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**EXPERIENCE**

**the Fair**

**AUGUST 12-21, 2021**
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 don’t 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.

1. FAIR HOURS: 10 a.m. - 10:30 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 inside or outside of barn hours.

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. Only blue and red ribbon winners in 4-H and FFA are eligible to enter Open Class Cattle.

14. 4-H and FFA may enter Open Class cattle provided there is a minimum of ten open class cattle per breed or two exhibitors.

15. 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.

16. 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 receptionist and

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

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

19. All premium checks will be mailed by September 30th of the current year and must be cashed by December 1st of the same year.

20. 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 email at Amanda@nwafair.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.

21. No animals shall be withdrawn from the Fair before 9 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.

22. 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.

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

24. 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.

25. Note: ALL premium checks will be mailed no later than September 30th. If you have any questions about your entries or premium check, please email us at amanda@nwafair.com. We will respond to your email within 1-2 business days. Requests for missing premiums must be made no later than December 1st. All premium checks must be cashed by December 1st 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.

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.

NOTE FROM NORTHWEST WASHINGTON FAIR: A signed copy of the International Association of Fair and Expositions National Code of Show Ring Ethics needs to accompany your livestock entry form to the Northwest Washington Fair office. Without the signed code of ethics your livestock entry form will not be accepted.
All premium rules and entries times are subject to the current CDC, federal, state, and local regulations. It is the duty of the exhibitor to check current information. We will update as we hear more.

Exhibit due date and time to be determined soon, please check back for updates.

For these Open Class departments ONLY, if you cannot enter on-line, you may still enter your items on the department's specific walk-in entry dates: Agriculture, Art, Baking & Canning, Floriculture, Hobbies & Collections, Models, Legos, K'nex, Needlework & Quilts, Sewing, Wool, Weaving and Fibers.

Assisted by Whatcom Weavers Guild and Spindrifters

NEW FOR 2019

Woven entries made with natural plant fibers will be accepted into the Wool Show. This includes weaving on the floor and table looms, tapestry weaving and off loom-weaving techniques, including knotting, basketry, and caning. Fibers allowed in addition to wool and animal fibers include cotton, linen, hemp, bamboo, wood, bark, reed, cane and other plant fibers.

Open class entries will be judged with a 1ST, 2ND, or 3RD placing

4-H & FFA may enter, entries will be placed with the Danish system. Please enter in department 1 or 2.

1. All entries are to be the work of the exhibitor. Superintendent has the right to accept or refuse any entry.

2. Department, division and class is determined by the exhibitor. If you have questions about your entry, please contact the superintendent prior to entry day.

3. Entries can be placed on-line through Monday prior to the fair (one week). Exhibit due date and time to be determined soon, please check back for updates.
4. Entries may also be dropped off at Northwest Yarns, 1401 Commercial Street, Bellingham (360)738-0167 by noon the Thursday prior to the Fair, or at the Jansen Art Center Textiles Studio, 321 Front Street, Lynden, by noon Thursday prior to the Fair. These entries must have an entry tag attached to each entry and be clearly marked with the DIVISION and CLASS number they are entered in. Entries without this information will NOT be judged. Exhibitors with large or numerous entries are encouraged to deliver their own items during the Friday entry times (see #3). The Northwest Washington Fair, Northwest Yarns, and the Jansen Arts Center are not responsible for items left at this location other than to hold them for transport.

5. Exhibits must be picked up Sunday from noon to 2 p.m. On Monday the buildings remain open for cleaning and there is NO Security available. Items dropped off at Northwest Yarn or the Jansen Art Center will be returned there.

6. No entry fees will be required, and no free admission will be issued.

7. Any wool or plant fiber item completed in the last 2 years and not previously shown at the Northwest WA Fair is eligible. No kit items. All articles entered must be handcrafted - acceptable methods are weaving, knitting, crochet, felt, and other fiber processes. (Class B needs to be handspun by exhibitor)

8. All entries must be at least 75% of any combination of animal fiber, i.e., Wool, Alpaca, Mohair, Llama, Angora, Silk, Cotton, linen, hemp, bamboo, cane, bark, etc. Remaining 25% can be other fibers. All fiber used must be specified.

9. All entries will be Judged and Exhibited. Emphasis will be on quality, originality, design, intended functions, and in the case of garments, drape and wear ability. No premium will be given unless the article is worthy, regardless of competition. The opinion of the judge must be final in all case.

10. Include hanger or other suitable method of displaying with your entry. All containers or other related items used to transport, or store entries should be clearly marked with the name of the exhibitor and description of item. If feasible, please make a 4” square sample of your work and include it with your item. This will give the public a chance to touch a sample without risk of damage to your piece.

11. One entry per class. In addition to your entry information, please attach a 1/4-page sheet WITHOUT YOUR NAME for the judge, attached to each item, describing fiber content, whether this is a class project or original design, briefly anything you feel may be pertinent to the creation or end use of your item. We recommend using a typewriter or computer printer for your 1/4-page description.

12. Limit of 12 entries per person depending on space availability.

DEPARTMENT 01 - JUNIOR (12 AND UNDER)
DEPARTMENT 02 - INTERMEDIATE (13 THROUGH 18)
DEPARTMENT 03 - ADULT (OVER 18)

DIVISION A - SHEEP FLEECE

DO NOT TIE FLEECE. ROLL FLEECE AND PLACE IN LARGE CLEAR PLASTIC BAG. MUST BE SHORN DURING CURRENT SHEARING SEASON. Identify breed.

A Best of Class will be awarded in each Division for Lots 1-3 and 4-6.
**PREMIUMS:** 6.00 5.00 4.00

**CLASS NUMBER**
1. Fine
2. Medium
3. Long

**DIVISION A - OTHER FIBER**

**PREMIUMS:** 6.00 5.00 4.00

**CLASS NUMBER**
4. Alpaca
5. Llama
6. Mohair
7. Angora silk
8. Other (please specify species)

**DIVISION B – CRAFTED FROM HANDSPUN ANIMAL FIBER - no synthetic items will be accepted**

**PREMIUMS:** 6.00 5.00 4.00

**CLASS NUMBER**

| 1. Blanket or afghan, knit or crochet | 9. Tapestry, small (up 15” wide) |
| 2. Blanket or afghan, woven           | 10. Tapestry, medium (15” tp 24” wide) |
| 3. Jacket or coat                    | 11. Tapestry, large (more than 24” wide) |
| 4. Rug                              | 12. Vest, Adult |
| 5. Shawl, poncho, ruana              | 13. Woven garment |
| 7. Sweater, adult                    | 15. Other miscellaneous |
| 8. Sweater set, baby                 | |

**PREMIUMS:** 4.00 2.50 1.50

**CLASS NUMBER**

<p>| 16. Doll or Doll clothes | 23. Purse |
| 18. Fingerless gloves, gloves or mittens | 25. Socks |
| 20. Hat, child/baby      | 27. Slippers, child or baby |</p>
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<td>*MUST include a minimum 50-yard skein with label attached, including fiber content (i.e., sheep, llama, alpaca, mohair, or other. Natural silk, from silkworms is considered animal fiber.)</td>
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**DIVISION E - WOOL EQUIPMENT (HANDMADE)**

**PREMIUMS:** 4.00 3.00 2.50

**CLASS NUMBER**
1. Large Article

**PREMIUMS:** 2.50 2.00 1.50

**CLASS NUMBER**
2. Small article

**DIVISION F - FELTED FROM FLEECE**

**DIVISION G - FELTED FROM YARN**

For both classes use classes below

**PREMIUMS:** 4.00 3.00 2.50

**CLASS NUMBER**

| 1. Jacket | 4. Three dimensional over 15” |
| 2. Rug | 5. Miscellaneous, large |
| 3. Vest | |

**PREMIUMS:** 2.50 2.00 1.50

**CLASS NUMBER**

| 7. Footwear | 12. Purse |
| 8. Hat | 13. Toy animals, dolls |
| 10. Jewelry | 15. Miscellaneous, small |

**DIVISION H - MACRAME/KNOTTING** - Utilizing animal or plant fiber.
PREMIUMS: 4.00 3.00 2.00

CLASS NUMBER
1. Large article - hanging, tapestry, decorative or utilitarian knotted item - over 24"

PREMIUMS: 2.50 2.00 1.50

CLASS NUMBER
2. Small article - hanging, tapestry, decorative or utilitarian knotted item - under 24"

DIVISION J - BASKETRY

PREMIUMS: 4.00 3.00 2.00

CLASS NUMBER
1. Large article - decorative or utilitarian item utilizing woven basketry techniques, in natural materials - over 24"

PREMIUMS: 2.50 2.00 1.50

CLASS NUMBER
2. Small article - decorative or utilitarian item utilizing woven basketry techniques, in natural material - under 24"

DIVISION K - WEAVING - with plant or plant-based fibers
Includes handmade functional or non-functional items, cloth or yardage created using a floor loom, table loom, rigid heddle, backstrap loom, inkle loom, off-loom, or other hand-weaving method.

PREMIUMS: 4.00 3.00 2.00

CLASS NUMBER
1. Scarf
2. Table Runner
3. Tablecloth
4. Table linens, set of 3 towels, 4 or more napkins, 4 or more place mats
5. Garment
6. Yardage, selvage visible, identify intended usage
7. Other miscellaneous item, large

PREMIUMS: 2.50 2.00 1.50

CLASS NUMBER
8. Doll or toy
9. Towel
10. Woven band
11. Fashion accessory
12. Other miscellaneous item, small

DIVISION L - FIBER RELATED EDUCATIONAL POSTER - Educational poster on some aspect of fiber and/or its use.

PREMIUMS: 4.00 3.00 2.00

CLASS NUMBER
1. Youth
2. Adult