

Wensleydale Show - Health & Safety Statement

TRADE STANDS (Agricultural/Retail/Food/Craft & Fairground Operators) All contractors and trade exhibitors must comply with the relevant health & safety directives. Contractors and Trade Exhibitors at the show must ensure that they take all reasonable measures in the interests of safety of their own employees and of the public. Up to date Risk Assessments must be completed and made available prior to show day. With regard to employees, training should be undertaken as may be necessary before the show to ensure the safe use of all equipment associated with the show including machinery, catering equipment, fairground equipment and tentage.

MACHINERY No plant equipment or machinery used on the showground may be operated by any person who is not fully trained in its safe use. The driver of a vehicle when reversing should ensure that there is another person observing the rear of the vehicle. Plant or machinery may only be operated and demonstrated providing adequate precautions are taken to protect the operator and bystanders.

ELECTRICITY Electricity is not provided on the showground. There are no overhead power lines or underground cables on the show field. All exhibitors using generators will have had them checked and found safe by a qualified electrician and placed in a guarded area. There should be no trailing electrical cables.

LIQUID PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) Users of LPG on the showground are responsible for ensuring the correct and proper usage of this gas together with the proper storage of cylinders. It is also their responsibility to ensure that all appliances have been properly examined, tested and labelled accordingly. HSE Guidance notes CS4 & CS6 concerning the storage and use of LPG describe the required standards.

FIRE PRECAUTIONS All persons must ensure that fire risks are kept to the minimum and should take preventative action in any situation which might be considered to contribute a risk. Particular attention should be given to marquees and stalls where straw and any fodder is in use. Caterers are to ensure that adequate supplies of fully operational fire extinguishers are available.

Location of fire extinguishers on the show field to be at:

1. Catering Tent
2. Member's & Sponsor's Tent
3. Cattle Tent
4. Poultry Tent
5. Public Bar

FOOD HYGIENE Caterers are required to ensure that their facilities comply with the legislation in connection with hygiene and are reminded that their establishments may be inspected by the local environmental health officers.

ANIMALS Horses are not allowed on the main show field unless being taken directly to the main ring for show or demonstration. Cattle that are being moved through areas from which the public are not excluded, all reasonable and practical measures are to be taken to segregate such animals from the public. It is the responsibility of exhibitors to ensure that their particular animal will not cause risk to the public and it is the responsibility of stewards and other officials to ensure that the preventative measures are maintained.

CONCLUSION Good Safety is basically straightforward. It requires awareness, commonsense and application. If you see something which is unsafe or somebody doing something which could lead to an accident then **TAKE ACTION. MOST ACCIDENTS ARE PREVENTABLE.**