

General Rally Rules

- 1) All competitors must be currently signed and paid up members. **Competitors will be required to show their Digital Membership cards.** Failure to produce a card will be noted by the steward. Signing in sheets will be checked by office staff the following week and if a member has competed without signing up online or paying Radnor YFC, their club will be fined membership price of £30 plus £20 at total of £50 per non member.
- 2) White coats ***must be worn*** in 3-6, 7-10, 12, 13-16,18-20, 22-23, 28-30, 36-38. In the classes that require a white coat, if the Competitor is not wearing a white coat, he/she will have 10 marks deducted from their overall marks.
- 3) Each member may enter a maximum of four competitions (Classes), excluding the Main Ring. This does not include entry in any Pre-Rally competitions. Pre Rally competitions include classes 1- 11, 13-17.
- 4) For the purpose of the Rally, the following age limits will apply: 28 years of age and under, 21 years of age and under, 18 years of age and under, 16 years of age and under and 14 years of age on the 1st September 2023.
- 5) Any member failing to be present at a competition at the given time may be penalised at the discretion of the judges, unless taking part in another competition. It is up to the Chief Steward of his/her club to inform the stewards if a member of their club is already involved in another competition.
- 6) Competitors will be disqualified if they contact the public by speech or sign while a competition is in progress or talk with each other in the stock judging rings. Stewards will be required to warn competitors and then to report the incident to the elected Complaints Panel for decision.
- 7) **Each Club to appoint their own Chief Steward** ~ a non-competing person who will be responsible for informing competition Stewards and Announcers if a competitor is late reporting for a competition or will not be reporting at all. **Name of Chief Steward to be included on entry form.**
- 8) For the overall Rally Shield, clubs entering all competitions will have their four lowest competition marks deducted.
- 9) Special requirements - If any member has any special requirements when competing in a competition, then please do not hesitate to contact the county office, if possible, a week before the competition is due to take place.
- 10) Where applicable all winners at the Rally will have the opportunity to represent Radnor YFC at the Royal Welsh Show and National Competitions Day.
- 11) **In all competitions, the Judges decision is final, and no harassment is to be given to the Judges by any YFC Member or General Public.**

- 13) All trestle tables will be either 6ft or 8ft.
- 14) All exhibits must be left on view to the public until 5pm when they can then be removed. If removed before 5pm, clubs will be placed 20 points below the lowest placed club in that competition.
- 15) Radnor YFC will not be responsible for any exhibits left on display 15 minutes after the overall results have been announced at the end of the day.
- 16) Radnor YFC will not be held responsible for any items left on display.
- 17) **Members turning up late for the first competitions of the day, will be given no extra time to complete the competition. There will be zero tolerance on this rule. No excuses.**
- 18) No electric will be available for competitors on the day - excluding the shearing classes.

RULES: RE: TOTAL DISQUALIFICATION

- A) If a competitor is found to be over the stated age, this will lead to total disqualification.
- B) The County Chairman and the Competitions Chairman have the right to disqualify any competitor should they feel that the person is under the influence of alcohol.
- C) **Rules: Re: Deduction of points beforehand.**
Items that are required for judging beforehand must be in on the date stated. Any late entry will result in a **deduction of ten points per day.**
- D) **Infringement of Rules**
Any infringement of the rules will result in a competitor being placed at the bottom with a difference of ten points to the next highest placed competitor. Judges will award the competitors marks **before** any deductions are taken off due to infringements of the rules.
- E) Complaints to be received in writing and accompanied by £20 and handed to the County Organiser within one hour of the alleged grievance. A panel will give ruling. If the complaint is upheld the £20 will be refunded. PANEL: County Chairman; County Vice-Chairman; Competitions Chairman; Competitions Vice-Chairman, plus Steward/s of the Competition in question.
- F) After the results have been announced, clubs will have one week from the release of the results on the website in which they can challenge the overall results. This must be handed in writing or email, detailing the grievance and handed to the Chief Officer. A panel will give a ruling. PANEL: County Chairman, County Vice Chairman, Competitions Chairman, Competitions Vice Chairman and the scorers.