



GENERAL RULES FOR 4-H & FFA AT THE NORTH IDAHO STATE FAIR



*The North Idaho State Fair is proud to partner with both 4-H and FFA to bring our youth and community exceptional, educational programs with the focus of agriculture. Each group works independently from their own state and national rules and regulations in coordination with the North Idaho State Fair to showcase their projects at the annual fair.

GENERAL RULES

1. Members must submit all fair entries and pay stall fees by July 15, 2022; no entries will be taken after July 15, 2022.
2. Exhibitors, parents, and leaders are expected to conduct themselves in a responsible and sportsman-like manner at all times. Efforts are being made to ensure that the Fair is an enjoyable experience for everyone. Any violators, be it toward fair rules, fair officials, other exhibitors, parents or leaders or toward the general public, will face immediate expulsion from the fair and will forfeit any privileges or premiums associated with the Fair.
3. All protests must be in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$50 which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the case of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to a 4-H Extension Staff person or FFA advisor within six hours after the occasion of such protest. The protest will be considered by the Extension Staff or FFA advisor as quickly as possible and their decision in the matter shall be final.

LIVESTOCK GENERAL RULES

4. An exhibitor may not enter the same animal in both 4-H and FFA. However, may show the same species, example: a steer in 4-H and a heifer in FFA.
5. The use of inhumane fitting, showing and/or handling practices or devices shall not be tolerated. For example: striking the animal to cause swelling or for bracing purposes, use of an electrical contrivance, or breaking a tail.
6. Grade or registered livestock are shown in the same class, unless otherwise noted.
7. Only dehorned or polled cattle and sheep can be entered and shown. Any cattle and sheep having scurs over 2 inches long from the skin at the base of the horn to the tip will be disqualified from exhibiting. This is a safety precaution for exhibitors and the public.
8. Pet/Pack, and Breeding Goats may be shown with horns. All horns must be tipped, taped, or padded. Market and Dairy goats must be dehorned or polled or have scurs less than 2 inches long.
9. All Market Sheep and Market Goats entered in the North Idaho State Fair must be under one year of age, fair officials will use teeth to confirm age of animal.
10. All sheep and goats exhibited require Scrapie identification, beef/dairy cattle requiring Bangs vaccinations, and poultry requiring avian influenza testing must be in compliance to exhibit. (see Idaho Livestock Exhibitors Reference Manual for more information)
11. Exhibitors shall furnish hay and other feeds at their own expense. Due to swine pen size, only self-waterers plus an optional self-feeder (no larger than 12 inches x 12 inches at the base) may be left in swine pens; buckets and pans must be removed immediately after feeding. Failure to provide proper care (feed, water, etc.) of any animals may result in disqualification and removal of affected animals.

12. Only animals weighed and tagged during the Spring weigh-ins are eligible to be shown in any market animal classes; these tagged animals may not be entered as breeding projects that year.
13. All Livestock Barns, including Poultry & Rabbits, must be cleaned by livestock exhibitors before 10 am daily. Cleanliness of pens and aisles must be maintained during Fair hours without obstructing the walkways. All animals will utilize designated bedding materials. Exhibitors must stall in assigned areas, no exceptions.
14. There will be a barn curfew from 10PM to 5AM. Exhibitors will not be allowed in livestock barns during this time unless accompanied by an approved leader or chaperone and with permission from the barn superintendent.
15. Upon request of the barn superintendent, an exhibitor's animal may be used for the livestock judging contest or round robin.
16. All animal entries must stay in their designated exhibit area for the duration of fair. Animals may only leave the exhibit area with superintendent authorization.
17. Use of any unauthorized drugs, tranquilizers, or performance enhancing substances in animals is strictly prohibited; withdrawal times for licensed products must be followed. All animals entered in the North Idaho State Fair are subject to testing. Should a violation occur, it will be dealt with according to procedures as listed on the Animal Check In and Quality Assurance Form.
18. The participant is on notice that the unauthorized use of drugs/tranquilizers may be a violation of state and/or federal statutes, and that the above sanctions by the Fair Board, FFA and/or Extension do not circumvent the prosecution of any individual violating state and/or federal laws.
19. All animals will be subject to a health inspection prior to the opening day of fair. Livestock must enter the fairgrounds through the Dalton gate entrance (next to CDA High School) and be inspected by the fair veterinarian prior to unloading. Please review the Idaho Livestock Exhibitors Reference Manual for livestock health guidelines.
20. FFA and the 4-H Extension reserve the right, in consultation with the Fair veterinarian and exhibitor's family, to require the immediate removal of any animal from the grounds that exhibits a condition deemed detrimental to itself or other animal exhibits.

WEIGH-INS & SHOWS

21. At initial weigh in of the species, animals must be declared as 4-H or FFA and tagged accordingly.
22. Market animals will be weighed prior to the start of the fair. All animals must be clean and dry in order to cross the scale. All livestock exhibited at the North Idaho State Fair must be stalled by 2pm on Monday August 22, 2022.
23. If a weight is disputed by the exhibitor, the exhibitor's parent, or any representative of the exhibitor, the animal will step off the scale and be IMMEDIATELY re-weighed. The market animal may not return to the stalls, wash area, trailer, or any other area or the exhibitor forfeits the ability to re-weigh the animal. Quality assurance forms need to be submitted to department superintendents before the animals are weighed.

24. During the course of the North Idaho State Fair all animals are to be clean and well fitted for quality and fitting & showing classes. Only the exhibitors are allowed to do actual grooming of their project animals. Parents and leaders are urged to be present and provide support/assistance to the exhibitors.
25. Exhibitors must exhibit their own project animal/fowl in quality judging, plus fit and show one animal/fowl from each livestock category (beef, dairy, goat, poultry, rabbit, sheep, swine) the individual enters in the Fair. Any requests for exception must be made directly to the Department superintendent and are subject to review team approval (Extension 4-H Educator/Coordinator or FFA advisor of program enrolled, Department Superintendent, and one other representative from the program). All market animals must be fit and shown unless excused as specified above. 4-H poultry and rabbits must show according to provisions noted in the Project Requirement Handbook. All animals must be able to be handled by the student in a responsible and safe manner, or the animal will be removed.

STOCK SALE RULES

26. Sale order for 2022 is beef, sheep, rabbit, poultry, goat, and swine.
27. Animals eligible for sale: all market beef, goats, sheep, swine, poultry and rabbits owned by eligible 4-H members or FFA students, meeting weight requirements and receiving a blue or a red ribbon in the official quality grading. White ribbon animals will not be sold through the Stock Sale. All animals will be eligible to sell if shown as provided in Rule 25 of the general livestock rules.
28. Livestock animals not meeting the weight requirements of the species, will NOT be eligible to leave with a processor from the fair. Lightweight and white ribbon livestock will be loaded out as Take Out (exhibitor responsible for removal).
29. No more than two market animals (excluding market rabbits and market poultry) can be sold by an individual in any given year at the Stock Sale. Exhibitors must be present, or insure that another individual is present on their behalf, to take their animal through the Stock Sale. If no one is present with the animal at the appropriate time, then it will not be allowed to sell.
30. It is mandatory to sell all Grand and Reserve Champion market animals. Other eligible market animals must also be sold, unless excluded at the time of Fair weigh-in.
31. On market animals sold, the title to the animal will pass immediately on acceptance of final bids by the auctioneer, with possession taking place at scheduled loadout. Exhibitors will care for the animals until their removal.
32. A sale charge will be deducted from all animals sold through the Stock Sale.

33. Exhibitors must turn in their buyer thank you notes to their livestock leader or FFA advisor, who must distribute them accordingly. Thank you buyer stall cards MUST be posted day of the sale.
34. No exhibitor, parent or leader shall approach a Stock Sale buyer after an animal has been sold at auction, to regain ownership of that animal. Any inquiries must be directed through the 4-H Office or FFA advisor, no exceptions! Failure to abide by this rule may result in at least a 1-year suspension from selling any animal in the Stock Sale.

AWARDS

35. The Danish award system will be used. All completed exhibits will be divided into three ribbon groups according to the quality of project work exhibited at the Fair. Blue ribbons indicate excellent work. Red ribbons indicate very good work. White ribbons indicate fairly good work. Incomplete exhibits will not receive awards or be displayed. Only completed exhibits receiving a blue ribbon will be eligible for top overall awards, which will be given at the judge's discretion. Unless otherwise noted, premiums are: Blue: \$5, Red: \$3, and White: \$1. Additionally, Farm Bureau adds an additional \$2 per 4-H & FFA premium.
36. Cash premiums will be paid out during a specific time at the fair: Saturday, August 27, 2022 4-8pm and Sunday, August 28, 2022 10am-4pm. All premiums may also be picked up Tuesday, August 30th, 2022 through Friday, September 2nd, 2022 during regular Fair Office hours (9 am to 4 pm daily, closed for lunch between Noon and 1 pm and closed on the weekends). If not claimed by 4 pm on September 2nd, 2022 the premium will be considered a donation to the Fair's general fund.

EXHIBIT REMOVAL

37. Unauthorized removal of exhibits prior to scheduled release times will result in forfeiture of any and all premiums, awards and/or sale proceeds, and be subject to further disciplinary action as deemed appropriate.
38. Livestock removal: Rabbits and poultry, including small animal sale entries, can be checked out from 7 pm to 9 pm on Sunday, August 28. The Stock Sale Livestock animals marked for take-out may be checked out after 7 pm Sunday, August 28. Large volume stock sale loads will be scheduled at an alternate time, by species. All animal entries are to be checked out with the species superintendent, by the exhibitor or responsible owner. Final removal of bedding, decorations, and breakdown of pens will be addressed at the barn meeting.

