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WESTERN AUSTRALIA

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY ACT 1926

AN ACT for the affiliation of Agricultural Societies with the
Royal Agricultural Society of Western Australia.

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the *Royal Agricultural Society Act 1926*, and shall come into operation on a day to be fixed by proclamation¹.

Interpretation

2. In this Act—

“Agricultural Society” means and includes any society, club, association, or other body of persons, whether corporate or not, registered in pursuance of this Act.

“Agricultural Show” means and includes any show having for its principal object the exhibition of agricultural or pastoral products and live stock, including horses in action.

“Minister” means the Minister for Agriculture.

“The Royal Agricultural Society” means the Royal Agricultural Society of Western Australia Incorporated.

Registration of agricultural societies

3. (1) No society, club, association, or other body of persons, whether corporate or not, shall hold or promote an agricultural show unless and until such society, club, association, or other body of persons shall have become registered with the Royal Agricultural Society in the manner hereinafter prescribed, which registration shall be testified by the issue of a certificate in the form contained in The Schedule.

(2) In order to obtain such registration, there shall be lodged with the secretary of the Royal Agricultural Society an application in writing—

- (a) under the common seal, duly affixed, of the applicant, if a body corporate; or
- (b) signed by at least 10 persons on behalf of a society, club, association, or body of persons not incorporated.

(3) On receipt of such application the Royal Agricultural Society may grant such registration on payment of the prescribed fee:

Provided that registration shall not be refused if the application is made by or on behalf of a society, club, association, or body of persons established for agricultural show purposes before the commencement of this Act¹:

Provided also that, in any case, there shall be an appeal to the Minister from the refusal by the Royal Agricultural Society to register any society, club, association, or other body of persons, and effect shall be given by the Royal Agricultural Society to the decision of the Minister if the appeal is allowed and registration is directed.

Register

4. The Royal Agricultural Society shall keep a register at its office in Perth, in which shall be entered the full name and the postal address of all agricultural societies registered under this Act; and such register shall be open for inspection during the office hours of the Royal Agricultural Society.

Shows in contravention of this Act may be restrained by injunction

5. If any society, club, or association, or other body of persons, whether corporate or not, shall hold or promote an agricultural show in contravention of the provisions of this Act, the Royal Agricultural Society may proceed against such society, club, association, or body of persons, for an injunction to restrain it or them from so contravening the provisions of this Act.

By-laws of registered societies

6. (1) Uniform by-laws governing all registered agricultural societies and the members thereof shall be made, and may be revoked, altered, or amended, by the council of the Royal Agricultural Society and delegates of the registered agricultural societies, present and meeting together, at a conference convened from time to time by the Royal Agricultural Society.

At every such conference the President of the Royal Agricultural Society, if present, shall be chairman. In his absence the members of the council present may elect one of their number to be chairman for that meeting.

At every such conference the questions there considered shall be decided by open voting, and by the majority present. Each member of the council and each delegate present shall have one vote, and in the case of an equality of votes the chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

(2) Uniform by-laws shall be subject to the approval of the Governor, and section 36 of the *Interpretation Act 1918*², shall apply.

(3) Every registered agricultural society may make by-laws for the regulation of matters of domestic or local concern. All by-laws so made, or any amendment thereof, shall be submitted to the Royal Agricultural Society for approval. Section 36 of the *Interpretation Act 1918*², shall not apply to by-laws made by registered agricultural societies under this subsection.

[Section 6 amended by No. 23 of 1940 s. 2.]

Regulations

7. The Governor may make regulations enabling the cancellation of the registration of agricultural societies for breach of the by-laws, or for other sufficient cause; and prescribing all matters and things that it may be necessary or convenient to prescribe for carrying out the provisions of this Act.

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THE SCHEDULE
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Certificate of Registration

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the _____ Society
 has this day been registered by The Royal Agricultural Society of Western Australia
 (Incorporated), in pursuance of the provisions of "the *Royal Agricultural Society Act*
1926."

Dated this _____ day of _____ 19 _____ .

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 President.

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 Secretary.

NOTES

1. This reprint is a compilation as at 18 July 1989 of the *Royal Agricultural Society Act 1926* and includes all amendments effected by the other Acts referred to in the following Table.

Table of Acts

Act	Number and Year	Assent	Commencement	Miscellaneous
<i>Royal Agricultural Society Act 1926</i>	41 of 1926	16 December 1926	1 March 1927 (see <i>Gazette</i> 18 February 1927 p. 358)	
<i>Royal Agricultural Society Act Amendment Act 1940</i>	23 of 1940	29 November 1940	29 November 1940	

N.B. The *Royal Agricultural Society Act 1926* is affected by the *Royal Agricultural Society Act Amendment Act 1929*.

2. Now see the *Interpretation Act 1984*.