

# RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All exhibits and livestock must be the property of the person in whose name each is entered.
2. The attention of exhibitors is particularly directed to the special regulations of each class.
3. No premium shall be awarded for which there is not more than one competitor unless by special recommendation of the judges.
4. No person shall receive more than one premium in any section. This applies only to exhibits in the buildings and tents.
5. No person shall be allowed to go near the judges during the inspection of stock, etc., except the directors whose duty it shall be to preserve order and point out the various lots. Any person interfering with the judges shall forfeit the premiums to which they might otherwise be entitled. **ABSOLUTELY NO UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT TOLERATED.**
6. The decision of the judge(s) shall be final and no appeal shall be considered except in the case of protest. Any protests shall be made in writing and shall be delivered within 24 hours of the award to the Secretary. In the absence of competition in any section or the entry be inferior quality, judges may award only such prizes as they deem the entry worthy of.
7. Any exhibitor or interested persons who make such protest shall be required to deposit the sum of two dollars and if said protest is not sustained, the said amount shall be retained by the Society. The president, first vice president and first named director in the section shall constitute a committee to determine such protests. The directors reserve the right in all cases to interpret their own rules.
8. Each exhibitor must have their own number. There will be no entry fee for Youth Section but 10% of prize money will be deducted on all other sections. Exhibitors earning less than \$15.00 will not be subject to 10% deduction.
9. The sum of \$6.00 will be retained by the Treasurer, as a membership fee for the ensuing year, from all parties who obtain prizes. Prize money will be paid by cheque and mailed as early as possible. **CHEQUES NOT CASHED BY DECEMBER 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR WILL BE VOID.**
10. Members will be provided one complimentary voucher, good for \$6 off cost of admission.
11. All entry tags must be securely attached to the article which they represent, except in the case of animals/fowl in which case tickets must be attached to the pen or coop.
12. While directors will take every possible precaution under the circumstances to secure the safety of the articles sent to the fair, the owners thereof must take the risk of exhibition and should any article be accidentally injured, lost or stolen, the directors will give all assistance in their power towards recovery but will not make any payment for the value thereof. Exhibitor to be responsible for delivering and removing entries from fair. **NO mailed exhibits accepted.**
13. An enclosure will be provided where possible to protect all exhibits in the exhibit hall.
14. It shall be the condition of entry that the Society shall not be liable for any loss to an exhibitor occasioned by fire, accident, and condition of structure, theft, or the negligence of other exhibitors or of officials or otherwise whatsoever.
15. All animal show entrants will complete and sign a disclaimer. Each exhibitor is responsible for his/her own liability insurance and must be prepared to show proof (i.e. Certificate of Liability showing insurance company, policy number, expiry date and minimum limits).
16. The directors reserve the right at any time to cancel this prize list and they will not be held responsible for the payment of prize money if circumstances beyond their control should arise.
17. In case of bad or unfavourable weather or other reasons causing receipts to fall short of payment of the expenses, a proportionate amount exclusive of membership will be deducted from such prizes and enable the Directors to balance the account without loss.
18. The society will not be responsible for any printing or other palpable errors in this prize list.
19. Enter online at [www.assistexpo.ca/fergus-agricultural-society](http://www.assistexpo.ca/fergus-agricultural-society). Note: tags will still need to be used with each entry for display purposes. Entry forms and tags are available prior to the fair at: Brighten Up - Fergus, Ennotville Garage, Geddes' Garage - Alma, Joanie's, Elora Information Centre and Centre Wellington Community Sportsplex office. Any questions can be directed to [info@fergusfallfair.ca](mailto:info@fergusfallfair.ca) or Wendy Whittaker (519-856-9621).
20. An exhibitor found guilty of breaking any rule in the premium list shall forfeit all the prizes to which he or she might otherwise be entitled.
21. Any animal deemed an unworthy individual in the livestock classes by the respective judges should not be awarded a prize.
22. Not more than two entries per dairy class by one exhibitor.
23. No animal shall be exhibited in more than one section except as one of a herd or a brood mare, which may be shown as one of a team. This does not apply to horses in the single outfit or special competitions. All cattle must be haltered.
24. Cows must have had calves within twelve months or be evidently in calf and all mature animals must have raised stock within the present year.
25. Exhibitors of purebred cattle, goats, and sheep must produce to the secretary, satisfactory certificates that the pedigrees of the animals are registered in the Dominion Herd Book. These certificates must in all cases be produced if demanded before animals are entered for exhibition.
26. Heavy draft and agricultural horses must be exhibited before a wagon.
27. A Brood Mare is a mare with a foal suckling at her side.
28. Exhibitors of horses, cattle, goats and sheep must bring their entry to the ring when called by the judges, otherwise they will not be considered.
29. If threats of contagious diseases, please contact committee chair regarding the continuance of each class for showing of livestock.
30. All exhibits of grain, roots, garden produce and flowers must be grown in the current year on land occupied by the exhibitor.
31. All exhibits in food, handicraft, art and photography must be made by the exhibitor(s) and named appropriately.
32. Nothing shall be removed from the main hall until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Those removing entries and/or ribbons before specified time and date will forfeit their prize.
33. An animal is not permitted to enter the premises/fairgrounds unless the animal has an intact approved tag or identifier.
34. Pets are prohibited and are NOT allowed entry to the Fergus Fairgrounds except canine, pet, and show competitors.  
\*Licensed guide dogs and service animals are welcome on the Fergus Fairgrounds but must be under the control of the owner at all times.