



Young Farmers'  
Clubs of Ulster

## Junior Ulster Young Farmer of the Year Competition

*Competitors are required to be able to demonstrate their knowledge of farming and farming practice. The competition is organised in three stages. The Junior Competition is run in conjunction with the Senior Ulster Young Farmer Competition.*

### **Where:**

Stage 1 - Takes place at club level.

Stage 2 - Participants attend a central venue(s)

Stage 3 - Participants attend a central venue

### **Eligibility:**

The Junior Ulster Young Farmer Competition is open to all members between the ages of 12 and 18, who hold a valid YFCU Membership.

### **Marking Scale/ Timing/ Penalties:**

#### **Stage 1:**

- Members must complete all tasks within the required time.
- A total of 60 minutes are permitted to complete the 30 multiple choice questions.
- All questions are of equal value.

#### **Stage 2:**

- Competitors who gain a place in the Stage 2 are invited to undertake a 75 multiple choice question paper.
- Members are permitted a maximum of 1 hour and 30 minute.
- All questions are of equal value.

The paper will comprise of the following sections:

- General
- Livestock Husbandry
- Countryside Management
- Farm Safety

#### **Stage 3:**

- Competitors who gain a place at this stage are interviewed and tested by a separate Judge for each of the sections.
- Competitors may gain equal marks for each section.

### **Marking:**

- The marks gained at Stage 1 are only used to award Proficiency Certificates and select the best participant(s) in each club for Stage 2.

- The marks from Stage 2 (Max 75 marks) are added to those gained at Stage 3 (Max 50 per section) to calculate the overall and section winners.
- The maximum score possible for the competition is 275 marks

**Closing Date:**

The closing date for entries will be provided in by YFCU HQ.

**Proficiencies:**

Proficiencies will be awarded on marks gained at Stage 1 of the competition.

**Prizes:**

- Overall winner: Competition Trophy, £30.00 & certificate.
- 2nd place: £20.00 & certificate
- 3rd place: £10.00 & certificate

**Discipline:**

Clubs must be responsible for their members' behaviour during the competition and appoint an invigilator to oversee the completion of the multiple choice papers.

**Protests:**

See Protests in General Rules Section.

**Additional Information:**

All Competitors must follow the directions of the Stewards and adhere to the time permitted for each of the tasks.

The Executive Committee of the YFCU reserves the right to amend or cancel any of the foregoing rules as it may consider necessary.