

Yorkshire Agricultural Society



Tuesday 8 to Friday 11 July 2025

Patron: His Majesty King Charles III
President: Geoff Brown MBE
Show Director: Rachel Coates

SHOEING & SHOE MAKING COMPETITIONS

Schedule and Regulations

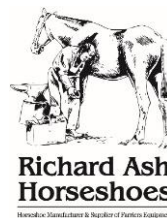
ENTRIES CLOSE
Thursday 29 May

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The Great Yorkshire Show raises funds for the Yorkshire Agricultural Society to help support farming and the countryside.

Registered Charity No: 513238 Company Reg No: 1666751 VAT Reg No: 613048081

Regional Agricultural Centre, Harrogate, North Yorkshire. HG2 8NZ



Farriers and Apprentices entering these classes must be registered with the Farriers' Registration Council, Unit 14, Swan Court Forder Way, Peterborough, PE7 8GX

Judge: Mr G Golby, Long Itchington, Warwickshire

Judge: Mr G Rogerson, Basingstoke, Berkshire

Entries Close: Thursday 29 May 2025 (no refunds after this date)

TEAM PAIRS CLASS 1 - £80 (£40 per person)

Classes 2, 3, 6 & 7 - £40.00

Classes 4 & 5 - £20

BLOCK ENTRY - £130

(£30 saving if entering all 4 Classes 1, 2/3, 6 & 7)

**CLASSES 1, 2, 3, 6 AND 7 ARE OPEN TO REGISTERED FARRIERS ONLY
ALL STEEL WILL BE PROVIDED**

Shoes will be plain - Stamped, Fullered, Swaged and Fullered, or from Fullered Concave, as directed by the Judge.

We have also been approached by the Farriers Registration Council in light of "couping" which is also a welfare concern and will not be permitted at this Show.

CLASS 1 BRITISH PAIRS ROADSTER SHOERING

Sponsored by Silverback Chaps

Each team has to shoe one side of the horse, front fully fullered and hind plain stamped caulkin and wedge. Also, a specimen shoe needs to be made, each team is allowed to use one vice and one anvil only. Time allowed 90 minutes. **Class limited to the first 20 pairs entered.**

To be held on Wednesday of Show.

**Prizes: 1st £200 plus the British Pairs Roadster Shoeing Trophy; 2nd £100; 3rd £80; 4th £60
The Cooke Cup will be awarded for the best shod foot.**

CLASS 2 OPEN HUNTER SHOERING

Sponsored by Handmade Shoes UK Ltd

Competitors to make two shoes and nail one on, to the judge's direction. Time allowed 60 mins. Striker allowed.

To be held on Thursday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £100 plus the Bass North Trophy; 2nd £50; 3rd £40; 4th £30

CLASS 3 MASTERS OPEN HUNTER SHOERING (over 50s)

Sponsored by NWT Horseshoes Ltd

Competitors to make two shoes and nail one on, to the judge's direction. Time allowed 60 mins. Striker allowed.

To be held on Thursday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £100 plus the Masters Open Hunter Trophy; 2nd £50; 3rd £40; 4th £30

CLASS 4 1st AND 2nd YEAR APPRENTICE SHOEMAKING

Sponsored by Strömsholm

By first & second year registered Apprentices. Make shoes to judge's direction. Time allowed 60 minutes. No Striker allowed.

To be held on Thursday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £50; 2nd £30; 3rd £25; 4th £20

CLASS 5 3rd AND 4th YEAR APPRENTICE SHOEMAKING

Sponsored by Mustad

By third & fourth year registered Apprentices. Make shoes to judge's direction. Time allowed 60 minutes. No Striker allowed.

To be held on Thursday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £50, 2nd £30; 3rd £25; 4th £20

CLASS 6 HEAVY HORSE SHOEING

Sponsored by Londonderry Forge Supplies Ltd

Competitors to make two shoes and nail one on, to the judge's direction. Time allowed 70 mins. Striker allowed.

To be held on Friday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £200 Voucher from Londonderry Forge; 2nd £50; 3rd £40; 4th £30

CLASS 7 SURGICAL SHOE-MAKING. Open to Registered Farriers Only

Sponsored by Richard Ash Horseshoes

Make Surgical shoes to the directions of the judge, from the materials provided. Time allowed 60 minutes. No Striker allowed.

To be held on Friday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £100 plus the Westways Trophy; 2nd £50; 3rd £40; 4th £30

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**THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF FARRIERS** makes awards in order to promote, support and maintain the highest standard of excellence in Farriery. Registered Farriers who are awarded the Company's medals have attained the very high standard demanded by the Company Awards may be made in the following:

**SPECIAL PRIZE**

**Silver Medal** - Class 2, 3; **Bronze Medal** - Classes 4, 5 and 7.

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SPECIAL PRIZES

Class 2, 3 & 6 Special prize for best dressed foot kindly donated by **Beanie Tools**.

Class 4 & 5 Special prizes for the placed competitors kindly donated by **Londonderry Forge Supplies Ltd**.

SP1 The competitor with the most combined foot points from classes 2, 3 & 6 will be presented with the *Glenn Brooke Perpetual Memorial Trophy*.

CHAMPION PRIZES

CH1 The Mustad Cup plus £30 prize money and a Special Prize will be awarded for the competitor with the most points in Open Classes 1, 2, 3, 6, 7. The Reserve will receive £20.

CH2 Mustad Show Apprentice - Special Prize will be award to the Apprentice with the most points from class 5 or 6.

BEST SHOD RIDDEN COB

YAS Rosette & Prize Card. The Worshipful Company of Farriers will award a Rosette, Prize Card & Plaque to the winner of this competition and a Plaque for the Registered Farrier responsible for its feet & shoeing

Judge: Mr H Dyer, Londonderry, North Yorkshire

The WFC Approved Judge will examine each horse during the judging (of the Ridden Cob classes), taking into consideration:

- a) The condition of the feet.
- b) The making (or preparation) and fitting of the shoes.
- c) The nailing and position of the clips.

Normal shoes or showing plates are equally acceptable, provided they are suitable for the horse. All Ridden Cobs in Lightweight & Heavyweight classes will automatically be eligible for this competition.

SHOEING AND SHOE-MAKING REGULATIONS

Please note that the general regulations also apply to this section.

We have also been approached by the Farriers Registration Council in light of "couping" which is also a welfare concern and will not be permitted at this Show.

- 1 The competition is open to Registered Farriers, and Registered Apprentices, practising their trade in any part of Great Britain.
- 2 A Registered Farrier is deemed to be a person registered under the Farriers (Registration Act 1975) or (Amendment Act 1977), and all entrants for **shoeing** classes must have a registration number.
- 3 Competitors must bring their own tools, including sledgehammer and provide their own strikers. The competition organisers will provide, forge, anvils, iron, nails. Please note: The location of the Forge is sited near the Fashion Pavilion at the top of the Showground.
- 4 **Competitors should wear appropriate footwear, glasses and protective clothing; the stewards and judges may bar a competitor from competing if, in their opinion, the competitor has inadequate clothing and footwear.**
- 5 Competitors must accept the foot allocated to them.
- 6 Competitors will be advised of the times they are required to compete, and they are to be ready to commence work at the times notified. Adequate time will be allowed to each competitor in Classes 2 and 3 for cutting iron to length and taking off old shoes, before competition rounds commence. The start and finish of competition rounds will be signalled by a timekeeper. A competitor will be considered as having completed work when:
 - a) The competitor's specimen shoes are placed where instructed by a steward.
 - b) The shod foot of the horse is not being handled in any way. All work must stop when instructed and work may be completed after the judge has finished his marking.
- 7 Failure to comply with Regulations 5 and 6 may result in disqualification.
- 8 Entry fees (including VAT): **Class 1 - £80 (£40 per person), 2, 3, 6 & 7 - £40.00, Classes 4 & 5 - £20.00**

Please make cheques payable to Yorkshire Agricultural Society.

- 9 Caravan passes can be purchased for the Show Caravan Park (Brown) for a fixed cost of £100.00 regardless of the number of nights occupied. Please book on the entry form. *Due to the high demand we may not be able to accommodate all requests.*
- 10 No protest will be entertained unless lodged in writing with the Chief Steward or Show Director within 2 hours of the class being judged. Any person lodging an objection must give specific grounds for such objection and deposit the sum of £50 to the Steward which shall be forfeited if the objection is overruled or deemed frivolous.
- 11 **The Judge's decision shall be final.**

YORKSHIRE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

2025 GREAT YORKSHIRE SHOW REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION

Please observe the following rules for your safety, the smooth running of the Show and the enjoyment of all who visit the Show in any capacity.

Show Opening Times

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8.00am to 6.00pm

1. **Entry Fees/Payments**

Entry fees/payment must be made via the on-line system on our website. The Society reserves the right to refuse any entry without providing reasons. Owners of livestock and equine showing classes are eligible for reduced entry fees providing they are a current, Single, Joint or Life Member of the Yorkshire Agricultural Society i.e. have paid the current years' membership subscription or are paying it with their entries. Junior or Intermediate members can upgrade their membership to benefit from the reduced fees.

2. **Acceptance of Entries**

The Society reserves the right to refuse any entry without providing reasons. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure entries are completed well in advance of the entry closing date. Closing dates are final and will be strictly enforced, entries received after the closing date will be returned.

3. **Cancellation or Combining of Classes**

The Society reserves the right to cancel or combine any classes if it is decided that there are insufficient entries or exhibitors. If classes are cancelled all entry fees will be refunded in these circumstances.

Full Cancellation or Withdrawal from Show

If you wish to withdraw from the Show for any reason, then this should be done by writing/emailing the Livestock & Entries Dept. with the details of the reason for your decision. The request will be looked at on an individual basis; this may vary from section to section - see individual Breed Regs.

4. **Checking of Entry Details**

Exhibitors are entirely responsible for the eligibility of their animals for the classes entered and should check that all details are complete and accurate before submitting their entries via the on-line system on our website. Requests to amend incorrect details may attract an admin fee. Entry Fees will not be refunded to exhibitors who enter ineligible animals.

5. **Substitution of entries is NOT allowed.** (Unless stated separately in the individual section Regulations).

6. **Competitor/Exhibitor Declaration**

By submitting entries (in any section), you agree to abide by the content and spirit of and Codes of Conduct regulations of the Yorkshire Agricultural Society. Any exhibitor who breaks any of the Society's rules or uses unfair means to win a prize, will be subject to the rules on Disqualification, Sanctions and Exclusion Orders contained herein and, as a result, may forfeit all prizes and be barred from attending future shows.

7. **Disputes**

In the event of any dispute, parties are directed to the procedure contained under Disqualification, Sanctions and Exclusion Orders contained herein. (Sections 25-42).

8. **Entry to the Show**

Exhibitor tickets in the form of wristbands will be allocated in accordance with the details on the schedule. Additional day tickets may be purchased in advance – please order with your entries. Advance prices are as follows:

Adult £36.50

Child: (5yrs to 18 yrs) £13.00

Family: 2 adults & 3 Children £89.00

9. **Prize money can only be paid by bank transfer following the Show.** Bank details are required (when entering) for any monies to be paid out. If no details are given, we will assume you wish to donate your winnings to the Yorkshire Agricultural Society. All prize money will be paid by the end of August in the current year.

- 10. Display of Exhibits**
No exhibit may be covered during show opening hours. No rosettes or prize cards except those won at the Great Yorkshire Show in the current year may be displayed and are displayed at the owner's risk. Duplicates will not be supplied.
- 11. Merit**
The Judge has discretion to withhold any prize where he/she considers there is insufficient merit.
- 12. Protests**
Any protest must be lodged in writing within two hours of the class being judged and accompanied by a deposit of £50. The protest must be handed in at the Show Office. The protest will be considered by a Committee chaired by the Show Director or the Society Manager and the Committee's decision is final. If the protest, in the view of the Show Director or the Society Manager, is deemed to constitute a Dispute then it will be dealt in accordance with the procedure under Disqualification, Sanctions and Exclusion Orders, contained herein. If the protest is not sustained then the deposit may be forfeited at the Society's discretion. Please note: This is a general regulation and Individual Section Regulations regarding protests may differ to the above.
- 13. Cups and Trophies**
All YAS Society cups and trophies are perpetual and cannot be won outright. Cups and Trophies may be collected from the Show Office on show days on production of the winner's slip which will be handed to the winner in the ring.
Cups and Trophies will not be posted after the Show.
Cups/Trophies must be returned to the Society's Office no later than 13 March 2026 at the expense of the exhibitor.
THIS IS A CONDITION OF TAKING THE CUP/TROPHY.
When returning trophies to the Society please ensure the correct details are supplied for engraving purposes.
PLEASE DO NOT HAVE YAS SOCIETY CUPS/TROPHIES ENGRAVED.
All engraving will be carried out on return of the YAS cup/trophy and must ONLY be at the appointment of the Society. Please note: Due to the age and value of a few of the cups and trophies listed in the schedules, a keepsake/tankard may be offered by the Society instead of that particular cup or trophy, although the winner's details will be added to any such cup or trophy for posterity.
- 14. Dogs/Pets are not allowed on the Showground,** (including Car Parks, Camp sites, etc.) except for Assistance Dogs and those taking part in competitive classes or events.
- 15. Any exhibitor removing their exhibit before the permitted time** as detailed in the relevant schedule shall be deemed to have breached these rules and it will be categorised as a Major Breach (as defined) and will be subject to the rules governing Disqualification, Sanctions and Exclusion Orders.
- 16. Responsibilities of Exhibitors**
It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure they arrive on the showground in sufficient time for the commencement of their classes. Any ring timetables publicised are provisional and may be subject to change. The Society will not accept responsibility for any exhibitor missing their class(es).
- 17. Conditions of Admittance**
Persons are admitted to the showground and car parks at their own risk and vehicles, together with their accessories and contents, are parked at the owner's risk. While every care is taken to ensure the safety of people and vehicles the Society will not accept liability for any loss or damage or personal injury however caused.
- 18. No Smoking**
All enclosed AND substantially enclosed areas on the Showground are Smoke Free (no smoking including the use of e-cigarettes). This includes permanent buildings, temporary structures, tents, marquees or similar, stables, cattle sheds, sheep, pig and goat lines, the Main Ring and White Rose Ring Grandstands. Any persons breaking this rule may be excluded from future shows.

19. Animal Welfare

Any person causing suffering or any form of cruelty to animals will be deemed to have committed a Major Breach of these Rules. Both the first instance adjudicators and any subsequent Appeal Panel will rely on the proposed sanctions below as guidance when considering any decision:

- (a) A lifetime Exclusion Order preventing you from ever exhibiting and/or attending the Show;
- (b) An Order to forfeit of entry fees, prizes and prize monies;
- (c) YAS reserve the right to report any cruelty to animals to any relevant prosecuting authority including but not limited to; the Police, NYC Trading Standards and APHA, RSPCA or any Breed Association.
- (d) The sale of animals at the Show including the vehicle parks is not permitted under any circumstances.

20. Health and Safety

Any exhibitor who fails to comply with health and safety or fire safety legislation may be liable to enforcement action by NYC Environmental Health and the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Fire Safety Officer. It is the responsibility of all exhibitors to familiarise themselves with the Health and Safety Policy for the Show and to comply with any requirements placed on them whilst competing at the Show. Livestock exhibitors will indemnify the Yorkshire Agricultural Society for any losses suffered as a result of their failure to provide competent handlers in accordance with these regulations and the GYS Health and Safety Policy.

21. Disclaimer

In the absence of any negligence or other breach of duty by us, the Society and its officers shall not be responsible for any accident, damage or loss howsoever caused that may occur to any exhibitor or his servant or to any animal, article or property exhibited or brought on to the showground by him." Each exhibitor shall indemnify the Society from and against all actions, suits expenses or claims on account of or in respect of any such damage or injury however caused.

- 22.** The Society and its officers shall not be responsible for any accident, damage or loss however caused that may occur to any exhibitor or his servant or to any animal, article, or property exhibited or brought onto the showground by him. Each exhibitor shall indemnify the Society from and against all actions, suits expenses or claims on account of or in respect of any such damage or injury however caused.

23. Insurance

By submitting an entry you indemnify the YAS that on or from the date of application up to and including the end of the Great Yorkshire Show the applicant will hold valid insurance to insure against loss or damage caused to any person or property to a minimum value of £2 million.

24. By submitting an entry you are confirming to the following:

You are stating that you understand, confirm and agree to the following statement:

"To the best of my knowledge and belief, the animal(s) I have entered is/are free from any clinical disease at the time of entry including Ringworm lesions. I further declare that all necessary precautions will be taken to prevent the said animal(s) from being exposed to infectious or contagious diseases from the time of entry to their arrival on the Showground.

Each and all of the particulars given are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief; that these animals are my own property; and that they are duly qualified, according to the Society's regulations and conditions, to compete for the prize or prizes for which they are entered.

To conform, as an exhibitor, to all the Regulations, Code of Conduct, Conditions and Orders of the Great Yorkshire Show; to hold the Society blameless in the event of any illness, loss or damage occurring to, or through, any animal I may enter or exhibit at the Show, or of mis-delivery of the same: and to indemnify the Society against any legal proceeding arising from any such illness, loss, damage or mis-delivery".

25. **Disqualification, Sanctions and Exclusion Orders**

Disputes

In the event of any dispute between you and any other person attending the Show (other than persons connected with, employed by or representing the Show/YAS) regarding any matter relating to the Show, the parties shall refer the matter to the Show Director or the Society Manager who will make a decision which shall be binding and exclusive.

26. In the event of a dispute between you and the YAS (or any officer, member, associate or employee of the same) the matter will be directed to the Show Director or the Society Manager, in the first instance. The Show Director or Society Manager will, at their sole discretion, decide the appropriate procedure necessary to achieve resolution. The procedures available to the Show Director or the Society Manager are contained in this section alone and by entering this agreement, you agree that the dispute resolution procedures contained herein will be final and binding on the parties.

27. **Rule Breaches**

Upon the YAS becoming aware of any breach of this agreement (the Rules), the matter will be put before the Show Director or Society Manager who will, at their sole discretion, decide whether the breach is deemed to be Minor or Major.

28. Disputes under these Rules will be deemed to fall into 3 categories:

(a) Disputes arising out of Minor Breaches;

Minor Breaches The following examples are intended to be illustrative only and this list is not exhaustive. The Show Director or Society Manager will, at their sole discretion, determine whether any breach is Minor or Major:

- i. Procedural misdemeanours in pre-showing organisation;
- ii. Late arrivals for showing;
- iii. Any other act deemed to be a Minor Breach by the Show Director or Society Manager.

(b) Disputes arising out of Major Breaches;

Major Breaches The following examples are intended to be illustrative only and this list is not exhaustive. The Show Director or Society Manager will, at their sole discretion, determine whether any breach is Minor or Major:

- i. Any act of cruelty to animals or acts that may cause suffering to any animal;
- ii. Any act of dishonesty in competing, showing or exhibiting;
- iii. Any other act that could reasonably be regarded as "cheating", to be determined by the Show Director or Society Manager;
- iv. Any breach of any laws, statute, regulation, statutory instrument or bylaw from time to time in force governing any of the following: transport of animals/livestock, care of animals, presentation of animals, breeding of animals, prevention of disease in animals;
- v. Any other act deemed to be more than a minor breach, as determined by the Show Director or Society Manager.

(c) Disputes not relating to a breach of the rules.

29. **Disputes arising out of Minor Breaches**

Disputes arising out of Minor Breaches will be dealt with at the hearing chaired by the Show Director or Society Manager. The decision of the hearing will be final and binding and there will be no right of appeal. No representation, legal or otherwise, will be allowed at such a hearing and submissions will only be heard from you.

30. Sanctions handed down at a hearing regarding Minor Breaches will be limited to any of the following, singularly or together:

Formal written warnings. Repeated breaches may lead to a matter being re-categorised as

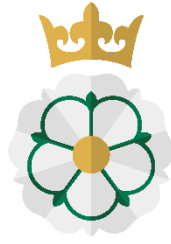
- (a) Major Breach and will be dealt with accordingly;
- (b) A fine of up to £1000 to be paid to YAS;
- (c) A direction that you leave the Show immediately and not partake in any showing or competition for the remaining duration of that year's show. (N.B this will not impact on any Show, Prize or Remuneration already achieved, prior to the breach, and will not equate to a lifetime ban. Refusal to leave the Showground may constitute a Major Breach and will be dealt with accordingly);
- (d) An Order to forfeit prizes and prize monies.

31. **Disputes arising out of Major Breaches** Disputes arising out of Major Breaches will be dealt with at a hearing, in private, chaired by the Show Director or the Society Manager, in the first instance. Evidence will be heard from any witness(es) and submissions will only be allowed from you.
32. No representation legal, or otherwise will be allowed at such a hearing.
33. The hearing will make a decision which shall be binding on all parties.
34. Decisions made in the first instance regarding Major Breaches will be subject to a right of appeal. Should you wish to appeal, you must set out your grounds (reasons) for appeal in writing and these must be lodged with the YAS Society Manager within 48 hours of the first instance decision.
35. **Appeals** Upon receipt of validly served grounds of appeal, YAS will form a panel of between 3-5 appropriate representatives to hear the appeal (The Appeal Panel). The panel may include Council Members, current and former Presidents and any appropriate expert as the appeal may require. The panel will set an appeal date to take place not before 28 days from the date of the first instance decision and elect a person to chair the Appeal Panel.
36. The Appeal Panel at their discretion can appoint a suitably qualified person to provide the Appeal Panel with legal advice, if this occurs and only if this occurs you, the appellant, will be allowed legal representation at any future hearings.

All appeal decisions shall be final, binding and exclusive. By entering this agreement you agree that any decision of the Appeal Panel shall be final

37. The Appeal Panel may make any order to ensure the effectiveness and efficiency of the appeal hearing. This includes: the adjournment of the appeal hearing in order to gather further evidence; request further information or disclosure from you; an order that skeleton arguments or any other documents are provided by the parties to the Appeal Panel; and any other reasonable order. Failure to adhere to any reasonable order will be a waiver of your right to appeal and the first instance decision shall be enforced.
38. At the Appeal hearing evidence may be heard from witnesses, both in person and in writing. Any witness whose evidence is in dispute must give evidence in person and any other parties will have the opportunity to ask further questions of that witness.
39. Opening and closing submissions will be allowed from any party involved in the appeal.
40. At the end of the appeal proceedings the Appeal Panel will make a decision. This may be in writing or verbally.
41. Sanctions handed down at first instance hearing or any subsequent appeal hearing concerning a Major Breach will be limited to any or all of the following:
 - (a) A lifetime Exclusion Order preventing you from ever exhibiting and/or attending the Show;
 - (b) An Exclusion Order for a term of years prescribed by the first instance hearing or Appeal Panel at their discretion. (Any Exclusion Order prescribed by an Appeal Panel will be final and binding);
 - (c) An Order to forfeit of prizes and prize monies;
 - (d) A fine not exceeding £10,000 to be paid to YAS;

- 42.** Costs relating to Minor Breaches or Major Breaches, in the first instance, will be borne by the parties. An Award of costs in relation to appeal proceedings will be decided by the Appeal Panel at the conclusion of the appeal and in the event of a dismissal of the appeal may include any costs incurred by the YAS in relation to the appeal hearing.
- 43. **Publicity and Data Protection****
Yorkshire Agricultural Society is committed to protecting your personal data and processing it only in accordance with legal requirements. We process your personal data as it is necessary for the performance of our contract with you to facilitate your entry to the Show. We will not transfer your data outside of the EEA (European Economic Area) and will not share your data with third parties, except for our online system provider, Breed Societies and/or affiliated Societies and Equine Events, to whom we submit entries, results, etc. so they can be checked for validity and eligibility based on their legitimate interests. Results will also be circulated with members of the Press and published on our website, this will include the names and town locations of exhibitors. We retain your data in accordance with our retention schedule to simplify future applications. The Society will retain the rights to photographs of any exhibitor or other person on the Showground and store and use the resulting image (including edited or altered versions) for any of the Society's commercial or non-commercial purposes in all and any media, including, without limitation, use in promotional materials and on the Society's website, or supply to carefully selected third parties for use for their own purposes. The Society shall own the copyright in any such images. For further details see our website www.greatyorkshireshow.co.uk/privacy/
- 44. **Show Cancellation****
If the Great Yorkshire Show was to be cancelled prior to its commencement, for reasons outside our control, all competitive entries would be refunded for the full amount paid. There will be no refund or payment for any consequential losses of the show cancelling.
- 45. **Violent, Abusive or Threatening Behaviour****
The Society reserves the right to refuse entry to or remove from the Show anyone, including exhibitors or competitors, who are intoxicated, abusive or offer threats of violence to any person regardless of the circumstances. In such situations the Police may be called and the person or persons responsible will be removed from the Showground and may be excluded from future Shows and other events organized by the Society.



GREAT YORKSHIRE SHOW

8th – 11th July 2025

Health and Safety Policy

(Including Site Regulations, Contractor
Safety Rules & Health Protection
Measures)

The 2025 Great Yorkshire Show

HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY PRINCIPLES

This guidance outlines the Health and Safety Policy for The Great Yorkshire Show (GYS) to be held at the Great Yorkshire Showground, Harrogate on 8th to 11th July 2025.

The Policy is effective from February 2025.

This policy is a legal requirement and outlines the roles and responsibilities within the Yorkshire Agricultural Society (YAS) to ensure compliance with its statutory and moral obligations for health and safety at the Great Yorkshire Show.

All Staff (permanent, temporary, and contracted), Contractors, Exhibitors, Stewards, Judges and Visitors are expected to comply with the Show Health and Safety Policy and any legal obligations placed upon them.

This policy conforms to the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974, the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 and other relevant legislation including the Construction (Design & Management) Regulations 2015 (CDM 2015).

Owing to the diverse nature of the Show and activities taking place many organisations contracted by the Society employ personnel on site during the pre-Show build-up, when the Show is open to the public and during the post-Show breakdown, in addition to staff employed directly by the Society. To ensure a consistent approach and standard of health and safety management all organisations are required to operate in accordance with site regulations and contractor safety rules outlined in this policy.

Contractors have a legal responsibility to ensure all their employees, sub-contractors and their employees are made aware of the policy and always comply with the standards whilst on site.

The Great Yorkshire Show

HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of The Yorkshire Agricultural Society (YAS), the organisers of The Great Yorkshire Show (GYS) to ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, the provision and maintenance of:

- **Safe and healthy working conditions and equipment for all personnel; and**
- **Such resources, information, training and supervision as required for these purposes.**

All plant and equipment used in connection with this event is safely maintained and complies with legal requirements and standards, and safe systems of work are set out and followed.

The YAS will provide adequate welfare facilities and arrangements for all persons involved in the build up to, when the show is open and breakdown period of the Great Yorkshire Show.

All relevant information, including this policy is available to all participants and other organisations by the YAS.

The YAS will ensure that articles and substances within their management or control are moved, stored, handled and used safely including the transport of these items so far as is reasonably practicable.

During the build-up and breakdown for the show, and when it is open to the general public the YAS will ensure that there are safe entrances and exits to the showground including work areas within the showground and they are maintained in a safe condition.

The YAS will liaise with all exhibitors to ensure that any contractors and sub-contractors under their control fulfil statutory obligations, including carrying out assessments of the health and safety risks involved in their own work activities.

The YAS will not be liable for circumstances beyond their control or the failure on the part of any individual or organisation to cooperate with the YAS in respect of health and safety legislation and providing and maintaining a safe working environment at the Great Yorkshire Show or the Great Yorkshire Showground.

The YAS reserves the right to restrict the movement of visitors to certain areas on the Showground and whilst livestock judging, or movement is taking place.

Signed

Allister Nixon
Chief Executive
Yorkshire Agricultural Society

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- **Operations Manager – Nigel Morgan**
- **Facilities Manager – Joe Leahy**
- **Show Coordinator – Michelle Mackey**
- **Show & Trade Stands Officer – Emma Donnelly**
- **Livestock & Entries Coordinator – Amanda Stoddart-West**
- **Principle Event Safety Officer – Phil Atkinson (ARM Ltd)**

It is the overall responsibility of the Operations Manager to ensure policy is implemented and individual responsibilities are fulfilled so far as is reasonably practicable.

The Operations Manager will ensure all activities under the management and control of the YAS fulfil their statutory requirements with regard to health and safety at the Great Yorkshire Show.

The Operations Manager is responsible through effective planning in ensuring risks involved in work activities and control measures in place are communicated through a process of briefings and the provision of a staff and officials guidance booklet.

The Operations Manager will ensure locations under the control of the YAS and used in connection with the GYS are maintained in a safe condition, entrances and exits used for the movement of people, animals and vehicles are safe and without risk so far as is reasonably practicable.

The Operations Manager assisted by the Facilities Manager will provide up to date safety information for staff, exhibitors, contractors and visitors if individuals are exposed to new or increased risks or are exposed to any substance that may be hazardous to health. The use of all hazardous substances will be supervised by a competent person at all times.

The Facilities Manager is responsible for the management of all Facilities Department staff, contractors, and their activities at and in connection with the Show.

The Operations Manager will be supported by a designated Event Safety Officer (ESO).

Show & Trade Stands Coordinator & Officer

The Show Coordinator (SC) assisted by the Show & Trade Stands Officer (STSO) will have Health & Safety responsibility for the following areas.

Liaison with Exhibitors and their contractors to ensure they have completed risk assessments prior to the event and are complying with the control measures identified for the build-up, break-down period and when the show is open to the public for their stand, demonstration, exhibit or activity.

It is the responsibility of the SC/STSO assisted by the Operations Manager and the Facilities Manager in conjunction with the GYS Event Safety Officer to ensure that workers under their supervision are briefed on safety issues as outlined in the risk assessment for the show and that personal protective equipment is available and used correctly.

The SC/STSO will ensure contracted workers carry out their activities in line with the risk assessments and safe systems of work for that activity. If the SC/STSO or ESO identifies a situation or work activity that is unsafe, and the problem cannot be immediately remedied they are authorised on behalf of the YAS to stop or suspend that activity until further notice.

Finance & Gate Staff

Finance & Gate Staff are expected to always comply with health and safety requirements for their post, and maintain a safe working environment for themselves, exhibitors, and the public.

Event Safety Officer

The ESO is responsible for ensuring all structures (permanent or temporary), and all activities on site in connection with the Show, including outdoor and mobile catering units are safe and free from risk for all users including visitors, and contractors comply with their Safe System of Work (SSW) whilst on site. The ESO is responsible for monitoring all activity covered by CDM Regulations.

The ESO is responsible for investigating all reported incidents or accidents when the Show is open to the public and will report directly to the Operations Manager. He is also the designated Health Protection Officer appointed by the Society for the Show, if required.

On Site Catering/Outdoor & Mobile Catering Unit Staff

Catering staff and staff employed in the outdoor and mobile catering outlets are responsible for following instructions and guidance issued to them prior to commencing work and in particular manufacturer's instructions on the safe use of equipment. They must comply with current hygiene standards and local authority requirements.

Mobile catering units must have current gas and other safety certificates for their units which cover the period of the Show.

Workers must use personal protective equipment and clothing allocated for their use in accordance with their training and company instructions. They are responsible for maintaining a safe working environment for themselves and the public including compliance with the onsite fire regulations and Fire Risk Assessment's.

The SC is responsible for liaising with outdoor and mobile catering units when the Show is open to the public to ensure safety controls and procedures are in place.

YAS Stewards

YAS Stewards are identified by a YAS gold or card badge and are invited by the Society in a voluntary capacity to assist at the show.

Their main responsibilities include maintaining a safe environment within their area of responsibility, ensuring safe systems of work are in place and followed in respect of livestock, horses and other animals, plant and machinery. Providing the appropriate supervision in their designated area and liaising with the Operations Manager, ESO or Biosecurity Officer on health and safety issues if required.

Safety Stewards/Security Officers

SS/SO's are contracted by the YAS and are clearly identifiable as such at all times. In the event of a major or serious incident they will wear high visibility clothing which will clearly identify them as Safety Stewards or Security Operatives.

In the event of a declared major incident the Safety Stewards/Security Officers will come under the direct control of North Yorkshire Police.

Their responsibilities include maintaining a safe environment around the showground for the public, exhibitors and show officials and supervising all areas on the showground where Temporary Event Notices are in force.

They will ensure safe systems of work are followed in respect of livestock and equine movement around the showground and for the safety management and supervision of the Main Ring Grandstand, the Collecting Rings, Horse Walk, Cattle Rings and liaison with the YAS Stewards responsible for those areas. They will also ensure entrances and exits to the showground and public areas within the showground are safe and free of hazards, and will bring to the attention of the ESO or Operations Manager any activity they consider dangerous or inappropriate or any hazards that pose a risk to public safety. They will also enforce the Smoke Free Regulations (No Smoking) on the Showground on behalf of the Society.

A Stewarding & Security Plan (Method of Operation) has been prepared for the 2025 Show which outlines the stewarding/security responsibilities and locations. Security Officers and/or Safety Stewards conform to the SIA Approved Contractor Scheme and/or the provisions of the British Standard for Safety Stewards and are trained to NVQ Level 2.

Plant Operators

Plant operators will ensure their plant or machinery is safe and they follow safe systems at work for that equipment including safe driving on the showground.

Operators must follow the correct routes on the showground and observe all direction or information signs. When plant or machinery is not being used and is left unattended it must be switched off, secured and safe. The operator is responsible for the safety of the plant or machinery and that a safe working environment is observed at all times.

General Workers/Utility Workers/Contracted Workers

General, Utility and Contracted workers are responsible for maintaining a safe working environment within their own work area for the public, exhibitors and other workers including ensuring that all equipment is safe, articles are moved, stored and used safely and that safe systems of work are set out and followed as outlined in this policy.

If a worker feels that their working environment is unsafe or they or anyone else is exposed to danger they should stop work and bring it to the attention of their Supervisor, the ESO, the Facilities Manager or the Operations Manager immediately or as soon as is reasonably practicable.

Any worker involved in disinfecting activities is responsible for following procedures and instructions given to them for this type of work including the manufacturer's instructions and using the correct equipment and personal safety equipment if required.

In addition to these conditions contracted workers must comply with any conditions outlined in their own employers risk assessment and SSW for the Great Yorkshire Show and company health and safety policy. All contractors are required to forward a copy of their risk assessment and SSW if applicable, for the GYS prior to commencing work at the Show.

Trade, Equine and Livestock Exhibitors

All Trade Exhibitors are required to complete a suitable risk assessment which must be forwarded to the STSO prior to the show. Failure to complete the assessment will result in tickets and passes being withheld.

It is the responsibility of exhibitors to employ a competent contractor on their behalf if required. The YAS reserve the right to suspend any activity or remove any contractor or exhibitor from the showground if they are considered to be unsafe or in direct contravention of health and safety legislation or Show Regulations.

All trade, equine, livestock and other exhibitors are responsible for ensuring that plant and machinery used in connection with the Show is safe and that SSW are set out and followed particularly in respect of the movement of horses and livestock around the showground and they follow any directions given to them by YAS officials.

Exhibitors are responsible for maintaining a safe working environment and all articles or substances are moved, stored and used safely and health and safety and fire safety legislation is complied with.

Any exhibitor who fails to comply with health and safety or fire safety legislation may be liable to enforcement action by North Yorkshire Council Environmental Health Officers and/or the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Fire Safety Officers.

Livestock and Equine exhibitors are reminded that a show environment can be extremely stressful for their animals and animals with unpredictable temperament or character should not be brought to the Show. An animal whose behaviour gives cause for concern for any reason during the Show should be referred to the Show Vet's for assessment and if required removed from the Show.

Livestock and Equine exhibitors are responsible for carrying out their own risk assessments for the control, movement and conduct of their animals at all times. In the case of livestock this will include applying reasonable controls to ensure they do not escape or pose a danger to the public whilst being moved around the Showground for grooming, washing, milking, and exercise or during unloading and loading.

Livestock must be under the control of a competent handler at all times and they must use approved restraints which are safe and fit for purpose. All bulls 10 months old or over must be shown with nose rings. Movements on the Showground include areas used by the public and from the cattle lines into the judging rings. Handlers must ensure adequate safeguards are in place to prevent an animal from escaping. All handlers in the Breed and Commercial classes MUST be 14 years of age or over. In the Young Handler classes where a child is under 14 years of age, they must be supervised by an experienced adult handler who is able to restrain/control the animal in an emergency.

In the interests of public safety livestock exhibitors will keep the movement of livestock to a minimum when the show is open to the public and during transfers from their stalls to judging rings and back and will restrict movement of livestock to controlled areas designated by the organisers. Livestock must not be left unattended at any time in public areas whether restrained or otherwise unless in a secure stall and it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure that stalls are secure and livestock cannot escape when they are being viewed by the public.

Livestock exhibitors will indemnify the Yorkshire Agricultural Society for any losses suffered as a direct result of their failure to provide competent handlers and/or any

negligent act on the part of the handler or owner which is in direct contravention of this policy or Show Regulations.

Livestock exhibitors are responsible for ensuring any workers under their control or direction who are engaged in disinfecting activities are made aware of the risks and the control measures in place. Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own personal protective equipment and that they or their agents use this equipment.

The Society reserves the right to restrict the movement of people through the cattle or sheep lines whilst judging or livestock movement is in progress.

Equine exhibitors and riders please refer to the Hard Hat Regulation outlined in the section on Personal Protective Equipment in Other Arrangements.

First Aid

First aid and medical facilities at the Great Yorkshire Show are provided by a specialist medical contractor who will provide extensive coverage for the 4 days of the show. First aid points are clearly identified on the showground and on maps and in catalogues. All contracted medical personnel are qualified first aid or Emergency Care Practitioners. Persons needing hospital care will be transported to Harrogate District Hospital. There is a dedicated Medical Centre on the Showground with a Doctor in attendance when the Show is open to the public. The medical contractor has trained staff at the Show to assist with adults and children at risk.

Defibrillator Point Locations

1. YEC Venue Management Office (Map Ref: E4)
2. Pavilions of Harrogate General Office (Map Ref: J5)
3. Fodder Office (Map Ref: H8)
4. Harrogate Caravan Park Office (Map Harrogate Carvan Ref: F8)

Special Arrangements

Emergency Procedures

In the event of a major incident during the Great Yorkshire Show the YAS/GYS emergency procedures will be put into effect.

See supplementary document

**GYS Major & Critical Incident Plan
(March 2025 Revised)**

Fire Precautions

All staff, temporary workers, contractors and exhibitors must comply with the Show Fire Risk Assessments which conform to the requirements of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. This includes persons in charge of activities within temporary structures and marquees including multi-occupancy units.

Prior to opening all trade stands must have a suitable fire extinguisher, a suitable means of raising the alarm, i.e. a battery operated alarm, an air horn or bell. In the case of very small trade stands a verbal warning of fire may suffice. All trade stand staff must understand how to raise the alarm and what action is required in the event of a fire. This requirement is an essential part of the trade stands contract with the Society. Failure to fulfil this requirement will result in a stand or marquee remaining closed as it compromises the fire safety standards for the Show.

All fire exits must be clearly marked and the route to them will be kept clear at all times. No person shall place an obstruction in aisles, corridors or walk ways that are designated escape routes at any time. Fire extinguishers and other safety equipment will be located at easily accessible points and will be clearly visible and identified as fire safety equipment. No person should attempt to use any fire safety equipment which places themselves or others at risk. Fire safety equipment must not be moved, tampered with or used to prop open doors.

The use of naked flames, or any direct burning appliance is prohibited within multi-occupancy marquees and trade stands. This includes candles and other similar items of any type.

Anyone who discovers a fire should dial 999 and then inform Event Control or Black Gate Security Point when Event Control is closed. The post code for the Showground is HG2 8NZ followed by the exact location of the fire.

Fire points for the temporary caravan and campsites are located at the following locations.

- Constant Security Portakabin in the Event Assembly Area opposite Black Gate.
- Sheep Gate Security Hut at the entrance to the Sheep Lines.
- Brown Gate Security Hut.
- Blue Gate Reception.

Each fire point contains 2 extinguishers, 2 beaters and an air horn alarm.

Constant Security have designated patrols in each of these who will act as Fire Marshalls.

To supplement any portable fire safety equipment carried on machinery or plant the YAS will have additional equipment on the site located in the Facilities Department.

Open Fires and Fireworks

Open fires in the camping and caravan areas and the use of fireworks or pyrotechnics are strictly prohibited on the Showground or confines and anyone letting off fireworks will be removed from the Showground.

Smoke Free Regulations/Policy (Including the use of E-cigarettes & Vapes)

All enclosed and substantially enclosed areas on the Showground are Smoke Free (No Smoking including the use of e-cigarettes & vapes). This includes all permanent buildings, temporary structures, tents, marquees or similar, stables, cattle sheds, sheep, pig and goat lines and the Main Ring and White Rose Ring Grandstands.

Smoking is only permitted in open spaces on the Showground. Exhibitors who smoke in contravention of this regulation may be excluded from future Shows. The requirements apply to all smoking, including the use of e-cigarettes 24 hours a day and the Safety Stewards/Security will be responsible for enforcing these regulations on behalf of the Society.

In addition to the above the use of e-cigarettes & vapes on the Showground is discouraged as the nicotine compound contained in them and refills are extremely toxic and harmful to small animals if swallowed.

Health and Hygiene - Contact With Animals

Visiting the Great Yorkshire Show is an enjoyable and educational experience for many people, particularly children. However, such visits can never be free from all risks. Farm animals naturally carry a range of microorganisms, some of which may be harmful to people even when the animals appear clean and healthy.

Microorganisms such as *E. coli* O157 and Cryptosporidium are a particular health risk, especially for young children, expectant mothers and the elderly.

Touching animals, consuming contaminated food or drink and contact with dirty surfaces may lead to infection, if the microorganism is accidentally passed to the stomach.

Washing hands thoroughly with soap and water immediately after contact with animals will reduce the risk of infection. Hand gels or wipes in this environment is not a substitute for washing hands with running water. There are a number of permanent and temporary toilet blocks with washing facilities on and adjoining the Showground and their locations are clearly indicated on the Showground maps.

'Stay Safe Around Animals' Visitor information signs are displayed in all animal areas around the Showground and permanent toilet blocks. See Appendix 1.

Safety Stewards in the Cattle Lines will advise parents of small children and babies in buggies to follow the advice outlined in the above signs.

Always wash your hands thoroughly with soap and warm water after contact with animals.

Accident Reporting/Investigation

The appointed Medics will record all injury accidents or illness in an accident report book and will inform the Event Safety Officer of all accidents.

All accidents or incidents including 'Near Misses' will be fully investigated to ensure that an accurate record is made in the event of any claim or investigation arising at a later date. Staff, contractors and exhibitors must report all accidents, dangerous occurrences and near misses to the ESO at the time of or as soon as practicably possible after the incident has occurred.

The responsibility for recording all reportable accidents/incidents in accordance with RIDDOR 2013 will be the ESO.

Violent, Abusive or Threatening Behaviour

The Society reserves the right to refuse entry to or remove from the Show anyone, including exhibitors or competitors, who are intoxicated, abusive or offer threats of violence to any person regardless of the circumstances. In such situations the Police may be called and the person or persons responsible will be removed from the Showground and may be excluded from future Show's and other events organised by the Society.

Vehicle Movements/Speed Limits on the Showground/Site Safety

Vehicle movements are not permitted on the Showground when the Show is open to the public except essential service and emergency vehicles. The maximum speed limit on the showground for any type of mechanically driven vehicle including ATV's and Quad bikes is 20 mph unless indicated otherwise. This should not be exceeded under any circumstances and due care and consideration should be demonstrated by the drivers of all vehicles when the show is open to the public particularly in crowded public areas and when livestock and horses are moving or visible. In public areas if the volume of the public is so great as to be a hazard or risk to the drivers of mechanical vehicles, they should not enter these area's until it is safe to do so. The safety of the public and workers on foot is always of primary consideration regardless of the purpose that the vehicle is being used for. A banksman must be used where any vehicle is required to reverse in a public area.

Trade exhibitor's and contractors who are responsible for delivering items or unloading/loading equipment during the period of the Show should follow the guidelines 'Delivering Safely – Driver Safety' which sets out site safety rules for drivers which they are expected to comply with. See Appendix 2.

Site Safety signs will be displayed at the entrance to all the main gates during the build-up to and breakdown of the Show. See Appendix 3.

Drivers must not be under the influence of alcohol or drugs (prescription or otherwise) and anyone considered to be a danger to themselves or others may be removed from the Showground or car parks and the Police will be informed.

Complaints in relation to the manner a vehicle is driven on site should be reported to the Operations Manager, the Facilities Manager or Event Safety Officer.

Caravans & Camping

Designated areas around the site are provided for caravans and camping. Caravans and tents are not permitted in any other areas unless authorised in writing. In camping areas vehicles will be parked separately to avoid colliding with tents and pedestrians, and not directly in front of the entrance to tents.

Camping is not permitted inside the Showground behind or at the side of a trade stand, building or marquee or any other structure which is in an enclosed area or confined space and provides no safe means of an immediate escape in an emergency.

Everyone booking a caravan, mobile home or tent pitch is provided with a copy of the Show Caravan & Camping Regulations which they are required to comply with as a condition of booking. The Red Camping Area is not suitable for families with children under 16 years of age or people with mobility problems and children under 12 must not

be left unaccompanied in a caravan or tent at any time anywhere on the Showground or confines.

Health Protection Measures

The Event Safety Officer will be the designated Health Protection Officer for the Show, if required and will be assisted in this role by Society staff, Stewards and other contracted security and medical staff.

The Society has a Visitor's Code of Conduct which visitors are required to follow as a condition of entry to the Show. See Appendix 5.

In line with general government guidance on the admission of visitors to the Showground, the Code of Conduct acts to principally guide and advise them of the protocols in place during the event

Staff and contractors who are feeling unwell before they commence work **must** stay at home. Staff who feel unwell whilst working at the Show must stop work immediately and go straight to the Medical Centre on the Showground. Staff and visitors are encouraged to stay safe and keep others safe by washing their hands regularly and following any guidance in place.

Risk Assessment

The Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 requires an employer to assess the health and safety risks to an employee, whilst at work and to any other persons affected by work activities.

This process is called risk assessment and it determines the measures needed to ensure that any danger identified does not cause harm to anyone. In order to ensure that this is done the regulations require the employer (the YAS) to examine the work place, work activities and systems of work. The examination must:

- Identify any hazards that might exist;
- Identify the risks associated with those hazards; and
- Identify the control measures needed to eliminate, or minimise the risks or hazards as far as is reasonably practicable.

A hazard is any source of harm. A risk exists when there is exposure to the hazard and harm is possible. A control measure is what is done to prevent any possible harm. The purpose of a risk assessment is to ensure in respect of the Great Yorkshire Show that all activities undertaken at the Show by individuals, companies or contractors acting on behalf of the YAS, comply with the three points identified above.

Exhibitors and contractors who are required to provide risk assessments have been notified and must provide a suitable assessment prior to the Show commencing.

A Risk Assessment has been prepared by the Society that identifies potential hazards that could pose a risk during the build-up, breakdown and when the Show is open to the public and the controls in place to remove or reduce the risks. A copy of the risk assessment is available on request from the Operations Manager.

The Risk Assessment is a legal document and will be made available in the event of any subsequent claim or investigation against the YAS or an exhibitor or

contractor for negligence or damages arising from any act or incident at the Great Yorkshire Show.

Other Arrangements

Fork Lift Truck (FLT)/MEWP/Mobile Plant Equipment Operations

Only authorised personnel with a current licence for that class of vehicle or plant must operate the above equipment. All operators must observe the correct safety guidelines for the vehicle or plant. Only Fork Lift Trucks that are specifically designed for rough terrain should be used on grass, uneven surfaces or rough terrain on or around the showground.

No person shall be carried on any vehicle, plant or equipment unless on a seat or pillion is provided for that purpose and no vehicle shall exceed its maximum permitted laden weight.

Due care must be taken to avoid collisions with other vehicles, livestock, horses or accidents to pedestrians. Operators will be responsible for ensuring the equipment is in a safe condition to operate and safety restraining devices if fitted to the machines to prevent them falling out or off will be used. Banksmen should be used when required and for all reversing operations.

Lifting Operations

All lifting operations will be supervised by a competent person. The guidance outlined in the Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 2002 will apply to all lifting activity. All lifting equipment and lifting tackle will be suitable for its purpose, free from defect, well maintained and operated by a competent person. All loads will be slung in accordance with recommended slinging plans and be carried out by a competent banksman or slinger.

Suitable barriers and signs will be in place to prevent accidental access of unauthorised persons into any area of danger. Lifting operations will be carried out in areas where possible away from persons not directly involved in the operation so as to reduce the risk to as low a level as is reasonably practicable.

Disinfection of Livestock Transport

All workers involved in the disinfection of livestock vehicles must be made aware of the risks by the contractor responsible. The designated area used for disinfection is maintained in a safe condition and any machinery used must be safe with safe systems of work set out for the operation including the provision and use of personal protective equipment.

A risk assessment must be prepared that conforms to the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations if hazardous substances are in use in this area.

Personal Protective Equipment & Tools

The YAS will provide Personal protective Equipment (PPE) and tools to permanent staff and YAS temporary workers as part of the risk assessment for the role undertaken. Exhibitors and contractors will be responsible for providing their own personal protective equipment and tools. **Individuals are responsible for their own safety**, Staff and Temporary Workers must ensure that if PPE and tools are provided for their work activity it must be worn or used correctly at all times while undertaking that activity in accordance with the manufacturers guidelines and site safety rules.

Equine Riders Head Protection (Hard Hats)

All riders of horses, donkeys or ponies on the showground or exercise areas are now required to wear head protection (hard hat) that conforms to the following revised standards for head protection for equestrian activities: All PAS 015; VG1; (BS)EN1384 2017; ASTM F1163 04a onwards; SNELL E2001; SNELL E2016; AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards;

Correctly secured Skull Caps/Riding Hats that meet one of the following current Safety Standards/specifications MUST be worn by all Riders between the ages of 15 to 17 inclusive. All PAS 015; VG1; (BS) EN1384 2017; ASTM F1163 04a onwards; SNELL E2001; SNELL E2016; AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards.

The most recent additions to the list are SNELL E2016 and EN1384 (2017); the newest version of the EN1384 Standard was effective from 2018. Helmets must be worn with chin straps correctly and securely fastened at all times whilst mounted. This applies to all ridden competitions, demonstrations and whilst exercising.

Storage

Exhibitors or contractors are not permitted to store items or equipment on the showground particularly hazardous substances unless prior agreement has been reached with the Show and Trade Stands Co-ordinator prior to the show or it forms part of the contractual arrangements for the show.

Any items that are stored must be stored in accordance with specific instructions outlined by the YAS and must be stored safely. Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) and other flammable items must be stored safely and at least 2 metres from a vehicle, building or structure. Exhibitors and contractors must ensure that the storage of any items or equipment does not contravene fire safety regulations.

Use of ATV's/ORUV's/Golf Buggies

The use of All Terrain (ATV) and Off-Road Utility (ORU) Vehicles is prohibited on the Showground unless they have been authorised for use by the Society.

Drivers of authorised ATV's and ORUV's must hold a full driving licence and be competent to drive that type of vehicle. ATV drivers must wear an approved crash helmet with straps securely fastened when the vehicle is in motion. Drivers of Society vehicles will receive a safety briefing from a competent member of the Facilities team prior to taking a vehicle out for the first time.

Society staff and Stewards using Golf Buggies on or around the Showground must be authorised and hold a full driving licence. Prior to driving an ATV, ORUV or Golf Buggy the driver must complete a vehicle safety check which will include tyres, warning devices, lights if fitted, brakes and steering. If the vehicle is damaged or unsafe it must not be used and the fault reported to a supervisor, the Facilities Manager or Show Reception.

Speed limits and site safety rules must be observed at all times and passengers may only be carried if a seat is provided and not in trailers. Extreme caution must be exercised in pedestrian areas and if a road is heavily populated the driver should use an alternative route. All vehicles should be driven in a responsible manner and operators must not engage in dangerous activities.

Golf Buggies should only be driven on level surfaces. Steep hills and uneven ground must be avoided. Drivers must reduce speed when approaching, or on, wet or slippery

surfaces and use extreme caution driving over loose terrain or approaching sharp bends or turns. If in any doubt reduce speed or stop the vehicle.

Use of E-scooters & E-bikes

E-scooters and E-bikes are not permitted on the Showground at any time including the pre-Show build period.

If they are used on the vehicle, caravan or camping parks riders are responsible for operating their vehicles safely and in accordance with the law, and they should check the legal status of their vehicles prior to arrival.

The Yorkshire Agricultural Society accepts no responsibility for loss or injury resulting from the unlawful use of vehicles on site.

Flagpoles, Banners & Signs

Flagpoles, banners and signs must be securely installed in accordance with any specific manufacturer's guidelines if applicable, and of adequate strength to withstand adverse weather conditions and high winds. The use of guide ropes is not permitted.

In the event of adverse weather all flagpoles, banners and signs must be inspected to ensure they are still safe and suitable for purpose. The Society reserves the right to request that any flagpoles, banners, or signs are taken down and removed if they are unsafe or a nuisance.

Trade stand exhibitors will be warned of any potential adverse weather conditions by text alerts from Event Control and should comply with any specific instructions outlined in the message. The ESO is responsible for monitoring wind speeds.

Use of Glass Containers & Bottles

All premises selling alcohol whether for consumption on or off the premises on the Showground can only do so using plastic containers. The use of glass containers and the sale of drinks in bottles including soft drinks is prohibited unless decanted into plastic containers for consumption first.

The sale of bottled drinks for home consumption or consumption away from the Showground by trade stands is only permitted in sealed glass containers.

Visitors and exhibitors are not permitted to walk around the Showground, Car parks and Caravan and Camping areas with alcoholic or soft drinks in bottles or glasses and anyone doing so will have the bottle or glass taken from them.

Use of Generators

Stand-alone and 'factory in-built' (by the manufacturer) generators in caravans or vehicles are permitted on the caravan and camping areas providing the following requirements are in place.

- Stand-alone generators (outside a caravan or vehicle) can only be operated between **0600 and 2300 hours**. Outside these hours they should be switched off to prevent noise nuisance and potential for carbon monoxide poisoning to near neighbours. Security patrols are empowered to switch off any generators they find in use outside of the permitted hours.
- Current Test/Inspection certification if applicable, must be produced if requested.

- Stand-alone generators are not permitted inside the Showground.

The Society reserves the right to request or arrange the removal of any generator that does not meet the above requirements or is unsafe.

Unmanned Aerial Vehicle's (Drones)

The flying/use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle's (UAV's/Drones) or other similar devices however operated are not permitted over or within the confines of the Showground or car parks under any circumstances unless authorised in writing first by the Society.

Temporary Inflatable Play Equipment

Temporary Inflatable Play Equipment (TIPE) is designed to be used at the Show by members of the public for entertainment purposes either as a slide or for bouncing upon. They come in a wide range of sizes and shapes and are designed for use by adults, children or both.

All TIPE intended for use at the Show must be manufactured to British Standard BS EN 14960, have either a numbered PIPA tag or an ADiPs declaration of compliance (Doc) and used in accordance with the guidance outlined in the standard by the operator. An inflatable that does not conform to this standard will not be permitted to be used.

Inflatables must have at least 6 anchor points and all anchor points must be used by the operator, preferably using metal ground stakes with a welded metal 'O' or 'D' ring fitted to the end. If ground stakes cannot be used because of the surface (e.g. tarmac) or if the inflatable is to be used inside a building, then a system of ballast using water or sand barrels weighing at least 163 kg with suitable fixings must be used.

In strong winds inflatables should not be used outside were the maximum wind speed reaches 38 km/h (24 mph) which is Force 5 on the Beaufort Scale. Operators are responsible for monitoring wind speeds in windy weather using an anemometer. If one of these is not available, the inflatable should not be operated.

The Society reserves the right to request that any TIPE is taken down if they are unsafe or a nuisance. Operators must complete a risk assessment and safe method of operation prior to the Show which must be approved by the Society.

Sale or Display of Firearms, Imitation Firearms & Pellet Guns

The sale or display of firearms, imitation firearms or pellet guns is not permitted on a trade stand. In addition, the sale of toy or replica guns that emit the sounds of gunfire or similar, or give the appearance of, or could be mistaken for a firearm is not permitted.

Sale or Display of Knives

The sale or display of the following type of knives is prohibited on trade stands. This includes but is not limited to military style combat, hunting or field, spring assisted, folding or lock, utility, everyday carry, or any other knives not listed that contravene UK knife legislation.

Any contravention of this policy and the regulations outlined may result in enforcement action being taken by North Yorkshire Council Environmental Health Officers and/or the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Fire Safety Officer.

Guidance Notes for the completion of Risk Assessments

Introduction

It is a legal requirement that exhibitors and contractors complete a suitable risk assessment.

These should be sent to the Show & Trade Stands Officer who will provide further advice and guidance if required. **Any exhibitor or contractor who fails to complete and return a suitable risk assessment will have their tickets/passes withheld and may be refused entry to the show.**

Guidance Notes are provided for Trade Stand Exhibitors and persons in charge of activities within temporary structures and marquees including multi-occupancy units for the completion of risk assessments.

All Trade exhibitors will be visited in the build up to and during the show to ensure that the control measures outlined in the risk assessment are in place and that safe systems of work are followed. Enforcement action may be taken against exhibitors who fail to comply with these requirements and a Prohibition Notice may be served on them prohibiting further trading or use of the stand.

Machinery/Equipment

Exhibitors are asked to include the type of equipment or machinery on display and whether it will be operational or isolated from its power source. Any machinery being demonstrated must comply with the relevant British or European standards and used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions including the use of safety guard's if provided.

Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG)

LPG may be used as a source of energy for machinery or cooking appliances on external displays only. The use of LPG on an internal stand or display is not permitted. If it is an exhibitor's intention to use LPG, please indicate its specific use, volumes of use and volumes to be stored on or near the display.

If exhibitors intend to store LPG containers in an area remote from their stand, a barrier must be erected around the storage area and any larger containers should be staked or otherwise supported to prevent falling over. Gas containers should be 15 Kgs or smaller to prevent falling over. If the storage facility is remote from the site, exhibitors must indicate means of transport to their stand. *Exhibitors are reminded that LPG cylinders should not be stored in private vehicles in or around the showground.*

Gas appliances and containers must conform to the relevant standards and all connections and fittings must be of an approved type and fit for purpose.

Electrical Appliances/Supply/PAT

Exhibitors should include the type of electrical appliance and the intended use of any electrical items. **All portable electrical appliances must be (PAT) tested to the relevant standard within 6 months preceding the Show.** All electrical equipment brought on site is subject to inspection by the on-site electrical contractors, who have the authority to restrict the use of any items deemed unsafe for use. **Modifications must not be made to the mains electrical supply or components under any circumstances.** Any defects or damage to an electrical installation must be reported at the time to the Facilities Office and it should not be used until the fault has been rectified.

Compressed Air

Exhibitors should include details of any equipment that has compressed air and gas as its energy source, including details of any equipment in which compressed air is stored or produced i.e. air compressors and generators. All connections and hoses must be of the correct pressure rating.

Live / Practical Demonstrations

Details of any proposed live or practical demonstrations must be forwarded to the STSO for prior approval. Exhibitors are responsible for maintaining a safe working area and ensuring that safe systems of work are followed. Public safety is essential when a live demonstration is taking place and the appropriate safety controls must be in place including barriers if appropriate. This includes the Cattle Clipping Area.

Exhibitors Catering

Exhibitors must provide details of any catering facilities and equipment. This should include any food that is offered to visitors to the stand for payment or otherwise. Strict hygiene procedures must be followed if food preparation and cooking occurs on the stand or adjoining area. Persons preparing food should be in possession of a Basic Food Hygiene Certificate as a minimum requirement and catering arrangements must conform to current hygiene standards required by Harrogate Borough Councils Environmental Health Department.

Use of Sharps

Exhibitors must provide details of the proposed use of sharps i.e. tools, knives, axe's, saws, chain saws, needles etc to the STSO. If there is a likely risk to users adequate personal protective equipment must be provided and used and a safe working area must be maintained particularly in respect of visitor safety with the appropriate controls in place.

Use of Barbecues

The use of barbecues by exhibitors or contractors is not permitted within the showground perimeter unless they form part of a legitimate trade stand demonstration and the necessary safety controls are in place. The STSO must be notified prior to the Show if a barbecue is to be used and approval must be obtained in writing.

Disposable and gas barbecues are not permitted in the Caravan and Camping areas or car parks under any circumstances as they are considered a serious fire risk. This information is outlined in the Caravan, Mobile Home, & Camping Information & Regulations Booklet.

In the event of a fire dial 999 immediately or 01423 546024 (Black Gate) from a mobile phone.

Working at Height

Working at height is one of the biggest causes of serious or disabling injuries in the UK. All work at height is now subject of a formal risk assessment and SSW. **All work off the ground** or over an edge is considered to be work at height. Working at height should be avoided whenever possible, however when this is unavoidable a properly constructed working platform or Mobile Elevated Work Platform (MEWP) should be used. Ladders and steps are only suitable for short duration light work and the equipment must be of an industrial specification incorporating the appropriate safeguards and not of the type constructed for light weight domestic use.

All work at height must conform to a written SSW and all exhibitors or contractors must be competent and physically able to carry out the work. Strict controls must be in place

including barriers, warning signs and approved harnesses for roof work were appropriate. Fall arrest equipment must be used where there is a risk of falling a distance greater than two metres or where the distance may be less but there remains a significant risk of injury.

Vehicles must not be used as substitute platforms for working at height unless they have been constructed or adapted for this purpose. Precautions must be taken to protect people and property below from falling objects at all times.

All work involving the construction and dismantling of temporary structures and marquees will be managed in accordance with the CDM Regulations 2015.

Naked Flames

The use of naked flames including candles and other similar items of any type is not permitted on trade stands or multi-occupancy marquees.

Other Activities

Exhibitors must state clearly on the risk assessment if any activity is intended or may take place which has not already been mentioned on the form and which involves members of the public, overhead activities or hazards, moving vehicles or chemicals, etc.

Having identified the risks, the final part of the risk assessment must now be completed. This involves detailing the measures necessary to reduce or negate the risks and the control measures that will be in place.

The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005

THE RISK OF FIRE AND THE POTENTIAL SPREAD OF FIRE IS A VERY SIGNIFICANT RISK ON THE SHOWGROUND

The above Regulations state that all trade stand exhibitors and persons in charge of activities within temporary structures and marquees including multi-occupancy units must carry out a fire risk assessment that:

- **Identifies fire hazards.**
- **Reduces the risk of those hazards causing harm to as low as reasonably practicable.**
- **Outlines the physical fire precautions and arrangements necessary to ensure the safety of people in a structure, marquee or unit if a fire starts.**

Guidance notes to assist exhibitors comply with fire safety law and identify the general fire precautions needed to be in place at the Great Yorkshire Show having been sent as part of the pre-Show planning.

The following list is designed to assist exhibitors in their pre-show planning and to put in place the appropriate controls in respect of their fire control plan. This list is not exhaustive, and the suggestions are only a guide to assist exhibitors.

Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG)

Gas containers and cylinders are a potential risk from explosion and fire.

Controls:

Containers should be 15 Kgs or smaller for ease of storage and to prevent falling over. They must be manifolded to an appliance or system and securely stored in an upright position at least 2 metres from a vehicle, building or structure. A minimum number of additional containers sufficient only for the show must be stored away from any heat source and public areas and secured with a physical safety barrier or cage. Fire safety equipment for use in an emergency must be present in the storage area.

Highly Flammable Liquids

Highly inflammable liquids are a potential risk from fire and explosion as well as acting as a fire accelerant. Most vehicles, petrol, diesel or gas, are fitted with a fuel tank with the potential risk of fire and explosion. Vehicles parked at or near to a stand may act as a fire accelerant.

Controls:

Non-essential vehicles are not permitted onto the showground at any time. Exhibitor's vehicles entering the showground for the purpose of stand maintenance, stock replacement etc should be parked in a manner so that they can easily be removed and are fitted with appropriate fire extinguishers. Exhibitor's vehicle labels must clearly indicate an emergency mobile phone contact number on it.

Dry Combustibles

Quantities of dry combustibles are a significant fuel source in the event of a fire.

Controls:

Storage of dry combustibles should be kept to a minimum and fire safety equipment must be available in the storage area.

Machinery

Machinery is a source of many hazards.

Controls:

Exhibitors must ensure at all times that safety controls are in place including any warning notices. Other factors such as overheating, noise and dust pollution must also be considered as part of the risk assessment process.

Smoking

Smoking is the most common cause of fire caused by the casual discard of smoking materials.

Controls:

Exhibitors should arrange for the appropriate signs to be displayed at all entrances and within a display area and provide suitable bins or receptacles at entrances for cigarettes to be placed in. Exhibitors also have a responsibility to enforce the No Smoking policy verbally if required. Suitable fire safety equipment should be provided along with signs to indicate their location in an emergency. Specific fire safety guidance has been provided to trade stand exhibitors and persons in charge of activities within temporary structures and marquees including multi-occupancy units which must be followed. All

enclosed areas on the Showground are Smoke Free (No Smoking) including the use of e-cigarettes.

Electrical Equipment

Electricity poses a significant risk to everyone from electrocution and also the risk of fire from heat generation.

Controls:

If a stand, tent or area has an electricity supply provided exhibitors should not overload, modify or interfere with the supply. Engineers are available on site to provide assistance or advice if required. The manufacturer's guidelines for the use of electrical equipment must be always followed.

Electrical equipment not in use must be unplugged at all times.

For further advice or assistance please contact:

- **Nigel Morgan, Operations Manager, 01423 546205**
- **Michelle Mackey, Show Coordinator, 01423 546204**
- **Emma Donnelly, Shows & Trade Stands Officer 01423 546224**



STAY SAFE AROUND ANIMALS

What to DO when visiting an animal area

- ***DO WASH YOUR HANDS THOROUGHLY WITH SOAP AND WATER AFTER YOU HAVE TOUCHED ANIMALS OR OTHER SURFACES IN ANIMAL AREAS AND ESPECIALLY BEFORE EATING OR DRINKING.***
- ***Do not put hands on faces or fingers in mouths after touching an animal.***
- ***Do not allow children to put their faces close to animals.***
- ***Do not eat or drink while touching animals or walking around an animal area. This includes not eating sweets, crisps or ice cream.***
- ***Do not eat anything that has fallen on the floor.***
- ***Do supervise children closely to ensure that they wash their hands thoroughly.***
- ***Do take care if you are pregnant and avoid contact with lambs and their droppings.***
- ***Do not use hand gels or wipes as they are not a substitute for washing hands with running water.***



All drivers delivering items or unloading/loading equipment on the Great Yorkshire Showground in connection with the Great Yorkshire Show must comply with the following safety requirements

DELIVERING SAFELY – DRIVER SAFETY INFORMATION	
1.	This site operates a 20 mph speed limit unless indicated otherwise. Speed limits, One-Way systems and any other on-site traffic regulations must be adhered to in the interests of public safety as pedestrians and animals may be present.
2.	Please follow any instructions given to you by gate staff or stewards.
3.	You should follow a designated route through the site to your loading/unloading area or the nearest reception point. After unloading the vehicle should be removed immediately.
4.	You should only park, load or unload in an area where it is safe, and people and vehicles not essential for loading/unloading are excluded.
5.	The use of mobile phones whilst driving on site is prohibited.
6.	If you require any specific equipment from the site for loading/unloading such as a Fork Lift Truck they must be booked in advance through the YAS Facilities Section on 01423 546212.
7.	If you are involved in a vehicle accident, incident or near miss during a delivery or collection whilst on site it must be reported to a 'responsible' person at the time.
8.	Non-essential passengers are not permitted to leave your vehicle or walk around the site during loading/unloading and any pets must be confined to the vehicle.
9.	Drivers are responsible for ensuring their loads are correctly stored and secured and cannot fall over around corners.
10.	Reversing on site prior to or after loading/unloading must be avoided and you should drive forward at all times. Any vehicles reversing must do so with the aid of a banksman.



Great Yorkshire Show – Site Safety	
	<p>Construction Activities Beyond this Point Please refer to Site Rules. Copies are available from the Operations Manager or Facilities Office</p>
 	<p>No Unauthorised Persons or Vehicles Beyond this Point Children must be accompanied by adult and closely supervised</p> <p>No Dogs Permitted on Site (except Assistance dogs)</p>
	<p>Vehicle Movements on the Showground Unloading must only take place in designated areas Drivers & Pedestrians must take care</p>
	<p>Site Speed Limit – 20 mph Large Vehicles Must Not Reverse Without Supervision Vehicles must be parked to avoid causing an obstruction Vehicles Parked in Unauthorised Areas may be Removed</p>
	<p>Accidents All Accidents must be Reported to the Event Safety Officer as soon as practicable on the number below</p>
	<p>Assistance If in doubt please contact the YAS Reception on 01423 541000 before entering the site</p>



PROTOCOL FOR BREAKING UP A DOG FIGHT

This Protocol applies in the event of a Dog Fight occurring at the Great Yorkshire Show

Owners, Exhibitors and Hunt Staff should take all reasonable steps to comply with the actions outlined below in the event of one or more of their dogs being involved in a fight

Escalation Procedure

1. Act quickly and positively – rapid intervention.
2. If possible remove any other dogs present who are not involved.
3. Raise your voice and make a loud noise i.e. yell and clap your hands.
4. If available use water, a water spray or a high pitch panic alarm to part them.
5. If 3 or 4 above has no effect you will need to part the offending dogs. Call for assistance and working in pairs grab both dogs at the rear of the body at the point where the legs join the body. Move decisively and positively and pull them backwards away from each other and at the same time elevate them into a wheelbarrow position turning them at the same time away from each other. Note: Never elevate a dog by its lower legs or tail.
6. If you are on your own and unable to gain assistance try to startle them into stopping. If this has no effect you will have to part one of the dogs. Identify the main aggressor and try to use the wheelbarrow technique using your voice to keep the other dog back.
7. If you have a situation where a dog latches onto another dog and will not immediately let go try and assess that the bite is not causing the airway to be compromised or the dog is not panicking. If there is not a need for emergency action, take hold of the collar of the dog that has latched on and try to coax it off with food or wait to see if the situation calms down naturally. Do not pull them apart as this risks tearing and the latching dog will often bite down harder to hang on.
8. If the dog's airway is compromised or it appears to be losing consciousness it is a real emergency and immediate lifesaving action is required. You will have to use whatever means you can to get the latching dog to release the other dog. This may not be easy and may be unpleasant for the latching dog otherwise you may have a dead or seriously injured dog to have to deal with. Sometimes, in very extreme circumstances, the ends may justify the means. Note: Excessive force is not condoned and should not be used as a matter of course.



Visitors' Code of Conduct

The Yorkshire Agricultural Society looks forward to welcoming you to the 2025 Great Yorkshire Show. In line with general government guidance on the admission of visitors to the Showground, this Code of Conduct acts to principally guide and advise you of the protocols in place during the event. The organisers (YAS) have put in place a range of procedures, to ensure the safety of all visitors to the Show. However, it is vitally important that everyone plays their part in making the event safe and enjoyable and we need your continued support and cooperation to achieve this. Visitors are therefore kindly reminded of the requirement to adhere to this Code of Conduct, and follow all safety requirements, to assist staff and stewards, and to help protect you and your fellow visitors.

- **Visitor's must comply with the Society's ticket terms & conditions and any Government health protection measures that may be in place at the time of the Show.** These are outlined in full on the Show web site.
- Visitors and staff must not attend the Show if they are feeling unwell and should follow public health advice to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.
- If you develop symptoms whilst at the Show, please leave the site immediately and travel home with members of your household and follow Government and NHS guidance. If you require assistance within the Showground or cannot travel home safely, please notify a member of staff or steward immediately and report to the Medical Centre on site.
- Plan your journey well in advance and arrive at the Showground in plenty of time. Remember to travel safely and keep up to date with guidance on safe travel, car sharing, and public transport.
- When you arrive at the Showground follow all information and direction signage and comply with any instructions or guidance given by staff and stewards, or over the PA system. This will help you get to where you need to be in the safest and most effective way.
- Please note cash payments will not be accepted at the entrances and entry to the Show is by advance ticket only.
- Our stewards and security teams will be helping to keep you safe. If you have any concerns about areas of crowding or other safety issues, please inform one of the stewards.
- Come prepared for changing weather, please check the weather forecast and bring a suitable raincoat or umbrella so you can continue to enjoy the Show in all weather. In warm weather keep hydrated and use suitable sun screen.

- When using toilet facilities, please be patient and considerate towards other users, and wait your turn to avoid toilet areas becoming crowded.
- It is important to maintain good hand hygiene whilst at the Show – use the sanitiser dispensers provided. Always wash your hands before eating and after touching animals, and avoid touching your face, handles and fences whenever possible. If there are issues with sanitiser points or hand washing facilities, please inform a member of staff.
- If you are in the Main Ring or White Rose Ring Grandstands and need to move, wait until walkways are clear and follow stewards' instructions and direction signage.
- If you are attending the Show with other members of your family or friends, please make sure they have read and understand these guidelines.
- Children are the responsibility of parents or other responsible adults whilst on the Showground. Unaccompanied children under the age of 12 will not be admitted to the Show.
- The sale of alcohol is not permitted to persons under the age of 18 or who are unfit through the consumption of excess alcohol.
- The Society reserves the right to exclude any visitor that fails to comply with the Code of Conduct.

This policy is an integral part of the Operational Plan for 2025 Show

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