

Unethical Practice in the Showing, Exhibition and Promotion of Registered Illawarras:

The following practices or procedures are unacceptable in the showing of Illawarra cattle and are defined as unethical. These definitions apply also to the preparation of animals for the Real Australian Photographic Competition, the All World Red Cow Photographic Competition and for herd or individual animal promotion purposes.

- 1** Misrepresenting the age of an animal for the class in which it is shown.
- 2** Balancing the udder by means other than by leaving naturally produced milk in any or all quarters, setting the teats of an animal with any form of glue or setting substance, or any other action which alters the natural placement, direction or shape of the teats, or the natural contour of the udder.
- 3** Treating or massaging any part of the animal's body, particularly the udder, internally or externally with an irritant, counter-irritant, or substance other than an external sealant for the teats.
- 4** Surgery of any kind performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body, excluding the removal of warts, supernumerary teats and horns, the trimming of hoofs and the clipping and dressing of hair.
- 5** Infusion or injection of a drug or the insertion of foreign material in the form of a liquid, gas or solid under the skin, or into the teats or udder of an animal, other than that which has been prescribed in writing by a practising veterinarian for the wellbeing of the specific animal at the particular time.
- 6** Criticising or interfering with the judge, show management or other exhibitors while in the show ring, or any other conduct detrimental to the breed or the show.
- 7.** Digital enhancement of any cow in any photograph for use in any photographic competition involving the breed including the Real Australian Photographic Competition and the All World Red Cow Photographic Competition.
- 8** The above definitions apply to the preparation of animals for the Real Australian Photographic Competition, the All World Red Cow Photographic Competition and for herd or animal promotion purposes. Show ethics are an individual responsibility and violators shall be subject to disciplinary action under the provisions of the Memorandum and Articles of Association and rules of The Illawarra Cattle Society of Australia Inc (ICSA).
- 9.** Any two members of an ICSA Branch Committee may in their absolute discretion direct that any animal owned or leased by a member of the Society and/or registered in the ICSA Herd Book, shall be subjected to inspection and/or physical examination, and that samples of blood, urine or milk shall be collected by a qualified veterinary practitioner from such animal for testing purposes.
- 10** The owner or exhibitor of an animal registered in the ICSA Herd book, or its handler, groom or strapper, shall, on request by any two authorised representatives or officials of the Society, allow access to the animal for the purpose of inspection, examination and collection of samples as provided in paragraph 8.
- 11** Any refusal by the owner or exhibitor of an animal registered in the ICSA Herd Book, or its handler, groom or strapper, of a request by any two authorised representatives or officials of the Society to examine and collect samples from an animal pursuant to paragraph 8 shall constitute a breach of these rules, and in respect of which the Federal President shall, pursuant to Article 32 of the Society's Memorandum and Articles of Association, report to and convene a meeting of the Federal Council.
- 12** When, in the opinion of the Society, corrective surgery has been performed on a cow to alter her natural appearance, contour or conformation, no male progeny of that cow shall be entered in the Herd Book and any such surgery shall be deemed to be conduct by the owner or lessee of that cow, which is prejudicial to the best interests of the Society and in respect of which the Federal

President shall, pursuant to Article 32 of the Society's Memorandum and Articles of Association, report and convene a meeting of the Federal Council.

13 An animal owned or exhibited by a member of I.C.S.A. and registered in the Herd book shall be presented in the judging ring in its natural conformation with no preparation other than normal feeding and fitting, with the exception of the trimming, clipping and washing of hair, hoofs and horns, the setting of the animal's top line of natural growing hair, and the addition of a false tail, and any other such preparations shall be deemed to be conduct by the owner or lessee of that animal which is prejudicial to the best interests of the Society, and in respect of which the Federal President shall, pursuant to Article 32 of the Society's Memorandum and Articles of Association, report to and convene a meeting of the Federal Council.

14 An animal submitted for classification shall be presented to the Classifier in its natural conformation with no preparation other than normal feeding and fitting, with the exception of the trimming, clipping and washing of hair, hoofs and horns, and any other such preparations shall be deemed to be conduct by the owner or lessee of that animal which is prejudicial to the best interests of the Society, and in respect of which the Classifier will report to the Federal President, who then shall, pursuant to Article 32 of the Society's Memorandum and Articles of Association, report to and convene a meeting of the Federal Council.

15 An animal entered for a breed sponsored auction sale shall be presented in its natural conformation with no preparation other than normal feeding and fitting, with the exception of the trimming, clipping and washing of hair, hoofs and horns and the setting of the animal's top line of natural growing hair, and any other such preparations shall be deemed to be conduct by the owner or lessee of that animal which is prejudicial to the best interests of the Association, and in respect of which the Federal President shall, pursuant to Article 32 of the Society's Memorandum and Articles of Association, report to and convene a meeting of the Federal Council.

16. An animal shall be presented for photographing in its natural conformation with no preparation other than normal feeding and fitting, with the exception of the trimming, clipping and washing of hair, hoofs and horns and the setting of the animal's top line of natural growing hair, and any other such preparations or any digital enhancement of that animal in any photo used in any photography competition or the promotion of the breed, shall be deemed to be conduct by the owner or lessee of that animal which is prejudicial to the best interests of the Association, and in respect of which the Federal President shall, pursuant to Article 32 of the Society's Memorandum and Articles of Association, report to and convene a meeting of the Federal Council.