



August 12 – 17, 2024



**ENTRY DEADLINE: July 26, 2024**

All entries must be submitted online:

<https://www.assistexpo.ca/annapolis-valley-exhibition>

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## ANNAPOLIS VALLEY EXHIBITION - GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

Rule change only by Board approval

Board of Directors: Anne Callanan, Byron Lamb, Correna Keddy, John Bruce, Russell Ernst, Dave Leonard, Katrina Barrett, Lori Height, Charlesea Fiske, Hilary Campbell

**These General Rules apply to all competitions and exhibitors and have precedence over any other rules adopted by Sub-Committees in any case where there is a conflict between rules.**

1. The Board of Directors has the final and absolute right to interpret all rules and regulations and determine all matters, questions or disputes. The Board has the right to amend or add to these rules and regulations as their judgment may determine, from time to time. Entries are accepted subject to this rule; by signing the entry form, participants agree to abide by the rules defined herein.
2. Management may remove exhibitors without refund for disorderly conduct.
3. Management reserves the right to refuse any exhibitor for lack of space subject to the provision that space will be allocated on a first come first served basis.
4. All entries must be submitted online through the Annapolis Valley Exhibition website. Paper entry forms will not be accepted. Please refer to specific prize book for entry deadlines and rules. Late entries will only be accepted if space allows. A late fee will be charged. See entry form for amount.
5. Entries will not be accorded precedence as to order of receipt until they are complete in all respects. **Entry fees are due upon submission of entry forms. No entry shall be considered complete until all applicable fees are paid in full.**
6. The Management shall have the sole right and discretion to allocate exhibits and exhibitors to whatever barn, building, stall, or space is considered appropriate, notwithstanding any apparent outward designation on the building, grounds or any plan.
7. Articles exhibited other than livestock must be produced, grown, created or manufactured in the current year.

### GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS

1. The Exhibition building and grounds will be open on Sunday after 1pm prior to the Exhibition for the reception and arrangement of exhibits, unless specified under Class Rules. Exhibitors are reminded that they enter all exhibits at their own risk.
2. The Exhibition grounds will be open to the public during the Exhibition week at times determined by the Management and posted or advertised each year.
3. No pets are allowed on the Exhibition property during Exhibition week, except pets of exhibitors which must be confined to the trailer park.
4. All officials will be designated by proper badges or other designation.
5. There is no exhibitor parking on the grounds. Supplies may be dropped off before 8:30 in the morning and vehicles are to be immediately moved to the designated exhibitor parking area in the main parking lot. **\*\*\*First offense – ticket on windshield; Second offense – forfeit prize monies; Third offense – vehicle(s) will be towed at the owner's expense.\*\*\***
6. The Annapolis Valley Exhibition restricts all smoking of tobacco, cannabis, and vapes within 15 metres of all structures on the Exhibition Grounds. No smoking or vaping of any substance is permitted in the bleachers.

### JUDGING AND PRIZES

1. No person shall be permitted to enter the judge's ring while judging is in progress, except the judges, their attendants, show ring officials, and such exhibitors as have been called into the ring by the judge or judges.
2. No changes in classification can be made after judging commences.
3. Any person interfering with the judge(s) while in the discharge of their duties shall be removed from the grounds.
4. All judges shall give reasons for the placings when asked and may give reasons in any case.
5. No person shall be allowed to receive more than one prize in any one section of a non-livestock class. Accordingly, two entries may not be made in any one section or class. Special prizes may be awarded in addition.
6. Any exhibitor found to have employed any dishonest measures shall not only forfeit the prize which might be awarded to him or her but shall, in future, be barred from competition in the Exhibition.

7. Due to the necessity of proceeding with judging as rapidly as possible, all animals must be ready to enter the ring when called and all other exhibits must be prepared and available when judging begins. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in forfeiting the right to show in the relevant class.
8. All protests of the judge's decisions must be submitted in writing to the Manager of the Exhibition and accompanied by a deposit of \$25.00. Protests or appeals must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the Manager within four (4) hours after the occasion for the protest. No protest will be accepted based on the contention that a judge has overlooked an exhibit. If the protest is not sustained, the deposit shall be forfeited.
9. Prize money may be reduced up to 50% at the discretion of the Board in the event of reduced income due to bad weather, lack of entries, or other valid reasons.
10. Committee discretion has the final word on whether livestock is fit to show.
11. All claims for prize money not received must be made to the Manager before September 30th of the current year.
12. Special prizes require a special entry and special exhibit when the terms of the special class vary from the terms of the regular section.

#### LIVESTOCK ENTRIES

1. Stalls for all livestock entries shall be allotted in order of receipt of entries at the time of entry. Exhibitors may not trade stalls without obtaining the approval of Management and recording the approved trade at the Exhibition Office.
2. All registered animals are subject to being checked for registration. Registration papers and R.O.P. data must be available prior to and up to the time of judging. No animals will be accepted as purebred or registered until registration papers are available from the owner.
3. All animals must be owned by the exhibitor at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the Exhibition.
4. Entries in classes comprised of more than one animal may be made up of animals shown individually.
5. Any animal showing signs of infectious disease or parasite infection will be barred from the Exhibition and be removed immediately from the grounds.
6. All livestock competing for special prizes must also be entered in at least one (1) regular Exhibition class.
7. Feed and bedding for livestock is the responsibility of the exhibitor. All manure and bedding shall be cleaned up by 8:30 am each day. Stalls will be cleaned, and all manure and bedding must be removed from the stall when the animal leaves the grounds. A minimum charge of \$50.00 per stall will be assessed against exhibitors failing to abide by the rule. Should this charge not be paid promptly, the exhibitor will be prohibited from future participation until fee is settled.
8. Grooming and care of animals will take place in the stalls or designated area. Cross-tying of livestock in the aisles is not permitted.
9. Due to concerns for the movement of traffic and safety of attendants and exhibitors at the Exhibition, the Board shall fix times for departure of livestock and other exhibits when classes have been completed each year. **For the current year, livestock shall be moved to and from the grounds according to the following times:**
  - Dairy – in and settled from 4pm Sunday to 10am Monday, out Wednesday by 10am.**
  - Beef – in and settled Wednesday between 1pm and 4pm, out after 9pm Saturday.**
  - Light Horse – as noted in prize book.**
  - Other Livestock – out 10pm Saturday.**
10. Livestock trailers are not permitted to be parked inside the grounds. Exhibitors in special Horse or Ox pulls will be permitted to work from their trailers, providing they ship in no more than 2 hours prior to the pull and leave the grounds within one hour of the completion of the pull in the area allocated. Animals must be supervised at all times and not left unattended. All others must be stabled.
11. The owner and handler of livestock will be responsible for the behaviour and control of his or her animal. Livestock must be well-broke to halter. No dangerous, uncontrolled animals will be permitted. The Manager may order any such animal off the grounds without reimbursement for any entry fee or other fees paid.
12. Trailer Park admission as Livestock Exhibitor requires participation in 3 classes or more. Trailer Park admission will be issued to non-exhibitors only if space permits, on a first come first served basis.
13. Campers/Trailers may arrive in the trailer court after 5pm Thursday before the Exhibition. Trailer court noise curfew is 11:00 pm.

14. Any Trailer pumping Grey Water or Black Water onto the ground in the trailer park or Exhibition grounds will be removed immediately.
15. After each Exhibition and all Weekend Events trailers must be removed from the property within 24 hours or they will be removed at the owner's expense.
16. Returning exhibitors have first refusal of campground space. After the entry deadline, the office will allocate new exhibitor spots (or returning who missed a year) according to size of the trailer. Non-Exhibitors are allocated spots after all exhibitors are accommodated. Please note: if an exhibitor is not returning, that exhibitor cannot "give" a campground space to someone else; the office allocates campground spaces. The manager's decision is final.
17. Trailer Park: All 15 amps may be only 15 amps before the breaker trips. For example: the system will run a Fridge and Lights. A small Hot Water Heater will trip the breaker. Run Air Conditioners at your own risk. If there are any electrical problems in the Trailer Park, you will need a purchase order from the Office for Electrician to attend.

#### **SAFETY OF EXHIBITS**

1. Employees will endeavour to protect exhibits and ensure good order, but owners themselves must assume all risk for exhibits. Should any exhibit be accidentally or willfully damaged, injured, lost or stolen, the Exhibition will provide whatever assistance it can towards the recovery of the same, but will not make any payment for the value thereof or reimbursement for the loss.
2. No Smoking within 15 metres (50 feet) of buildings, including barns and washrooms.

#### **ANNAPOLIS VALLEY EXHIBITION LIQUOR AND SAFETY POLICY**

The Board and Staff of the Annapolis Valley Exhibition Society wish our visitors to have a great time while at our Exhibition. Please note our policy on the supply of liquor during the Exhibition.

- No person under the age of 19 will be permitted to purchase/consume liquor on our site.
- Identification to be presented when requested.
- No liquor is to be consumed on the Exhibition grounds outside of our pub area.
- For residents and guests of the trailer park areas, liquor may only be consumed inside trailers. Failure to follow this directive may result in fines from the RCMP.
- Persons who appear impaired will be refused entry to the Exhibition grounds or pub and will be removed by security/RCMP.
- Persons who are violent or causing upset will be removed by security/RCMP and may be barred from the grounds for a period decided by the Board of Directors.
- Please be safe – don't drink and drive. Impaired drivers will be reported to the RCMP.
- T-shirts or shirts must be worn at all times during your visit.
- Please enjoy yourself and act responsibly.

## DAIRY CATTLE - SHOW CODE OF ETHICS

While presenting a positive image to spectators, the following supports good animal husbandry both at home and at a show.

**PART I** The following practices or procedures are considered unacceptable and defined as unethical in the show ring of registered dairy cattle:

- Misrepresenting the age of the animal for the class in which it is shown.
- Filling an animal unnaturally with liquid (tubing).
- Administering epidural anesthesia (blocking tails).
- Performing surgery of any kind to change the natural contour of appearance of the animal's body, hide or hair. Not included is the removal of warts, teats and horns, clipping and dressing of hair and trimming of hooves.
- Inserting foreign material/articles under skin into the top line or on feet.
- Roping udders.
- Criticizing or interfering with the judge, show management, or other exhibitors while in the show ring; or other conduct detrimental to the breed or show.

**PART II** The provisions of this part apply to entries of a breed regulated by a breed association which has adopted this part.

- If intended for use in contravention of the Code of Ethics, no exhibitor and no agent, employee or other person acting on behalf of an exhibitor, shall have in his or her possession or control, any hypodermic syringe, needle or other device, swabs, cloths or other material or any medicine, preparation or substance, whether in liquid or any other form.
- Exhibitors will not be allowed to wrap hocks or drain fluid from hocks at a show unless authorized by a veterinarian at the show.
- All entries and the personal property of all exhibitors, their servants and agents and persons acting on behalf of exhibitors, are subject to inspections by inspectors authorized by a show. All such persons shall cooperate with the inspectors and shall provide all such information in connection with such inspections and shall provide access to the animal and all information reasonably required by inspectors in connection with such inspections and shall provide, if so requested, samples of urine and blood suitable for analysis.
- Exhibitors shall also remove any udder supports, blankets or other objects limiting the ability of the inspector to undertake a thorough inspection. In particular, the inspectors shall be informed, in advance, of the nature of any medicine, treatment or substance administered to any entry and the reason therefore. Inspections under this paragraph may be carried out at any time while the animal is at the show and elsewhere in the period ending 30 days after the termination of the show between the hours of 6:00am and 8:00pm.
- Any inspector may, at any time, require the delivery to him of any hypodermic syringe, needle or other device, swabs, cloths or other material, or samples or any medicine, preparation or substance, whether in liquid or other form, in the possession or control of the exhibitor, his servants, agents or persons acting on behalf of the exhibitor for the purposes of laboratory analysis.
- Subject to the provisions of subparagraph (b), the following entries are disqualified and shall not participate further in the show in which the entry is disqualified. (i) Any animal determined by an inspector, who is also a veterinarian, to localized swelling, oedema, erythema, sensitivity, reddening, firmness, warmth or exfoliation of the skin, but excluding general oedema associated with parturition or mastitis, or a sore in the area where the large blood vessels enter the udder, (ii) Any animals entered by an exhibitor whose servants, agents or persons acting on his behalf, fails to cooperate in the inspection provided for under paragraph 3 or 4.
- (b) The inspector's determinations pursuant to subparagraph (a) (i) is subject to an appeal by the exhibitor to the appeal committee appointed by the show for the purpose. Any such appeal must be made by notice in writing delivered to the show management within one hour of notification of the inspector's determination. In keeping with the basic philosophy of the exhibition/show committee, ethics are an individual responsibility. However, it should be understood that violators are subject to disciplinary provision of the Rules and Regulations.

## PUREBRED DAIRY CLASSES (FEMALE)

1. Pre Junior Calf Born 01 June 2024 to Ex show day
  - a. Holstein
  - b. Coloured Breed
2. Junior Calf Born 01 Mar 2024 – 31 May 2024
  - a. Holstein
  - b. Coloured Breed
3. Intermediate Calf Born 01 Dec 2023 – 28 Feb 2024
  - a. Holstein
  - b. Coloured Breed
4. Senior Calf Born 01 Sept 2023 – 30 Nov 2023
  - a. Holstein
  - b. Coloured Breed
5. Summer Yearling Born 01 June 2023 – 31 Aug 2023
  - a. Holstein
  - b. Coloured Breed
6. Junior Yearling Born 01 Mar 2023 – 31 May 2023
  - a. Holstein
  - b. Coloured Breed
7. Breeders Herd - 3 animals bred and owned by exhibitor. Each animal in the group must have been exhibited in one of the eligible classes for single animals.  
(The registration certificate for each respective animal must show the exhibitor as “breeder” and as “owner” - in both cases either as an individual or in partnership. In other words, the exhibitor may be a “joint owner” of an animal and/or the “joint breeder” of an animal. All animals must be from one farm or breeding unit.)

## SHOWMANSHIP

8. PeeWee Showmanship under 9 years
9. Junior Showmanship 9-13 years
10. Senior Showmanship 14 years & over

## CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

Champion Holstein  
Champion Coloured  
Champion Overall Dairy Animal  
Champion Showmanship

PREMIER BREEDER / PREMIER EXHIBITOR - Point system:

1<sup>st</sup> – 10 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8 4<sup>th</sup> – 7 5<sup>th</sup> – 6 6<sup>th</sup> – 5 7<sup>th</sup> – 4 8<sup>th</sup> – 3 9<sup>th</sup> – 2 10<sup>th</sup> – 1

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