



## **AGRIKIDSNZ COMPETITION RULES AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY 2018 Season**

1. To be eligible to enter, contestants must:
  - a. Be between 8 years of age and Year 8 as at the date of the Regional Final being competing in;
  - b. Be an enrolled school student;
  - c. Enter the competition for the region in which they reside (If there is need to compete out of region, an application must be put forward to the Competition's Coordinator for deliberation, and may be accepted in serious cases, however they cannot be awarded a placing.);
  - d. Be an AgriKidsNZ Member; and
  - e. Not be a previous winner of a Grand Final of the AgriKidsNZ Competition Grand Final.
2. Contestants will compete in teams of three.
3. Each school is entitled to enter up to eight teams into the Regional Competition. However, at the Competition Co-Ordinator's sole discretion, schools may be invited to enter additional teams into the Regional Competition in the event there is capacity to do so two weeks out from competition.
4. All contestants will:
  - a. Compete at their own risk;
  - b. Undertake all activities in a safe manner; and
  - c. Do nothing to bring the competition, its sponsors, judges and organisers into disrepute and will behave in a proper manner befitting such a competition at all times.
5. Contestants agree to arrive at the competition venues no later than the time notified.
6. The competition venues are out of bounds for contestants in the two days prior to the competition at Regional and Grand Final levels.
7. Contestants will not communicate with any member of the public regarding competition challenges or content during the competition. (This includes parents and other family members.) Teams risk disqualification or point(s) deduction if they are deemed to have gained advantage through breach of this rule.
8. At Regional Final level, immediate family members of AgriKidsNZ Officials can compete, however they cannot be awarded a placing or receive any prizes unless they complete a Conflict of Interest Form prior to competing and have approval from the Competition's Coordinator.
9. The first, second and third placed teams in each Regional Final will qualify for the Grand Final. If the first, second or third placed team is unable to attend the Grand Final, then the next highest placed team from that region will qualify for the Grand Final as a substitute.

10. If, for a valid reason, one member of the team cannot compete at Grand Final level, the team is able to have one person as a reserve member; however, this member must adhere to these guidelines. This is to the Competition Coordinator's discretion.
11. Contestants must respect all decisions and requests made by AgriKidsNZ Officials. At all times, the judge's decision is final and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into.
12. Prizes are to be accepted as awarded, and no other product or cash in lieu of the prize shall be negotiated for.
13. Each team is responsible for their own costs incurred in relation to the competition. No costs incurred by contestants (including travel costs) will be payable by New Zealand Young Farmers (NZYF). With the exception of buses organised by NZYF at their discretion.
14. Winners who receive the AgriKidsNZ Grand Final Champions trophy or the AgriKid of the Year trophy at the Grand Final must arrange for its return to either National Office or your Territory Manager in a clean state by the end of May the following year. Any reasonable cost incurred for engraving will be reimbursed by NZYF on presentation of a valid tax invoice. Any damage or loss of trophies will be the responsibility of the current trophy holder(s) and the NZYF National Office reserves the right to invoice the current trophy holder(s) for repair or replacement.
15. Contestants agree to being photographed and filmed during the competition and consent to the resulting photographs and film material being used by the organisers and sponsors for promotional purposes which includes, but is not limited to, publication on websites and social media.

**Failure to adhere to these 'Rules and Conditions of Entry' can result in point deductions or disqualification.  
This is to the Competitions Coordinator's discretion.**