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4-H Specialty Breeds

**FAIR DATES: August 11 – August 20, 2022**



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## EXHIBIT RULES & REGULATIONS

All entries must be registered on-line. This will be required for all exhibits and exhibitors that are entered in the fair. If you do not have access to a computer, then the library is your best option. There will also be a computer available for use at the fair office during normal business hours.

**FAIR HOURS:** 10 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. Only exhibitors and workers with passes will be allowed through the gate before or after these hours. No exhibitors will be allowed in barns without superintendent permission outside of barn hours. Pitch out is from 5:30am to 8am. **Barns are closed to exhibitors from 11:00 PM to 5:30AM with the exception to Dairy Cattle.**

2. No parking on fairgrounds. No vehicles allowed on fairgrounds between 8 a.m. and 11 p.m. Thursday through Saturday.

3. Exhibitor's and worker's passes will be available only to persons whose presence is required every day.

4. No person shall incur any financial obligation whatsoever against the Fair without first obtaining a requisition from the Manager.

5. Any persons handling or taking any exhibits that do not belong to them may be prosecuted according to the law.

6. The management shall have the general supervision of the grounds and the entire exhibition, control of the police regulations, and entrance and exit gates.

7. Should there be any disputes or misunderstandings which none of the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations will govern, whether in connection with judging or otherwise, they shall be referred to the Board of Directors whose decision shall be final.

8. The management reserves the final and absolute right to alter, interpret, or change the rules and regulations as may become necessary; also, to determine all matters, questions, and differences that may arise in/or out of an incident at the Fair.

9. The Fair will use every precaution in its power for the preservation of all articles and stock on exhibition but will not be responsible for loss or damage. Which, in the case the protest is not sustained, is forfeited, and is added to the funds of the Fair.

### 10. ALL ENTRIES:

A. Are required to be entered on-line by deadline listed in each department, or on entry days as specified in department rules.

B. Must be entered in the name owner/maker whose name must be endorsed on the entry card.

C. Close at the time designated in the rules of each department.

D. Must be in place and in final proper condition for the exhibition as specified in the department rules.

E. Exhibits shall be considered unclaimed thirty (30) days following the last day of the Fair and will be considered property of the Northwest Washington Fair Association. Any cost related to disposal will be passed on to the exhibitor. It is the full responsibility of the exhibitor to pick up their exhibit prior to such disposal and the Fair is not obligated to notify the exhibitor of the unclaimed exhibit.

F. Entries not picked up on Sunday at the specified time will remain in buildings which may be unlocked with no security.

G. Entries moved or removed before the Sunday release time will forfeit all premiums.

H. Entries will not be accepted by office staff with the exception of animal entry forms. .

I. Departments will not accept entries except at the published times and dates.

J. You need only ONE exhibitor number for ALL your entries at the fair.

K. Ribbons will only be available at pick-up/release time. They cannot be mailed and are not available at the office.

11. No animal or article will be allowed to compete for more than one premium, nor shall be entered in more than one class, except as one of a herd, or cows for milk, group classes, and/ or showmanship.

12. Open Class livestock are eligible to compete for premiums in the purebred class must be accompanied by a certificate of registration.

13. If it be ascertained that any exhibitor or spectator shall attempt to interfere with the judge in the performance of his/her duty in any matter, or shall refuse to accept the awards made, they shall be disqualified from further competition and shall forfeit any premiums and ribbons already awarded.

14. An exhibitor who may desire to enter a protest must enter such protest in writing before the closing of the show and must deposit \$5.00 with the Superintendent Coordinator for review with management.

15. Any person knowingly violating the rules of the Fair may forfeit any premium that may be awarded to them.

16. No alcoholic beverages allowed on fairgrounds except for designated areas. Exhibitors breaking this rule will forfeit all fair premiums.

17. All premium checks will be mailed by September 30<sup>th</sup> of the current year and must be cashed by December 1st of the same year.

18. Any error in the records of premiums caused by oversight or neglect shall be subject to correction whenever proof is furnished to the fair office that a mistake has been made. Errors and checks not received in the mail by October 15th must be reported before November 1st of the current year. Errors should be reported via either email at [entries@nwwafair.com](mailto:entries@nwwafair.com) or in writing to the Fair office at 1775 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264. Checks that are lost or damaged will be subjected to a \$35.00 fee for canceling and replacing a check.

19. No animals shall be withdrawn from the Fair before 10 p.m. Saturday (or specified time of department) of the Fair. No articles or exhibits are to be removed from the buildings until Sunday after closing of the Fair. Exhibits so withdrawn forfeit all claims to premiums.

20. Exhibitors of animals, machinery in motion, and other exhibits liable to occasional accidents, injury, or damage to persons coming in contact herewith shall guard their exhibits in such a way as to protect the public. Such exhibitors shall indemnify the Fair from and against any claims and demands, costs, charges, and expenses which may be incurred by reason of any accident.

21. Under no circumstances will anyone remove from the fairgrounds any grain, hay, straw, or milk.

22. The objectives of the Northwest Washington Fair Association shall be to hold an annual Fair in Lynden, Washington; and to engage in any lawful use, thereby promoting the agricultural, educational, business, and cultural growth of Northwest Washington.

23. **Note: ALL premium checks will be mailed no later than September 30th.**

If you have questions about your entries or premium check, please email us at [entries@nwwafair.com](mailto:entries@nwwafair.com). We will respond to your email within 1-2 business days. Requests for missing premiums must be made no later than December 1. All premium checks must be cashed by December 1 of the same year issued. 1099 Information: If you exceed \$600.00 in total premiums, you will need to file a W-9 form. These are available in the fair office. Premium checks will not be issued unless we have the completed W-9 form.

## SHOW RING ETHICS

If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise.

Administration of drugs of any kind or description, except for treating a recognized disease or injury and for the tranquilizing of bulls that may otherwise be dangerous to females in heat, shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

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

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

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

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

The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether he or she was instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

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

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

### METHOD TO REGISTER A FORMAL COMPLAINT:

Presenting a signed letter to the Superintendent of that department. A form letter is available at the Superintendent's office.

Be a current Northwest Washington Fair exhibitor competing in the same department as the complaint that is being registered.

The Fair Management will act upon all formal complaints.

### VETERINARY INFORMATION

The check-in exam will be limited to meeting only the Health Requirements for entry into the Fair. No additional healthcare exams will be done during this time.

A KVH Veterinarian will stop in twice each day (a.m./p.m.) starting Thursday afternoon to attend to animal health needs. We will be available to answer general questions regarding animal health. There will be no farm call charged during a scheduled walk through – But owners will be required to pay KVH for services (including exams - \$45.00 minimum and treatment if needed).

Any other calls to the Fair outside of the above scheduled visits will be subject to a farm call as well as the appropriate veterinarian fees. The fair veterinarian's professional decision as to the health status of an animal is final and will be upheld by the fair board. Any animal refused by the veterinarian at check-in must be removed from the fair grounds and returned home immediately. There are no facilities to house animals that cannot be exhibited.

Animals on exhibit at the Fair are the very best of their species and must present this image to the viewing public.

Exhibitors should note and respect the potential for exposure to health-threatening conditions while at a fair. Crowding of animals, long distance hauling and changing environmental conditions are major stresses to which exhibit animals are subjected. Animals, like humans, have the capability to become recovered carriers of viruses or other infectious agents. Exhibition-imposed stress may cause a recrudescence or reactivation with resulting outbreaks of disease, as occurs with malaria in humans. The Fair management will do all in its power to protect each exhibit while on display.

## CLUB & CHAPTER HERDSMANSHIP

1. Good care of your animal and assigned exhibiting space is an important part of the privilege and responsibility of exhibiting at the Northwest Washington Fair. Because many more people see your animal in the barn than the show ring, exhibitors are expected to maintain barn, feeding, and grooming conditions that will ensure the good health and safety of the animals in their care, and will show consideration and sensitivity toward the public visiting the Northwest Washington Fair exhibit. Exhibitors are expected to be available to the fair visitor to discuss their exhibit or project. Exhibitors are reminded that they are hosts/hostesses in their barn.

2. The public's interest in animal welfare, and their opinion of the quality of care given to animals, has become a critical issue.

3. Exhibiting members are to perform their own herdsman chores. Herdsmanship done by adult non-exhibitors can result in forfeit of all awards and premiums by the exhibitor involved. No more than 1 warning will be given by the superintendent.

4. Herdsmanship will be done by aisle. Each club will need to sign up for shifts with division superintendent during fair. Herdsmanship should be done during 9:00AM to 10 PM. A parent on duty for each club but shall not assist the exhibitors with maintaining of barn.

5. It is the intent of the Northwest Washington Fair to recognize every exhibitor who maintains adequate standards, it is a responsibility that comes with the privilege of participating at the fair and should come with personal pride and team support. Herdsmanship will be judged 2-3 times daily.

6. Barns and displays will be examined at least twice a day. Failure to maintain adequate standards will result in loss of premiums.

7. **NO COOKING IS ALLOWED IN THE BARN.** For your own health, and to demonstrate to your fair visitor appropriate hygiene habits for when humans are near farm animals, please do not cook, eat or drink while in the penning/stalling/public areas in livestock and equine barns. This applies to exhibitor and chaperone/parent, etc. and will be enforced by the fair. Superintendents will share more information about this very serious issue during exhibitor orientation meetings. We have provided an eating area for all exhibitors to use.

## ANIMAL HEALTH AND THE USE OF ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES

The use of illegal drugs and/or the improper use of animal health products or foreign substances will not be tolerated. Exhibitors, families, youth, and fair/show officials have a legal and moral obligation not to misuse these products. We have the responsibility to tell others not to use these substances, and to report those who do use any illegal substance. The administration of any drug or medication, which could affect an animal's performance resulting in an unfair advantage or the disposition of the animal, is unacceptable. Additionally, there are federal penalties for using illegal substances in animals that are going into the nation's food supply.

## QUALITY ANIMAL CARE AGREEMENT

This is an agreement, formal or implied, between open exhibitors and the management of this Fair. Its purpose is to:

- Encourage ethical decisions and activities by open youth exhibitors.
- Ensure the overall well-being of all animals exhibited
- Ensure the use of commonly accepted practices in preparing and exhibiting animals for show.
- Maintain a safe and wholesome food supply.
- Maintain the intent and integrity of animal competitions and displays for future generations.

1. The purpose of my participation in the NW Washington Fair is to strengthen my own knowledge, ability, and skill as a feeder, manager, trainer, caregiver, and exhibitor of animals and to develop my sense of responsibility and good character. If my project includes food production animals, my goal is to produce safe and wholesome food.

2. The purpose of Jr. show is for exhibitors to do their own project. Parents/leaders may supervise but not participate in herdsmanship, cleaning, grooming, or feeding. Exception: when safety is a concern. Exhibitors must remain present.

3. I will not use or allow abusive, fraudulent, or illegal practices or products to be used in the feeding, care, fitting, training, and showing of my animals.

4. I will not misrepresent my animals or myself in any way.

5. I will read, understand, and follow the rules, without exception, of animal shows in which I am a participant and ask that my parents and my leaders do the same.

6. My animal project is an example of how to accept what life has to offer, both good and bad, and how to live with the outcome. I will treat other people's animals with the same respect and care I give my own animals.

7. I realize that I am responsible for the proper care and safe, humane treatment of my animals. I realize that I am also responsible for demonstrating strong moral fiber and good character as an example to others.

8. I will voice any objections to events related to my participation by using the protest policy described in the premium book. I will not directly interfere with the judge, show management, or other exhibitors before, during, or after the event.

9. I accept that failure to uphold this commitment could result in forfeiture of my right to participate in the NW Washington Fair.

## 4-H RULES

Youth who have reached their 5th birthday (on or before October 1st of the current 4-H year), through those who have not reached their 19th birthday (on or before October 1st of the current 4-H year).

The following groups are identified for special programs and activity participation, including all competitive events/activities, within the WSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Program:

### **AGE IS DETERMINED BY OCTOBER 1 of previous year.**

- **Cloverbuds: 5 to 7 years of age**
- **Junior: 8 to 10 years of age**
- **Intermediate: 11 to 13 years of age**
- **Senior: 14 to less than 19 years of age**

Cloverbuds may participate in age-appropriate activities and projects. Projects recommended for Cloverbuds youth may include: Dog, Cat, Poultry, Rabbit, Pygmy or Novelty Goat, Horseless Horse, Cavy, Exploring the World of Small Animals, Exploring Farm Animals, Discovery, Creative Arts, Performing Arts, Aerospace, Bicycle, Computer, Photography, Clothing, Just Outside the Door, and Exploring 4-H. Cloverbuds may not participate in competitive activities. 4-H Cloverbuds are not eligible for premiums and must borrow a goat and does not need to preregister for the Primary Showmanship contest. Primary Showman may not bring their own goat to the fair.

*A novelty goat is defined as a small goat that is purebred or cross-bred lineage; is up to 23 inches in height and weighs no more than 65 pounds.*

Only blue and red ribbon winners in 4H and FFA Beef or Dairy are eligible to enter Open Class Beef and Dairy classes.

4H and FFA may enter Open Class Dairy or Beef provided there is a minimum of 10 Open Class cattle per breed or 2 exhibitors.

All animals shown in 4H must be housed in the 4H barn while at the Fair.

**FAILURE TO ENTER AND COMPETE IN FITTING AND SHOWING WILL RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF ALL PREMIUMS.**

All animals must be clipped prior to entering the fairgrounds. Touch up clipping for Fit and Show or type classes must be done by the 4H member ONLY. Any other supervision must have permission of the Superintendent. Premiums will be pulled.

It is required that each club supply a wheelbarrow for removal of manure, and neat tack boxes of sufficient size to store all equipment when not being used. The club/animal owner must furnish watering pails, combs, brushes, etc. for their animals.

The Fair Association will furnish hay and bedding. Owners must provide grain.

No 4H animals shall be withdrawn from the Fair before 9 p.m.

Saturday of the Fair or premiums will be forfeited.

Self-determined projects should be brought to the grounds no later than Monday of the Fair.

4H Livestock leaders – Please call the Superintendent with preliminary numbers no later than June 15<sup>th</sup>.

All exhibitors must be out of the barns between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. unless they have written permission from the Superintendent.

## **LARGE ANIMAL ROUND ROBIN**

The Overall and Reserve Champions from the Fit and Show classes in the Beef, Dairy, Goat, Horse, Llama/Alpaca, Sheep and Swine departments compete for Best Overall Showman. The contest is held Saturday afternoon. Previous Round Robin winners may not compete again in the same species division. They may compete again if they qualify in a different species.

The overall champion will be announced and the runner-up rosettes will be awarded in no particular order.

## **Small Animal Round Robin**

The Overall Fitting & Showing Champions from the Fit and Show classes in the Poultry, Dogs, Cats, Guinea Pig and Rabbit departments compete for Best Overall Showman. The contest is held on the morning of the final Saturday of the Fair. Previous Round Robin winners may not compete again in the same species division. They may compete again if they qualify in a different species.

The overall champion will be announced, and the runner-up rosettes will be awarded in no order.

# 4-H SPECIALITY BREEDS

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PLACED AT: <http://nwwafair.fairwire.com/>

**Entries can be placed on-line until July 18th.**

## Livestock Exhibitor Entry Fees and Gate Admission Passes (Admission into the Fair)

<b>4-H &amp; FFA EXHIBITORS:</b>
<b>4-H FFA GATE ADMISSION:</b>
Parents of 4-H & FFA Season Pass \$30
4-H & FFA Youth Helpers - \$20.00 for a 4-H/FFA Pass
4-H Leaders & FFA Advisors will receive (1) Complimentary 4-H/FFA Season Pass

**All entries for Open, 4H and FFA will be made using the same ShoWorks entry link and must be completed online.**

All entries requiring payment must pay online or at time of entry appointment if entering 5 or more 4H Dairy or 4H Beef. All entries must be registered online. If you don't have access to a computer.

Late entries will be charged a fee of \$25.00 per head through July 31<sup>st</sup>. After July 31<sup>st</sup> late entries may not be accepted.

<b>Animal Haul IN</b>	Varies between species, look at haul in sheet online
<b>Animal Released</b>	TBD
<b>Vet Checks</b>	Varies between species, look at haul in sheet online

This class is intended for new or unusual 4-H animals not listed elsewhere in the 4-H Department. Entry in this class is subject to adequate facilities to house the exhibits.

### **DIVISION A - DIVISION A - LARGE ANIMALS**

All 4-H exhibitors must participate in showmanship.

Overall showman will compete in Round Robin Competition on Saturday.

Age for showmanship determined by 4-H age as of October 1 of previous year.

PREMIUMS: Blue \$27.00 Red \$22.00 White \$17.00

#### CLASS NUMBER

1. Showmanship

PREMIUMS: Blue \$16.00 Red \$13.50 White \$11.00

#### CLASS NUMBER

2. Type

### **DIVISION B- SMALL ANIMALS**

All 4-H exhibitors must participate in showmanship.

Overall showman will compete in Round Robin Competition on Saturday.

Age for showmanship determined by 4-H age as of October 1 of previous year.

PREMIUMS: Blue \$14.50 Red \$12.50 White \$10.00

CLASS NUMBER

1. Showmanship

PREMIUMS: Blue \$6.00 Red \$5.00 White \$4.50

CLASS NUMBER

2. Type

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