

RAS RULES AND CONDITIONS FOR ENTRY 2007/08 **LLAMA SECTION**

- L1: All Llamas are to be penned no later than 8.00am [on the morning of the show]. Animals not in their allocated pens and available for inspection by the advertised time may be disqualified. Exhibitors or handlers must be in attendance at the time of inspection.
- L2: All llamas attending an A & P Show, whether being judged, or an accompanying animal or on trade display only, have to be proven to be Tb free. This is achieved by the owner of the llama providing evidence of the Tb clear status of the llama as follows:
- Firstly all llamas have to be from a herd which is tested on a "whole herd" basis, and either:
- a) The herd they come from has a current valid (clear) Tb whole herd clear certificate and is situated in a non-movement control area as defined by the Animal Health Board (AHB) on their maps for cattle and deer.

or

 - b) The herd they come from has a current valid (clear) Tb whole herd certificate, and they are situated in a Tb movement control area as defined by the AHB, and the specific llamas attending the Show have been tested clear of Tb within 60 days of the show.
- L3: The exhibitor is the owner(s). Llama entries must be in the name of the bona-fide owner of the animal (or their nominee) who is responsible for the animal while it is on the showgrounds. (Confirmation of the nominee must be provided in writing with the entry form.) Llama entries may have been the property of the exhibitor for less than 3 months.
- L4: The age of the Llama is the age on the day of the Show.
- L5: All exhibitors or handlers must place their animals in the pens allotted by the Convener. Placement of show animals in "trade pens" can only be done with the permission of the Chief Steward.
- L6: No animals shall be removed from the Showgrounds before 4pm without the permission of the Chief Steward. Failure to comply with this condition of entry will result in disqualification.
- L7: All llamas being presented for showing must be registered with an approved RAS Affiliated Society with the Registration Number shown in the appropriate place on the entry form.
- L8: In special circumstances and subject to prior permission of the Show Convenor who will consult with the Judge, permission may be granted to allow control by a neck collar and lead or a catch rope for all classes. Permission should be sought prior to the show entry deadline.

Disclaimer: This is the edited version of the Rules – for a copy of the originals lodged with RAS, go to www.llamas.org.nz and they can be downloaded from the committee page. (The changes made were only spelling, grammar & formatting)

List of llama approved judges 2007-08

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NEW ZEALAND LLAMA CLASSES 2007-2008

Notes: The following classes apply to Royal Shows and Events. For smaller A&P Shows, the minimum schedule of classes is at the discretion of the Show Convenor. The class numbers shown below represent the order in which each host society is to run these classes.

CONFORMATION SECTION

Suri Llama classes are to be run first and at the Judges discretion on fibre type. Any Llama deemed by the Judge not to be a Suri Llama is to be moved to the appropriate class.

- Class 1 Junior Female Suri Llama (6 months and under 12 months)
- Class 2 Junior Male Suri Llama (6 months and under 12 months)
- Class 3 Intermediate Female Suri Llama (12 months and under 24 months)
- Class 4 Intermediate Male Suri Llama (12 months and under 24 months)
- Class 5 Senior Female Suri Llama (24 months and over)
- Class 6 Senior Male Suri Llama (24 months and over)

If exhibitor numbers over all Suri Llama classes in one gender are less than 4 these classes shall be condensed to one class for that gender at the Judges discretion.

Champion Male Suri Llama

Champion Female Suri Llama

Reserve Male Champion Suri Llama

Reserve Female Champion Suri Llama

Supreme Champion Suri Llama

- Class 7 Junior Female Llama (6 months & under 12 months)
- Class 8 Junior Male Llama (6 months and under 12 months)
- Class 9 Intermediate Female Llama (12 months and under 24months)
- Class 10 Intermediate Male Llama (12 months and under 24 months)
- Class 11 Senior Female Llama (24 months and over)
- Class 12 Senior Male Llama (24 months and over)
- Class 13 Gelded Llama

Champion Male Llama

Champion Female Llama

Reserve Champion Male Llama

Reserve Champion Female Llama

Supreme Champion Llama.

CONFORMATION SECTION continued

Class 14 GET OF SIRE - (this is not a Championship Class)

- Each entry must include three offspring by the same Sire.
- The Sire's progeny are decided after the completion of the Conformation Classes in which they must be entered.
- The class must represent offspring from at least two different dams.
- All entries in Sire's Progeny must have been shown in the preceding Conformation Classes.
- The Sire is not to be shown in this class.
- Progeny can be owned by different exhibitors.

The entry for the Sire is to be made on the Show Entry Form along with the appropriate Class No. and his Registration No. - The progeny for this class are to be entered on the day of the show by registering with the Chief Steward before the commencement of the judging of this class.

Get of Sire Sash to be awarded to the winning Sire and place ribbons for each of the progeny.

Class 15 DAM'S PROGENY - (this is not a Championship Class)

- Each entry must include two offspring by the same Dam.
- The Dam's progeny are decided after the completion of the Conformation Classes in which they must be entered
- All entries in Dam's Progeny must have been shown in the preceding Conformation Classes.
- The Dam is not to be shown in this class.
- Entries for this class are nominated on the day.
- Progeny can be owned by different exhibitors

The entry for the Dam is to be made on the Show Entry Form along with the appropriate Class No. and her Registration No. - The progeny for this class are to be entered on the day of the show by registering with the Chief Steward before the commencement of the judging of this class.

Dam's Progeny Sash to be awarded to the winning Dam and place ribbons for each of the progeny.

OBSTACLE SECTION

Each animal can only compete once in each section: Obstacle, PR and Packing. The exception to this rule is the Junior Handler 5 to 10 years where a llama used in these performance classes can be used again.

- Class 1 Performance Class Obstacle Course - Junior handler 5 to 10 years of age incl. (To counteract familiarity with the course, junior handlers will go in an anticlockwise direction. No entire male llama over 15 months to be lead)
- Class 2 Performance Class Obstacle Course - Senior handler 11 to 16 years of age incl.
- Class 3 Performance Class Obstacle Course – Beginner - (Llama who has never been in this Class at any Show) - Adult Handler.
- Class 4 Performance Class Obstacle Course – Novice - (Novice Llama is ineligible for the beginner's Class but has not yet had 3 wins) - Adult Handler
- Class 5 Performance Class Obstacle Course - Open - Adult Handler

Classes 2 to 5 will be conducted in a clockwise direction.

PUBLIC RELATIONS SECTION

Each animal can only compete once in each section: Obstacle, PR and Packing. The exception to this rule is the Junior Handler 5 to 10 years where a llama used in these performance classes can be used again.

- Class 1 Performance Class Public Relation - Junior handler 5 to 10 years of age incl. (To counteract familiarity with the course, junior handlers will go in an anticlockwise direction. No entire male llama over 15 months to be led)
- Class 2 Performance Class Public Relation - Senior handler 11 to 16 years of age incl.
- Class 3 Performance Class Public Relations – Beginner (Llama who has never been in this class in any show) – Adult Handler
- Class 4 Performance Class Public Relation - novice. (Novice Llama is ineligible for the beginner's class but has not yet had 3 wins) - Adult Handler
- Class 5 Performance Class Public Relation - open - Adult Handler

Champion Performance Llama

Reserve Champion Performance Llama

PACK SECTION

- Class 1 Pack Llama (Senior handler 11 to 16 years of age incl.)
- Class 2 Pack Llama Beginner - (Llama who has never been in this Class at any Show) - Adult Handler.
- Class 3 Pack Llama Novice (Novice Llama is ineligible for the beginner's class but has not yet had 3 wins) - Adult Handler
- Class 4 Pack Llama Open - Adult Handler

Champion Packing Llama

Reserve Champion Packing Llama

Supreme Champion Performance Llama

Points will be awarded for each of the performance classes (Obstacle, Packing and Public Relations), and the llama with the highest overall score will be presented with the Supreme Champion Performance ribbon. In the event of a tie the llamas in tied place would be required to do another performance class as determined by the judge. Winners from each of the Senior and Adult Handler classes are eligible.

CRAFT & FIBRE SECTION

- Class 1 Craft Fibre - Junior - 5 to 10 years of age incl. Any item the exhibitor has made with Llama Fibre.
- Class 2 Craft Fibre - Senior - 11 to 16 years of age incl. Any item the exhibitor has made with Llama Fibre.
- Class 3 Craft Fibre - Adult - Any item the exhibitor has made with Llama Fibre.

NZ LIAMA FLEECE CLASSES, RULES, & INFORMATION

Llama shows may offer Shorn Fleece classes and/or Walking Fleece Classes.

CLASSES for both Shorn and Walking Fleece Shows:

Double Coat Fleece:

-Double Coat, up to 24 months. -Double Coat, 24 months and over.

Single Coat Fleece:

-Single Coat, up to 24 months. -Single Coat, 24 months and over.

Suri Coat Fleece:

-Suri Coat, up to 24 months, -Suri Coat, 24 months and over.

SHORN FLEECE CLASSES

1. Fleece Divisions

- a. Double Coat – 2 discernable fibre types and textures
- b. Single Coat – indiscernible fibre types and textures
- c. Suri Coat – no crimp, distinct lock, cool, slick handle

2. Age Divisions for Llama at time of shearing

- a. Up to 24 months, full blanket of barrel fleece
- b. Older than 24 months, full blanket of barrel fleece

3. Rules

A. Each fleece entry shall be accompanied by the following:

1. Copy of Registration certificate – placed in bag with fleece Completed Entry Tag provided by the show with the following information:
 - Age Division
 - Fleece division
 - Birth Date of llamas
 - Gender
 - Date of Shearing (Month/Date)
 - Date of previous shearing (Month/Date)
 - Growth Time (Months)
 - Entry Number/Owner ID No.

B. Fleece shall:

1. Not be brushed before or after shearing
2. Consist of the prime fibre from either the full blanket or barrel
- 3 Be sheared within 2 years of the date of the show
- 4 Have lock structure intact
- 5 Be skirted and handpicked
- 6 Be submitted in clear unmarked plastic bags
- 7 Be judged by exhibitor number only

C. Fleece may not:

- 1 Have guard hairs removed
- 2 Be washed after shearing
- 3 Have crème rinse or other chemicals applied prior to or after shearing

D. Desired Length of Fibre

- a) Llama age up to 24 months
 - i Minimum of 8 cm undercoat
 - ii Maximum staple length of 20 cm, including Guard hair.
- b) Llama age older than 24 months
 - i Minimum of 8 cm undercoat
 - ii Maximum staple length of 20 cm, including guard hair

E. It is the responsibility of the owner to apply the fleece division description in Section 1. However, the fleece judge will also determine if the fleeces have been entered in the appropriate division and, if not, move them to the appropriate division.

- F. Possible disqualifications: The Judge has the right to disqualify any fleece. Reasons for disqualification include, but are not limited to:
1. Insect or parasite infestation
 2. Stress breaks
 3. Staple length too long or too short
 4. Excessive vegetation
 5. Not following entry rules

4. Fleece Judging Criteria: 100 points possible

The following are the judging criteria used on the Fleece Score card:

- a. Cleanliness/Preparation: total of 20 points
- b. Fineness and Hand: 20 points
- c. Guard Hair – Fineness and percentage of 10 points
- d. Style/Architecture – crimp and lock structure: 15 points
- e. Lustre: 10 points
- f. Overall Impression Uniformity: 10 points
- g. Tensile Strength and Condition: 15 points

WALKING FLEECE CLASS

This is an opportunity for llama owners to learn about fleece characteristics and management while receiving a professional evaluation.

1. The Judge for this class must be able to evaluate llama fleece according to Walking Fleece Class Score Card.
2. Use the same age and fleece divisions as for shorn fleece classes.
3. Exhibitors bring their llamas to the judge during a designated time period.
4. The judge evaluates each llama's fleece and discusses it with the owner while filing out the Fleece Score Card.

Fleece Show Information

SHORN FLEECE (aka BAGGED)

Entries should be a skirted fleece of llama fibre that has been shorn within two years of the date of the show. There are three fibre divisions with two age groups each (a total of six classes). Each entry must include entry card completely filled out. Please refer above for fleece preparation/judging rule information. All entries to be paid by show due date, no late entries accepted.

WALKING FLEECE

The Walking Fleece class is a hands on opportunity for a llama owner to find out the characteristics and quality of their llama fleece on the animal. The age and class divisions are the same as the shorn fleece division. The animal conformation will NOT be considered in any portion of this judging. Participants will be scheduled for a time to work with the fleece judge individually. You should be ready and prepared for judging 5 minutes prior to your appointment. Please do not use grooming products on the day of the show prior to being judged.

VARIOUS INFORMATION

1. Fleece Show rules will be used as a point of organisation for these events. They are included with the rules approved by RAS and will be explained by show Steward pre-show.
2. Classes are combined sex, males and females will be in the same division.
3. Champion & Reserve Champion placing will be given for Double, Single and Suri Divisions.
4. Shorn Llamas may be shown in Walking Fleece, but not with complete nudies. The shoulder, neck and hip area need to be able to be checked. A dollop on the barrel is even better.