



# Aksarben Stock Show

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Grand Island, Nebraska

## Premium Book

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## **General Rules & Regulations**

- General Rules and Regulations also apply to rules and regulations in each specific division. (i.e. Breeding Heifers, Market Sheep, Breeding Swine, etc.)
- The Aksarben Stock Show<sup>SM</sup> produced by the Nebraska State Fair (referred to as "the Show" herein has and will continue to take a strict stance on penalizing exhibitors when rules are broken. Punishable offenses include, but are not limited to, violation of the Code of Ethics or any rule or regulation written in the Show Premium Book. Additional offendable actions include: illegal drug use, non-approved medications, feed additives, and improper withdrawal periods on approved medications.

### **Potential penalties include but are not limited to...**

- Expulsion from entry at the Show
- Suspension from entry for a set period of years
- Surrender of all premiums, awards and/or harvest proceeds
- Reimbursement of all associated costs incurred by the Show
- Reporting of the infraction to North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers' Association

## **Responsibility**

- It is the exhibitor's responsibility to read, understand and comply with all requirements written in the Show Premium Book.
- The Show endorses and supports the **Code of Ethics adopted by the North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers Association**. All exhibitors and their families agree to abide by this Code of Ethics and all rules and regulations printed in this book.
- The objectives listed shall encourage all exhibitors and their families to maintain a high standard of ethics while competing at the Show.
- Violation of rules will lead to penalties for exhibitors and their families. If a violation of a rule occurs the exhibitor will forfeit premiums, awards and may be subject to disqualification, barring from future shows, removal of awards and/or reporting the infraction to the North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers' Association, all as determined and within the discretion of the Show.

## **Liability**

- It is understood that all persons participating in the Show, acting on behalf of themselves, their principals, their agents or employees, agree to make no claim against the Show, any official of the Show or anyone acting by, for or through them or any of them, for loss, damage or injury to any property, animal or person resulting from any cause.
- While the Show is authorized to control and manage its grounds and buildings and to regulate any animals, exhibitors and visitors present thereon, under no circumstances shall the Show or any of its officers, agents or employees be held responsible for any loss or damage that may occur to any livestock, visitors, exhibitors, exhibitor equipment or personal items.
- All livestock exhibited shall be at the sole risk of the exhibitor.

## **Administration of Rules and Regulations**

- The Show reserves, to its Show Staff and/or the Aksarben Stock Show Rulings Committee, the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and difference in regards to, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to the Show, and the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgement may determine.

## **Authority**

- The specie superintendent shall have authority to make all decisions within their respective species/divisions in accordance with these rules and regulations.
- All protests must be in writing and be accompanied by three hundred dollars (\$300.00) cash or certified check which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the Show immediately after the occasion for such protest. Protests must be submitted either prior to judging or immediately after the conclusion of class judging. Once an animal reaches championship judging, no protest will be

accepted. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation; and depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until a thorough investigation is completed. No complaint or appeal that Judges overlooked an animal will be considered.

- In the event any person feels aggrieved by a decision of the specie superintendent, he/she may appeal that decision to the Aksarben Stock Show Rulings Committee. This appeal shall be lodged as soon as practical but, in all events, prior to the completion of judging in the class or division involved.
- All decisions by the show management and species superintendent are subject to final review by the Aksarben Stock Show Rulings Committee.
- To safeguard exhibitors, livestock, and the public, the State of Nebraska rules on alcohol use and abuse will be enforced.
  - Given this is a junior event, use or possession of alcoholic beverages or drugs (except for medical purposes) by any exhibitor on the Show grounds will result in immediate expulsion from the grounds and the disqualification of that exhibitor's entry(s).
- The management reserves the right to withhold the premiums awarded in any case in which it shall appear that the regulations have not been complied with, or that fraud or deception has been practiced or attempted.
- Scholarship and cash award payment for Champion and Reserve Overall Market Beef, Market Goats, Market Sheep, Market Swine and Broilers will not be made until carcasses have been inspected in the coolers and cleared all drug tests as determined by the Show in its sole discretion.

### **IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS) CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS**

- Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial, and national levels. All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards, and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.
- The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:
  - 1) All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
  - 2) Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
  - 3) Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
  - 4) Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of, consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable

federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory, to which it is sent, is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by official veterinarian.

**5)** Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

**6)** The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.

**7)** Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair, and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation, and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

**8)** No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.

**9)** The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

**10)** The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expos and any special notices to members.

**11)** The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

### **Force Majeure and Governmental Regulation**

- In view of the fact that the Show is a non-profit venture depending to a great degree upon the contributions and services of a substantial number of donors and volunteers, as well as the benefits provided by the Show to the general public through education and related services as set forth in the Preamble to these General Rules and Regulations, the Show deems it appropriate and prudent to be excused from liability, as set forth below in this paragraph, in the event of early cancellation of its events, operations and activities by reason of force majeure and/or governmental regulation. Accordingly, the following shall apply to the operations and activities conducted by the Show.

### **Force Majeure**

- The Show shall not be liable for any delay or failure to perform its operations, activities, shows and events to the extent such delay or failure results from a force majeure occurrence. A force majeure occurrence is defined as any occurrence arising from causes beyond the reasonable control of the Show and which delays or prevents performance by the Show otherwise required by this Agreement, including but not limited to any (i) breakage or accident to equipment, machinery or facilities; (ii) any strikes, lock-outs or other labor difficulties ; (iii) statutes, ordinances, regulations, orders or rules issued by governmental authorities; (iv) judicial decrees or orders; (v) acts of God; (vi) animal diseases and/or quarantines; (vii) wars, riots or insurrections; (viii) civil disobediences, public demonstrations or sabotage; (ix) fires, floods, explosions or inclement weather; (x) inability to obtain necessary labor, materials, supplies, utilities or transportation; (xi) depressions, recessions or other economic downturns; (xii) embargoes or energy shortages; or (xiii) pandemics or epidemics or (xvi) other causes beyond the Show's reasonable control.

### **Governmental Regulation**

- The Show shall not be liable for any delay or failure to perform its operations, activities, shows and events to the extent such delay or failure results from the Show's good faith compliance with applicable governmental statutes, ordinances, regulations, orders, rules or other directives, including but not limited to compliance with governmental directives concerning public health and safety, animal disease prevention, detection and response (including animal quarantine and/or destruction) and protection of the environment.

### **Homeland Security System Warning Statement**

- Evacuation of Livestock: During such times as deemed necessary by local, state or federal authorities, the Show, and/or its officials may, temporarily or permanently evacuate Fonner Park under the authority of the Homeland Security Act. Incidents such as, but not limited to, bomb threats, acts of war, declarations of war, code red of the Homeland Security System, epidemics/pandemics, etc., will be acted upon in accordance and cooperation with local, state and federal authorities. Priority evacuation will be given to human life, then livestock. In such cases, exhibitors and/or contestants will turn over the care of their livestock to the Show. Proper animal husbandry practices will be followed within reasonable expectations. At which time the evacuation notice is lifted. Then exhibitors/contestants will be allowed to re-enter Fonner Park and claim their livestock. By making entry into the Show exhibitors authorize the Show and its officials to detain their livestock on these premises. Furthermore, exhibitors agree to hold harmless and without liability the Show, its officials, directors, officers, agents, employees and volunteers for those animals under the reasonable care of the Show.

### **Eligibility of Exhibitor**

- To be eligible to exhibit at the Show the youth must be at least 9 years of age by January 1<sup>st</sup>, of the current year. The youth cannot exceed 19 years of age by January 1<sup>st</sup>, of the current year.
- Youth from Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Wyoming may participate at the Show.
- There will be no discrimination at the show because of race, color, national origin or other applicable protected class.

- No exhibitor shall be eligible to compete, or having competed, be eligible to win a premium, if he/she has been disqualified from competition in a show belonging to the North American Livestock Show & Rodeo Managers' Association, or has had a premium withheld or withdrawn on the grounds of rule violation involving misrepresentation, fraud of deception, practiced or attempted.

### **Eligibility of Animals**

- All market animals require a DNA hair submission by July 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- DNA submission fee is nonrefundable.
- A market animal that has been declared Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at a major state or interstate 4-H, FFA or junior show is ineligible to show at the Show if it has been sold through a premium sale.
  - Any market animal that has been offered up for auction where the intent of the auction is the change of ownership, is ineligible to show at the Show.
- An animal that becomes wild and uncontrollable at any point in time when on Fonner Park Grounds may be declared ineligible by the specie superintendent or Aksarben Officials and/or Aksarben Stock Show Rulings Committee.
- Any animal that is not shown by either its owner or an approved substitute showman is not eligible to be entered in the Grand Drive and must forfeit any premiums earned.
- An exhibit not presented promptly on call of class will be ruled out and barred from competition.
- When there is joint ownership of an animal, the exhibitor who shows the animal must be named on the DNA nomination envelope, and registration papers.
- Market Animal entries will be cross referenced with DNA envelopes after the entry deadline.
  - If there is no DNA envelope matching an entry, that animal will be removed from the entry list, no refund will be given.
- No DNA nomination is required for breeding animals or feeder calves.
- No substitutions will be allowed for breeding animals or feeder calves.
- No animal will be allowed to show in two separate shows, i.e., market gilt in the breeding gilt show, feeder heifer in breeding heifer show, breeding doe in market goat show, breeding ewe in market lamb show.

Additional identification required along with DNA for market animals.

- Swine: Official USDA Identification for out of state entries, (840 identification tags). EID's will be accepted for in-state entries.
- Sheep: Official USDA scrapie identification tag.
- Goats: Official USDA scrapie identification tag.
- Beef: Visual tag or tattoo or EID tag.

### **Animal Management**

The showing of unethically fitted livestock is prohibited. Unethical fitting shall be deemed to mean any physical or physiological attempt to alter the natural conformation, musculature or weight of an animal by use of injections or ingested material not conducive to the continued health of the animal or marketability of animal carcasses. Animals showing, in the opinion of the judge, signs of having been unethically fitted will be disqualified. As a condition for participation in the stock show, every exhibitor and their family must agree to submit any animal entered by them to inspection by the official Show Veterinarian, and agrees to have such animal submitted to any tests as may be designated and requested by the Show Veterinarian and Show Management, and agrees that the conclusion reached by the Show Veterinarian as to whether such animal is unethically fitted shall be final, without recourse against the Show or any of its officers, agents, or employees.

### **Animal Care Statement**

The Show supports animal welfare principles which seek to improve the treatment and well-being of animals. Supporting animal welfare means believing humans have the right to use animals. Along with that right comes the responsibility to provide proper and humane care and treatment. Every animal participating in the activities of our events shall always be provided proper care and management. The

care, custody and control of the animals brought to the Show are the responsibility of the exhibitor and their family. To ensure this policy, the Show Staff shall monitor and document any animal health and welfare issues of concern on the grounds of Fonner Park during the show, with emphasis on proper care and treatment.

### **Animal Testing**

- As a condition for participation in the Show, every exhibitor and their family must agree to submit any animal entered by an exhibitor to inspection by a veterinarian appointed by the management, and agrees to have such animals submitted to any tests as may be designated and requested by the veterinarian. The Show specifically reserves the right to have tissue, blood, hair, or urine laboratory analysis made on any animal entered for competition. The conclusions reached by the veterinarian, as to whether such animal has been administered a diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant or other unapproved medication, or has not been properly withdrawn from approved drugs shall be final, without recourse against the Show or any of its officers, agents and employees. An exhibitor and their family or an animal producing an analysis with any quantity of diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant or any other unapproved medication or drugs will forfeit all rights and privileges to exhibit livestock in the future at the Show.
- In addition, the Show specifically reserves the right to have DNA sample(s) withdrawn and analyzed on any animal entered for competition at any time. Show samples collected that do not match the original DNA samples submitted for nomination, will be disqualified. Owners of animals disqualified by unmatched DNA samples will have all premiums and awards removed.

### **Drug Use**

- The Show has the right to test any animal at any time. The use of animal drugs or other substances by non-veterinarians in any manner other than in accord with the labeling approved by FDA is a violation of Federal Law.
- The showing of any animal that has been administered any quantity of diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant or other unapproved medication or drug, or that has not been properly withdrawn from approved drugs is prohibited. Unapproved is deemed to mean not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for that species.
- Zilmax is not accepted by beef packers in the U.S., therefore, the Show will not tolerate the presence of Zilmax in market steers.
- Exhibitors and exhibitors' parents and/or guardians agree that:
  - They are absolutely and completely responsible persons for the care and custody of their animals, including the time while they are at the Show.
  - The Show shall be entitled to disqualify an exhibitor and their family whose animal tests positive for any drug, even if the exhibitor and the exhibitor's parents or guardians and family are innocent of any wrongdoing and did not administer the drug.
  - The drug test results of the testing laboratories are final and binding. Even if the source of the drug is unknown, the Show shall be entitled to disqualify the exhibitor and their family.
  - Abuse of the extra-label privilege by veterinarians is unethical and is subject to serious consequences such as license revocation.
- All exhibitors and parents will complete and sign an affidavit and statement of disclosure related to animal health care products used prior to exhibition. These will be collected at the time the samples are taken.

### **General Entry Information**

- The responsibility for making proper entry rests upon the solely exhibitor.
- All entries must be submitted online through the online entry system (aksarbenstockshow.com).
- Reference website for official entry dates and times.
- **LATE ENTRIES** will be accepted at double the original entry fee. No further entries accepted after final **LATE ENTRY DATE**.
- All entries must be paid for by the entry deadline.

- Any entry not paid for by the first deadline will automatically be considered a late entry and charged the late entry price.
- No checks or cash will be taken for entry fees, online payment is required.
- A fee will be charged for all preregistered blocking chutes and trimming stands. Any exhibitor using a chute/stand without a permit or found not abiding by these rules is subject to disqualification.
  - Trimming stand and chute passes must be purchased through the online entry process.
- Number of Entries
  - Each individual showing at the Show may enter four animals per species.
  - *If the individual is a participant of the pig, lamb, or calf challenge, they may enter one more in that species, totaling five.*

### **Entry Guidelines**

- Online entries
  - August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 – August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.
  - Entries will open at 12 noon CST and close at 12 noon CST.
- Late entries
  - September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 – September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021. **(no exceptions)**.
  - Late entries will open at 12 noon CST and close at 12 noon CST.
  - Late entries will automatically be charged a fee which will be two (2) times the original entry fee.
- Entry Fees
  - Beef: \$50/head (includes tie out space and bedding)
  - Goats, Swine & Sheep: \$25/head (including one bag of shavings per pen)
  - Broilers: \$20/pen (2 pens or less = \$20.00)
- Blocking Chute & Trimming Stand Fee
  - Blocking Chute Fee: \$50
  - Trimming Stand Fee: \$25

### **Showmanship**

- Animals shown in this division must be owned by the showman showing them.
- The exhibitors will be chosen by the a "call-back" system. While in the ring, if they get a "call-back" they will receive an official Show pin from the showmanship judge. There is no entry to the showmanship class.
- There will be two age divisions. Showmanship will follow its respective show. There will be a showmanship for market beef, breeding beef, feeder calves, market swine, breeding swine, market goats, breeding does, market sheep, breeding sheep, and broiler chickens.
- Junior Division: 9 years – 13 years old as of Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- Senior Division: 14 years – 19 years old as of Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

### **Overriding Rule**

- THE SHOW RESERVES THE ABSOLUTE RIGHT TO REJECT ENTIRELY OR ACCEPT CONDITIONALLY ANY ENTRY OR APPLICATION FOR ENTRY OR TO WITHDRAW CLASSIFICATION AND PRIZES IN ANY DEPARTMENT UPON THE CLOSING OF ENTRIES WHENEVER IT, IN ITS SOLE JUDGMENT, DETERMINES THAT SUCH ACTION WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE SHOW. (SPECIFIC INFORMATION IS PRINTED IN THE FOLLOWING SECTION)
- Exhibitors, by submission of an entry or application, expressly acknowledge that there is no constitutional or statutory right to participate or compete in the Show.
- Exhibitors, by submission of an entry or application, expressly acknowledge that all procedures and remedies set forth in this Premium Book applicable to decisions to reject entries or disqualify exhibitors are the sole and exclusive procedures and remedies available to the exhibitor.

- Exhibitors, by submission of an entry or application, expressly acknowledge that submission of an entry to the Show will be treated as consent to the following:
  - The Show reserves the absolute right and discretion to submit the name of a disqualified exhibitor to whomever it chooses, including, but not limited to, the North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers' Rule Infraction Database (the "database"), any appropriate governmental agencies or authorities, and representatives from any other livestock show, exposition or fair.
  - The Show reserves the absolute right and discretion to use any means deemed necessary to obtain information from the database and/or any other livestock show, exposition or fair regarding any exhibitor submitting an entry to the Show. Information requested may include, but is not limited to, decisions to disqualify or withhold a premium from the exhibitor in a prior livestock show.
  - The Show reserves the absolute right and discretion to reject an entry submitted by or disqualify an exhibitor from competition if he or she has been disqualified from competition in any other livestock show, exposition or fair, or has had a premium withheld or withdrawn by any other livestock show, exposition or fair, for any reason, including, but not limited to, rules infraction, misrepresentation or fraud.

### **Rejected Entries**

- Any rejected entries will be returned to the exhibitor with an explanation regarding reasons for rejection.
- If the exhibitor believes additional information may warrant reconsideration of the decision to reject an entry, the exhibitor must submit a written request for reconsideration, to include a detailed explanation of why the entry should be reconsidered, and, where appropriate, documentation supporting the explanation.
- The request for reconsideration must be received by the Show office: Aksarben Stock Show, PO Box 130, Grand Island NE, 68802-0130 within 10 days of the post-marked date of mailing of the rejection of entry notification from the Show. DECISIONS REGARDING RECONSIDERATION WILL BE MADE IN THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE AKSARBEN STOCK SHOW RULINGS COMMITTEE. The exhibitor will be promptly notified in writing of the final decision.

### **Disqualification**

- Exhibitors and their families who fail to comply with any and all rules in this Premium Book will be removed from further competition with that specific animal and are subject to premium cancellation, disqualification from current and future participation in the Show, and potential submission of the violation to the North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers' Rule Infraction Database and/or other third parties, including governmental authorities where appropriate.
- Following a determination that an exhibitor has been disqualified and/or a premium has been withheld from the exhibitor for a rule infraction, that exhibitor shall receive written notification of the determination to include an explanation of the reasons for the determination and any resulting disciplinary action.
- If the exhibitor believes additional information may warrant re-examination of the decision, he or she may submit a request for reconsideration. The request for reconsideration shall be in writing and must include a detailed explanation of why the decision should be reviewed, and, where appropriate, documentation supporting the explanation.
- All reconsideration requests must be received by the Show office: Aksarben Stock Show, PO Box 130, Grand Island NE, 68802-0130, within 10 days of the exhibitor's receipt of the notification of disqualification or withholding of premiums. DECISIONS REGARDING RECONSIDERATION REQUESTS WILL BE MADE IN THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE SHOW MANAGEMENT. The exhibitor will be promptly notified in writing of the final decision.
- Any exhibitor premium withheld as a result of disqualification will be retained by the Show until the request for reconsideration has been resolved. If Show Management determines, upon receipt of a properly filed request for reconsideration, that a disqualification or premium cancellation decision

should be reversed, the premium will be disbursed to the exhibitor within a reasonable period of time.

### **Reinstatement**

- Exhibitors who have been disqualified from exhibiting at the Show but have completed the previously determined disqualification period may request reinstatement to exhibit at the Show.
- The family of the disqualified exhibitor will be required to submit a written request for exhibition for any future Aksarben Stock Shows. The letter must be received by the Show on or before December 31 of the year the disqualification terms were satisfied.
- Decisions regarding reinstatement requests will be made in the sole discretion of the Show management. The exhibitor will be promptly notified in writing of the final decision.

### **Substitute Showmen**

- Substitute showman are permitted.
- The show superintendent must be notified of the substitute showman. The substitute showman must wear the coordinating exhibitor number with the exhibit being shown.
- They must be an exhibitor at the current year's show.

### **Animal Substitutions**

- Substitutions may be made in the market animal divisions, only.
- To be eligible for a substitution, there must be DNA on file with the Show on the 'substitute' animal.
- No substitutions will be allowed on breeding animals or feeder calves.

### **Check-In**

- A designated time for each species will be posted prior to the show, as to when the check-in will be. Check-In's will be on a first come first serve basis.

### **Exhibitor Numbers**

- Exhibitor numbers will be provided in the exhibitor packet.
- Each exhibitor will be provided an exhibitor number for each of their entered animals.
- It is the exhibitor's responsibility to change numbers in respect to the animal they are showing.
- Show harnesses and number clips may be worn to display exhibitor numbers, while in the show ring.

### **Dress Code**

- A Show T-Shirt will be provided.
- Sizes to be ordered at time of entry.
- T-Shirts can be picked up at a designated location at the Show.
- Long sleeve shirts may be worn beneath the assigned t-shirt.
- Show harnesses are permitted.

### **Sale and Harvest of Animals**

- **Grand and Reserve Champion Overall in Market Steer, Market Swine, Market Sheep and Market Goat shows are terminal.**
- **All Calf Challenge, Lamb Challenge and Pig Challenge animals and All Broiler Chickens are terminal.**
- All other market show entries are non-terminal.
- Market options will be announced to exhibitors by show management prior to show.
- Exhibitors must make final declaration of animal harvest at the time of check-in.
- Exhibitors who sign up an animal to harvest and then leave the grounds with that animal will forfeit any premiums won at the Show and may be disqualified. (Please refer to the General Rules section of the Premium Book and read the "Disqualification" paragraph).
- The official weight recorded at check-in will be sale weight of the animals.
- Payments may be delayed due to the show size.
- Exhibitors may be asked to sign an affidavit from the packing plant(s).
- The floor price for all market animals sent to harvest will be posted at the livestock office. Exhibitors are responsible for making arrangements to get livestock fed and watered from release time until they are loaded on trucks to go to harvest

## **Official Weight**

- Weight stated on the official Show weight card, provided in your exhibitor packet will be the official show weight. The Show will provide a check-scales prior to check-in.

### **Weighing**

- The weight classes in which market animals are placed, will be determined by show officials.
- Exhibitors of Market Beef, Market Sheep, Market Goats, Market Swine, Commercial Breeding Does, and Crossbred Breeding Gilts, will self-declare weights using a weigh-card system.
- Exhibitors of Calf Challenge, Lamb Challenge, Pig Challenge, Market Broilers and Feeder Calves will be required to weigh-in during their designated check-in.
- No weigh-card changes, or re-weighs will be allowed on animals after the cards have been turned in.
- Check scales will be available in the stalling areas.

### **Weigh-backs on required weight card animals:**

- Show management will weigh-back all first, seconds and some randomly selected animals in class prior to the judge giving reasons.
- Weigh-Back Variances Allowed (above or below stated weight):
  - Market Beef: 5%
  - Market Goat, Market Lamb, Whether Dam Ewes: 5 lb.
  - Market Swine, Crossbred Breeding Gilts: 10 lbs.

## **Stalls and Pen Assignments**

- If the owner does not accompany the animals, someone in authority must be with animals on arrival to identify exhibits. The management will use diligence to ensure the safety of animals or articles entered for exhibition, after their arrival and placement, but under no circumstances will they be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage.
- All animals are expected to be in stalls from 8 am - 5 pm. Barns officially close at 11 pm.
- Animals not eligible for the Show and those that have been requested to be removed from the grounds by the show veterinarian will be released immediately.
- Only animals entered in the Show shall be allowed to unload at the show barns.
- The Show will assign stalls and pens at its own discretion.
- The animals will be required to be in their assigned area during barn hours. Exceptions will be made for washing and exercising.
- Pens will be provided for swine, goats, broilers, and sheep.
- Stalling requests will be accepted at time of entry. Stalling requests will be given to the best of our abilities.
- Tie spaces will be preassigned for the beef cattle. Tack spaces will be provided if available.
- Exhibitors are expected to cooperate with the penning and spaces provided.

## **Tie-Outs**

- Tie-outs will be available. Bedding will be provided, no straw allowed in tie outs.

## **Bedding**

- Initial bedding for all species (beef, pigs, sheep, and goats) is furnished. Additional bedding may be purchased on the grounds
- Carpet is allowed in sheep and goat pens.
- No straw allowed in barns.

## **No dogs allowed on stock show grounds**

## **Trailer Parking**

- All trailers must be parked in the designated trailer parking lot. No animals will be allowed in the trailer parking lot.

## **Housing Information**

- Campgrounds are available at Fonner Park. Contact, Kathy Foley: 402-760-0625.

### **Grooming Rules – All Species**

- No change of the major color pattern of animals by painting will be allowed.
- For all beef, paint is allowed from the hock down, the top, the flank, tail head, tail fin and tail ball. Any paint above the hock is subject to be wiped down in the check-in area prior to entering the ring.
- Inappropriate management practices of livestock, as determined by show management, by exhibitors, family members or others will result in disqualification of entries and/or exhibitors.
- Fitting legs with adhesive or like substance is permitted. (including goats, sheep, and beef)
- Goat and sheep exhibitors may use halters or collars in the show ring.
- The only acceptable material allowed on market swine is soap and water. Any oil, powder or other coat dressing compounds are not allowed. Violators will automatically be removed from further competition.

### **Blocking Chutes & Trimming Stands**

- Blocking Chutes and Trimming Stands are allowed on the grounds, with the purchase of a permit.
- Permits for the equipment can be bought with entries online or at the show office.
- Permits are required on all blocking chutes and trimming stands.

### **Fans, Generators & Misters**

- Portable generators, power washers and misters will not be allowed in the livestock buildings.
- Free standing fans will not be allowed.
- Hanging fans will only be allowed when attached to the tie rails or to supports attached to the tie rails.
- No fans will be allowed to blow from behind an animal regardless of attachment or location. This includes all species of animals.

## **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS**

Nebraska Department of Agriculture – State Veterinarian’s Office  
301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4787 (402) 471-2351

The Show, in cooperation with the Nebraska State Veterinarian’s Office and the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, recognizes and abides by the importation laws of the state of Nebraska. The requirements in this document reflect the import and livestock movements of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, as well as additional requirements from the Show.

Livestock disease control is vital for the livestock industry in Nebraska and the nation. Biosecurity is a key component of controlling diseases. Anytime animals are comingled, the chance of spreading disease is multiplied and so is the need for heightened biosecurity.

#### Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)

All animals entering the Nebraska State Fairgrounds must be accompanied by a current CVI (except poultry originating in Nebraska) and shall have official identification listed on the CVI. CVIs must list the Show as consignee.

Each CVI must:

- a. Be issued by an accredited licensed veterinarian.
- b. Show name and address of owner or exhibitor.
- c. Show all required tests and/or vaccinations.
- d. Each Swine CVI must contain the following statement: “To the best of my knowledge, swine represented on this certificate have not been exposed to, infected with or originated from premises known to be infected by Swine Enteric Corona Disease (SECD) or Seneca Valley Virus (SVV) in the last thirty (30) days.”
- e. All hooved animals originating from states or counties with Vesicular Stomatitis will require extra examination and CVI requirements performed by an accredited veterinarian. Exhibitors should contact the Nebraska State Veterinarian’s office for updates on requirements.

CVIs must be issued within thirty (30) days of the exhibition: **EXCEPTION – shorn sheep and goats.**

All sheep and goats exhibited (except breeding sheep shown “in the wool”, Breeding goats shown “in the hair” and carcass contest lambs.) must be shorn prior to being examined by a veterinarian. A CVI must be issued within fifteen (15) days of exhibition for all shorn sheep and goats.

General Health Requirements for All Animals

1. Representatives of the State Veterinarian’s Office will be in attendance to verify CVIs.
2. Under no circumstances may animals under quarantine be exhibited.
3. Only animals not showing signs of infectious or contagious diseases will be allowed to show.
4. Animals that have active sore mouth, ringworm, contagious lesions, visible warts, dermatitis or abscesses will not be allowed entry into the Nebraska State Fairgrounds for exhibition. Animals that are brought to exhibition with these skin conditions, that are visible by a hands-on inspection, will not be allowed to remain on the premises.
5. The inspecting veterinarian may judge the ringworm to be inactive if the lesion is not encrusted and hair/wool has begun re-growth in the area and is so stated on the CVI.
6. All animals entering the Nebraska State Fairgrounds will be subject to examination by a veterinarian upon arrival or during the show. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases may be immediately withdrawn from the show and held in quarantine at owner’s risk and expense until properly treated and recovered or until properly released to return to owner’s premises following treatment.
7. Any animals not from Nebraska that are sold or staying in Nebraska after exhibition must meet Nebraska import requirements.
8. List official identification (steel tags, individual animal breed registry tattoos, or 840 RFID tags) and accessory ID devices (4-H tags, FFA tags, etc.) which are correlated to official identification, on the CVI and accompanying certification where necessary.

**If an emerging disease is detected in Nebraska or any other state, additional requirements may be put in place.**

**NEBRASKA ORIGIN**

**BEEF CATTLE (CVI with official ID listed):** All cattle must be individually identified with official ID on the CVI. Accessory ID devices (4-H tags, FFA tags, etc.) are more easily read, but need to be listed and correlated to official identification (steel tags, tattoos, or 840 tags) on the CVI. Individual animal breed registry tattoos **must be accompanied by breed registry certification papers.**

- A. **Tuberculosis** - no test required to exhibit. Must be from a herd not under quarantine.
- B. **Brucellosis** - no test required to exhibit. Must be from a herd not under quarantine.
- C. **Trichomoniasis** – There are no Trichomoniasis testing requirements for animals originating from within Nebraska.

**SHEEP AND GOATS (CVI with official ID listed)**

- A. All sheep being exhibited will be examined for fungus prior to entering the Nebraska State Fairgrounds or at unloading time. All sheep will be examined by a licensed veterinarian. Blankets must be removed. **Market lambs may be examined at check in/weigh in and again prior to entering the show ring! All market lambs must be completely slick shorn, including belly, within ¼ inch PRIOR to arrival at the show. Wool may be left on the legs ONLY below the knees and hocks.** If any live fungus is found, said animal will be removed from contacting other sheep and people, and not allowed to be shown.
- B. All sheep and goats exhibited (except breeding sheep shown “in the wool”, breeding goats shown in hair and commercial market lambs) must be shorn prior to being examined by a veterinarian. **A CVI must be issued within fifteen (15) days of exhibition for all shorn sheep and all goats.**
- C. Identification: All sexually intact sheep and goats, wethers 18 months and older being exhibited, must have USDA Official Scrapie Identification and this must be listed on the CVI; Individual animal breed registry tattoos **must be accompanied by breed registry certification papers.** 982 tags are NOT official USDA scrapie tags.
- D. Under no circumstances may sheep or goats be exhibited at the Fair which originate from scrapie-source flocks or scrapie-infected flocks.

**SWINE (CVI with official ID listed) (4-H / FFA ID acceptable for terminal show)**

- A. Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) will be required for all exhibited swine. All swine must be individually identified with official ID on the CVI. **Each Swine CVI must contain the following**

statement: "To the best of my knowledge, swine represented on this certificate have not been exposed to, infected with or originated from premises known to be infected by Swine Enteric Corona Disease (SECD) or Seneca Valley Virus (SVV) in the last thirty (30) days."

- B. After exhibition of non-terminal swine, it is strongly recommended that exhibited swine should be kept separate and apart from all other swine and tested negative for PRV and Brucellosis in not less than thirty (30) days following last exhibition, or shipped directly to slaughter.

**POULTRY**

- A. CVI not required for poultry. No additional testing requirements.  
 B. Any birds showing signs of illness or parasites WILL NOT be allowed in the showroom and entry fees WILL NOT be refunded.

**If an emerging disease is detected in Nebraska or any other state, additional requirements may be put in place.**

**OUT-OF-STATE ORIGIN**

**ALL OUT-OF-STATE ORIGIN ANIMALS MUST HAVE A CURRENT CVI!**

**BEEF CATTLE (CVI with official ID listed) All cattle must be individually identified with official ID on the CVI.** Accessary ID devices (4-H tags, FFA tags, etc.) are more easily read, but need to be listed and correlated to official identification (steel tags, tattoos, or 840 RFID tags) on the CVI. Individual animal breed registry tattoos **must be accompanied by breed registry certification papers.**

- A. **Tuberculosis:**  
 a. Beef cattle – no testing required except from Michigan.  
 B. **Brucellosis:** Class-Free states: no test required. Must be from a herd not under quarantine.  
 C. **Trichomoniasis** – Cattle entering Nebraska for exhibition purposes are exempt for the requirements for Trichomoniasis. Animals remaining in Nebraska for any reason, other than slaughter, after exhibition, shall meet the importation requirements. For questions, please contact the Nebraska Department of Agriculture – Animal and Plant Health Protection at 402-471-2351.

**SHEEP AND GOATS (CVI with official ID listed)**

**\*\* Breeding Sheep and Goats need to have an import permit, unless returning to the state of origin! \*\***

- A. All sheep being exhibited will be examined for fungus prior to entering the Nebraska State Fairgrounds or at unloading time. All sheep will be examined by a licensed State Fair veterinarian. Blankets must be removed at the request of the examining veterinarian. If any live fungus is found, said animal will not be allowed onto the grounds.  
 B. All sheep and goats exhibited (except breeding sheep shown "in the wool", goats shown in hair and commercial market lambs) must be shorn prior to being examined by a veterinarian. **A CVI must be issued within fifteen (15) days of exhibition for all shorn sheep and all goats.**  
 C. Identification: All sexually intact sheep and goats, wethers 18 months and older being exhibited, **must have USDA Official Scrapie Identification and this must be listed on the CVI;** Individual animal breed registry tattoos **must be accompanied by breed registry certification papers. 982 tags are NOT official USDA scrapie tags.**  
 D. Under no circumstances may sheep or goats be exhibited which originate from scrapie-source flocks or scrapie-infected flocks.

**SWINE (CVI with official ID listed)**

- A. Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) will be required for all exhibited swine. All swine must be individually identified with official ID on the CVI. Each Swine CVI must contain the following statement: "To the best of my knowledge, swine represented on this certificate have not been exposed to, infected with or originated from premises known to be infected by Swine Enteric Corona Disease (SECD) or Seneca Valley Virus (SVV) in the last thirty (30) days."  
 B. Required evidence of a negative Brucellosis and PRV test for ALL out of state swine exhibited.  
 C. After exhibition of non-terminal swine, it is strongly recommended that exhibited swine should be kept separate and apart from all other swine and tested negative for PRV and Brucellosis in not less than thirty (30) days following last exhibition, or shipped directly to slaughter.

**POULTRY**

All poultry imported for exhibition shall come on a CVI and be from U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean or equivalent flocks, or have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within ninety (90) days of going to the exhibition.

## Additional Specie Information

Breeding exhibitors that exhibit at the Show are subject to allowing their animals to be used for the Livestock Judging Contest. Refusal will subject in withholding of premiums.

### Market Sheep Show

- All market sheep must be identified by an official USDA scrapie identification tag.
- All market sheep (ewes or wethers) must have DNA submitted.
- Cryptorchid market sheep are not eligible to be nominated for the Show.
- Decisions to send market sheep to harvest must be made at check-in.
- Positive identification is required on all market sheep entries.
- Positive identification is achieved by submitting DNA hair samples from all sheep that are being considered for exhibition. DNA envelopes are due July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Submission of DNA does not qualify as an entry.
- Enter into your respective class. Show management reserves the right to move sheep to another class.
- Show management will classify all lambs except lambs entered in the Black Face Market Lamb class.
- Vet Check will be placed prior to the staging area of the Market Sheep Show and Breeding Ewe Show. Vets will be checking for Club Sheep Fungus. If fungus is found, the sheep will be ineligible to show.
- Weight Declaration
  - Exhibitors will self-declare the market sheep's weight(s) utilizing a weigh-card system. All weigh-cards will be due at check-in.
  - The Show will re-weigh the first and seconds and additional animals at the discretion of the judge or show management.
  - A 5 lb. variance from the weigh-card weight will be allowed. Animals not meeting the 5 lb. variance either above or below the weigh-card weight will be disqualified and not be eligible for any champion awards.
  - The minimum weight for market sheep will be 115 pounds with no maximum weight limit. Sheep weighing less than 115 pounds will be ineligible for further competition and will not receive a premium. These sheep MAY still be sold to harvest.
  - Sheep must have all blankets pulled at the time of check-in.
  - No changes will be allowed to the weigh-card once submitted.
- Show Structure
  - In the market sheep classes ewes and wethers will be shown together.
  - Sheep will be shown from light weight to heavy weight.
  - Show program will be posted after check-in.
  - The top two animals from each class will compete for Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion. The Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion will compete for Grand Champion Market Lamb and Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb.
  - See "Grand Drive" section for explanation on how this event will be conducted.
- Showmanship
  - Market Sheep showmanship will follow the Market Sheep Show, see 'Showmanship' for details.
- Release Time
  - Market sheep will be released at the conclusion of the Market Sheep Show. Any violation of release rules will result in all premiums withheld and may be barred from future competition.
- Division
  - Market Sheep

- Class
  - White Face Market Lamb
  - White Breed Influence Market Lamb
  - Southdown Market Lamb
  - Natural Influence Market Lamb
  - Black Face Market Lamb
  - Hampshire Market Lamb
- Visual Classifications
  - Hamp, White Face, White Breed Influenced, Southdowns, and Natural Color
- Loadout
  - Loadout time and location for market sheep will be posted at the livestock office.
  - It is the responsibility of all exhibitors to ensure that sheep designated for harvest at check-in are put in the designated holding area to be loaded onto the trucks.
  - Failure to comply with load out procedures will result in the withholding of premium monies and the exhibitor may be disqualified.

**Lamb Challenge**

- Entry
  - Use regular Show Entry System.
  - Enter Lamb Challenge Class
  - Entry of the Lamb Challenge Lamb is the exhibitor’s responsibility.

<u>Scoring Category</u>	<u>Points</u>
Sponsor Reports (5)	100
Record Book	150
Showmanship	100
Average Daily Gain	30
Interview	100
Live Placing	20
	500 Points Total

- In case of a tie, the following breakers will be used: 1) Record Book; 2) Showmanship; 3) Sponsor Reports; and 4) Interview.
- Additional Rules
  - All Lamb Challenge Lambs must enter and exhibit unless previously excused by the Show.
  - All Lamb Challenge Lambs will be weighed prior to the show.
  - The Show substitute showman rule will be enforced.
  - Lamb Challenge Lambs are not eligible to show in Lamb Showmanship.
  - All general grooming rules apply to Lamb Challenge Lambs.
  - Live animal premiums will be paid according to stated market lamb show premiums.
  - All Lamb Challenge entries must go to harvest.

**Breeding Sheep Show**

- To be eligible for exhibition, breeding ewes must be registered by the official breed association in the name of the youth by July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- All breeding ewes must be identified with an official USDA scrapie identification tag.
- Registration papers should be presented at check-in. Animals whose registration papers are not approved or are still pending will show in the commercial class.
- Only breeding ewes recognized as registered and eligible to show by their respective breed associations will be allowed to compete in the breed classes.
- To be eligible for the commercial breeding ewe class, each ewe must have a known birthdate and be identified by an official USDA scrapie identification tag.

- Exhibitor changes of an animal from a breed class to the commercial class will not be allowed after the official entry deadline.
- Show Structure
  - Entries in the Breeding Ewe Show will be divided by breeds and then by age within the breed. Class sizes will be determined by Show officials based on the number of animals at check-in.
  - Any registered ewes not meeting breed requirements or other eligibility rules will go into the Commercial class.
  - Breeds with less than five (5) head may all show in one class. They will enter the ring by age. Show management may combine classes until they reach a minimum class size deemed appropriate.
  - The top two animals from each class will compete for Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion of their respective breed.

#### Supreme Drive and Top Five

- A selection of top five in the Breeding Ewe show will be selected with the top two animals from each division competing for Supreme Champion Breeding Ewe and Reserve Champion Breeding Ewe
- Showmanship
  - Breeding Ewe Showmanship will follow the Breeding Ewe Show. See 'Showmanship' for more details.
- Release Time
  - Breeding ewes will be released at the conclusion of the Breeding Ewe Show. Any violation of release rules will result in all premiums withheld and may be barred from future competition.
- Division
  - Breeding Ewe
- Breeds
  - Dorset, Dorset Advantage, Hampshire, Shropshire, Southdown, Suffolk, Commercial
- Age Classifications (classes will be split based age range/number of entries)
  - April 2021 Ewes
  - March 2021 Ewes
  - February 2021 Ewes
  - January 2021 Ewes
  - Yearling Ewes

#### Market Goat Show

- Market Goat show will consist of Market Doe and Market Wether Divisions
- All market goats must be identified with an official USDA scrapie identification tag.
- All market goats must be born after January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- Positive identification is required on all market goat entries. Positive identification is achieved by submitting DNA hair samples on all market goats that are being considered for exhibition by July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Submission of a DNA hair sample does not qualify as an entry.
- After entry, exhibitors may substitute animals for the show providing that DNA hair samples from goats being considered for substitution are on file with the Show officials and have met the July 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
- Weight Declaration
  - Exhibitors will self-declare the market goat's weight(s) utilizing a weigh-card system. All weigh-cards will be due at check-in. No changes will be allowed to the weigh-card once submitted.
  - Show management will re-weigh the first and seconds and additional animals at the discretion of the judge or show management.

- A 5 lb. variance from weigh-card weight will be allowed. Animals not meeting the 5 lb. variance either above or below the weigh-card weight will be disqualified.
- The minimum weight for goats will be 50 pounds with no maximum weight limit. Goats weighing less than 50 pounds will be ineligible for further competitions and no premiums.
- Goats must have all blankets pulled at the time of check-in.
- Show Structure
  - Market goats will be divided into an appropriate number of divisions using weight ranges.
  - Market does and market wethers will show in separate divisions within the Market Goat Show.
  - Market Goats will be shown light weight to heavy.
  - The Division Champion and Reserve Division Champions from Market Doe and Market Wether Divisions will compete for the Grand Champion Market Goat and Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat.
  - See "Grand Drive" section for explanation on how the selection of the Top 10 animals will be conducted and awards/premiums.
  - The official show weight will be the sale weight for animals consigned for harvest.
- Showmanship
  - Market Goat showmanship will follow the market goat show. Please see 'Showmanship' section.
- Release Time
  - Market goats will be released at the conclusion of the Market Goat Show.
- Division
  - Market Goat
- Class
  - Market Doe
  - Market Wether
- Harvest Loadout
  - Market Goat loadout time and location will be posted in livestock office.
  - It is the responsibility of all exhibitors to ensure that goats designated for harvest are put in the designated holding area to be loaded onto the truck.
  - Failure to comply with load out procedures will result in the withholding of premium monies and the exhibitor may be disqualified. (Please refer to the General Rules section of the Premium Book to read the "Disqualification" paragraph).

### **Breeding Goat Show**

- All breeding does must be identified with an official USDA scrapie identification tag.
- Exhibitor changes of an animal from the registered class to the commercial class will not be allowed after the official entry deadline.
- Registered breeding does will be shown by age.
- Commercial breeding does will be shown by weight.

### **Weight Declaration**

- Exhibitors will self-declare the breeding doe weight utilizing a weigh-card system. All weigh-cards will be due at check-in. No changes will be allowed to the weigh-card once submitted.
- The Show will re-weigh the first and seconds and additional animals at the discretion of the judge or show management.
- A 5 lb. variance from weigh-card weight will be allowed. Animals not meeting the 5 lb. variance either above or below the weigh-card weight will be disqualified.
- Goats must have all blankets pulled at the time of check-in.
- Division
  - Breeding Doe
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- Breeds
  - Registered
  - Commercial
- Show Structure
  - Registered Yearling Does – Kided January 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020
  - Registered Fall Does – Kided September 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020
  - Registered Spring Does – Kided January 1, 2021 to April 30, 2021
  - Commercial breeding does will be shown light to heavy
- Supreme Drive and Top Five
  - A selection of top five in the Breeding Doe show will be selected with the top two animals from each division competing for Supreme Champion Breeding Doe and Reserve Champion Breeding Doe.
- Showmanship
  - Breeding Doe showmanship will follow the Breeding Doe Show. See 'Showmanship' for details.
- Release Time
  - All Breeding Does will be released at the conclusion of the Breeding Doe Show. Any violation of release rules will result in all premiums withheld and may be barred from future competition.

### **Market Swine Show**

- Official identification is required for out of state entries (840 tag). EIDs will be accepted for in state entries.
- Market gilts and market barrows are eligible to be shown in the market swine show.
- Positive identification is required on all market swine entries and is achieved by submitting DNA hair samples from all swine that are being considered for exhibition.
- Weight Declaration
  - Exhibitors will self-declare the market swine's weight utilizing a weigh-card system. All weigh-cards will be due at check-in.
    - The Show will re-weigh the first and seconds and additional animals at the discretion of the judge or show management.
    - Division winners will be re-weighed as they enter the ring for selection of breed and/or division champions.
    - A 10 lb. variance from weigh-card weight will be allowed. Animals not meeting the 10 lb. variance either above or below the weigh-card weight will be disqualified and forfeit premiums and will not be eligible for any champion awards.
  - The minimum weight for market swine will be 230 pounds with a 300-pound maximum weight limit.
  - The official show weight will be the sale weight for animals consigned for harvest.
- Division
  - Market Swine
- Classes (classes will be broken further by weight)
  - Crossbred Market Gilt
  - Crossbred Market Barrow
  - Berkshire Market Hog
  - Chester White Market Hog
  - Duroc Market Hog
  - Hampshire Market Hog
  - Hereford Market Hog
  - Landrace Market Hog

- Poland China Market Hog
- Spot Market Hog
- Tamworth Market Hog
- Yorkshire Market Hog
- Show Structure
  - Market swine will be divided into divisions, then classes by weight.
  - Barrows and gilts will show together in the purebred show.
  - Barrows and gilts will show separately in the crossbred show.
  - Purebred market swine will need to show registration papers at check-in. If registration and animal do not match, they will be moved to the crossbred market gilt/crossbred market barrow show.
  - Selection of Breed and Division honors
    - Purebreds
      - The top three animals from each class will compete for breed honors
      - The top three from each breed will compete for top 5 purebred
    - Crossbred barrows
      - The top three animals from each class will compete for the selection of the top five in each weight division (light, medium, heavy, etc)
      - The top five animals from each weight division will compete for top five crossbred barrow honors
    - Crossbred Gilts
      - The top three animals from each class will compete for the selection of the top five in each weight division (light, medium, heavy, etc)
      - The top five animals from each weight division will compete for the top five crossbred gilt honors
    - Top 10 Overall Market Hog Honors
      - The top 5 animals from the Purebred, Crossbred Barrow, and Crossbred Gilt will compete for the top 10 honors in the Grand Drive.
    - See "Grand Drive" section for further explanation and awards/premiums.
- Showmanship
  - Market Swine Showmanship will follow the market swine show. See 'Showmanship' for more details.
- Release Time
  - All swine will be released at the conclusion of the Market Swine Show. Any violation of release rules will result in all premiums withheld and may be barred from future competition.
- Market Loadout
  - Loadout time and location market swine will be posted at the show.
  - It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure all swine designated for harvest, upon leaving the show ring, are returned to their assigned pens to be loaded onto the trucks.
  - Exhibitors shall have responsibility for their swine while they are at the show or until they lose control of them. (Control is lost when an auctioned hog is declared sold by the auctioneer and all other swine when they pass the wash rack to be loaded to harvest).
  - Failure to comply with loadout procedures will result in the withholding of premium monies and the exhibitor may be disqualified. Non-terminal market swine are excused at the conclusion of the market swine show. (Please refer to the General Rules section of the Premium book to read the "Disqualification" paragraph).

**Pig Challenge**

- Entry

- Use regular Show Entry System.
- Enter Pig Challenge Class
- Entry of the Pig Challenge Pig is the exhibitor’s responsibility.

<u>Scoring Category</u>	<u>Points</u>
Sponsor Reports (5)	40
Record Book	60
Showmanship	40
Average Daily Gain	10
Interview	40
Live Placing	10
	200 Points Total

- In case of a tie, the following breakers will be used: 1) Record Book; 2) Showmanship; 3) Sponsor Reports; and 4) Interview.

- Additional Rules

- All Pig Challenge pigs must enter and exhibit unless previously excused by the Show.
- All Pig Challenge pigs will be weighed prior to the show.
- The Show substitute showman rule will be enforced.
- Pig Challenge pigs are not eligible to show in Market Swine Showmanship.
- All general grooming rules apply to Pig Challenge Pigs.
- Live animal premiums will be paid according to stated market pig show premiums.
- All Pig Challenge pigs must go to harvest.
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**Breeding Gilt Show**

- Official identification for out of state entries (840 tag). EID tag will be accepted for in state entries.
- Breeding Gilts will be required to be entered during the entry period. (no nomination required)
- Exhibitor changes of an animal from the registered class to the commercial class will not be allowed after the official entry deadline.

- Check-In and Weighing

- papers will be checked at check-in.
- proper breed work required.
  - If paperwork doesn’t match, gilt will go to commercial show.

- Show Structure

- Classes in the Breeding Gilt Show will be divided into classes by age on the purebreds and by weight on the crossbreds.
- Purebred breeds will show first followed by the Crossbred classes.
- Gilts will be divided by age within the division.
- Class sizes will be determined by Show officials based on the number of animals at check-in.
- Gilts will enter the ring by age, show management may combine class until they reach a minimum class size deemed appropriate.
- The Show will re-weigh the first and seconds and additional animals at the discretion of the judge or the Show management.
- Division winners will be re-weighed as they enter the ring for selection of breed and/or division champions.
- 10 lb. variance from weigh-card weight will be allowed. Animals not meeting the 10 lb. variance either above or below the weigh-card weight will be disqualified.

- Selection of Breed and Division honors
  - Purebred
    - The top two animals from each class will compete for breed honors (Champion and Reserve)
  - Crossbred
    - The top two animals from each class will compete for top two in each weight division (ie. Light, medium, and heavy, etc.) The top two animals from each weight division (Light, Medium, and Heavy, etc.) will compete for breed honors (Champion and Reserve)
- Supreme Drive and Top Five
  - A selection of top five in the Breeding Gilt show will be selected with the top two animals from each breed division competing for Supreme Champion Breeding Gilt and Reserve Champion Breeding Gilt. Supreme drive will consist of each purebred champion and the crossbred champion.

#### Showmanship

- Breeding Swine Showmanship will follow the breeding swine show. See 'Showmanship' for more details.
- Release Time
  - All breeding gilts will be released at the conclusion of the breeding gilt show. Violation of release rules will result in all premiums withheld and may be barred from future competition.
- Division
  - Breeding Gilts
- Class
  - Crossbred Breeding Gilt
  - Berkshire Breeding Gilt
  - Chester White Breeding Gilt
  - Duroc Breeding Gilt
  - Hampshire Breeding Gilt
  - Hereford Breeding Gilt
  - Landrace Breeding Gilt
  - Poland China Breeding Gilt
  - Spot Breeding Gilt
  - Tamworth Breeding Gilt
  - Yorkshire Breeding Gilt
- Age Classifications
  - Gilts must born January 1, 2021 or after

#### **Market Beef Show**

- All market beef must be identified with a visual tag or EID tag or Tattoo.
- Positive identification is required on all market beef entries and is achieved by submitting DNA hair samples from all market beef that are being considered for exhibition.
- Weight Declaration
  - Exhibitors will self-declare the market beef's weight utilizing a weigh-card system. All weigh-cards will be due at check-in.
  - Show management will re-weigh the first and seconds and additional animals at the discretion of the judge or show management.
  - A 5% variance from the weigh-card weight will be allowed. Animals not meeting the 5% variance either above or below the weigh-card weight will forfeit premiums and will not be eligible for any champion awards.
  - The minimum weight for market beef is 1,000 pounds with no maximum weight limit.

- Show Structure
  - Market beef will be exhibited from light to heavy within each division.
  - If a beef animal gets away from an exhibitor more than two times in the show ring, they will be dismissed from the class.
  - Any registered steers not meeting breed requirements or other eligibility rules will go into the Crossbred class.
  - The top two animals from each class will compete for Breed Champion and Reserve Breed Champion with the exception of the crossbreds where weight division champions will be selected. The Breed/Division Champion Steer and Reserve Breed/Division Champion Steer and Champion and Reserve Market Heifer will compete for Grand Champion Market Beef and Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef.
  - See "Grand Drive" section for explanation on how the selection of the Top 10 animals will be conducted and awards/premiums.
- Showmanship
  - Market Beef showmanship will follow the Market Beef Show. See 'Showmanship' for more details.
- Release Time
  - Market beef will be released at the conclusion of the Market Beef Show. Any violation of release rules will result in all premiums withheld and may be barred from future competition.
- Division
  - Market Beef
- Class
  - Registered British Market Steer (Angus, Shorthorn, Hereford, Red Angus, British AOB)
  - Registered Continental Market Steer (Simmental, Charolais, Chianina, Maine Anjou, Gelbvieh, Limousin, Continental AOB)
    - *Registered steer classes will show by identified breed. Breeds with less than 5 head entered will show in AOB.*
  - Crossbred Market Steer – (multiple weight divisions will be represented in the Grand Drive)
  - Market Heifer
- Loadout
  - Loadout time and location for market beef will be posted at the livestock office.
  - It is the responsibility of all exhibitors or designated personnel to ensure that beef designated for harvest at check-in are put in the designated area to be loaded onto the trucks.
  - Exhibitors or designated personnel are responsible for making arrangements to get cattle fed and watered from release time to loadout time.
  - Those lightweight beef ineligible for show but on the official list to sell from weigh-in will also be loaded at this time.
  - Failure to comply with loadout procedures will result in the withholding of premium monies and the exhibitor may be disqualified. (Please refer to the General Rules section of the Premium Book to read the "Disqualification" paragraph).

**Calf Challenge**

- Entry
  - Use regular Show Entry System.
  - Enter Calf Challenge Class
  - Entry of the Calf Challenge is the exhibitor's responsibility.
    - Entries are due at the same time as other entries.

<u>Scoring Category</u>	<u>Points</u>
Sponsor Reports	40
Record Book	60

Average Daily Gain	20
Live Placing	10
Showmanship	35
Interview	35
Points Total	200

- In case of a tie, the following breakers will be used: 1) Record Book; 2) Showmanship; 3) Sponsor Reports; and 4) Interview.

- Notes

- In case of a tie, the following tie breakers will be used: 1) record book; 2) showmanship; 3) sponsor report; 4) interview;
- All Calf Challenge Calves must enter and exhibit unless previously excused by the Show.
- All Calf Challenge Calves will be weighed prior to the show.
- All Market Beef grooming rules will be enforced.
- Live animal premiums will be paid according to stated Market Beef Show premiums.
- Calf Challenge calves are not eligible to compete in Market Beef Showmanship.
- All Calf Challenge calves must go to harvest.

### Feeder Calf Show

- All feeder calves must be identified with a visual tag or EID tag or Tattoo.
- Heifer calves and steer calves born during the current year, after January 1 and before June 1 are eligible to be entered.
- No bulls will be allowed to show. If there is any evidence of testicular development by manual palpation of the scrotum, the animal will be disqualified.
- It is preferred that all feeder calves be dehorned.
- Heifer calves shown in the breeding beef show are not eligible for the Feeder Calf Show.
- No substitutions after entry for feeder calves.
- No nurse cows or dams of feeder calves will be allowed on the stock show grounds.
- Check-In and Weighing
  - Feeder calves will be weighed at check-in.
- Show Structure
  - Entries will be shown by weight.
  - The top two animals from each heifer class will compete for Grand Champion Feeder Heifer and Reserve Grand Champion Feeder Heifer.
  - The top two animals from each steer class will compete for Grand Champion Feeder Steer and Reserve Grand Champion Feeder Steer.
  - The Champion Feeder Steer and Champion Feeder Heifer will compete for the Grand Champion Feeder Calf.
  - If a beef animal gets away from an exhibitor more than two times in the show ring, they will be dismissed from the class.
- Showmanship
  - Feeder Calf showmanship will follow the Feeder Calf Show.
- Release Time
  - Feeder calves will be released at the conclusion of the Feeder Calf Show. Any violation of release rules will result in all premiums withheld and may be barred from future competition.
- Division
  - Feeder Calf
- Class
  - Feeder Steer
  - Feeder Heifer
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## **Breeding Heifer Show**

- All breeding heifers must be identified with a visual tag or EID tag or Tattoo.
- To be eligible for exhibition, breeding heifers must be registered by the official breed association in the name of the youth and/or immediate family member or in partnership with a parent or guardian, family or farm name, and must be owned by the time of entry.
- Registration papers should be presented at the check-in. Animals whose registration papers are not approved or are still pending will show in the commercial class.
- Heifers entered in the Feeder Calf Show are not eligible for the Breeding Heifer Show.
- Only breeding heifers recognized as registered and eligible to show by their respective breed associations will be allowed to compete in the breed classes.
- To be eligible for the commercial breeding heifer class, each heifer must have a known birthdate and be identified by an EID tag.
- If a beef animal gets away from an exhibitor more than two times in the show ring, they will be dismissed from the class.
- Show Structure
  - Classes in the Breeding Heifer Show will be divided by breeds and then by age within the breed.
  - Any registered heifers not meeting breed requirements or other eligibility rules will go into the Commercial class.
  - Classes are determined by age.
  - The top two animals from each class will compete for Breed Champion and Reserve Breed Champion.

### Supreme Drive and Top Five

- A selection of top five in the Breeding Heifer show will be selected from the Champion and Reserve Champion Breeds.
- Showmanship
  - Showmanship will be following the breeding heifer show. See 'Showmanship' for details.
- Release Time
  - Breeding heifers will be released at the conclusion of the Breeding Heifer Show. Any violation of release rules will result in all premiums withheld and may be barred from future competition.
- Division
  - Breeding Heifer
- Breed
  - Angus, Charolais, Charolais Composite, Chianina, Commercial, Gelbvieh, Horned Hereford, Polled Hereford, Limousin, Lim-Flex, Maine-Anjou, Mainetainer, Miniature Hereford, Percentage Simmental, Simmental, Red Angus, Shorthorn, and Shorthorn Plus.
    - *Registered heifer classes will show by identified breed. Breeds with less than 5 head entered will show in AOB.*
- Classes per Breed
  - Spring Heifer Calves – Calved March 1, 2021 to April 30, 2021
  - Junior Heifer Calves – Calved January 1, 2021 to February 28, 2021
  - Late Senior Heifer Calves – Calved November 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020
  - Early Senior Heifer Calves – Calved September 1, 2020 to October 31, 2020
  - Late Summer Yearling Heifers – Calved July 1, 2020 – August 31, 2020
  - Early Summer Yearling Heifers – Calved May 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020
  - Late Junior Yearling Heifers – Calved March 1, 2020 to April 30, 2020
  - Junior Yearling Heifers – Calved January 1, 2020 to February 28, 2020
  - Senior Fall Heifers – Calved October 1, 2019 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019

## **Broiler Show**

- All broilers entered in the show will be sent to harvest
- Three chickens per pen.
- Kids are responsible for their own herdsmanship at the show.
- 13.5 lbs. minimum per pen
- 22.5 lbs. maximum per pen
- Champion, Reserve Champion and third overall pens will be DNA tested
- Random DNA tests will be done at the show.
- No wing bands or leg bands
- Exhibitors will have to declare their 'final weight' until they declare that is their 'final weight' they can weigh and swap chickens within pens.
- Exhibitors can bring as many of their chickens as they want, but extra chickens that aren't used will not be allowed to stay in the barn.
- No carriers will be allowed in the barn.
- Cost: \$1.50
- Orders
  - Come from the Show source.
  - 25 chicks minimum order/exhibitor
  - 100 chicks maximum order/exhibitor
  - 25 chick order quantities (25, 50, 75, 100)
  - Order Deadline 7-01-20
- Hatch Date
  - August 10th
- Exhibitor Receiving Date
  - August 12 or August 13<sup>th</sup>
- Entry
  - \$20 per 2 pens or 1 pen
  - Max Entries per exhibitor - 2 pens
- Check-In
  - Time and location will be posted on official schedule.
  - Check-in will serve on a first come first serve basis.
- Show Structure
  - If number of entries permit:
    - Light Weight Pen
    - Medium Weight Pen
    - Heavy Weight Pen
  - 1-10<sup>th</sup> placing will be awarded.
    - See "Grand Drive" section for explanation on how this event will be conducted.
- Showmanship
  - will follow the show.

## NEW IN 2021 – Aksarben Stock Show – “The Grand Drive”

All market species are eligible for “The Grand Drive”. A selection of the top 10 in Market Lambs, Market Goats, Market Beef, and Market Swine will be take place during a special performance on Saturday evening, September 25<sup>th</sup>. All qualified participants in The Grand Drive, will receive a scholarship/award with 50% a monetary award and 50% an educational scholarship. The youth can use the educational scholarship when he or she chooses a post-secondary education upon graduating from high school. The Grand Drive premiums will be mailed to exhibitors no later than December 1<sup>st</sup>. The scholarships are facilitated and managed by the Knights of Aksarben Foundation.

The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Overall in each market species will become the property of the Show in return for a guaranteed premium pending final approval from show management. Overall Grand and Reserve Grand Champion animals are terminal. Third through ninth are non-terminal.

We appreciate the investment of all our sponsors for making this new venture possible and their devotion to the future of the livestock industry.

### The Grand Drive Selection and Award Process

#### Market Sheep – 10 head

(Selection based on Grand Champion and Reserve Champion in each identified division. The judge has the ability to select deeper in to an identified division).

- Grand Champion Overall      \$6,000
- Reserve Champion Overall      \$4,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall      \$2,000
- 4<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$1,500
- 5<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$1,000
- 6<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$900
- 7<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$800
- 8<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$700
- 9<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$600
- 10<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$500

#### Market Goats – 10 head

(Selection will be based on Division Champion and Reserve Market Does and Division Champion and Reserve Wethers)

- Grand Champion Overall      \$6,000
- Reserve Champion Overall      \$4,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall      \$2,000
- 4<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$1,500
- 5<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$1,000
- 6<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$900
- 7<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$800
- 8<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$700
- 9<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$600
- 10<sup>th</sup> Overall      \$500

**Market Swine – 10 head**

(Selection will be based on Top 5 Crossbred Barrow, Top 5 Crossbred Gilts, and Top 5 Purebred Market Hogs)

- Grand Champion Overall \$6,000
- Reserve Champion Overall \$4,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall \$2,000
- 4<sup>th</sup> Overall \$1,500
- 5<sup>th</sup> Overall \$1,000
- 6<sup>th</sup> Overall \$ 900
- 7<sup>th</sup> Overall \$800
- 8<sup>th</sup> Overall \$700
- 9<sup>th</sup> Overall \$600
- 10<sup>th</sup> Overall \$500

**Market Beef – 10 head**

(Selection will be based on Division Champion and Reserve British Breeds Steers, Continental Steers, Crossbred Steers, and Market Heifers)

- Grand Champion Overall \$12,000
- Reserve Champion Overall \$10,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall \$5,000
- 4<sup>th</sup> Overall \$3,000
- 5<sup>th</sup> Overall \$2,000
- 6<sup>th</sup> Overall \$1,500
- 7<sup>th</sup> Overall \$1,250
- 8<sup>th</sup> Overall \$1,000
- 9<sup>th</sup> Overall \$ 750
- 10<sup>th</sup> Overall \$ 500

**Market Broilers – Top 3 Pens**

- Grand Champion Overall \$1,750
- Reserve Champion Overall \$1,250
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall \$1,000

**Challenge Competition Champions****Lamb Challenge – Top 3**

- Grand Champion Overall \$2,500
- Reserve Champion Overall \$1,500
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall \$1,000

**Pig Challenge – Top 3**

- Grand Champion Overall \$2,500
- Reserve Champion Overall \$1,500
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall \$1,000

**Beef Challenge – Top 3**

- Grand Champion Overall \$5,000
- Reserve Champion Overall \$3,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall \$2,000