



ANIMAL WELFARE STATEMENT

The Mudgeeraba Agricultural Show has a proud history of educating people about agriculture. Animals play an integral role in achieving this aim and as such, Mudgeeraba Agricultural Show holds a duty of care to support the welfare of all animals whilst on Mudgeeraba Showgrounds property.

The Mudgeeraba Agricultural Show takes seriously its responsibility to provide people and facilities which promote good animal welfare. Accordingly, all animals are:

- Provided with fresh water and adequate nutrition;
- Housed in comfortable surrounds with adequate space;
- Monitored for pain, injury and disease, and treated or relieved of suffering where necessary;
- Managed in such a way as to minimise stress and exhaustion; and
- Free from any drugs which modify their behaviour or mask harmful health conditions.

Care of animals on Mudgeeraba Showgrounds property is underpinned by relevant State animal welfare legislation and codes of practice/standards and guidelines specifying requirements of their transportation, exhibition and management.

Recognising the critical role people play in ensuring animal welfare, Mudgeeraba Agricultural Show ensures that its officials and volunteers are suitably trained and experienced in providing for the welfare of animals, and are supported in their roles to identify and address concerns.

All owners and/or appointed guardians of animals on Mudgeeraba Showgrounds property are reminded of their duty of care to take all reasonable measures to ensure the welfare of their animals.

Whilst observing community values and expectations pertaining to animal welfare, the Mudgeeraba Agricultural Show strives to safeguard the rights of animal owners, exhibitors, competitors and officials and volunteers.

Mudgeeraba Show Society will promptly and actively respond to animal welfare incidents should they arise and engages with relevant stakeholders from time to time to ensure standards and practices are subject to continuous improvement.

Mudgeeraba Show Society's underlying principle in relation to animal welfare is to promote education and exhibition through animal-human interaction, without compromising the welfare of animals or their patrons' enjoyment and learning experience.