

# **OKANAGAN 4-H STOCK SHOW ASSOCIATION**

## **BACKGROUND AND RULES**

Effective November 23, 1994

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The Okanagan 4-H Stock Show Association (the Stock Show) is an incorporated society, which operates the 4-H Stock Show during the first week of July at the IPE Grounds in Armstrong, BC. The Stock Show is a 4-H event, which means it is an event affiliated with the 4-H movement, but is in addition to the regular 4-H program operated by the BC 4-H Provincial Council.

While the Stock Show is underway on the IPE Grounds, many 4-H clubs have events on the grounds, including judging, horsemanship training and social events. The Stock Show is responsible for all of these events and works with all the clubs to arrange those events, which are of interest to all 4-H members. Beef clubs are responsible for organizing the beef show and sale while horse, llama and dog clubs organize their time at the Stock Show to suit their needs. In order to use the 4-H name, logo, trademark, etc the Okanagan Stock Show Association has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding and signed a Letter of Agreement with the Provincial 4-H Council verifying that the Stock Show complies with the following guidelines:

1. The BC 4-H program policies are adhered to and the rules of the event fall within those policies;
2. The event is restricted to enrolled 4-H members and 4-H projects;
3. All requirements for the usage of Canadian 4-H council, 4-H name, logo and trademark will be met;
4. The event is complimentary to the 4-H program purpose of the development of youth;

Therefore, all beef projects shown at the stock show must meet the BC Specific Regulations for 4-H Beef Clubs contained in 4-H Publication Number 400. A copy of that publication is contained with the written material given to each 4-H member upon entry to the program. The Stock Show Association has adopted it's own rules which are in addition to the rules set out above. Each division of the Stock Show has rules, which relate specifically to that division. The rules applying to all Stock Show members and specifically to the beef division are set out in the following pages.

## **STOCK SHOW GENERAL RULES**

Adopted November 23, 1994

1. All entries in the Stock Show are limited to enrolled 4-H members and their current year's registered 4-H project;
2. The BC 4-H Program policies as set out in the Policy & Procedures Manual of the BC 4-H Provincial Council must be adhered to;
3. The use of alcohol and/or drugs by 4-H members at the Stock Show is strictly prohibited. Sexual activity during the Stock Show is also prohibited. Any member found to be in possession of or to have consumed alcohol and/or drugs or to have been included in sexual activity shall forfeit all rights to competition, and any award, including prize money, shall be forfeited without recourse. The member shall be sent home with their 4-H project and banned from participating in the balance of the Stock Show. Market animals will be removed at the contributor's expense and a commission calculated based on the average weight for that division which commission will be assessed at the time of removal of the member's animal;
4. 4-H members and their parents shall ensure that the members conduct them in accordance with the rules of competition and general rules of the Stock Show. It is the parents' responsibility to ensure that their children are aware of the rules with respect to alcohol, drugs, and sexual activity and appropriate conducts. Those who do not maintain the standard shall forfeit the privileges of the program, return home at their own expense and be charged in full for their portion of any costs incurred;
5. The Stock Show has the right to refuse an application of entry to the Stock Show because of limitations of space or for any other reason deemed appropriate by the directors of the Stock Show.
6. In the event of any misrepresentation, fraud, deception or dishonest practice, the directors of the Stock Show has the power to withhold awards and may prohibit the offending party or parties from exhibiting in any class for one or more years, and may also publish the names. It is considered fraudulent, deceptive or dishonest to deface an exhibit, alter the natural structure, color or natural conformation of an exhibit by any means. The offending member or members shall forfeit the privileges of the program, return home at their own expense, and be charged in full for their portion of any costs incurred, in addition, the directors may charge a commission to the member in an amount the directors believe to be appropriate if the member was showing a project which was to be sold.

7. All animals must be free from contagious or infectious disease. Infected animals will not be allowed in the barn. Each division may have additional health requirements, which are set out in the rules relating to that division.
8. The directors of the Stock Show reserve the right to decide any issue not covered by these rules which the directors consider necessary in the proper regulation and management of the Stock Show. The decision of the director shall be final.
9. A Stock Show judge and/or ringman have the power to dismiss a member for in appropriate behavior.
10. The use of tranquilizers on animals entered in Stock Show is forbidden. Any animal found to have been treated with tranquilizers will be disqualified and the member showing that animal shall forfeit the privileges of the program, return home at their own expense and be charged in full for their portion of any costs incurred, including a reasonable commission on any animal intended to be sold at the sale;
11. Any member dissatisfied with any decision made by the directors may apply in writing to have that decision reviewed by a review committee. The committee shall consist of three persons, one being appointed by the 4-H District Council, one being a coordinator of the Stock Show division, which the member is entered in, and one other person appointed by the Stock Show directors. The application for review shall be accompanied with the payment of the sum of \$30.00 payable to the Stock Show Association. The \$30.00 payment will be refunded to the member submitting the application for review if the decision being reviewed is overturned.