

MELPLASH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
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TRADE STAND NOTES AND CONDITIONS

1. The siting of Trade Stands will be at the discretion of the Society. No Trader has the right to claim a particular site. Where possible however, the Society will endeavour to allocate previous sites to traders of long standing, if requested.
2. Should an Exhibitor withdraw from the Show, or cancel the space reserved for them for any reason, all fees paid shall be forfeited and the Society reserves the right to re-let such space.
3. Any space allotted which is not occupied by 8.00 a.m. on Show Day will be considered not required. The Society reserves the right to re-allocate such space.
4. No standholder will be permitted to sublet or exchange a stand or charge for admission to any stand, or permit anyone else to use any part of the stand without prior agreement with the Secretary.
5. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any application without giving a reason and to cancel or postpone the show for whatever reason.
6. The fee paid is for space only. Exhibitors (with the exception of the Traders Arcade and Food Hall) must find their own tent or covering. Tents may be hired from the Society's contractor, V.I.P. Marquees, Tel: 01392 833924. For table and chair hire, please contact this office.
7. Frontage booked must include an allowance for outside tent guy ropes (if used) and for the drawbars of display caravans. When calculating space for display caravans, please allow sufficient space to manoeuvre the caravan into position without interfering with adjacent sites. No part of the caravan, tent, etc. will be allowed to overhang the avenue.
8. SILENT generators WILL be allowed with the Secretary's permission, provided they are kept within the pitch site and do not cause excessive noise, smell or smoke. The Secretary reserves the right to forbid any generators that, in her opinion, do not comply with the above restrictions.
9. A TRADE VEHICLE PASS will be issued to each standholder to admit a Trade Vehicle to unload in the Showfield. (An additional Trade Vehicle Pass will be issued for each booking of 20 metres frontage or over.) Once the vehicle has been unloaded, it must be removed to an outside car park as soon as possible and by 8.00 am on Show Day at the latest. No trade vehicle will be allowed to stay on the showfield unless it forms part of the Trade Stand. Vehicles causing an obstruction in any form may be towed away.
10. The Showfield will be open for the erection of Trade Stands for three days prior to the Show with overnight security on the site from 6pm the day before. PLEASE NOTE THAT EVERY STAND MUST BE COMPLETED BY 8AM ON SHOW DAY AND THE DISMANTLING OF TRADE STANDS MUST NOT START BEFORE 6PM ON SHOW DAY. Please note that there is 24 hour access to the Showfield at all times, but authority to enter will be checked by security when it is operational.
11. Every site must be cleared by 5pm on Saturday after Show Day. Traders are reminded that they are responsible for clearing ALL litter in the vicinity of their stand. Skips hired by the Society

will be positioned around the Showground for the disposal of reasonable amounts of litter. Any excessive amounts MUST be removed from the site by the Trader. A CHARGE WILL BE MADE IF THE SOCIETY IS REQUIRED TO REMOVE EXCESSIVE LITTER FOUND ON ANY SITE.

12. Traders may not sell goods or distribute literature or advertising material outside the area of their trade stands.
13. No political trade stands or propaganda will be allowed.
14. NO TYPE OF CHEAP JACK, TOUTING, HAWKING OR AUCTIONEERING OR ANY OTHER UNSUITABLE ACTIVITY IS PERMITTED, INCLUDING CREATING EXCESSIVE NOISE (eg MEGAPHONES, MICROPHONES OR ANY OTHER LOUD HAILER DEVICE) LOTTERIES, DRAWS OR RAFFLES OF ANY SORT IN ANY CIRCUMSTANCES ARE NOT ALLOWED. The Society reserves the right to close any stand whose activities are not in the interests of the Society.
15. The sole rights of selling teas, luncheons and refreshment on the grounds are sold and no-one will be permitted to supply these without the consent of the Secretary.
16. FOOD HALL – Any food or beverage sold is not to be consumed on the premises (or likely to be) without prior permission of the Secretary.
17. Traders are advised to insure against fire and other appropriate risk not only regarding their own property but also against any third party claim. **Provision of a fire extinguisher on the stand is now the Agricultural Show Association policy.** Traders are required to provide one on each stand. The Society reserves the right to close down a Stand without the appropriate fire extinguisher. Officials of the Society and representatives of the Fire Service may inspect any stand and shall be entitled to order the immediate removal of any equipment or structure which, in their opinion, constitutes a fire hazard.
18. All machinery must be protected from the general public in accordance with HSE regulations.
19. The Society accept no responsibility whatsoever for any theft/damage to stands or their associated exhibits and exhibitors and stand holders MUST hold relevant insurance. HSE requirements, and where necessary, Public Health Certificates must be met. The Society will not be held responsible for damage caused to sites during the pre- and post-show periods and will not undertake to make good such damage.
20. Save for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Committee, its servants or agents, the Committee will not be responsible for death, injury, disease damage, or loss caused to any Trader or his or her servant or agent or to any animal, article, plant, machinery or thing of whatever nature brought on to the Showground by the said Trader from whatever cause death, injury, disease, damage or loss arises. (Save as aforesaid) the Trader shall indemnify the Committee against all claims, damages and expenses whatsoever in any way arising out of the presence of the Trader, his servants, agents, exhibits, vehicles or equipment on the Showground and shall assume full responsibility therefore.