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STUD CATTLE CHAMPIONSHIP

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THE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Nutrien Ag Solutions Stud Cattle Championship is one of the jewels in the triennial Beef Australia program and is recognised by the seed stock sector as our nation's premier stud cattle awards.

The results of years, and for some producers decades, of work will be showcased over five days at the 2027 event, as a team of esteemed and highly qualified judges consider and assess an expected 1,500 plus entries from over 30 breeds of beef cattle Australia wide. The Championship will be closely contested as producers vie to secure a prestigious Beef Australia ribbon to be named the best of the best in stud cattle, and be rewarded for their efforts devoted to the pursuit of excellence.

Highly competitive junior competitions will also take to Centre Ring, providing a great opportunity for young cattle enthusiasts to test their skills against their peers.

We invite you to be involved in Beef Australia's 2027 Nutrien Ag Solutions Stud Cattle Championship to showcase your breed to a national and international audience. The Stud Cattle Interbreed Championship winners will be announced on Thursday 6th May at Beef 2027 in the Centre Ring. Judging commences at 12.00pm.

DETAILS

STUD CATTLE JUDGING

Stud cattle judging will take place on Tuesday, 4th May and Wednesday, 5th May 2027.

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS

A Parade of Champions will take place on Thursday, 6th May 2027. The Parade will be in alphabetical order of breed.

INTERBREED CHAMPIONSHIP

The Stud Cattle Interbreed Championship will take place on Thursday, 6th May 2027 after the Parade of Champions.

A Supreme Champion (Interbreed) Bull, Female and Exhibitors Group will be judged from the Grand Champion Bull, Champion Female and Exhibitors Group of each breed.

Four new classes will be introduced into the Beef2027 Interbreed Championship;

- Calf Female
- Calf Male
- Junior Female, and
- Junior Male.

Winners of the Calf and Junior Champion classes for each breed will be invited to contest the Interbreed Champion for their respective class.

JUNIOR EVENTS

The following stud cattle junior events will take place:

- **Datamars Livestock Junior Paraders Competition** - Monday, 3 May at 8.30am
- **Datamars Young Judges Competition** - Friday, 7 May at 8.30am
- **Charbray Society Junior School's Team Judging Competition** - Monday, 3 May at approximately 11.30am (30 minutes after Paraders)
- **Datamars Junior Led Steer Competition** - Tuesday, 4 May at approximately 9.00am
- **Beef Australia Heifer Showdown** - Monday, 3 May at 1.30pm

PRIZE MONEY

Prize money will be awarded to first, second and third place getters in each class as per the following:

- First \$60 cash
- Second \$40 cash
- Third \$20 cash

All prize monies for the stud cattle classes and junior events will be paid directly into the exhibitors bank account via direct deposit. Please ensure that your banking details are correctly entered at time of nominating. If these details change, it is your responsibility to go online and amend these details. Prize monies will be forfeited if banking details are incorrect.

RIBBONS

Ribbons will be awarded dependent on the number of entries in each class, as per the following:

- 1-6 entries - 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- 7-9 entries - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th
- 10 entries and over - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th

Place ribbons will be distinguished by the following colours:

- First - blue
- Second - red
- Third - white
- Fourth - yellow
- Fifth - light green
- Sixth - light pink

TROPHIES & CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

Broad ribbons will be awarded for all Championships.

Trophies will only be awarded to the Champions and Reserve Champions in each breed if they are sponsored. Breed societies have been asked to assist with sponsorship of these trophies from among breed supporters. They are also requested to obtain and bring these trophies to Beef 2027 prior to the competition.

Beef Australia trophies will be awarded to the Grand Champion Bull and Female of each breed.

HOW TO ENTER

Stud cattle nominations will open on 14 December 2026. Nominations must be made online at beefaustralia.com.au/studcomp.

By nominating online, entrants will be able to enter and pay nominations through a simple, secure and easy to use process.

In the instance that an exhibitor cannot apply online, please contact the Stud Cattle Coordinator by calling 07 4922 2989 or emailing netty@beefaustralia.com.au.

An Offline Processing Fee of \$50 will be charged to any exhibitor requiring Beef Australia staff to enter their exhibits.

NOMINATION DATES

- Entries open **Monday, 14 December 2026**
- Entries close **Friday, 19 February 2027**
- Junior Led Steer entries close **Friday, 2 April 2027**
- All other Junior event entries close **Monday, 23 April 2027**

NOMINATION FEES

DESCRIPTION	FEE (GST incl.)
Individual classes	\$235
Group classes	\$80
Junior led steers	\$135
Junior classes	nil
Offline processing	\$50
Late nomination	\$440

All nomination fees are inclusive of GST and must accompany nominations. Entries received without payment will not be accepted. All late nominations are subject to a late nomination fee of \$440.

SUBSTITUTIONS

All substitutions can be made online via the competition entry software by logging into your exhibitor account. Substitutions will be accepted up to **5.00pm on Friday, 19 March 2027** and may only be made class for class.

WITHDRAWALS

All withdrawals of entries will be accepted until **5.00pm on Friday, 19 March 2027**. Withdrawals can be made by completing the withdrawal form available on the Beef Australia website and emailing it to the Stud Cattle Committee Coordinator by the close date at netty@beefaustralia.com.au.

50% of the Entry Fee will be refunded up until 5.00pm Friday, 19 March 2027. There will be no refunds on withdraws after 5.00pm.

No cattle will be accepted past Friday, 19 March 2027.

DISPLAY SPACE

Exhibitors nominating five or more head have the option to purchase extra space beside their animals in the sheds, up to 2.4 metres wide by 3 metres deep (equivalent to two animal spaces), to provide a place to display marketing materials etc. Costs are:

- 1.2m x 3m - \$235
- 2.4m x 3m - \$470

Please note that all display space allocations are subject to cattle entry numbers and committee approval. The committee reserves the right to amend or reallocate display areas at any time should additional space be reviewed for the housing of cattle. Display space is not guaranteed and remains subject to the operational requirements of the event.

EXHIBITOR SPACE ALLOCATION

Individual exhibitor space allocations will not be determined by the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee. Breed captains will be appointed by each breed society and they will be responsible for allocating spaces within the Breed areas within the cattle housing.

CAMPING

Camping sites with access to power, toilets and showers will be available to exhibitors. Bookings can be made via the nomination portal once nominations have been submitted. Only permitted one camp site (either 5m x 20m or 4m x 12m) per exhibitor.

Camping permits will be issued and must be displayed in the windscreen of your vehicle to access the camping grounds.

CAMPING SITE FEES

- Semi Trailers/Trucks/Caravans/Vehicles (5m x 20m)- \$355
- Caravans/Light Vehicles (No Trucks) (4m x 12m)- \$235
- Additional truck & car parking is located at Kele Park (Free).

EXHIBITOR ENTRY PASSES

Passes will be allocated in accordance with the number of entries as follows:

- 1-5 head - 3 passes
- 6-10 head - 4 passes
- 11-20 head - 6 passes
- 21-40 head - 8 passes
- 41+ head - 10 passes

Digital passes will be issued via the ticketing system. Passes may be printed or downloaded via the ticket wallet option. Additional passes can be purchased via the Beef Australia ticketing system once nominations have been submitted. Passes are not available for purchase at the gate.

KEY DATES

2026	
Nominations open	14 December
2027	
Nominations close	19 February
Substitutions, withdrawals and late entries close	19 March
Junior Led Steer nominations close	2 April
All other junior events nominations close	23 April
Cattle arrivals open	28 April
All exhibitors on grounds	30 April
Inspections, weigh-in and scanning	1-2 May from 8.00am
Junior events	3 May
Junior led steer	4 May
Stud cattle judging	4-6 May
Young Judges competition	7 May
Departures begin	7 May

**NOMINATIONS OPEN
14 DECEMBER 2026**

To nominate in the Nutrien Ag Solutions
Stud Cattle Championship, visit

[BEEFAUSTRALIA.COM.AU/STUDCOMP](https://beefaustralia.com.au/studcomp)

CLASSES

INDIVIDUAL	
CLASS	DESCRIPTION
Calf female	
1	Female 6 months and under 9 months
2	Female 9 months and under 12 months
3	Female 12 months and under 15 months
4	Calf Champion Female
5	Reserve Calf Champion Female
Calf male	
6	Bull 6 months and under 9 months
7	Bull 9 months and under 12 months
8	Bull 12 months and under 15 months
9	Calf Champion Male
10	Reserve Calf Champion Male
Junior Female	
11	Heifer 15 months and under 17 months
12	Heifer 17 months and under 19 months
13	Heifer 19 months and under 21 months
14	Junior Champion Female
15	Reserve Junior Champion Female
Junior Male	
16	Bull 15 months and under 17 months
17	Bull 17 months and under 19 months
18	Bull 19 months and under 21 months
19	Junior Champion Male
20	Reserve Junior Champion Male
Senior Female	
21	Heifer 21 months and under 24 months
22	Cow 24 months and under 30 months
23	Cow 30 months and under 36 months
24	Cow 36 months and under 48 months
25	Cow 48 months and under 60 months
26	Senior Champion Female
27	Reserve Senior Champion Female
Senior Male	
28	Bull 21 months and under 24 months
29	Bull 24 months and under 30 months
30	Bull 30 months and under 36 months
31	Senior Champion Male
32	Reserve Senior Champion Male

GROUP	
CLASS	DESCRIPTION
33	EXHIBITORS GROUP Comprising three (3) head bred and owned by the exhibitor, with both sexes to be represented, and shown in their respective classes.
34	SIRE PROGENY STAKES Comprising three (3) head, both sexes represented by the same sire, exhibited by the same exhibitor and shown in their respective classes. The name of the sire is to be included with the nomination.
35	DAM PROGENY STAKES Comprising of two (2) head, the same or different sexes represented by the same dam, exhibited by the same exhibitor and shown in their respective classes. The name of the dam is to be included with the nomination.

AGE OF EXHIBITS

The minimum age allowed for handlers or attendants in the General Stud Classes is 12 years of age. The age of all stud cattle shall be the actual age as at 1 May 2027. Please ensure the actual date of each animal is entered correctly at time of nomination, as no alterations will be permitted.

TEETH SCHEDULE

All Bos Indicus Cattle:

- Under 20 months - milk teeth
- 20 and under 25 months - 2 teeth
- 25 and under 30 months - 4 teeth
- 30 and under 36 months - 6 teeth

Bos Taurus, Euro and Small Breed Cattle:

- Under 18 months - milk teeth
- 18 and under 24 months - 2 teeth
- 24 and under 30 months - 4 teeth
- 30 and under 36 months - 6 teeth

DATAMARS LIVESTOCK JUNIOR LED STEER COMPETITION

Tuesday, 4 May 2027 | Approximately 9.00am

The Datamars Livestock Junior Led Steer Competition will take place on **Tuesday, 4 May 2027**. It is the responsibility of the guardian to ensure that presenters are capable of handling their exhibit.

PRIZES

Prize money and ribbons will be awarded to first, second and third place getters in each class as per the following:

- First \$60
- Second \$40
- Third \$20

A Grand Champion Led Steer Trophy will be awarded.

CLASSES

CLASS	DESCRIPTION
36	For Milk Tooth Steers with a live weight of 325-439kg
37	For Milk Tooth Steers with a live weight of 440-499kg
38	For Milk Tooth Steers with a live weight of 500-559kg
39	For Milk Tooth Steers with a live weight of 560-650kg

CONDITIONS

General conditions numbered 1-11 on page 16 of this schedule will also apply to this section.

1. All steers in this section must be on grounds by 11.00pm Friday, 30 April 2027.
2. Entry Fee for Datamars Livestock Junior Led Steer Classes is \$135 per entry (includes stall, bedding and scanning).
3. All steers MUST be milk teeth and be presented for weighing and mouthing to the stewards when called. Weighing will be on Sunday, 2 May 2027.
4. All steers either to be ringed or dogged at all times when being handled.
5. All steers are to be polled or effectively dehorned or they will not be allowed to compete.
6. After completion of weighing, all steers will be placed into their appropriate classes and will be asked to enter the ring in weight order. This list will be made available at the Stud Office on Monday, 3 May 2027.
7. No heifers will be eligible for entry.
8. No HGP.
9. **Handler age to be 12 years and under 19 years of age as of 1 May 2027.**

All competitors, parents, guardians, chaperones will be required to complete an online induction prior to the event and competition briefings at the event as required.

HOW TO ENTER

Entries can be submitted online at **beefaustralia.com.au/studcomp**.

- Entries open **14 December 2026**
- Entries close **2 April 2027**

Entries cost \$135 per entry (includes stall, bedding and scanning). No late entries will be accepted.

DATAMARS LIVESTOCK JUNIOR PARADERS COMPETITION

Monday, 3 May 2027 | 8.30am

The Datamars Livestock Junior Paraders Competition will take place on **Monday, 3 May 2027**.

PRIZES

Prize money will be awarded to first, second and third place getters in each class as per the following:

- First \$50
- Second \$30
- Third \$20

CLASSES

There will be six rings and seven classes will be judged at once. The winners of each class will compete in a Championship Award later in the day.

CLASS	DESCRIPTION
40	8 years to 11 years
41	12 years and 13 years
42	14 years
43	15 years
44	16 years
45	17 years
46	18 years and under 25 years

CONDITIONS

1. All animals must have a nose ring or nose dog clip and lead. Competitors must be neatly attired. Dustcoats may be worn if desired.
2. Competitor's age will be 8 years to under 25 years. Animals must be under 21 months with the exception for small breed animals able to parade females only up to 500kg. All animals paraded must be entered to be shown in a class at Beef Australia 2027.
3. Personal Indemnity must be completed and submitted by Sunday, 2 May and submitted to the Stud Cattle Office onsite.
4. **Handler must be the age indicated relevant to classes in the table across as at 1 May 2027**
5. Competitors entered in Class 40 (8 years to 11 years) will be required to be accompanied by a parent/guardian/chaperone aged 18+.
6. Competitors entered in Class 41 (12 years and 13 years) will be required to have a parent/guardian/chaperone aged 18+ within centre ring during competition times.
7. All competitors, parents, guardians, chaperones will be required to complete an online induction prior to the event and competition briefings at the event as required.

HOW TO ENTER

Entries can be submitted online at **beefaustralia.com.au/studcomp**.

- Entries open **14 December 2026**
- Entries close **23 April 2027**

There is no entry fee for the Junior Paraders Competition. No late entries will be accepted.

CHARBRAY SOCIETY

JUNIOR SCHOOL TEAM

JUDGING COMPETITION

Monday, 3 May 2027 | Approximately 11.30am

The Charbray Society Junior School Team Judging Competition will take place on **Monday, 3 May 2027**, after Junior Paraders has concluded.

PRIZES

Prize money and ribbons will be awarded to first, second and third place getters as per the following:

- First \$50
- Second \$30
- Third \$20

A trophy will also be awarded to first place.

CLASS

CLASS	DESCRIPTION
47	School's Team Judging for teams of four (4) competitors who are current students from any secondary or primary school. The name of the school should be included on the entry form. <i>Please note: only two teams per school can nominate.</i>

CONDITIONS

1. Four (4) bulls and four (4) females will be paraded before the competitors. Each team is required to place the animals in each group.
2. The teams scoring the highest points in the two classes will be asked to nominate one speaker who will present an oral assessment of one group. Competitors in this section are scored on their accuracy of observation, their comparative statements and their general presentation.
3. The over judge will place the animals, and adjudicate the scores of the competing teams.
4. The winners will be announced immediately after the over judge has completed his comments
5. All competitors, parents, guardians, chaperones will be required to complete an online induction prior to the event and competition briefings at the event as required.

HOW TO ENTER

Entries can be submitted online at **beefaustralia.com.au/studcomp**.

- Entries open **14 December 2026**
- Entries close **23 April 2027**

There is no entry fee for the Junior School Team Judging Competition. No late entries will be accepted.

DATAMARS LIVESTOCK JUNIOR JUDGES COMPETITION

Friday, 7 May 2027 | 8.30am

The Datamars Livestock Junior Judges Competition will take place on Friday, 7 May 2027.

PRIZES

Prize money will be awarded to first, second and third place getters in each class as per the following:

- First \$50
- Second \$30
- Third \$20

CLASSES

CLASS	DESCRIPTION
48	8 years to 11 years
49	12 years and 13 years
50	14 years
51	15 years
52	16 years
53	17 years
54	18 years and under 25 years

CONDITIONS

1. Competitor's age will be as of 1 May 2027.
2. Contestants will be required to judge three (3) classes of various breeds of stud cattle.
3. Finalists will be chosen from those contestants with the highest scores after completion of the judging section. Finalists will be required to place and comment on one of the groups of stud cattle.
4. The cattle to be judged will be selected by the Beef Australia 2027 Youth Stud Cattle Committee in liaison with the over judge.

HOW TO ENTER

Entries can be submitted online at beefaustralia.com.au/studcomp.

- Entries open **14 December 2026**
- Entries close **23 April 2027**

There is no entry fee for the Junior Judges Competition. No late entries will be accepted.

NEW TO BEEF2027

JUNIOR HEIFER SHOWDOWN COMPETITION

Monday, 3 May 2027 | Approximately 1.30pm

The Junior Heifer Showdown Competition will take place on Monday, 3 May 2027. This is a new competition to Beef Australia's Stud Cattle Competitions, and has been introduced to support youth and skill development, while also increasing youth participation and engagement within Australia's cattle industry.

COMPETITION FORMAT

Animals will compete head-to-head in pairs. A panel of three judges are allocated 30 seconds per matchup to judge each heifer. At the conclusion of judging, each judge indicates their selection by raising their right or left arm to signal which animal progresses. The animal receiving the most votes will advance to the next round.

This process continues through successive knockout rounds until the final, where the overall winner is determined.

After each round, one judge provides brief general commentary on the animals progressing.

CLASSES

CLASS	DESCRIPTION
55	Junior Heifer Showdown <i>1 entry per child exhibitor aged 10-18 years as at 1 May 2027</i>

PRIZES

The following will be awarded to the winner and runner-up as per the following:

- Winner: Beef Australia Belt Buckle and Banner (awarded to the handler)
- Runner-Up: Banner (awarded to the handler)

CONDITIONS

1. Only one animal allowed per parader.
2. Only heifers registered in the stud cattle competition are eligible to participate in this competition.
3. Handlers must be 10 to 18 years of age as of 1 May 2027.
4. Heifers must be in the Junior Age Category between 15 months and under 21 months of age as of 1 May 2027.
5. The draw will be conducted at random the day prior to the event to eliminate bias.
6. Animals can be pre-marshalled according to the draw, ensuring a smooth, cohesive competition flow with minimal delays.

HOW TO ENTER

Entries can be submitted online at **beefaustralia.com.au/studcomp**.

- Entries open **14 December 2026**
- Entries close **2nd April 2027**

There is a \$10 entry fee for the Junior Heifer Showdown. Entries must be received by 2nd April. No late entries will be accepted.

INTERBREED CHAMPIONSHIP

Thursday, 6 May 2027 | Calf/Juniors 8.00am, Parade of Champions 12.00pm

Four new classes will be introduced into the Beef2027 Interbreed Championship, starting at 8.00am. These include;

- Calf Female
- Calf Male
- Junior Female, and
- Junior Male.

Winners of the Calf and Junior Champion classes of each breed will be invited to contest their respective class at the NEW Calf and Junior Interbreed Championship.

The Stud Cattle Parade of Champions and the Interbreed Championship will be judged on Thursday,

6 May 2027. The Parade of Champions will commence at 12.00pm, with the Interbreed Championship following after the Parade of Champions has completed.

A **Supreme Champion (Interbreed) Bull and Female** will be judged from the Grand Champion Bull and Female from each breed.

A **Supreme Champion (Interbreed) Exhibitors Group** will be judged from the Exhibitors Groups representing each breed.

A Perpetual Trophy will be presented to the three Interbreed Champions and the exhibit names will be added to the trophies. These trophies will be kept in the Beef Australia office.

FARMBOT HERDSMAN COMPETITION

Judging from 3–7 May 2027 | Awarded 7 May 2027

A Herdsman Competition will be conducted for the duration of the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Championships at the Rockhampton Showgrounds

The competition will be judged from Monday, 3 May to 12.00pm Friday, 7 May 2027 and is open to all grooms supervising cattle stalled at the grounds.

Nomination is automatic and will be judged on:

- General tidiness of stalls and passages
- General presentation of cattle and grooms
- Condition of bedding and its economic use with an absence of excreta

- Contentment of cattle
- Overall presentation, promotion and public relations.

ONSITE AT BEEF27

ARRIVALS

Exhibitors will not be permitted to bring their cattle onto the grounds before 8.30am on Wednesday, 28 April 2027. All stud cattle must be on grounds by 11.00pm Friday, 30 April 2027.

DEPARTURES

Exhibitors CANNOT leave the grounds until 11.00pm Friday, 7 May 2027. Exhibitors must be offsite by no later than 10.00am Sunday, 9 May 2027.

EXHIBITOR CHECK IN & ENTRY PASS COLLECTION

Stud Cattle Exhibitor check-in will be located at Anderson Park (corner Lion Creek Road and Cran Street). Wristbands will be issued for camp site and cattle precinct after hours access.

STUD CATTLE OFFICE

The Stud Cattle Office will be located at Rockhampton Showgrounds and open between 7.00am - 5.00pm daily during Beef 2027.

ADMISSION OF VEHICLES

No vehicle access is permitted on the Showgrounds during Beef 2027 (Monday 3 to Friday 7 May 2027). There will be a drop off point at Gate 8 and buggies will deliver to your cattle.

STUD CATTLE HOUSING

All cattle entered in the Nutrien Ag Solutions Stud Cattle Championship must be housed in the nominated Breed Stud Shed for the duration of the event, and not on trade sites.

CAMPING

Camping permits will be issued and must be displayed in the windscreen of your vehicle to access the camping grounds. Stud Cattle Exhibitor camping will be located at Jardine Park and Garland Park. There will be offsite parking for Semi Trailers/Trucks not required for camping.

Upon exit, clean site of rubbish and remove all tent pegs. Fee charged at discretion of Beef Australia if site not left clean.

ALCOHOL AND GLASS

Alcohol may only be consumed within designated licensed areas of the Beef Australia grounds, with the exception of designated camp areas, where alcohol consumption is permitted. For safety reasons, ALL glass is strictly prohibited within camp areas, and all cans and other rubbish must be disposed of appropriately. Camp areas must be kept clean and tidy at all times.

INSPECTIONS, WEIGHING & SCANNING

Weighing will commence at 8.00am on Saturday, 1 May 2027 and will be completed on Sunday, 2 May 2027. All male animals will be weighed, scanned and mouthed at this time. Please familiarise yourself with the teeth schedules as listed on Page 6 of this Schedule (underneath 'Classes').

Led steers will be weighed on Sunday only.

NLIS SCANNING

NLIS scanning will take place during lockdown 4.00pm Saturday, 1 May 2027.

Trade Cattle NLIS scanning will take place at 12.00pm on Saturday, 1 May 2027.

To ensure the process is completed quickly with minimal impact on all exhibitors, a completed Beef Australia NLIS Scanning Form must be presented at the time of scanning. This can be found on the Beef Australia website.

DECLARATIONS

All cattle must be accompanied by a completed:

1. National Vendor Declaration
2. Beef Australia Cattle Health Declaration
3. NLIS Scanning Form
4. Fire Ants Declaration- any exhibitor coming from a Fire Ants zone must provide a signed declaration.

Documents 1, 2 and 4 are to be handed into the Stud Cattle Committee upon arrival at the check-in location at Anderson Park, with the NLIS Scanning Form sighted by a committee member.

CATTLE TICK REQUIREMENTS

All cattle entering the Rockhampton Showgrounds must be tick free.

Cattle from the tick infected zone or a restricted place (in free zone) require the 'Cattle Tick Section' on the Beef Australia Cattle Health declaration to be completed by an Accredited Certifier declaring the cattle have received a clean manual inspection and supervised treatment within 24 hours prior to entry to the showgrounds.

Cattle returning to the tick free zone from Beef Australia 2027 will still require a clean manual inspection and supervised treatment by an accredited certifier after the event.

If a manual inspection reveals one animal on the consignment to have ticks, this will effect all animals listed on that NVD. The entire NVD consignment will fail their inspection and be refused entry onsite. Exhibitors can re-treat their consignment and re-present for an inspection after 4 days.

J-BAS

All cattle entering the grounds must be from herds with J-BAS 6 or higher.

ONSITE AUCTIONS

Onsite auctions will not be permitted in the Cattle Housing structures.

SAWDUST RECYCLING

Exhibitors will be required to use general waste and recycling bins located in the cattle precinct and not dispose of general waste in the sawdust waste receptacles. Contaminated sawdust cannot be recycled and must be treated as a waste product, requiring expensive disposal.

CONDITIONS

STUD CATTLE SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Stud cattle exhibitors are requested to make themselves conversant with the following conditions that apply specifically to the Stud Cattle section.

1. All cattle entered in the stud classes must be registered in the name of the exhibitor, as the owner, in a properly constituted Herd Book of the respective breed.
2. All cattle entered in the Nutrien Ag Solutions Stud Cattle Championships must be housed in the nominated Breed Stud Shed for the duration of the event, and not on trade sites.
3. For Calf, Junior and Senior Championship awards of each sex and breed, all first prize winners are to compete for the Grand Championship. After selecting the Champion, the judge will be required to select an animal for Reserve that will take the place of the Champion in the event of later being disqualified for any cause. The Reserve shall be selected from the remaining first prize animals, together with the second prize animal from the class that furnished the Champion.
4. Stud cattle entered for competition must be on the grounds by 11.00pm Friday 30th April 2027, and must NOT leave the grounds until after 11.00pm on Friday 7th May 2027. Trucks will NOT be allowed onto the grounds until after this time.
5. Beef Australia's Stud Cattle Committee will uphold and enforce any recommendation from any breed society relative to their particular breed regulations.
6. The maximum age of a calf on a cow will be nine months as at 1st May 2027. Any calf shown on a cow is NOT ELIGIBLE to be shown in any individual classes.
7. In all cases where age is a condition of entry, the understanding is that the exhibitor will, if called upon, sign a statutory declaration as to the age of the animal entered.
8. ALL female exhibits when handled must be restrained with a nose grip or nose ring. ALL male exhibits competing in the 6 months and under nine months of age class are to be restrained with a nose grip when handled. ALL male exhibits over the age of nine months when handled MUST be restrained by a nose ring.
9. ALL male stud cattle will be weighed, scanned and mouthed on the grounds prior to judging. Weighing will commence at 8.00 am on Saturday 1st May 2027, and be completed by 5pm on Sunday 2nd May 2027.
10. Steers will commence weighing at 8.00am on Sunday 2nd May 2027, and be completed on the same day.
11. The age of all stud cattle shall be the actual age as at 1st May 2027. The actual date of birth of each animal must be entered on the entry form. No changes will be permitted.
12. Beef Australia's Stud Cattle Committee reserves all rights to amalgamate classes or withdraw classes if thought appropriate.
13. MOUTHING: Representatives of the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee will mouth all male cattle during scanning and weighing. Individual Breed Societies reserve the right to inspect all female cattle for tattoo and dentition.
14. DATES OF BIRTH FOR CLASSES RESTRICTED BY AGE: All cattle will exhibit in the relevant class related to the animal's age as of 1st May 2027.

CATTLE EXHIBIT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The exhibitor must submit to Beef Australia Ltd (the Company), hereafter referred to as "Beef Australia 2027" (the Event), a completed online Application, herein referred to as "the agreement", together with the total fees applied. Beef Australia reserves the right to terminate this agreement should the exhibitor fail to comply with payment.
2. If the exhibitor should request that this agreement be terminated after nominations close at 5.00pm Friday 19th February but before 5.00pm, Friday 15th March 2027, the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee may do so on the condition that it retains the 50% application fee.
3. NO REFUNDS will be given after 5.00pm Friday 19th March 2027.
4. No vehicle access on to the Showgrounds during the Event. Drop off point at Gate 8 for all feed and equipment and will be delivered by volunteers in buggies.
5. The exhibitor shall not share, assign, transfer,

sublet, set over or part with possession of their allocated area or enter into any agreement so to, unless written authorisation from the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee is obtained prior.

6. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to maintain a clean, tidy and waste free site at all times. The exhibitor shall make no alterations to any floors, walls or roofs and the site must be returned to the same condition as that of when the exhibitor took possession.
7. The exhibitor shall cover their public risk liability and indemnify Beef Australia, its employees and agents from all claims, demands, losses, damages, actions, costs and expenses resulting from the use of the site. The exhibitor must provide a Certificate of Currency, as proof of Current Public Liability Insurance coverage with Beef Australia Ltd noted as an interested party, to Beef Australia via online entry. Exhibitors must have a minimum liability limit of \$20 million.
8. Beef Australia shall not be liable for any theft, loss or damage to the exhibitor's property during the event.
9. Beef Australia will use its best endeavours to ensure the supply of services to the site but it shall not be liable for any theft, loss, damage or expenses incurred by the exhibitor resulting from any cause beyond the control of Beef Australia.
10. If Beef Australia shall find it necessary, expedient or desirable to postpone the Beef Australia 2027 Exposition or cancel or suspend the operation of the Cattle Exhibit agreement, then this agreement shall cease to operate or be suspended upon notice to the desired effect being served upon the exhibitor by handing it to the exhibitor personally or by mailing it to the exhibitor at the postal or email address given on the application, or at the option of Beef Australia or its authorised agent handing it to or offering it to any person who appears to be an employee, agent or partner of the exhibitor. Beef Australia shall not be liable to the exhibitor for any compensation, whether in respect to loss of profit or otherwise, as a result of such cancellation or postponement. Beef Australia may at its sole discretion decide whether to refund any monies paid by the exhibitor.
11. Beef Australia reserves the right to reallocate or relocate any exhibitor to enable a better showing of exhibits and to amend or alter the exact location of the site. The exhibitor agrees to be bound by such alteration or relocation.
12. Exhibits, displays and demonstrations shall remain in keeping with the dignity and atmosphere of the Beef Australia 2027 Exposition and Beef Australia reserves the right to reject any display or demonstration, which does not achieve this objective.
13. Beef Australia or its authorised agents may enter upon the site at any time to remove sublet, set over or part with possession of their site, any article, sign, picture or printed matter, allocated area or enter into any agreement so to, unless written authorisation from the Beef Australia Management Committee is obtained prior.
14. The exhibitor shall not erect or display any form of signage, promotional or advertising material on or around the grounds outside the boundaries allocated under this agreement.
15. The exhibitor shall not conduct any leaflet dropping, questionnaires, surveys or offer to the public any free products and/or materials on or around the grounds outside the boundaries allocated under this agreement.
16. The exhibitor shall not conduct, permit or offer any lottery, raffle, guessing competition, game of chance, sideshow or sale by auction or tender on the grounds without the prior written permission of the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee and the applicable permit/license from the relevant governing body.
17. Microphones, sound amplifiers and machine demonstrations will be permitted only as long as they cause no annoyance to neighbouring exhibitors or the visiting public.
18. Beef Australia reserves the right to remove any disruptive animals at the exhibitor's expense.
19. If any breach or infringement of any conditions of this agreement and/or if the exhibitor does not occupy its site for the full period of the event, Beef Australia shall have the right to cancel this agreement, retain any monies paid.

GENERAL

1. Breed Society Registration: To be eligible for entry, the exhibitor must be registered with a Breed Society or Association recognised by Beef Australia.
2. Neither Beef Australia Ltd nor the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee will be responsible for any accident that may be caused through or by any competitor, and it shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor/competitor shall hold the Company and/or Committee harmless and indemnified against any legal proceedings arising from any such accidents.
3. Exhibitors shall have a public risk liability for a minimum cover of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000). Evidence of currency of such insurance must be provided to Beef Australia Ltd via online entry.
4. In case of a biosecurity incident at the event grounds, the exhibitor will remain responsible for the health and welfare of their own animals.
5. Exhibitors are requested to pay particular attention to the filling out of entry forms and to supply ALL INFORMATION requested, as the Stud Cattle Catalogue of Entries will be compiled from these entry forms.
6. Mouthing: All cattle subject to mouthing will be based on their age at their nominated date of birth.
7. The Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee and/or Beef Australia will not under any circumstances hold itself responsible for any loss or damage to or by the misdelivery of any exhibit.
8. Exhibitors will not be permitted to bring their cattle onto the grounds before 8.30am on Wednesday 28th April 2027, but must be on the grounds by 11.00pm Friday 30th April May 2027. Exhibitors cannot leave the grounds until 11.00pm Friday 7th May 2027. **Please Note Change: All led cattle will be housed in the Pavilions. No led cattle will be allowed on Trade Sites.**
9. Exhibitors/livestock attendants pass outs will be issued as digital passes at the Stud Cattle Stewards office on arrival.
10. Applications for camping including Caravan/ Gooseneck, Caravan and Annex, Body Truck or Semi requirements must be made with the livestock application form and will be available online from Monday 14th December 2026 or can be obtained by contacting the Beef Australia Office. Fees are listed on the entry form.
11. Any exhibitor who does not comply with these rules or any directions of the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee may be disqualified.
12. Complaints are to be in writing and must come through a Breed Captain as nominated by the individual breeds. Not less than three (3) members of the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee shall decide the outcome of any dispute that may arise and their decision will be final.
13. FODDER: The provision of fodder is the responsibility of the exhibitor. Additional fodder requirements during the event can only be obtained from the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee authorised suppliers.
14. BEDDING: All bedding will be provided by Beef Australia 2027. No other bedding, including straw, will be permitted on the grounds. N.B. Outdoor Trade Fair Sites who require bedding and other site services can order them through Beef Australia from February 2027.
15. No dogs will be allowed on the Rockhampton Showgrounds and event site for the duration of the Beef Australia 2027 exposition.
16. DUST COATS OR BREED UNIFORMS: Must be worn by grooms when leading cattle during judging of all classes and championships and during Grand Parades. Beef Australia's 2027 Stud Cattle Committee reserves the right to remove this requirement in the event of extreme weather conditions.
17. Beef Australia's 2027 Stud Cattle Committee reserves the right to combine breeds with 1 to 10 exhibits together in their respective classes.
18. Beef Australia's 2027 Stud Cattle Committee reserves the right to combine any class within a breed with any other class of that breed if there are less than four (4) entries in that class.
19. No drug, hormone or tranquilliser shall be administered to any animal exhibit except under the direction of the Beef Australia Veterinary Officer who shall advise the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee's Stewards if, in his or her opinion such drug, hormone or tranquilliser is likely to have any effect upon the animal which would be material to its chances of being awarded a prize and in such case the Stewards may debar the animal from competing. A Steward may at any time direct the Beef Australia Veterinary Officer to take a sample of blood, saliva or urine from any exhibit for testing. No outside Veterinary Officer will be able to attend or treat animals during Beef Australia 2027 unless given permission from the Beef Australia Veterinary Officer or Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee.
20. Any animal which is not thoroughly tractable, or that may present any unnecessary risk to patrons, can under the orders of the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee and/or Beef Australia be debarred from competing.
21. The **MINIMUM** age allowed for handlers or attendants in the General Stud Classes is **12 years of age.**

BIOSECURITY

1. CATTLE HEALTH DECLARATION: All cattle must be accompanied by a completed Beef Australia Cattle Health Declaration and presented to the Beef Australia 2027 Stud Cattle Committee upon arrival. This declaration will be available on the Beef Australia website.
2. NATIONAL LIVESTOCK IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (NLIS): All cattle entering the Rockhampton Showgrounds must have an approved NLIS device in the animals ear.
3. NLIS SCANNING will take place on Saturday 1st May 2027.
4. Stud Cattle NLIS scanning will commence at 4.00pm on Saturday 1st May 2027 and Trade cattle NLIS scanning will commence at 12.00pm on Saturday 1st May 2027.
5. All cattle must be in their allocated stalls/pens/pavilion during NLIS scanning. A completed Beef Australia NLIS Scanning Form must be presented at the time of scanning. This form will be available on the Beef Australia website.
6. Cattle that are missing an approved NLIS device will be tagged immediately with an orange post-breeder NLIS tag bearing the **Rockhampton Showgrounds PIC: QGRH0079**.
7. Cattle that are NOT returning to the PIC recorded on the cattle health declaration must notify the stud committee and complete a Beef Australia NLIS Transfer Form. This form will be available at NLIS Scanning or at the Stud Cattle Office during the event. An NLIS reader will be available onsite to ensure NLIS/Rfid numbers are recorded correctly.
8. CATTLE TICK: All cattle entering the Rockhampton Showgrounds must be tick free. Please ensure you familiarise yourself with the new cattle tick requirements for Beef Australia 2027.
9. **NEW CATTLE TICK REQUIREMENTS:** Cattle from the tick infected zone or a restricted place (in free zone) require the 'Cattle Tick Section' on the Beef Australia Cattle Health Declaration to be completed by an Accredited Certifier declaring the cattle have received a clean manual inspection and supervised treatment within 24 hours prior to entry to the Showgrounds. N.B. Cattle returning to the tick free zone from Beef Australia 2027 will still require a clean manual inspection and supervised treatment by an accredited certifier after the event.
10. JOHNE'S BEEF ASSURANCE SCORE (J-BAS): All cattle entering the Rockhampton Showgrounds must be from a herd with a J-BAS 6 or higher. J-BAS status must be declared on nominations and on the completed Beef Australia Cattle Health Declaration.
11. After a manual inspection of animals arriving from a Cattle Tick Area reveals at least one animal with ticks on the consignment, then ALL animals listed on that NVD shall be refused entry to the grounds. If cattle are found to be Tick infested (Ticky) at time of inspection prior to entry to beef 2027 the following options are available to exhibitors: a.) Do not exhibit your cattle at the event. b.) Represent the cattle in 4 days for another clean manual inspection and supervised treatment.

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