

Youth General Livestock Rules and Regulations



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Youth Activities: Kelsey Haupt, Duval County Extension
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Registration Deadline: [October 1st ALL Livestock Entries](#)

ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS: Please check your completed application to be sure that you have included your social security number, the required paperwork for your contest, and the name of your parent, (adviser or leader, if applicable) on the entry application form along with your payment. These are all necessary for a completed form and your being registered into the contest of your choice.

A Note to Parents About Your Child's Personal Information:

Why do we require personal information and social security numbers? We understand your concerns, and we want you to know why this info is needed. Many of our 4-H and FFA youths take part in various contests and events-rabbits, poultry, dog show, horse show, and other open and youth shows. It is possible our kids can earn multiple premiums and accumulate a sum of money that requires us to report their earnings to the IRS. It would be difficult to contact parents after the fair to get the information needed and still get checks written and to the winners in a timely manner. We want you to know their information is guarded and entry forms are shredded when they are no longer needed.

➤ **Completion of the Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care workshop is required for all youth (except Cloverbuds).**

➤ **Ethics courses can be found here:**

https://floridastatefair.formstack.com/forms/2023_2024_youth_livestock_show_ethics_and_animal_care_workshop

4-H Eligibility:

1. All 4-H participants must be members in good standing with their county 4-H program.

2. Participants must have been 4-H members for at least 30 days prior to any contest.

3. A 4-H member must be 8 years of age at the beginning of the current 4-H program year (September 1, 2023) to be eligible to enroll in a large animal 4-H project, own a large animal, exhibit or show a large animal.

4. Children under 8 years of age on September 1st of the current 4-H year are ineligible to participate in competitive large animal activities at any level (Club, County, District, State, National or International).

Note: They may, however, participate in the judging contests for practice, but should not preregister their names or addresses since they will not be on a team and their award will be a participation ribbon.

Senior Division: A 4-H club member 14-18 years old, as of Sept.1st, 2023-They are eligible for peer competition.

Intermediate Division: A 4-H club member, 11-13 years old, as of Sept.1st, 2023-They are eligible for peer competition.

Junior Division: A 4-H club member, 8-10 years old, as of Sept. 1st, 2023-They are eligible for peer competition.

F.F.A. Eligibility:

Any active, in-school F.F.A. member who is enrolled in agribusiness education or who has taken all the agribusiness education courses offered in her/his school is eligible. An F.F.A. member must be at least 14 years old or scheduled to turn 14 before the date of the current year's National Land, Pasture & Range Judging Contest, to be held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma in April or May of the current year.

F.F.A. Senior Division: Will be comprised of Senior High Students

F.F.A. Junior Division: Will be comprised of Middle / Junior High Students.

Photography Release

Photographs will be taken during these events and the images will be used to help promote the fair and educate the public about our different programs and competitions.

I authorize the Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair or their assignees to record and photograph my image and/or voice (or that of my child if under 18) for use in research, educational and promotional programs. I also recognize that these audio, video and image recordings are the property of the Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair.

If anyone has an objection to the use of their child's image please send a request to jackie@jacksonvillefair.com.

NOTICE: In the case of papers pending, it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to provide the fair with a letter from the breed association stating that the papers on the animal have been applied for, but have not yet been processed. Papers pending will not be accepted without this letter from the association.

Entry Fees

- Youth Horse Show.....\$10.00 Per Class (Not per animal)
- Youth Beef Show.....\$10.00 Per Application (Not per animal)
- Youth Dairy Show.....\$10.00 Per Application (Not per animal)
- Youth Dog Show.....\$5.00 Per Dog
- Youth Poultry.....\$1.00 Per Bird
- Youth Rabbit Show....\$1.00 Per Rabbit \$2.00 Per Rabbit Fur Class

Showmanship:

If you wish to compete for Showmanship, you must indicate this on your registration form.

Showmanship Ages Are As Follows:

Senior Showmanship: 14 - 18 years of age as of Sept. 1, 2023 (High School Student)

Intermediate Showmanship: 11 - 13 years of age as of Sept. 1, 2023

Junior Showmanship: 8 - 10 years of age as of Sept. 1, 2023

Showmanship Awards:

Youth Dairy Showmanship: 1st Place: Division winners will each receive a belt buckle.*

2nd & 3rd Place: Winners will receive an award.

Youth Beef Showmanship: 1st Place: Division winners will each receive a belt buckle.*

2nd & 3rd Place: Winners will receive an award.

*Belt buckles are sponsored by The Duval County Cattlemen's Association and the Duval County Farm Bureau

Attire:

For showmanship and show, all Youth exhibitors will be required to be clean, neat, and dressed according to the standards of the youth organization they are representing. FFA- black jeans, white collared shirt, FFA jacket and tie. 4-H- Black/dark jeans, white collared shirt. 4-H vest, jacket, and/or tie is strongly recommended. No caps or hats. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required. **Exhibitors not conforming to the Dress Code will not be allowed to enter the Show Ring.**

General Rules

1. A youth member may enter no more than five animals per show (beef or dairy). Registration papers on registered animals and proof of ownership for non-registered animals must be available at check in.
2. All animals must have been owned and cared for by the 4-H/ F.F.A. members at least sixty (60) days prior to the opening of the fair.
3. There shall be separate classes for each of the major beef breeds provided there are 10 head/3 exhibitors per breed. If there are not two, the females will be eligible to enter the AOB show.
4. Concerning bulls, only those that are registered may be shown.
5. A minimum of 10 head or 3 exhibitors must be entered to have a show.
6. The Modified Danish System of judging will be used.
7. Current health certificates must be available on all animals (including nurse cows) and checked on site by a fair appointed livestock inspector before livestock can enter the barn. These certificates must comply with the regulations as outlined in the "Health Regulations" in the Beef and Dairy Sections. Every animal must carry

positive identification such as ear tags, ear tattoos, or brands. Individual animal identification numbers must correspond with their particular numbers on the Official Health Certificate: There will be no exceptions.

8. Any animal found to have its physical features altered or tampered with by surgery for the purpose of improving their conformation or appearance will be disqualified from the show.

9. Animals may not be sold or ownership transferred during The Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair. Transfer of ownership must occur at the conclusion of the fair.

10. **Due to School Tours, we request cattle be in the barn and exhibits cleaned by 9:00 a.m.** The fair request exhibitors hold their stock in the barn until the flow of spectators ceases; also, that exhibitors not tie out before 9:30 p.m.

11. Due to health and safety issues, no cooking will be allowed in the barn, food and drink should not be consumed in animal areas, and exhibitors should wash their hands after handling animals.

12. Feed, care, and management of animals will be the responsibility of the exhibitor.

13. Shavings for bedding will be provided by the fair. No water troughs are permitted in the barn.

14. Failure to maintain animals and exhibits to acceptable standards and/or failure to cooperate with fair officials may result in premium forfeiture and immediate dismissal from the fairgrounds.

15. Pets, including dogs, are not allowed in the barns or on the fairgrounds, with the exception of service dogs.

16. Open and loud use of profane and abusive language will not be tolerated. Sounds should be maintained at a normal level.

17. Overnight camping is not allowed unless authorized by the fair office. No one is permitted to stay in the barns overnight.

18. Smoking or consuming outside alcoholic beverages is not allowed in or around the barn areas.

19. Unless otherwise approved by the Livestock Chairman, only approved 4-H Club or F.F.A. signs are allowed to be displayed.

20. You will be assigned to Exhibitor Lot Parking. Please do **not** use Lot #2, which will be monitored for use by individuals not assigned to that lot. (Names on parking passes will indicate legal parkers.)

21. **Exhibitors participating in the Open and Youth Cattle Shows will be given parking passes for the Exhibitor Lot.** Parking Lot # 2 is reserved for 11-day exhibitors, admission control, Fair Board Members, staff, security, Jacksonville Sheriff Officers, and for Fire and Rescue Trucks that may be needed for any emergency that may arise during the Fair. This lot will be monitored to assure that it is not used by anyone except those previously listed and who have a Lot #2 parking pass hanging on the rearview mirror with the correct name. This will be strictly enforced.

PASSES: Gate passes will be issued on the following basis. 1-6 animals, six (6) daily admission tickets and three one day Exhibitor Lot parking passes, 7-12 animals, nine (9) daily admission tickets and six one day Exhibitor Lot parking passes, 13 and over animals, twelve (12) daily admission tickets and six one day Exhibitor Lot parking passes.

Please note: All passes will be single daily admission tickets. All parking passes for Open and Youth Shows will be for the Exhibitor Lot. (11-day exhibitors get one Lot 2 pass and one Exhibitor Lot pass.) No additional parking or admission passes will be given if showing in the Youth Show as well.

Note: An admission ticket will be for a single day. Be sure to utilize your tickets to cover every day you are at the fair. There will be no additional tickets issued. If additional tickets are required, you may purchase them for half price (\$5.00) from the Livestock Office or the Administration Office. Additional tickets may also be bought online for half price before the fair opens.

Receiving:

Youth Cattle will be received with their respective breed. All animals entered in the Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair **MUST** have current health certificates. Animals must be in acceptable condition and trained to be handled and led. Exhibitors must be present to show their animals.

Acceptance and Release:

Specific dates are listed in the rules and regulations in the separate divisions of this Premium Book. Please refer to the breed you wish to enter for more information. Arrangements to receive cattle at times other than those outlined in the stated rules must be made through the Fair Livestock Department. Cattle arriving for unloading and movement into the barn other than at the scheduled times must be approved by the Livestock Coordinator and will be subject to veterinary charges for health certifications.

NOTE: Animals removed from the fairgrounds before the designated time must have prior approval of the Livestock Chairman. Early removal of animals should be for emergencies only! In an emergency, a written request, (if possible), must be made to the Livestock Chairman. Exceptions will be granted on a case by case basis with emergencies being the first consideration. Any animal removed from the fair prior to the published release time without the expressed consent of the Livestock Chairman will forfeit all awards and premiums.

Release Rule:

Exhibitors will be released by zones. The zone map and release schedule for staggered release will be posted on the Livestock Office Bulletin Board. Consideration will first be given to exhibitors living farthest away within and outside of the State of Florida. (See the map at the end of this section.) No exhibitor will be released without first having their barn and tack areas cleaned, checked, and cleared by the Barn Superintendent who shall issue an all clear notice. Exhibitor must then give this notice to the Livestock Secretary before beginning to load out. Trailers will not be allowed to enter the fairgrounds until an official release has been given. Exhibitors must comply with the release rules to receive and retain all awards and premiums. At the conclusion of the fair, cattle staying overnight should be moved to tie-outs. Cattle staying must be removed no later than 10:00 a.m. Monday, November 15th.

Show Order:

The order of shows for each breed will be posted at the Livestock Office the day of the show. Animals must be ready at the start of the show. A class will not be delayed because an exhibitor is not ready.

Youth Show Dates & Times

Youth Horse Show (Speed).....No Horse Show 2023

Youth Horse Show (Other Classes).....No Horse Show 2023

Poultry Judging.....Thursday, November 2nd, 6:00 p.m.

Rabbit Judging.....Thursday, November 2nd, 9:00 a.m.

Youth Santa Gertrudis Show.....Friday, November 3rd, 3:00 p.m.

Youth Brahman Show.....Friday, November 3rd, 5:00 p.m.

Hamburger Bash.....Saturday, November 4th 5:30 p.m.

Youth Brangus Show.....Monday, November 6th, starting at 3:00 p.m.

Youth Limousin Show.....Thursday, November 9th, 3:00 p.m.

Youth Angus Show.....Thursday, November 9th, 4:00 p.m.

Youth Beef Commercial Show.....Thursday, November 9th, 5:00 p.m.

Youth AOB Show.....Thursday, November 9th, 7:00 p.m.

Youth Dog Show.....Saturday, November 11th, 10:00 a.m.

Youth Dairy Show.....Sunday, November 12th, 10:00 a. m.

Registration will be through the Extension Office for 4-H/ F.F.A. Judging Contests

Call or email with the number of youth and ages participating

(904-255-7450) and ask for Gaye Schmidt or email duval4h@ifas.ufl.edu

4-H/F.F.A.: Livestock, Poultry, Forest Ecology, Consumer Choice and Horticulture Judging

At the conclusion of each contest, the **contest supervisor** will verify the winners' names and addresses. This helps us to have the correct awards for winning teams so that awards can be distributed.

Schedule

(Times and locations may be subject to change.)

Livestock judging.....Saturday, November 4th, 8:00 a.m. (check-in) and 8:30 a.m. (contest) - Arena

Poultry judging.....Saturday, November 4th, 10:30 a.m. (check-in) and 11:00 a.m. (contest) - Arena

Consumer Choice judging.....Saturday, November 4th, 12:30 p.m. (check-in) and 1:00p.m. (contest)- Arena

Horticulture judging.....Saturday, November 4th, 2:00 p.m. (check-in) and 2:30 p.m. (contest) - Arena

Forest Ecology judging.....Saturday, November 4th, 2:30 p.m. (check-in) and 4:00 p.m. (contest) - Arena

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FDACS Cattle Movement Requirements:

<https://www.fdacs.gov/Agriculture-Industry/Livestock/Animal-Movement/Cattle-Movement-Requirements-Including-Bison>

FDACS Poultry Movement Requirements:

<https://www.fdacs.gov/Agriculture-Industry/Livestock/Animal-Movement/Poultry-Movement-Requirements>

FDACS Swine Movement Requirements:

<https://www.fdacs.gov/Agriculture-Industry/Livestock/Animal-Movement/Swine-Movement-Requirements>

FDACS Goat Movement Requirements:

<https://www.fdacs.gov/Agriculture-Industry/Livestock/Animal-Movement/Goat-Movement-Requirements>

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Zone Map for Releases

