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# 2026 KERN COUNTY FAIR LIVESTOCK ENTRY, CLOSING, AND DNA | EAR TAGGING DATES

## Monday, April 20, 2026

Ear Tags and DNA Kits Available: All Market Beef, Market Sheep, Market Swine, Market Goats, Dairy Replacement Heifers, Beef Commercial Bred Heifers, and Beef Commercial Open Heifers

## Tuesday, May 26, 2026

5:00 PM Completed Market Beef DNA Kit Due-To Drop Slot on P Street

## Thursday, May 28, 2026 - 11:59 PM (Online Only)

Entries close for: Horse, Market Beef and corresponding Kern Bred and Fed

## Sunday, June 1, 2026

### RV Reservation Applications - outside 20 mile radius -

Apply on Fair website under the Livestock Tab -Reservations on First Received, First Secured Basis

## Thursday, June 25, 2026

5:00 PM Completed Dairy Replacement Heifer DNA Kit Due-To Drop Slot on P Street

## Monday, June 29, 2026- 11:59 PM (Online Only)

Entries close for: Dairy Replacement Heifers and corresponding Kern Bred and Fed

## Wednesday, July 1, 2026

### RV Reservation Applications - within 20 mile radius (if space available) -

Apply on Fair website under the Livestock Tab - Reservations on First Received, First Secured Basis

## Friday, July 24, 2026

5:00 PM Completed Market Sheep, Market Swine, Market Goat DNA Kit Due-To Drop Slot on P Street

## Monday, July 27, 2026 - 11:59 PM (Online Only)

Entries close for: Market Sheep, Market Swine, Market Goat and corresponding Kern Bred and Fed for each previous species. Market Swine Prop 12 Certification Form must be uploaded.

## Monday, August 24, 2026

5:00 PM Completed Beef Replacement Bred & Open Heifers DNA Kit Due-To Drop Slot on P Street  
11:59 PM - (online)  
Entries close for: Beef Replacement Bred & Open Heifers, Breeding Dairy Cattle, Breeding Swine, Breeding Sheep, Breeding Beef, Dairy Goats, Breeding Boer Goats, Pygmy Goats, Rabbits, Cavy, Poultry, Dogs, Jr Activities, Theme, All Showmanship Divisions

## Monday, August 31, 2026

11:59 PM Entries close for Ag Mechanics - Online Only

**ALL ENTRIES MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE.  
NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED**

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The Board of Directors would like to welcome all the exhibitors in livestock, culinary, floriculture, hobbies, and fine arts. Your exhibitions are the results of many hours of preparation and represent the finest offerings of Kern County. Good luck with your projects and best wishes for a fantastic fair experience. It requires many dedicated individuals and hard work to produce a successful fair. We are especially proud of our youth who utilize the opportunities provided by the fair to participate in various agricultural events and programs. Whether you are staff, a volunteer, exhibitor, sponsor, or visitor, we deeply appreciate your participation and support of the Great Kern County Fair.



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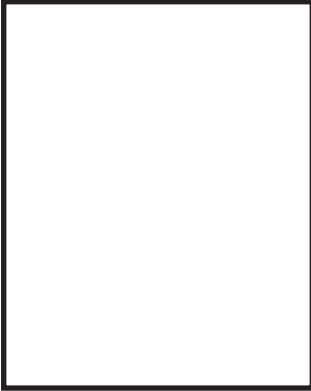
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# 2026 MAJOR CHANGES SUMMARY

- **SCHEDULE CHANGES-** Be aware of time and date changes this year.
- Breeding Beef - No Registration Papers Needed.
- Feeder Division- Added to all market divisions
- Market Swine Breeds Added- Dark AOB/Light AOB
- Commentaries for Junior Activities are to be uploaded to ShoWorks.
- Show exception rule updated for school excuses
- **2026 STATE RULES** - Along with the changes in our book, please remember that we are governed by state rules.

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# 2026 SHOW TIMETABLE

## Saturday, September 19, 2026

9:00 AM Horse Showmanship, Halter followed Jr. Horse Western Performance Classes followed by Stakes Classes (Jimmy Rogers Arena)

1 hour after conclusion of horse show- Silk and Silver (Jimmy Rogers Arena)

## Sunday, September 20, 2026

9:00 AM Jr. Horse English Performance Classes (Jimmy Rogers Arena)

## Tuesday, September 22, 2026

1:30 PM Breeding Beef, Breeding Swine, Breeding Sheep, Pygmy and Dairy Goats, Breeding Boer Goats may arrive

6 - 7 PM Weigh Breeding Sheep, Breeding Swine and Breeding Boer Goats

7:00 PM All Breeding animals and registration papers must be checked in the Livestock Office - papers must be originals

7:00 PM All Breeding Beef, Breeding Swine, Breeding Sheep, Pygmy and Dairy Goats, Breeding Boer Goats must be on grounds

## Wednesday, September 23, 2026

8:00 AM Judging Breeding Swine (released following show) (Swine Barn)

9:00 AM Judging Breeding Beef (released following show) (Sales Pavilion)

9:00 AM Jr. Breeding Pygmy Goats Showmanship and Show to follow (released following show) (Goat Ring)

10:00 AM Jr. Breeding Sheep (released following show) followed by Breeding Boer Goat Show (released after show) (Sheep Ring)

5:00 PM Dairy/Pygmy Goats- Goats and Gold (Sales Pavilion)

## Thursday, September 24, 2026

7:00 AM All Market Swine, Market Beef Cattle, Beef Replacement Heifers and Dairy Cattle may start coming on grounds

8:00 AM Dairy Goat Show | Showmanship and Show to follow (release following show) (Goat Ring)

9:30 AM All Market Beef Cattle, Beef Replacement Heifers and Dairy Cattle must be on grounds

10:00 AM Beef Replacement Bred/Open Heifers Preg Check (Scale/Chute Area)

11:00 AM Market Sheep may start coming on grounds

1:00 - 4:00 Swine scales open for pre-weigh

11:00 - 1:00 Beef scales open for pre-weigh

2:00 PM All Dairy Cattle Registration Paper Check Deadline (Livestock Office)

2:00 - 4:00 Sheep scales open for pre-weigh

4:00 PM All Market Swine and Market Sheep must be on grounds

4-7 PM Market Goat Arrival and Vet Check- All Goats on grounds by 7pm

## Friday, September 25, 2026

7:00 AM Swine Weigh In (order to be posted)- if you miss your time slot you must wait until the end

8:00 AM Poultry inspection and check in (Enter Gate 40- must drive in, no animals brought in on foot)

8:00 AM Rabbit check in (Enter Star Gate- must drive in, no animals brought in on foot)

8-9:30 AM Goat scales open for pre-weigh

9:00 AM Beef Cattle weigh-in (order to be posted)

10:00 AM Sheep weigh in by club (order to be posted)

11:00 AM Goat weigh in by club (order to be posted)

12:00 PM Poultry inspection and check in closed

12:00 PM Rabbit check in closed

4:00 - 6PM Poultry Non Animal Exhibits received (Poultry Barn)

5:00 PM Boer Goats-Goats and Gold (Goat Ring)

# 2026 SHOW TIMETABLE

6:30 PM Leather Lead (Sales Pavilion)

## Saturday, September 26, 2026

8:00 AM Judging 4-H Market Swine followed by FFA Market Swine (Swine Ring)  
8:00 AM Judging FFA Market Sheep followed by 4-H Market Sheep (Sheep Ring)  
8:00 AM Judging Beef Replacement Heifers-Bred then Open, Market Beef (Sales Pavilion)  
9:00 AM Dog Show (Grass Area)  
9:00 AM Cavy Show and Showmanship, Rabbit Meat Pens/Fryers followed by Judging of Breeding Rabbits (Rabbit Barn)  
9:00 AM Judging 4-H Market Goats followed by FFA Market Goats (Goat Ring)  
10:00 AM Poultry Exhibit Judging (Poultry Barn)  
12:00 PM Judging Dairy Replacement Heifers followed by Dairy Cattle and Futurity (Sales Pavilion)  
3:00 PM Poultry Meat Pen Judging, Market Turkey Judging and Turkey Showmanship (Sheep Ring)  
6:00 PM Large Animal Parade of Champions (Sales Pavilion)  
6:00 PM First count for Egg Layers

## Sunday, September 27, 2026

8:00 AM Sheep Showmanship starting with 4-H followed by FFA (Sheep Ring)  
8:00 AM Swine Showmanship (4-H followed by FFA) (Swine Ring)  
8:00 AM Breeding Poultry Judging (Poultry Barn)  
8:00 AM Rabbit Showmanship (Rabbit Barn)  
9:00 AM Kern Bred and Fed, Beef Cattle Showmanship (FFA followed by 4-H) (Sales Pavilion)  
11:00 AM Market Goat Showmanship starting with FFA followed by 4-H (Goat Ring)  
1:00 PM Judging Poultry Showmanship (Sheep Ring)  
2:00 PM Dairy Showmanship (4-H followed by FFA), and Kern Bred Holstein followed by Adult Showmanship (Sales Pavilion)  
4:00 PM PeeWee Swine Showmanship followed by Adult Swine Showmanship (Swine Ring)  
6:00 PM Small Animal Parade of Champions (Sales Pavilion)

## Monday, September 28, 2026

9:30 AM Kern Bred and Fed Market Sheep (Sheep Ring)  
10:00 AM Kern Bred and Fed Swine (Swine Ring)  
11:00 AM Kern Bred and Fed Goats (Goat Ring)  
4:30 PM Adult Beef Showmanship (Sales Pavilion)  
4:30 PM PeeWee Sheep Showmanship followed by Adult Showmanship (Sheep Ring)  
6:00 PM Rabbit & Cavy Costume Contest (Sheep Ring)  
6:00 PM Cotton and Cream (Sales Pavilion)  
6-8: PM All Non Sale Animals Released-must get a release from Livestock Office

## Tuesday, September 29, 2026

10:00 AM Small Animal Master Showmanship (Sales Pavilion)  
12:00 PM Large Animal Master Showmanship (Sales Pavilion)  
5:00 PM Poultry Costume Contest (Sales Pavilion)  
5:30 PM Pork and Plaid (Swine Ring)  
6:00 PM Poultry Awards (Sales Pavilion)  
6:00 PM Lads and Ladies (Sheep Ring)

## Wednesday, September 30, 2026

5:30 PM PeeWee Goat Showmanship followed by Adult Showmanship (Goat Ring)  
6:00 PM Adult Poultry Showmanship (Sheep Ring)

# 2026 SHOW TIMETABLE

6:30 PM Adult Rabbit Showmanship (Rabbit Barn)

## Thursday, October 1, 2026

5:00 PM Auction: (Sales Pavilion)  
Dairy Replacement Heifers followed by  
Beef Replacement Heifers followed by  
Market Beef followed by  
Ag Mechanics

Completion of Sale- Live Auction Animals Released

(All Thursday live auction animals must be removed by Friday 9am (if leaving) or will have to wait until Sunday)

## Friday, October 2, 2026

6 AM -9 AM Thursday Auction Animal Release Live Pickup- must be removed by 9am (if leaving) or will wait until Sunday)

6AM-9AM Tack Load Out- NO ANIMALS

1:00 PM Auction: (Swine Ring)  
Market Swine followed by  
Market Rabbits and Fryers, Market Turkeys and Meat Pen of Poultry

Completion of Sale- Live Auction Animals Released

(All live auction animals must be removed (if leaving) within 2 hours of completion of the sale or will have to wait- Swine must wait until Saturday morning and Rabbits/Poultry must wait until Sunday morning)

## Saturday, October 3, 2026

6:30 AM - 12PM Remaining Market Swine & Tack Load Out

1:00 PM Auction: (Sales Pavilion)  
Market Goats followed by Market Lambs

Completion of Sale- Live Auction Animals Released

(All live auction animals must be removed (if leaving) within 2 hours of completion of the sale or will have to wait until Sunday)

6:00 PM Final count for Egg Layers

## Sunday, October 4, 2026

6:00 AM All Remaining Livestock Animals and Tack Released

11:00 AM All Livestock Animals MUST be off grounds

*All schedules are tentative and subject to change.*

# PARADE OF CHAMPIONS SCHEDULE

## Parade of Champions

### Saturday, September 26, 2026

6:00 PM

Scholarships

Grand Champion

Dairy Replacement Heifers

Grand Champion

Breeding Dairy Cattle

Grand Champion

Breeding Beef

Grand Champion

Market Beef

Grand Champion

Beef Open & Bred Heifers

Grand Champion

Breeding Sheep

Grand Champion

Market Lambs

Grand Champion

Breeding Boer Goat

Grand Champion

Market Goat

Grand Champion

Breeding Swine

Grand Champion

Market Swine

### Sunday, September 27, 2026

6:00 PM

Grand Champion

Ag Mechanics

Grand Champion

Dairy Goat

Grand Champion

Pygmy Goat

Grand Champion

Halter Horse

Grand Champion

Market Rabbits- Pen/Fryer

Grand Champion

Breeding Rabbits

Grand Champion

Cavy

Grand Champion

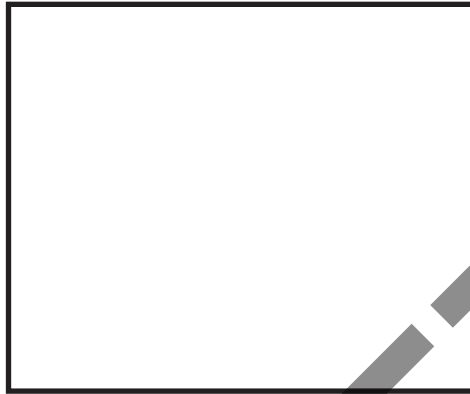
Market Pen of Poultry/Turkey

Grand Champion

Breeding Poultry

# 2026 PERSON OF THE YEAR

## Kern County Fair 2026 Person of The Year



### Past People of The Year

2013	Mary Trichell	2019	Nancy Wheeler Nichols
2014	Greg Gallion	2021	The Tjaarda Family
2015	Steve Smoot	2022	Les Clark
2016	William Lazzerini, Jr	2023	David Poncetta
2017	Barbara Grimm Marshall & Kari Grimm Anderson	2024	Debbie Zittel
2018	James Camp	2025	Ralph Mendes

### Past Agriculturists of The Year

1996	Skinner Hardy	2005	John Cauzza
1997	Ken Mebane, Sr.	2006	John Lake
1998	Bill Tracy	2007	Mike Torigiani
1999	Jimmy Icardo	2008	Walt Fisher
2000	Livio Palla	2009	John Tracy
2001	Bill Bolthouse	2010	Martha Twisselman
2002	Dewey Kootstra	2011	Dan Hay
2003	Bob Beechinor	2012	Mayie Maitia
2004	Loron J. Hodge		

# TEAM VOLUNTEERS

## POULTRY

**Amy Andrews**  
Andy Jones  
Carla Meadors  
Celeste Rickett  
David Wattenbarger  
DeLynne Porter  
Ivan Baylon  
Joey Deniz  
Orville Andrews  
Paul Hudson  
Stephanie Jones  
Tristan Hurley

## SWINE

**Jayke Knight**  
Debbie Zittel  
Elissa Watts  
Jeff Erickson  
Jordan Saul  
Michael Chase Jr.  
Michele Throne  
Natalie Erickson  
Stephanie Jones  
Sylvia Banducci

## DAIRY CATTLE

**Jack Hudson**  
Andrew Hudson  
Elaine Kootstra  
Herman Porter  
Justin Andrews  
Kristine Hudson

## MEAT GOATS

April Wattenbarger  
Ashleigh Bailey  
Chelsea Morris  
Elizabeth Wilson  
Michael Poncetta

## SHEEP

**Matthew Chase**  
Clara Chase  
Michael Chase  
Steve Henslee

## BEEF

Candice Jameson  
David Towse  
Wayne Lugo

## RABBITS | CAVY

Brenda Smith  
Delsa Trammell  
Elaine Young  
James Smith

## HORSE

**Ruben Felix**  
Helen Ordway  
Jean Plaster  
Jeanne Walford  
Kristin Felix  
Mellanie Burkhart

## DOGS

**Claudia Burk**  
Brogan Doward  
Cary Mills  
Kylie Newlen  
Mindy Newlen  
Stacey Thomas

## CLEAN STALL

Brittany Shull  
Cap Prielipp  
Chase Prielipp  
Julie Towse  
Julie Zunino  
Megan Daves  
Stacy Deniz

## DAIRY/PYGMY GOATS

**Cindy Smith**  
Weldon Mayo  
Will Alexander

# HOW TO ENTER YOUR PROJECT

## 1: PURCHASE DNA KIT

*(Market Beef, Market Sheep, Market Swine, Market Goats, Dairy Replacement Heifers, Beef Replacement Bred and Open Heifers)*

Purchase a DNA Kit online for each of the above animals you will be entering in the Kern County Fair. DNA Kit will be mailed to you.

## 2: RETURN COMPLETED DNA KIT

*(Market Beef, Market Sheep, Market Swine, Market Goats, Dairy Replacement Heifers, Beef Replacement Bred and Open Heifers)*

Follow the directions within your DNA Kit and return your sample to the fairgrounds with required paperwork by the deadline for your animal.- Samples to be dropped at the P Street Office in the drop slot.

## 3: UPLOAD TAG PHOTO

*(Market Beef, Market Sheep, Market Swine, Market Goats, Dairy Replacement Heifers, Beef Replacement Bred and Open Heifers)*

Place the KCF ear tag from the DNA Kit into your animal's ear and then upload the three photos listed below to your DNA Kit entry on ShoWorks by the DNA Kit deadline. If not uploaded animal is disqualified.

1-Right Side of Animal

2-Left Side of Animal

3-Front View of Animal with clear visible KCF tag (either from back of head or face on based on the tag placement) must include the scrapie tag as well if lamb/goat.

## 4: COMPLETE YQCA CERTIFICATION

*(Excluding exhibitors who only show horse, cavies, or dogs)*

Go to [yqca.org](http://yqca.org) website, setup an account and complete the required age appropriate certification.

## 5: COMPLETE ONLINE ENTRY

*(All Exhibitors)*

You must enter your Livestock Entry online. Click the link on [kerncountyfair.com](http://kerncountyfair.com) website that will take you to ShoWorks online entry. The program will walk you through 7 simple steps. Online entries may be entered up until 11:59 PM on your respective closing date. Be sure to fill out all required fields. Late entries will not be accepted.

### Uploads at Entry-

\*\* You will need to upload your YQCA Certificate

\*\* Market Swine Exhibitors will need to upload their Prop 12 Breeder Certificate

\*\*Independent Exhibitors will need to upload a bill of sale.

Before the Add On's Go Live:

\*\* Market Exhibitors will need to upload a photo of their animal for the add-on site

If you have any questions regarding this entry process, please contact the livestock office at 661.529.6249 during regular business hours or email [dstornetta@kerncountyfair.com](mailto:dstornetta@kerncountyfair.com)

# YQCA REQUIREMENT

In order to participate in a youth livestock program (excluding horse, cavies & dogs) at any California Fair, all exhibitors 9 years of age and older must obtain annual certification in the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program. Those not certified are not eligible to participate at a California Fair.

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA), to meet this new state requirement. Agricultural universities as well as partners in the agriculture industry designed this program. By the end of 2018 over 50,000 youth across the nation will have taken a YQCA course. YQCA courses are age and level specific which allow for changing content each year. The program is offered online at [yqca.org](http://yqca.org). All registration, fees, and certification are managed through YQCA.

## The YQCA program has many benefits to exhibitors:

- Increase the educational preparedness of exhibitors.
- Adds another layer of quality assurance to improve sportsmanship, animal wellbeing and food safety for animal purchasers.
- Helps demonstrate our commitment to the educational development of exhibitors.
- Provides a nationally available program that any youth exhibitor can access.

This program is becoming nationally recognized so by adopting this program it also allows exhibitors to use this certification for showing at other fairs besides Kern County Fair.

Upon completion of the training; exhibitors will receive a certificate with a unique certification number. Exhibitors will need to upload their certificate with their entries. Show managers will be able to utilize the public interface through YQCA to verify the exhibitors certificate number that will be asked for during entries.

**All exhibitors' ages 9 and older (excluding horse, cavies and dogs) must have completed the YQCA certification by the close of entries for their given species.**

**Without a current YQCA certificate number through fair dates you will not be able to complete your entry and thus will be ineligible to show at the fair.**



# KERN COUNTY FAIR CODE OF ETHICS

This Code of Ethics was developed IN COOPERATION WITH THE CALIFORNIA STATE 4-H, CALIFORNIA FFA ASSOCIATION, THE CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE, WESTERN FAIRS ASSOCIATION, AS WELL AS OTHER AGRICULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS. We believe this code, when instituted, will help ensure that all exhibitors are on a level playing field, that animals are treated safely and humanely, that food safety is insured, and that a positive environment is maintained. This Code of Ethics applies to anyone exhibiting animals at the Kern County Fair. All classes of livestock offered at the livestock event are included: Cattle (Beef & Dairy), Goats (Dairy, Meat & Pygmy), Horses, Sheep, Swine, Rabbits, Cavies, and Poultry. This "Kern County Fair Code of Ethics" will be enhanced with additional rules and regulations, as new standards become necessary.

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 practices or procedures are unacceptable and are defined as being deceptive, fraudulent, unethical, and inhumane in the care, fitting, preparation and showing of all classes of livestock. The use of any illegal drug is prohibited. Legal or illegal substances used to phenotypically alter the appearance of an animal entered in livestock events is prohibited (see Rule #4). Use of illegal drugs is considered a premeditated act. Furthermore, any information pertaining to the practice of illegal alteration of an animal will be turned over to the proper authorities for criminal prosecution.

The following is a list of guidelines all exhibitors must follow to enter livestock at organized competitive events.

1. All exhibitors must have viable proof (Junior Division) of ownership available to Fair and Livestock Officials at their request. Auction animals (Beef, Sheep, Meat Goats, Swine, Dairy Cattle) must be owned and under exhibitor's supervision according to established rules and regulations for the fair. This also includes all small market animals (rabbit and poultry). The official ownership date is the date shown on the bill of sale, unless the animal was bred by the exhibitor, in which case calving or birth records must be shown. Local rules will determine ownership requirements for non-market animals. Registered breeding livestock must show the exhibitor as the owner of the animal on the breed association papers or certificate.
2. No exhibitor will be allowed to show a market animal which has been previously sold at an auction through another fair or livestock show, whether or not there is an actual change of ownership (progress level shows excluded). Any method used to misrepresent the age of an animal for a class in which it is shown is deceptive and considered illegal. Showing an animal for another individual by claiming ownership in order to show in a specific livestock class or event is prohibited. False ownership is illegal.
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. By entering an animal in a livestock show the owner exhibitor, leader, advisor and/or person responsible voluntarily consents for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Random samples shall be collected whether or not the owner of the show animal is present. 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

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- 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, leader, advisor or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise.
5. Livestock shall not be exhibited if drugs administered in accordance with federal, state, local statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.
  6. Any surgical procedure, injections or insertion of foreign material, substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counter-irritant or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation or appearance of an animal's body is illegal. This includes vegetable oil, silicone, air or any other substance used to alter the shape of the animal. Acceptable practices of physical preparation, which are allowed, include clipping of hair, trimming of hooves, dehorning or removal of ancillary teats.
  7. The balancing of the udder by abnormal means which includes the use of a mechanical contrivance or the injection of fluid or drugs, setting the teats and/or occluding (sealing the ends) with a mechanical contrivance or use of a chemical preparation is illegal. Treating or massaging the udder or its' attachment with an irritant or counter irritant is prohibited.
  8. The use of inhumane showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivances or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited. Other practices, unless under the written authority of a licensed veterinarian, that are not acceptable or prohibited include, but are not limited to, liquid diets for lambs, excessive shrinking, excessive exercising, tying animals with the feet off the ground, and electric stimulation.
  9. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, breed classifiers, 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.
  10. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, groomer, trainer, leader, advisor 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 individuals to disciplinary action of Fair Management and considered final.
  11. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, leader, advisor, 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.
  12. Show management reserves the right to require animal health certificates from a licensed veterinarian. Health inspections and diagnostic tests may be made before or after animals are on the livestock show premises for exhibitor and animal safety, or to inaugurate disease control procedures which may become necessary in emergencies as determined by animal health officials.
  13. Any violation of the "Kern County Fair Code of Ethics", State Rules, Kern County Fair Rules, DNA Policies or Residue Avoidance Program, or specific rules as designated by the Kern County Fair will result in forfeiture of premiums, awards, disqualification, and will result in probationary status and/or loss of eligibility for future participation in organized livestock competition. Possible civil penalties may be imposed by the proper authorities based on evidence provided by the livestock show of exhibitors in violation of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act or the animal mistreatment, neglect, and abandonment laws that apply on the local, state and national levels. Other cooperating shows will be notified of the action taken by the show management, which may affect the eligibility of the individual, group, or sponsoring organization for participation at other shows.

# ENTRY CERTIFICATION RULES

## KERN COUNTY FAIR 2026 JUNIOR SHOW ENTRY CERTIFICATION RULES

### **By submitting your online entry:**

The undersigned Exhibitor and his/her Parent or Legal Guardian, County Extension Agent (CEA) or 4H or FFA Leader hereby certify that each has read, understands and will abide by the current Kern County Fair Livestock Guidebook and all rules and regulations of the Kern County Fair Livestock. We further certify that we have not administered and, to the best of our knowledge, any entry from this exhibitor has not received any substance not approved by the FDA and/or USDA. In instances where an animal has been administered a drug that is FDA approved for its species, the exhibitor must be aware that the time it takes for no drug residue to be found in the system is generally longer than the labeled withdrawal time for most drugs. Kern County Fair maintains a ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY for unethically fitted livestock. Adequate time must have passed so that the animal does not test positive for drugs upon arrival. Once the animals arrive on the fairgrounds, they must remain free and clear of all drug and chemical residues.

Veterinarians / Medication: Animals under the care of a licensed veterinarian and/or taking any type of performance enhancing medication to include, but not limited to steroids, diuretics, anti-inflammatories, tranquilizers and painkillers, are ineligible for competition. Exhibitors with questions regarding medications and/or eligibility should consult with the Veterinarian prior to competition.

All medication administered during the livestock show must be administered by the Veterinarian cleared through the livestock office and a written medication record must be filed. Animals receiving performance enhancing drugs (e.g., steroids, diuretics, anti-inflammatories, tranquilizers and painkillers, etc.) in this manner are ineligible for competition.

The Exhibitor agrees to submit any animal, breeding and/or market, entered by him/her to inspection by any veterinarian or testing agency appointed by the Management of Kern County Fair and agrees to have such animal submitted to such tests as may be requested at any time. Kern County Fair also reserves the right to have ultrasound, D.N.A., Blood, tissue and /or urine laboratory analysis made on any animal entered for competition. The conclusions reached by the veterinarian and/or testing agency and analyses shall be final and conclusive without recourse against the Kern County Fair or any officer, director, employee, independent contractor or agent thereof, including, without limitation, any veterinarian or testing agency appointed by the Management (collectively referred to as the Released Parties). The Exhibitor waives assertion of any action as a result of decisions rendered as a result of this rule and further releases the Released Parties from any and all claims or demands whatsoever in connection with the inspection or testing of any such animal or any ruling or action taken by reason of the conclusions of such veterinarian or testing agency.

As breeding animals are not entering the food chain, the USDA Wholesome Meat Act does not apply; however, breeding animals will be closely screened for any performance enhancing compounds. This includes, but is not limited to, steroids, diuretics, anti-inflammatories, tranquilizers and painkillers.

In the event any animal is declared by the veterinarian or testing agency to be unethically fitted, the Fair Management will disqualify the exhibitor from this year's competition and one year following the incident. Reinstatement of anyone disqualified may be made only by the Fair Management. The Exhibitor will forfeit all titles, awards, prizes, auction proceeds, premiums, scholarships and market/floor money if the animal is disqualified.

In the event where an animal sample does not match after the DNA analysis test, the animal and exhibitor in question shall be disqualified. The exhibitor shall be blocked from the auction. All awards and premiums shall be forfeited. The exhibitor will be banned from entering the 2027 Kern County Fair. There shall be no appeal process. The Fair Management decision is final. Fair Management reserves the right to extend the disqualification to family members and leaders.

**EXHIBITOR PHOTO/VIDEO RELEASE:** I hereby authorize the Kern County Fair and Event Center to publish the photographs and/or videos taken of any exhibitor or minor exhibitor, on whose behalf I am signing, and to use said minor(s)' name in printed publications, websites, social media channels and other similar media. I acknowledge that since my participation [or child(s)' participation] in publications and websites produced by the Kern County Fair and Event Center is voluntary, I hereby agree not to make any claim for compensation for the use of my [or my child(s)] image and/or voice and/or words. I further agree that my participation [or my child(s)' participation] in any publication and website produced by the Kern County Fair and Event Center confers upon me no rights of ownership

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whatsoever. On behalf of myself and my child/children, I agree to release and hold harmless the Kern County Fair and Event Center, its contractors and its employees from liability for any claims by me or on behalf of my child/children or any third party, arising out of or in connection with the foregoing, and waive any right to inspect or approve the same. I have read this photo release and voluntarily accept the terms and conditions set forth herein.

## INTERPRETATION OF RULES

The Management of the Kern County Fair (includes CEO, Deputy Manager, and Livestock Supervisor) reserves the right to amend, add to and interpret the following Rules and Regulations; and to arbitrarily settle and determine all questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incident to the Fair. All Rules contained in the 2026 "State Rules for California Fairs" as prescribed by the Division of Fairs & Expositions apply to this Fair.

**KERN COUNTY FAIR DIVISIONS:** Entries from Kern County Junior Exhibitors that are members in good standing of a 4-H Club, FFA Chapter, Grange association or Independent exhibitor will compete in the Kern County Fair divisions.

## ENTRIES

1. At the time of entry and competition, an exhibitor must be a Kern County resident and a member in good standing of a Kern County 4-H club, FFA chapter, Grange Association, or exhibiting as an independent.
2. **All entries must be made and accepted online only. All online entries must be accurate, complete, and approved with appropriate fees by the deadline. Online entries are to be approved by the advisor/leader. It shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor to correct any entry deficiencies.**

<u>Species</u>	<u>Enter Online</u>	<u>Bring on Grounds</u>	<u>Animals on Scale</u>
Market Beef / Beef Replacement Heifers	Unlimited	2	2
Market Sheep, Swine, Goats	Unlimited	2	2
Dairy Replacement Heifers	Unlimited	2	-
Meat Pen of Rabbits/ Poultry	Unlimited	2	2
Market Fryer	Unlimited	2	2
Market Turkeys	Unlimited	2	2
Poultry and Rabbits	Unlimited	Unlimited	-
Horses	Unlimited	Unlimited	-
Breeding Division Animals	Unlimited	Unlimited	-

**Official KCF ear tags MUST be inserted in all auction animals before their specific DNA Kit deadline and photos uploaded to ShoWorks (Dairy Replacement Heifers, Market Goats, Market Sheep, Market Swine, Market Beef and Beef Replacement Heifers) entered in the 2026 Kern County Fair (except poultry and rabbits). Switching of ear tags is forbidden. NOTE: If this tag becomes dislodged you must order a replacement tag online, once the new tag is received you have 48 hours to upload pictures verifying the new tag in the original animals ear via ShoWorks. For auction animals, the KCF ear tag must correspond with the livestock office entry information, and MUST be on the animal at all times while on the fairgrounds or awards will be forfeited.**

3. By entering online you understand there are no refunds on any entries, with the exception of classes or divisions canceled by the fair. No refunds will be issued for incorrect or multiple entries. Please check your entries for accuracy before checking out as we can't refund you for your errors.
4. Fair management has the right to limit entries to facilities available and/or cancel or combine any division or class in which there are not enough entries. Any return of entries under this rule will be done on a nondiscriminatory basis.
5. Fair management reserves the right to order the removal of any exhibit which is not in the best interest of the Fair; which endangers the public; which is objectionable in any way; or which has been entered in violation of its rules and regulations.
6. No person or exhibitor will be permitted to distribute printed or advertising matter or put up signs on the grounds. Advertising material is subject to approval of fair management.

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7. Under no circumstances shall an exhibitor show the same species as an Independent, Grange, FFA or 4-H member in the Junior Department.
8. **All animals not making weight must be removed following weigh in unless they qualify for and will be competing in showmanship (per state rule), then they must be removed from the grounds following the completion of showmanship.**

## CONDUCT:

9. Exhibitors, their immediate family and agents thereof, who do not cooperate with security personnel or other Fair officials in all matters of policy, including but not limited to parking, stall/pen/space assignments and judging, will have their entries canceled and will be ordered to remove their exhibits from the grounds immediately and forfeit all awards, premium monies and sale proceeds. All parties involved will not be allowed back on the grounds for the remainder of that fair year. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in being banned from the Kern County Fair.
10. Exhibitors, their immediate family or agents thereof, causing public disturbance, those that are uncooperative and/or unsportsmanlike, those not following good animal welfare practices as determined by management, or those found in violation of rules or in practices inadmissible with the Fair program and/or policies/procedures shall be penalized. Penalties shall include forfeiture of awards, premiums and sale proceeds.

## JUDGING:

11. No person shall act as a judge in any division in which he or a member of his immediate family is an exhibitor or an agent.
12. No person shall be allowed, under any circumstances, to interfere with a judge, or judges, before, during or after their adjudications, or with the Fair's staff, or to offer any criticism of an exhibit. Violators of this rule shall be ejected immediately from the Fair grounds, competitions and forfeit all awards, premium monies and sale proceeds.
13. The judge has the authority to disqualify or transfer to the correct class any animal or exhibit which is not a true representative of the class in which it is entered. The judge may disqualify any exhibit not in proper show condition or any animal that is not sufficiently gentle to be shown with safety. The judge may not award premiums to any animal that shows visible evidence of disease, deformity or lameness. Entries eliminated under this rule will not be exhibited, nor will awards be made.
14. Each exhibitor shall be expected to show his/her exhibit or animal unless prior arrangements have been made with the Livestock Office. See criteria on page 21 rule 55. **(Exception: multiple animals in rings at same time)**

## PREMIUMS AND AWARDS

15. Premiums paid only where indicated and paid on the basis of the judging reports, which must be signed by the judge and by the department clerk. Premiums will be mailed to the exhibitor at the address given on the online entry.
16. No exhibitor shall receive more than two (2) cash awards in any one class.

## OWNERSHIP

17. Livestock and horse projects **MUST** be owned (and leased horses as specified by State Rules) by and under the exhibitor's care and management and under the supervision of the organization in which the project will be shown as specified below. The official ownership date is the date shown on the receipt of sale unless the animal was bred by the exhibitor. The days are counted prior to the opening day of the fair.
  - a. Tag and DNA Deadline date reflects ownership date. Animals must be kept in owner's possession in Kern County for the number of consecutive days required per species.
    - Market Beef - 120 consecutive days
    - Dairy Replacement Heifers - 90 consecutive days
    - Market Sheep, Market Goats, and Market Swine - 60 consecutive days
    - Beef Replacement Heifers - 30 consecutive days
    - Breeding Animals - 30 consecutive days
    - All Small Animals (rabbits and poultry) - 30 consecutive days
    - All horses - leased or owned 120 consecutive days
18. Livestock shown in showmanship **MUST** be owned (or leased for horses) by the exhibitor and entered **and exhibited** by the exhibitor in an appropriate market, breeding or performance class **(exception - state rule regarding showmanship weight disqualification.)**

## HEALTH RULES

19. Exhibitors are responsible for all animal health needs. Notify Livestock Office when an exhibitor has contacted Veterinarian for Livestock Staff to clear entry onto the Fairgrounds.
20. Livestock exhibitors will be responsible for all veterinary fees applied to their animals, except when specifically

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required by Fair Management to determine the validity of a complaint and/or as deemed necessary by Fair Management.

21. Any medication authorized by a Veterinarian while on the fairgrounds MUST be reported to the Livestock Office Supervisor by completing a Medication Report located in the Livestock Office, prior to medication administration.

## RELEASE OF LIVESTOCK

22. Written releases are required for removal of all livestock and exhibits. Removal of any livestock and exhibits prior to designated release time, without proper release, or failure to remove animals, will cause forfeiture of all awards, premiums and sale proceeds. Exhibitor will not be able to participate in the Kern County Fair the following year.
23. Written Releases will be issued by appropriate Fair officials after proper cleaning of pens/stalls has been completed. Exhibitors must clean their pens before leaving the fairgrounds.
24. The Kern County Fair shall not be responsible for exhibits remaining on the grounds after the designated release times.
25. No tack or animal releases shall be issued with exception of those issued by the Livestock Office during the first 11 days of the fair. The 12th day All Barn Chairpersons will issue the tack and animal releases for that day ONLY

## LIABILITY

26. The owner or custodian of property of any kind brought to the Fairgrounds either for exhibit or for other purposes, assumes as a condition of its admission to the grounds, all risk and/or responsibility for its loss, damage or theft.
27. The Fair, its officers and employees cannot and will not accept responsibility and liability for any damage or injury resulting from theft, fire, the elements, accidents or other conditions or causes; whether to exhibits, property of exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left therein or any other property of any nature whatsoever.
28. Exhibitors, either through appropriate liability insurance or other means satisfactory to the 15th District Agricultural Association, will hold the Association and the Kern County Fair harmless from any claim arising out of the failure of the exhibitor to exercise control of his or her exhibit. Livestock exhibitor's parents or legal guardian are required to sign a disclaimer on the entry form.

## INITIAL WEIGH-IN / CLASSIFICATION

29. Market animals will be weighed according to the time schedule as listed in this catalog and will be weighed on the Kern County Fair scales.

DISPUTED WEIGHTS: Animals will be weighed a second time upon request. Animals that do not meet official weight requirements will immediately be backed off the scales and the scale checked for balance. The animal will not be allowed to leave the area, and only reweighed once. The Kern County Fair scales, after being balanced and certified, are the only acceptable scales.

30. Large Animals - Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Boer Goats, Market Goats and Horse,  
Small Animals - Poultry, Rabbits, Cavies, Nigerian Dwarf Goats, Dogs and Pygmy Goats

## MARKET ANIMALS

31. Independent and Grange Exhibitors 14 - 19 years old will show in FFA Market Divisions.
32. Independent and Grange Exhibitors 13 years and younger will show in 4-H Market Divisions.

## SHOWMANSHIP

33. Only animals owned and shown by the exhibitor in the Junior Department livestock division are eligible. Exhibitor must sign-up for Showmanship at time of entry. All Exhibitors must show their own animals in accordance with their entry form. Age is determined as of January 1st.

34. 4-H Showmanship: JUNIOR – 13 years and younger  
SENIOR – 14 years and over

FFA Showmanship: JUNIOR - 15 years and younger  
SENIOR - 16 years and older

Independent/Grange Showmanship: JUNIOR – 9-13 years old will show with 4-H division  
SENIOR – 14 years and older will show in corresponding FFA division

## AGE REQUIREMENTS

35. **FFA members** may participate as members until the end of the calendar year following the year of graduation from high school. (For example, a graduate this year is eligible until December 31 of next year.)
36. **4-H Age Requirements:** The levels of membership for 4-H are age based. Each level is defined as follows:
  - a. **Junior, Intermediate, & Senior:** Must be 9 years old on or before December 31, 2025. Exhibitors are

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eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31st of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.

37. **Grange Members** must be at least 5 years old on January 1, 2026 to exhibit. They may exhibit until the end of the calendar year in which they reach age 19. Members under 9 as of January 1 of the current year are not eligible for sale.
- All Grange Youth must be 9 years old on January 1, of 2026 to compete in large animal (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Boer Goats, Market Goats, Horse) competitions at California Fairs.
38. **Independent Exhibitors** must be at least 9 years old by January 1, 2026 to compete in large animal (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Boer Goats, Market Goats, Horse) competitions at California Fairs.
- Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31st of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.
  - Youth may be ineligible to participate as Independent if documented disciplinary action involving their project(s) has been taken against them by 4-H, FFA or Grange organizations. Length of ineligibility to be determined by fair management.
  - Exhibitors must complete the Pre Fair form by the specific deadline to be eligible to be an independent.
39. **Small Animal Pre-Junior Class** - Open to all junior exhibitors 5 - 8 years old as of January 1, 2026; must be Kern County residents; Breeding Animals only, not eligible for auction.
- Exhibitors must complete the Pre Fair form by the specific deadline to be eligible to be an independent.

**PRE JUNIOR EXHIBITOR PRE FAIR FORM**-All Exhibitors that plan to show as a pre junior must complete a Pre-Fair Form which can be found online and must be submitted to [dstornetta@kerncountyfair.com](mailto:dstornetta@kerncountyfair.com) by August 15th

## ORGANIZATIONS

40. Juniors who have been 4-H, FFA or Grange project members within 60 days (120 for Horse and Market Beef) prior to the fair are not eligible to compete in that project as Independent Juniors or enter projects under a different organization.
41. All junior exhibitors must have project management records and proof of supervision available as to the length of the project upon request.

## ATTIRE STANDARDS

42. **FFA** - The official FFA show uniform will be: Boys - White pants, white shirt, FFA tie, Official FFA jacket zipped to the top. Girls - White pants, white blouse, FFA scarf, Official FFA jacket zipped to the top.
43. **4-H** - The official 4-H show uniform will be:
- 4-H Cap worn on the head
  - white shirt with sleeves and 4-H tie or scarf, with 4-H emblem
  - white or blue jean pants
  - shoes or boots
- Girls may substitute a white blouse and skirt or white dress with 4-H collar for items 2 and 3.  
No tank tops or halters allowed.
44. **Grange** - The official Grange show uniform will be:  
Dark blue denim pants, white button-front dress shirt with collar; the official red waist vest with National Grange emblem on the back (this must be purchased through the California State Grange office, no homemade vests will be allowed); black or brown belt with appropriate buckle; and black or brown leather boots (lace up style preferred).  
Hats and headgear of any kind are not to be worn while showing.
45. **Small Animal Pre-Junior / Independent** - The official show uniform will be: White pants, white shirt or blouse.

## FITTING - SHOWING - STALLING

46. Notwithstanding safety concerns, junior exhibitors are to groom and care for their animal(s) when at the fair. Parents and leaders may assist in cleaning stalls and feeding animals. Under no circumstances shall a parent, leader, trainer, non-exhibiting youth, or another adult assist in any way (includes grooming, fitting, rinsing, washing, drying, leading, riding and show preparation). Failure to follow this rule will result in expulsion of entries, exhibitor and unauthorized assistant.
47. It is required that every animal will be shown by its owner. If for some reason the owner cannot show or sell his/her own animal, the replacement exhibitor must be a current junior exhibitor at the Kern County Fair, **and approved by the Livestock Office. Valid Excuses only are exhibitor illness, family death, or approved school function. Exhibitor must provide: 1- an email addressing illness, family death or school function which prevents them from showing and then list the substitute showman, animal ear tag, animal species, date and show for which they are substituting. 2- emailed letter from medical professional, school official etc supporting situation. (exception: 2 animals in a ring at the same time or multiple species in multiple**

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*rings at the same time*). This does not apply to Showmanship.

48. Muzzles will not be used on animals while on the Kern County Fairgrounds. No pinched or pronged collars either.
49. Livestock exhibitors must keep their animals clean and presentable at all times. Stalls and pens must be neatly kept and supplied with necessary clean bedding at all times. Pathways must be kept clean for the convenience of the public.
50. Exhibitors are reminded that the cost of the Junior Livestock Programs are offset in part by the general public, therefore the livestock area must be presentable at all times. All livestock stall/pens must be cleaned before 8 AM daily. Exhibitors must make every effort to keep barns clean for the public, including tack and fitting areas.
51. All pens will be allowed to have a self-contained water system only. No pipe and direct tie into the Kern County Fair water system will be allowed.
52. No ear tags other than Kern County tags, scrapie tag and Premise tags with RFID# allowed in market classes.

## AUCTION

53. Auction declaration must be done at entry. Exhibitors will declare the one animal that they will sell and mark the rest as non sale. There will be no changes to declaration after leader approvals have been completed. Exception-champion animal that must sell, animal declared didn't come to fair.
54. All Auction Exhibitors will receive an email within a week of the conclusion of the auction that outlines the thank you note process listed below. They will need to contact their advisor/leader for their buyer information at that time.
55. Thank you notes must be brought to the fair admin office for approval to receive an exhibitors check-Letters must be unsealed, stamped and addressed to individual listed on email as a buyer or add on.
56. Buyers are given the first 30 days following the auction as a courtesy to pay their bills so the first round of checks won't be cut until November 1st.
57. Auction exhibitors checks will be released directly to exhibitors. They can be picked up in person or be mailed once all animal buyers and add on's have paid their bills and thank you notes are approved by the fair per rule. All checks will go directly to the exhibitor.

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58. Fair will provide first bedding only. Fire regulations prohibit the storage of bedding in the barn area or the use of bedding material in displays. Bedding and feed may be brought in daily through gate 40 until 7:30am for those individuals with a gate 39 and gate 40 pass. You must be off grounds by 7:30am
59. Livestock Trailer Parking will not be available on the fairgrounds. After off loading animals, you must remove your trailer to an area off site of your choice. Trailers parked in Gate 39 will be towed at owner's expense. **Exception: Breeding animals leaving immediately after the show may obtain a special pass that allows them to park their trailer on grounds until the conclusion of the breeding show-you must have the pass or you will be towed.**  
All exhibitors' cars and trucks will be parked in designated areas. Failure to abide by the parking regulations may result in withholding of premiums and loss of parking and admission privileges. ALL VEHICLE ADMITTANCE STICKERS MUST BE FULLY VISIBLE AND PROPERLY ATTACHED TO VEHICLE.
60. **EXHIBITOR CREDENTIALS**-All approved exhibitors will receive a daily fair entrance wristband at no cost with their entry. This must be properly worn at all times and must be worn to be able to show in a show ring. If an exhibitor breaks their band we will replace it once, only if the broken original band is brought to the office at the time of the exchange. If the wristband is lost they will have to pay for entry. Exhibitors will also receive one courtesy parking pass per family (family-based on address in ShoWorks sign up). These passes will be picked up by their leader on the Saturday of workday and handed out to them.
61. **LEADER/ADVISOR CREDENTIAL**- The fair will issue courtesy Gate 40 and season passes to each specie leader/advisor for each club/chapter that is being exhibited at the fair that year. These will also be picked up by the club/chapter designee on the Saturday of workday and dispersed. (Season Passes will be emailed)
62. **DISCOUNT CREDENTIALS**- Additional Parking Passes, Season Passes, Daily Passes, Carnival and Event Passes can be purchase online at the fair website and will be picked up at WILL CALL. Please order before fair starts for easiest pick up access.
63. All exhibitors' cars and trucks will be parked in designated areas. Failure to abide by the parking regulations may result in withholding of premiums and loss of parking and admission privileges. ALL VEHICLE ADMITTANCE STICKERS MUST BE FULLY VISIBLE AND PROPERLY ATTACHED TO VEHICLE.
64. RV parking reservations must be purchased on designated day online. Space is limited and available to exhibitors who live 20 or more miles from the Fairgrounds on a first come basis. Reservations will be honored upon receipt of full payment, until available spaces are filled; spaces for under 20 miles will be offered if space

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- allows. Sewage connections are not available. Pumping of holding tanks will be at the expense of the RV owner.
65. Privately owned golf carts, battery or gas operated, will not be allowed on the fairgrounds.
  66. Only service dogs are allowed in the barns. Only animals being shown at the Kern County Fair and service dogs are permitted on the Fairgrounds.
  67. Animals are restricted to designated areas of the Fairgrounds (barns and judging area; etc.) and must not be taken from designated area. Violators are liable for any damage incurred by owner or animals.
  68. No riding/operation of skateboards, roller blades, scooters or bikes allowed on the Fairgrounds.
  69. Heat producing appliances such as heaters, BBQs, electric skillets, toasters, coffee makers, hot plates and any other appliance which may be used for cooking purposes shall NOT be permitted in the barn or livestock areas. No couches allowed in the barns. No easy ups or canopies of any kind.
  70. No exhibitor/parent/personal security will be allowed in the barn area between the hours of 10:00 PM and 5:00 AM. Security will be on duty.
  71. No generators allowed.
  72. Due to the concerns of E. Coli in the barns it is recommended that individuals avoid all hand to mouth contact while in the barns; including but not limited to eating, drinking, applying lip balm, or nail biting. Remember to also wash your hands after leaving the barns or coming in contact with the animals.
  73. No scales will be brought on grounds (other than Fair certified scales)
  74. In order to compete in showmanship, the animal must be entered and exhibited in a market class or breeding class. (Exception: State Rule regarding showmanship weight disqualifications)
  75. If an animal has not been judged, it cannot go across the auction block.
  76. Water should be **available to** animals at all times.

## SCRAPIE REQUIREMENTS FOR SHEEP AND GOATS

1. All sheep and goats entering fairs require individual identification. All official identification will be kept on the animals. The official identification may be official USDA individual identification ear tags, premises ear tags, Scrapie Flock Certification Program Ear tags, registration tattoos if accompanied by registration papers, or other methods approved by the California Department of Food and Agriculture.
2. Fairs will not accept sheep and goats from scrapie "non-compliant" flocks, or animals that are scrapie positive or scrapie suspects.

All exhibitors, 4-H leaders, FFA advisors and Grange organizations are encouraged to have all sheep and goats enrolled in the Scrapie program. For more information on the Scrapie program or to enroll call 877-741-3690.

# TAGGING & DNA REQUIREMENTS

## DNA REQUIREMENTS

\$20.00 Fee Per Kit

- Exhibitors are required to purchase, collect and submit DNA hair samples and tag photo uploads for all market beef, market sheep, market goat, market swine, beef open & bred replacement heifers and dairy replacement heifer entries. Entries of these species that do not include DNA samples and tag photos are disqualified.
- DNA Kits must be purchased online through the Kern County Fair website individually and will be mailed out.
- Completed DNA specimens must be returned to Fair in the drop slot by the Will Call door at the Administration Office by due date. Tag Photos must be uploaded to ShoWorks DNA Kit entry by deadline.
- Automatic DNA testing on any animal that requires a retagging due to lost or dislodged tags.

SPECIES	KITS ON SALE	DNA DUE DATE
Market Beef	April 20, 2026 - May 21, 2026	May 26, 2026 by 5 PM
Dairy Replacement Heifers	April 20, 2026 - June 19, 2026	June 25, 2026 by 5 PM
Market Sheep	April 20, 2026 - July 17, 2026	July 24, 2026 by 5 PM
Market Goat	April 20, 2026 - July 17, 2026	July 24, 2026 by 5 PM
Market Swine	April 20, 2026 - July 17, 2026	July 24, 2026 by 5 PM
Beef Heifers	April 20, 2026 - August 19, 2026	August 24, 2026 by 5 PM

### Tag Upload Requirements

1-Right Side of Animal

2-Left Side of Animal

3-Front view of Animal with clear visible KCF Tag- could be a front view or rear head view based on the placement of tag. Clear and Visible Scrapie Tag must be included for sheep/goats.

### PLEASE REMEMBER

**COMPLETING AND RETURNING A DNA KIT DOESN'T ENTER YOU IN THE FAIR.  
AFTER COMPLETING YOUR DNA KIT YOU MUST ALSO COMPLETE AN ONLINE ENTRY BEFORE THE  
DEADLINE TO OFFICIALLY BE ENTERED IN THE FAIR.**

## INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR REQUIREMENTS

### **MARKET ANIMAL REQUIREMENT-STATE RULE:**

Independent junior exhibitors entering market animals (Market Beef, Sheep, Swine and Goats) must upload their bill of sale to the ShoWorks website at time of entry.

### **ELIGIBILITY RULE:**

To be eligible to show as an Independent Exhibitor a pre fair form must be completed and emailed to [dstornetta@kerncountyfair.com](mailto:dstornetta@kerncountyfair.com) by the deadline below: (form is located on the fair website)

- Market Beef & Horse- May 20th, 2026
- Dairy Replacement Heifers- June 20th, 2026
- Market Swine, Sheep and Goats- July 20th, 2026
- All Others- August 20th, 2026

# KERN COUNTY FAIR RESIDUE AVOIDANCE

In an effort to increase awareness of responsibilities associated with the production of consumer oriented products, the Kern County Fair requires exhibitors of market animals to sign a Declaration of Medication Form, if animals have medications in their system which won't be gone before fair arrival. All animals treated on the fairgrounds must be treated by a veterinarian and will need an updated Declaration of Medication Form. This form acknowledges the use of any substance in/on the animal for which the required withdrawal period has not completely elapsed prior to arrival at the Fair. This includes substances used per label or in an extra-label fashion. All extra-label drug usage MUST be done under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian and their contact information is required. Any animal requiring medically necessary treatment within 48 hours of competition may need to be withdrawn from competition if hydration status, mentation or gait will be affected by the necessary treatment. The intent of the program is not to prevent medically necessary treatment, but to insure the animal's wellbeing and, fair competition. The decision of the Fair's management in regards to eligibility for competition shall be final.

The Kern County Fair reserves the right to test any animal officially entered in any division at any time without notice, for foreign substance including but not limited to drugs, chemicals or feed additives. Compounds tested for may include but are "not" limited to: Antibiotics, Diuretics, Local Anesthetics, Sedatives/Tranquilizers, Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs, Steroids/Growth Promotants.

Failure to fully cooperate with testing procedures, and /or representatives collecting samples shall indicate a voluntary withdrawal by the Exhibitor of the animal from the competition, and result in the immediate disqualification of this project and automatic loss of participation privileges in all future California State Fair competitive events.

**NOTE TO PARENTS/LEGAL GUARDIAN:** By submitting online entry, each parent/legal guardian acknowledges that:

- a. He/she has read the Kern County Fair Junior Livestock Competition Handbook Rules (General, Livestock and Special) and Regulations;
- b. The Junior Exhibitor has owned, fed and cared for the market animal(s) throughout the required ownership period. He/she has supervised the Junior Exhibitor and the Junior Livestock animal(s) have not had any drugs, chemicals, feed additives, or other substances used on them except pursuant to the label specifications, or unless under the direction and supervision of a licensed veterinarian for therapeutic purposes. All drugs, chemicals, feed additives or other substances for which the required withdrawal period has not elapsed prior to arrival at the Fair must be declared on a Declaration of Medication Form upon arrival on fair grounds;
- c. He/she has supervised the Junior Exhibitor and the Junior Livestock animal(s) have not been tampered with in any way, including but not limited to, unethical fitting or any method altering the natural conformation of any part of the animal(s) body;
- d. He/she understands the penalties for violating these General, Livestock and Special Rules and Regulations, include but are not limited to, monetary penalties, and the immediate disqualification of the Junior Exhibitor

**NOTE TO LEADER/SUPERVISOR:** *By approving online entries, each leader/supervisor acknowledges that:*

- a. He/she has read the Kern County Fair Junior Livestock Competition Handbook Rules (General, Livestock and Special) and Regulations;
- b. The Junior Exhibitor has owned, fed and cared for the Junior Livestock animal(s) throughout the required ownership period. He/she has supervised the Junior Exhibitor and the Junior Livestock animal(s) have not had any drugs, chemicals, feed additives, or other substances used on them except pursuant to the label specifications, or unless under the direction and supervision of a licensed veterinarian for therapeutic purposes. All drugs, chemicals, feed additives or other substances for

# KERN COUNTY FAIR RESIDUE AVOIDANCE

- which the required withdrawal period has not elapsed prior to arrival at the Fair must be declared on a Declaration of Medication Form at official weigh-in; and
- c. He/she has supervised the Junior Exhibitor and the Junior Livestock animal(s) have not been tampered with in any way, including but not limited to, unethical fitting or any method altering the natural conformation of any part of the animal(s) body;
  - d. He/she understands the penalties for violating these General, Livestock and Special Rules and Regulations, include but are not limited to, monetary penalties, and the immediate disqualification of the Junior Exhibitor, and/or jeopardizing the chapter or club's entry in any subsequent fairs.

**Residue Avoidance Policy:** The Kern County Fair reserves the right to test any animal officially entered in any division at any time without notice, for any foreign substance including but not limited to drugs, chemicals or feed additives as well as DNA testing. At a minimum, some animals from the following groups will be tested: animals required to participate in the Kern County Fair Junior Livestock Auction (including any alternates) and; any animals suspect in terms of unusual physical appearance, demeanor or activity. As a condition precedent to accepting an entry, an entry form signed by the exhibitor, Agricultural Science Instructor, 4-H Leader, Grange Advisor, Parent or Legal Guardian grants the Kern County Fair permission to test any entry. Testing may be performed on any body tissue or fluid on both the live animal and the carcass. Test samples collected from any animal must have zero tolerance for any identifiable or unidentifiable foreign substances including drugs (legal and illegal), chemicals of any kind or feed additives, unless established as permissible by the USDA or FDA.

If an animal that has declared a medication, but is still within the withdrawal period of that medication then, the exhibitor understands that it will be disqualified from the auction and depending on the medication may be disqualified from the show. Animals testing positive to an unapproved foreign substance including but not limited to drugs, chemicals or feed additives, will be disqualified and declared ineligible to receive awards, premium money or sale proceeds. In addition to the disqualification and forfeiture of awards, premiums and/or auction proceeds, the Kern County Fair may release to the media the name of the exhibitor, leader, advisor and the name of the exhibitor's animal that was disqualified and was in violation of the Drug Residue Program. The live market animal or carcass that tests positive will immediately become the property of the Kern County Fair and the exhibitor will not be compensated for the animal, unless the animal passes inspection. Disqualified carcasses will be disposed of per written instructions from the U.S.D.A. or FDA.

If entry is disqualified, the entry and/or the exhibitor will be declared ineligible and will not receive awards, premiums and/or any sale proceeds, further the exhibitor will be responsible for payment of any fees, fines due or costs incurred by the Kern County Fair as result of the disqualification; The owner/exhibitor and members of his/her immediate family may not be eligible to compete in subsequent Kern County Fairs. The extent and degree of future eligibility shall be determined by Fair management based upon the severity of the offense and the circumstances giving rise to the violation.

If foreign substance residues including drugs, chemicals or feed additives are found in tissue of carcass of animals sold through the Kern County Fair Junior Livestock Auction, the Kern County Fair will in no way be liable or responsible for condition of carcass or sale price of animals. If, for any reason, any part of a carcass must be removed by U.S.D.A. inspectors, reimbursement will not happen.

# PROTESTS

1. Protest will be considered only if there has been a violation of State or Local Rules. Decisions of judges, veterinarians, weigh masters, breed callers, tail dock officials and timers cannot be protested and are final.
2. All protests must be accompanied by a deposit of \$500.00 (cash, money order or certified check made payable to the fair). Note: The deposit will be returned if the protest is upheld. If the protest is upheld, the violator may be held liable for any portion of the direct cost incurred by the fair in the course of the protest resolution. Failure to reimburse the fair shall be cause for disallowing future entries in any of the network of California fairs.
3. All protests must be made in writing on the Kern County Fair protest Form and submitted to the Livestock Supervisor. All protests must be signed and accompanied by a deposit of \$500.00 (explained above) payable to the Kern County Fair. The deposit shall be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Given the short duration of the fair:
  - a. The protester shall make every effort to file the protest prior to judging. All protests must be filed in writing within 24 hours of the time of the cause of the protest and before the conclusion of fair.
  - b. The fair will make every effort to resolve protests as quickly as possible. All exhibitors by entering an exhibit and all persons by filing a protest agree to cooperate with Fair Management to resolve protests in a timely manner.
  - c. Protests shall be adjudicated by Fair Management and/or members of the Board of Directors.
4. No protest will be accepted unless it:
  - a. Is filed or received, in writing, with a signed original and a signed duplicate copy;
  - b. Clearly states which rule has been violated;
  - c. States when the protester first became aware of the facts and rule violation;
  - d. State the facts relied upon for the basis of the protest;
  - e. States that the protester will cooperate with the investigation of the protest and that the protester will be available and agrees to attend any hearing held to resolve the protest at the time and place directed by management;
  - f. Includes the names of supporting witnesses, with accessible phone numbers; and
  - g. Describes or attaches any documents relating to the protest, which must include the written decision issued by the local arbitrating body.
5. Protest must be based on a violation of rules and must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal and set forth the facts relied upon or rule violated and must include the names of a minimum of two (2) supporting witnesses, including their phone numbers both temporary while at the Fair and permanent) upon whom proof is to be made.
6. 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 and if necessary, a hearing is completed. No complaint or appeal concerning a judge or judge's decision will be considered. Protest shall be adjudicated by the Fair management. Fair management will consult with a member of the board of directors who shall be designated by the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The decision of fair management shall be final and unappealable.
7. Any animal that is involved in a protest is eligible to compete until the protest is resolved. Any classes which involved a protested animal will not be officially placed until the protest is resolved. In any Championship classes involving that animal, the judge shall also select a 1st and 2nd Reserve Champion, in case of disqualification.
8. All questions of dispute or differences not provided for under the rules and regulations shall be referred to the Livestock Supervisor whose decision shall be final.

# AUCTION DATES AND SALE ORDER

## **Thursday, October 1, 2026**

*(Sales Pavilion)*

5:00 PM - Dairy Replacement Heifers  
Followed by Beef Open and Bred Replacement Heifers  
Followed by Market Beef  
Followed by Ag Mechanics

## **Friday, October 2, 2026**

*(Swine Arena)*

1:00 PM - Market Swine  
Followed by Market Rabbits and Fryers, Market Turkeys and Pen of Poultry

## **Saturday, October 3, 2026**

*(Sales Pavilion)*

1:00 PM - Market Goat  
Followed by Market Lamb

Exhibitors who have met all the rules and regulations set forth in the exhibit catalog of the Kern County Fair may sell one small animal, one large animal, and one ag mechanics project at the annual Auction Sale(s) sanctioned by the 15th District Agricultural Association. Which animal will sell is declared by the exhibitor at entry time.

Market Beef, Sheep, Swine and Goat animals grading in market ready / market acceptable will be eligible for their respective Auction Sales.

Dairy Replacement Heifers will be sold in order of placing by the show judge.

### **SALE ORDER:**

- Sale/No Sale Designation must be completed at time of entry.
- A preliminary list of the Sale Order for each auction will be posted outside the Livestock Office
- Any exhibitor that misses their assigned auction slot will receive market price and animal will be shipped to processing facility.
- Grand/Reserve Grand Champion market animals (beef, swine, sheep, and goats) must sell and is a terminal sale. NO LIVE PICKUP.
- Grand/Reserve Grand Champion Beef Replacement Heifers, Dairy Replacement Heifers, meat pen of Rabbits, Fryers, meat pen of Chickens, and Turkeys must sell and are a live pickup.

Auction Management shall reserve the option to issue the Auction resale price to any exhibitor who violates the Auction Rules and Regulations, thereby nullifying the bid placed in the Auction Ring.

Sellers are responsible for animals that are condemned or rejected at processing centers.

### **Terms:**

Add Ons: Defined as those bids not included during actual sale of animal. Add-Ons will be accepted online only until **9pm on Saturday, October 3, 2026.**

# AUCTION SALES REGULATIONS

## KERN COUNTY FAIR JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION

**BIDDING:** All animals sell to the highest bidder. The bidding will be per pound except for Dairy Replacement Heifers, Beef Replacement Heifers, Ag Mechanics, Fryers, Meat Pens, and Turkeys which will be sold by the lot. The Auctioneer will settle any dispute or challenge regarding bidding and his decision will be final. The Auctioneer has the right to refuse bids from anyone who has a previous record of default in payment or who has declined to make proper registration and/or credit clearance with the auction management. If a buyer(s) has not paid for a prior Auction obligation, the buyer(s) will not be allowed to participate in the auction, in any form.

**NEW BUYERS:** Any buyer who did not give an add on or purchase an animal in the last year of livestock auctions, will be classified as a new buyer.

**SALE PROCEEDS:** Each Auction participant shall receive 93% of their animal's sale proceeds after the animal's Buyer(s) have satisfied their obligation in full. Payment to the seller will follow a regular payment schedule as determined by Auction Management. The remaining 7% of the sale proceeds will be used to pay auction expenses. If a previous auction sales invoice was signed by the exhibitor's parent, immediate family and/or guardian and remains unpaid, Auction sales proceeds will be withheld from the exhibitor and the exhibitor is ineligible to show at subsequent Kern County Fair's until such time as full payment for the prior obligation is received.

Payment for each animal shall be by cash, check or credit card, (certified check if so requested by the Auction Management) payable upon receipt of sale certificate, unless otherwise agreed in writing between the Auction Management and Buyer(s). Payment shall be in lawful money of the United States of America. In case that a suit must be brought to compel payment for any auction animal, the Buyer(s) agree to pay all attorney's fees and all collection expenses associated with the animal's purchase.

Anyone picking up LIVE auction animals must present a copy of the BUYER'S CERTIFICATE to the Auction agent, sign any and all documentation and obtain a release slip provided by the Sale Management.

### ADD ON:

#### ALL ADD ON'S MUST BE DONE ONLINE

#### ADD-ONS- ONLINE ONLY:

This is for buyers who would like to add money to an exhibitor's lot – **but are not wanting to purchase the animal.** This add-on amount will be added to the exhibitor's lot in addition to what the animal sells for during the auction. Buyers must be registered and have a buyer's number.

#### MULTIPLE BUYERS:

This is a group of buyers who would like to pool their money together to purchase an exhibitor's lot – **each buyer has an interest in purchasing a portion of the animal during the auction.** All buyers who will be buying the lot together will need to provide their buyer number for purchase. Each buyer must be registered and have a buyer number. One buyer must sign the invoice indicating that they will be responsible if one of the buyers does not pay.

# JUNIOR DIVISION BEEF

Geordy Wise, Team Chairperson

## BREEDING CATTLE

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

*Must be more than two different exhibitors to receive premiums*

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20

1. Nurse Cows that are not entered in competition are not permitted on the fairgrounds.
2. All females 24 months of age or older at the beginning of the Fair must:
  - 1) Have a calf at side, or
  - 2) Show obvious signs of pregnancy, or
  - 3) Have a veterinarian's Certificate of Pregnancy.
3. If exhibitor is not present prior to beginning of class, exhibitor will be scratched.
4. Kern County Fair Management reserves the right to disqualify unmanageable animals.
5. All Bulls must have Nose Ring.

## **DIVISION 100: BREEDING CATTLE – ALL BREEDS**

(Breed must be shown on entry form)

### **CLASS: FEMALES**

1. Junior Heifer Calf, calved Jan. 1, 2026 through May 20, 2026
2. Senior Heifer Calf, calved Sept. 1, 2025 through Dec. 31, 2025
3. Summer Yearling female, calved May 1, 2025 through Aug. 31, 2025
4. Junior Yearling female, calved Jan. 1, 2025 through Apr. 30, 2025
5. Senior Yearling female, calved Mar. 1, 2024 through Dec. 31, 2024
6. Cow/Calf Pair, a Cow that was born after Mar.1, 2024 , with a calf (Jan. 2026) or younger at its side.

### **CLASS: BULLS (All Bulls 6 Months and Older MUST have a Nose Ring)**

7. Junior Bull Calf Jan. 1, 2026 through May 20, 2026
8. Senior Bull Calf Sept. 1, 2025 through Dec. 31, 2025
9. Summer Yearling Bull May 1, 2025 through Aug.31, 2025
10. Junior Yearling Bull Jan. 1, 2025 through Apr. 30, 2025
11. Senior Yearling Bull Mar. 1, 2024 through Dec. 31, 2024

### **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion Bull- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

Champion/Reserve Champion Female- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

# JUNIOR DIVISION BEEF

## MARKET BEEF

ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

1. Cattle blocking chutes will be restricted to a designated area.
2. Junior Market Beef classified as not market ready by the Judge will be ineligible for auction.
3. Bill of Sale and Brand Inspection **MUST be provided at weigh-in.**
4. Slick Sheared, prior to arrival at show, will be pre-clipped to no more than 1/4" of hair on ANY part of the body except the tail switch, which may be ratted and balled. Hair will be checked at weigh in. Beef found in violation of this rule will be transferred to appropriate class.
5. Beef Market Heifers must bear evidence of official calfhood vaccination against brucellosis with a legible, official tattoo visible in the right ear.
6. **Animals must be de-horned.**
7. **All market beef that are underweight will be placed in a feeder division for placing purposes only.**

### **DIVISION 103: MARKET BEEF (1000 TO 1450 LBS.)**

Exhibitor will only be paid to 1300 lbs at the auction.

#### **CLASS:**

1. English - *must have registration papers*
2. AOC
3. Black X
4. Slick Sheared

#### **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion Each Class- Buckle/Banner/Rosette  
Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

### **MARKET BEEF SCORECARD**

**Market Ready:** Market Beef projected to have sufficient fat deposition to meet the marbling specifications for USDA Prime, Choice, or Select+ quality grades.

**Not Market Ready:** Market Beef lacking evidence of sufficient fat deposition to produce a desirable consumer product. Beef projected to grade USDA Select- or lower.

### **DIVISION 107: PEN OF 3 MARKET BEEF**

NO ENTRY FEE: Sign-Up Ringside

NO PREMIUMS PAID

No Entry required sign up at ringside - Must be owned by individual members and previously shown in above Market Beef Divisions. No more than two (2) animals from any one exhibitor. One pen per club/chapter allowed. Following Market Show and will be called to the ring.

#### **CLASS:**

1. FFA
2. 4-H
3. Grange

#### **AWARDS:**

Ribbon-1st-5th

# JUNIOR DIVISION BEEF

## DIVISION 109: KERN COUNTY BRED AND FED MARKET BEEF

ENTRY FEE \$15.00

### PREMIUMS OFFERED

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. Must be **shown** in a Market Class.
2. Bill of Sale must be uploaded with entry with breeder information on it.
3. Market Beef who have been bred **and born** within Kern County and fed by a **Kern County Junior** exhibitor may qualify.

### CLASS:

1. Kern County Bred and Fed

### AWARDS:

Champion/Reserve Champion (Light/Middle/Heavyweight)- Banner/Award/Rosette  
Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## **BEEF REPLACEMENT HEIFERS-NON-REGISTERED**

ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 PER ENTRY

1. Bred heifers must be bred to a beef breed bull.
2. Heifers that calve while on the fairgrounds are still eligible to show and sell. Calf must go to auction with heifer.
3. Grand and Reserve Champion Beef Replacement Bred and Open Heifers must sell at the auction. All other Beef Heifers are eligible to sell at the auction.
5. Bill of Sale must **be provided at weigh-in.**
6. All heifers will be confirmed bred (must be first calf) or open by a licensed veterinarian at time of weigh-in.
7. This division is a replacement division per definition via the state.

## DIVISION 110: BEEF REPLACEMENT HEIFERS

### CLASS:

1. Open Heifer (Non-Bred – **any weight**)
2. Bred Heifer (Bred – 1<sup>st</sup> Calf Heifer– 901 lbs and over)

### AWARDS:

Champion/Reserve Champion Open/Bred Beef Replacement Heifer- Banner/Rosette

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion Beef Replacement Heifer- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## DAVID PONCETTA- OUTSTANDING BEEF EXHIBITOR AWARD

The Outstanding Beef Award is a “Good Sportsmanship” award honoring and embracing the values portrayed by David Poncetta. There is one (1) winner. The buckle is presented at the Beef Auction. The Committee observes exhibitors, and all beef exhibits will be inspected and scored to the following point system.

1. Preparation of the Exhibit	25 points
2. Attitude of the Exhibitor	50 points
3. Care of the Exhibit	25 points
TOTAL	100 points

# JUNIOR DIVISION DAIRY CATTLE

## DAIRY REPLACEMENT HEIFERS

ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

*American System of Judging*

1. This division is open to all dairy breeds, either **registered** or grade, but not crossbreds.
2. Heifers must be dehorned or polled.
3. The Heifer must be over 18 months of age and under 27 months of age. **This MUST be the heifer's first calf and she must not have calved before arrival on the grounds for the 2026 Fair.**
4. If in the opinion of the Sifting Committee, they cannot determine that she is not within 60 days of calving, a veterinarian will check the animal and their decision will be final. Bill of Sale and Brand Inspection **will be collected** at sifting.
5. Judging will be by the American System on breed characteristics and dairy type, and must meet the standards set up by the Sifting Committee in order to sell.
6. A legible vaccination tattoo for brucellosis is the only form of evidence that is acceptable. A Sifting Committee will be assembled by the Dairy Team Chairperson to check on stage of gestation.
7. Dairy Replacement Heifers entered in division 200 that calve prior to arrival on the fairgrounds may move their entry to division 200 class 2, fresh heifers. Fresh Heifers are eligible for the show, showmanship and futurity classes only. These heifers are not eligible for auction.
8. All calves must be removed from the fairgrounds within 24 hours of birth.
9. Blocking chutes will be restricted to a designated area.
10. Must be owned 90 consecutive days before fair.
11. This division is a replacement division per definition via the state.
12. Dairy Heifers must provide a Veterinary Certificate proving pregnancy which must be dated within 15 days of the fair arrival date.

## DIVISION 200: DAIRY REPLACEMENT HEIFERS

(Grade and Registered – All Breeds judged together)

### CLASS:

1. All Heifers
2. Fresh Heifers - calved before arrival at the fairgrounds-may show but not eligible to sell

### AWARDS:

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette  
3rd-6th- Banner/Award

## DIVISION 201: PEN OF 3 REPLACEMENT HEIFERS

(Grade or **Registered**)

NO ENTRY FEE: Sign-Up Ringside

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Must be owned by individual members and previously shown in above Dairy Division. No more than 2 animals from any one exhibitor. One pen per club/chapter allowed.

### CLASS:

1. 4-H Best 3 (must be owned by individual members and previously shown in division 200)
2. FFA Best 3 (must be owned by individual members and previously shown in division 200)
3. Grange Best 3 (must be owned by individual members and previously shown in division 200)

### AWARDS:

Ribbons-1st-5th

# JUNIOR DIVISION DAIRY CATTLE

## BREEDING DAIRY CATTLE

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

*Must be more than two different exhibitors to receive premiums*

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. Classes with less than five (5) entries may be combined. Awards will apply.
2. If exhibitor is not present prior to beginning of class, exhibitor will be scratched.

### **DIVISION 202: REGISTERED & GRADE** (Judged Together)

#### **CLASS: FEMALES**

1. Junior Calf Mar. 1, 2026 through May 20, 2026
2. Intermediate Calf Dec. 1, 2025 through Feb. 29, 2026
3. Senior Calf Sept. 1, 2025 through Nov. 30, 2025
4. Summer Yearling June 1, 2025 through Aug. 31, 2025
5. Junior Yearling Mar. 1, 2025 through May 31, 2025
6. Winter Yearling Dec. 1, 2024 through Feb. 28, 2025
7. Fall Senior Yearling Sept. 1, 2023 through Nov. 30, 2024
8. Springer 22 Month - 30 Month old breeders
9. Best Pair Females Two (2) females any age, need not be related but of same breed. All must be owned by exhibitor and entered as individuals. One entry per exhibitor.

#### **AWARDS:**

Supreme Champion/Reserve Supreme Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

### **DIVISION 206: SPRINGER HEIFER FUTURITY**

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. Must be a two (2) year project and have been at the Kern County Fair the prior year with application and picture.
2. For 2026 Fair- Application and picture must be turned into the livestock office by Sunday, October 4, 2026.
3. Must be the same owner both years of showing; does not need to be shown in division 200.

#### **CLASS:**

1. Futurity

#### **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion - Buckle/Rosette

# JUNIOR DIVISION DAIRY CATTLE

## DIVISION 207: KERN COUNTY BORN AND BRED SHOW

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. Exhibit must have been born and bred on a Kern County Dairy.
2. Exhibit must be entered and shown in the Replacement Heifer class.
3. Bill of Sale must be uploaded with entry with breeder information on the receipt.

### CLASS:

1. Kern County Born and Bred

### AWARDS:

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

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# JUNIOR DIVISION SWINE

## BREEDING SWINE

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

*Must be more than two different exhibitors to receive premiums*

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. All Junior Exhibitors will compete together. Gilts entered in the Market Hog classes CANNOT be entered in the breeding classes or vice versa.
2. All pigs must be no older than 18 months.
3. Use numbers to identify notchings.
4. All boars shall be detusked before entry

## **DIVISION 300: BREEDING SWINE** (Organizations Show Together)

### **CLASS:**

1. Boars - Shown by weight- **Maximum Weight 400 lbs- no older than 18 months**
  2. Females - Shown by weight- **Maximum Weight 400 lbs- no older than 18 months**
- GROUPS
3. Young Herd: One boar and three sows (All owned by exhibitor and entered as individuals.)
  4. Get of Sire: Four animals, any age, by same sire.

### **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion Boar- Buckle/Banner/Rosette  
Champion/Reserve Champion Female- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## MARKET SWINE

ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

1. All Market Swine and ear tags MUST be clean and free of dirt before entering the scales for weigh-in.
2. All Grand and Reserve Grand Champions MUST SELL in the auction.
3. **All market swine that are underweight will be placed in a feeder division for placing purposes only.**

## **DIVISION 301: FFA MARKET SWINE (210 to 285 lbs)**

## **DIVISION 302: 4-H MARKET SWINE (210 to 285 lbs)**

### **CLASS:**

1. Market Swine- classes will be broken by breed at weigh-in

Within each breed the judge will pick a breed champion and reserve for each division. At the Parade of Champions, there will be two (2) FFA and two (2) 4-H for the judge to pick a Grand Champion and a Reserve Grand Champion.

# JUNIOR DIVISION SWINE

## MARKET HOG SCORECARD

**Market Acceptable:** U.S. No. 1 and No. 2 hogs of average or greater conformation that are acceptable in leanness, muscularity and production traits.

**Not Market Acceptable:** Any hog of below average conformation including U.S. number 3, U.S. number 4 and utility grade hogs.

### Market Swine Breeds

Breeds Available: Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, Light AOB, Dark AOB, Light Cross, and Dark Cross

### BREED DESCRIPTIONS

**Berkshire** – A common color pattern of black body, erect ears with 6 white points (face, four socks, tip of tail) shall serve as the base with a combination or variation pattern which may include: Black based body color with white color on at least 3 legs, cannot have white skin or hair exceeding 2/3rds the area of the upper body (above the legs) or in any continuous manner as to cover 1/3 of the body area as well as not to have any white color that encircles the entire body (to form a belt). There must be white on the face but do not include the entire head.

**Chester White** – All white in color with medium sized drooping ears. No more than 5 non-white pigmented color spots. No spot of nonwhite colored pigment greater in size than a silver dollar. No color hair other than white.

**Dark Crossbred** – Those hogs possessing colors of the solid pattern from black, red, brown, or the variation of those colors in a distinct pattern and which do not fit other breed classification requirements. A red-headed white bodied, black/red spotted or black-headed white bodied hog will be classified dark cross. This would include broken and off belted black hogs.

**Duroc** – Red to brown color covering the entire body with drooping ears. Black spots cannot exceed 3 with any covering an area larger than 2 inches in diameter. No other color shall be allowed on the body or legs and no shading or coloring resembling a belt is allowed.

**Hampshire** – The color pattern shall be black body in color with erect ears, a white belt shall start on one front foot and continue over to the opposite foot. No white shall be allowed over the rim of the nose and no white greater in size than a quarter covering the chin. All half or off belts will classify dark cross. No white shall be allowed from the front of the sheath back. White is allowed on the back legs as long as it does not rest above the joint of the hock.

**Hereford and Tamworth** – Hereford will be red or dark or light in color, white head or blaze from ear line forward on the face, white ears, white feet or legs, and ears carriage is broken forward. Splashes of white color may be present in various patterns across the body but no other color or full belt is allowed. Tamworth shall be a general red to brown color with erect ear carriage. Black colored hair is permissible but no more than 20 spots and nothing larger than 4 inches in diameter.

**Landrace** – All white in color with large drooping ears. No more than 3 color pigmentation spots and none larger than a quarter in size. No other hair color than white.

**Light Crossbred** – Those hogs possessing white hair and skin pigment, general light to deep blue coloring in any pattern located on the body, legs or head. Any color pattern of mixed red roan with blue colored variations located on the body, legs or head. The distinct coloring of a white body pronounced red and no presence of blue or mixed blue/reddish tint will be classified dark cross.

**Poland China and Spotted** – Polands will be black bodied with 6 white points (face, feet, and tail) and drooping ears. No more than 1 solid black leg and free of any different colored hair other than black or white. No indications of a belt but a splash of white on the body is allowed. Spotted will be a base pattern of black and white colored spots only, with drooping ears. No color tinted hair other than black or white and head may not be solid black in color from the ears forward. No signs of a solid belt or solid color of black or white which covers more than 1/3 of the animals' body.

**Yorkshire** – All white in color with erect ear carriage. Not more than 2 spots of different color pigmentation, no spot larger than a dime, no single spot larger than a quarter or both spots combined greater than a silver dollar. No other hair color than white.

### AWARDS:

Breed Champion/Reserve Breed Champion Per Division- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

Division Champion/Reserve Division Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Award/Rosette

# JUNIOR DIVISION SWINE

## DIVISION 306: PEN OF 6 MARKET SWINE

NO ENTRY FEE: Sign-Up Ringside  
NO PREMIUMS PAID

Must be owned by individual members and previously shown in above Market Swine Divisions. No more than two (2) animals from any one exhibitor. One (1) pen per club/chapter allowed.

### **CLASS:**

1. FFA Pen of 6
2. 4-H Pen of 6
3. Grange Pen of 6

### **AWARDS:**

Ribbons- 1st-5th

## DIVISION 307: KERN COUNTY BRED AND FED MARKET SWINE

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. Must also have been entered and shown in Market Swine Show.
2. Bill of Sale must be uploaded at the time of entry with breeder information included on receipt.
3. Kern County Bred and Fed Swine must be bred and farrowed in Kern County and **fed by a Kern County Junior exhibitor to qualify.**

### **CLASS:**

1. All Kern Bred and Fed

### **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion (Light/Middle/Heavyweight)- Banner/Award/Rosette  
Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

# JUNIOR DIVISION SHEEP

## BREEDING SHEEP

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS  
AMERICAN SYSTEM OF JUDGING

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

*Must be more than two different exhibitors to receive premiums*

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. All sheep must have a USDA approved Scrapie Tag.
2. Sheep must have all milk teeth at vet check.
3. MUZZLING OF ANIMALS IS PROHIBITED.
4. Ewe lambs entered and/or shown in the breeding division are not eligible to be entered or shown in the market division.
5. **All sheep must be sheared from head to hock within 7 days prior to arrival.**

## DIVISION 400: BREEDING SHEEP

### CLASS:

1. Blackface Ewes- Shown by weight
2. Whiteface Ewe-Shown by weight
3. Blackface Ram- Shown by weight
4. Whiteface Ram- Shown by weight

### AWARDS:

Champion/Reserve Champion Ram- Buckle/Banner/Rosette  
Champion/Reserve Champion Ewe- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## MARKET SHEEP

ENTRY FEE \$25.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

1. Market lambs **MUST** be slick shorn **within 7 days from the top of the head to the top of the hock** prior to arrival. **If an animal does not meet this requirement they will be sifted at the vet check.**
2. Muzzling of animals is prohibited.
3. Sheep must have all milk teeth at vet check.
4. **All market sheep that are underweight will be placed in a feeder division for placing purposes only.**

**DIVISION 401: FFA MARKET SHEEP- 100lb minimum  
(150 lb auction pay weight)**

**DIVISION 402: 4-H MARKET SHEEP -100lb minimum  
(150 lb auction pay weight)**

### CLASS:

1. Market Sheep - classes will be broke by breed at weigh-in

# JUNIOR DIVISION SHEEP

## MARKET LAMB SCORECARD

**Market Ready:** USDA Prime or Choice quality with 12th rib back fat range .16-.35, average or greater conformation and cutability.

**Not Market Ready:** Good or lower quality grade with 12th rib back fat range <.16 or >.35; underfinished lambs grading USDA good or lower, below-average conformation or cutability.

### Market Sheep Show Order

Breeds Available: Dorset, Hampshire, Natural, Southdown, Hair, AOB, Whiteface Cross, Blackface Cross

Within each breed the judge will pick a breed champion and reserve for each division.

At the Parade of Champions, there will be two (2) FFA lambs and two (2) 4-H lambs for the judge to pick a Grand Champion and a Reserve Grand Champion Lamb.

### **AWARDS:**

Breed Champion/Reserve Breed Champion Per Division- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

Division Champion/Reserve Division Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Award/Rosette

## DIVISION 403: KERN COUNTY BRED AND FED MARKET SHEEP

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. Animal must have been shown in the Market Sheep Division to be eligible.
2. Bill of sale must be uploaded at time of entry with breeder information included in receipt.
3. Kern Bred and Fed Lambs **MUST** be bred **and born** in Kern County and fed by a Kern County exhibitor to qualify.

### CLASS:

1. Kern County Bred and Fed Market Sheep

### **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion (Light/Middle/Heavyweight)- Banner/Award/Rosette

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## DIVISION 407: PEN OF 6 MARKET LAMBS

NO ENTRY FEE: Sign-Up Ringside

NO PREMIUMS PAID

Must be owned by individual members and previously shown in above Market Sheep Divisions. No more than two (2) animals from any one (1) exhibitor. One pen per club/chapter allowed. Following Market Show and will be called to the ring.

### CLASS:

1. FFA Pen of 6 Market Lambs
2. 4-H Pen of 6 Market Lambs
3. Grange Pen of 6 Market Lambs

**AWARDS:**Ribbons-1st-5th

# JUNIOR DIVISION MARKET GOATS

## MARKET GOATS

ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

1. Open to any market breed or crossbred goat. Wethers or Does may be shown.
2. Market Goats must show milk teeth, and weigh a minimum of 60 lbs with no maximum weight. But exhibitors will only be paid at auction to 100 pounds.
3. Market Goats must be castrated.
4. All Market Goats must be dehorned/disbudded (not tipped). Any horn re-growth or scurs cannot exceed one inch in length. Consideration will be based on safety and humane treatment of the animal. Removal of horns on Fairgrounds will result in disqualification.
5. Prior to arrival, Market Goats MUST be slick shorn with 3/8 inch of hair or less above the knee **and** hock joints, those not meeting this standard will be sifted at vet check.
6. Muzzling of animals is prohibited.
7. No pronged collars allowed.
8. All market goats must have a USDA approved Scrapie Tag.
9. **All market goats that are underweight will be placed in a feeder division for placing purposes only.**

**DIVISION 517: 4-H/Grange MARKET GOATS (60 lb min. with no max sift wt.)**

**DIVISION 518: FFA MARKET GOATS (60 lb minimum with no max sift weight)**

**Exhibitors will only be paid to 100 lbs at auction**

### CLASS:

1. All Market Goats

### MARKET GOAT (CHEVON) SCORECARD

**Market Ready:** USDA Prime or Choice quality with 12th rib back fat range .08 - 12 most desirable, .13-.22 back fat acceptable, average or greater conformation and cutability.

**Not Market Ready:** Good or lower quality grade with 12th rib back fat range <.08 or >.22; underfinished goats grading USDA good or lower, below average conformation or cutability.

### AWARDS:

Champion/Reserve Champion (Light/Middle/Heavyweight) Per Division- Buckle/Banner/Rosette  
Division Champion/Reserve Division Champion Per Division- Buckle/Banner/Rosette  
Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Award/Rosette

## DIVISION 519: PEN OF 4 MARKET GOATS

NO ENTRY FEE: Sign-Up Ringside

NO PREMIUMS PAID

No entry required • No more than two animals owned by one exhibitor  
Must be owned by individual members and previously shown in above Market Goat Divisions. One (1) pen per club/  
chapter allowed. Following Market Show and will be called to the ring.

### CLASS:

1. 4-H Pen of Four (4)
2. FFA Pen of Four (4)
3. Grange Pen of Four (4)

### AWARDS:

Ribbons- 1st-5th  
Goats

# JUNIOR DIVISION MARKET GOATS

## VIRGINIA JOHNSON MEMORIAL AWARD PREMIER MARKET GOAT HERDSMAN

The Goat Committee considers the Premier Herdsman Award a "Good Sportsmanship" award. There is one (1) winner. The buckle is presented at the Market Goat Auction. The Committee observes exhibitors, and all goat exhibits will be inspected and scored to the following point system.

1. Preparation of the Exhibit	25 points
2. Attitude of the Exhibitor	50 points
3. Care of the Exhibit	25 points
TOTAL	100 points

## **DIVISION 520: KERN COUNTY BRED AND FED MARKET GOATS**

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

*Must be more than two different exhibitors to receive premiums*

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. Animal must **have been shown** in the Market Goat Division.
2. Bill of sale must be uploaded at time of entry with breeder information included on receipt.
3. Market Goats must be bred and born in Kern County and fed by a Kern County FFA, 4-H, or Independent/Grange exhibitor to qualify.

### **CLASS:**

1. All Kern Bred and Fed Goats (All Junior exhibitors compete together)

### **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion (Light/Middle/Heavyweight)- Banner/Award/Rosette  
Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

# JUNIOR DIVISION BOER GOATS

## WETHER DAM/SIRE BREEDING SHOW

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

*Must be more than two different exhibitors to receive premiums*

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. This is a replacement program. All animals must resemble the maternal line of a meat goat.
2. Animals must have milk or yearling teeth.
3. Animals will be entered using a USDA Scrapie Tag number. All animals are required to have a scrapie tag in place at time of show.
4. Animals may be shown with or without horns. No discrimination without horns.
5. Does shown in the market show CANNOT show in Wether Dam Division. Wether Dam Does CANNOT compete in Goats and Gold.

## DIVISION 525: WETHER DAM/SIRE BREEDING SHOW

### CLASS:

1. Does (50lbs and up)
2. Bucks (50lbs and up)

### AWARDS:

Champion/Reserve Champion (Light/Middle/Heavyweight)- Banner/Rosette  
Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion Doe- Buckle/Banner/Rosette  
Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion Buck- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

# JUNIOR DIVISION DAIRY GOATS

## DAIRY GOATS

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

Limit 12 head per exhibitor

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

*Must be more than two different exhibitors to receive premiums*

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

1. The American Dairy Goat Association recognizes this show as an official sanctioned show. For membership info contact: ADGA, P.O. Box 865, Spindale, NC 28160. The Junior and Senior shows are not separately sanctioned.
2. Original registration certificates, issued by a breed association, must be checked by the livestock office when the animals arrive on the Fairgrounds and must be kept on hand. All registration papers must be inspected and approved by the Fair's representative before entries are allowed to be judged. Any exhibitor failing to produce such documents will be disqualified from the class and the entry fee will not be refunded. NO EXCEPTIONS.
3. Unless other rules are specified, this show will be held under the rules of the American Dairy Goat Association provided they do not conflict with any of the rules and regulations prescribed by the California Division of Fairs and Expositions and Kern County Fair.
4. All goats registered as Grade or Grade Experimental must show in the Recorded Grade Class.
5. Goats with a Certificate of Record as Native on Performance or Appearance will show as a Recorded Grade.
6. There will be no official pre-show milk-out. Exhibitors must use their own discretion as to their own milk-out time for their particular doe. However, Does with over distended udders will be discriminated against.
7. All does two (2) years and older must be freshened at least once.
8. Registration papers and tattoos, or Microchips for all the Grand and Reserve Champions must be checked at the show by the Judge. You must have papers ringside.
9. To record a win, a goat must be permanently tattooed or have a microchip prior to being shown in its individual class on that day. Tattoo or Microchip must match registration certificate and Kern County Fair entry form. The tattoo must be legible, allowing for re-tattooing, (pre-approved by ADGA) but no variations other than partial or complete duplications.
10. Dairy Goats must be disbudded or dehorned. **Removal of horns on the fairgrounds will result in disqualification. Scurs or regrowth cannot exceed 1 in. in length.**
11. Age of goat is to be the date the goat is to be judged.
12. Nigerian Dwarf Goats will be shown as a small animal exhibit.

### JOHN STRICKLAND MEMORIAL AWARD: PREMIER DAIRY GOAT HERDSMAN

The Goat Team considers the Premier Herdsman Award a "Good Sportsmanship" award. There is one (1) winner. The award is presented a buckle at the ring. The Committee observes exhibitors, and all goat exhibits will be inspected and scored to the following point system:

1. Preparation of the Exhibit	25 points
2. Attitude of the Exhibitor	50 points
3. Care of the Exhibit	25 points
TOTAL	100 points

# JUNIOR DIVISION DAIRY GOATS

## **DIVISION 500: NIGERIAN DWARF**

## **DIVISION 501: ALL OTHER PUREBREDS**

## **DIVISION 502: RECORDED GRADES**

### **CLASS:**

### **DATE OF BIRTH:**

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|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Junior Kid                 | Apr. 16 through Sept. 19, 2026 |
| 2. Intermediate Kid           | Mar. 1 through Apr. 15, 2026   |
| 3. Senior Kid                 | Jan. 1 through Feb. 29, 2026   |
| 4. Yearling Doe Not Freshened | Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2025   |

*JUNIOR CHAMPION & RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION*

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| 5. Yearling Milkers         | Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2025       |
| 6. Two Year Olds            | Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2024       |
| 7. Three and Four Year Olds | Jan. 1, 2022 through Dec. 31, 2023 |
| 8. Five Year Olds and Older | Prior to Jan. 1, 2022              |

*SENIOR CHAMPION & RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION*

*GRAND CHAMPION & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION*

*BEST DOE IN SHOW*

*GROUPS: Must be pre-entered*

9. Dam and Daughter: Dam must be named. Both animals must be owned by the same exhibitor and entered as individuals.
10. Best Three (3) Does. All must be owned by the same exhibitor and entered as individuals.

### **AWARDS:**

Jr. Champion/Reserve Jr. Champion Per Division- Banner/Rosette

Sr. Champion/Reserve Sr. Champion Per Division- Banner/Rosette

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion Per Division- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

Best Doe In Show- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## **DIVISION 503: PEN OF 4 DAIRY GOATS**

NO ENTRY FEE: Sign-Up Ringside

NO PREMIUMS PAID

1. All exhibitors must be in full uniform.
2. No more than two animals from any one exhibitor.
3. One pen per club or chapter allowed.

### **CLASS:**

1. Pen of four (4) Dairy Goats - All exhibitors must be from the same club or chapter and no more than two animals owned by one exhibitor.

### **AWARDS:**

Ribbons- 1st-5th

# JUNIOR DIVISION PYGMY GOATS

## PYGMY GOATS

1. Original Registration Certificates issued by a breed association, must be checked by the livestock office when the animals arrive on the Fairgrounds and must be kept on hand. All registration papers must be inspected and approved by the Fair's representative before entries are allowed to be judged. Any exhibitor failing to produce such documents will be disqualified from the class and the entry fee will not be refunded. NO EXCEPTIONS.
2. This show will be held under the rules of the NPGA provided they do not conflict with any of the rules and regulations prescribed by the CA Division of Fairs and Expositions and Kern County Fair.
3. Age of the goat shall be the day the goat is to be judged.
4. To record a win, a goat must be permanently tattooed or have a microchip prior to being shown in its individual class on that day. Tattoo or Microchip must match registration certificate and Kern County Fair entry. Tattoo must be legible, allowing for re-tattooing, (pre-approved by NPGA) but no variations other than partial or complete duplications.
5. Goats under six (6) months of age are excluded from rule #4 as a condition for recording a Grand or Reserve Grand Champion win.
6. Pygmy Goats must be disbudded or dehorned. **Removal of horns on the fairgrounds will result in disqualification. Scurs or regrowth cannot exceed 1 in. in length.**
7. **All registration papers must be in only the exhibitors name 30 days prior to the opening day of the fair or show day; whichever is first. STATE RULE: No animal exhibit (excluding rabbit & poultry) owned by a chapter or club, conducted as a joint project by two or more individuals, or joint owned by two or more individuals is eligible in the junior department, unless the division or class specifically so states.**

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

Limit 6 head per exhibitor per division

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

*Must be more than two different exhibitors to receive premiums*

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15

## DIVISION 512: ALL REGISTERED WETHERS

Wethers must be registered NPGA or AGS. However, in order to recognize the "win", the animal must be registered with the National Pygmy Goat Association.

### CLASS:

1. Wether (0 to under 4 months old)
2. Wether (4 months to under 8 months old)
3. Wether (8 months to under 12 months old)  
*Junior Champion and Reserve Junior Champion*
4. Wether (12 months to under 18 months old)
5. Wether (18 months to under 24 months old)
6. Wether (24 months to under 36 months old)
7. Wether (36 months and older)  
*Senior Champion and Reserve Senior Champion*  
*Grand Champion Pygmy and Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Wether*

# JUNIOR DIVISION PYGMY GOATS

## DIVISION 513: NPGA REGISTERED PYGMIES - DOES

### CLASS:

#### **JUNIOR DIVISION -**

1. Junior Doe Kid (under 6 months old)
2. Intermediate Kid (6 to 8 months old)
3. Senior Kid (9 months to under 12 months)
4. Junior Yearling - Never Freshened (12 months to under 18 months)
5. Senior Yearling - Never Freshened (18 months to under 24 months)

*Junior Champion and Reserve Junior Champion*

#### **SENIOR DIVISION -**

6. Yearling or Younger Does - Freshened
7. Two Year Old (2 years to under 3 years old)
8. Three Year Old (3 years to under 4 years old)
9. Aged Doe (4 years old and older)

*Senior Champion and Reserve Senior Champion*

*Grand Champion Pygmy and Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Doe*

*GROUPS: Must be pre-entered*

10. Dam and Daughter: Dam must be named. Both must be owned by the same exhibitor and entered in Division 513
11. Best Three (3) Does. All must be owned by the same exhibitor and entered as individuals.

### **AWARDS:**

Jr. Champion/Reserve Jr. Champion Per Division- Banner/Rosette

Sr. Champion/Reserve Sr. Champion Per Division- Banner//Rosette

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion Per Division- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## DIVISION 514: PEN OF 4 PYGMY GOATS

NO ENTRY FEE: Sign-Up Ringside

NO PREMIUMS PAID

1. All exhibitors must be in full uniform.
2. No more than two animals from any one exhibitor.
3. One pen per club or chapter allowed.

### CLASS:

1. Pen of 4 Pygmy Goats

### **AWARDS:**

Ribbons- 1st-5th

## ELIZABETH WONDERLY MEMORIAL AWARD PREMIER PYGMY GOAT HERDSMAN

The Goat Committee considers the Premier Herdsman Award a "Good Sportsmanship" award. There is one (1) winner. The buckle is presented at the ring. The Committee observes exhibitors and all goat exhibits will be inspected and scored by the following point system:

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|-------------------------------|------------|
| 1. Preparation of the Exhibit | 25 points  |
| 2. Attitude of the Exhibitor  | 50 points  |
| 3. Care of the Exhibit        | 25 points  |
| Total Points:                 | 100 points |

# JUNIOR DIVISION POULTRY

The Junior Livestock Poultry Department is open to Kern County exhibitors 5 - 19 years old

## POULTRY

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$4

1. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to familiarize themselves with the Standard of Perfection. The Fair Management is not responsible for exhibits entered in the wrong division or class.
2. Rules, definitions and judging procedures as described in the Official Show Rules and the Standard of Perfection of the American Poultry Association, Inc., shall apply to this show except in such instances where they are in conflict with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Division of Fairs and Expositions and the California Department of Food and Agriculture.
3. All entries must remain in their coops until released by the Poultry Team. Any animal removed before release time will be disqualified unless excused due to sickness or stress only.
4. All entries, including egg layers, must be identified by commercially purchased numbered leg bands, conforming with the entry and must be on birds prior to arrival at the Fair for inspection. No handwritten leg bands.
5. Staff will quarantine unhealthy birds, and the exhibitor is responsible for picking up the bird(s) immediately. Premiums may be held if bird(s) are not removed from the barn.
6. All poultry entries must be removed by Sunday, October 4, 6 AM - 11 AM.
7. Only poultry officially entered in the show, with the exception of Special Display Exhibits, will be allowed on the Fairgrounds at any time. Special Display Exhibits may be released before official release time.
8. Exhibitors are responsible for keeping their animal(s), cage(s) clean and for exhibit care and cage maintenance. Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of premiums and/or removal from the fair.
9. **Mandatory Feed Clean Times are 6am - 8am (Feed, Water & Clean) and 4pm -8pm (Feed and Water Only)**
10. All live poultry exhibits will be inspected upon arrival on the Fairgrounds. A bird may be excused from competition if it does not meet the health requirements for the show. Bird must not be wet.
11. Market Turkey exhibitors must be present during judging for transport of turkeys to judging area.
12. Exhibitors are required to provide their own feed, water containers and bedding for each entry.
13. No tack boxes will be left in the Poultry Barn.
14. Exhibitors are responsible for proper transportation of bird(s) to any event(s) or Auction.
15. Breeding Birds may be sent home after judging based on numbers and facilities ability to house them all safely.
16. Exhibitor must be present at the beginning of their showmanship class or they will be scratched.

Class numbers and definitions are the same for Division 605 - Division 616

***except where classes are listed***

### **CLASS:**

1. Cock - 1 Year and Older
2. Hen - 1 Year and Older
3. Cockerel - 6 Months to 1 Year
4. Pullet - 6 Months to 1 Year

# JUNIOR DIVISION POULTRY

## STANDARD (Large) CHICKEN

(Specify Breed and Variety)

### **DIVISION 605: ALL STANDARD AMERICAN BREEDS**

Plymouth Rocks, Dominiques, Wyandottes, Javas, Rhode Island Reds, Rhode Island Whites, Buckeyes, Chanteclers, Jersey Giants, Lamonas, New Hampshires, Hollands, Delawares-Specify Breed & Variety

### **DIVISION 606: ALL STANDARD ASIATIC BREEDS**

Brahmas, Langshans, Cochins

### **DIVISION 607: ALL STANDARD ENGLISH BREEDS**

Dorkings, Redcaps, Cornish, Sussex, Australorp, Orpingtons

### **DIVISION 608: ALL STANDARD MEDITERRANEAN BREEDS**

Leghorns, Minorcas, Spanish, Andalusians, Anconas, Sicilian Buttercups, Catalanas

### **DIVISION 609: ALL STANDARD CONTINENTAL BREEDS**

Barnevelders, Hamburgs, Campines, Lakenvelders, Welsummers, Polish, Houdans, Crevecoeurs, La Fleche, Faverolles, Marans-Specify Breed & Variety

### **DIVISION 610: ALL OTHER STANDARD BREEDS**

Modern Games, Old English Games, Sumatras, Malays, Cubalayas, Phoenix, Yokohamas, Aseels, Shamos, Sultans, Naked Necks, Araucanas, Ameraucanas-Specify Breed & Variety

## BANTAM CLASS

(Specify Breed and Variety)

### **DIVISION 611: MODERN GAME BANTAM**

Black, Black Breasted Red, Blue, Blue Breasted, Red, Brown Red, Golden Duckwing, Lemon Blue, Red Pyle, Silver Blue, Silver Duckwing, White, Wheaten, Birchen, Splash

### **DIVISION 612: OLD ENGLISH GAME BANTAM**

Birchen, Black, Black Breasted Red, Blue, Blue Breasted Red, Gold Duckwing, Blue Silver Duckwing, Blue Brassy Back, Brassy Back, Brown Red, Columbian, Crele, Cuckoo, Ginger Red, Golden Duckwing, Lemon Blue, Quail, Red Pyle, Self Blue, Silver Blue, Silver Duckwing, Spangled, Wheaten, White, Blue Golden Duckwing, Black Tail Buff, Blue Wheaten, Mille Fleur, Fawn Silver Duckwing

### **DIVISION 613: SINGLE COMB CLEAN LEGGED BANTAM**

Anconas, Andalusians, Australorps, Campines, Catalanas, Delawares, Dorkings, Dutch Frizzles, Hollands, Japanese, Javas, Jersey Giants, Lakenvelders, Lamonas, Leghorns, Minorcas, Naked Necks, New Hampshires, Orpingtons, Phoenix, Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, Spanish, Sussex, Welsummers, Nankins, Seramas

### **DIVISION 614: ROSE COMB CLEAN LEGGED BANTAM**

Anconas, Belgian Bearded D-Anvers, Dominiques, Dorkings, Hamburgs, Leghorns, Minorcas, Redcaps, Rhode Island Reds, Rhode Island Whites, Rosecombs, Sebrights, Wyandottes, Nankins

### **DIVISION 615: ALL OTHER COMBS CLEAN LEGGED BANTAM**

Ameraucana, Araucanas, Buckeyes, Chanteclers, Cornish, Crevecoeurs, Cubalayas, Houdans, La Fleche, Malays, Polish, Shamos, Sicilian Buttercups, Sumatras, Yokohamas, Ko shamo

### **DIVISION 616: FEATHER LEG BANTAM**

Booted, Belgian Bearded D'Uccle, Brahmas, Cochins, Faverolles, Langshans, Silkies, Sultans

## WATERFOWL

### **DIVISION 617: HEAVY BREED DUCKS**

Pekin, Aylesbury, Rouen, Muscovy, **Silver Appleyard, Saxony**

### **DIVISION 618: MEDIUM WEIGHT DUCKS**

Cayuga, Crested, Swedish, Buff

### **DIVISION 619: LIGHT WEIGHT DUCKS**

Runner, Campbell, Magpie, **Welsh Harlequin**

# JUNIOR DIVISION POULTRY

## DIVISION 620: BANTAM DUCKS

Call, East Indie, Mallard

### CLASS:

1. Old Drake - 1 year and older
2. Old Duck - 1 year and older
3. Young Drake - 6 months to 1 year
4. Young Duck - 6 months to 1 year

## DIVISION 621: STANDARD BREED GEESE

African, Embden, Toulouse, American Buff, Pelfrim, Pomeranian, Sebastopol, Steinbacher, Canadian, Chinese, Egyptian, Tufted Roman

### CLASS:

1. Old Gander - 1 year and older
2. Old Goose - 1 year and older
3. Young Gander - 6 months to 1 year
4. Young Goose - 6 months to 1 year

## DIVISION 622: HERITAGE BREED TURKEYS

Beltsvills Small, Black, Bourbon Red, Bronze, Narragansett, Royal Palm, Slate, White Holland

### CLASS:

1. Old Tom - 1 year and older
2. Old Hen - 1 year and older

## DIVISION 623: GUINEA

### CLASS:

1. Male
2. Female

### AWARDS:

Best of Show/Reserve Best of Show- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## UTILITY BREED CLASS

To be judged 2/3 on utility basis and 1/3 on a standard basis. No production records required.  
Birds must be in good health and show evidence of production.

## DIVISION 624: NON STANDARD

Farmyard Fowl, Crossbred, Utility, American Game- Specify Variety

### CLASS:

1. Large
2. Bantam
3. Duck

### AWARDS:

Champion/Reserve Champion- Banner/Rosette

# JUNIOR DIVISION POULTRY

## **BREEDING TRIOS**

(Specify Breed and Variety)

### **DIVISION 625: BREEDING TRIOS**

Consisting of one (1) rooster and two (2) hens of same breed and variety. All must be owned by same exhibitor and entered individually in appropriate breed division.

#### **CLASS:**

1. Standard
2. Bantam

#### **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion- Banner/Rosette

## **WILD GAME - ALL AGES**

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

PREMIUMS OFFERED BY CLASS

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$4

### **DIVISION 626: PHEASANT**

### **DIVISION 627: QUAIL & CHUKAR**

### **DIVISION 628: WATERFOWL**

### **DIVISION 629: DOVES - ALL VARIETIES**

#### **CLASS:**

1. Male
2. Female

### **DIVISION 630: PEACOCK**

Exhibitor must provide their own cage. Contact chairman for size.

#### **CLASS:**

1. Male or Female

#### **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion- Banner/Rosette

## **PIGEONS**

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4	\$2

1. All birds will be judged in accordance with the latest standard adopted by the leading specialty Clubs of America. Where no American Standard is in vogue, the latest European Standard will be used. Only recognized colors shall be considered in "Any Color" (AC) or "Any Other Color" (AOC).
2. Birds will be shown and judged in the proper Division and Class for breed, variety, age, and sex only. If no Division is offered no awards will be given.

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**DIVISION 631: FANTAILS (AC)**

**DIVISION 632: HOMERS**

**DIVISION 633: KINGS (AC)**

**DIVISION 634: MONDAINS (AC) FRENCH** (SPECIFY BREED & VARIETY)

**DIVISION 635: MODENAS**

**DIVISION 636: POUTERS**

**DIVISION 637: ROLLERS**

**DIVISION 638: ALL OTHER RECOGNIZED PIGEONS BREEDS**

(SPECIFY BREED & VARIETY)

**CLASS:** (Classes are the same for all divisions unless otherwise noted)

1. Old Cock - Prior Year Bird
2. Old Hen - Prior Year Bird
3. Young Cock - Current Year Hatch
4. Young Hen - Current Year Hatch

**AWARDS:**

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## **TURKEYS**

**ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS**

Exhibitor must own animal at least 30 days prior to Fair. All turkey pens **MUST** be kept clean - morning and evening.  
Weigh In at Check In

Members must be in present and in uniform for show and showmanship

**All market turkeys that are underweight will be placed in a feeder division for placing purposes only.**

**DIVISION 639: MARKET TURKEYS** (minimum 12 pounds and not older than 30 weeks)

Broad Breasted Bronze or Broad Breasted White (**Pre-Junior not eligible**)

**CLASS:**

1. Young Tom
2. Young Hen

**AWARDS:**

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

**DIVISION 640: CHICKEN MEAT PEN - CONSISTS OF 2 MEAT TYPE CHICKENS**

**ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS**

Exhibitor must own animal at least 30 days prior to Fair. All turkey pens **MUST** be kept clean - morning and evening.  
Weigh In at Check In

Members must be in present and in uniform for show and showmanship

**All market chicken meat pens that are underweight will be placed in a feeder division for placing purposes only.**

1. Two meat type chickens. They can be crossbred, not under 45 days or over 70 days old on the day of judging.
2. All meat pen entries will be weighed on day of judging.
3. Grand and Reserve Grand Champions **MUST sell** in the Junior Livestock Auction. All other Meat Pens may participate in the Auction.
4. Exhibitor required to have cage for transportation to Auction.
5. Minimum weight 3 pounds and maximum weight 8 pounds per bird.
6. Pre Junior not eligible

# JUNIOR DIVISION POULTRY

## **CLASS:**

1. All

**AWARDS:** Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## **DIVISION 641: EGG LAYING CONTEST**

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
\$30	\$20	\$15	\$12	\$8	\$6

1. All birds must be healthy and free of parasites. Any entry showing evidence of parasites (lice, mites, Etc.) shall be disqualified and must be removed from the show (should be dusted before entry).
2. An entry shall consist of FOUR (4) FEMALES.
3. Open nests must be used.
4. Pens will be locked and opened only by Fair Management.
5. Only marketable eggs will be counted and in case of a tie the eggs grading highest will be placed first. Poultry Team will determine how ties will be broken.
6. Soft-shelled eggs will not be counted.
7. The Poultry Team will keep eggs laid during the contest.
8. IF AN ENTRY DOES NOT PRODUCE EGGS, IT WILL NOT PLACE.
9. Due to limited space, the first entries received will be eligible, others received will be entered as space is available.

## **CLASS:**

1. Light
2. Heavy

## **AWARDS:**

Overall Division Winner- Banner

## **OUTSTANDING POULTRY EXHIBITOR**

The Poultry Committee considers the Outstanding Poultry Award a "Good Sportsmanship" award. There is one (1) winner. The buckle is presented at the Poultry Auction. The Committee observes exhibitors, and all poultry exhibits will be inspected and scored to the following point system.

1. Preparation of the Exhibit	25 points
2. Attitude of the Exhibitor	50 points
3. Care of the Exhibit	25 points
TOTAL	100 points

## **DIVISION 642: DECORATED EGG COMPETITION**

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$4

# JUNIOR DIVISION POULTRY

1. One entry per exhibitor
2. Entry consists of a group of 3 eggs
3. Egg must be hard boiled, plastic, or other egg shaped item
4. Must enter/show a bird in Junior Poultry Division to be eligible for this division.

## **CLASS:**

1. Five (5) years through eight (8) years
2. Nine (9) years through twelve (12) years
3. Thirteen (13) years and Older

## **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion -Each Class- Rosette  
Overall Division Winner-Rosette/Banner

## **DIVISION 643: EGG COMPETITION**

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$4

1. Limit 2 entries per class
2. Entry consists of a group of 3 eggs
3. No Addition of coloring to shells or artificial polish will be allowed.
4. Must enter/show a bird in Junior Poultry Division to be eligible for this division.

### **Judging Criteria**

Color – White, cream, light brown (tinted), brown, mottled or speckled, blue, green, olive and plum. Color should be even. In the case of mottled or speckled eggs, regular are preferred. Mottled or speckled are shown according to their background color. When a breed standard has stated a particular color, any variation from this should be penalized.

Shape – Ample breadth, with greater length than width. Bottom should not be too pointed and a circular or narrow shape is undesirable. The ideal shape is described as an elliptical cone. A cross-section at any point across the egg's girth should be a perfect circle.

Shell Texture – Smooth, free from lines or bulges, evenly limed, smooth at each end without roughness, porous parts or lime pimples.

Freshness, Bloom, and Appearance – Shells to be clean, without dull or stale appearance as appropriate for a new-laid egg. Shell surface may be shiny or matte, but free from blemishes such as stains or nest marks. Eggs may be washed in preparation, but not polished. Muscovy duck eggs often have a wax cuticle, which may be removed.

Matching and uniformity – Eggs exhibited as a group of 3, to be uniform in shape, shell texture, size, color, and appearance.

## **CLASS:**

1. Large Eggs
2. Bantam Eggs
3. Waterfowl Eggs
4. Turkey Eggs
5. Wild Game

## **AWARDS:**

Champion/Reserve Champion-Each Class- Rosette  
Overall Division Winner-Rosette/Banner

# JUNIOR DIVISION POULTRY

## DIVISION 644: POSTER CONTEST

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$4

1. Poster must consist of educational material for public information.
2. Must use 22" x 28" Poster Board with name and class written on back.
3. One poster per exhibitor.
4. Must enter/show a bird in Junior Poultry Division to be eligible for this division.
5. Poster must be under one of the following topics:
  - Poultry breeds and varieties
  - Internal Systems
  - Poultry Body Structure
  - Showmanship
  - Animal Care and Feeding
  - Poultry Disease
  - Hatching and Brooding
  - Bio Security

### Judging Criteria

*Posters that do not meet the criteria will not be judged*

Educational Value: 25%

Spelling and Grammar: 25%

Design: 25%

Originality: 25%

### CLASS:

1. Five (5) years through eight (8) years
2. Nine (9) years through twelve (12) years
3. Thirteen (13) years and Older

### AWARDS:

First/Second/Third - Each Class- Medal

## DIVISION 645: PAPER MACHE CHICKENS

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$4

1. One entry per exhibitor
2. Body size no larger than Basketball
3. Judged on Originality, Neatness, Creativity and General Appearance.
4. Must enter/show a bird in Junior Poultry Division to be eligible for this division.

### CLASS:

1. Five (5) years through eight (8) years
2. Nine (9) years through twelve (12) years
3. Thirteen (13) years and Older

### AWARDS:

Champion/Reserve Champion Each Class- Rosette  
Best of Show/Reserve Best of Show- Banner/Rosette

# JUNIOR DIVISION POULTRY

## DIVISION 646: Team-Building: Build a Turkey or Duck

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER GROUP

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$4

1. Team must be made up of 4 members
2. Team must provide materials to build the turkey or duck such as (feathers, old clothers, newspapers, etc)
3. No metal materials allowed, no welding, no saws and no paint or spray paint allowed.
4. Your creation must be realistic, creative and fit in a 2x2x2 cage and be supported on a stand or similiar structure.
5. All members must activiely particpate in creation.
6. Must enter/show a bird in Junior Poultry Division to be eligible for this division.

### Judging Criteria

*Creations that do not meet the criteria will not be judged*

Realism: 25%

Creativity: 25%

Structural Integrity: 25%

Team Collaboration: 25%

### CLASS:

1. 4-H/Independent/Grange Team- Ages 5-8 years of age (This group may have one older member to assist)
2. 4-H/Independent/Grange Team- Ages 9-13 years of age
3. 4-H/Independent/Grange Team- Ages 14 years and older
4. FFA Team- Freshman/Sophomores
5. FFA Team- Junor/Senior

### AWARDS:

First/Second/Third - Each Class- Award

## DIVISION 647: POULTRY QUIZ BOWL- No entry fee

The Poultry Quiz Bowl follows a structured format that is both competitive and educational. It typically involves participants answering questions related to poultry science, management, and industry practices. Each member competes to answer questions correctly and earn points, with the goal of accumulating the highest score by the end of the Test.

The questions can be multiple-choice, true or false, or short answer, covering a wide range of topics such as:

- Anatomy and physiology of poultry
- Poultry nutrition and feeding
- Poultry diseases and biosecurity
- Poultry production and management practices
- Poultry industry regulations and standards

The test is typically moderated by a quiz master who poses the questions and ensures that the rules of the test are as followed. The interactive nature of the Poultry Quiz Bowl encourages participants to think quickly and efficiently.

### CLASS:

1. 4-H/Independent/Grange-5-8 years old (25 questions)
2. 4-H/Independent/Grange-9-13 years old (75 questions)
3. 4-H/Independent/Grange-14 year and up (125 questions)
4. FFA-Freshman/ Sophomore (125 questions)
5. FFA- Junior/ Senior (125 questions)

**AWARDS:** Champion/Reserve Champion Each Class- Rosette  
Best of Show/Reserve Best of Show- Banner/Rosette

# JUNIOR DIVISION RABBITS | CAVIES

The Junior Livestock Rabbit/Cavy Department is open to Kern County exhibitors 5 - 19 years old  
Official 2026 ARBA Sanctioned Show

**The fair is to follow ARBA Sanction rules. For weight guidelines please see ARBA rules.**

Rules, definitions, and judging procedures are as prescribed in the latest edition of the American Rabbit Breeders Association. Standard of Perfection shall apply, provided they do not conflict with any of the rules and regulations by the California Department of Food and Agriculture and the Kern County Fair.

1. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to familiarize themselves with the ARBA Standard of Perfection and the Kern County Fair rules. Fair Management is not responsible for entries in wrong class.
2. All rabbits and cavies must be permanently and legibly earmarked (tattoo or tag) in left ear on arrival at the show in accordance with Kern County Fair entry. NO tattooing or tagging will be allowed on Fair grounds on check-in day or your entire entry will be disqualified. An exhibitor may not enter more than one rabbit or cavy in the same class with the same ear number. Rabbits not legibly earmarked or with an unmatched ear or tag number will be disqualified from the class.
3. Animals will be shown and judged in the proper Division and Class for species breed, variety, ages and sex only. Only recognized ARBA breeds are eligible for exhibition.
4. Rabbits and cavies entered in a Class that are of the wrong species, sex, breed, or variety, are to be eliminated from the Class and the number of the Class corrected accordingly.
5. All rabbits are entered and shown at the risk of the exhibitor. Judges and Fair Management are not responsible for loss, injury or death of any rabbit or cavy. Livestock management reserves the right to inspect meat pens at any time following date of entry
6. Exhibitors are to be responsible for their animals to and from the judging table. Parents/Adults are not allowed to carry animals to the table. Exhibitor will be disqualified and all entries will be removed.
7. Only rabbits and cavies officially entered in show, with the exception of special display exhibits, will be allowed on the Fairgrounds at any time.
8. Rabbits and cavies will be excused from competition if they do not meet the health requirement for the show. Unhealthy rabbits and cavies will be removed from the show.
9. All rabbit and cavy entries must be removed on Sunday, October 4, 2026 by 11 AM.
10. Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Meat Pens and Fryers MUST participate in the Junior Livestock Auction. All meat pens and fryers considered market ready are eligible to participate in the Junior Livestock Auction.
11. All entries must remain in the rabbit barn until released by Fair Management.
12. Rabbit and cavy exhibitors are responsible for care and maintenance of their rabbits and cavies and keeping their rabbit and cavy cage clean daily. Committee will not feed nor provide feed for the exhibitor.
13. Breeding Rabbits/Cavies may be sent home after judging based on numbers and facilities space.
14. If entered in the wrong division you will be disqualified. No exceptions.
15. Classes will not be re-judged if exhibitor or exhibitor designee fails to bring entry to the table on time. Per ARBA show rules, once the 1st place animal is placed, a class cannot be re-judged.
16. Do not ID your exhibit during judging. Anyone doing so may have their entire entry disqualified.
17. Absolutely NO Division changes will be allowed, unless it is a fair personnel error.
18. Exhibitor required to have cages for transportation to and from the auction.

## DIVISION 700: MEAT PEN (PEN OF THREE RABBITS) AND FRYERS

**ENTRY FEE \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS**

Exhibitor must own animal at least 30 days prior to Fair.

1. Exhibitor is limited to sell only one (1) small animal (A pen of three (3) is considered one animal).
2. The fair is to follow ARBA Sanction rules. For weight guidelines please see ARBA rules. Not over ten (10) weeks of age at the time of judging.
3. **All market fryers and meat pens that are underweight will be placed in a feeder division for placing purposes only.**

# JUNIOR DIVISION RABBITS

## **CLASS:**

1. Three rabbits all the same breed and variety, ARBA Sanctioned Weight and not over ten (10) weeks of age.
2. Single Fryer, ARBA Sanctioned Weight and not over ten (10) weeks of age.

## **AWARDS:**

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion Each Class- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

## **HEAVYWEIGHT DIVISIONS**

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$2

## **DIVISION 701: ALL HEAVYWEIGHT RABBITS- 5 BREED DIVISIONS WILL BE SELECTED BASED ON NUMBERS AT ARRIVAL**

(Specify Breed and Variety/Color)

(Giant Angora, Beveren, Blank de Hotot, Californian, Champagne D'Argent, Checkered Giant, American Chinchilla, Giant Chinchilla, Cinnamon, Creme D'Argent, Flemish Giant, English Lop, French Lop, New Zealand, Palomino, Satin, and Silver Fox, etc)

## **CLASS:**

1. Senior Buck - 8 months of age and over, or having attained minimum senior weight
2. Senior Doe - 8 months of age and over, or having attained minimum senior weight
3. Intermediate Buck - 6 months of age and under 8 months, or having attained minimum intermediate weight
4. Intermediate Doe - 6 months of age and under 8 months, or having attained minimum intermediate weight
5. Junior Buck - Under 6 months of age, not over junior weight
6. Junior Doe - Under 6 months of age, not over junior weight
7. Fur - Animal must have been shown and qualified in regular breed division to enter.

## **LIGHTWEIGHT DIVISIONS**

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$2

## **DIVISION 707: ALL LIGHTWEIGHT RABBITS- 10 BREED DIVISIONS WILL BE SELECTED BASED ON NUMBERS AT ARRIVAL**

(Specify Breed and Variety/Color)

(Himalayan, Holland Lop, Mini Lop, Mini Rex, Mini Satin, Netherland Dwarf, Polish, Rex, Rhinelander, etc)

# JUNIOR DIVISION RABBITS

**CLASS:** Same for All Lightweight Divisions listed above

1. Senior Buck – 6 months of age and over, or having attained minimum senior weight
2. Senior Doe – 6 months of age and over, or having attained minimum senior weight
3. Junior Buck – Under 6 months of age, not over junior weight
4. Junior Doe – Under 6 months of age, not over junior weight
5. Fur – Animal must have been shown and qualified in regular breed division to enter

**AWARDS:**

Best in Show/Reserve Best in Show- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

Best of Breed/Reserve of Breed- Award

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# JUNIOR DIVISION CAVIES

## CAVIES

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$2

The long coated breeds may be shown on a standard show board 16"x16"x4" with four (4) approximately 1" high and 4" wide hand holes (one centered on each side). The board should be completely covered with beige colored burlap.

No other colors or designs are permitted. No points are given or deducted for the board.

### **DIVISION 723:AMERICAN- ALL VARIETIES**

### **DIVISION 724:TEDDY AND TEDDY SATINS - ALL VARIETIES**

### **DIVISION 725: ALL OTHER BREEDS AND VARIETIES- SHORT COATED**

### **DIVISION 726: ALL OTHER BREEDS AND VARIETIES- LONG COATED**

#### **CLASS:**

1. Senior Boar - Over 6 months of age or weighing over 32 ounces
2. Senior Sow - Over 6 months of age or weighing over 32 ounces
3. Intermediate Boar - 4 to 6 months of age, or weighing over 22 ounces with maximum of 32 ounces
4. Intermediate Sow - 4 to 6 months of age, or weighing over 22 ounces with maximum of 32 ounces
5. Junior Boar - Up to 4 months of age, minimum weight 12 ounces; maximum weight of 22 ounces
6. Junior Sow - Up to 4 months of age, minimum weight 12 ounces; maximum weight of 22 ounces

#### **AWARDS:**

Best in Show/Reserve Best in Show- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

Best of Breed/Reserve of Breed- Award

### **DIVISION 729: POSTER CONTEST**

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$2

1. Must have a Rabbit/Cavy Entry
2. Poster must consist of educational material for public information.
3. Posters will be judged on originality, neatness, and educational content and design.
4. Must use 22" x 28" Poster Board with your name, class, and age written on the back
5. All Posters must be submitted in the rabbit barn during rabbit check-in only.
6. No late entries will be accepted.

#### **CLASS:** (based on age during Fair)

1. Five (5) through eight (8) years
2. Nine (9) through eleven (11) years
3. Twelve (12) years and Older

# JUNIOR DIVISION HORSE SHOW

1. No one under the age of nine (9) years as of January 1, 2026, will be permitted to show.
2. Horse projects must be owned or leased by and under the exhibitor's care and management and/or under the supervision of the organization in which the project will be shown 120 days prior to the Fair.
3. For leased horses, the lease, signed by the owner and the 4-H, FFA, Independent and Grange member, a clear picture of a side view of the horse or some permanent identification, **and address of where the horse will be kept** must be uploaded with entry; at least 120 days prior to the Fair
4. Leased horses cannot be shown for conformation in the halter division (per state rule).
5. All horses entered in State halter division classes **MUST** be registered in a recognized purebred registry and **MUST** show with original registration papers in exhibitor(s) name - a copy must be turned in with entries. **Exhibitor must bring original papers to horse show to be checked Saturday morning.** For owned and leased horses, proof of ownership **MUST** be submitted with entries.
6. No substitutions allowed unless replacement horse is entered with appropriate paperwork by the closing date. In the event the primary horse becomes injured or dies prior to the first day of the Fair the exhibitor can compete with replacement horse. All replacement horses must be owned by the exhibitor (no leased horses). Ownership papers with a color photo of the horse/horses must have been submitted with entry.
7. Courses may consist of any combination of the following: Brush, Gate, Post Rails, Water Walls, Panels and Jumps. Fair Management reserves the right to adjust fence heights and specifications or spreads in trail.
8. **CONFLICT:** It is the intention of management to avoid delaying classes for horses or riders. Competitors with conflicts must arrange their conflicts so it will not hold up a class. Classes shall be held no longer than 2 minutes after final call. When asked to enter the arena you must do so or you will be disqualified.
9. Class schedule changes will be announced in the horse show areas on the day of show. Such announcements shall be deemed sufficient notice to exhibitor.
10. Exhibitors leaving the ring while a class is being judged may not re-enter ring.
11. A horse may be shown by only one (1) exhibitor.
12. Approved safety helmet must be worn and properly strapped by all junior exhibitors when mounted on horseback, including during stakes show. It is the leaders and parent's responsibility to insure that the exhibitor is wearing properly fitted ASTM safety helmets.
13. Riding boots or closed toe shoes **MUST** be worn when attending to or riding horse with proper tack. **NO EXCEPTIONS**
14. Barrel/Pole Penalty- 5 seconds added to time.
15. If a High Point award for performance is given, the following classes will constitute the placing:
  - **All Around Champion – Showmanship, English Equitation, English Pleasure, Western Equitation, Western Pleasure, Trail**
  - **Speed High Point – Pole Bending, Clover Leaf Barrel, Speed Barrels**
16. Freestyle Horsemanship Class is a local class. USA Equestrian Rules do not apply to this class. This is a flat class **ONLY**. No props will be allowed in arena. Exhibitors must wear a costume, and provide the announcer with a minimum 2 minute to maximum 3 minute music **via phone prior to class. No dismounting or standing on horses.** Judging criteria: Execution (i.e., a simple lead change done correctly is awarded more points than an incorrect flying lead change), Costume, Originality and Choreography. Rider and Horse only may be costumed.
17. USA Equestrian Article 3909 – Description of a Snaffle or Hackamore horse. A Snaffle or Hackamore horse is a junior horse and may be shown in a ring Snaffle or Hackamore with two (2) hands (both must be visible to judge) and may also be shown in a bridle one (1) handed. A junior horse may be switched back and forth from a bridle to snaffle or hackamore. Arabians, Half Arabians and Saddlebreds may not be switched back and forth from bridle to Snaffle or Hackamore. APHA rule states a junior horse may be shown in a Hackamore, snaffle or bit at exhibitor's discretion.
18. Point calculation: 1<sup>st</sup> – 11 points; 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9 points; 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8 points; 4<sup>th</sup> – 7 points; 5<sup>th</sup> – 6 points; 6<sup>th</sup> – 5 points; 7<sup>th</sup> – 4 points; 8<sup>th</sup> – 3 points; 9<sup>th</sup> – 2 points; 10<sup>th</sup> – 1 point, regardless of how many horses are in the class, i.e., in a class of only three (3) horses, the 1<sup>st</sup> place horse will receive 11 points. Tie Breaker- most firsts, most seconds, highest placing in showmanship.
19. Riders who have never shown in three gaited classes at any show or event; must maintain walk-trot/jog gaits during the entire show (including practice arenas). Any walk-trot/jog rider that is observed loping or cantering at any show or event (including warm up areas), are not eligible to show as a walk-trot/jog rider.
20. Horses can only be ridden by exhibitor upon arrival at the fair through the end of the Stakes classes.
21. **WESTERN PERFORMANCE TACK** – Entries shall be shown with a stock saddle. Silver equipment will not count

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over a good working outfit. A good western bit or bosal can be used. A bosal or snaffle bit may be used in a horse that is not yet 5 years old. If a snaffle or bosal is used, the rider must use two (2) hands. Hackamore bit, nose bands, tie downs and martingales are prohibited except in speed events. No wire or rawhide device may be used in conjunction with the leather chinstraps, except for a half-inch flat curb chain-minimum of two (2) inches long with leather straps at each end. Any bit with a shank is considered a bit and not a snaffle, and must be ridden with one hand. Snaffles may not be smaller than 3/8" in diameter.

22. ENGLISH PERFORMANCE TACK – Snaffles and French cavesson only (no dropped nosebands), and Pelhams are permissible. Pelhams must be ridden with two (2) reins. Martingales and whips are only to be used in classes with jumps. Riding crops only to be used in classes with jumps and used in a humane manner not to be used in front of cinch. Judges to determine if crop used humanely. Snaffles may be no smaller than 3/8" in diameter. **English bridle is required in all English designated classes, both in hand and under saddle.**
23. ENGLISH APPOINTMENTS FOR ALL EXHIBITORS – English breeches or Jodhpur, English riding boots, white long sleeve shirt. Appropriate club tie, scarf, English spurs unrowelled optional. Protective headgear (hard hat) with approved harness in place is required to be worn at all times while riding. NO EXCEPTIONS. Chinstraps must be snapped and/or buckled.
24. UNIFORMS – Halter and State Showmanship Classes – Exhibitors must wear proper uniform of the organization they represent as listed in the Local Junior Department Rules. Failure to do so will result in disqualification. No chaps will be allowed except in Stake Division.
25. WESTERN PERFORMANCE ATTIRE – 4-H - Blue, white, green or black pants; long sleeve white shirt with collar; safety helmet in riding classes; 4-H tie or scarf, English or western spurs are optional. FFA – Blue or black trousers, long sleeve white dress shirt or blouse and the official FFA blue necktie for boys or FFA blue scarf for girls, boots, safety helmet; English or western spurs and FFA jacket optional. FFA uniform exceptions: May wear colored breeches in English classes. FFA jackets are optional in performance classes.
26. No communication devices allowed in showing.
27. No vehicles in barn area during the shows.
28. Tack and Equipment checks will be conducted during the warm up periods and show, up to and including before entering each class. Improper or unsafe tack will result in removal from and/or disqualification from classes. If there are any questions, about tack or equipment (including halters, spurs, helmets, or bits) they should be clarified with the show team in advance.

These rules are in addition to State Rules

\*\*Each Horse entered in the show must pay the \$14 CDFA Drug Collection Fee and complete the CDFA Drug Declaraton Form. This form must be turned into the livestock office upon arrival at the fair for the show.

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## HALTER CLASSES

Exhibitor may show ONLY one (1) animal per class. If exhibitor wins in two (2) classes, they will be eligible to have another exhibitor show the 2<sup>nd</sup> animal in the Championship Drive.

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5

Ribbons 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> places

## **DIVISION 903 – REGISTERED HALTER HORSE**

All Horses must be registered in a recognized purebred registry. Papers must be submitted with entries and must be in exhibitors name - must bring original paper to livestock office by 6 PM on Tuesday, September 16, 2025.

### **CLASS:**

1. Mares
2. Gelding

### **AWARDS:**

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion- Buckle/Banner/Rosette

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## DIVISION 904 – RIDING PERFORMANCE/SPEED/TRAIL

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY

### PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5

Ribbons 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> places

The horse show is put on by the Kern County Fair and is open to all FFA, 4-H, Independent and Grange.  
The Show will be governed by State and the Kern County Fair rules

### CLASS:

#### Wednesday - Classes 1-14

#### Thursday - Classes 15-27

1. Western Horsemanship - Walk/Jog	Open	15. Trail - Walk/Jog	Open
2. Western Horsemanship	13 & Under	16. Trail	13 & Under
3. Western Horsemanship	14 & Over	17. Trail	14 & Over
4. Western Pleasure - Walk/Jog	Open	18. Trail Challenge- Walk/Trot	
5. Western Pleasure	13 & Under	19. Trail Challenge- Open/3 Gait	
6. Western Pleasure	14 & Over	20. Pole Bending	Open
7. English Equitation - Walk/Trot	Open	21. Clover Leaf Barrel Racing	Open
8. English Equitation Horse	13 & under	22. Speed Barrels	Open
9. English Equitation Horse	14 & Over	23. *Speed Walk/Trot	Open
10. English Pleasure - Walk/Trot	Open	24. Barrel Challenge	
11. English Pleasure Horse	13 & Under	25. Poles Challenge	
12. English Pleasure Horse	14 & Over	26. Quadulateral Challenge	
13. *Freestyle Horsemanship	Walk/Trot/Jog	27. Bi-Rangle Challenge	
14. *Freestyle Horsemanship	3 Gaited		

\*= non point class

### AWARDS:

All Around Speed Champion/Reserve Champion- Buckle/Rosette  
 All Around Walk/Jog Champion/Reserve Champion - Buckle/Rosette  
 All Around 13 & Under Champion/Reserve Champion- Buckle/Rosette  
 All Around 14 & Over Champion/Reserve Champion- Buckle/Rosette  
 Walk/Jog Trail Challenge Champion- Buckle  
 Open Trail Challenge Champion- Buckle  
 Open Junior Stakes Speed Champion- Buckle

# JUNIOR DIVISION DOG

Location: Grass Area Behind Sheep Bleachers

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 PER CLASS

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10	\$7	\$5

1. No females in season allowed.
2. No unruly or aggressive behavior will be allowed.
3. Dogs must remain in show and designated exercise areas at all times.
4. Exhibitors must compete in rally and/or obedience to enter in showmanship or costume.
5. Dogs must be confined when not being shown or exercised.
6. Dogs must be over 6 months of age to compete.
7. Dogs must have been temperament checked and approved by committee member or fair.
8. Pre Junior's may only enter in class 11 & 13.

## **DIVISION 950: 4-H/FFA/INDP/GRANGE**

### **CLASS:**

#### OBEDIENCE

1. Sub Novice -All exercises on lead-1st year members and or dogs
2. Beginner Novice -off lead walk about and recall
3. Novice -All exercises on and off lead- Group sits and downs off lead

#### RALLY

4. Rally Novice -1st year members and/or dogs
5. Rally Intermediate -Harder signs
6. Rally Advanced -off lead and jumps

#### SHOWMANSHIP

7. 4-H Junior - 4-H Exhibitor 9 years old to 13 years old
8. 4-H Senior - 4-H Exhibitor 14 years and older
9. FFA Junior- FFA Members 15 years and younger
10. FFA Senior- FFA Members 16 years and older
11. Pre Junior- 5-8 year old exhibitors (Parent Supervision required)

#### COSTUME

12. Costume Contest- Age 9 and Up
13. Costume Contest- Age 5-8

### **AWARDS:**

Showmanship Winners- Buckle

Rosettes, Trophies & Medals- 1st -2nd Each Class

# JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

1. Outfits must be made, purchased, or assembled in 2026. This applies to sewing and non-sewing classes.
2. The same exact outfit may NOT be used for more than one division. Outfit must be changed to present an entirely different look. Parts and/or accessories must be changed. Points will be deducted for use of the same exact outfit.
3. Read all rules pertaining to each division found on specific pages.
4. Classes are determined by the age of the child at the time of the 2026 Kern County Fair.

## COMMENTARIES

**Commentaries must be uploaded to ShoWorks in PDF form prior to Monday, September 21, 2026 at 5 PM**  
*with the exception of Silk and Silver*

Typed, Double-spaced in third person. Third person is he/she NOT I/Me. Maximum length of your commentary is 150 words. Incorporate the Fair Theme into your commentary if possible.

AREA 1 - Entering the arena with your animal – Approx. 50 words

AREA 2 - Modeling your outfit on the ramp – Approx. 50 words

AREA 3 - Escorting your animal to line up or exit the arena – Approx. 50 words

EXAMPLE: AREA 1 – Include the entrant's name, age, club or chapter, affiliation, the entrant's school and grade level. Information regarding the animal being shown, breed, age, name.

EXAMPLE: AREA 2 – Include a description of the outfit, the materials used, color and accessories used (hat, shoes, blouse, belt, etc.): possible functions or events at which the entrant would be able to wear the garment.

EXAMPLE: AREA 3 – Tell about the activities and information regarding the entrant, including hobbies, interests and number of years the entrant has exhibited at the Kern County Fair. The Junior Activities Committee reserves the right to edit any commentary and correct grammatical errors; however, the Committee will not change any information or basic content.

**DIVISION 800: Leather Lead** -September 25 - 6:30 PM, Sales Pavilion

**DIVISION 801: Cotton & Cream** - September 28 - 6:00 PM, Sales Pavilion

**DIVISION 802: Pork & Plaid** - September 29- 5:30 PM, Swine Arena

**DIVISION 803: Ladies & Lads Lead** -September 29 - 6 PM, Sheep Ring

**DIVISION 804: Pygmy/Dairy Goats & Gold** - September 23 - 5 PM, Sales Pavilion

**DIVISION 808: Boer Goats & Gold** - September 25- 5:00 PM, Goat Ring

**DIVISION 805: Silk & Silver** - September 19- 1 hour after Horse Show, Jimmy Rogers

**DIVISION 806: Poultry Costume** -September 29 - 5 PM, Livestock Pavilion

**DIVISION 807: Rabbit/Cavy Costume** -September 28 - 6 PM, Sheep Ring

# JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

## LEATHER LEAD

Sponsored by: Kern County Cattlewomen

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

**Commentaries are to be uploaded to ShoWorks prior to Monday, September 21, 2026 at 5 PM.**

1. NOT A SEWING CLASS.
2. Open to any Junior Exhibitor who has a beef exhibit at the 2026 Kern County Fair. Beef animal must be fitted by the exhibitor and must belong to the exhibitor.
3. This event is composed of junior exhibitors in attractive outfits of their own choosing, using leather clothing, leather trim or leather accessories and/or beef byproducts. The use of leather is a must. Please include in your commentaries the products you use.
4. Contestants will be judged on the attractiveness and originality of their outfits, the grooming and presentation of their animals, showmanship, and their personal presentation.
5. Contestants will need to coordinate their outfit to the beef animal.
6. Costumes must be age appropriate.

### DIVISION 800: LEATHER LEAD

#### CLASS:

1. Junior - 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade
2. Senior - 9<sup>th</sup> Grade and above

### JUDGING STANDARDS FOR LEATHER LEAD

<b>APPEARANCE / TOTAL LOOK</b>	<b>50%</b>
Appearance, Eye Appeal, Presentation of Garment (neatness, pressing), Fit, Total Look, Originality (theme, detail, creativity), Style (appropriate for age), Coordination of Outfit to Animal	
<b>SHOWMANSHIP</b>	<b>25%</b>
Appearance of Animal (fitting, grooming), Handling of Animal, Ability to Lead	
<b>PERSONAL PRESENTATION</b>	<b>25%</b>
Poise, Gracefulness	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

# JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

## COTTON AND CREAM SEWING CLASS ONLY

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

**Commentaries are to be uploaded to ShoWorks prior to  
Monday, September 21, 2026 at 5 PM.**

**1. THIS IS A SEWING CLASS**

2. Cotton and Cream competition is open to any junior exhibitor of dairy cattle.
3. This Class is designed to enhance DAIRY animals and to promote COTTON clothing sewn by the exhibitor. Entrant may use 100% cotton, or a minimum of 60% cotton and no more than 40% other fibers.
4. Entrant must sew own garment. Clothing must be appropriate, attractive, and lend elegance to the Class. Entrants will be judged on clothing workmanship, selection of clothing, coordination, poise, gracefulness and the ability to lead and show the animal.
5. Costumes are acceptable, but must be sewn.
6. The animal must belong to the exhibitor. The animal must be fitted by the exhibitor and halter broke to lead.

### **DIVISION 801: COTTON AND CREAM**

**CLASS:**

1. Junior – 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grades
2. Senior – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade and Above

### **JUDGING STANDARDS FOR COTTON AND CREAM**

<b>WORKMANSHIP / COORDINATION</b>	<b>60%</b>
Workmanship/ Construction, Difficulty Fit (hems, seams, fasteners, stitching), Coordination of Fabric, Coordination of Outfit to Animal, Creativity (detail, theme, eye appeal), General Appearance (neatness, pressing)	
<b>SHOWMANSHIP</b>	<b>20%</b>
Appearance of Animal (fitting, grooming), Ability to Lead	
<b>PERSONAL PRESENTATION</b>	<b>20%</b>
Poise, Gracefulness, Style (appropriate for age)	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

# JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

## PORK AND PLAID

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

**Commentaries are to be uploaded to ShoWorks prior to Monday, September 21, 2026 at 5 PM.**

1. This is a sewing class.
2. Pork and Plaid is open to any junior exhibitor of market swine.
3. This Class is designed for swine exhibitors to compete in sewing and modeling of their garment and the showing of their market hog.
4. Exhibitor must sew their own garment/costume- no store bought costumes.
5. Clothing must be appropriate for age and incorporate the use of plaids in their outfits.
6. The exhibitor will be judged on workmanship, poise, gracefulness, and knowledge of sewing.
7. Outfit/costumes must be sewn by the exhibitor, but may be accessorized.
8. Outfit/costume must not have been shown at any other Kern County Fair.
9. The exhibitor must fit and show their own animal
10. **Classes 3 and 4 are costume classes for those exhibitors who prefer to make a costume or theme outfit.**
11. **Committee reserves the right to move the exhibitor to the appropriate class**

### DIVISION 802: PORK AND PLAID

#### CLASS:

1. Junior – 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grades
2. Senior – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade and above
3. Junior Costume – 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grades
4. Senior Costume – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade and above

#### JUDGING STANDARDS FOR PORK AND PLAID

<b>WORKMANSHIP / COORDINATION</b>	<b>60 pts</b>
-Construction (how its made)	
-Fit (hems, seams, fasteners, stitching),	
-Complimentary Outfit to Animal	
-Creativity (neatness, coordinating pieces)	
-Coordination (plaid material used)	
-Details of Sewing Knowledge	
<b>SHOWMANSHIP</b>	<b>20 pts</b>
-Appearance of Animal (fitting, grooming)	
-Showmanship Skills (ability to control animal, make eye contact with judge)	
<b>PERSONAL PRESENTATION</b>	<b>20 pts</b>
-Style and Presentation of Commentary	
-Gracefulness in Runway Appeal	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 pts</b>

# JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

## LADIES AND LADS LEAD

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

**Commentaries are to be uploaded to ShoWorks prior to Monday, September 21, 2026 at 5 PM.**

1. This is a sewing class.
2. Ladies and Lads Lead is open to any junior exhibitor of a market sheep.
3. This Class is designed to show sheep and the natural fiber they produce by means of modeling beautiful wool clothing. The outfit **MUST** be sewn by the exhibitor and must not have been worn at any previous Kern County Fair in ladies and lads lead.
4. Entrant can use 100% wool or wool blend (minimum of 60% wool and no more than 40% synthetic fiber). To test at home, put a scrap of material in bleach (i.e., Purex, Clorox) overnight. If no fabric is visible in the morning, the material is 100% wool. Any fabric remaining is synthetic fiber and must not be over 40% of the total piece.
5. Sheep must be fitted by the exhibitor and halter broke to lead. Sheep may be market ewes or market wethers and belong to shown by the exhibitor.
6. The exhibitor will be judged on Workmanship, Pattern Selection Style for Age, Co-Ordination, Poise, Gracefulness and ability to fit, lead and show the animal.
7. Class 3 is a special class that has been added for those who prefer to make a costume or theme outfit. All costumes will be in one class, regardless of exhibitor's age. This is an outfit you would not wear to school or church.

### **DIVISION 803: LADIES AND LADS LEAD**

#### **CLASS:**

1. Junior – 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grades
2. Senior – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade and above
3. Costume

### **JUDGING STANDARDS FOR LADIES AND LADS LEAD**

<b>WORKMANSHIP / COORDINATION</b>	<b>50%</b>
Workmanship/ Construction, Difficulty Fit (hems, seams, fasteners, stitching), Coordination of Fabric, Coordination of Outfit to Animal, Creativity (detail, theme, eye appeal), General Appearance (neatness, pressing)	
<b>SHOWMANSHIP</b>	<b>25%</b>
Appearance of Animal (fitting, grooming), Ability to Show, Ability to Lead	
<b>PERSONAL PRESENTATION</b>	<b>25%</b>
Poise, Gracefulness, Style (appropriate for age)	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

# JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

## GOATS AND GOLD

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

**Commentaries are to be uploaded to ShoWorks prior to  
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1. This is not a sewing class.
2. Any junior exhibitor showing a goat at the 2026 Kern County Fair may enter this class. Goats must be fitted by exhibitor. This class includes all types of goats to be judged together.
3. This event is composed of junior exhibitors and their animal in attractive, original, and creative outfits of their own choosing, using gold blend clothing, gold blend trim or gold blend accessories.
4. Clothing must be appropriate to age of the exhibitor.
5. Contestants will be judged on the attractiveness and originality of their outfits, their ability to show their outfits, the grooming and presentation of their animal and showmanship.

### **DIVISION 804: PYGMY/DAIRY GOATS AND GOLD**

### **DIVISION 808: BOER GOATS AND GOLD**

#### **CLASS:**

1. PeeWee Costume - 5 - 8 Year Olds
2. Junior Costume - 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade
3. Intermediate Costume - 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade
4. Senior Costume - 9<sup>th</sup> Grade and above

#### **JUDGING STANDARDS FOR GOATS AND GOLD**

<b>APPEARANCE / TOTAL LOOK</b>	<b>40%</b>
1. Appearance, eye appeal	
2. Presentation of Garment (neatness, pressing)	
3. Originality (theme, detail, creativity)	
4. Coordination of outfit to animal	
5. Creative use of gold	<b>20%</b>
<b>SHOWMANSHIP</b>	<b>20%</b>
1. Handling of animal, ability to lead	
2. Appearance of animal (fitting, grooming)	
<b>PERSONAL PRESENTATION</b>	<b>20%</b>
1. Appropriate to theme of costume	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

# JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

## SILK AND SILVER

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

**Commentaries are to be uploaded to ShoWorks prior to Friday, September 18, 2026 at 5 PM.**

1. THIS IS NOT A SEWING CLASS.
2. Silk & Silver competition is open to any junior horse exhibitor who has done the entire fitting of the animal and shown as an individual.
3. This class is composed of junior exhibitors in attractive outfits of their choosing, using silk blend clothing, silk blend trim or silk blend accessories or silver trim or accessories. It gives the public an opportunity to see the beautiful animal(s) of various breeds.

### DIVISION 805: SILK AND SILVER

**CLASS:**

1. Junior - 4th through 8th Grades
2. Senior - 9th Grade and Above

### JUDGING STANDARDS FOR SILK AND SILVER

<b>APPEARANCE / TOTAL LOOK</b>	<b>50%</b>
Appearance, Eye Appeal, Presentation of Garment (neatness, pressing), Fit, Total Look, Originality (theme, detail, creativity), Style (appropriate for age), Coordination of Outfit to Animal	
<b>SHOWMANSHIP</b>	<b>25%</b>
Appearance of Animal (fitting, grooming), Handling the Animal, Ability to Lead	
<b>PERSONAL PRESENTATION</b>	<b>25%</b>
Poise, Gracefulness	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

# JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

## COSTUMED POULTRY CONTEST

**Commentaries are to be uploaded to ShoWorks prior to Monday, September 21, 2026 at 5 PM.**

**ENTRY FEE: \$10.00**

Costume and display must be made by exhibitor. Your display shall be limited to a 2'x2' space. No Exceptions. Be as creative as possible.

1. LIMIT: One (1) entry per exhibitor.
2. Entries will be judged on General Appearance, Originality, Coordination of outfit to animal and exhibitor, and presentation.
3. Bird must be owned by the exhibitor and must have been shown in the Jr. Poultry show to be eligible.
4. Display limited to a 2' x 2' space.

### **DIVISION 806: POULTRY CONTEST (COSTUME)**

#### **CLASS:**

1. 5 years through 8 years old
2. 9 years through 11 years old
3. 12 years and older

## COSTUMED RABBIT | CAVY CONTEST

**ENTRY FEE: \$10.00**

**Commentaries are to be uploaded to ShoWorks prior to Monday, September 21, 2026 at 5 PM.**

Rabbit/Cavy must be owned by the exhibitor and entered in the Junior Rabbit/Cavy Show to be eligible for contest. Costume and display must be created by exhibitor. Your display will be limited to a 2'x2' space. No Exceptions.

1. This is not a sewing class.
2. LIMIT: One (1) entry per exhibitor.
3. Animal must be owned by exhibitor and entered in the Junior Rabbit/Cavy Show to be eligible for contest.
4. Entries will be judged on General Appearance, Originality, Coordination of outfit to animal, exhibitor and title.

### **DIVISION 807: COSTUMED RABBIT/CAVY CONTEST**

#### **CLASS:**

1. 5 years through 8 years old
2. 9 years through 11 years old
3. 12 years and older

# JUNIOR DIVISION THEME EXHIBIT

This division is open to Kern County FFA, 4-H, Independent, and Grange.

The Theme Exhibit Competition provides members with an opportunity to acquaint the public with a specific species of livestock as well as their club program. Exhibit must remain on display through specie release or awards will be withheld. The exhibit MUST incorporate the Fair's Theme in the presentation and marketing of their livestock. Judges will insist upon a high quality of product and materials used in the exhibits. The exhibit must be contained within the area assigned to the club for the exhibit of their livestock. Pen or stall space cannot be used solely for the Theme Exhibit or disqualification will result. All materials used in decoration booths, racks, exhibits, tack rooms, stalls or pens must be made from non-flammable materials or treated and maintained in a flame-retardant condition. Electrical cords MUST be kept outside animal's reach. Instructors, Advisors, or Leaders may SUPERVISE ONLY. Exhibitors MUST make arrangements to replace and repair any items, which deteriorate during the Fair. Premiums will be withheld if the rule is not followed. Minimum 50 points MUST be met for premium payout.

**ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 PER ENTRY PER CLASS**

LIMIT: One entry by club in each species exhibited by that club

**DIVISION 809/810- MUST BE ENTERED BY THE CLUB/CHAPTER BY LOGGING INTO THE CLUB ACCOUNT AND ENTERING UNDER THE CLUB/CHAPTER NAME**  
IF YOU ENTER THE WRONG DIVISION YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED

## PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd
\$50	\$40	\$30

Champion Banners Sponsored by Kern County Fair

1. Dairy Goat and Pygmy Goat Exhibit MUST be in place by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 23, 2026.
2. Horse exhibit MUST be in place by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 23, 2026.
3. Remaining exhibits MUST be in place by 6:00 PM, Saturday, September 19, 2026

**DIVISION 809: FFA**

**DIVISION 810: 4-H**

**DIVISION 811: INDEPENDENT/GRANGE**

### CLASS:

- |          |                |               |
|----------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. Beef  | 4. Sheep       | 7. Pygmy Goat |
| 2. Dairy | 5. Market Goat | 8. Horse      |
| 3. Swine | 6. Dairy Goat  |               |

## SCORECARD FOR JUDGING

<b>EDUCATIONAL VALUE</b>	<b>30%</b>
Provides educational livestock materials in a manner which is interesting and informative to the public through the use of readable labeling and other visual educational aids	
<b>ORIGINALITY</b>	<b>25%</b>
Cleverness and skill in design and or contrivances used to illustrate or represent material and stays within the Fair's theme. Holds interest and encourages study	
<b>COMPLETENESS</b>	<b>20%</b>
Includes all important aspects or components of an attractive exhibit	
<b>ATTRACTIVENESS</b>	<b>15%</b>
Effective use of composition, animation, color, and/or other exhibit aids to enhance appearance, create interest, and invite closer inspection	
<b>WORKMANSHIP</b>	<b>10%</b>
Neat and well constructed and stays within the area assigned	
<b>TOTAL POSSIBLE</b>	<b>100%</b>

# AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS

THIS DIVISION IS FOR ALL PROJECTS GOING THROUGH THE AUCTION. THEY WILL BE JUDGED/ DISPLAYED IN LIVESTOCK NOT IN THE STILL BUILDING. ALL NO-SALE ITEMS MUST ENTER IN THE STILL DIVISION.

EXHIBITS CANNOT BE ENTERED IN BOTH LIVESTOCK AUCTION AND STILL BUILDING.

## DELIVERY OF ENTRIES:

Delivered to the Sales Pavilion: Sunday September 20th between the hours of 10am and 3pm

1. Items entered in this division are automatically displayed in livestock and consigned to the sale.
2. All precautions will be taken to protect entries; however, the Kern County Fair will not be responsible for loss or damage of entries submitted to this exhibition.
3. **To Sell in the Auction the exhibitor must be 9 - 19 years of age.**
4. **An exhibitor may only enter and sell one item**
5. **Items will be judged and displayed in the livestock area.**

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER ENTRY

## DIVISION 813: PROJECTS

### CLASS:

1. BBQs
2. Bench
3. Cutting Board
4. Farm Items (feeders, gates)
5. Furniture- 60% or more made of Metal
6. Furniture- 60% or more made of Wood
7. Miscellaneous
8. Box
9. Trailers
10. Group Project- Two or more people worked on project

### AWARDS:

Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion-Buckle. Rosette, Banner  
Best in Class/Reserve in Class- Banner

# SHOWMANSHIP

**SHOWMANSHIP AGE IS AS OF JANUARY 1ST OF CURRENT YEAR**

**Entry Fee: \$5.00**

## **DIVISION 1001: BREEDING SHOWMANSHIP**

Recognized uniforms required – not eligible for round robin  
All organizations compete together

### **CLASS:**

1. Breeding Beef Showmanship
2. Breeding Swine Showmanship
3. Breeding Sheep Showmanship
4. Breeding Boer Goat Showmanship

## **DIVISION 1002: MARKET BEEF/BEEF REPLACEMENT HEIFERS**

## **DIVISION 1003: DAIRY CATTLE**

## **DIVISION 1004: MARKET SWINE**

## **DIVISION 1005: MARKET SHEEP**

## **DIVISION 1006: DAIRY GOAT**

## **DIVISION 1007: NIGERIAN DWARF DAIRY GOAT**

## **DIVISION 1008: PYGMY GOAT**

## **DIVISION 1009: MARKET GOAT**

## **DIVISION 1010: POULTRY (No Fake Birds Allowed)**

## **DIVISION 1014: TURKEY**

## **DIVISION 1011: RABBIT**

## **DIVISION 1012: CAVY**

## **DIVISION 1013: HORSE**

Recognized uniforms required in all divisions.

### **CLASS:**

1. 4-H Junior - 4-H/INDP/Grange Exhibitor 9 to 13 years old
2. 4-H Senior - 4-H Exhibitor 14 years and older
3. FFA Junior- FFA Members and INDP/Grange Exhibitors 15 years and younger
4. FFA Senior- FFA Members and INDP/Grange Exhibitors 16 years and older
5. Special Needs Exhibitor
6. Pre Junior- Exhibitor 5 years to 8 years old (only eligible for rabbit, cavy, poultry, pygmy goat and nigerian dwarf)

### **AWARDS:**

Champion- Buckle

# MASTER SHOWMANSHIP

**Tuesday, September 29, 2026 • 10 AM Small Animal • 12 PM Large Animal**  
Exhibitors are to check in by 9:30 AM (Small) and 11:30 AM (Large) • Livestock Pavilion

All eligible showmanship winners are required to participate in master showmanship.

## **LARGE ANIMAL MASTER SHOWMANSHIP**

Consists of the first place 4-H Junior, 4-H Senior, FFA Junior and FFA Senior showmanship winners in the following species: Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Horses, Market Sheep, Market Goats, and Market Swine.

## **SMALL ANIMAL MASTER SHOWMANSHIP**

Consists of the first place 4-H Junior, 4-H Senior, FFA Junior and FFA Senior showmanship winners in the following Divisions: Dogs, Poultry, Turkey, Pygmy Goats, Nigerian Dwarf Goat, Cavy and Rabbits.

- 1st place showmanship winners in qualifying species are required to participate in Master Showmanship with the following exceptions:
  - If an exhibitor has won the State Fair Master Showman Competition he/she is NOT eligible
  - If the 1st place showmanship winner is unable to compete in Master Showmanship due to the above exception, then the next placed qualified exhibitor will be entered
  - If an exhibitor qualifies in more than one species they will represent the first species they won in and second place will be required to participate.
- If a qualifying exhibitor chooses not to participate in master showmanship they will forfeit all awards for showmanship.
- The winners of the Senior classes of Large and Small Animal Master Showmanships are eligible to compete in the Master Showmanship Contest at the California State Fair in 2027.
- No parents/leaders/advisors or spectators are allowed to converse in any means with exhibitor until event is complete.
- Talking amongst exhibitors anytime during event shall lead to disqualification.
- In the event of a tie - once total points are calculated, the highest and lowest specie scores will be removed and total points will be recalculated between the tied individuals.**

## **DIVISION 815: LARGE ANIMAL MASTER SHOWMANSHIP**

Horse, Beef, Dairy Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Market Goats and Dairy Goats will be included on show day.

### **CLASS:**

- FFA Junior
- FFA Senior
- 4-H Junior
- 4-H Senior

## **DIVISION 816: SMALL ANIMAL MASTER SHOWMANSHIP**

Rabbit, Cavy, Poultry, Turkey, Pygmy Goats, Nigerian Dwarf Goats, and Dogs will be included on show day.

### **CLASS:**

- FFA Junior
- FFA Senior
- 4-H Junior
- 4-H Senior

### **AWARDS:**

Champion Each Class- Bowl  
All Participants- Rosettes

# ADULT AND PEEWEE SHOWMANSHIP

## **PEEWEE AND ADULT GOAT SHOWMANSHIP**

Wednesday, September 30, 2026, 5:30 PM  
Goat Ring

## **PEEWEE AND ADULT SWINE SHOWMANSHIP**

Sunday, September 27, 2026, 4:00 PM  
Swine Ring

## **ADULT BEEF SHOWMANSHIP**

Monday, September 28, 2026, 4:30 PM  
Sales Pavilion

## **PEEWEE AND ADULT SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP**

Monday, September 28, 2026, 4:30 PM  
Sheep Ring

## **ADULT RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP**

Wednesday September 30, 2026, 6:30 PM  
Rabbit Barn

## **ADULT POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP**

Wednesday September 30, 2026, 6:00 PM  
Sheep Ring

### **GUIDELINES:**

1. Must use an animal being exhibited at the 2026 Kern County Fair.
2. Showman must be granted permission from the exhibitor to use their animal for showmanship and the exhibitor must be present at the show.

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