

Royal Highland Show 2024
Notice 1 – RHASS Ground Rules and Code of Conduct



1. **The following will not be tolerated in any area under control of The Royal Highland & Agricultural Society of Scotland (RHASS):**
 - a. Violence, public drunkenness or urination;
 - b. Use of offensive, abusive or threatening language;
 - c. Abuse of people, animals or property;
 - d. Openly carrying or consuming alcohol except in licensed premises or other permitted areas.
2. **Entry to the Royal Highland Centre (the venue) will not be permitted to anyone who is or appears to be:**
 - a. Drunk or under the influence of drink or drugs;
 - b. Part of a large group such as a 'stag' or 'hen' party;
 - c. In possession of illegal drugs, 'legal highs' or alcohol or anything suspected of being such;
 - d. In possession of prohibited articles which includes flyers, articles for sale, glass bottles, firearms, guns, knives or bladed instruments, crossbows, swords, axes, machetes, hammers, picks, clubs, bats, fireworks or flares, indeed, anything that could be dangerous to public safety or used as a weapon.
3. **Persons entering the venue** do so on the understanding that they may be required to prove their age, submit to a search or provide personal details which may be shared with Police Scotland.
4. **Children under the age of 16** must be accompanied by a person aged 18 or over.
5. **During the four Show Days, dogs are permitted in the RHC on the understanding that:**
 - a. They will be kept on a short lead and under control;
 - b. Owners will clean up after them;
 - c. With the exception of assistance-dogs, they are not permitted in the following:
 - i. areas in which animals are contained, for example the Cattle Hall and Sheep Pens;
 - ii. areas densely populated by people including standing galleries, seating decks, grandstands, exhibition halls, marquees, tents or buildings; and
 - iii. areas used for catering.

Please monitor the dog's behaviour and if any of the animals react to your dog's presence, move away. Those in possession of any dog may be asked to leave any area at the discretion of RHS staff. If required, due to an incident or situation arising on the day, those in possession of a dog may be asked to leave any area, at the discretion of RHASS staff.
6. **Animals must not be left in hot or unventilated vehicles**, the SSPCA may be on site and carrying out inspections to enforce this condition.
7. **Smoking and the use of e-cigarettes and vapour machines** is only permitted in designated areas and not in buildings, marquees, tents, standing galleries, seating decks or grandstands.
8. **No photography, video filming or sound recording** is permitted where intended for commercial gain with the exception of registered media or photographers holding official passes issued by the RHASS.
9. **Filming and photography** takes place during the Royal Highland Show. RHASS will provide notices throughout the venue to indicate that filming/photography is taking place. The film footage and/or photographs may be used for promotional, educational, marketing, archival and communications purposes and may also be streamed live and downloadable and published on our websites, print and social media and other digital platforms. Our legal basis for processing personal data in film footage and photographs is legitimate interest. Legitimate interests means that we need to process the personal data to fulfil our objectives, we believe it will not adversely affect you and we think you would expect it. Please see our privacy policy for further information.
10. **CCTV is in operation for the purposes of detecting crime, ensuring the safety of the public and monitoring congestion and footfall and may be shared with partner agencies, including the Police.**
11. **Only persons specifically authorised by RHASS are permitted to:**
 - a. Offer for sale, or give away, newspapers, periodicals, foodstuffs, souvenirs or any other article;
 - b. Make collection for, advertise or promote any charitable, religious or philosophical organisation, lifestyle or viewpoint.
12. Prior, written permission for the **use of solid fuel burning appliances**, including barbecues, must be obtained from RHASS Staff.
13. **Vehicles must not be left overnight in car parks** and there is no overnight camping or caravanning allowed in car parks.

The decision of RHASS, in regard to compliance with the above, is final.

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Members of RHASS in contravention of the above will be in breach of the RHASS Behaviour Policy and may be reported to the Board of Directors.

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14. **A tow-away scheme is in operation** and a charge may be made for release of a vehicle.
15. **Special effects may be in use** during this event including pyrotechnics, confetti cannons, smoke/haze, strobe, flame, concussions and lasers.
16. **Persons enter the venue at their own risk.** Vehicles, their accessories and contents are admitted to and left in car parks at the owners' risk. While every endeavour is taken to ensure the safety thereof, RHASS will not, save for death or personal injury caused by breach of their duty, be held responsible for personal injury, fatal or otherwise. RHASS will not be held responsible for paying compensation for loss or damage to property or other expenses, unless such is suffered as a result of RHASS negligence or breach of duty.

Additional Considerations for Caravan Parks

17. Suitability of Accommodation:

- a. Only caravans, trailer tents, tents or camper vans will be permitted access; a vehicle or construction that is not in the 'spirit' of camping or caravanning will be denied access;
- b. Any caravans, trailer tents, tents or camper vans displaying non-manufacturers images or words may be denied access or required to leave;
- c. Vehicle passes must be displayed – without them vehicles will not be permitted entry to or be permitted to remain within, the caravan parks;
- d. Overnight sleeping is only permitted in a pre-booked caravan, trailer tent, tent or camper van.

18. Pitches:

- a. A numbered pitch will be allocated and the name of the person who booked a pitch recorded against that numbered pitch;
- b. Caravans and tents may only be set up in the numbered pitch – and not in any other area – these are strict fire regulations rules;
- c. Towing vehicles must not be parked in the Scottish Association of Young Farmers Clubs (SAYFC) Caravan Park, RHASS Members Caravan Park or Trade and Contractors Caravan Park, they may be parked in the East Car Park. In other caravan parks they must be parked wholly within the allocated pitch.

19. Services:

- a. There are no electrical hook ups; generators may be used although not between 2300hrs and 0600hrs;
- b. Generators may only be used strictly in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, particularly with respect to proximity to caravans and open windows etc.
- c. Generators should not be chained to a caravan or vehicle.

20. Safety and Behaviour:

- a. Owners / occupants are required to take adequate precautions for preventing and dealing with outbreaks of fire, and must provide suitable firefighting or prevention equipment in their accommodation;
- b. Campfires and fireworks are prohibited;
- c. BBQs may only be used in the dedicated areas provided and are not permitted in individual caravan pitches;
- d. BBQs must be used, strictly in accordance with manufacturers guidelines, and must not be left unattended after being lit;
- e. Hot items must not be disposed of in waste skips or bins, they must be placed in the skip provided in the dedicated BBQ areas;
- f. Noise must be kept to a minimum between 2300hrs and 0600hrs;
- g. Any intentional damaging of a caravan, trailer tent, tent or camper van or other property or equipment, even where such is caused by the owner of the property or person who booked the plot or their friends or associates, will be reported to the Police by RHASS as a suspected case of malicious damage or breach of the peace.
- h. Any caravan, trailer tent, tent or camper van left after the Show will be disposed of 10 days after the Show with costs being borne by the applicant.



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