

# SYNERGY FAQ'S to make the unknown more known!!!

## *Volunteer Committee:*

- **Volunteer Identification:** If you have any questions, please ask someone wearing a yellow lanyard and they will be delighted to assist you
- **Volunteer Sign-Up:** If you would like to volunteer for any position during Synergy, please sign-up on the Volunteer Link found on the Synergy website

## *Contest Information:*

- **Entries:** All entry corrections and scratches must be completed at Synergy Registration so that heats, teams and show programs can be made and circulated prior to contests
- **Ownership:** All entries eligible for Summer Synergy must be owned by the exhibitor/family farm effective at time of entry (no exceptions); Beef Reps will perform random tattoo and CCIA tag checks; lease agreements acceptable
- **Multi Judging Cards:** Cards with a padfolio are provided Wednesday morning of Multi Judging however please send your youth with a quality pen/pencil; Multi Judging will be in Pavilion; all classes judge with oral reasons to follow; no parent participation
- **Master Showmanship:** Those that advance to Master Showmanship are:
  - Beef: Champion & Reserve Junior & Intermediate, Champion Div II, Champion Div I
  - Sheep: Champion & Reserve Junior, Intermediate & Senior
- **Teams & Partnerships:** Every effort has been made to complete Team Herdsmanship, Team Grooming and Show Team Judging based on online entries; in the event that anyone is looking for a partner, show management will find/create a suitable team/partner for full inclusivity
- **Show Numbers:** Please read them carefully as they are labeled for each show and each animal (ie: jackpot, showmanship, 4-H conformation, Open conformation)
- **Synergy Apparel:** Hoodies are not expected to be worn as show apparel
- **Herdsmen Award:** Officials will be circulating from Monday – Friday to award one Beef and one Sheep Synergy Herdsman at Champion Drive with a custom Troy Fischer Silverworks Buckle; please keep all stall clean, organized, safe and pleasing to each other and the public
- **Peewee Pursuit:** Parents, please be responsible to get your peewee to the designated area on time for programming
- **Photography:** Submissions will be compiled and shared on website post Synergy
- **Qualifiers:** Each beef breed show still has traditional qualifiers for Western Canadian Show Team Judging and UFA Supreme Quest; committee personnel will be in touch with you post Synergy; follow all notices and entry requirements

## *Parking - RV, Trailer & Public:*

- **RV Parking:** Unserviced RV Parking in designated areas only allowing for maximum utilization of space; Showers are located upstairs in the lobby of the Pavilion; Janitorial service is on duty, but we appreciate your efforts to clean up after yourself; dumpsters are provided in camping areas for waste
- **Stock trailers:** Please park all livestock trailers in identified areas only: ORE staff will be happy to relocate on your behalf if you have your trailer parked in public parking zones 😊
- **Public Parking:** considering exhibitors, family, volunteers, sponsors and guests, please abide by organized and logical parking; mindful of emergency vehicles needing access to all buildings and areas

## *Onsite Best Practices:*

- **SPEED LIMIT:** We have so many amazing youth walking and biking, abide by 15km SPEED LIMIT at all times
- **Garbage vs Livestock Waste:** Please do not put garbage or recycling in your manure/waste
- **Noise Bylaw:** With neighboring residents located in close proximity to the grounds, ORE values your adherence to municipal noise bylaws – No loud noise after 10:00 pm and prior to 7:00 am
- **Power:** There never seems to be enough power – we appreciate your efforts to cooperate with fellow exhibitors, feel free to **bring your own generators** and place safely just outside of the buildings; **POWER SHUT OFF ON SCHEDULE**
- **Beef Tie-outs:** Assigned to each exhibitor; cost included in entry fees; livestock must have secure halter and neck rope; Straw service is provided; light duty panels can be placed around livestock but must be moved each morning by 11am
- **Beef Shavings Order:** Must pre-book and pre-pay for shavings at the MegaDome Show Office to receive a shavings ticket allowing you to pick up shavings daily at 5pm
- Emergency protocols exist for all venues; Synergy volunteers will execute on the process in the event of severe weather or other emergency situations
- All facilities are non-smoking and no dogs permitted; if you fail to follow the no dogs rule, at least make sure they are on a freaking leash at all times!

## *Announcements :*

- **Website:** Always check the website for Schedule, Contest Details, Library Tutorials, etc.
- **Facebook/Instagram:** This is the quickest, fastest way to share information; please like/share/follow

## *Hospitality:*

- Select hospitality provided by generous Synergy sponsors is provided to create a gathering opportunity for all participants; other than Evening of Excellence, our numbers are speculated so please allow participants to eat first
- **Foodtruck:** Lil' Diner2/42 will be at the Megadome Wednesday – Saturday and open from 7am – 4pm daily
- **Evening of Excellence Tickets:** Tickets will be in each exhibitors package including the additional tickets purchased with online entries or LAST CHANCE at Synergy registration in the Cow Palace

## *Parent Expectations:*

- Synergy has created an environment rich with learning and competition. Our expectation is that youth are encouraged to perform at their very best while also learning how to improve and compete with humility; we expect the same from all inspiring and successful parents
- Show Management is responsible to interpret and enforce Synergy Rules, exhibitors and parents do their job to positively navigate within them
- Respect is not only expected but demanded as we collectively “work together” and mentor young leaders on how to treat others with kindness and tolerance, compete with a fierce open heart and always encourage each other try again

## *Calgary Stampede Presence:*

- **Supreme Showcase:** Only the Supreme Champion Purebred Female, Supreme Champion Commercial Female, Supreme Champion Sheep and Supreme Champion Flock are advancing to display at Calgary Stampede
- **Scholarships:** Interviews will be performed on Stampede Park where qualifiers are asked questions that focus on agriculture industry issues, current events and personal development; followed by a Stars of Agriculture reception and stage presentation
- Accreditation and parking passes will be shared with Supreme and Scholarship qualifiers at Synergy final awards