

## Membership

#### Dear Sir / Madam

On behalf of the Society, we would like to thank you for your interest in becoming a Member of the Royal Ulster Agricultural Society. Please find enclosed an application form which you should complete and return to us at your earliest convenience.

Along with your membership application form please also include a passport sized photograph for your membership card. Please note a membership card is required to avail of membership benefits including admission to the Balmoral Show, Royal Ulster Beef and Lamb Championships and Royal Ulster Winter Fair.

### What happens next?

Upon receipt of your completed application form it will be considered for approval at the next meeting of the Council of the Society. Once your application has been approved, you will then be sent a letter confirming your membership number and a membership card.

Should you have any queries regarding the above please do not hesitate to contact us at the RUAS office.

### Yours faithfully

Membership Team
Accounts Department



## **Membership Benefits**

- Four days admission to the Balmoral Show via priority entrances
- · Admission to the Royal Ulster Premier Beef & Lamb Championships via priority entrances
- Admission to the Royal Ulster Winter Fair via priority entrances
- Discounted livestock entry fees for the Balmoral Show, Royal Ulster Winter Fair and Royal Ulster Premier Beef & Lamb Championships<sup>1</sup>
- Access to Members' Pavillion during Balmoral Show which includes restaurant, café, and bar facilities
- Receive regular Balmoral News Ezines
- Right to attend and vote at the Annual Meeting (excludes Junior and Youth members)
- <sup>1</sup> Conditions apply

Members who do not observe the code of conduct may have their membership reviewed by the Council of the Society.



**Business Name** 

Address:\*

County:\*

Mobile:

YFCU

Home Tel:\*

Membership No.

(If applicable):

Annual Membership

## Membership Application Form (Please complete the form in BLOCK CAPITALS)

Please tick the box beside the	type of membership you wish to apply for:	
Junior Membership:1	(Under 12 years on date of application)	
Youth Membership:1	(Under 18 years on date of application)	
Adult Membership:1	(Over 18 years on date of application)	
Life Membership:	(One off payment)	
	(Instalments) = 3 instalments over 3 years	
Corporate Membership: <sup>2</sup>	(One off payment)	
	(Instalments)	
Family Membership: <sup>1</sup>	2 adults & 2 junior/youth	
Young Farmer Membership	<sup>1</sup> Under 30 years old YFCU valid membership	
Senior Membership:1	Over 65 years old	
<sup>1</sup> Junior, Youth, Adult, Family, Young on their membership rates. Refer to	g Farmer and Senior members completing a direct debit mandate will receive a do current membership prices for details.	iscour
<sup>2</sup> Corporate Membership entitles 1	individual to utilise the benefits of membership over a 3 year period.	
2 Personal Deta (All fields marked with* are re		
Title:*		
Forename(s):*		
Surname:*		
Date of Birth:*	Gender:* Male Fem	ale
Awards:		

Postcode:\*

Work Tel:

Email:



## **Members' Code of Conduct**

- 1. Members are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner that will not bring the Society into disrepute.
- 2. Members must follow the instruction of Society staff, stewards, and agents in relation to health & safety, access and movement around the Showgrounds.
- 3. Members must present their valid membership card to gain admission to the Balmoral Show, Winter Fair and Members' Rooms (when appropriate).
- 4. Membership is not transferable. Membership cards presented by individuals other than the Member will be retained by the Society.
- 5. Membership cards remain the property of the Society and must be returned to the Society in the event of membership lapsing.
- 6. Members, having gained admission to the Showgrounds must ensure their behaviour does not put at risk themselves, other Members, the general public, Society staff and animals.
- 7. During Balmoral Show, Members are entitled to entertain two guests in the Members' rooms. Only two guests can make use of the facilities at any time and must be accompanied by the Member at all times. Members are responsible for ensuring that their guests behave in an appropriate manner.

Members who do not observe the code of conduct may have their membership reviewed by the Council of the Society.



## **About Us**

The Royal Ulster Agricultural Society (RUAS) has been at the forefront of the agricultural industry and rural life in Northern Ireland for over 170 years.

Originally established under the title of the North East Agricultural Association of Ireland, today the Society is a registered charity which comprises of over 2,000 members who seek to support and promote Northern Ireland's prestigious agricultural heritage and promising future.

#### **Our Charitable Objectives**

Since it's formation in 1854, the Society's charitable objectives have been to improve the quality of agricultural enterprises across Northern Ireland by sharing best practice through agricultural shows and exhibitions. The Society also aims to support the promotion of Industries, Art, Science and Literature where possible.

#### **Our Mission Statement**

To position the Society as a forward looking, inclusive and resilient organisation that promotes the agri-food industry by showcasing excellence, innovation and best practice in farming and food.

The Society aims to inspire and inform current and future generations, advancing appreciation of the sector and its role in supporting the environment and rural communities. We support excellence in livestock husbandry and food production through competitions and events as we embrace future challenges and opportunities.

#### **Find Out More**

To find out more about the Royal Ulster Agricultural Society, its history, values and vision, scan the OR code.





Name on Card Valid From:

Security / CVC Code

## Membership Application Form (Contd.)

<b>3 Participation</b> The RUAS welcomes the participatio involved with the Society please indi	n of its Members. If you are interested in becoming actively icate your areas of interest:
Balmoral Show	Promotion of Membership
Winter Fair Beef & Lamb Championships Show Stewarding	Other:
<b>1</b> Proposing Member	ers
Proposed by (Member name)	Member No.
Signed	Date
Seconded by (Member name)	Member No.
Signed	Date
I am enclosing a cheque for £  Please charge my credit/debit	in payment of my chosen subscription
Card Type	
Card No	

**Expiry Date:** 

Issue No. (If available)



# Membership Application Form (Contd.)

<b>6</b> Future Payments			
I have completed a direct debit mandate instruction on the form provided.			
I intend to pay my future annual subscriptions by cheque or online.			
I hereby apply for membership of the Royal Ulster Agricultural Society and enclose a passport sized photograph for my membership card.			
Signature:			
Date:			
I have included a passport sized photograph			
I have signed the back of the passport sized photograph			
For internal use only			
Date Received: Approved:			
Date put forward to Council: Membership Start Date:			
Date added to Showbiz: Added By:			

