EKKA ESSENTIALS

Accessibility

The Ekka is dedicated to providing ease of access for all visitors, ensuring everyone can enjoy Queensland's most iconic event. A range of services and amenities will be available to support accessibility across the Brisbane Showgrounds including:

- Exhibition Station upgrades featuring step-free access via ramps and lifts, as well as hearing aid loops
- Scooter, wheelchair and stroller hire available daily from 9am to 5pm, located under the John MacDonald Stand
- Accessible restrooms located throughout the grounds, including additional portable facilities
- Ramps to provide easy access between roads and footpaths, as well as into pavilion entrances. Lifts are also available on each level of the Channel Seven Pavilion and the Large Animal Pavilion
- Dedicated accessibility drop-off and pick-up zones for cars and taxis on Costin Street
- Two wheelchair-accessible viewing areas in the Main Arena
- Disability parking spaces available in the King Street Car Park
- Certified guide, hearing and assistance dogs permitted entry to the Ekka



Sustainability

The Ekka's commitment to sustainability continues to grow in 2025, guided by the RNA's 10-year Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) strategy launched in 2023. It is an organisational-wide approach that adjusts the RNA's environmental, social and governance practices to increase business sustainability.



Green Globe Certification achieved for the Royal International Convention Centre (Royal ICC)



Generating energy through 1,000 solar panels on the Royal ICC roof

OZHARVEST

Food rescue partnership with OzHarvest for RNA-run outlets



Recycling of woodchop timber into firewood and mulch



Recycling of animal bedding into mulch



Making the switch to LED lighting across event spaces



Water refill stations to help reduce single-use plastic bottles

Facilities

ATM facilities are located around the Showgrounds EFTPOS facilities are available near most ticket entry gates Toilets are located in most buildings around the Showgrounds

Locker facilities are primarily located under the John MacDonald Stand, but can also be found at several other locations around the Showgrounds

Drinking tap water is located at several sites around the Showgrounds

Guest Wi-Fi

The RNA will provide Wi-Fi to keep Ekka guests connected during their visit to the Show. Guests can access the Wi-Fi at five key locations around grounds - on the Plaza, in Expo Place, Sushi Hub Dog Pavilion and Animal Nursery, at XXXX Stockmen's Bar and Grill and in the Members Bar.

Mobile phone charging

A secure mobile phone charging station can be found near the locker facilities under the John MacDonald Stand

Information booths

Four information booths will be conveniently located:

- At the Gate 1 entrance on Gregory Terrace
- In the Kids Carnival area near Building 8
- Near the Woodchop Arena in Sideshow Alley
- In the Channel 7 Pavilion (ground floor)

Lost children

Lost Children is located at the Gregory Terrace Police Station, which is open from 9am to 8.30pm. As part of the Keep Kids Safe program, parents are encouraged to collect a free wrist band from the police marquee on Gregory Terrace as soon as they arrive at Ekka. They can write their mobile number on their child's wrist band, so if they become separated, they can be reunited ASAP.

Operations centre

The RNA Operations Centre is located at the Gatehouse on Gregory Terrace and houses the Emergency Services, RNA Operations Team, OH&S and Security.

Lost and found

Lost and found is located at Guest Services on the lower level of the Channel 7 Pavilion.

Parents' rooms

There are three parents' rooms located around the grounds for those with babies and young children.

The Ekka is smoke free

Designated smoking areas will not be available within the Showgrounds precinct, but there will be two designated smoking areas located outside the Showgrounds.

Road closures

With all the excitement plus parades, livestock, entertainment and crowd movements, there will be some delays and road closures in the lead-up to and during Ekka. Gregory Terrace, King Street and O'Connell Terrace will be partially or fully closed from Wednesday 30 July.

OH&S

Media personnel on site are required to follow all applicable OH&S rules and regulations set in place by the RNA, to ensure their own health and safety and the health and safety of others in the workplace.

Membership

Those who become RNA members for an annual fee of \$130 (country adult) or \$145 (city adult) receive a range of benefits at the Ekka. These include free nine-day entry to the Show, a nine-day guest pass, VIP seating passes for the fashion parade, reduced competition fees for selected sections and categories, access to the Members' Grandstand and Bar; and free use of the locker facilities. For more information, please click here.

Major Pavilion, Attractions and Bars Opening Hours

10am – late:
XXXX Stockmen's Bar & Grill

9am – late:

Gourmet Plaza, B105 Sideshow Alley, The Courier-Mail Showbag Pavilion, Woolworths Fresh Food Pavilion

9am - 6pm:

Agricultural Education Hall, Channel Seven Pavilion, Ekka Emporium, John Reid Pavilion, Kids Carnival, Large Animal Pavilion

9am – 5:30pm:

Sushi Hub Canine Pavilion, Animal Nursery

9am – 5pm:

Ekka Woodchop Arena presented by AAM Investment Group