financial product advice, has not considered the particular needs of the Insured party and no statement is intended to influence a person or persons making a decision in relation to any insurance cover. You should consider obtaining your own financial product advice from a person holding the appropriate AFS licence.
6. THIS INSURANCE ONLY APPLIES TO INSURED PARTIES ENTERING COMPETITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GENERAL REGULATIONS.

The details listed above are not comprehensive and are provided as an outline for the policy only. Extracts from the policy are available for inspection on request at RASV's Registered Offices during office hours

ROYAL MELBOURNE SHOW FLEECE COMPETITION SPECIAL REGULATIONS

1. The Regulations appearing in this Schedule form part of the General Regulations and conditions of entry to an Event at the Royal Melbourne Show (Show). In the event of any inconsistency between the Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria's General Regulations and these Regulations, the General Regulations shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency unless the General Regulations provide otherwise.

ENTRY FORMS

2. All entry forms must be forwarded to the Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Limited (RASV), Melbourne Showgrounds, Epsom Road, Ascot Vale, Victoria 3032 by the date stipulated in the Important Information for Exhibitors section.

ENTRY FEES

3. An Entry Fee is payable at the time of entry.
4. No Entry Fee applies to exhibit/s donated to the Charity nominated in the Important Information for Exhibitors section.
5. No Entry Fee applies to an exhibit entered in the District Fleece Competition.
6. All Exhibits entered in the District Fleece Competition will be sold, with the proceeds from their sale donated to a nominated charity.

FLEECE DELIVERY

7. All Exhibits must be delivered to RASV or to Australian Wool Handlers, Frederick Street, Brooklyn, Victoria 3012 by the closing date nominated in the Important Information for Exhibitors section.
8. All Exhibitors must place an Exhibit Card inside each fleece bag.
9. Exhibits must be delivered in sturdy (preferably clear) plastic bags, or wool packs, with Exhibit Cards placed inside.
10. Fleece bags will be available from RASV upon request.
11. Black and coloured fleece Exhibitors are required to state if the fleece entered is either a ram or a ewe/wether on the Exhibit Card.

FLEECE COLLECTION

12. All fleeces not donated to the nominated Charity are to be collected from the Melbourne Showgrounds at the time/s outlined in the Important Information for Exhibitors section. Any fleece not collected will be sold, with the proceeds of the sale donated to the nominated Charity.

FLEECE DISPLAY

13. RASV will make every effort to display all Exhibits entered in the Fleece Competition for the duration of the Show.

EXHIBITS

14. There are no restrictions to the number of Exhibits entered by an Exhibitor.
15. Fleeces are to be shorn from sheep that have been the true property of the Exhibitor for at least six months prior to being shorn.

MICRON CATEGORIES

16. The following micron (μ) categories will apply to all Merino classes:

a) Ultra fine:	16.5 and finer
b) Superfine:	16.6 – 18.5
c) Fine:	18.6 – 19.9
d) Medium:	20.0 – 21.9
e) Strong:	22.0 and broader

TESTING

17. All Skirted and District fleeces will be micron, staple length, strength and yield tested by the Australian Wool Testing Authority Ltd (AWTA).
18. Test results will be used during the judging process.

LOSS OR DAMAGE

19. RASV shall not be responsible for loss or damage to any Exhibit irrespective of the cause of such loss or damage.

FIRST TIME EXHIBITORS

20. Exhibitors will be considered first time Exhibitors if they have never competed at the Show, or if they have not competed in any of the previous 10 Royal Melbourne Shows.

DISTRICT FLEECE COMPETITION

21. An Exhibit in the District Fleece Competition must have previously won a Championship at a District Agricultural Show.

JUDGING

22. Judges may transfer fleeces into a more appropriate class if it is considered to have been entered in an incorrect class. Unskirted or insufficiently skirted fleeces will be correctly skirted under the direction of the Chief Steward or Supervisor in charge.
23. Fleeces that in the opinion of the Judges are overgrown, will be judged accordingly and potentially penalised by up to 20 points.
24. RASV reserves the right to draw a 200gram sample from each Exhibit for testing.
25. No Championship will be awarded if, in the opinion of the Chief Judge, no Exhibit warrants a Championship Award.
26. Ribbons will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place getters.

JUDGING CRITERIA

27. Fleeces will be judged on the following point systems in the relevant competition:

AUSTRALASIAN LAMBS' WOOL

Trueness to type	10 points
Length	6 points
Soundness	6 points
Handle	16 points
Colour or bloom	16 points
Character	10 points
Density	6 points
Evenness	10 points
Yield %	20 points
Maximum	**100 points**

Samples in the lambs' wool competition to contain no less than 450g of wool, and must be untipped and shorn from lambs, not hoggets or weaners.

SKIRTED, DISTRICT, BLACK & COLOURED FLEECES

Sheep fleece judging will be based on the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers (NCWSB) scale of points. Judges will take account of the objective measurements.

Trueness to breed	10 points
Conformity of length	10 points
Soundness	10 points
Handle	8 points
Colour or bloom	6 points
Character and style	10 points
Density	6 points
Evenness	10 points
Clean fleece weight	30 points
Maximum	100 points

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GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR ALL COMPETITIONS

1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 Definitions

The following definitions apply unless the context requires otherwise.

Agent includes any person, agent, association or corporation engaged by or on behalf of the Exhibitor and any person acting or purporting to act on the Exhibitor's behalf (including any person who is an invitee of the Exhibitor and regardless of whether the person is remunerated or not).

Assistant Chief Steward means the person occupying or acting in the position of Assistant Chief Steward of a section.

Body includes any society, organisation or body within or outside Australia having similar objects to RASV and, without limitation, includes:

- Royal Agricultural Society of the Northern Territory Inc;
- Royal National Agricultural & Industrial Association of Queensland;
- Royal Agricultural & Horticultural Society of South Australia;
- Royal Agricultural Society of NSW;
- Royal Agricultural Society of Tasmania;
- Royal National Capital Agricultural Society;
- Royal Agricultural Society of WA; and
- any breed association or society recognised by RASV.

Business Day means a week day on which banks in Melbourne are open for business.

Chief Executive Officer means a person occupying or acting in the position of Chief Executive Officer of RASV.

Chief Steward means the person occupying or acting in the position of Chief Steward of a section.

Closing Date means the date and time set out in the Relevant Schedule after which entries for the Event will not be accepted by RASV.

Drug has the meaning set out in the Relevant Schedule.

Event includes competition and class and without limitation includes any event listed in a Schedule. Event also includes the period of bump-in and bump-out for the Event and the period of the Event competition.

Entry Form means an entry form (or online equivalent) supplied by RASV for an Event.

Event Participant includes judges, stewards, contractors, spectators, Exhibitors and all persons present at the Venue during the Event.

Exhibit means the animal, person or item entered into an Event by an Exhibitor.

Exhibitor means the owner of the Exhibit, and if the owner is less than 18 years of age, the parent or guardian of the owner who signs the Entry Form.

Inspector means a person described as such in the Regulations.

Judge means a person appointed by RASV to judge an Event.

Motor Vehicle includes a truck, trailer, horse float and stock transporter but does not include a caravan.

RASV means The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Limited (ACN 006 728 785).

Regulations means:

(a) RASV's General Regulations For All Competitions;
(b) the rules, regulations and conditions of entry set out in the Relevant Schedule; and
(c) the rules, regulations and conditions of entry set out on the Entry Form for the Event.

Relevant Schedule means the Schedule which applies to the particular Event in which the Exhibitor has submitted or proposes to submit an entry in accordance with these Regulations.

Review Committee means a committee appointed under Regulation 12.5.

Schedule means a Schedule of events and prizes issued by RASV and without limitation, a reference to a Schedule includes a reference to the rules, regulations and conditions set out in the Schedule.

Show means the Royal Melbourne Show.

Showgrounds means the Melbourne Showgrounds, Epsom Road, Ascot Vale, Victoria and includes without limitation all areas owned, used, rented or leased by RASV.

Steward means a person occupying or acting in the position of steward.

Venue means the site or location at which the Event is held.

Veterinary Surgeon means a veterinary surgeon appointed by RASV.

1.2 Interpretation

Headings are for convenience only and do not affect interpretation. The following rules apply unless the context requires otherwise.

(a) The singular includes the plural and conversely.
(b) A gender includes all genders.
(c) If a word or phrase is defined, its other grammatical forms have a corresponding meaning.
(d) A reference to a person, corporation, trust, partnership, unincorporated body or other entity includes any of them.
(e) A reference to a Regulation is a reference to a Regulation of these Regulations.
(f) A reference to a Regulation, rule or condition of entry is to the regulation, rule or condition of entry as amended, varied, supplemented, novated or replaced, except to the extent prohibited by these Regulations.
(g) A reference to a right or obligation of any two or more persons confers that right, or imposes that obligation, as the case may be, jointly and severally.

In the event of an inconsistency between the Regulations and a Schedule, the Regulations prevail to the extent of the inconsistency unless otherwise provided.

1.3 Exemptions

RASV may, by notice in writing, exempt an Exhibit or an Exhibitor from one or more of the obligations or requirements contained in these Regulations.

1.4 Consents or Approvals

Where the doing of any act, matter or thing under these Regulations is dependent upon the consent or approval of a person or is within the discretion of a person, the consent or approval may be given or discretion may be exercised conditionally or unconditionally or withheld by the person in its absolute discretion and without giving or assigning any reason for it.

2. ENTRIES

2.1 Requirements for entering an Event

An entry to an Event must be:

(a) submitted on an Entry Form;
(b) acknowledged by a physical signature or electronic authorisation by the Exhibitor or, if the Exhibitor is less than 18 years of age, acknowledged by the Exhibitor's parent or guardian;
(c) fully paid for as set out in the Relevant Schedule;
(d) submitted before the Closing Date to RASV's Registered Office or electronic service; and
(e) Any Exhibit entered into an Event must be disease free and in good health and condition.

2.2 Warranty

The Exhibitor represents and warrants to RASV that the information set out on the Entry Form is complete, accurate and not misleading in any way.

2.3 Rules and Regulations

An entry is subject to the:

(a) Regulations; and
(b) Relevant Schedule.

2.4 Entries subject to Rules and Regulations

Upon submission of an entry in accordance with Regulation 2.1, the Exhibitor agrees to be bound by the rules, regulations and conditions referred to in Regulation 2.3 and to ensure that each Agent of the Exhibitor complies with those rules, regulations and conditions. An act or omission of an Agent of an Exhibitor may be deemed by RASV to be the act or omission of the Exhibitor.

2.5 Altered Entries

Subject to the discretion of RASV an entry may not be altered after the Closing Date.

2.6 Number of Entries

RASV may restrict the number of entries in any Event.

2.7 Limit on entry into multiple Ordinary Classes

Subject to the Relevant Schedule, an Exhibit must not be entered in more than one Ordinary Class. Should any Exhibit be sought to be entered in more than one Ordinary Class, the Exhibit will only compete in the Ordinary Class in which the Exhibit's or the Exhibitor's name first appears in RASV's Catalogue unless RASV otherwise directs. For the purposes of this Regulation, Sweepstakes, Special Classes, Trophy Classes and Championships are not an Ordinary Class. 'Ordinary Class', 'Sweepstakes', 'Special Class', 'Trophy Class' and 'Championship' have the meaning given in the Relevant Schedule.

3. ENTRY AND NOMINATION FEES

3.1 The entry fee and, if applicable, the nomination fee, become the property of RASV on receipt by RASV and, without limitation, the entry fee and, if applicable, nomination fee paid in respect of an entry which is withdrawn, or which does not satisfy the requirements for entry or conditions of eligibility will not be refunded.

3.2 In the event that the Royal Melbourne Show or a competition/awards program is cancelled due to COVID–19 health regulations or if state borders restrictions are enforced and the Exhibitor is unable attend the Show, RASV will provide a full refund on entry fees, pre-purchased onsite accommodation fees (lockers and camping), showgrounds parking fees, showgrounds stabling/bedding fees and pre-ordered catalogues. RASV will not be liable for any other costs incurred. RASV will provide a pro-rata refund of fees in the event that Show days are cancelled due to COVID-19.

4. DOCUMENTS FOR PRESENTATION WHILST AT THE SHOWGROUNDS

Animal Registration papers, AAR microchip papers, show-jumping performance cards and birth certificates, or certified photocopies thereof, are not required to be submitted to RASV or to accompany an Application for Entry. Such documentation will be required to be on hand whilst the Exhibitor and the Exhibits are on the Showground (if the Application for Entry specifies such documentation is required) and must be produced upon request for perusal by the Chief Steward or other RASV authorised person. Failure to produce such documents if requested will result in the Exhibit being ineligible for the Event.

5. OWNERSHIP OF EXHIBITS

5.1 Ownership on entry

At the time RASV receives the Entry Form for entry to an Event; the Exhibit entered into that Event by the Exhibitor must be the property of the Exhibitor or held by the Exhibitor under a written lease in existence at that time.

5.2 Ownership on judging

At the time of judging an Event, each Exhibit entered into that Event by an Exhibitor must be the property of the Exhibitor or be held by the Exhibitor under a written lease in existence at that time. An Exhibit which is not the property of the Exhibitor or held by the Exhibitor under a written lease in existence at the time of judging will be ineligible for the Event.

5.3 Ineligibility for Event

An Exhibit which is not the property of the Exhibitor or held by the Exhibitor under a written lease in existence both at the time RASV receives the Entry Form and at the time of judging will be ineligible for the Event.

6. EXHIBITION OF EXHIBITS

6.1 Grounds for not exhibiting an animal

The Exhibitor must not withdraw an Exhibit from an Event, and an Exhibit must be exhibited, unless a certificate signed by a veterinary surgeon is lodged with RASV certifying that the Exhibit is unable to compete for one or more of the following reasons:

(a) the Exhibit, being an animal, has died;
(b) the Exhibit, being an animal, is unfit to be exhibited due to injury or disease;
(c) the Exhibit is ineligible for the Event; or
(d) some other cause RASV considers reasonable.

6.2 Time for withdrawing an animal Exhibit

A certificate given under Regulation 6.1 must be given to RASV:

(a) before the date for admission of the Exhibit to the Showgrounds (as set out in the Relevant Schedule), if the cause for withdrawal of the Exhibit occurs or arises before that date; or
(b) otherwise, as soon as possible after the cause for withdrawal of the Exhibit occurs or arises.

6.3 Training or preparing Exhibits or Exhibitors

Exhibitors must not enter into an Event that is to be judged by a person who has trained or prepared the Exhibitor or Exhibit within six months of the date of the Event.

7. EXHIBIT TICKET

Subject to the Relevant Schedule, RASV will issue an exhibit ticket for an Exhibit unless it otherwise determines. The Exhibitor or an Agent must produce the exhibit ticket upon a request from RASV or a Steward.

8. CONDUCT OF EXHIBITORS AND AGENTS

8.1 Compliance with rules and regulations

Where an Exhibit and/or Exhibitor and/or an Agent fail to comply with any of the Regulations, RASV may impose one or more of the following penalties on the Exhibit or Exhibitor or both of them:

(d) disqualification;
(e) suspension;
(f) a fine;
(g) order the Exhibit or the Exhibitor, his or her family, invitees and Agents be removed from the Showgrounds; or
(h) any other penalty.

Without limiting the above, RASV may forfeit an award, and upon forfeiture, the Exhibitor must return any ribbon, money, prize card or other evidence of that award to RASV within seven days after receiving notification of the forfeiture. Nothing in this Regulation limits Regulation 9.

8.2 Compliance with directions

(a) The Exhibitor and/or Agent must fully comply with the directions and requests of RASV. Without limitation, directions and requests of RASV may apply to the Exhibit, the Exhibitor, the Agent, the conditions of the Event, the conduct of the Exhibitor, the conduct of the Event, the conduct of the Agent, the decision of the Judge, or the award of prizes.
(b) Without limiting Regulation 8.2(a), upon a request from RASV, an Exhibitor and/or Agent must make a statutory declaration in the form and with respect to matters RASV in its discretion requires.
(c) Without limiting Regulation 8.2(a), upon a request from RASV, an Exhibitor and/or Agent must submit his or her Exhibit for inspection by a Veterinary Surgeon.

8.3 Statements

The Exhibitor and/or Agent must not make a statement regarding an Exhibit, which in the opinion of RASV, is fraudulent, false, erroneous, misleading or deceptive or likely to mislead or deceive.

8.4 Tampering

An Exhibit must not be or have been tampered with or otherwise improperly dealt with by an Exhibitor.

8.5 Unacceptable Behaviour

RASV is committed to providing a fair and equitable Venue for all participants, free from all forms of harassment, bullying and violence. The following behaviours will not be tolerated and may result in the event participant/Exhibitor being removed from the competition Venue and/or disqualified from the competition and formal procedures initiated:

(a) violence;
(b) bullying;
(c) harassment;
(d) sexual harassment;
(e) unlawful discrimination;
(f) victimisation.

Persons breaching acceptable standards of behaviour may be banned from entering future RASV Events and/or the Venue.

8.6 Animals and livestock

Unless RASV gives prior written approval, pets, animals or livestock other than Exhibits must not be brought onto or permitted to enter or remain on the Showgrounds.

8.7 Mutual Recognition

RASV may recognise, act upon and enforce any penalty imposed by a Body on an Exhibit or Exhibitor or Agent at any time.

8.8 Further Proceedings

RASV may conduct further proceedings in relation to any matter concerning an Exhibitor, an Exhibit, an Agent, a potential Exhibitor, or a potential Exhibit, and impose any suspension, fine, disqualification, withdrawal or forfeiture of an award, handicap, reprimand, warning or any other penalty, irrespective of whether a Body has already imposed a penalty on the Exhibitor or the Exhibit or Agent, or on the potential Exhibitor or the potential Exhibit.

8.9 Reciprocal Arrangements

RASV may enter into reciprocal arrangements with a Body in relation to any matter concerning an Exhibit, an Exhibitor, an Agent, a potential Exhibit or a potential Exhibitor.

8.10 Smoking

Melbourne Showgrounds is a completely smoke-free venue (effective 1 September 2016). Exhibitors, staff, patrons and contractors wanting to smoke will need to exit the venue to do so.

9. POWERS OF RASV IN RESPECT TO CONTROL OF THE EVENT

9.1 Power to refuse to accept an Entry, Exhibit or Exhibitor

RASV may refuse to accept an entry for an Event, an Exhibit or an Exhibitor or any of them.

9.2 Power to cancel or alter

RASV may:

(a) alter the Closing Date for an Event, or the Closing Date for receipt of any particular entry;
(b) remove any Exhibit from the Showgrounds or cause any Exhibit to be removed from the Showgrounds;
(c) amend an entry for an Event to, without limitation, substitute an alternate competition or class for the competition or class in which the Exhibit is or was entered;
(d) alter the conditions of any Event;
(e) refuse to display an Exhibit;
(f) rule that an Exhibit or Exhibitor may not compete or is ineligible to compete;
(g) alter the date, time or place on or at which any Event is scheduled to take place or to be judged;
(h) alter the Judge scheduled to judge any Event; or
(i) cancel any Event.

The rights set out above apply notwithstanding:

(a) RASV's acceptance of an entry for an Event;
(b) inclusion of an entry for an Event in the Event Catalogue;
(c) the issue of an exhibit ticket to an Exhibitor or in respect of an Exhibit or an Event; or
(d) the issue of any other document to an Exhibitor or in respect of an Exhibit or an Event.

10. ILLNESS OF AN ANIMAL

10.1 Animal Health Status

If the Exhibitor or any Agent of the Exhibitor detects or suspects any illness amongst any of their Exhibits whilst the Exhibits are at the Showgrounds, the Exhibitor must:

(a) report this fact immediately to the representative of RASV responsible for the applicable livestock section (the Superintendent);
(b) ensure that the Exhibit(s) concerned is/are contained within the space allocated by RASV for the Exhibit(s), unless advised otherwise by the Superintendent or a member of RASV veterinary panel on duty; and
(c) where feasible to do so, contain soiled bedding from the Exhibit(s) concerned within the space allocated by RASV for the Exhibit(s).

The Exhibitor may engage or consult a private veterinary surgeon in respect to the illness only after the above action has been taken and only after first consulting with a member of RASV veterinary panel on duty.

10.2 Treatment upon illness or injury

If an Exhibit is ill or injured, a Veterinary Surgeon may in his or her discretion attend to or treat the Exhibit. The Veterinary Surgeon may do so even in the absence of authority from the Exhibitor, or contrary to that authority.

10.3 Destruction or Removal

Where, in the opinion of a Veterinary Surgeon, an Exhibit should be destroyed or removed from the Showgrounds:

(a) the Veterinary Surgeon or any other person approved by RASV may destroy or remove the Exhibit from the Showgrounds, or both; or
(b) RASV may require the Exhibitor to immediately destroy or remove the Exhibit from the Showgrounds or both.

All costs and expenses incurred by RASV pursuant to this Regulation must be reimbursed by the Exhibitor to RASV. Nothing in this Regulation limits Regulation 9.2.

10.4 Necropsy

If an Exhibit dies while at an Event, RASV may require that a necropsy be conducted on the animal. The Exhibitor must allow for the immediate release of the body to RASV if requested by RASV.

10.5 Veterinary Surgeons

Where an Exhibitor wishes to engage or consult a veterinary surgeon who is not appointed by RASV, the Exhibitor must first inform the representative of RASV responsible for the applicable livestock section. A Veterinary Surgeon, a Judge and RASV itself is not required to have regard to or to consider any opinion of a veterinary surgeon so engaged or consulted by the Exhibitor, and a decision of a Veterinary Surgeon, a Judge or RASV is final regardless of whether or not the Exhibitor has engaged or consulted a veterinary surgeon not appointed by RASV.

11. JUDGING

11.1 Interference

The Exhibitor and Agents of the Exhibitor must not consult, influence or interfere with a Judge or attempt to consult, influence or interfere with a Judge or do any other thing which may influence or interfere with the Judge's freedom of choice or judgment unless it is expressly authorised by the Relevant Schedule.

Unless with the permission of RASV, no Exhibitor or Agent of an Exhibitor may occupy the position of Judge or become in any way identified with the judging or handling of Exhibits in any class in which that person or that person's employers, family members or associates are interested. This does not apply to Stewards.

11.2 Indications of Ownership

The Exhibitor, any Agent of the Exhibitor and the Exhibit must not be equipped with or wear or display anything indicating the ownership of the Exhibit before or during judgment of the Exhibit unless it is expressly authorised by the Relevant Schedule.

11.3 Decision

Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Regulations, the decision of a Judge as to the merits of the Exhibit and the Exhibitor or either of them will be final, and the Exhibitor may not protest or appeal the decision.

11.4 Prizes

Subject to the Relevant Schedule, a Judge may in his or her opinion:

(a) award a second or third prize in place of a first prize;
(b) withhold a prize where a prize should not be awarded;
(c) where there is a tie for any placing in an Event, award subsequent placings so that the next placing will be the number of Exhibits already placed plus one (for example, if two Exhibits tie for first place, award a third for the next placing);
(d) where all the prizes offered in an Event have been awarded and a further Exhibit is of sufficient merit to deserve a prize make a reserve number of the further Exhibit; or
(e) give commendations where they are deserved.
(f) award an Exhibitor more than one prize in any class where more than one entry is permitted.

11.5 Disqualifications

Where an Exhibit or an Exhibitor is disqualified and the applicable award is forfeited, RASV may (but is not obliged to) promote the Exhibit next in order to that prize, whether the Exhibit next in order was awarded a prize or a reserve number. Exhibits next in order, whether awarded a prize or reserve number, may also be promoted to the prize next in order.

11.6 Prize Cards

The Exhibitor must ensure that prize cards awarded for an Exhibit are displayed with the Exhibit while it is on exhibition.

11.7 Judging/Stewarding Covid Health Regulations

RASV will not reimburse any costs (accommodation, meals, loss of income etc) incurred by judges, stewards or other event participants due to enforced COVID–19 isolation and/or quarantine.

Please note, some judging positions may need to be changed without notification to Exhibitors. RASV retains the right to fill a judging position at its own discretion in the event a judge is unable to participate for any reason, including COVID–19 or any travel related restrictions.

12. PROTESTS AND APPEALS

12.1 Restricted to Class

Protests and appeals may only be made by Exhibitors with Exhibits in the class to which the protest relates.

12.2 Protest to Stewards

The Exhibitor may protest to the Chief Steward of the relevant section in relation to conduct, judging or any other matter relating to an Event. A protest must be made in accordance with the procedures set out in the Relevant Schedule and be received by the Chief Steward within 24 hours after the conclusion of the applicable Event.

12.3 Appeal

The Exhibitor may appeal against:

(a) a decision made by RASV pursuant to Regulations; or

(b) a decision of the Chief Steward or if the Chief Steward delegates the person to make the decision to the Assistant Chief Steward, the decision of the Assistant Chief Steward in relation to a protest under Regulation 12.2.

12.4 Form of Appeal

To be an appeal for the purpose of Regulation 12.3 an appeal made by the Exhibitor must be:

(a) in writing setting out in reasonable detail the grounds for the appeal;

(b) addressed to:
The Chief Executive Officer
The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Limited
Melbourne Showgrounds
Epsom Road, Ascot Vale, Victoria, 3032;

(c) accompanied by a deposit of $200.00 (or such other amount as is notified from time to time by RASV for the purpose of this Regulation 12.4(c)); and

(d) received by the Chief Executive Officer by 5 p.m. on the Business Day which is 10 Business Days after the day on which the decision the subject of the appeal was made.

12.5 Review Committee

If an appeal is made in accordance with Regulation 12.4, the Chief Executive Officer must appoint a Review Committee comprised of three people, being persons who were not part of, and who are independent of, the committee or personnel who made the decision the subject of the appeal.

Within a reasonable time after receipt by the Chief Executive Officer of an appeal complying with Regulation 12.4, the Review Committee will meet to consider the appeal.

12.6 Proceedings of the Review Committee

In considering an appeal, the Review Committee must:

(a) give due consideration to the grounds of appeal submitted by the Exhibitor, and to any other evidence submitted by the Exhibitor;

(b) give the Exhibitor an opportunity to make oral representations to the Review Committee; and

(c) in its discretion, call for and hear expert opinion.

12.7 Notification of Review Committee's decision

The Chief Executive Officer will notify the Exhibitor of the Review Committee's decision within 48 hours after that decision is notified by the Review Committee to the Chief Executive Officer. The decision of the Review Committee is final and the Exhibitor will not have any right of appeal in respect of the Review Committee's decision.

12.8 Forfeiture of deposit

Where an appeal is upheld by the Review Committee, the deposit referred to in Regulation 12.4 will be refunded to the Exhibitor when or within a reasonable time after the decision of the Review Committee is notified by the Chief Executive Officer to the Exhibitor. Where an appeal is not upheld by the Review Committee, the deposit referred to in Regulation 12.4 will be retained by RASV.

13. ACCOMMODATION

13.1 No obligation to provide Exhibit space or accommodation

(a) RASV is not obliged to provide space for an Exhibit or accommodation for an Exhibitor or any Agent of an Exhibitor. For the purposes of these Regulations, "accommodation" includes provision of a space for a person to sleep.

(b) Where RASV, in its discretion, allocates space for an Exhibit or accommodation for an Exhibitor or any Agent of an Exhibitor, only the allocated areas may be used, and only for the purpose designated by RASV.

13.2 Personal effects

RASV has no responsibility or liability for any loss or damage:

(a) suffered by an Exhibitor or any Agent of an Exhibitor using space provided for an Exhibit or accommodation for an Exhibitor or any Agent of an Exhibitor; or

(b) caused to personal belongings, equipment or property which is brought onto the Showgrounds by an Exhibitor or any Agent of an Exhibitor.

14. FIRE REGULATIONS

14.1 Flames

The Exhibitor and any Agent of the Exhibitor must not smoke, cook, or heat water by any means whatsoever or use any device involving naked flame in or near any animal pavilion, stall, pen or locker.

14.2 Electrical Interference

The Exhibitor and any Agent of the Exhibitor must not:

(a) subject to Regulation 14.3, use mains powered electrical devices in or near any animal pavilion, stall, pen or locker or any Exhibit.

(b) alter or interfere with any electrical wiring, switch, plug or socket whatsoever on the Showgrounds.

14.3 Exceptions

Nothing in Regulation 14.2(a) prohibits the use of main powered electrical appliances which are, in the opinion of RASV, essential to animal care, or the use of a light-bulb in a locker if the light-bulb is fitted in the socket provided.

15. VEHICLE PARKING

15.1 Loading and Unloading

With the prior consent of RASV, Motor Vehicles of an Exhibitor or an Agent of an Exhibitor may enter the Showgrounds or any area under RASV control, for the purpose of loading or unloading only. Motor Vehicles must not remain on the Showgrounds, or any area under RASV control, and must be removed immediately upon completion of loading or unloading.

15.2 Caravans

Caravans of an Exhibitor or an Agent of an Exhibitor must not enter or remain on the Showgrounds, or any area under RASV control, for any purpose, unless in accordance with the prior written consent of RASV.

15.3 Tow Away

Any Motor Vehicle or Caravan entering or remaining on the Showgrounds, or any area under RASV control, in contravention of the Regulations or of any other parking rules or restrictions, may be removed from the Showgrounds, or any area under RASV control, by RASV and stored. Any costs incurred by RASV pursuant to this Regulation must be paid by the Exhibitor.

16. LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY

16.1 Release

Entry to, remaining on and using the Showgrounds or any part of them by an Exhibitor is entirely at the risk of the Exhibitor and, to the maximum extent permitted by law, the Exhibitor releases RASV (which term includes in this clause RASV's officers, employees, members, contractors and agents), from all claims, demands and liabilities of every kind resulting from any accident, damage, injury or illness occurring at the Showgrounds and, without limitation, the Exhibitor acknowledges and agrees:

(a) RASV has no responsibility or liability for any loss, damage, injury or illness to or caused by any Exhibit;

(b) RASV has no responsibility or liability for any loss, damage, injury or illness to or caused by any Exhibitor or any Agent;

(c) RASV has no responsibility or liability for any loss or damage to a Motor Vehicle or any of its contents whilst it is on the Showgrounds or in any car park under RASV's control; and

(d) without limiting Regulations 16.1(a) and 16.1(b) above, RASV has no responsibility or liability for any loss, damage, injury or illness resulting from the sale, treatment, failure to treat, destruction, disposal or other dealing with any Exhibit, or for any loss, damage or injury to any personal belongings, equipment or property brought onto the Showgrounds by any person.

16.2 Indemnity

To the maximum extent permitted by law, the Exhibitor indemnifies and keeps indemnified RASV and its officers, employees, members, contractors and agents from and against all actions, claims, demands, losses, damages, costs, expenses and liabilities including without limitation, consequential loss and loss of profits for which RASV is or may be or become liable in respect of or arising from:

(a) loss, damage, injury or illness to any person in connection with the Exhibit or the relevant Event;

(b) without limiting Regulation 16.2(a), loss, damage, injury or illness to any other Exhibit or Exhibitor, or any Agent of any other Exhibitor, or to the property of RASV, or its members, or to the general public, or any member of the general public, caused or contributed to or by any act or omission of an Exhibit of the Exhibitor or by the Exhibitor or any Agent of the Exhibitor; and

(c) without limiting Regulation 16.2(a), loss, damage, injury or illness to the Exhibit, or to the Exhibitor or any Agent of any other Exhibitor caused or contributed to by an act or omission of an Exhibit or by the transportation, feeding, housing or exhibiting of an Exhibit.

16.3 Removal from Showgrounds

Without prejudice to any other provision in these Regulations, where RASV, its officers, employees, members, contractors or agents removes an Exhibit, or causes an Exhibit to be removed from the Showgrounds, the Exhibit is removed or caused to be removed entirely at the risk of the Exhibitor. The person or persons removing the Exhibit will be deemed to be the agent of the Exhibitor, and his or her acts and omissions will be deemed to be the acts and omissions of the Exhibitor.

17. ANIMAL OWNER'S LIABILITY INSURANCE

RASV may arrange owner's liability insurance cover for Exhibitors of Exhibits that are animals, and, if RASV does so, the Exhibitor is bound by the terms and conditions of this insurance and by applicable duties of an insured under the Insurance Contracts Act (1984). Details of owner's liability insurance cover arranged by RASV are set out in the Relevant Schedule.

18. INFORMATION HANDLING

RASV is bound by the National Privacy Principles of the ***Privacy Act 1988*** **(Cth)** and other applicable laws governing privacy.

18.1 Collection of Personal Information

(a) RASV may collect, hold and use personal information about Exhibitors, their family members, invitees or Agents.

(b) The types of information that may be collected include names and contact details, credit card details, qualifications, results of the Exhibitor's entry into the relevant Event and any reprimand, fine, disqualification, withdrawal of an award or penalty imposed on the Exhibitor in connection with entry of the Exhibit in the relevant Event. Information may also be collected from other Bodies relating to the Exhibitor's entry into events held by that Body including, without limitation, reprimands, fines, disqualifications, withdrawals of awards or penalties imposed.

(c) Personal information is collected for the purpose of administration of Events and the Show, as well as related purposes including, without limitation, promoting the Events and the Show, maintenance of records of information relevant to qualifications for future events, maintenance of health and safety records in relation to Events, applicable insurance cover for Events and making claims under RASV's insurance for incidents which involve an Exhibitor and occur during an Event.

(d) Personal information may also be used for the purpose of informing Exhibitors about other events and services. RASV may send an Exhibitor publications and information about other events and services unless the exhibitor indicates to RASV that the Exhibitor does not want to receive such publications or information.

18.2 Sharing of Personal Information

(a) RASV may share information which has been collected by RASV under Regulation 18.1 with other organisations and service providers to assist in administering the Events and the Show, including co-sponsors of Events and health service providers, indemnity or insurance providers or other Bodies, or any entity that may subsequently administer the Event.

(b) RASV may also publish winners details on its websites or publications or disclose information about an Exhibitor to the media for the purpose of publishing articles on the Exhibitor's participation in the Event, unless the Exhibitor has requested that the Exhibitor's personal information not be published or disclosed for these purposes.

(c) RASV may also disclose information if otherwise required or authorised by law.

19. COVID SAFE SHOW

RASV will work closely with DOH to ensure that the Royal Melbourne Show is compliant with all COVID Safe requirements as directed by Government and to optimise the safety for all patrons, Exhibitors, staff and competitors. To keep up to date on the most current plans to keep Melbourne Showgrounds COVID Safe, visit our COVID Safe FAQ page. https://www.melbourneshowgrounds.com/organisers/covid-19-safety/

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