

# **SANTA BARBARA COUNTY FAIR INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR APPLICATION**

## **GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION**

1. Juniors who have been 4-H, FFA or Grange members in that particular animal project within 60 days prior to the fair are not eligible to compete in that project as an independent junior (120 days for market cattle, 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 Auction must submit an independent exhibitor application to the fair Administration Office by April 1, 2025. All applicants will receive written notification of approval from fair management.
3. According to State Rules, exhibitors must be at least 9 years old by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year they are showing large livestock and must not be older than 18 years old prior to January 1, 2025.
4. Application must include the following:
  - Completed Application
  - The exhibitors school transcript
  - A one (1) page letter explaining the reason as to why the exhibitor cannot join a traditional 4-H, FFA or Grange Program

## **GUIDELINES AFTER ACCEPTANCE**

1. Independent exhibitors need to meet all ownership requirements as outlined in the Livestock Guidelines.
2. 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 \$95.00 per exhibitor no matter how many entries you have in each class. Please see Entry Office if you wish to participate in this program. (37th DAA reserves the right to change the cost of said insurance as warranted by the cost of said insurance). Proof of insurance or purchase of fair insurance is due to the Administration Office, July 1, 2025 at 5pm.
3. 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 fair time activities. One complimentary wristband will be issued to the adult supervising the independent exhibitor.
4. The following must be turned in to the Livestock Office, July 7, 2025 by 5pm:
  - All independent exhibitors are required to maintain project record books, for their fair entries. A PDF will be available online with what is required in your record book. You must present these books to the Livestock Office, July 7, 2025 by 5pm.
  - Eight (8) hours of community service is required of all independent exhibitors. The eight (8) hours must be performed in the community with a Non-Profit Organization (Examples: Food Bank, Boys & Girls Club, Good Samaritan Shelter, etc.). Documentation (signed letter from community organization on organization letter head) must be provided to prove community service was complete, listing date, location and number of hours completed. You must present your signed letter(s) to the Livestock Office, July 7, 2025 by 5pm.

## **GUIDELINES DURING FAIR**

1. Independent exhibitors must wear white or new dark blue jeans, white collard shirt, and black tie.
2. Independent juniors who are 9-13 years of age will show in the 4-H division. Independent Juniors who are 14-18 years of age will show in the FFA division. Age is determined as of January 1, 2025.
3. Stalls will be checked daily for cleanliness. Each stall must have a stall card provided by the fair. Each independent exhibitor needs to provide an educational display to be hung in the stall.
4. Exhibitors and supervising adults are required to complete a minimum of one (1) fair job during the duration of the fair. These are assigned by our jobs committee and you will be contacted via email.

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**EXHIBITOR INFORMATION**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Desired Species: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously been affiliated with either 4-H/FFA/Grange? (circle one)    YES    NO

If yes, please list all clubs/chapter/group and dates enrolled:

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPERVISING ADULT INFORMATION**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_

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Accepted: _____	Rejected: _____	Date: _____	By: _____
CC:	CEO	Livestock Superintendent	