

# **Droughtmaster Stud Breeders' Society Limited**

## **Show Rules and Regulations**

### **The following Rules & Regulations apply to Royal Shows, Futurities, Feature Shows & Beef Expo.**

#### **DENTITION**

The Droughtmaster mouthing standard will govern the maximum permissible dental development of Droughtmaster cattle being exhibited at shows.

The Board will have the right to select any number of shows throughout the year where mouthing of some or all entries could be carried out.

The maximum dental development is based on the actual age of the animal on show/sale day and not the age as determined by the Show Society or Sale Committee for the setting of classes.

A Droughtmaster animal shall not be eligible for exhibition or judging at an Agricultural show, Royal Show, Futurity, Feature Show or Beef Expo if:

- (a) In the case of an animal under 19 months (\*580 days) of age on the day of exhibition, it has or has evidence of having had, a permanent tooth or teeth.
- (b) In the case of an animal under 25 months (\*763 days) of age on the day of exhibition, it has or has evidence of having had, more than two permanent teeth.
- (c) In the case of an animal under 30 months (\*915 days) of age on the day of exhibition, it has or has evidence of having had, more than four permanent teeth (*Droughtmaster Rules & Regulations*, Clause 9.9 - 9.12).

*\* Days of age calculated at 30.5 days per month*

An animals which is found to be ineligible based on its dentition, must be removed from the showgrounds before judging commences (*Droughtmaster Rules & Regulations*, Clause 9.14).

#### **CLASSIFICATION**

Only D4 and D5 cattle can be shown at Royal Shows, Futurities, Feature Shows and Beef Expos (*Droughtmaster Rules & Regulations*, Clause 9.12).

#### **IDENTIFICATION**

Registered stud cattle in the Droughtmaster Herd Database (that are exhibited at Agricultural shows, Royal Shows, Futurities, Feature Shows and Beef Expos) must have one readily identifiable permanent brand or tattoo (*Droughtmaster Rules & Regulations*, Clause 9.15).

#### **NOSE RINGS/NOSE GRIPS**

When exhibited at Agricultural shows, Royal Shows, Futurities, Feature Shows and Beef Expos, all bulls over 12 months must have a nose ring. All bulls between 9 and 12 months must have nose ring or grip. Females 9 months and above must have nose ring or grip (*Droughtmaster Rules & Regulations*, Clause 9.16).

## **APPLICATION OF DROUGHTMASTER RULES**

Where the rules of the organising body are not in place at shows, the Droughtmaster rules apply (*Droughtmaster Rules & Regulations*, Clause 9.17).

### **PREGNANCY STATUS:**

Anyone wishing to voluntarily present a pregnancy test certificate(s) issued by a veterinarian, will have the pregnancy status of the exhibit marked on the neck card. This is not compulsory. It is preferred that females carry a pregnancy status, if no pregnancy status is provided, the female should be judged as empty.

### **GROUP CLASSES**

The following rules will apply to the following classes at Royal Shows, Futurities, Feature Shows and Beef Expos: Breeders Group, Sire's Progeny Group, Pair of Bulls and Pair of Females

- **BREEDERS GROUP** - Must be three animals of mixed sexes. All animals must be bred and owned by the exhibitor, must be from the same Stud Prefix, and must be entered in the general classes.
- **SIRE'S PROGENY GROUP - Must Be** three animals of mixed sexes. All animals must be bred and owned by the exhibitor, must be from the same Stud Prefix, and must be entered in the general classes.
- **PAIR OF BULLS OR PAIR OF FEMALES:** All animals must be bred and owned by the exhibitor, must be from the same Stud Prefix, and must be entered in the general classes.

### **COW & CALF UNITS**

A calf shown as a cow and calf unit must be under 8 months of age.

Calves that are part of a cow and calf unit cannot be exhibited as an individual.

### **OBJECTION**

Objection forms will be available at each Royal Show, Futurity, Feature Show and Beef Expo. If an objection is to be lodged (in relation to the compliance of any Droughtmaster Rule or Regulation, or compliance with the Droughtmaster Standard of Excellence), the objection form must be completed and signed by two independent studs and hand delivered to the CEO of the Society, or if the CEO is absent or unavailable, then a Director. The objection must be lodged before 5pm on the day before the show commences. A ruling in relation to any objection received, will be made by the Directors in attendance and/or the relevant Show Committee and delivered before the commencement of the show (*Droughtmaster Rules & Regulations*, Clause 9.18).