

## **2025 SILVER DOLLAR FAIR INDEPENDENT JUNIOR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR REQUIREMENTS**

INDEPENDENT junior exhibitor participation in the Silver Dollar Livestock Show and/or Junior Livestock Auction must meet requirements set out in the Local Rules and are subject to State Rules, Section VII. An Independent Junior Exhibitor is defined in the State Rules for California Fairs as an “Exhibitor not eligible to compete in a certain category as a member of 4-H, Grange or FFA junior organization” (2021 CDFR Rule, Section VII, #3). Silver Dollar Fair requirements for an Independent Exhibitor follow and must be met in order to show as an Independent Exhibitor at the Fair, in addition to all State & Local Rules as seen in the Silver Dollar Fair Exhibitor Handbook. See 2025 Local Rule #45 and State Rules Section VII.

- **Be a resident of Butte County.** Proof of residency in Butte County must be submitted with entry form (current utility bill, cell phone bill, etc.)
- **Attend a school in Butte County.** Proof of attendance in a Butte County School must be submitted with entry form. If the Independent Exhibitor has graduated from high school and meets the age requirements as specified in the State Rules, they must provide proof that they have graduated from a High School in Butte County.
- **Be at least 9 years old on Jan. 1, 2025,** to compete in large animal (beef, sheep, swine, dairy goats, boer goats, market & fiber goats) competitions. **Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through Dec. 31 of the year they turn 19 years of age.** Exhibitor may compete as an Independent Exhibitor one year after graduating from High School providing, they were entered as a Silver Dollar Fair livestock exhibitor the previous year & meet age requirement.
- **Youth may be ineligible to participate as Independent if documented disciplinary action involving project(s) has been taken against them by 4-H, FFA or Grange organizations.** The Fair may revoke exhibition privileges for a period of 13 months from date of documented disciplinary action taken against them by 4-H, FFA or Grange. Examples of documented disciplinary actions are, but not limited to:
  - Expulsion
  - Suspension
  - Or any other action as determined by Fair Management
- Must own and grow or construct their own exhibits. Animal(s) must be under exhibitor’s care and management for length of time required in State & Local Rules. Days are counted prior to opening day of Fair. Official ownership date is date shown on the bill of sale unless the animal was bred by exhibitor, in which it would be date of birth.
- Have a responsible adult supervisor named on entry form, provide phone number (where supervisor can be reached at all times) & provide “on ground supervision” during Fair.
- Provide project management records & proof of supervision as to length of project to Fair Staff. The Project Record Form & Independent Exhibitor Affidavit may be found on our website [www.silverdollarfair.org](http://www.silverdollarfair.org) or is available in the Fair Office. **The Project Record & Independent Exhibitor Affidavit must be submitted to and approved as acceptable to the Livestock Office no later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, May 30, 2025, or entries will be disqualified.**
- Juniors who have been 4-H, FFA or Grange project members within 60 days (120 days market beef) prior to the fair are not eligible to compete in that project as Independent Juniors or enter project(s) under a different organization.
- All Junior Livestock Exhibitors are required to participate in a certified QUALITY ASSURANCE & ETHICS AWARENESS TRAINING or complete YQCA training (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) and provide current certificate number prior to entering. Certification will be verified and if it is not current or valid the entry will be disqualified. YQCA is a national multi-specie quality assurance program for youth. (See [YQCAprogram.org](http://YQCAprogram.org) for information/certification number)
- Provide Scrapie information for market lamb & goats & ear notch information for market hogs.
- Exhibitors in 8<sup>th</sup> grade & below show in the 4-H divisions. Exhibitors in 9<sup>th</sup> grade & above show in the FFA divisions.

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**Opening dates** for market animal entries will be available online at 8:00 am on the dates below:

- Steers, January 6, 2025
- Hogs Lambs, Goats, January 6, 2025
- Rabbit Meat Pens, January 6, 2025

**Closing dates** for market animal entries are by 5:00 p.m. on the dates below:

- Steers: February 3, 2025
- Hogs, Lambs & Goats: April 4, 2025
- Rabbit Meat Pens: May 2, 2025

**SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR INDEPENDENT MARKET ANIMAL EXHIBITORS:**

All additional documents can be emailed to [livestock@silverdollarfair.org](mailto:livestock@silverdollarfair.org) or turned into the Fair's Main Office.

- Completion of YQCA- **Submit certificate prior to entering.**
- Submit proof of residency in Butte County- **Due with entry form.**
- Proof of attendance in a Butte County School- **Due with entry form.**
- Livestock Exhibitor/Parent Agreement- **Due with entry form.**
- Provide Fair Management the following Proof of Ownership documents by ownership deadlines and photographs.
  - Bill of Sale with the exhibitor's name, date of purchase of animal & seller's name & address.
  - Photographs of the exhibitor with their animal
  - Verification of animal's scrapie, tattoo and/or ear notch information
- Project Records
- Please include a minimum of 3 photos of you working with your project. You may also include any additional information to the end of this packet.
- 2.0 grade point average must be maintained by an Independent. Include a certified copy of transcripts and GPA with packet.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have completed the above requirements and have attached my records.

Signature of Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Fair Management: \_\_\_\_\_

## Exhibitor / Parent Fair Agreement

I, \_\_\_\_\_, will be participating in the 2025 Silver Dollar Fair. I agree to abide by all guidelines and local & state rules that govern the Silver Dollar Fair.

Ownership Requirements include that the independent junior must own and grow or construct their own exhibits. Animal(s) must be under exhibitor's care and management for length of time required in State & Local Rules. Exhibitor must enter into the appropriate show for their respective weigh and showmanship class. Exhibitors in 8<sup>th</sup> grade & below show in the 4-H divisions. Exhibitors in 9<sup>th</sup> grade & above show in the FFA divisions.

Exhibitors acknowledge that they must complete all items on the check list above by their respective dates. Failure to do so will lead to ineligibility to present their animal at fair.

Eligibility for Independent Juniors:

- Youth may be ineligible to participate as Independent Junior if documented disciplinary action involving project(s) has been taken against them by 4-H, FFA or Grange organizations. The Fair may revoke exhibition privileges for a period of 13 months from date of documented disciplinary action taken against them by 4-H, FFA or Grange.
- Juniors who have been 4-H, FFA or Grange project members within 60 days (120 days market beef) prior to the fair are not eligible to compete in that project as Independent Juniors or enter project(s) under a different organization.

Uniform requirements for an Independent Livestock Exhibitor consist of a white, collared shirt, white pants, or white jeans and boots or closed toe shoes. Pants and/or jeans must be hemmed and untorn.

By signing this document, you have read the above terms and agree to abide by them.

Signature of Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Fair Management: \_\_\_\_\_

<p>In addition, please fill out this information to receive all important information regarding this year's fair.</p> <p>Parents Name: _____</p> <p>Email: _____</p> <p>Phone Number: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p>
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## Independent Junior Project Records

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of January 1, 2025: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Project			
Year		Years in Project	
<b>Project Journal</b>			
Record your learning experiences and time spent on your project.			
Date	Description of Activity		Hours
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## **Project Reflection**

*If another member was thinking about taking this project next year, what would you tell them about what can be learned in this project? (150 words)*