

Displaying Studs – Terms & Conditions

The following Terms & Conditions apply to all studs invited to display at the SWS Stud Merino Breeders (SWSSMB) Field Day. Submission of a stud application form constitutes acceptance of these conditions.

1. Invitation-Only Event

The SWSSMB Field Day is an invitation-only event. Displaying studs are selected annually at the discretion of the SWSSMB Committee.

2. Application Deadline

Completed stud application forms must be submitted by **30 April**. Failure to submit by this date will result in forfeiture of your position, which may be offered to a stud on the waiting list.

3. Non-Transferability of Invitations

Invitations are issued to the stud owner/principal and are **non-transferable**. If the stud is sold or undergoes a change of ownership, a new formal application must be submitted to the SWSSMB Secretary for consideration.

4. Waiting List Process

Studs on the waiting list are reviewed by the SWSSMB Committee in the order applications are received each year.

5. Site Allocation

Display sites will be allocated solely at the discretion of the SWSSMB Site Committee. While preferences may be noted, placement cannot be guaranteed.

6. Eligibility to Display

All displaying studs must be currently registered with the **NSW Stud Merino Breeders Association (NSWSMBA)** to be eligible to participate.

7. Sheep Eligibility

Only **NSWSMBA-registered Merino sheep** may be displayed. No other breeds are permitted.

8. Ovine Brucellosis Accreditation

All displaying studs must hold current **Accredited Ovine Brucellosis-Free** status as required for NSWSMBA membership.

9. Horn/Poll Registration Requirements

Studs may only display sheep that align with their current NSWSMBA registration.

- Studs registered for **horns only** may display horned sheep.
- Studs registered for **polls only** may display poll sheep.
- Dual-registered studs may display both.

10. Competition Eligibility

SWSSMB competitions are open only to displaying **SWSSMB Member Studs**.

11. Ram of the Year Entry Limit

Member studs participating in the **Ram of the Year** competition may submit **one ram per site**.

12. National Vendor Declarations (NVDs)

A completed **National Vendor Declaration** must be submitted to the SWSSMB Secretary on or before event day.

13. Set Up Access

Stud displays may be set up on **Monday** prior to the event. Overnight security will be present on the grounds.

14. Stud Equipment

Studs are responsible for supplying all equipment required for their display, including pens, signage, bedding, and any additional materials.

15. Liability

SWSSMB accepts no responsibility for any loss, damage, theft, or injury incurred by participating studs, their livestock, staff, or property.

16. Event-Day Set-Up Requirements

Studs must ensure their display is fully set up and all vehicles moved to the designated parking area by **9:00am on Tuesday morning**.

17. Site Clean-Up

Allocated display sites must be left clean and tidy at the end of the day, including removal of all straw or bedding. Failure to do so may result in the stud not being invited to return the following year.

18. Display Boundaries

All stud displays must remain within the allocated space inside the marquee. Failure to comply may result in fines at the discretion of the SWSSMB Committee.