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LIVESTOCK
EXHIBITOR HANDBOOK



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**89th ANNUAL
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FAIR
LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR HANDBOOK**

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Contra Costa County Fair

May 15 - 18, 2025

Fair Admission Prices

Pre-Sale Tickets will be SOLD until Sunday May 11th, 2025

Pre-Sale Adult:	13 years old and over	\$10.00
Pre-Sale Youth:	6 years to 12 years old	\$7.00
Pre-Sale Senior:	62 years and over	\$7.00
Adult Season Pass:	Good all 4 Days	\$35.00
Youth Season Pass:	Good all 4 Days	\$25.00
Season Parking Pass:	Good all 4 Days	\$35.00
Pre-Sale Carnival Wristbands:	Good any 1 Day of Fair	\$35.00
Livestock Exhibitor Carnival Wristbands:	Good All 4 Days of Fair	\$99.00

General Admission

Adult:	13 years old and over	\$14.00
Youth:	6 years to 12 years old	\$9.00
Child:	5 years and under	FREE
Senior:	Seniors 62 & Over	\$9.00
Carnival Wristbands:	Good any 1 Day of Fair	\$40.00
Parking:	All Vehicles	\$10.00

Special Days

DOLLAR DAY

Thursday, May 15th

Kids age 5 years and under admitted FREE

\$1 Admission Until 5pm

Parking \$10.00

SENIOR APPRECIATION DAY

Friday, May 16th

\$1 Admission Seniors 62 & Over

MILITARY & LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY

Saturday, May 17th

Military & Law Enforcement & Family with valid ID admitted FREE

FIESTA DAY

Sunday, May 18th

Featuring Hispanic Entertainment

Livestock Exhibitor Handbook

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General Rules

1. **AGE REQUIREMENTS.** All exhibitors' ages are determined as of January 1, 2025. Junior Livestock Exhibitors must be 9 years old as of January 1, 2025, to show and sell a market animal. This includes poultry meat pens, rabbit meat pens, and all large livestock (Market and Breeding).
2. Independent juniors must be registered with the Contra Costa County Fair as of January 31, 2025, to be eligible to show and sell an animal at the Fair. This includes poultry meat pens, rabbit meat pens, and all large livestock (Market and Breeding).
3. **NO LATE ONLINE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Submission of entries is ultimately the responsibility of the exhibitor. Failure of leader, advisor, or parent to submit entries online does not constitute a request for variance.
4. All entries will be entered online at www.contracostafair.com, and must be entered by 11:59pm on April 11, 2025. No paper entries will be accepted. If you have questions regarding online entries, please call the administration office at (925) 757-4400 or come into the Administration Office at 1201 W 10th Street, Antioch. The office is open daily 9am to 4pm, closed from 12noon to 1pm for lunch.
5. All Premium checks will be mailed to exhibitors within 30 days following the close of the fair. Ribbons, tags, or cards have no value to payment. Only the placing on the judging sheet constitutes the final placement. All other awards can be picked up at the Livestock Office.
6. Exhibitor's Responsibility:
EACH EXHIBITOR, LEADER/ADVISOR AND PARENT'S SUBMISSION OF ONLINE ENTRY SIGNIFIES THEIR ACCEPTANCE OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE 23RD DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION AS PRINTED IN THE OFFICIAL EXHIBITOR'S HANDBOOK.
7. No refunds under \$10.00 will be given. Refund requests must be in writing to the Fair Management and must be received in the Administration Office no later than 4 pm, April 25, 2025. All requests are subject to a \$10.00 Administration Fee.
8. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury or damage done to or occasioned by or arising from any animal or article exhibited by him/her and shall indemnify the Contra Costa County Fair against all legal proceedings in regard thereto. The Fair will take reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of exhibits and property of description entered for competition of display or any other purpose while anywhere on the grounds. In no case will the Fair be responsible in any way for any loss, damage, or injury of any character to any property, article, or person, while same is on the Fairgrounds or at any other time or place, nor be liable for or make any payment for damage, loss, or injury. Presentation of online entry receipt shall be deemed acceptance of this rule.
9. Due to early press deadline, all information contained in the exhibit book is subject to change or amendment by the Fair Management, Staff and Board of Directors. Any revisions will apply to the 2025 rules and regulations.
NOTE: All rules contained in "2025 State Rules for California Fairs" as described by the Division of Fairs & Expositions apply to this fair. Refer to [@_expositions/](http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/fair)
10. All market livestock classes for the FFA, 4-H, Grange and Independents are open to Contra Costa County Counties Exhibitors **ONLY**.
11. Exhibits will be accepted at the specified time for each department. Failure to comply will disqualify entry.
12. Exhibits will be assigned to specified locations by the Fair Management and must remain in the assigned location until the release date and time set by the Fair Management.
13. No entry, exhibit or display may be removed from the Fairgrounds, before designated release time, unless the Fair Management gives permission.
14. The Fair Management has the right to remove any exhibit if, in the Management's opinion, said exhibit is not in good taste, or is a health or safety issue to exhibitors and the general public.
15. Judging Systems –
 - a. **American** – The Judging process to rank exhibits against one another and award one first placing, one second, etc.
 - b. **Danish** – The judging process to compare each exhibit on its own merit against the scorecard or recognized standard and award as many first placing, etc. as merited.
16. Club Assignments – Each Club will be required to provide volunteers (Parents/Leaders) during the Fair for various projects, these projects may include assisting with line-up for weigh-in, auction set-up, and market animal load-out. Club Assignments will be distributed prior to Fair, larger clubs will be given larger projects, and smaller clubs will be given smaller projects, or grouped with another small club on a project. Any club failing to provide volunteers for assigned project will forfeit premiums being paid to their clubs exhibitors.
17. **Quality Assurance Program** –All livestock exhibitors age 8 – 21 will be required to go through an approved certified Quality Assurance Program. The Contra Costa County Fair has chosen the YQCA Online Program (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals). Each Exhibitor must log into <http://yqcaprogram.org> and create an account, chose your age category, and complete the training and quiz. There is a cost of \$12 for the online training. Please note that clubs can pay for this in advance, by logging into <http://yqcaprogram.org> and purchase coupons. Once you have completed the training with passing results, you will print your certificate. On your certificate will be a Certificate Number, this number will be required when you enter online.
18. Any Club (4-H, FFA, or Grange) that has livestock entries will be required to enter a Club Feature Exhibit Booth, or a Club Feature Landscape Exhibit. If a club fails to enter a Feature Exhibit, or Landscape Exhibit they will not be allowed to bring their livestock entries to the Fair.
19. **NO DOGS ALLOWED** on Fairgrounds, except for certified service dogs, and Dog Show Exhibitors on day of Dog Show.
20. **NO GOLF CARTS, ATV's or SCOOTERS ALLOWED**, no Livestock Exhibitors, Parents or Leaders are allowed to bring Golf Carts, ATV's or Motorized Scooters onto the Fairgrounds.

NOTE: If you do not have access to a computer or do not know how to use a computer please contact the Fair Office, at (925) 757- 4400 and you will be provided with assistance in entering your entries.

Receiving & Release Schedule

RECEIVING

DATE & TIME

HORSE SHOW – Rafter D Ranch

Saturday, May 3rd, 8:30am to 9am

LARGE LIVESTOCK – Enter O Street, Exit L Street
(This includes All Other Breeding Goats)

Monday, May 12th, 2pm to 9pm
Tuesday, May 13th, 8am to 4pm

SMALL LIVESTOCK – Enter O Street, Exit L Street
(Rabbits, Cavy, Poultry, Eggs Only)

Monday, May 12th, 4pm to 8pm

DOG SHOW – Enter O Street, Park in Livestock Parking

Wednesday, May 14th, 4pm to 5pm

RELEASE

DATE & TIME

HORSE SHOW

Saturday, May 3rd, immediately following
Horse Show

LARGE LIVESTOCK – Enter O Street, Exit L Street

Sunday, May 18th, 4pm to 7pm

SMALL LIVESTOCK – Enter O Street, Exit L Street

Sunday, May 18th, 4pm to 7pm

DOG SHOW

Wednesday, May 14th, immediately
following Dog Show

Livestock Schedule

SHOW	DATE & TIME
HORSE SHOW – Rafter D Ranch	Saturday, May 3 rd , 10am
PARENT/LEADER MEETING	Saturday, May 10 th , 6pm
PEN DECORATING/TACK LOAD IN – <u>No Animals</u>	Sunday, May 11 th , 9am to 5pm
LIVESTOCK CAMPING LOAD IN	Sunday, May 11 th , 9am to 5pm Monday, May 12 th 9am to 5pm
POULTRY INSPECTION – Livestock Parking Lot	Monday, May 12 th , 4pm to 7pm
LARGE MARKET ANIMAL WEIGH IN	Tuesday, May 13 th , 5pm
SMALL MARKET ANIMAL WEIGH IN (Broilers & Turkeys Only) Fur & Feathers Building	Monday, May 12 th , 8pm
BEEF SHOW	Wednesday, May 14 th , 5pm
DOG SHOW - Family Lawn Area	Wednesday, May 14 th , 5pm
DAIRY GOAT SHOW	Thursday, May 15 th , 5pm
ALL OTHER BREEDING GOAT SHOW	Thursday, May 15 th , immediately following Dairy Goat Show
POULTRY SHOW	Thursday, May 15 th , 5pm
RABBIT SHOW	Friday, May 16 th , 5pm
BOER GOAT SHOW	Friday, May 16 th , 4pm
SHEEP SHOW	Friday, May 16 th , immediately following Boer Goat Show
SWINE SHOW	Saturday, May 17 th , 8am
SMALL STOCK MASTER SHOWMANSHIP	Saturday, May 17 th , 4pm
LADIES/LADS SHEEP LEAD	Saturday, May 17 th , immediately following Swine Show
PEE WEE SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP	Saturday, May 17 th , immediately following Ladies/Lads Sheep Lead
ADULT SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP	Saturday, May 17 th , immediately following Pee Wee Showmanship
LARGE LIVESTOCK MASTER SHOWMANSHIP	Saturday, May 17 th , 7pm
JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION	Sunday, May 18 th , 9am

Contra Costa County Fair Code of Excellence Guidelines For Livestock Exhibitors

4-H

4-H Membership Guidelines

1. 4-H Youth Development Program membership policies state specifically that a young person must have attained their 9th birthday as of December 31st, 2024, to be enrolled in a 4-H large animal project. Youth will be eligible for membership in 4-H through December 31st of the year in which they turn 19 years of age. All 4-H exhibitors must be enrolled and on the County 4-H roster, to be eligible to enter and show large livestock and meat pen animals at the Contra Costa County Fair. 4-H entries will be verified by County 4-H official roster.

FFA

Guidelines for FFA Exhibitors

1. Preparation and presentation of the FFA entries during any Fair or Show shall be limited to Junior Exhibitors with entries in that Show or Fair.
2. FFA members are allowed to continue showing in Fairs during one calendar year after graduation from High School, but only if they have completed their senior year enrollment in Vocational Agriculture as an FFA member. (Calendar year means Jan. 1st through Dec. 31st).
3. A student pre-scheduled in High School Agriculture is allowed to show at any Summer Fair immediately prior to entering High School, provided the project and record book were started 60 days (120 days for market beef) before the Fair, and he/she is affiliated with the Local, State and National FFA Organization and the project is being supervised by the Agriculture Instructor.
4. A FFA member must be enrolled in an agricultural class and be supervised by an Agricultural Instructor. The member must meet all requirements of their Chapter as certified by their Agricultural Advisor. **The entry office will send a complete list of all FFA exhibitors entered to the regional FFA office for verification of members.**

GRANGE

Guidelines for Grange Members

1. Grange members must meet all Junior Fair Grange criteria to be eligible to show.
2. Grange members must have attained their 9th birthday by January 1st, 2025 and shall not be older than 19 years of age as of January 1, 2025.
3. A list of all Grange exhibitors entered will be verified with the State Grange.

INDEPENDENT

Guidelines for Independent Exhibitors

1. Juniors who have been FFA or 4-H members in that particular animal project within (120 – 60) days prior to the Fair are not eligible to compete in that project as an Independent Junior (120 days for market beef, 60 days for market sheep, swine & goat).
2. **All Junior Exhibitors wishing to show as an Independent for 2025 in any division that is eligible to sell through the Junior Livestock Auction, and/or participate in the Fairs Horse Show must submit an Independent Exhibitor Applications to the Fair Administration Office by January 31, 2025. All applicants will receive notification of approval from Fair Management.**
3. **Age Requirement:** According to State Rules, exhibitors must be at least 9 years old by January 1st of the year they are showing large livestock and must not be older than 18 years old prior to January 1, 2025.

4. **Ownership Requirements:** Independent exhibitors need to meet all ownership requirements as outlined in the "Code of Excellence" program.
5. **Insurance:** Since an independent exhibitor does not have liability coverage through a sponsoring organization, a legal guardian or parent must be able to provide proof of liability coverage naming the Fair as additionally insured and sign a waiver. Insurance is available this year through the fair. Cost is \$50.00 per exhibitor or family no matter how many entries you have in each class. Please see Administration Office if you wish to participate in this program. (23rd DAA reserves the right to change the cost of said insurance as warranted by the cost of said insurance).
6. **Supervision:** As stated in the State Rules, Independent Exhibitors must provide adult supervision (over 25 years old) on grounds at all times. The supervising adult must be available on a 15-minute call during Fairtime activities.
7. **Uniform:** Independent Exhibitors must wear a uniform of white pants, a collared white shirt, and a Black tie or scarf.
8. **Showmanship and Market Classes:** Independent Juniors who are 9-13 years of age will show in the 4-H Divisions. Independent Juniors who are 14-19 years of age will show in the FFA Divisions. **Age is determined as of January 1, 2025.**
9. **Clean Stall and Educational Displays:** Stalls will be checked daily for cleanliness. Each Independent Exhibitor may provide an educational display to be hung in the stall.

Market Animal Ownership Requirements

1. It is the policy of the Contra Costa County Fair (State Rules for all Fairs) that any livestock exhibitor must **own** the animal(s) he or she is exhibiting. All market beef must be owned by the exhibitor by January 13th, 2025. All market sheep, goat and swine must be owned by the exhibitor by March 13th, 2025. All market animals designated for entry in the 2025 Contra Costa County Fair must carry the Association's official ear tag (Both front & back) prior to ownership deadlines.
2. All market rabbits must have been owned by exhibitor no less than 30 days before fair, Rabbits must have a permanent tattoo in the left ear. Proof of ownership must be presented at check-in upon arrival at the Fair.
3. Each exhibitor may only bring to fair and **show** one (1) large market animal (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat), and two small animals (Rabbit, Turkey, Broiler) of each species and only sell one (1) animal of each species in the Junior Livestock Auction.

Breeding Animals Ownership Requirements

1. It is the policy of the Contra Costa County Fair and State Rules that any livestock exhibitor must own the animal(s) he or she is exhibiting. The following are the ownership requirements for **all breeding Sheep, Swine, Beef, Goats, Rabbits, and Poultry, designated** for entry in the 2025 Contra Costa County Fair. (Both Large and Small Livestock) the exhibitor must provide a copy of the animal's registration papers, Bill of Sale, or birthing records (if the exhibitor raised the animal him/herself). This proof of ownership documentation should include description of any **permanent identification** (Tattoo, Ear Tag, Brand, Ear Notching) on the animal and must be **submitted on Show Day to Livestock Office**. Livestock exhibit staff will check the ownership date on the original registration papers.

If using a Bill of Sale as proof of ownership, the Bill of Sale must contain:

Seller's name, address and phone number

Buyer's name, address, and phone number

Exhibitor's club/chapter affiliation

Date of purchase

Description of animal (color, sex, breed, date of birth, permanent identification #, brand or picture of ear notching)

And it must **express transfer of ownership**. For example:

I _____ sold the animal described on this form to _____

(Seller's Name)

(Buyer's Name)

2. All proof of ownership information submitted will be reviewed by the Association to ensure the submitted proof of ownership information (including the animal's permanent identification) matches the animal that was entered and brought to the Fair.
3. **NOTE – No livestock (excluding rabbit and poultry exhibit) owned solely by a chapter or club, or conducted as a joint project by two or more individuals, is eligible in the junior department, unless the division or class specifically so states.**
4. All animals in "registered purebred breeding animal" divisions must be registered and recorded with a United States breed association in the exact name of the owner as declared on the entry form except for:

a. Pigs, under 12 months or younger, which are still owned by the breeder. Litter registrations are acceptable if recorded with their breed association and if they identify the litter by birth date, sire, dam, and ear notching.

-or-

b. Animals whose breed association requires an inspector's approval before registering. The animal cannot be more than 12 months of age on opening day of the fair. Exhibitors may present a statement by the secretary of the association stating that then animal is eligible to be registered. This statement must identify the animal by birth date, sire, dam, and ear tag, tattoo, or notching.

Policies for Exhibitor Conduct

1. **Direct criticism or interference with the judge, show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, auctioneer, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is PROHIBITED.**
2. Exhibitor shall use respectful language. No foul or abusive language or gestures will be tolerated.
3. **All junior livestock exhibitors must groom and wash their own animal while they are on the fairgrounds. Any assistance must come ONLY from another junior livestock exhibitor who is exhibiting an animal at the 2025 Contra Costa County Fair wearing a designated exhibitor wristband.**
4. Possession of any weapons or illegal drugs on the fairgrounds, or in the Livestock Camping area, is prohibited.
5. Possession of alcohol or drinking alcohol, and/or being under the influence of alcohol by any underage exhibitor minor on the fairgrounds, or the Livestock Camping area is prohibited.
6. Use of fireworks or sparklers is prohibited on the fairgrounds or in the Livestock Camping area.
7. Any exhibitor whose conduct jeopardizes the health or safety of another exhibitor, animal, or the public, will be immediately expelled from further participation in the Contra Costa County Fair for the 2025 Fair, and possibly future fairs. The exhibitor is to be removed from the grounds and camping area immediately and loses the opportunity to show and sell his or her animal(s) through the Junior Livestock sale. Health or Safety issues include, but are not limited to, the actions involving weapons, alcohol, illegal drugs, or fireworks, as mentioned in items #4-#6 above, and not caring for, i.e., feeding and watering, the exhibitor's animal project. All animals exhibited by the violator must be removed from the fairgrounds by 3 pm the following day of the violation.

Policies for Animal Treatment

1. Any effort to artificially change the conformation or appearance of an animal by treating the animal, internally or externally, with any irritant, counter-irritant, or other substance is considered unethical, inhumane, and is prohibited. Treatments that are prohibited include, but are not limited to, excessive use of common products such as fly spray, ointment or liniment or other similar products. Excessive use is defined as the use of a substance to the point that it irritates the animal.
2. Adding false hair or hair-like material, fleece, or skin to any portion of the animal's body is illegal and will result in immediate disqualification. Causing the animal to ingest any liquid or substance not considered part of an accepted and normal livestock diet, or in quantities not considered normal for livestock, is deemed illegal and inhumane. For example: the use of alcoholic or carbonated beverages as a drench or filler.
NOTE: The use of drench guns in any form is illegal and will result in immediate disqualification.
3. The use of tranquilizers, sedatives, or depressants, which alters the physical or physiological state of the animal, is illegal. Exceptions to this rule would be a Licensed Certified Veterinarian's treatment for a recognized disease or injury, or recommendation for tranquilizing breeding animals in heat that might compromise the safety of others. The livestock office must receive notification from the Licensed Certified Veterinarian of the details of any such prescribed treatment. The substances used in this treatment must have been approved by The Food and Drug Administration for use in meat producing animals.
4. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to feed, water, and care for any animal they have entered in the fair throughout the entire fair, including any period following the sale of the animal prior to the end of the fair. All market animals including small stock must be given a final feeding and watering at approximately 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 18th, 2025, to ensure that the animal arrives in a healthy condition at the processing plant.
5. Any animal that appears ill or injured while at the fairgrounds must be reported to the livestock office immediately. A veterinarian must check any animals considered unhealthy. If it is determined that the animal is carrying a communicable disease, the animal will be removed from the fairgrounds at the owner's expense. The fairgrounds will not assume the cost for this action. The exhibitor must assume the full expense of the veterinarian's services.
6. Any animal that is unmanageable or that could be a safety hazard to the public will be removed from the fairgrounds. The Livestock Superintendent/Fair Management makes this decision final.
7. It is considered abuse to excessively shrink or exercise an animal.
8. Ice may not be directly used on an animal. Only ice in a bucket of water is permitted. No cooling devices, electrical stimulation tools or shockers may be used.
9. Physical abuse of an animal will not be tolerated. For example: when moving hogs, care should be taken not to excessively beat or hit an animal (either by a person or with an object).
10. For the safety of the animal and the public, animals are not to be left unattended on fitting tables or in blocking chutes.
11. All lambs must be shown with their front feet on the ground as practiced by acceptable showmanship procedures. If this policy is not followed, the judge may ask the exhibitor to leave the ring or may place the exhibitor at the bottom of the class.
12. During animal arrival, a certified veterinarian will check animals for any infectious disease. Those animals determined to have an infectious disease will be asked to immediately leave the fairgrounds. For example: animals found to have live Ringworm or Sore Mouth will be asked to leave the fairgrounds. It is strongly suggested that the health of each animal be evaluated prior to coming to the Fair. The Fair Association is not responsible for any costs associated with the transfer or care of these animals.
13. Any abuse of an animal by the exhibitor upon leaving the scale after weigh in is cause for the exhibitor and animal to be removed from the fairgrounds and not be allowed to compete at the 2025 Fair.

Participant's Eligibility

1. Entry in MARKET CLASSES is limited to members of Chapters or Clubs, located in Contra Costa County ONLY. Breeding animals are limited to members of Chapters or Clubs in Contra Costa County, Alameda County, Solano County, San Joaquin County and Sacramento County.
2. FFA Eligibility -see designated page- (State Rules Apply).
3. 4-H Eligibility -see designated page- (County and State Rules Apply).
4. Independent Juniors Eligibility- must have registered with Contra Costa County Fair as of January 31, 2025. (State Rules Apply)
5. Grange Eligibility – (Fair Grange and State Rules Apply)

Consequences for Violation of Exhibit Policies

1. If any violation of policy occurs prior to the junior livestock sale, the exhibitor will not be allowed to sell his/her animal.
2. If the violation occurs after the auction, the exhibitor will receive only the market resale value (as determined the day of the auction) for the animal. Any remaining money paid by the buyer in purchasing the animal through the auction, will be placed into a general auction account and use for improvements in the livestock area. The buyer will receive the animal.
3. **If it is determined that an exhibitor has violated the Fair's Code of Excellence or other exhibit policies, the exhibitor will be removed from the grounds and may not exhibit livestock at the following year's fair.**
For example: An exhibitor who violates a rule and is removed from the grounds in 2025 will not be allowed to exhibit livestock at the 2026 Fair. The exhibitor may then request in writing to exhibit livestock at the 2027 fair. This request will be reviewed by the Board of Directors prior to an official entry being accepted.
4. The Contra Costa County Fair Board supports the Fair's direction to focus more on the exhibitors excelling in leadership, education, and citizenship with their livestock project.
5. The Contra Costa County Fair Board has decided that minor violations of exhibitor conduct, not involving health or safety concerns, may be given one verbal warning. This verbal warning will be documented and noted by a signature from the Livestock Superintendent and the exhibitor. On the second violation, the exhibitor will be asked to leave the fairgrounds, and any awards and/or auction check will be withheld.

Eligible Entries

1. **All 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent entries must be submitted online. After entering online, exhibitors will print out a receipt. By entering online, the exhibitor agreeing to abide by the Code of Ethics and all other fair rules.**
2. Management reserves the right to close a Division or Class before the entry closing date if all available space has been allotted.
3. Limitation of Breeding and Grade Animals: Limit of 2 entries per class of Beef, Sheep, Swine, or Goat Divisions, unless a group entry. Limit of 1 entry per Group Class per exhibitor.
4. **No animal other than a legal entry will be allowed on the Fairgrounds. This refers to NO companion Animals**
5. Animals will not be allowed to return to the Fairgrounds if removed.
6. **All large animals including All Other Goats must be in place by 4 pm, Tuesday, May 13, 2025. PLEASE NOTE: NO ANIMALS WILL BE RECEIVED ON GROUNDS AFTER THIS TIME.**
7. No animal will be released without an "Animal release form issued from the Livestock Superintendent." Small Animals will be released in the same manner from the Small Livestock Superintendent. All vehicles will be checked.
8. **Due to early press deadline, all information contained in the exhibit book is subject to change or amendment by the Fair Management, staff, and Board of Directors. Revisions will be brought forth as soon as changes are made.**

Protest

1. **Protest will be considered only if this has been a violation of State or Local Rules. Decisions of judges, veterinarians, PHI's, weigh masters, and timers cannot be protested and are final.**
2. **Protest must be filed within 4 hours of the awareness of the rule violation. The cause of the protest must be filed with the Chief Executive Officer of Contra Costa County Fair. The Chief Executive Officer will present the protest to the Livestock Committee as soon as practical.**
3. **Protest must be accompanied by a deposit of \$500.00 (cash, money order or certified check made payable to the fair).**
NOTE: The deposit will be returned if the protest is upheld. If the protest is upheld, the violator may be held liable for any portion of the direct costs incurred by the fair in the course of the protest resolution. Failure to reimburse the fair maybe cause for disallowing future entries or participation in of the network of California Fairs.
4. **Protest can only be filed by the Exhibitor, their Parent or Legal Guardian, or their Leader/Advisor.**
5. **All other rules will apply in accordance with the current State Rules for California Fairs 2025.**

Dress Codes

1. All FFA, Grange and 4-H exhibitors shall wear the following uniforms while showing and selling their animals in breeding, market, and showmanship classes. Independent exhibitors shall wear the uniform as set forth in the Exhibitor Guidebook.
NOTE: If the exhibitor is showing small stock animals and horse, long sleeve shirts or uniform jacket are required, no exposed arms allowed. If showing small stock animals cloth shoes will be permitted but MUST have no toes or heels exposed. Failure of Exhibitor to be in designated uniforms during judging, photos, and auction will result in a \$100 penalty fee deducted from Exhibitors auction or premium check.
2. **FFA** - The FFA show uniform is to be worn by all FFA exhibitors and by assistants in the chapter group classes. The uniform shall consist of white pants and white dress shirt/blouse with a collar (long or short sleeve) **NO SLEEVELESS OR COLLARLESS SHIRTS** and tie or scarf; if the shirt has the FFA emblem attached to the left side, the official FFA Jacket is not required. All shirts must be tucked in. No bare midriffs allowed. No exposure of undergarments allowed. Pant legs should be worn outside the boots/shoes. Boots/Shoes are to be of leather, and no toes or heels exposed. Exhibitors will be excused from the show ring for failure to follow dress code set forth. No chapter or individual names will be allowed on white shirts. No additional logos or adornments may be worn unless already expressly described in this paragraph.
3. **4-H** - The 4-H show uniform is to be worn by all 4-H exhibitors and by assistants in the group classes. The uniform shall consist of white pants, white dress shirt/blouse (long or short sleeve), 4-H tie or scarf, 4-H cap worn on the head, black or brown belt and shoes/boots. **NO SLEEVELESS SHIRTS**. All shirts must be tucked in. No bare midriffs allowed. No exposure of undergarment allowed. Pant legs should be worn outside the boots/shoes. Boots/Shoes are to be of leather, and no toes or heels exposed. Exhibitors will be excused from the show ring for failure to follow dress code set forth. No chapter or individual names will be allowed on white shirts. No additional logos or adornments may be worn unless already expressly described in this paragraph. Optional, 4H exhibitor are allowed to wear Green 4H Jackets, if so desire.
4. **Grange** - Grange shall wear white shirts, **NO SLEEVELESS OR COLLARLESS SHIRTS**, the official Grange Red Vest, and new dark blue jeans. (Any old, stone or acid wash, faded or tattered jeans may jeopardize your eligibility to show). No hat of any sort shall be worn. All shirts must be tucked in. No bare midriffs allowed. No exposure of undergarments are allowed. Pant legs should be worn outside the boots/shoes. Boots/Shoes are to be of leather, and no toes or heels exposed. Exhibitors will be excused from the show ring for failure to follow dress code set forth. No chapter or individual names will be allowed on white shirts. No additional logos or adornments may be worn unless already expressly described in this paragraph.
5. **Independents** - Independents shall wear white pants, white shirt, and black tie or black scarf. All members of an identified independent group consisting of 3 or more exhibitors will wear the same uniform. **NO SLEEVELESS OR COLLARLESS SHIRTS**. All shirts must be tucked in. No bare midriffs allowed. No exposure of undergarments allowed. Pant legs should be worn outside the boots/shoes. Boots/Shoes are to be of leather, and no toes or heels exposed. Exhibitors will be excused from the show ring for failure to follow dress code set forth. No chapter or individual names will be allowed on white shirts. No additional logos or adornments may be worn unless already expressly described in this paragraph.
6. Note: White collared polo shirts with sleeve may be substituted for the white dress shirts if they are tucked in and no midriff is exposed.
7. Uniforms are to be clean and neat. Exhibitor appearing in dirty uniforms may be excused from the show ring or sale.
8. Exhibitors who are in violation of the dress code may be excused from the ring by the judge, clerk, barn steward, or livestock superintendent only. The class will continue and not be delayed for the excused exhibitor.

Health Rules

1. The State Rules, Health Rules, and Code of Excellence Rules apply.

Stall Information

1. Exhibitors will need to provide bedding during the Fair, **NO** bedding will be provided. **NO ANIMAL MAY BE UNLOADED UNTIL BEDDING IS IN PLACE IN STALL.**
2. All exhibitors are required to be solely responsible for the feeding, watering, and wellbeing of their livestock throughout the run of the Fair, and until the animals are loaded on the trucks for transport.
3. Fair reserves the right to make stall placing. Champions and Reserve Champions may be placed in designated areas.
4. Exhibitors should remember that the cost of the junior livestock programs are offset in part by the general public, therefore the livestock area needs to be presentable at all times. All livestock stalls/pens must be cleaned out daily before 9:00 am and exhibitors should make every effort to keep the barns clean for the public, this includes tack and fitting areas. There will be Livestock Clean Stall Awards presented at the end of Fair; judging occurs each day. It should be noted that the wellbeing of the animal, (i.e., stressed) will be considered in the Livestock Clean Stall Awards. If exhibitors for both large and small livestock are not cleaning pens/stalls and/or caring for their animals they will receive a verbal warning from the Livestock Superintendent, **if a second warning is required it will be a written warning and a \$25 fee** will be charged to the exhibitors before they receive their Auction or Premium Check. If the exhibitor continues to not clean animals pen/stall and/or care for their animal the exhibitor and animal will be removed from the Fair and will not participate in the Livestock Auction.
5. Exhibitors shall be responsible for security of their animals in stalls or pens. All beef cattle shall be securely tied with a neck rope in addition to a suitable halter. All sheep, goat, and swine pens shall be securely closed and fastened before the exhibitor leaves the barn at the end of the day. Pens and cages may be zip tied for extra security. **Please do not put padlocks on any gate or pen.**

Parent and Leader Information

1. Presale Daily Admission, Season Passes, Parking Passes and Carnival Wristbands will be available in the Fair Administration Office for purchase until May 11th, after May 11th, passes will be full price and only available at Admission Gates, Parking Lots, or Carnival Ticket Booth.
2. **There will be a parent/leader meeting scheduled the week prior to fair (Date: Saturday, May 10th, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.). Pen Assignments and Presale Passes will be available at that time.** Meeting will take place in Livestock Showring.
3. As these programs are educational in nature, parents and leaders/advisors should not handle any junior exhibitor's animals. Doing so will be considered an infraction against the Code of Excellence. Should the problem continue, the eligibility of the exhibitor will be in question, and the parent or leader may be removed from the fairgrounds. Please refer to the Exhibitor Code of Excellence, and the Leader/Advisor and Parents Code of Conduct section for more information. The exception to this rule is in any and all cases where the health and safety of people or other animals is immediately threatened.

Credentials

1. As set forth by the Fair Board of Directors, Exhibitor "Passes/Credentials" will be issue as followed: Club Leaders/ Chapter Advisors: 2 Season Wristbands per specie group (wristbands may be limited to size of specie group). Species groups with 5 or less exhibitors will only receive 1 Season Wristband).
2. Each livestock exhibitor receives one wristband (valued at \$56.00) which provides access to the fairgrounds through the run of the Fair May 15 - 18, 2025. **Wristbands are issued to each exhibitor for the sole purpose of caring for their entries (animals). Therefore, any exhibitor who does not have an animal on the Fairgrounds will have his/her wristband removed.** Exhibitors should not remove their wristband and give it to other exhibitors. The wristbands should not be stretched, as they will break. If a wristband breaks, the exhibitor must bring the wristband with the identification number to the Livestock office. Replacements will only be given with return of the original wristband. If an exhibitor does not have the original wristband, they will be required to purchase daily admission at full price. Wristbands must be worn starting Monday May 12th, 2025.

Leader/Advisor and Parents Code of Conduct

As a Leader/Advisor or Parent of a Livestock Exhibitor of the Contra Costa County Fair you are expected to adhere to following Code of Conduct, failure to do so will jeopardize the participation of your clubs' exhibitors, and/or your child.

1. As a Leader/Advisor or Parent I acknowledge that the child must demonstrate his or her own ability, knowledge, and skill as an exhibitor of show animals, and that the assistance of an adult in the washing, grooming, fitting, handling, or showing of his or her animal while at the fair is prohibited. The exception to this rule is in any and all cases where the health and safety of people or other animals is immediately threatened.
2. As a Leader/Advisor or Parent I acknowledge that direct criticism or interference with the judge, show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, auctioneer, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is PROHIBITED. All judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation, and respect, and as a Leader/Advisor or Parent I will not allow any person connected with my exhibitors or child's animal project to direct abusive or threatening conduct toward any show official.
3. Leader/Advisor and Parents shall use respectful language. No foul or abusive language or gestures will be tolerated in the Livestock Area.
4. Possession of any weapons or illegal drugs on the fairgrounds, or in the Livestock Camping area, is prohibited.
5. As a Leader/Advisor or Parent I am aware that responsible alcohol use is allowed on the fairgrounds, and I will limit my use of alcohol so that I set a proper example for my exhibitor, child, or children of others around me. Any abuse of alcohol or public drunkenness by Leader/Advisor or Parent in or around the Livestock Area or in Livestock Camping is PROHIBITED.
6. As a Leader/Advisor or Parent I acknowledge that the use of fireworks or sparklers is prohibited on the fairgrounds or in the Livestock Camping area.
7. Any Leader/Advisor or Parent, whose conduct jeopardizes the health or safety of an exhibitor, animal, or the public, will be immediately expelled from the 2025 Contra Costa County Fair, and will jeopardize the participation of their clubs' exhibitors or child. The Leader/Advisor or Parent is to be removed from the grounds and camping area immediately and could jeopardize their clubs' exhibitors or child's opportunity to show and sell through the Junior Livestock sale.

Junior Livestock Auction

Rules & Regulations

2025 AUCTION WILL BE A TERMINAL SALE

NO LIVE PICKUPS FOR ANY MARKET ANIMALS GOING THROUGH THE SALE

Buyers will have the option to re-sale or process their purchases, of Steers, Sheep, Goats and Swine. No resale available for Rabbits, Chickens and Turkeys.

Re-sale animals will be processed (no live pick-up), and the buyer will receive the re-sale value on the day of the sale.

Auction is a privilege, not a right. Our goal is not only to provide the seller with an avenue to sell but to also provide the consumer/buyer with quality, healthy, safely produced products by being knowledgeable and responsible producers.

United States Department of Agriculture Rules

1. Exhibitors selling Large Livestock through the Auction Sale will be required to bring a completed and signed Animal Medication Form to the scale at time of animal weigh in. It shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor, and the seller of any animal sold through the Junior Auction Sale, from which the carcass or any part thereof is condemned due to detection of traces of dangerous drugs or chemicals, to replace to the buyer another satisfactory carcass of equal weight and grade.
2. All meat producing livestock must be withheld from slaughter for at least 21 days after inoculation with biologics.
3. All Large Market Livestock will be required to provide Country of Origin Forms for swine, sheep, goats, and beef. Forms are provided in back of handbook. Country of Origin Forms must be turned in at scales during weigh-in. No animals will be weighed without form.

Eligibility to Sell

1. **Meat Pen Rabbits, Chickens, and Turkeys** must grade the following to be eligible to sell: Groups 1 & 2. All Meat Pens Sell.
2. **Market Sheep, Market Beef, Market Goats and Market Swine** must grade “Market Ready” & “Market Acceptable” to be eligible to sell.
3. **Animal must have been placed as market ready or market acceptable by the judge of the species.**
4. **Animal must have been shown by the owner/exhibitor in the proper market class.**
5. All Champions and Reserve Champions **MUST** sell at auction.
6. Each exhibitor may only enter and show one (1) large market animal (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat), and two small animal (Rabbit, Turkey, Broiler) of each species and only sell one (1) animal of each species in the Junior Livestock Auction.
7. An exhibitor must notify the Livestock Office immediately following their respected show that he/she does not desire to sell or risk ineligibility to sell the following year. NO CHANGES WILL BE PERMITTED AFTER THE SALE LIST IS COMPLETED. **NO EXCEPTIONS. All Champions and Reserve Champion must sell.**
8. Animal must be free from contagious disease (i.e.: lamb fungus, ringworm, respiratory disease) and any signs of genetic disease syndrome (i.e.: Porcine Stress Syndrome, Ovine Callipyge Syndrome) at all times during the fair and auction. If animal is suspected of having any contagious disease, the animal will be removed from the fairgrounds and disqualified from the show and sale.
9. Animal may be sifted at any time including arrival at the fair, weigh-in, market class, showmanship class, costume/specialty classes, auction day and load out. Livestock Superintendent will make decisions. Animal must be able to get to and from the auction block on its own power, exhibiting no severe lameness or inability to move.
10. The Livestock Office must have on file for all large market animals a Declaration of Medication Form. Forms must be turned in at time of weigh-in or animal will not be weighed. (See USDA Rules #1)
11. **The Livestock Office must have on file for all large market animals selling, a Country-of-Origin Form. Forms must be turned in at time of weigh-in or animal will not be weighed. (See USDA Rules #3)**
12. **Each Exhibitor must turn in a Declaration of Medication Form at scale before animal is weighed. Animal will not be weighed without form.**
13. **Swine Exhibitors must turn in Prop 12 Certification Forms at scale before animal is weighed. Swine will not be weighed without form.**

Weigh-in Guidelines for Large Stock

1. All large market animals are required to have a Contra Costa County Fair ear tag in the ear at weigh-in. **THERE WILL BE NO TAGGING AT THE SCALES.** Any animal without said ear tag, (both front and back) or incorrect ear tag will not be allowed to weigh-in and will be removed from the fairgrounds following weigh in. If ear tag is lost the exhibitor must notify FAIR ADMINISTRATION OFFICE immediately to make arrangements to re-tag animal as soon as possible. A livestock release must be obtained from the Livestock Superintendent for release of animal from fairgrounds.

2. Market animals not making minimum or maximum stipulated weight requirements will not be allowed to compete in market classes but will be allowed to compete in showmanship. Market beef exhibitors selling their animals must, at weigh-in, submit documentation showing ownership by January 13, 2025, date and place of purchase, brand and its location, name, address, and phone number of exhibitor by providing the following - Yellow Slip (movement slip as required by California State Law) separate slip for each animal transported, Bill of Sale. If the animal was dropped from the exhibitor's cow and raised by the exhibitor, a signed statement stating such may be substituted for the Bill of Sale. **All exhibitors must be present to weigh their animal unless written variance is granted by Fair Chief Executive Officer.**
3. No large animal or small animal scales will be allowed on the Fairgrounds except the "Official" Fair scales.
4. There will be only one Official Weighing of Livestock. Any protest of weight must be made BEFORE the animal leaves the scale. Animals will be re-weighed immediately. Official weight of the animal will be that of the second weigh-in. Animals will be sold on the basis of scale weight.
5. **BEEF:** No wet or blanketed animals will be weighed.
6. **SHEEP:** No wet or blanketed animals will be weighed. No leading devices will be allowed on the scale. Sheep must be sheered.
7. **GOAT:** No wet or blanketed animals will be weighed. No leading devices will be allowed on the scale.
8. **SWINE:** No wet or excessively dirty animals will be weighed. No leading device will be allowed on the scale.
9. The maximum pay weight is as follows:

BEEF:	1300 Pounds
SWINE:	250 Pounds
SHEEP:	150 Pounds
GOAT:	100 Pounds
10. If any animal is questioned at the scale regarding health, paperwork, and/or eartags said animal will be put aside in a holding pen for examination by a veterinarian and/or Livestock Superintendent. The animal will remain in the pen until a decision is made concerning the issue.

Seller's Responsibility

1. **ALL ANIMALS MUST FOLLOW THE SALE ORDER.** Failure of the exhibitor to be present and ready to enter the ring with their animal(s), or when the lot number is called, will automatically disqualify them from the sale. Exhibitors are ultimately responsible for being in the correct order.
2. All Animals being sold at the auction must be sold personally by the owner. **All proxy sales request must be PRE-Approved in writing by the Contra Costa County Fair CEO.**
3. No advertisement of animals will be permitted. This includes placing of items on auction tables and/or advertising on actual animal. Do not ask the Auctioneer for special announcements. Adornments are permitted on Champion and Reserve Champion Market animals ONLY. **No Glitter is allowed on any animal.**
4. All exhibitors must write Thank You letters to their auction buyers, which will be coordinated with exhibitor's leaders. Failure to write and submit a thank you letter to the Fair Administration Office will result in a delay in receiving payment for animal.
5. **Exhibitors selling livestock through the Auction are solely responsible for the feeding, watering, and general well-being of their own animals until the animals are loaded onto the trucks for transport.**
6. **There will be no change in the shipping order or price per pound or head once Buyer Sales Slips are signed.**
7. **No parent/leader/advisor/ exhibitor shall contact buyers for the purpose of buying or giving back an auctioned animal.**
8. **Lotting lists (Sale Order) will be posted for a specified period of time prior to the Auction sales book's going to print. Sellers are ultimately responsible for checking that they are on the list and that all information is correct prior to the posted deadline. There will be no changes/additions/deletions to the sale order once it is set. If you are not on the list and you have not notified the Livestock Office by the designated deadline you will not sell. NO EXCEPTIONS**
9. **Add Ons will only be accepted day of auction, Buyer must fill out Add On Form, and returning to Livestock Office by 3pm with full payment.**
10. **NO BUYER GIFTS will be allowed during the auction, if you wish to give your buyer a gift, you will need to deliver it to them personally after the fair. Sellers are required to write Buyer Thanks You notes and are encouraged to add photos and detail in their Thanks You notes.**

Replacement of Animals

1. The Fair will replace an animal lost or condemned after being loaded for transport to the processor with a carcass or portion of equal weight and grade. In the case of a lost or condemned (except when the condemned carcass is due to drug or chemical contamination contagious disease or signs of genetic disease syndrome) resale animal, only the market price will be repaid.
2. In the case of a condemned carcass due to drug or chemical contamination, contagious disease or signs of genetic disease syndrome exhibitors may forfeit earnings.

Solicitation of Buyers/Non-Sale Market Animals

1. **No "For Sale" signs will be allowed until after the sale.**
2. Any exhibitor found soliciting buyers for non-sale market animals before or during the sale will be subject to disciplinary action as determined by Fair Management. Individual sale of market animals must be reported to the Livestock Office. No responsibility is incurred by the Fair for non-auctioned animals sold by exhibitors.

Release of Animals

1. **All Junior Division animals are to be removed from the grounds no later than 7pm Sunday, May 18, 2025.**
No animal may be removed without a release from the Livestock Office. Release forms will be checked at the gate by Security. All animals will be subject to verifications against release form.

Fee for Sale

1. The Fair will charge a fee for each animal going through the Junior Livestock Auction. The fee for 2025 shall be 9% of the total sale of animal including Ad-Ons.
2. The selling fee is automatically deducted from each seller's check and covers the operational costs of conducting the Auction.

Auction Check Distribution and Buyer Thank You Cards

1. Auction checks will be distributed Saturday, June 21, 2025, from 10 am to 12 noon, in the Fair Administration Office. **Only leaders/advisors may pick up checks at this time.** Those checks being held for any reason will be distributed, as payments are made or thank you cards are received.
2. **Buyer addresses will be available to leaders and advisors only, Sunday May 18, 2025, between 5 pm and 7 pm in front of Livestock Office. Buyer thank you letters, written, addressed, stamped and ready for mail, must be turned into the Fair Administration Office by the project leader before 4pm Friday May 23, 2025.**
3. In the following cases the Fair reserves the right to hold auction checks: if exhibitors violate the Code of Excellence guidelines, if exhibitors fail to produce buyer thank you notes, **or if exhibitors' animals are purchased by family members or relatives, the seller's check will not be released until full payment is made by the buyers.**
4. Any exhibitor that has a relative that has any outstanding balance with the fair for the current or previous years fairs will not be eligible to enter the 2025 Fair until all outstanding balances are cleared.
5. All Return Checks for non-sufficient funds will be subject to a \$35.00 service charge. Any lost Premium Checks or Auction Checks will be charged a \$35.00 Replacement Fee.

Horse Show

Includes 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent Youth Exhibits

SHOW DATE: Saturday May 3rd, Rafter D Ranch, Check In 8:30am, Show Starts at 10am

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00/per class

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF JUDGING

NO PREMIUMS PAID, RIBBONS ONLY

ENTRY DEADLINE: April 11th, No class changes or adds will be accepted after this date. NO EXCEPTIONS. Entries may be scratched day of show.

A Rider, Parent/Leader Zoom Meeting will take place the week before entries close to answer any questions so that horse entries are entered correctly.

Rules for Horse Show:

1. **Approved helmets MUST be worn by ANY person on horseback while showing at Rafter D Ranch. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
This is a rule governed by the state. Failure to comply will result in dismissal from the Horse Show.
2. **Classes at this show is open to 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent members located in Contra Costa County.**
3. Exhibitors must be at least 9 years old, and not passed their 19th birthday as of January 1, 2025.
4. Exhibitors must have owned or leased their animal for a minimum of 120 days prior to the closing date of entries. A COPY of proof of ownership or lease must be brought to check-in day of show. This copy will not be returned to the exhibitor. Show management may also ask for proof of ownership/lease at registration.
5. USA Equestrian/USEF, California State Fair 4-H Horse Show rules will apply to the horse show classes.
6. The Judge's decision will be final. Classes will be judged under the USEF/USA Equestrian system
7. Stallions will not be permitted at any time during the Contra Costa County Fair Horse Show.
8. Dress Code: Exhibitors must wear long sleeves, boots, and a belt at all times. Helmets must be worn in all riding and timed events.
SHOWMANSHIP DRESS CODE
 - a. 4-H Members- White collared shirt, 4-H scarf or tie, 4-H hat and white pants must be worn by exhibitors.
 - b. FFA Members- White collared shirt, FFA jacket and scarf/tie, and white pants must be worn.
 - c. Grange Members will wear the uniform of their group.
 - d. Independents will wear white long sleeved collared shirt, white pants, and black tie or scarf**RIDING DRESS CODE**

Riders can choose to wear show clothing associated with their style of riding, Show Clothing must include long sleeve collared shirt/jacket and boots must be worn.
9. No one but the youth is to handle or prepare the horse for the show. Leaders, Jr. Leaders, and other exhibitors are allowed to help or coach exhibitors. Trainers and Parents are asked to refrain from any help unless safety is at stake.
10. Classes will be judged under the USA Equestrian system. There will be 1st-10th placed in each class, ribbons to 8th place.
11. If there is a question on eligibility of showing in the Novice or Walk & Trot classes, please contact the show superintendent.
12. The Novice classes are open to all riders in the first or second year of showing. A novice exhibitor may enter Novice Showmanship.
13. The Walk & Trot classes are for riders who have not loped or cantered in a show either 4-H or open. Level testing or regular Mastership classes do not count. Walk & Trot riders may not cross enter into classes that require a lope or canter gait.
14. Management reserves the right to cancel any division or class in which there are not enough entries, and/or combine classes.
15. Poor sportsmanship and any un-sportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated and will be dealt with according to the Code of Excellence Policy.
16. Exhibitors are responsible for knowing Showmanship and Horsemanship patterns before entering the show ring. Any questions concerning the patterns should be directed to the gate steward. A demonstration will be shown for Novice classes only.
17. NOVICE exhibitors may ALSO enter regular showmanship and trail classes in their designated age group.
18. Splitting large classes: Walk Jog Classes that exceed 15 horses will be split by age 13 & under / 14 & over. Junior and Senior classes that exceed 15 horses will be split by experience Novice / Advance.
19. If an exhibitor needs to scratch a class after registration closes, please notify the Gate Steward before the Class starts.
20. Riders are responsible for knowing their patterns, if they go off course, it will result in a no score/no place.
21. Pattern Classes will be pre-loaded, one rider at start marker, and one rider showing on course.
22. If an exhibitor qualifies for a Championship Class, they are not required to be pre entered into that class.
23. No Lunch Break will be taken, there will be a 30min break after Showmanship, and a 30min break after English Horsemanship.
24. **Awards will be given for:**
Halter Champion
English Horsemanship Champion
Western Horsemanship Champion

All awards will be presented the day of the show.

25. The Light Horse Show is a qualifying show for the 2025 California State Fair Best of Show Competition.

Please note halter and showmanship classes will be held on Saturday May 3rd, at Rafter D Ranch in conjunction with the riding classes. Also note that 1st & 2nd place overall Advanced Horse Showmanship winners will advance to Master Showmanship. NOTE: There will not be a HORSE section of Master Showmanship.

Equestrian

Division 301 – Equestrian

CLASS:

1. Halter Mares – Top 2 Advance to Class 3
2. Halter Geldings – Top 2 Advance to Class 3
3. Halter Championship – NO Entry Required
4. 4-H Novice Showmanship – Exhibitors in their first or second year of showing- Top 2 may advance to class #5.
5. 4-H Junior Showmanship – 13 and under. Top 2 winners may compete in Advance class #6.
6. 4-H Advance Showmanship – 14 and over.
7. FFA Novice Showmanship - Exhibitors in their first year of showing- Top 2 may advance to class #8
8. FFA Advance Showmanship
9. English Equitation (walk/trot)
10. English Pleasure (walk/trot)
11. English Equitation Junior (13 & Under)
12. English Pleasure Junior (13 & Under)
13. English Equitation – Senior (14 & Over)
14. English Pleasure – Senior (14 & Over)
15. English Horsemanship (walk/trot)
16. English Horsemanship Junior – (13 & Under) – Top 2 Advance to Class 18
17. English Horsemanship Senior (14 & Over) – Top 2 Advance to Class 18
18. English Horsemanship Championship – NO Entry Required
19. Western Horsemanship (walk/jog) – NSQ
20. Western Horsemanship – Junior (13 & Under) – NSQ – Top 2 Advance to Class 22
21. Western Horsemanship – Senior (14 & Over) – NSQ – Top 2 Advance to Class 22
22. Western Horsemanship Championship – No Entry Required
23. Western Pleasure (walk/jog)
24. Ranch Horse Pleasure (walk/jog) – NSQ
25. Western Equitation (walk/jog)
26. Western Pleasure Junior (13 & Under)
27. Ranch Horse Pleasure Junior (13 & Under) – NSQ
28. Western Equitation Junior (13 & Under)
29. Western Pleasure Senior (14 & Over)
30. Ranch Horse Pleasure Senior (14 & Over)
31. Western Equitation Senior (14 & Over)

FUN CLASSES – NEVER WON A BUCKLE SUPER HORSE CHALLENGE

32. Walk/Trot or jog – Rail Class, Judge will call out maneuvers and rider perform to best of their ability. - NSQ
33. Walk/Trot, jog, canter or lope – Judge will call out maneuvers and rider will perform to best of ability. - NSQ
34. Cowboy/Cowgirl Challenge – Timed Obstacle Course Event - NSQ

NSQ = Not State Fair Qualifying Class

Beef Cattle Show

A Cattle Transportation Permit is required when transporting animals to and from a Fair. One form is required for each vehicle load of animals. Permits can be obtained from Fair Office.

Breeding Beef

SHOW DATE: Wednesday, May 14th

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$25	\$20	\$15

Breeding Beef Rules

1. All females 24 months of age or older at the beginning of the Fair must:
 - a. have calf at side; OR
 - b. shows obvious signs of pregnancy, OR
 - c. have a veterinarian's certificate of pregnancy.
2. Substitutions are only allowed within the same class.

Division - 302 - Registered Purebred and Grade Breeding Beef, all Breeds

CLASS:

<u>Bulls</u>	<u>Calving Date</u>
1. Calves	6/1/24 - 3/31/25
2. Yearlings	6/1/23 - 5/31/24
3. 2-year-olds	6/1/22 - 5/31/23

<u>Females</u>	
4. Calves	6/1/24 - 3/31/25
5. Yearlings	6/1/23 - 5/31/24
6. 2 years & up	5/31/23 & prior

Groups: Individuals must be owned by one exhibitor, be of one breed and be entered as individuals.

7. Pair of Females: Any age.
8. Pair of Bulls: Any age.

Market Beef

SHOW DATE: Wednesday, May 14th, Show will follow Breeding Beef

ENTRY FEE: \$20.00/per class

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Guidelines and Rules for Market Beef:

1. State & Local Rules & Code of Excellence Rules Apply.
2. It is the intent of the Division of Fairs and Expositions and of the Fair that the quality standards established for market animals be maintained. Therefore, classifications will be subject to change in the event there are changes in the Federal Grading.
3. **No glitter is allowed on market animals in show or auction.**
4. **MARKET BEEF SCORECARD**
Market Ready: Market steers projected to have sufficient fat deposition to meet the marbling specifications for USDA Prime, Choice, or Select+ quality grades. **Not Market Ready:** Market steers lacking evidence of sufficient fat deposition to produce a desirable consumer product. Steers projected to grade USDA Select- or lower.
5. **Only Market Ready animals will be given Class Winner Ribbons**
6. **Only Market Ready animals will be sold at the Junior Livestock Auction.**
7. All Market Beef Animals will be placed in classes according to their weights.
8. **All Market Beef must weigh 1100 pounds minimum no maximum weight. Maximum pay weight of 1300 pounds.**

9. **Medication Declaration Forms:** The Contra Costa County Fair requires exhibitors of all market animals to complete a Medication Declaration Form for each animal brought to the scale for official weigh-in. Animal will not be weighed if form is not turned in.

Division - 303 - 4-H Market Beef

Division - 304 - FFA Market Beef

CLASS:

1. Market Beef

Swine Show

Breeding Swine

SHOW DATE: Saturday, May 17th, Show Starts at 8am

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$25	\$20	\$15

Breeding Swine Rules

1. Sows and yearlings 18 months or older must have raised a litter of pigs to be eligible for entry.
2. Substitutions are only allowed within the same class.

Division - 305 – Breeding Swine

CLASS:

<u>Boars</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>
1. Winter pigs	12/1/24 - 3/31/25
2. Fall pigs	6/1/24 - 11/30/24
3. Yearlings	6/1/23 - 5/31/24

<u>Sows</u>	
4. Winter Pig	12/1/24 - 3/31/25
5. Summer/Fall Pig	6/1/24 - 11/30/24
6. Yearlings	6/1/23 - 5/31/24
7. 2 Years and up	5/31/23 & prior

Groups: Individuals must be owned by one exhibitor, be of one breed and be entered as individuals.

8. Pair of females, any age
9. Pair of boars, any age

Market Swine

SHOW DATE: Saturday, May 17th, Show will follow Breeding Swine

ENTRY FEE: \$20.00/per class

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Rules for Market Swine:

1. It is the intent of the Division of Fairs and Expositions and of this Fair that the quality standards established for market animals be maintained. Therefore, classifications will be subject to changes in the event there are changes made in Federal Grading.
2. **No glitter is allowed on market animals in show or auction.**
3. **Market Acceptable:** - U.S. No. 1 and No. 2 hogs of average or greater confirmation, that are acceptable in leanness, muscularity, and production traits.
4. **Not Market Acceptable** – Any hog of below average conformation including U.S. No. 3, U.S. No. 4, and utility grade hogs.
5. **Only Market Acceptable hogs will be awarded Class Winners**
6. **Only Market Acceptable hogs will sell at the Junior Livestock Auction Sale.**

7. Market Hogs must weigh a minimum of 210 lbs. **THERE IS A TOP WEIGHT OF 280LBS.**
8. **If the hog grades for Auction, payment will be adjusted to the 250 pounds maximum pay weight.**
9. **Medication Declaration Forms: The Contra Costa County Fair requires exhibitors of all market animals to complete a Medication Declaration Form for each animal brought to the scale for official weigh-in. Animal will not be weighed if form is not turned in.**
10. After weigh-in, market hogs will be divided into weight classes.
11. Swine Group: Entries will be taken at the Livestock Office Day of Show
12. **No slick shearing of pigs** (use clipper guards when shearing.) Current industry guidelines prefer body hair to be between ¼ to ½ inch in length. Pigs need to look natural with some hair coat left on their bodies.
13. **ALL Market Swine Exhibitor must obtain a signed Certification Form, and copy of Breeders Certification Certificate from their Swine Breeder, certifying that their Market Swine Fair Animal is in compliance with Proposition 12. See Certification Form on Page 44 of Livestock Exhibitor Handbook, or Fair website www.contracostafair.com. These forms must be turned in at the scale before animal is weighed.**

Division 306 - 4-H Market Swine

Division 307- FFA Market Swine

CLASS:

1. Market Swine

Swine Club/Chapter Group

SHOW DATE: Saturday, May 17th, Show will follow Market Swine

NO ENTRY FEE:

NO PREMIUMS PAID

ONE ENTRY PER CLUB

1. Entries will be taken day of show in Livestock Office.
2. Use name of Chapter or Club for the name of exhibitor.
3. These are animals that have been shown in either breeding or market divisions but not a combination of breeding and market animals; not more than 1 animal to be owned by any one member.
4. Both Market and breeding animals may be of one or more breeds. If breeding animals are used, either sex may be represented

CLASS:

1. Group of 3

Sheep Show

Scrapies Requirements for Sheep & Goats

1. All sheep and goats entering fairs require individual identification. All official identification will be kept on the animals. The official identification may be official USDA individual identification eartags, premises eartags, Scrapie Flock Certification Program eartags, registration tattoos. If accompanied by registration papers or other methods approved by the California Department of Food and Agriculture.
2. All sheep and goats from out of state require official individual identification, a certificate of veterinary inspection and a California entry permit.
3. Fairs will not accept sheep and goats from scrapie "non-compliant" flocks, or animals that are scrapie-positive or scrapie suspects.
4. Fairs will not accept sheep and goats from scrapie "non-compliant" flocks, or animals that have been exposed to scrapie unless they have been evaluated and approved for exhibition by the state scrapie epidemiologist.
5. Fairs will keep records of the consignor, buyer, and animal identification for 5 years when animals change ownership at the fair.
6. Fairs will try to accommodate Scrapie Flock Certification Program members with separate space if practical. Breeding animals should be housed in separate enclosures or locations from animals that are not in the certification program, if practical.
7. Sheep or goats within 30 days pre-or post-parturition, or with vaginal discharge, shall, if practical, be kept separate from animals from different flocks and in an area that can be properly cleaned and disinfected.
8. Scrapies ear tag number is required on Country-of-Origin Forms at time of Weigh-In.
9. **MUST HAVE SCRAPIES TAG AT WEIGH IN – If your animal is missing a scrapies ear tag, you will not be allowed to weigh your animal.**

Breeding Sheep

SHOW DATE: Friday, May 16th, immediately following Boar Goat Show

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$25	\$20	\$15

Breeding Sheep Rules

1. Substitutions are only allowed within the same class.
2. Original registration papers must be turned in at showring on show day. If registration papers are not turned in prior to the show starting animals will be ineligible to show.

Division 310 - Registered Purebred CLASS:

<u>Rams</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>
1. Spring lambs	1/1/25- 3/31/25
2. Fall lambs	6/1/24 - 12/31/24
3. Yearlings	6/1/23 - 5/31/24

<u>Ewes</u>	
4. Spring lambs	1/1/25 - 3/31/25
5. Fall lambs	6/1/24 - 12/31/24
6. Yearlings	6/1/23 - 5/31/24

Groups: Owned by one exhibitor, entered as individuals and of one breed.

CLASS:

7. Flock: 1 ram, 2 ewes, any age
8. Pair of Rams - any age
9. Pair of Ewes – any age

Division 311 – Farm Flock Ewes & Rams

Judged on usefulness; Sire can be Purebred or Registered and Animal is/has never been eligible for registration in a Purebred Breed Association.

CLASS:

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|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Yearling Ewe | 6/1/23 – 5/31/24 |
| 2. Ewe Lamb Fall | 6/1/24 – 12/31/24 |
| 3. Spring Ewe Lambs | 1/1/25 – 3/31/25 |
| 4. Pair of Ewes | Owned and bred by exhibitor |
| 5. Yearling Ram | 6/1/23 – 5/31/24 |
| 6. Ram Lamb Fall | 6/1/24 – 12/31/24 |
| 7. Ram Spring Lamb | 1/1/25 – 3/31/25 |
| 7. Pair of Rams | Owned and bred by exhibitor |

Market Sheep

SHOW DATE: Friday, May 16th, Show will follow Breeding Sheep

ENTRY FEE: \$20.00/per class

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Rules for Market Lambs:

1. It is the intent of the Division of Fairs and Expositions and this Fair that the quality standards established for market animals be maintained. Therefore, classification will be subject to change in the event that there are changes made in Federal Grading.
2. No glitter is allowed on market animals in show or auction.
3. **Market Ready:** USDA Prime or Choice quality with 12th rib back fat range .16-.35, average or greater conformation and cutability.

4. **NOT Market Ready:** Good or lower quality grade with 12th rib back fat range <.16 or>.35, underfinished lambs grading USDA good or lower, below-average conformation or cutability.
5. Only **Market Ready** animals will be awarded Class Winner Ribbons.
6. Only **Market Ready** lambs will be allowed to sell at the Junior Livestock Auction.
7. **Market lambs must weigh a minimum of 100 pounds, No maximum weight.** Maximum pay weight is 150 pounds.
8. **Medication Declaration Forms:** The Contra Costa County Fair requires exhibitors of all market animals to complete a Medication Declaration Form for each animal brought to the scale for official weigh-in. Animal will not be weighed if form is not turned in.
9. After weigh-in, market lambs will be divided into weight lots.
10. **If animal grades for auction, payment will be adjusted to the 150 pounds maximum weight.**
11. **Callipyge Lambs:** The sheep judge will disqualify any animals from the ring, exhibiting the obvious genetic traits of a Callipyge gene carrier.
12. Lambs may not carry more than 1 inch stretched fleece at any point on their bodies.

Division 312 - 4-H Market Lamb

Division 313 - FFA Market Lamb

CLASS:

1. Market Lamb

Sheep Club/Chapter Group

SHOW DATE: Friday, May 16th, Show will follow Market Sheep

NO ENTRY FEE:

NO PREMIUMS PAID

ONE ENTRY PER CLUB

1. Entries will be taken day of show in Livestock Office
2. Use name of Chapter or Club for the name of exhibitor.
3. These are animals that have been shown in either breeding or market divisions but not a combination of breeding and market animals; not more than 1 animal to be owned by any one member.
4. Both Market and breeding animals may be of one or more breeds. If breeding animals are used, either sex may be represented (maximum of 1 ram)

CLASS:

1. Group of 3

Ladies/Lads Sheep Lead

SHOW DATE: Saturday May 17th, immediately following Swine Show

ENTRY FEE: \$2.00/per class

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Rules for Ladies/Lads Lead Show:

1. The Ladies/Lads Lead Show is an All-Wool shepherdess and sheep fashion show that is a public image booster for the sheep industry.
2. All contestants are to wear an outfit made of wool or at least 70% wool blend.
3. All contestants for the Ladies/Lads Lead Classes are to be members of 4-H, FFA or Grange.
4. Each contestant is to lead a halter trained ewe or market lamb (NO RAMS). The sheep used must have been shown at the current Fair in one of the sheep classes. Contestant does not need to own the sheep used for Ladies/Lads Lead.

Division 316 – Ladies/Lads Lead

CLASS:

1. Juniors - 13 Yrs. and under
2. Seniors - 14 Yrs. and older

Pee Wee Sheep Showmanship

NO ENTRY FEES

PARTICIPATION AWARDS ONLY

NO PREMIUMS PAID

NO PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED- MUST SIGN UP IN LIVESTOCK OFFICE BY SATURDAY, MAY 17th, 2025 by 2pm

Open to youth ages 5 to 8 as of January 1, 2025. A release of liability will be required before any Pee Wee showman may enter the ring for this division. Market animals ARE NOT to be owned by Pee-Wee Showman.

Adult Sheep Showmanship

NO ENTRY FEES

RIBBONS & SPECIAL AWARDS

NO PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED- MUST SIGN UP IN LIVESTOCK OFFICE BY SATURDAY, MAY 17th, 2025 by 2pm

Open to Adults 19 and over that are not entered in the current Fair.

Meat (Boer) Goat Show

NOTE: Please read Scrapie Requirements for Sheep & Goats under Sheep. - MUST HAVE SCRAPIES TAG AT WEIGH IN – If you are missing a scrapies ear tag you will not be allowed to weigh in. Scrapies Tag number is required on Country-of-Origin Form.

NOTE: All Meat Goats must be dehorned. No more than one inch (1”) of horny tissue will be allowed on the poll of an animal. It is recommended that the animal be properly disbudded in the first few weeks of life. Any goats arriving on the fairgrounds with horns will be disqualified and asked to be removed from the grounds immediately.

Breeding Meat (Boer) Goat

SHOW DATE: Friday, May 16th, show starts at 4pm

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$25	\$20	\$15

Breeding Meat (Boer) Goat Rules

1. This is a non-sanctioned show.
2. An original registration certificate is required for all six months or older that are entered in the Boer Goat Show.
3. A stamped duplicate or faxed duplicate registration application showing the date of receipt by the registering office AND the full address of the breeder may be accepted on all animals less than six months of age.
4. Original registration certificates (or duplicates if applicable) must be presented to the Show Secretary for verification at the time of check-in.
5. Proof of ownership shall be the name on the registration certificate. Persons showing animals whose registration certificates have signed transfers on them, must show those animals as agent for the owner on the certificate.
6. Animals with natural horns, or disbudded or dehorned, may be shown without regards to discrimination.
7. Does that are 24 months old, or older, that have not yet produced kids by natural birth, are not eligible to be shown.
8. No artificial coloring (including hoof black) of goats is allowed.
9. Animals being shown in a Boer Goat Show are expected to have all their hair! The Rule of Thumb for a Boer Show is: Present them washed, brushed and clean. Trim their hooves before they go on the fairgrounds. The areas between the hocks and the dewclaws, the top of the hoof, may be trimmed up to appear neater.
10. State Rule IX & X applies. State rule IV-6 applies.

11. No bucks will be allowed on the fairgrounds.

Division 317 – Boer Goats - All Does

Commercial, Registered Percentages & Purebreds shown together

CLASS:

1. Under 12 months 6/1/24 – 3/30/25
2. 12 – 24 months 6/1/23 – 5/31/24
3. 2 & 3 years old 6/1/22 – 5/31/23
4. 3 years & up 5/31/22 & prior
5. Best Pair: Any two animals, any age, owned by one exhibitor and shown as individuals. One entry per exhibitor.

Market Meat (Boer) Goat

SHOW DATE: Friday, May 16th, Show will follow Breeding Boer Goat Show

ENTRY FEE: \$20.00/per class

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Rules for Market Goats:

1. It is the intent of the Division of Fairs and Expositions and this Fair that the quality standards established for market animals be maintained. Therefore, classification will be subject to change in the event there are changes made in Federal Grading.
2. **No glitter is allowed on market animals in show or auction.**
3. **MARKET GOAT (CHEVON) SCORECARD Market Ready:** USDA Prime or Choice quality with 12th rib back fat range .08-12 most desirable, .13-22 back fat acceptable, average, or greater conformation and cutability.
Not Market Ready Good or lower quality grade with 12th rib back fat range <.08 or >.22; underfinished goats grading USDA good or lower, below average conformation or cutability.
4. Only **Market Ready** animals will be awarded Class Winner Ribbons. Only **Market Ready** goats will be allowed to sell at the Junior Livestock Auction.
5. **Market goats must weigh a minimum of 60 pounds, No maximum weight.** Market Goats will be sold by the pound not by the head. Maximum Pay Weight is 100lbs.
6. Wethers or Does may be shown and must show kids teeth.
7. **Medication Declaration Forms:** The Contra Costa County Fair requires exhibitors of all market animals to complete a Medication Declaration Form for each animal brought to the scale for official weigh-in. Animal will not be weighed if form is not turned in.
8. After weigh-in, market goats will be divided into weight lots.
9. **There should be no dairy influence represented. Animals displaying other than meat goat traits may be refused at the scale and must be removed from the grounds.**

Division 318 - 4-H Market Goat

Division 319 - FFA Market Goat

CLASS:

1. Market goat

Meat (Boer) Goat Club/Chapter Group

SHOW DATE: Friday, May 16th, Show will follow Market Goat

NO ENTRY FEE:

NO PREMIUMS PAID

ONE ENTRY PER CLUB

1. Entries will be taken day of show in Livestock Office.
2. Use name of Chapter or Club for the name of exhibitor.
3. These are animals that have been shown in either breeding or market divisions but not a combination of breeding and market animals; not more than 1 animal to be owned by any one member.
4. Both Market and breeding animals may be of one or more breeds. If breeding animals are used, either sex may be represented (maximum of 1 ram)

CLASS:

1. Group of 3

Dairy Goat Show

SHOW DATE: Thursday, May 15th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$25	\$20	\$15

ADGA SHOW RULES SHALL GOVERN

The Original registration certificate is required for all animals over 6 months of age. The original or duplicate application stamped by ADGA Office is required for all animals under 6 months of age.

Dairy Goat Rules

1. Milking will be during morning pen cleanup and at 6 pm.
2. All Dairy Does 2 years and older must be in milk at time of show.
3. No horned animals will be accepted.
4. No tattooing on the Fairgrounds.
5. See State Rules for livestock and health rules.
6. **No bucks allowed on grounds. Must be removed immediately.**
7. **Show order is Subject to Change.**
8. **Jr and Sr shows are not separately sanctioned.**

Division 322 – Dairy Goats All Breeds (Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, Saanen, Oberhasli, Alpine, Sable, Toggenberg & La Mancha)
CLASS:

Females Only

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|---|-------------------|
| 1. Newborn/Jr. kid | 1/1/25 – 3/30/25 |
| 2. Intermediate/Sr. kid | 6/1/24 – 12/31/24 |
| 3. Yearlings | 6/1/23 – 5/31/24 |
| 4. Yearling Milker | 6/1/23 – 5/31/24 |
| 5. 2- & 3-year-olds | 6/1/21 – 5/31/23 |
| 6. 4 years & older | 5/31/21 & prior |
| 7. Best Pair: Any two animals, any age, owned by one exhibitor and shown as individuals. One entry per exhibitor. | |

Dairy Goat Club/Chapter Group

SHOW DATE: Thursday, May 15th, Show will follow Dairy Goat Show

NO ENTRY FEE:

NO PREMIUMS PAID

ONE ENTRY PER CLUB

1. Entries will be taken day of show in Livestock Office.
2. Use name of Chapter or Club for the name of exhibitor.
3. These are animals that have been shown in either breeding or market divisions but not a combination of breeding and market animals; not more than 1 animal to be owned by any one member.
4. Both Market and breeding animals may be of one or more breeds. If breeding animals are used, either sex may be represented (maximum of 1 ram)

CLASS:

1. Group of 3

All Other Breeding Goat Show

SHOW DATE: Thursday, May 15th, Show will immediately follow the Dairy Goat Show

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$25	\$20	\$15

All Other Breeding Goat Rules

1. This is a Non-Registered Show
2. **No bucks allowed on grounds. Must be removed immediately.**

Division 325 – Pygmy Goats

CLASSES:

1. Junior Wethers (3 months – 12 months)
2. Intermediate Wether (13 months – 24 months)
3. Senior Wethers (Over 24 months)
4. Junior Does (3 months – 12 months)
5. Intermediate Does (13 months – 24 months)
6. Senior Does (Over 24 months)
7. Best Pair owned by 1 Exhibitor

Pygmy Goat Club/Chapter Group

SHOW DATE: Thursday, May 15th, Show will follow Pygmy Goat Show

NO ENTRY FEE:

NO PREMIUMS PAID

ONE ENTRY PER CLUB

1. Entries will be taken day of show in Livestock Office.
2. Use name of Chapter or Club for the name of exhibitor.
3. These are animals that have been shown in breeding divisions not more than 1 animal to be owned by any one member.

CLASS:

1. Group of 3

Division 326 – Angora Goats

CLASSES:

1. Wethers
2. Junior Does (4 months – 24 months)
3. Senior Does (Over 24 months)

Division 327 – Any Other Purebred Goat – Excluding Dairy Goats, with the exception of non-registered Nigerian Dwarf

CLASS:

1. All Any Other Purebred Goats (All ages show together)

Poultry Show

Rules for Youth Poultry Show:

1. All State and Local Rules Apply.
2. All Poultry will be inspected, prior to entering Fairgrounds.
3. Rules, definitions, and judging procedures as prescribed in the latest edition of the Official Show Rules and the Standards of Perfection of the American Poultry Association, Inc., shall apply to all district and county fair poultry shows, except in such instances where they are in conflict with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Department of Food and Agriculture.
4. Birds will be shown and judged in the proper division and class for breeds, variety, age, and sex only. If no class is offered, no awards may be made.
5. A judge may excuse a bird from competition if it appears to be fatigued or out of condition.
6. The Fair reserves the right to exclude any exhibit and/or exhibitor deemed undesirable. The judge reserves the right not to judge excessively mean birds.
7. **All birds must be identified by leg bands conforming to their entry form on arrival at the Fair. Leg band numbers MUST be on the online entry when submitted. If Leg Band numbers are missing entries will be considered deficient**
8. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and cleaning their pens. Exhibitors to provide their own feed and water containers. Pens are to be cleaned by 9am daily. Exhibitors are to clean their own pens. Parents or leaders are not allowed to clean pens for exhibitors. Daily feed to be completed by 9am. Additional feeding to be done as needed.
9. Exhibitors are not allowed in the judging area until after judging is completed. If violated, disciplinary action will be taken.
10. Fair reserves the right to close entries at the time capacity is reached.
11. Any Bird entered in the wrong Class or Division will be disqualified.
12. **All Breed Animals must be at least 6 months in age; no chicks will be allowed to show.**
13. NO LOCKS are allowed on cages. Cages may be zip tied for security

Large Poultry

SHOW DATE: Thursday, May 15th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$12	\$9	\$6

Divisions:

- 331 – American Breeds**
- 332 – Asiatic Breeds**
- 333 – English Breeds**
- 334 – Mediterranean Breeds**
- 335 – Continental Breeds**
- 336 – All other Large Standard Breeds**

Classes for Divisions 331 - 336

1. Cock
2. Hen
3. Cockerel
4. Pullet

Definitions: Cock and Hen – 1 year and older
Cockerel and Pullet – Under 1 year but over 6 months

Bantams

SHOW DATE: Thursday, May 15th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$12	\$9	\$6

Divisions: 337 Modern Game Breeds
338 Old English Game Breeds
339 Single Comb – Clean Legged Breeds
340 Rose Comb – Clean Legged Breeds
341 All Other Combs – Cleaned Legged Breeds
342 Feather Legged Breeds

Classes for Divisions 337 - 342

1. Cock
2. Hen
3. Cockerel
4. Pullet

Definitions: Cock and Hen – 1 year and older
Cockerel and Pullet – Under 1 year but over 6 months

Ducks, Geese, & Game Birds

SHOW DATE: Thursday, May 15th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$12	\$9	\$6

Divisions: 343 Any Standard Bred Duck
344 Any Standard Bred Geese
345 Any Game Birds

Classes for Divisions 343 – 345

1. Old Drake - 1 year and over
2. Old Duck - 1 year and over
3. Young Drake - 6 months to 1 year
4. Young Duck - 6 months to 1 year

Pigeons, Doves & Quail

SHOW DATE: Thursday, May 15th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$12	\$9	\$6

Divisions: 346 Any Pigeon
347 Any Dove
348 Any Quail

Classes for Divisions 346 - 348

1. Cock

2. Hen
3. Cockerel
4. Pullet

Definitions: Cock and Hen – 1 year and older
Cockerel and Pullet – Under 1 year but over 6 months

Meat Birds & Turkeys

SHOW DATE: Thursday, May 15th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00/per class

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Rules for Meat Birds & Turkeys:

1. Birds will be weighed on Weigh in day.
2. All breeds are judged together.
3. Each entry to be one breed and color.
4. Champion and Reserve Champion Meat Pens must sell. All Meat Pens eligible for Auction.
5. Poultry exhibitors must be able to lift and carry their turkey to the scale and the auction ring.
6. Broiler Meat Pen (2 chickens) maximum. 4 to 6 lbs. Max weight of total pen no more than 12 pounds. Broilers will be weighed individually.
7. Turkey (1 turkey) **** WHITE BIRDS ONLY ****
Minimum weight: 15lbs.
Maximum weight: 35lbs.

Divisions: **349 Broiler Meat Pen** (2 Birds per Pen)
 350 Turkey Meat Pen

CLASS:

1. Broiler Meat Pen
2. Turkey Meat Pen

Eggs

SHOW DATE: Thursday, May 15th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$12	\$9	\$6

Division: **351 - Eggs**

Eggs are to be all the same size or color and must be in an egg carton.

CLASS:

1. White
2. Brown
3. Any other Color

Rabbit/Cavy Show

Rules for the Rabbit/Cavy Show

1. All animals must be identified by permanent ear markings conforming to the online entry upon arrival at the Fair. No tattooing or tagging will be allowed on fairgrounds. If found doing so exhibitor will be disqualified.
2. Animals will be shown and judged in the proper division and class for breed, variety, and sex only.
3. Classes will not be re-judged if exhibitors fails to bring entry to the table on time.
4. **Transfers may be made only in the same class, sex and variety as the original entry and must be made before judging begins.**
5. The age, junior, intermediate, and senior, must be entered on the online entries form for each animal entered in breed divisions. Age is to be that of the rabbit on show day.
6. No expecting doe or does with litters may be entered.
7. Each FFA/4-H, Grange and Independent exhibitor is responsible for getting their rabbits to the judging table for judging. No Runners provided. Parents/Adults are not allowed to carry animals to the judging table. Exhibitors will be disqualified.
8. Exhibitors will take care of their animals; adult help will be kept to a minimum in the areas of feeding, watering, and cleanup. One adult may assist the exhibitor in the transportation of an animal to and from the pen. Adults may not assist in the grooming of any animal.
9. All exhibitors will furnish a water bottle and a food crock or two crocks.
10. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and cleaning their pens. Pens are to be cleaned by 9am daily. Exhibitors are to clean their own pens. Parents or leaders are not allowed to clean pens for exhibitors. Daily feeding to be completed by 9am. Additional feeding to be done as needed.
11. Double cooping is not allowed. No breeding is allowed during the fair.
12. No rabbit is taken out of the rabbit barn unless authorized by personnel supervising barn.
13. NO LOCKS are allowed on cages. Cages may be zip tied for security
14. All Breed animals will be judged by ARBA Rules. ARBA Age Requirements apply (youth between the ages of five (5) and eighteen (18) years of age only, upon their 19th birthday they are ineligible).
15. Any Rabbit Meet Pen that is disqualified for any reason, will be sent home and not eligible to compete in showmanship.
16. Breeding Rabbits disqualified due to health, disease, parasites, etc. will be sent home and will not be eligible to compete in showmanship.
17. Breeding Rabbits disqualified due to wrong sex, color or weight are still eligible to participate in showmanship.
18. Exhibitors are not allowed to identify their exhibit (Animal) to the judge during judging. Any exhibitor doing so will be disqualified.

Heavyweight Rabbit Breeds

SHOW DATE: Friday, May 16th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$12	\$9	\$6

Division	Breed/Varieties:
352.	American, Blue
353.	American, White
354.	American, Fur
355.	Argente Brun
356.	Angora Giant, Ruby Eyed White
357.	Angora Giant, Chestnut
358.	Beveren, Black
359.	Beveren, Blue
360.	Beveren, White
361.	Beveren, Fur
362.	Californian
363.	Champagne d. Argent
364.	Checkered Giant, Black
365.	Checkered Giant, Blue
366.	Checkered Giant, Fur

- 367. Chinchilla, American
- 368. Chinchilla, Giant
- 369. Cinnamon
- 370. Crème D'Argent
- 371. English Lop, Broken
- 372. English Lop, Solid
- 373. English Lop, Fur
- 374. Flemish Giant, Black
- 375. Flemish Giant, Blue
- 376. Flemish Giant, Fawn
- 377. Flemish Giant, Light Gray
- 378. Flemish Giant, Sandy
- 379. Flemish Giant, Steel Gray
- 380. Flemish Giant, White
- 381. Flemish Giant, Fur
- 382. French Lop, Broken
- 383. French Lop, Solid
- 384. French Lop, Fur
- 385. Blanc de Hotot
- 386. New Zealand, Broken
- 387. New Zealand, Black
- 388. New Zealand, Red
- 389. New Zealand, White
- 390. New Zealand, Blue
- 391. New Zealand, Fur
- 392. Palomino, Golden
- 393. Palomino, Lynx
- 394. Palomino, Fur
- 395. Satin Black
- 396. Satin Blue
- 397. Satin, Broken
- 398. Satin, Himalayan
- 399. Satin, Chinchilla
- 400. Satin, Chocolate
- 401. Satin, Copper
- 402. Satin, Lilac
- 403. Satin, Otter
- 404. Satin, Red
- 405. Satin, Siamese
- 406. Satin, White
- 407. Satin, Fur
- 408. Silver Fox – Black
- 409. Silver Fox - Chocolate
- 410. Any Other Heavyweight not listed

Classes for Divisions 352 - 410:

- 1. Senior Buck – 8 Months of Age and Older
- 2. Senior Doe – 8 Months of Age and Older
- 3. Intermediate Buck – 6-8 Months of Age
- 4. Intermediate Doe – 6-8 Months of Age
- 5. Junior Buck – Under 6 Months of Age
- 6. Junior Doe – Under 6 Months of Age

Lightweight Rabbit Breeds

SHOW DATE: Friday, May 19th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$12	\$9	\$6

Division:

Breed/Varieties:

- 411. American Fuzzy Lop, Broken
- 412. American Fuzzy Lop, Solid
- 413. American Fuzzy Lop, Wool
- 414. American Sable
- 415. Belgian Hare, Rufus
- 416. Belgian Hare, Tan
- 417. Britannia Petite, Black
- 418. Britannia Petite, Otter
- 419. Britannia Petite, Blue Eyed White
- 420. Britannia Petite, Broken
- 421. Britannia Petite, Chestnut Agouti
- 422. Britannia Petite, Sable Marten
- 423. Britannia Petite, Siamese Sable
- 424. Britannia Petite, Ruby Eyed White
- 425. Britannia Petite, Tortoise Shell
- 426. Britannia Petite, Fur
- 427. Czech Frosty
- 428. Chinchilla (Standard)
- 429. Dutch, Black
- 430. Dutch, Blue
- 431. Dutch, Chinchilla
- 432. Dutch, Chocolate
- 433. Dutch, Golden Yellow
- 434. Dutch, Gray
- 435. Dutch, Lilac
- 436. Dutch, Steel
- 437. Dutch, Tortoise
- 438. Dutch, Fur
- 439. Dwarf Hotot
- 440. Dwarf Papillon, Black
- 441. Dwarf Papillon, Blue
- 442. Dwarf Papillon, Chocolate
- 443. Dwarf Papillon, Lilac
- 444. English Angora, Colored
- 445. English Angora, White
- 446. English Spot, Black
- 447. English Spot, Blue
- 448. English Spot, Chocolate
- 449. English Spot, Gold
- 450. English Spot, Gray
- 451. English Spot, Lilac
- 452. English Spot, Tortoise
- 453. English Spot, Fur
- 454. Florida White
- 455. French Angora, Colored
- 456. French Angora, White
- 457. French Angora, Wool
- 458. Harlequin, Japanese
- 459. Harlequin, Magpie
- 460. Harlequin, Fur
- 461. Havana, Black
- 462. Havana, Blue
- 463. Havana, Broken

- 464. Havana, Chocolate
- 465. Havana, Lilac
- 466. Havana, Fur
- 467. Himalayan, Black
- 468. Himalayan, Blue
- 469. Himalayan, Chocolate
- 470. Himalayan, Lilac
- 471. Himalayan, Fur
- 472. Holland Lop, Broken
- 473. Holland Lop, Solid
- 474. Holland Lop, Fur
- 475. Jersey Wooly, Agouti
- 476. Jersey Wooly, AOV
- 477. Jersey Wooly, Broken
- 478. Jersey Wooly, Self
- 479. Jersey Wooly, Shaded
- 480. Jersey Wooly, Tan Pattern
- 481. Jersey Wooly, Wool
- 482. Lilac
- 483. Lionhead, Black
- 484. Lionhead, Ruby Eye White
- 485. Lionhead, Tortoise
- 486. Lionhead, Chocolate
- 487. Lionhead, Seal
- 488. Lionhead, Siamese Sable
- 489. Lionhead, Smoke Pearl
- 490. Lionhead, Fur
- 491. Mini Lop, Broken
- 492. Mini Lop, Solid
- 493. Mini Lop, Fur
- 494. Mini Rex, Amber
- 495. Mini Rex, Blue Eye White
- 496. Mini Rex, Black
- 497. Mini Rex, Blue
- 498. Mini Rex, Broken
- 499. Mini Rex, Castor
- 500. Mini Rex, Chinchilla
- 501. Mini Rex, Chocolate
- 502. Mini Rex, Himalayan
- 503. Mini Rex, Lilac
- 504. Mini Rex, Seal
- 505. Mini Rex, Lynx
- 506. Mini Rex, Opal
- 507. Mini Rex, Otter
- 508. Mini Rex, White
- 509. Mini Rex, Red
- 510. Mini Rex, Sable
- 511. Mini Rex, Sable Point
- 512. Mini Rex, Silver Martin
- 513. Mini Rex, Smoke Pearl
- 514. Mini Rex, Smoke Pearl Martin
- 515. Mini Rex, Tortoise
- 516. Mini Rex, Fur
- 517. Mini Satin, Black
- 518. Mini Satin, Blue
- 519. Mini Satin, Broken
- 520. Mini Satin, Chinchilla
- 521. Mini Satin, Chocolate
- 522. Mini Satin, Chocolate Agouti

- 523. Mini Satin, Copper
- 524. Mini Satin, Himalayan
- 525. Mini Satin, Lilac
- 526. Mini Satin, Lynx
- 527. Mini Satin, Opal
- 528. Mini Satin, Otter
- 529. Mini Satin, Red
- 530. Mini Satin Siamese
- 531. Mini Satin, Silver Martin
- 532. Mini Satin, Squirrel
- 533. Mini Satin, Tortoise
- 534. Mini Satin, White
- 535. Mini Satin, Fur
- 536. Netherland Dwarf, Black
- 537. Netherland Dwarf, Blue
- 538. Netherland Dwarf, Blue Eye White
- 539. Netherland Dwarf, Broken
- 540. Netherland Dwarf, Chestnut
- 541. Netherland Dwarf, Chinchilla
- 542. Netherland Dwarf, Chocolate
- 543. Netherland Dwarf, Chocolate Agouti
- 544. Netherland Dwarf, Fawn
- 545. Netherland Dwarf, Fox
- 546. Netherland Dwarf, Himalayan
- 547. Netherland Dwarf, Lilac
- 548. Netherland Dwarf, Lutino Agouti
- 549. Netherland Dwarf, Lutino Orange
- 550. Netherland Dwarf, Lynx
- 551. Netherland Dwarf, Opal
- 552. Netherland Dwarf, Orange
- 553. Netherland Dwarf, Otter
- 554. Netherland Dwarf, Ruby Eye White
- 555. Netherland Dwarf, Sable Marten
- 556. Netherland Dwarf, Sable Point
- 557. Netherland Dwarf, Siamese Sable
- 558. Netherland Dwarf, Siamese Smoke Pearl
- 559. Netherland Dwarf, Silver Martin
- 560. Netherland Dwarf, Smoke Pearl Martin
- 561. Netherland Dwarf, Squirrel
- 562. Netherland Dwarf, Steel
- 563. Netherland Dwarf, Tan
- 564. Netherland Dwarf, Tortoise Shell
- 565. Netherland Dwarf, Fur
- 566. Polish, Black
- 567. Polish, Blue
- 568. Polish, Blue Eye White
- 569. Polish, Broken
- 570. Polish, Chocolate
- 571. Polish, Lilac
- 572. Polish, Ruby Eye White
- 573. Polish, Fur
- 574. Rex, Amber
- 575. Rex, Black
- 576. Rex, Blue
- 577. Rex, Broken
- 578. Rex, California
- 579. Rex, Castor
- 580. Rex, Chinchilla
- 581. Rex, Chocolate

- 582. Rex, Lilac
- 583. Rex, Lynx
- 584. Rex, Opal
- 585. Rex, Otter
- 586. Rex, Red
- 587. Rex, Sable
- 588. Rex, Seal
- 589. Rex, White
- 590. Rex, Fur
- 591. Rhinelander, Black
- 592. Rhinelander, Blue
- 593. Rhinelander, Fur
- 594. Satin Angora, Colored
- 595. Satin Angora, White
- 596. Satin Angora, Wool
- 597. Silver Martin, Black
- 598. Silver Martin, Blue
- 599. Silver Martin, Chocolate
- 600. Silver Martin, Lilac
- 601. Silver Martin, Sable
- 602. Silver Martin, Fur
- 603. Silver, Black
- 604. Silver, Brown
- 605. Silver, Fawn
- 506. Silver, Fur
- 607. Tan, Black
- 608. Tan, Blue
- 609. Tan, Chocolate
- 610. Tan, Lilac
- 611. Tan, Fur
- 612. Thrianta
- 613. Any Other Lightweight Not Listed

Classes for Divisions 411 - 613:

- 1. Senior Buck – 6 Months of Age and Older
- 2. Senior Doe – 6 Months of Age and Older
- 3. Junior Buck – Under 6 Months of Age
- 4. Junior Doe – Under 6 Months of Age

Meat Rabbits

SHOW DATE: Friday, May 16th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00/per class

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Rules for Rabbit Meat Pens

- 1. Meat Pens must be of the same breed and variety (Color). No Crossbred Rabbits.
- 2. Rabbit Meat Pens need to be under the care and management of the exhibitor 30 days prior to the opening day of the fair. Exhibitors must show their own animals.
- 3. All breeds are judged together.
- 4. Each entry to be one breed and color.
- 5. Weigh-in at time of arrival.
- 6. Maximum weight: 5.5 lbs. Minimum weight: 3.5 lbs. Per Rabbit.
- 7. Rabbits may not be more than 70 days old as of show day.
- 8. A pedigree or bill of sale for each rabbit in the meat pen must be presented to the Show Secretary at the time of the check in. Pedigrees or bill of sale must match animals presented for check in, only three (3) rabbits per meat pen will be allowed on fairgrounds. No day of show changes will be accepted, if animals do not match entry forms upon arrival, entries will be disqualified.
- 9. Champion and Reserve Champion Meat Pens must sell. All other Meat Pens are eligible to sell.
- 10. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and cleaning their pens. Pens are to be cleaned by 9 am daily. Exhibitors are to clean their own pens. Parents or leaders are not allowed to clean pens for exhibitors. Daily feed to be completed by 9 am. Additional feeding

to be done as needed.

11. All animals must be identified by permanent ear markings conforming to the online entry upon arrival at the Fair.
12. Any duplication of ear markings (permanent ear tattoos) by one exhibitor in the same division must be eliminated, and changed prior to show. Ear markings must be listed on online entry when submitted. NOTE: Question Marks (?) or X's do not constitute as a tattoo and will not be accepted, all tattoos must be legible, and no wet ink, non-legible tattoos will not be accepted.
13. Any Rabbit Meet Pen that is disqualified for any reason, will be sent home and not eligible to compete in showmanship.
14. ARBA Rules apply.

Division: 614 - Rabbit Meat Pen

CLASS:

1. Rabbit Meat Pen

Cavy

SHOW DATE: Friday, May 16th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$12	\$9	\$6

Division: 615 - All Breeds of Cavies - Specify Breed on online entry.

CLASS:

1. Senior boar Over 6 mo. of age or over 32 oz.
2. Int. boar Up to 6 mo. of age or 23-32 oz.
3. Junior boar Up to 4 mo. of age or 12-22.
4. Senior sow Over 6 mo. of age or over 32 oz.
5. Int. sow Up to 6 mo. of age or 23-32 oz.
6. Junior sow Up to 4 mo. of age or 12-22 oz.

Dog Show

SHOW DATE: Wednesday, May 14th, Show Starts 5pm

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

PREMIUMS OFFER PER CLASS (Given only if there are 3 or more entries in the class)

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$12	\$9	\$6

Rules for Dog Show:

1. Dog show rules and regulations will be based on the American Kennel Club (AKC); however, this is not an official sanctioned AKC show. If you show AKC with your project dog, you must enter the appropriate class equivalent to your AKC level.
2. **All dogs must have current rabies, distemper, and Parvo Shots. Parvo MUST be dated within 11 months of the show.** Proof of vaccination must be available on show day.
3. All dogs must be free of pests, fleas & diseases.
4. Ownership to be defined as the dog being owned by the Handler, the handler's father, mother, sister, brother, uncle, aunt, grandmother, grandfather, including the corresponding step and half relations or by a member living in the handler's household.
5. Project dogs MAY ONLY be trained and shown by the exhibitor and/or siblings through the project year in order to compete in the show. Dogs that have been professionally trained will not be allowed to compete at the fair. Professional trained does not include exhibitor taking classes where they are handling their own dog.
6. No bitches in season.
7. ENTRY LIMITS: One dog per exhibitor for each division.
8. Physical assistance in the fitting, grooming, warming up and training of dogs entered in the Dog Show may only be performed by project handles and eligible project members only. Individuals who do not qualify for entry in the Dog Show (i.e. Parents, Guardians, Teachers, Advisors, Leaders, and other Adults or unqualified minors) may not fit, groom, train or show the project

handlers' dog. The intent of this rule is that exhibitors are primarily responsible for the fitting, grooming, training and/or showing of their own animals, without physical assistance of adults and/or professionals. Violation of this rule may result in disqualification.

9. Leashes shall be six feet (6') long and made of leather, nylon, or cotton webbing. Dogs must be taken in and out of the ring on leash. Dogs must be kept on leash in the ring when brought in to receive awards and when waiting before and after the group exercises. Dogs in the obedience ring must wear either 1) a plain, well-fitting slip collar of chain, nylon, or leather or 2) a plain, well-fitting buckle collar. Fancy collars, spiked collars, special training collars or collars which are too tight or too loose are not permitted. There should be no objects hanging from the collar. Showmanship leads should be appropriate for your type of dog.
10. Sub-Novice 1st Year class and Showmanship Novice class entries are limited to participants who have never competed in an obedience or showmanship class with any dog. The participant may enter this class only once during their Dog Show career. First year means first year!
11. All participants having placed first 3 times in one or a combination of classes must advance to the next class level.
12. Baiting of dogs with food, toys or other training devices is not allowed in the obedience ring. No food or other training devices may be carried into the obedience ring by any exhibitor.
13. Due to the nature of this competition, participants must have control over their dog(s). Dogs must be leash trained.
14. No dog showing signs of aggression will be allowed to compete. The superintendent will be responsible for determining aggressive behavior of any dog on the fairgrounds.

Division: 616 – Obedience

CLASS:

1. Obedience Sub-Novice A – First Year Exhibitor, First Year Dog. (all exercises on leash)
2. Obedience Sub-Novice B – Second Year Exhibitor, First Year Dog. (all exercises on leash)
3. Obedience Sub-Novice C – Second Year Exhibitor or higher, Second Year or Higher Dog. (all exercises on leash)
4. Obedience Novice A – First Year Off Lead Dog. (off leash exercises: heel, recall, stand for examination and long sits and downs)
5. Obedience Novice B – Second Year or Higher Off Lead Dog. (off leash exercises: heel, recall, stand for examination and long sits and downs)
6. Obedience Grad Novice (off leash exercises: heel, drop on recall, stand for examination, figure eight, out of sight long sits and downs) NOTE: Grad Novice Awards will only be awarded to an Exhibitor with a qualifying Score
7. Obedience Primary Member

Division 617 - Special Contests

CLASS:

1. Costume Class
2. Dog Tricks

Small Livestock Showmanship

(Each Species Showmanship will take place on individual species show day)

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Rules for Showmanship:

1. **Showmanship ages are determined by exhibitor's age as of January 1, 2025.**
2. Only animals owned and shown by the exhibitor in the 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent Rabbit, Cavy, Chicken, Turkey, Dog or Any Other Breeding Goat Divisions are eligible. Exhibitors must show his/her own animal in the Showmanship Class. If an exhibitor is caught showing an animal that they do not own or did not enter will be disqualified.
3. All exhibitors are required to wear the uniform of the Group/Organization they represent. If Independent Exhibitor is not part of any group, white pants, long sleeve white shirt, and black tie is the uniform.
4. If one exhibitor wins in two or more Showmanship classes, the exhibitor may only represent one species in Master Showmanship.
5. Both First and Second place winners in Advanced Showmanship will compete in Master Showmanship. Third place winners will step up if a first or second place winner wishes not to participate.
6. All animals must be entered and shown in individual classes in order to be shown in any showmanship or group classes.

Divisions: 618 – Dog

619 – Cavy

620 – Rabbit

621 – Poultry

622 – Any Other Breeding Goats

CLASS:

1. 4-H Novice Showmanship – Exhibitors in their first year of showing- Top 2 may advance to class #2.

2. 4-H Junior Showmanship – 13 and under. Top 2 winners may compete in Advance class #3.
3. 4-H Advance Showmanship – 14 and over. The 1st & 2nd place winner of Advance showmanship is eligible to compete in Master Showmanship
4. FFA Novice Showmanship - Exhibitors in their first year of showing- Top 2 may advance to class #5
5. FFA Advance Showmanship - The 1st & 2nd place winners of Advance showmanship are eligible to compete in Master Showmanship

Small Stock Master Showmanship

SHOW DATE: Saturday, May 17th, Show Starts 4pm

NO PRE-ENTRY REQUIRED

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Only the 1st and 2nd place winners of Advanced Showmanship are eligible to compete in Master Showmanship
Small Stock Master Showmanship will consist of showing the following 5 species: Dog, Rabbit, Cavy, Poultry, All Other Breeding Goat.

Exhibitors must complete each species rotation, if exhibitor does not participate, or complete a rotation, they will not move onto the next rotation.

Parents/Leaders are not allowed to assist, and or coach exhibitors from the side of the show ring. If Parents/Leaders are caught assisting and or coaching from the side of show ring; the exhibitor will be eliminated from Master Showmanship.

Primary Member Small Stock Showmanship

NO ENTRY FEE

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Primary members are allowed to show in the Youth Poultry Show, Youth Rabbit Show, Pygmy Goat Show, Dairy Goat Show (Nigerian Dwarf Goats Only), and Dog Show. Primary Members will receive premiums and awards in the Youth Poultry, Youth Rabbit Shows, Goat Shows and Dog Show, as the animal is being judged not the exhibitor. When entering Primary Member Showmanship, they may not receive premiums or awards, only participation ribbons. They must have not turned 9 years old as of January 1, 2023. Exhibitor must pre-register online. **Animals must be entered in the breeding show and must be owned by the exhibitors to be eligible to show in a Showmanship Division and Class.** Exhibitors are to check in at the show arena on scheduled show day 30 minutes before show. **Primary Showmanship will be grouped together according to club (4-H, Grange, Independent).**

Division: 623 – Small Stock Primary Showmanship

CLASS:

1. Rabbit
2. Poultry
3. Cavy
4. Pygmy Goat
5. Dairy Goat (Nigerian Dwarf Only)
6. Dog

Large Livestock Showmanship

(Each Species Showmanship will take place on individual species show day)

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00/per class

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Rules for Showmanship:

1. Showmanship ages are determined by exhibitor's age as of January 1, 2025.
2. Only animals owned and shown by the exhibitor in the 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy Goat, Meat Goat Divisions are eligible. Exhibitors must show his/her own animal in the Showmanship Class. If an exhibitor is caught showing an animal that they do not own or did not enter will be disqualified.
3. All exhibitors are required to wear the uniform of the Group/Organization they represent. If Independent Exhibitor is not part of any group, white pants, long sleeve white shirt, and black tie is the uniform.
4. If one exhibitor wins in two or more Showmanship classes, the exhibitor may only represent one species in Master Showmanship.
5. Both First and Second place winners in Advanced Showmanship will compete in Master Showmanship. Third place winners will step up if a first or second place winner wishes not to participate.
6. All animals must be entered and shown in individual classes in order to be shown in any showmanship or group classes.

Divisions: **624 – Beef**
 625 – Sheep
 626 – Swine
 627 – Dairy Goat
 628 – Meat Goat

CLASSES

1. 4-H Novice Showmanship – Exhibitors in their first year of showing- Top 2 may advance to class #2.
2. 4-H Junior Showmanship – 13 and under. Top 2 winners may compete in Advance class #3.
3. 4-H Advance Showmanship – 14 and over. The 1st & 2nd place winners of Advance showmanship is eligible to compete in Master Showmanship
4. FFA Novice Showmanship - Exhibitors in their first year of showing- Top 2 may advance to class #5
5. FFA Advance Showmanship - The 1st & 2nd winner of Advance showmanship is eligible to compete in Master Showmanship

Large Livestock Master Showmanship

SHOW DATE: Saturday, May 17th, Show Starts 7pm

NO PRE-ENTRY REQUIRED

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Only the 1st and 2nd place winners of Advanced Showmanship are eligible to compete in Master Showmanship

Large Livestock Master Showmanship will consist of showing the following 5 species: Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy Goat, and Meat Goat.

Exhibitors must complete each species rotation, if exhibitor does not participate, or complete a rotation, they will not move on to the next rotation.

Parents/Leaders are not allowed to assist, and or coach exhibitors from the side of the show ring. If Parents/Leaders are caught assisting and or coaching from the side of show ring; the exhibitor will be eliminated form Master Showmanship.

Clean Stall Award

Clean Stall Award does not require pre-entry

The Fair will provide a \$250 award to the club or chapter that keeps their pens/stalls the cleanest for all the species the club or chapter has exhibitors showing throughout the run of the Fair.

To be eligible for award each club or chapter must have a sign at each species that designates their name and area, and all animals must have an ID card, with owner's name, on the pen.

Best Decorated/Educational Display Award

Best Decorated/Educational Display Award does not require pre-entry

The Fair will provide a \$250 award to the club or chapter that has the Best Decorated Educational Displays for all the species the club or chapter has exhibitors showing.

To be eligible for award each club or chapter must have a sign at each species that designates their name and area, and all animals must have an ID card, with owner's name, on the pen. Clubs or Chapters with Small Stock Animals will be designated a wall space for their Best decorated/Educational Display Wall space is approximately 6' high X 10' wide. Displays can be taped, or stapled to the wall, no screws or nails allowed. Clubs may not decorate small stock animal cages.

Large Livestock Pens, or Wall Space in Small Livestock Barn (Fur & Feathers) must be decorated using the Fair theme, have some educational value, and quality construction. Imagination will be taken into consideration. Decorations must be a product of the youth exhibitors.

Suggested use of plants, plastic, cloth, metal, or cardboard. Full sheets of plywood are not allowed, lattice is acceptable. No solid walls will be accepted in Large Livestock Barn, as this blocks air flow in the barn. Decorations must be complete by 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 14th.

Please note that all decoration need to be place out of the reach of animals that may eat decorations, as this could be harmful to your animals, or the animals in adjoining pens.

State Fire Marshal Regulations must be followed:

1. No display or exhibit shall be installed or operated that will interfere in any way with access to any exit or with the visibility of any exit sign. No display shall block access to fire-fighting equipment, such as fire extinguisher stations, fire hose cabinets and fire hydrants or access by fire suppression vehicles or equipment.
2. No display, exhibit, booth, or temporary construction shall be built of highly combustible material.
3. Any paper or fabric used in displays or exhibits shall be fire resistive or treated with an approved fire retarding solution prior to use. Documentation of such shall be available during any inspection.
4. Exhibitors must be able to show proof of using fire retardant material by receipt, empty package, etc.

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The mission of the corporation is to maintain a standard of excellence in the facilities and grounds of the Contra Costa County Fair by providing funds for capital improvement opportunities, educational opportunities, and scholarships.

The vision of the corporation is to preserve and enrich the heritage of the Contra Costa County Fair by continuing to develop it into a premier destination.

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Large Livestock

Declaration of Medication Form

Exhibitor Name: _____

Exhibitor Address: _____

Exhibitor City, State and Zip: _____

Animal Species: (circle one) Beef Sheep Swine Meat Goat

Animal Identification # (eartag): _____

Scrapies Identification #: _____ (Sheep and Meat Goats)

Initial Boxes and complete all sections that apply

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I certify the above indicated animal has not been treated with prescription drugs and/or over the counter drugs.

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I certify the above indicated animal has been treated with an over-the-counter drug for which the withdrawal period has been completed

Condition being treated for: _____

Medication dispensed: _____

Dose Given: _____

Dates of treatment: _____

Label Withdrawal time: _____

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I certify the above indicated animal has been appropriately treated by a licensed vet with a medication as indicated below. The prescribed medication withdrawal period has not been completed by May 13, 2025.

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I certify the above indicated animal has been appropriately treated by a licensed vet with medication as indicated below. The prescribed medication withdrawal period has been completed by May 13, 2025.

Condition being treated for: _____

Medication Dispensed: _____

Dose Given: _____

Date of treatments: _____

Instructed withdrawal time: _____

Name of Licensed Veterinarian providing care: _____

Exhibitors Signature: _____

Parent/Leader/Guardian Signature: _____

Large Livestock Country OF Origin Form

As this affidavit is deemed by USDA as an official record of Country of Origin, I attest through firsthand knowledge, normal business records, or producer affidavit(s) that all livestock referenced by this document or other communications specific to the transaction and transferred are of U.S. Origin (born and raised in the United States).

Exhibitors Name: _____

Species: _____ Eartag #: _____

Club/Chapter: _____

Advisor's/Leader's Name: _____

Exhibitor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Advisor's/Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Exhibitors Address: _____

Exhibitor Phone Number: _____

Exhibitors making false, fictional, or fraudulent statements of entries regarding the declaration of Country of Origin shall be liable for any damages due to the inaccuracy of this certification.



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I _____ Certify this market swine fair animal
(Breeders Name)

Is in compliance with: Proposition 12 – Animal Confinement Standards, Health and Safety Code 25990 – 25994, Title 3, Chapter 10 of the California Code of Regulations Section 1320 – 1327.3, and a Copy of Breeders Certification Certificate is attached.

Breeders Signature

Phone #

Exhibitors Name