

2025 SILVER DOLLAR LIVESTOCK EXPO LOCAL RULES

Please carefully read all the rules and regulations. If rules are not complied with, premium awards shall be withheld.

Entries:

1. Entries may be made online at www.silverdollarfair.org. If you have any questions, please call the office at 530-895-4666.
 - Entries are accepted online only unless an exception has been given by Fair Staff. If you do not have access to the internet you may come to the fair office for assistance to complete entries.
 - LIVESTOCK ENTRIES MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE.
 - Online entries: All signatures and information necessary to determine the exhibit eligibility must be done online.
 - All entries must be submitted by the entry closing deadline. Late entries will be accepted with a \$100 late entry fee assessed to each entry. Late entries WILL NOT be accepted after the ownership deadline of the particular species.
 - Steer late entry period: Monday, February 10, 2025 - 120 day entry deadline
 - Hog, Sheep and Goat late entry period: Friday, April 11, 2025 - 60 day entry deadline
 - Rabbit late entry period: Friday, May 9, 2025 - 30 day entry deadline
 - Breeding late entry period: Friday, May 9, 2025 - 30 day entry deadline
 - Exhibitor Handbook & Online entry information will be available at www.silverdollarfair.org.
 - Entry closing dates are for submission of online entry forms & fees only, not for submission of exhibits. See Department information for entry submission dates & times.
 - Entry fees (if applicable) must be made at the time of online entry. Entry fees may differ for Departments and Classes. See specific Department, Division & Class information for entry fees.
ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.
2. Showmanship must be entered online by May 2, 2025. Late showmanship entries will be charged a \$25 late fee.
3. An exhibitor's online signature on the entry signifies their acceptance of the rules and regulations governing the Silver Dollar Fair as printed in the official Exhibitor's Handbook. By signing online, the exhibitor agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the fair, the county, and the State of California from and against any liability, claim, loss, or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees) arising out of any injury or damage which is caused by, arises from, or is in any way connected with participation in the program or event excepting only that caused by the sole active negligence of the Fair. Fair Management shall not be responsible for accidents or losses that may occur to any exhibitors or exhibits at the Fair. The exhibitor (or parent/guardian of a minor) is responsible for any injury or acceptance of all conditions and rules of the State of California and the Silver Dollar Fair.
4. Still and Breeding entries are open to residents of Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Plumas, Sutter, Tehama, and Yuba Counties, unless otherwise noted. Livestock entries: see Department information

5. There will be NO limit on market animal entries. Each exhibitor can only weigh, show and sell ONE market animal entry. Each market animal entry will be assessed an entry fee of \$40 (non refundable). “Back up” animals must be entered as a market animal as stated above. All market entries will be required to submit appropriate ownership documentation or the entry will be voided.
6. The management reserves the right to eliminate divisions unless sufficient entries are received to afford competition.
7. All entries are subject to available facilities on a first come, first served basis. As soon as the facilities are filled, entries shall be closed. The Fair reserves the right to display exhibits as space permits. There is no guarantee that all items will be displayed.
8. An item eligible for entry should be entered in the most appropriate Department, Division and Class. Any exhibit not properly entered may be transferred to the proper class by Fair Management, whose decision may be changed only by the Judge. Fair Management is NOT responsible for locating entry errors. No exhibitor shall be entitled to an award which has been disallowed as a result of his/her own error. Exhibits that are not entered in the appropriate Dept., Division and Class may be disqualified by the Judge.
9. No exhibit can be used for marketing purposes. Rules will be enforced at Fair Management’s discretion.
10. A penalty of \$25.00 must be paid if a check paid to the Silver Dollar Fair is refused by the bank. Only cash, certified checks or money orders are acceptable for penalty payments. Nonpayment of original money or penalty may result in cancellation of entries. Over payments of \$2.00 and less will not be refunded. Over payments for over \$2.00 will only be refunded if a written request is made to the Silver Dollar Fair. Refunds are given at the discretion of Fair Management. Entry fees are non-refundable

Parking:

11. All vehicles must be removed from the barns and show area by 7:00 am each day. This rule shall be strictly enforced.
12. Vehicles such as ATVs, golf carts, and scooters are not permitted on the fairgrounds. Any individual(s) possessing, operating, or those involved with their operation, will be removed from the premises and exhibitors will be disqualified from the junior livestock show and auction.

Compliance with Rules:

13. State Rules, Health, and Specie Rules, and Score Cards for Judging as prescribed by the Division of Fairs and Expositions apply to all entries of the fair.
14. Exhibitors failing to comply with the rules and regulations will not be paid premiums, awarded their exhibits, may be disqualified from selling in the Junior Livestock Auction, and may be banned from participation in future Fairs.
15. Exhibitors, their immediate family, or agents thereof causing public disturbance, are verbally abusive, are uncooperative and/or unsportsmanlike, are not following good animal welfare practices as determined by Fair Management, or those found in violation of rules or practices inadmissible with the Fair program and/or policies/procedures shall be penalized. Penalties shall include forfeiture of awards, premiums, and sale proceeds.

16. DISQUALIFICATIONS: In the event an entry or exhibitor is disqualified for any rule or policy violation any or all of the following actions may take place:
- The entry or exhibitor that is disqualified will be declared ineligible and will not receive awards, premium money and/or any sale proceeds. Further, the exhibitor shall be responsible for payment of any fees, fines due, or costs incurred by the Fair as a result of the disqualification.
 - The owner/exhibitor and members of his/her immediate family may not be eligible to compete in subsequent Silver Dollar Fairs. The extent and degree of future eligibility shall be determined by Fair Management.
17. Exhibitors not cooperating with security personnel or any other Fair officials in all matters of policy, including but not limited to RV's, parking, stall/pen/space assignments and appearance, unsportsmanlike conduct and/or animal care will have their entries canceled and will be ordered to remove their exhibit from the grounds immediately. Further, if the exhibitor and/or exhibitor's adult supervisor, parent or family member's actions are deemed to be illegal, inhumane, or unethical the proper authorities will be notified for further investigation.
18. The management reserves the right to interpret the rules and regulations and to settle questions and disputes.
19. All entries are shown at the owner's risk. The management is not liable for any theft, loss, or damage while exhibits are on the grounds. All precautions possible will be taken for the protection of exhibits. Use of heirloom or valuable accessories is discouraged.
20. Placing ribbons does not guarantee correct placing in judging. Only the official placing on the judging sheet or record constitutes the final placement. The Judge's decision is final.
21. No exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any one class using the American judging system. (See State Rules Section IV #6 for further clarification.)
22. It is the intent of Fair Management to award all Special Awards and/or donated prizes to exhibitors as published in the Exhibitors Handbook, as per judging results. Fair Management will not be held responsible for prizes not received from sponsors.
23. The Fair reserves the right to reject and/or not display an entry if it is deemed objectionable or inappropriate for display at a family fair.
24. By submitting an online entry form the exhibitors and their agents, parents and leaders acknowledge and agree that they:
- Understand and have read these Local Rules and State Rules and agree to abide by them.
 - Certify that all information on the entry form is true and accurate
 - Agree to comply with the fair's decision regarding any alleged violation of the State or Local Rules
 - In the event that it is determined there has been unethical treatment of animals or violation of state or federal regulations or of state or local fair drug policy rules, exhibitor names will be forwarded to F&E as well as given to the Network of California fairs and to appropriate government agencies.

- The Silver Dollar Fair reserves the right to publish, for its intended use, any and all photographs taken of exhibits entered in the Silver Dollar Fair by official Fair Photographer &/or Fair Staff. Participants, Advisors, Leaders, Teachers, etc. approve the use of any photo taken on the fairgrounds upon signature of entry.

Protest:

- Protests will be considered only if there has been a violation of State or Local Rules that have not been enforced. Decisions of judges, veterinarians, weighmasters, breed callers, tail dock officials and timers cannot be protested and are final.
- All protests must be accompanied by a deposit of \$500 (cash, money order or certified check made payable to the Silver Dollar Fair). The deposit will be returned if the protest is upheld. See State Rules for complete rule information.
- The protestor 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 conclusion of fair. See State Rules for complete rule information.
- Protests shall be adjudicated by Fair Management and/or members of the Board of Directors.
- Refer to CDFA State Rules for complete Protest rules.

Code of Conduct for Junior Exhibitors:

25. The Management reserves the right to immediately remove any exhibitor from competition and/or the Junior Livestock Auction, as well as withhold premiums (cash and awards), and revoke exhibiting privileges for a period of 13 months from the date of the infraction for "unacceptable conduct". Examples of "unacceptable conduct" are, but not limited to:

- a. Possession and use of alcoholic beverages by a minor, under the age of 21.
- b. Possession and use of all tobacco products, including E-Cigarettes and Vapors, under the age of 21.
- c. Smoking or vaping in the barns.
- d. The use of any drugs other than prescription medication.
- e. Tampering with fire extinguishers, fire alarms, or any other emergency equipment.
- f. Violation of the barn curfew without permission.
- g. Obscene language or gestures directed to any judge, employee, or official of the Silver Dollar Fair.
- h. Criticizing or interfering with the judge, show management, or other exhibitors while in the show ring or other conduct determined detrimental to the show.
- i. Jeopardizing the welfare of an animal on the Fairgrounds, including the application of artificial stimulus.

Admission and Passes:

26. Each livestock exhibitor will be issued an exhibitor pass after their animal is in place on the Fairgrounds and has met necessary weight requirements. This pass allows exhibitors to enter the grounds to care for their livestock. Parents/guardians of Junior Livestock exhibitors may purchase a wristband pass at the

Livestock office at the posted time on the day of weigh-in. This pass will be good for the duration of the show and MUST be presented at the gate to be admitted to the show. **No refunds will be issued.**

Livestock – General:

27. 4-H shows first in even years, FFA in odd years.
28. Animals MUST reside in Butte County. Unless written authorization from Fair Management has been given. (See Local Rule #62).
29. Animal projects must be owned solely 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. Ownership must be maintained through show date(s) of the fair or event. If an animal is entered at ANY show (regardless of said shows ownership requirements) by a different exhibitor within the ownership period, ownership is voided and the said animal is ineligible for the Silver Dollar Livestock Show and Auction.
 - Market animals:
 - Beef – 120 consecutive days
 - Swine, Sheep and Goats – 60 consecutive days
 - All small market animals (rabbits): 30 consecutive days
 - Breeding and feeder animals: 30 consecutive days
30. Livestock Exhibitors may purchase additional Liability Insurance through the Fair at a cost of \$35.00 per family for large animal exhibits. The insurance provides liability coverage ONLY during the Silver Dollar Fair. **This fee is due by the closing date of entries.**
31. Replacement of deceased animals: If a market animal dies after the ownership deadline and prior to the fair, a report with cause of death & death certificate must be completed by a licensed veterinarian. The exhibitor must contact the CEO, who will determine whether an ownership variance will be granted. The exhibitor must have possession of a replacement animal and provide proof of ownership within 7 days of the report to the Fair CEO. There will be no replacements made within 30 days of the fair, except for rabbit pens which may be replaced 15 days prior to the opening day of the fair. Animals that are granted a variance **WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE IN CHAMPION CLASSES/ CHAMPION DRIVE.**
32. At the Manager's discretion, livestock department entries can be limited. Management reserves the right to return entries when the facilities are filled.
33. Breeding and feeder animals shall be identified by a permanent number (ear tag, tattoo, photo or drawing, brand, ear notching or microchip) on the animal which matches the number recorded on the entry form. Market animals shall arrive with the tag assigned by fair management. Ear tag/permanent ID must remain on the animal at all times. The Silver Dollar Fair reserves the right to check an animal's ID at any time once the animal is on the grounds: **Sheep and Goats require official Scrapie identification tags.** Dairy Goats may have legible registration tattoos and/or RFID tags when accompanied by registration papers and RFID readers.

34. Registration papers must be checked in at the livestock office by their specified times listed in the Exhibitor Handbook.
35. If an exhibitor has more than one breeding animal entered in a class, another current Silver Dollar Fair livestock exhibitor may show the additional animal(s).
36. Livestock will not be accepted on the grounds prior to the date and times set by the Livestock Department and must be in place by the conclusion of their specified weigh-in times as set by Fair Management, if clubs/chapters/independents arrive outside of their allotted time, they will be given the option to wait or return at their specified time.
37. Due to food safety reasons, there will be absolutely no livestock allowed beyond the south end of the Cassidy Pavilion. If caught in food court areas, Fair Management will eliminate exhibitors from the show/auction.
38. All animals must be removed by 6 PM, Sunday June 15th. All Tack and/or Decorations must be removed by Sunday June 15th. Unclaimed items may be disposed of at the Fair's discretion.
39. Junior exhibitors are responsible for the handling, daily care and fitting of their animals. The Jr. Exhibitor's 4-H, Grange and FFA Leaders, Parents, Siblings and any other actively enrolled Butte County 4-H, Grange Club and FFA Chapter Members may also assist in the handling, daily care and fitting of the exhibitor's animals. The Jr. Exhibitors must be present and actively involved when fitting assistance is being provided.
40. Exhibitors will be required to fit and groom their animals in fitting areas designated by the fair. Blocking Chutes and/or Fitting Stands (Trim Tables) will be moved or removed by fair staff without warning if they are placed in an area not designated by the fair or there are safety concerns. Approved fitting areas will be noted on penning charts.
41. Pop-up Tents or other portable shade structures are only allowed if a release of liability has been signed by the owner and fair management. Pop-Ups must be properly secured with sandbags or water buckets and be certified fire resistant. Once set up, the Barn Supervisor will come by to approve it and put a band around it. Any pop-ups that DO NOT have a band or have not signed a statement will be asked to remove their pop-up from the grounds immediately.

Eligibility and Dress Code:

42. Junior livestock divisions for large animals will be open to 4-H members who have turned 9 by January 1, 2025, and are no older than 19, and to FFA, Grange and Junior Exhibitors who meet the age requirements as defined in the State Rules. Special needs participants who are older than 19 may be enrolled in 4-H special education programs with the approval of the county 4-H program staff. Youth in these programs may participate until they are 22 years of age as per the State Education code.
43. Grange Exhibitors will show in the appropriate age class in the 4-H Divisions.
44. Independent Exhibitors in 8th grade & below will show in the 4-H Divisions and exhibitors 9th grade & above will show in the FFA Divisions.
45. **"INDEPENDENT"** junior exhibitors participating in the Junior Livestock Auction and/or Livestock classes must meet requirements set out in the Local Rules. An Independent Exhibitor is defined in the State Rules for California Fairs as an "Exhibitor not eligible to compete in a certain category as a member of

4-H, Grange or FFA junior organization”. Requirements for Independent Exhibitors follow and must be met in order to show as an Independent Exhibitor at the Fair.

- a. **Be a resident of Butte County.** Proof of residency in Butte County must be submitted with an entry form (current utility bill, cell phone bill, etc.)
- b. **Attend a school in Butte County.** Proof of attendance in a Butte County School must be submitted with an entry form. If the independent exhibitor has graduated from high school and meets the age requirements as specified in the State and Local Rules, they must provide proof that they graduated from a High School in Butte County. Youth enrolled in on-line, or home school must provide documentation of school enrollment. Fair Management will determine eligibility on an individual basis.
- c. Independent Exhibitors must be at least 9 years old by January 1, 2025, to compete in large animal (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy Goats, Boer Goats, Market & Fiber Goats) competitions at California Fairs.
 1. Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31st of the year in which they turn 19 years of age. Independent exhibitors may only compete one year after graduating from high school providing they were entered as a Silver Dollar Fair livestock exhibitor the previous year & meet age requirement.
 2. Youth may be ineligible to participate as Independent if documented disciplinary action involving project(s) has been taken against them by 4-H, FFA or Grange organizations. The Fair may revoke exhibition privileges for a period of 13 months from the date of documented disciplinary action taken against them by 4-H, FFA or Grange. Examples of documented disciplinary actions are, but not limited to:
 - expulsion
 - suspension
 - or any other action as determined by Fair Management.
- d. Have a responsible adult supervisor named on entry, provide a phone number where the supervisor can always be reached, and provide on ground supervision during Fair.
- e. Provide project management records and proof of supervision as to length of project to Fair Staff. The Project Record Form & Independent Exhibitor Affidavit may be found on our website or is available in the Fair Office. **The Project Record & Independent Exhibitor Affidavit must be submitted to and approved as acceptable to the Livestock Office no later than 5:00 pm Friday, May 30, 2025 or entries will be disqualified.**
- g. **All Junior Livestock Exhibitors are required to participate in a certified QUALITY ASSURANCE & ETHICS AWARENESS TRAINING or complete YQCA training and provide current certificate of completion with entry. See Rule #47.**
- h. Juniors who have been 4-H, FFA or Grange project members within 60 days (120 days for market beef) prior to the fair are not eligible to compete in that project as independent juniors or enter project(s) under a different organization.
- i. Exhibitors in 8th grade & below will show in the 4-H Divisions. Exhibitors in 9th grade & above will show in the FFA Divisions.

- j. Uniform requirements for an Independent Livestock Exhibitor consist of a white, collared shirt, white pants, or white jeans and boots or closed toe shoes. Pants and/or jeans must be hemmed and untorn.

In addition to the above, Independent Junior Exhibitors entering market animals must submit the following documentation:

- Bill of Sale with the exhibitor's name and date of purchase of animal
- Required pictures for the species the exhibitor is entering (See Rule #70)
- Verification of the animal's permanent tag and/or tattoo.

46. Junior Livestock Exhibitors must wear the appropriate uniform of their respective organization when showing and selling livestock. All Livestock Exhibitors must wear boots or closed toe shoes with an enclosed heel. Pants must be hemmed and untorn. Junior Exhibitors who help show in group or pen classes must also wear the official show uniform while showing. Silver Dollar Fair requires the following:

- The recognized 4-H show uniform shall consist of long white pants or jeans and a white sleeved (long or short) shirt with collar. 4-H requires exhibitors to wear the 4-H tie or scarf and the 4-H Hat branded with the UC ANR and the 4-H clover logo (youth may wear current green hat with only the 4-H clover logo and/or white hat for the remainder of their 4-H career).
- The recognized FFA show uniform shall consist of white pants, white shirt (short or long sleeved), the official FFA Jacket and the official FFA four-in-hand necktie or scarf. Hats or headgear of any kind shall not be worn with the official show uniform while showing.
- The Grange uniform shall consist of dark blue denim pants; white long sleeved (short sleeved allowed in hot weather), button-front dress shirt with collar; the official red waist vest with National Grange emblem on the back; black or brown belt with appropriate buckle.
- The approved attire for Independent Exhibitors shall consist of long white pants or jeans and a white sleeved (long or short sleeve) shirt with collar.

Animal Welfare:

47. **All junior livestock exhibitors** are required to participate in a certified quality assurance and ethics awareness training or complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals training (YQCA) and provide a current certificate of completion prior to entry, or entry will be disqualified. Certification will be verified and if it is not current or valid the entry will be disqualified. YQCA is a national multi-specie assurance program for youth. See YQCAprogram.org for information and certification.
48. A veterinarian will be on site for inspection during livestock check-in & weigh-in. Any animal exhibiting any contagious disease will be sent home.
49. The management reserves the right to vacate, declare ineligible for competition, and/or order the removal of any entry which is not in the best interest of the Fair, is unsightly, unhealthy, injured, lame, unsound, endangers public safety, violates the Fair's Animal Welfare Policies, or has been entered in violation of these rules and regulations. Exhibitors that violate the IAFE &/or the Fair's Local Rules and/or Animal Welfare Policies will be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

50. All pens and stalls must be cleaned before 9:00 am each day. The exhibitor is expected to use bedding as needed to keep pens & animals clean. Livestock pens/stalls must be suitable for public display & maintained in a clean condition. Animals must be cared for to the satisfaction of Fair Management for exhibitors to be eligible for premium awards & participation in the Junior Livestock Auction. Aisles & public walkways must be kept clean and clear of tack and/or equipment. Exception: animal fitting allowed as per Management permission. Bedding removed from pens & stalls must be placed in waste receptacles (bins) provided by the fair. AISLES MUST BE KEPT FREE OF BEDDING WASTE.
51. Artificial means of filling animals is prohibited. Drench guns, stomach pumps and/or any mechanism used to artificially fill or provide a liquid diet (drench) are not allowed. Any exhibitor in violation of this rule will be subject to disqualification and/or loss of premiums/auction proceeds.
52. Animals showing any stage of prolapse will not be allowed.
53. Use of muzzles on any sheep is prohibited at all fairs.

Display and Tack:

54. Exhibitors showing livestock must have a stall card providing their name, club, and ear tag: Signage must remain on pen until after auction for market animals, or upon release for breeding animals.
55. All stalls, displays and booths are subject to inspection by the State Fire Marshal in regard to fire hazards. Non-Flammable materials must be used for all decorations. No decorative electrical lights will be allowed in livestock barns for pen or display decoration. Background materials for pen decorations must not be of a solid material such as plastic or plywood. Pens behind and to each side of you must be visible and the view of neighboring pens must not be blocked. If materials do not meet flammability compliance, they must be removed.
56. Electrical cords will not be allowed to lay on the ground outside of the exhibitor's stall/pen/ tack space or in public walk spaces. The number of fans may be limited per exhibitor/animal based on space & electrical service available. SEE ELECTRICAL EXTENSION CORD & POWER STRIP SAFETY in Handbook. No generators will be allowed to operate in the livestock barns. NO portable coolers allowed.
57. No "For Sale" signs may be posted in the livestock barns, unless approved by Fair Management.
58. **Breeding Livestock Exhibits:** Display & educational materials, tack, feed, supplies, etc. may not be removed prior to time stated by Management. Silver Dollar Fair may withhold premium money for exhibitors removing display material and/or animals prior to stated release time and exhibitors may be prevented from showing in future Silver Dollar Fairs. See local rule #38.

Market Animal Exhibits: Display, and educational materials, and tack may not be removed prior to or during the Junior Livestock Auction, Saturday, June 14, 2025 and Sunday, June 15, 2025. Silver Dollar Fair may withhold premium money for exhibitors removing signage prior to that time.

Junior Livestock Auction- Livestock and Eligible Jr. Ag Equipment Auction Projects

59. By submitting the entry form, the exhibitor in the Junior Livestock Auction agrees to abide by and be responsible for all the rules set forth concerning the Junior Livestock Auction. The exhibitor agrees that this is a **terminal sale**. There will be no live animal pickup of Auction animals. NO EXCEPTIONS. Once an animal has been shown in a market class and determined by the judge to be "market ready" it is

consigned to the Auction and cannot be withdrawn by the exhibitor or the buyer. Under no circumstances shall a Junior Livestock Animal leave the grounds without an official release signed by Fair Management. Once an animal(s) has been released, the animal(s) is NOT ELIGIBLE for the Junior Livestock Auction. Exhibitors that remove animals without official permission are considered in violation of rules and subject to sanctioning which may include disqualification of entries, awards returned, premiums and/or auction proceeds not paid and/or exhibitors not being allowed to show at future Silver Dollar Fairs. The exhibitor/seller guarantees that the animal they are selling through the auction, on the day of the sale, to be healthy, sound, disease free, and in compliance with all State and Federal animal health regulations concerning the use of pharmaceuticals and withdrawal period. Once an Ag Equipment Auction project has been judged eligible for the Junior Livestock Auction, it is consigned to the auction and cannot be withdrawn by the seller.

60. Exhibitors are required to submit a completed **Livestock Declaration of Medication Form** for market animals. Form must be submitted on the day of weigh in, to the designated area. Fair Management may extend the deadline, if necessary, but no later than noon on Thursday, June 12th prior to the Auction. No animal will be allowed to sell at the Junior Livestock Auction unless the form has been submitted and any withdrawal periods have been met. The Silver Dollar Fair reserves the right to remove any animal from the Junior Livestock Auction that is found in violation of State or Federal animal health regulations concerning the use of pharmaceuticals. Animals suspected of this violation can be detained and tested. During this period, the fair will hold all auction proceeds from the sale of the animal. If the carcass tests positive for any abnormal residue, the proceeds for that animal must be returned to the buyer and the carcass will be destroyed.
61. Juniors who are residents, students or members of a recognized Butte County 4-H or Grange Club, Butte County FFA Chapter, and/or Independent Exhibitors, who are residents of Butte County and enrolled in a Butte County School may exhibit and sell one (1) market animal (beef, sheep, swine, meat goat, one (1) Meat Pen of Rabbits) or one (1) Ag Equipment Auction item as approved by Fair Management; if they have not sold a market animal at a county or district fair in the same calendar year, excluding the Butte County Fair, the California State Fair and National Shows. Independent Exhibitors see Local Rule #45 for complete requirements.
62. Youth with residence outside of Butte County that are a member of a recognized Butte County chapter or club and enrolled in a Butte County School that wish to enter a Market Animal or an Ag Equipment Auction Project in the Silver Dollar Fair must submit a letter to the Fair Manager stating the following:
 - their intention to enter and show a market animal or an ag equipment auction project at the Silver Dollar Fair.
 - certify they will not enter, show, and/or sell a market animal or ag equipment auction project at any other fair, other than Silver Dollar Fair or those allowed in Silver Dollar Fair Local Rules.
 - submit proof of current enrollment in a Butte County School (progress report, etc.)

Youth with residence outside of Butte County are not eligible to show a market animal or an ag equipment auction project at the Silver Dollar Fair until they are granted written approval from the Fair Manager. Approval is at the Silver Dollar Fair Manager's discretion.

63. All participants must present their own animal in the Show Ring for market animal judging and in the Auction Ring for the Junior Livestock Auction. Special permission may be granted for medical reasons or emergency situations approved by a quorum of a committee consisting of the Jr Livestock Auction Chairman, Fair Board President, and Fair Manager to use a substitute handler for showing or selling the animal. Requests will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. No sports, camps, family obligations, etc. will be excused. The substitute handler must be a current Silver Dollar Fair livestock exhibitor and must be approved by Fair Management. Requests must be made in writing. A substitute handler option does not apply to Showmanship classes.

64. **Opening dates** for market animal entries will be available online on the dates below:

- **Steers: January 6, 2025**
- **Hogs Lambs, Goats: January 6, 2024**
- **Rabbit Meat Pens: January 6, 2024**

Closing dates for market animal entries are by 5:00 p.m. on the dates below:

- **Steers: February 3, 2025**
- **Hogs, Lambs & Goats: April 4, 2025**
- **Rabbit Meat Pens: May 2, 2025**

65. Opening dates for Ag Equipment Auction Project entries are 8:00 am on Friday, March 14, 2025. Entry closing date for Ag Equipment Auction Project entries is 5:00 pm Friday, May 2, 2025. The project must be approved by the Fair Manager by the entry closing date. A maximum of five (5) Ag Equipment Auction Projects will be sold at the Junior Livestock Auction as determined by the Judge(s). See Junior Ag Equipment Auction Project Department, Division & Class information for complete rules and requirements. Copies of the 2025 Jr. Ag Equipment Auction Project found in Department 25, information is available online or upon request.

66. **Market Animal Weight Requirements:**

- Market Steers: **1000-1450 lbs.** Steers that weigh less than **1000 lbs.** or more than **1450 lbs.** will be disqualified at the scale and **will not** be eligible for the Junior Livestock Auction. Maximum pay weight 1300 lbs.
- Market Hogs: **210-295 lbs.** Hogs that weigh less than **210 lbs.** or more than **295lbs.** will be disqualified at the scale and **will not** be eligible for the Junior Livestock Auction. Maximum pay weight 280 lbs.
- Market Lambs: **110-170 lbs.** Lambs that weigh less than **110 lbs.** or more than **170 lbs.** will be disqualified at the scale and **will not** be eligible for the Junior Livestock Auction. Maximum pay weight 160 lbs.
- Market Goat weight limit: **60-115 lbs.** Goats that weigh less than **60 lbs.** or more than **115 lbs.** will be disqualified at the scale and **will not** be eligible for the Junior Livestock Auction. Maximum pay weight 100 lbs.
- Rabbit Meat Pens: Each of the 3 rabbits that comprise a Rabbit Meat Pen must weigh a minimum of **3.5lbs and no more than 5.5lbs.** Rabbits are sold by the pen. Rabbit Meat Pens that do not meet the weight requirements will not be eligible for the Junior Livestock Auction.

67. Disputed Weight Procedure: Re-weighing of market animals will only be allowed when the first weight taken is below minimum or above maximum weight allowed. The exhibitor must state to the Weigh Master immediately after the initial weight that they request a re-weigh. The animal and exhibitor must remain in the immediate scale area in view of the weighmaster. The scale will be re-balanced, and the animal weighed again. The second weight becomes the official weight. If the animal is removed from the immediate scale area and then returned to the scale for a re-weigh, no re-weigh will be allowed. All disputes will be settled at the scales. An exhibitor is allowed 1 animal at weigh-in. If you have a back-up animal, choose your market animal at home. **Only one market entry will be allowed on the fairgrounds.** Rabbit Meat Pens are allowed to bring only the 3 rabbits to be weighed in. **No backup animals will be allowed on the grounds.**
68. Once a market animal has been shown, the animal will not be released to exhibitor except for the following:
- a. The animal is determined by the Judge as “not market ready” and thereby disqualified from Junior Livestock Auction.
 - b. The animal has been released by a Judge or Fair Management for safety or health purposes.
 - c. An exhibitor has been disqualified by the Fair for rule violations.
 - d. An animal has been released by Fair Management for approved purposes.
69. STATE RULE SECTION VII: #25: **Animals shown in showmanship must be owned by the exhibitor, entered by the exhibitor, and shown in an appropriate market or breeding/conformation class.** If the exhibitor has a market animal that is weight sifted and as a result may not show in an individual market class, the exhibitor may use this animal for showmanship if and only if this animal is the only animal the exhibitor has brought to the Fair. **Should an exhibitor whose animal has been weight sifted choose to show in Showmanship, the exhibitor must remove their animal from the Fair by 9:00 am the morning following their showmanship class. Exhibitors must obtain release from Livestock Management. Animals are NOT eligible for the Junior Livestock Auction.** All sifted animals not participating in Showmanship must be removed from the fairgrounds immediately after weighing. Animals sifted for Health reasons or those released for safety reasons must be removed from the Fairgrounds immediately.
70. Proof of Ownership and Photo Requirements must be provided for each animal entered into the fair within the time frames listed in rule #64. The Fair reserves the right to refuse submissions and request another photograph(s). **If all Proof of Ownership documentation and Photo requirements are not submitted and accepted by 5:00pm on the date of entry deadline, the entry will be canceled. NO EXCEPTIONS**
- a. Steers:
 - i. Photos Requirements:
 1. Side view showing the entire animal and exhibitor.
 2. Bill of Sale or Brand Inspection that is made out to the exhibitor. If it is bred and owned, please attach a signed statement stating so.
 - b. Lambs and Goats:
 - i. Photos Requirements:
 1. Side view showing the entire animal and exhibitor.

2. Clear picture of the scrapie tag showing the premise ID and the individual number. The exhibitor does not need to be in this photo.
3. Bill of Sale. If it is bred and owned, please attach a signed statement stating so.

c. Hogs:

i. Photos Requirements:

1. Side view showing the entire animal and exhibitor.
2. Close up picture clearly showing the hogs ear notches. The exhibitor does not need to be in this photo.
3. Bill of Sale. If it is bred and owned, please attach a signed statement stating so.

d. Rabbits:

i. Photo Requirements:

1. One photo with the entire pen and exhibitor.
2. Photo of each rabbit and exhibitor displaying the permanent ear tattoo.
3. Bill of Sale. If it is bred and owned, please attach a signed statement stating so.

71. Rabbit Meat Pen entries must be identified by permanent ear tattoos. Individual tattoo numbers must be submitted by the 30-day ownership deadline, and must match the tattoo in the rabbit's ear when checked in.

72. Market steers only. No heifers or bulls are allowed as market animal entries.

73. Market swine are barrows and gilts only

74. Market animals will be weighed in on Monday, June 9, 2025, Certified Weigh Master's will be provided by the fair. No pre-weighing will be permitted. No private scales will be allowed on the grounds.

75. No wet, blanketed, or muddy animals will be allowed to be weighed.

76. Auction animals must be presented in the auction ring and returned to the pens or stalls designated by the Fair Management or auction committee. The seller must care for animals as long as the animal remains on the Fairgrounds.

77. All animals eligible for the sale must have been shown as individuals in their respective classes. Market steers, lambs, hogs, goats, and rabbit meat pens must have been determined by the Judge to be "market ready" or "market acceptable". Any animal determined by the Judge to be "not market ready" or "not market acceptable" is not eligible for the Junior Livestock Auction and must be removed from the Fairgrounds by 9:00 a.m. the morning following their market class. Exhibitors must obtain a Livestock Release form from Fair Management.

78. If an exhibitor misses their auction sale lot, it is up to the Fair Manager's discretion when/if the animal will be sold in the auction.

79. The Fair Management will arrange the Sale Order based on the American System placings of the Champions and Reserve Champions. If entries exceed limitations, the management reserves the right to name the entries eligible for sale.

80. There will be a 9% commission on all livestock and ag equipment auction projects sold through the Junior Livestock Auction, to be automatically deducted from the exhibitor's gross sale price.

81. **THE JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION IS A TERMINAL SALE.** Animals sold at the Junior Livestock Auction shall be sent to a contracted processing plant for harvest. There will be no Live Animal Pickup of Auction animals. NO EXCEPTIONS. See Rule #59. No registration papers will be provided by the seller. Buyer of animals through the auction shall not negotiate resale of animals during the sale and transfer of animals from one buyer to another will not be permitted through the sale office. When soliciting new buyers, inform them of the terminal sale rule prior to sale day. All resale livestock will go to be processed through the designated processing facility or auction yard and will not be resold after the auction to private individuals.
82. The Junior Livestock Auction Auctioneer will not read or announce any information presented by the Exhibitor and/or agents of the exhibitor during the Silver Dollar Junior Livestock Auction.
83. During the sale of their animals, exhibitors may display only items awarded, presented, and/or approved by the Fair Management (ribbons, banners, buckles, special awards, etc.). Champion Market Animals may have a floral “blanket” provided by and at the expense and decision of the exhibitor.
84. Champion Market Animal exhibitors may have only ONE youth assist in the ring with the handling of Silver Dollar Livestock Show awards, banners, and other special awards during the sale of the animal. The assisting youth must be a current livestock exhibitor at the Silver Dollar Fair and be in the uniform of their organization. Any exceptions to this rule must be approved by Fair Management.
85. Fair Management reserves the right to hold an exhibitor’s Junior Livestock Auction check, for any reason, for up to 60 days OR until Buyer has paid for that exhibitor’s animal, whichever is longer.
86. Junior Livestock Auction checks will be available ten business days after the auction. Exhibitors must cash their check within 60 days of the date issued.
87. All local rules are at the Fair Management's discretion and are subject to change.