Horticulture

Samford Show – July 11 & 12, 2026

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General rules for the conduct of Samford Show Pavilion exhibitors

Adapted from "Guidelines of QLD Chamber of Agricultural Societies Inc"

1. Entry forms are available at www.samfordshowsociety.com.au, Samford Design & Print, Slab Hut – John Scott Park Samford, Samford Variety Store or from the showground pavilion on the day of entry.
2. All exhibitors must present their exhibits for judging by the appointed time and place. The Chief Steward of the section shall have the right to change exhibits to the correct class or disqualify if the entry does not meet the criteria.
3. The Judges' decision in any section will be final. The Samford Show Society reserves the right to declare no competition in any class if there are insufficient entries.
4. Ribbons/trophies and/or prizes will be awarded at the Judges' discretion.
5. Whilst all reasonable care is taken, the Samford Show Society cannot accept responsibility for any losses or damage to exhibits or any other property whilst it is on the Samford Show Society's Showground.
6. In the event of a dispute arising from the Rules or any other aspect of any competition, the decision of the President, or President's nominee, of the Show Society shall be final, and the process of reaching a decision shall be in the absolute discretion of the President or President's nominee.

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Conditions of Entry

1. ALL EXHIBITS DELIVERED to the showgrounds pavilion: Friday 10th July 2026 between 3.00pm – 6.00pm together with an entry form. Pot plants may be brought in Thursday 9th July 2026, between 4.00pm – 6.00pm.
2. ENTRY FEES: $1 per item up to 19 items, $20 for 20 or more items. **ALL PAYABLE IN CASH**.
3. Cut flowers must be grown by the exhibitor. Entries are not judged on containers which should be kept simple. Exhibitors may provide container 'for best presentation' but **at own risk** – to be collected at end of show.
4. Potted plants must be owned and grown by exhibitor for at least six months.
5. Maximum of 3 entries per person, per class, excluding fruit & vegetables categories.
6. Exhibits must be accompanied by an entry form, ADDITIONAL FORMS are available from www.samfordshowsociety.com.au and at the Samford Showground Pavilion on the day.
7. Special conditions apply in relation to various exhibit categories and these conditions are shown in RED in the following pages. Failure to comply with these conditions may result in the automatic disqualification of an exhibit. N.B. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure compliance and not the pavilion staff accepting entries.

COLLECTION OF EXHIBITS: Walk-in collection after 3.30pm and drive-in collection after 5.00pm on Sunday 12th July 2026 & MUST be signed out by the stewards. Any exhibits not collected by **5.30pm on Sunday** will remain the property of the Samford Show Society.

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Entry Categories

Cut Flowers/Foliage

Cut Laterals with flowers are permitted but not essential, unless stated.

Bloom One flower on a single stem with foliage if any, no buds or laterals.

Cut Flowers

Class 1 Bougainvillea – 1 cut (40cm)
Class 2 Camelia – 1 bloom (formal, no stamens)
Class 3 Camelia – 1 bloom – any other
Class 4 Crucifix orchid – 1 cut
Class 5 Geranium – 1 cut
Class 6 Gerbera – 1 bloom
Class 7 Poppy – 1 bloom
Class 8 Pansy – 1 bloom
Class 9 Other flowering shrub – 1 cut
Class 10 Bract/berries – 1 cut – not provided for
Class 11 Any other flower – 1 cut – not provided for

Roses

Class 12 Any colour – 1 cut – full bloom
Class 13 Any colour – 1 cut – not in full bloom
Class 14 One cut of Rose – any other variety (eg. Floribunda, Modern Shrub, Old-Fashioned, etc.)

Natives

NB. Proteas, Leucadendrons & Leucospermums are not natives.

Class 15 Acacia (wattle) – 1 cut (40cm max)
Class 16 Banksia – 1 bloom (40cm stem)
Class 17 Callistemon/Melaleuca – 1 cut
Class 18 Grevillea – 1 cut – multiple blooms
Class 19 Grevillea – 1 cut – 'cylinder' flower
Class 20 Other flowering native – 1 cut

Potted Plants

The potted plants must have been grown by the entrant for at least six months. The plants are not judged on their container and should be presented in a plain, single pot of any size.

Please refer to the National Fire Ant Eradication Program at www.fireants.org.au **before submitting plants**

Class 21 One fern (not fishbone)
Class 22 Orchid in flower
Class 23 Begonia
Class 24 Foliage plant
Class 25 Container mixed plants
Class 26 Plant in flower (not listed)
Class 27 Bromeliad
Class 28 Bromeliad in flower
Class 29 Succulent or cacti

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Entry Categories Continued

Floral Art

Class 30 Contrast
Class 31 Minimalism
Class 32 Own choice (name theme)

Children's Garden Art

All entries must be child's unaided work. Work done under instruction will not be accepted. **Include age, not name on entries**.

Class 33 "Let's go camping"

Produce

Exhibits must have roots, stems or leaves attached. Fruiting vegetables such as tomatoes, capsicums and chilli are allowed. 'Bunches' do not require roots and are best presented in water.

Any medium sized containers, plates or trays are allowed.

Vegetables

Class 34 Tomatoes – 3 large
Class 35 Tomatoes – small cluster vine ripened
Class 36 Leafy vegetables – 1 whole
Class 37 Legumes (eg. peas, beans) – 10
Class 38 Pumpkin - 1
Class 39 Mixed home grown vegetables – 5 kinds (includes Chilli & Capsicum)
Class 40 Brassica (eg. cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli)

Herbs

All herbs to be presented in water.

Class 41 Mint – 1 bunch
Class 42 Parsley – 1 bunch
Class 43 Thyme – 1 bunch
Class 44 Basil – 1 bunch
Class 45 Rosemary – 1 bunch
Class 46 Sage – 1 bunch

Fruit

Present fruit separately (not on one stem). Each piece of fruit on a separate stem. 1 entry per class only.

Class 47 3 lemons
Class 48 3 oranges
Class 49 3 mandarins
Class 50 3 grapefruit
Class 51 3 limes
Class 52 3 tangelos
Class 53 10 cumquats
Class 54 3 passionfruit
Class 55 3 avocados
Class 56 1 custard apple
Class 57 3 mixed, home grown fruit

Judges' decisions are final and no correspondence will be entered into.

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