

TEAM FITTING COMPETITION GUIDELINES

The objective of the contest is to gain the ability to work as a team and to enhance the show ring performance of the groomed animal.

1. Each team will consist of two individuals. Team may not be made up of two Senior Members.
2. Each team will be responsible for bringing a heifer or steer to use in the competition. The animals are to be at ring side, pre-clipped, dry and no pre-show preparation of any kind with the exception of clipping and washing. Animals will be checked before entering the competition area.
3. Each team must provide their own fitting equipment. Once the contest begins, no team members may leave the area and no additional equipment may be brought into the fitting area. There will be no blowers in the show ring. Corded and Cordless clippers will be allowed. While power will be available nearby each chute, Teams will be responsible for their own extension cords.
4. Once the fitting area is designated for each team by the contest officials, the team may setup their grooming chute and supplies in their designated area. These items should be in place at least 5 minutes prior to the announced starting time for the contest.
5. Each team will be given twenty (20) minutes to prepare their animal, and five (5) minutes to Show.
6. All fitting and grooming techniques must be within the accepted practices for Okanagan Stock Show.
7. No outside assistance will be allowed.
8. Judges will circulate and question participants during the 20 minutes, and while the animal is in the chute. Once the animal has been groomed and time is called, participants must stand at the front of the chute until released by the Judge.
9. A team designated member will present the animal for the final Judging.
10. Points will be awarded as follows:
 - Ability to fit – 25 points
 - Organization of Supplies and Equipment – 5 points
 - Participation of Each Team Member – 10 points
 - Overall Effect – 5 points
 - Knowledge and response to question – 5 points
11. Judging will be by a 2 member panel (if available) of Judges based on 50 points maximum from each Judge.
12. Animals may be watered but no feed or hay will be allowed in the fitting contest area.