

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

NO DOGS ALLOWED

GENERAL RULES

Important changes have been made, please read all rules and regulations carefully. Cash Awards may be withheld if printed rules are not carefully followed.

1. **ENTRY AND FEE MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE.**
2. **Companion Animals** are discouraged but will be allowed for exhibit only and not for competition. Any companion animal must be enrolled before the entry closing date and will be assessed a \$ 30.00 fee per animal. Companion animals must pass a vet check. No Refunds.
3. Security will be provided, but the Association is not responsible for loss by theft or otherwise. The Association does not carry fire, theft or damage insurance on exhibits.
4. Youth under nine (9) years of age may exhibit as an Independent Junior in the Junior Department, excluding all Livestock, Rabbits and Poultry Classes unless participating in the 4-H Primary Livestock program.
5. **No "FOR SALE" signs will be allowed to be posted on any exhibit (animal or still).**
6. Adult's Code of Conduct on page 76 must have a minimum of two (2) signatures which can be from either/or:
 - a. All parents or guardians of any child entering an animal in the Lake County Fair.
 - b. Each leader or advisor providing leadership to any child entering an animal in the Lake County Fair.

This form must be completed prior to "check-in" at the fairgrounds for the competition.

CHECK AND PREMIUMS

1. **CASH AWARDS** will be picked up when exhibits are released, or if not ready then, will be mailed when completed.
2. All Premium Checks must be cashed within 60 days after close of the Fair. Ribbons, tags, or cards have no value as to payment.
3. Cash awards will be paid only as recorded on the signed Judging Sheet and only to the Exhibitor.

PRIMARY 4-H LIVESTOCK

1. 4-H Primary members must be at least 5 years old by January 1 of the 4-H program year (July-June) or in Kindergarten to exhibit small animals approved by 4-H state policy.
2. 4-H Primary Members are allowed to exhibit **ONE** animal only.

3. Only Cavies, Dogs, Dwarf Goats, Pygmy Goats, Poultry and Rabbits shall be entered.
4. Ownership of animal is not required for participation.
5. This Class is for exhibit only. Not to be judged. No Premiums will be paid. **For Experience only.**
6. **PRIMARY MEMBERS MUST PARTICIPATE IN COMPETITION CLASS AND A SHOWMANSHIP CLASS WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE ENTRY FOR EXPERIENCE ONLY.** No Premiums will be paid. Primary members may not advance into any class that will allow the member to be eligible for premium money or Round Robin Competition.
7. Member must be enrolled in the project they wish to exhibit.
8. Exhibits will be penned with like species.
9. **Note to Judges:** please require the Exhibitor to display their exhibit as if they were being judged. Do not place them, give them a Participation Ribbon only.

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK

1. ALL STALLS MUST BE CLEANED BY 8 AM DAILY. It is mandatory that all stalls and pens be kept clean. Failure to comply is reason for cancellation of offender's privileges.
2. Animals must be kept thoroughly groomed, cleaned, and in show condition at all times.
3. Exhibit animals will not be muzzled on the fairgrounds.
4. Pathways, approaches and areas around barns must be kept clean for the convenience of spectators.
5. Manure bins will be provided for stockpiling manure. It is mandatory that these be used for straw and manure **ONLY**.
6. In all Livestock Departments, **ONLY** first bedding will be furnished; all other bedding and feed must be supplied by the exhibitor.
7. All beef, sheep, and swine must be judged in the judging ring.
8. Check registration papers in Livestock Office upon arrival to avoid confusion and save time. If pending registration papers are faxed, they **MUST be faxed to Fair Association Office, fax number (707) 263-7706.**
9. Upon arrival, report to the Livestock Office for instructions and assignment of stalls or pens. Once assigned, no change will be permitted.
10. All Livestock exhibitors are responsible for the feed and care of their animals during the Fair.
11. The Fair **RESERVES** the right to split livestock classes by AGE, WEIGHT OR BREED if any one class is deemed too large after entries close.

12. Exhibitors may not submit the same entries to two or more fairs that require them to be on exhibit at the same time.
13. **ALL JUNIOR EXHIBITORS** are required to fit and groom their own animals. Only assistance from another Junior Exhibitor will be permitted on the fairgrounds. Violators will be asked to REMOVE their animals from the fairgrounds.
14. FFA students in livestock must be on hand for judging and will offer such help to their fellow exhibitors as may be designated by an advisor or person in charge of livestock.
15. No animal may be moved or handled by anyone other than the owner or agent.
16. No glitter to be placed on market animals.
17. All 4-H, FFA and Independent Exhibitors competing in a Market or Breeding Class at the Lake County Fair are required to participate in at least one corresponding Showmanship Class. Exhibitors entering multiple species must compete in Showmanship Classes with one of species they plan to sell at Auction, but may show with a breeding animal which they have entered in the Fair. **Exhibitors must show their own animals!!!**
18. Scrapie Requirement: All sheep and goats entering fair require individual identification. To enroll in the Scrapie Program call 877-741-3690.

DOGS

DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS, EXCEPT:

1. Personal aide dogs (seeing eye dogs etc.), dogs in training to be personal aide dogs (when properly identified).
2. Dogs entered as an Exhibit.
3. Loose dogs will be picked up by the Lake County Animal Control.

LIVESTOCK ARRIVAL TIMES

Junior Exhibitors must arrive with their animals on: Wednesday, August 31st only, beginning at 7:00 am.

Market animals must be on the grounds and ready for photos at the assigned time for the exhibitor's club or group. See the "Market Animal Photo's" section of these rules.

Poultry and turkeys must arrive, be inspected and be weighed on Wednesday, August 31st between 7 am and 10 am. See the poultry and turkey rules for more information.

All breeding animals must be in place before 4 pm on Wednesday, August 31st .

RELEASE TIMES

Junior Exhibitors can remove their animals only on:

Sunday, September 4th, after 9 PM. Because of traffic hazards and confusion resulting from removal of exhibits on Sunday evening, the following rules shall apply:

1. No cars will be allowed on the grounds until 11 PM, Sunday.
2. No dismantling of any booths will be allowed before 11 PM Sunday.
3. Participation in other exhibitions shall not be accepted as reason for early release, still exhibits shall not be released until Monday, 9 AM to 3 PM.
4. Please obtain signed release forms from Livestock Superintendent before loading all Junior livestock animals.

Release times for all still exhibits are listed in the appropriate category.

ELIGIBILITY AND AGE REQUIREMENTS

SHOW UNIFORM:

1. When participating in any exhibition, demonstration, or sale class all Junior Exhibitors must wear the following show uniform: Long or short sleeved, collared, button or snap front white shirt or blouse. Ankle length white pants. White, black or brown shoes or boots.
 - 4-H Exhibitors must add: Green 4-H tie or collar, and a white or green 4-H hat.
 - FFA Exhibitors must add: FFA emblem attached to left shirt chest, or a blue FFA jacket, and a blue FFA necktie or blue FFA scarf.
 - Independent Exhibitors may add: A solid colored tie or scarf.

4-H CLUB MEMBERS:

1. Membership in the 4-H Program is open to youth currently attending kindergarten through 12th grade without regard to race, religion, sex or physical handicap. To be eligible for fair participation in livestock classes (excluding Primary 4-H Livestock Classes) and the Junior Livestock Auction, 4-H members must be 9-18 years old (or in the 4th grade) on January 1st of the 4-H program year. Senior members may exhibit until the end of the year in which they reach age 19.
2. 4-H members meeting the requirements of a project and completing the 4-H year, July 1st to June 30th, while a resident of Lake County may enter as a livestock or horse exhibitor.

FFA MEMBERS:

1. FFA members may participate in classes when they enroll in high school vocational agricultural

classes and may exhibit as members to the end of the calendar year following graduation.

INDEPENDENT JUNIORS:

1. Independent Exhibitors must be at least 9 years old, and must not be older than 17 on January 1. Independent age is as of Jan 1st.
2. Independent Junior Exhibitors must have signature of parent or guardian and must state their birthdate on the entry form.
3. Livestock (market and breeding program), Dog and Horse Independent Exhibitors need to submit a project book with their Entry Form to the fair. **The project book MUST include proof of ownership, i.e. dated sales receipt or time dated photograph.** Project books should have a journal of feed and weight, how many hours you spent with your animal, expenses spent on your animal and an explanation of what you learned.
 - Juniors who have been 4-H or FFA project members within 60 days (120 for market beef and horse) prior to the fair are not eligible to compete in that project as Independent Juniors.

MARKET AND FEEDER CLASSES

1. Entry limit on Market Animals for show: Each exhibitor will be limited to entering a combination of any two (2) market animals or pens.
2. No bulls, bucks, rams or boars allowed in Market Classes.
3. All Market Animals must be weighed and entered in the proper Class prior to the time of judging. Weight Certificates, as required, shall be procured before judging from official weighmaster at the Fair scales in the livestock area.
4. Feeder Classes are only to be used if a Market Animal does not make weight at weigh-in time. Entry will be automatically entered into Feeder Class when Entry does not make minimum weight.
5. No Premium will be paid on any animal that does not meet the weight requirements of the class.

EXHIBITOR INSTRUCTIONS

1. All entries in the following Divisions must have been made, collected, grown or prepared and entered by exhibitors enrolled in those projects in youth programs within one (1) year of the opening day of Fair, except as otherwise noted.
2. All entries must have been made, collected or prepared by the exhibitor in compliance with the requirements, or recommendations of the project or program. Check carefully for the standards of preparation to exhibit.
3. **Lake County 4-H and FFA Entries** must be approved by a University of California Cooperative Extension representative or Vocational

Agriculture Instructor. Signatures are not required on the entry form. Out-of-county entries need not be countersigned by a farm advisor, home advisor, or 4-H youth advisor.

4. Lake County 4-H or FFA entries disapproved by a University of California Cooperative Extension representative or Vocational Agriculture Instructor will not be allowed to exhibit.
5. Independent Junior Exhibitors must have signature of parent or guardian and must state their birthdate on the entry form.
6. Animals to be exhibited must conform to the following:
 - a) Registered, non-registered, and market animals with exception of market beef or horses shall be owned by the exhibitor for 60 days (30 days for small, i.e., rabbits, chickens, etc.) prior to the opening day of the Fair.
 - b) Market beef cattle must be owned 120 days prior to the opening day of the Fair.
 - c) Horses entered in the Junior Horse Show must be under the care and management of the member 120 days prior to the show. In Breed Classes where registration papers are required, the ownership must be in the 4-H/FFA member or parent(s) name.

ATTENTION: JUDGES AND EXHIBITORS

JUDGING SYSTEMS:

American – The judging process to rank exhibits against one another and award one first placing, one second, etc.

Danish – The judging process to compare each exhibit on its merit against the scorecard or recognized standard and award as many first placings, second placings, etc. as merited.

Primary 4-H Livestock – Judges will require the Exhibitor to display their exhibit as if they were being judged. Exhibitors will not be placed but will be given a Participation Ribbon only.

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION

1. All sellers will personally show their animal(s) for sale unless excused by the Fair Management.
2. All exhibitors selling animals in the Junior Livestock Auction must be in the required uniform.
3. Only animals entered and qualified in single market or utility Divisions shall be eligible to sell.
4. Animals eligible for sale shall include the following grades: Beef, Sheep, Hogs, Market Goat, Meat Pens of Rabbits, Meat Pens of Poultry, and Turkey.

5. MAXIMUM PAY WEIGHT: Beef 1,300, Swine 260, Lamb 140, Goat 125 lbs.
6. The number of market animals that may be ENTERED for Judging and SOLD by any one individual is a combination of any two (2) animals or pens.
7. All Champion and Reserve Champion Market animals must sell.
8. All other eligible animals must be designated for sale or not, at the time of judging.
9. Sale Order: Champions and Reserve Champions, then as set by the Livestock Committee.
10. The Lake County Fair Livestock scales are the only acceptable scales. **No private scales will be allowed on the grounds.**
11. All sellers shall be charged at least a Seven percent 7% sales fee on gross sales. All monies collected from sales fees shall be put in a contingency fund, administered by the Lake County Fair, to promote the auction and pay auction expenses.
12. The Junior Livestock Auction is produced by the Lake County Fair Junior Livestock Committee.
13. No animals will be allowed to be removed from the grounds without a signed release from the Junior Livestock Superintendent.
14. **Beef Animals:** All Market Steers sold through the Livestock Auction will be consigned to the slaughterhouse.
15. 16. Proof of Ownership: All Market Cattle must be accompanied by a proof of ownership (such as previous brand inspection or bill of sale) and must be presented to the Livestock Secretary at weigh-in.
16. Absolutely no re-weighs of market animals. The weighmaster's decision is final.
17. Any market animal entered in the sale may be disqualified by the Fair Management and/or the Official Veterinarian if it has or develops any condition that would make it undesirable for the auction.
18. Consignors to the Auction are responsible for the care of their animal(s) until the close of the Fair or until animal(s) are shipped.
19. Animals consigned to the sale will be sold to the highest bidder.
20. All Junior Livestock Auction Exhibitors must turn in Thank You Letter(s), stamped and self addressed to the buyer(s) before receiving his/her check at the Junior Awards Program.
21. **Absolutely no changes** in consignment or slaughter will be made after the auction.
22. No transactions or transportation will be provided by the Junior Livestock Committee for animals that did not sell through the Auction.
23. Rabbit Meat Pens, Poultry Meat Pens, and Turkey participants are required to have them processed locally and that members are

responsible for all necessary arrangements. The only exception are those that the Buyer has indicated on the Auction slip as "Hold Alive".

24. No glitter to be placed on market animals.
25. All Junior Livestock Exhibitors are expected to volunteer to help with the auction.
26. All 4-H, FFA and Independent Exhibitors competing in a Market or Breeding Class at the Lake County Fair are required to participate in the corresponding Showmanship Class. Exhibitors showing multiple species must compete in Showmanship Classes with one of the species selling at Auction. **Exhibitors must show their own animals!!!**
27. All members receiving checks and awards at the Junior Awards Program must be in the required uniform.

MARKET ANIMAL PHOTOS

1. All market animals must be photographed on Wednesday, August 31st at the fairgrounds by the fair photographer.
2. Exhibitors must be present, in uniform, and ready for photos at the time assigned to their club, chapter, or group. All entries must be present at the assigned time, which also serves as the cut-off deadline for arrival at the fair by all members of a club or group.
3. Any animal or exhibitor that is not present and ready for photos at the assigned time will be disqualified and may be removed from the fairgrounds at the discretion of the Livestock Superintendent.
4. Each exhibitor must sign-up for a photo at the time of entry, and must pay \$ 10.00 per market animal for the photo. Photo's must be registered and paid for through the normal entry process. Any market animal photo not registered and paid for on the entry deadline date and time may be disqualified at the discretion of the Fair Manager.
5. Market Beef exhibitors are required to purchase 2 photos per animal.
6. Arrival deadline and assigned photo time slot by group:

Scotts Valley 4-H	10:00 am
Big Valley 4-H	10:30 am
Cole Creek 4-H	10:30 am
Upper Lake 4-H	10:30 am
Blue Heron 4-H	11:00 am
Upper Lake FFA	11:00 am
Independent Exhibitors	11:00 am
Kelseyville FFA	11:30 am
Kelseyville 4-H	12:00 noon
Mt. Konocti 4-H	12:30 pm
C & L 4-H	1:00 pm
Cobb Mountain 4-H	1:00 pm
Spring Valley 4-H	1:00 pm
Anderson Marsh 4-H	1:30 pm
Middletown 4-H	2:00 pm
Middletown FFA	2:30 pm