



24th District Agricultural Association

2021 Tulare County FAIR JUNIOR LIVESTOCK INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Welcome to the Tulare County Fair Junior Livestock Independent Exhibitor Program!
We are very pleased that you have decided to bring an animal to the fair to exhibit, and possibly sell at the 24th DAA Tulare County Fair. **Be sure to read all the enclosed information carefully and meet all the requirements and deadlines.** Failure to comply with any rules or requirements/deadlines may result in disqualification of all entries and the forfeiture of all entry fees.

WHO QUALIFIES AS AN INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR?

An exhibitor who is not eligible to compete in a certain category as a member of a 4-H, Grange or FFA junior organization (i.e. exhibitor is not a member of a club; exhibitor is a member of 4-H but there is no project leader for the exhibitor's chosen project species or high school students who cannot fit FFA into their school class schedule may show at the Tulare County Fair as an independent exhibitor). Independent Exhibitors **MUST** be 9 years of age **by January 1, 2021** to compete in large animal (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Boer Goats, Market & Fiber Goats) competition at California Fairs or to sell in the 24th DAA Junior Livestock Auction held during the Tulare County Fair. Exhibitors are eligible to complete/exhibit through December 31st of the year in which they turn 19 years of age. Exhibitors may be ineligible to participate as an Independent Exhibitor if documented, disciplinary action involving their project(s) has been taken against them by 4-H, FFA or Grange organizations. Length of ineligibility is to be determined by fair management. All exhibitors must have an "on ground" supervisor by a responsible adult during the fair. Independent Exhibitor Records are only required for market animals going to auction; not breeding animals.

INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR REQUIREMENTS (Market Animals Only):

- **Proof of Ownership**
 - Project Registration page completed and signed by both the Exhibitor and Parent/Guardian.
 - **Two** pictures of the animal (a close-up showing the tag/tattoo/notching with the exhibitor and a side view of the entire animal). Write the exhibitor's name on the back of each picture.
 - Appropriate proof of ownership/bill of sale. A bill of sale, with all the pertinent information, **is required even if the animal was raised from birth by the exhibitor.**
 - If you have a backup animal (individual or family), the same above information needs to be submitted.

- **Tulare County Fair**
 - A stall card is mandatory on the project pens. It is to identify the exhibitor, their animals, and their hometown.
 - Exhibitors must follow all rules and regulations, including dress code, pertaining to junior livestock exhibitors at the annual fair. See the Exhibitor Handbook for more detailed information.

- **After the Tulare County Fair & 24th DAA Junior Livestock Auction**
 - After the auction, a list of buyers and supporters will be posted. You are responsible for writing your buyer and those that gave you add-ons during the auction. You will need to deliver your thank you cards in self-addressed stamped envelopes to the fair office in order to receive your auction check.
 - Auction checks will be available approximately 10 days after the auction.
 - **TO PICK UP YOUR PAYMENT**, all above items must have been turned in by the deadlines and the following:
 - **MUST** produce a Project Record. This record is used to record all expenses and income related to the project. If you have two projects, each animal should have its own project record. Document the information, in your own format, with the following items: Date, Description, Expense (including the purchase of the animal and feed costs), Income and Hours Spent on the project (training, feeding, etc.). All records should be documented clearly. Be sure to include all entry fees and sale costs as well as document the net profit on the project.
 - **MUST** submit a one (1) page, typed, double spaced, 12-point font summary of your overall project. This report will include what you learned, liked, would do again, etc.
 - Addressed, sealed, and stamped thank you cards to each buyer and add-ons **MUST** be brought in with the final reports **NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 30th**.
 - Auction checks **WILL NOT** be released without the receipt of the Independent Exhibitor's Project Record, Project Summary and appropriate thank you cards.

All reports and records, with the exception of the Project Registration Page and Supervisor Form, may be handwritten or typed by the Exhibitor and in a format of the Exhibitors choice.

Complete Independent Exhibitor Documents will be available for pickup after September 30th.

Unacceptable Records/Documents turned in may result in not being able to register as an Independent Exhibitor in the following year.

All documents need to have the Exhibitor's Name and Project Year listed on the front.

The Tulare County Fair will run September 15-19, 2021.

We look forward to seeing you there and we hope you have an educational experience.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the fair office at (559) 686-4707.

INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR PROJECT REGISTRATION PAGE

Be sure to attach **TWO** required pictures of the project animal. and **a copy of the bill of sale** or **receipt for the purchase of the animal** and **quality assurance certificate to this form.**

Do a separate form for EACH animal you are registering.

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone _____

ANIMAL INFORMATION:

Name _____

Species _____

Breed _____

Date Purchased _____

Breeder _____

Where Purchased _____

Birth Date _____

Sex _____

Cost _____

Identification (tag, notch, etc.) _____

The undersigned declares,

- That his/her livestock entry(ies) has been under his/her ownership, care, and management for the appropriate amount of time according to State Rules (120 days prior to fair for beef and dairy; 60 days prior to fair for sheep, goats, and swine; 30 days prior to fair for rabbits and poultry).
- That he/she has not been a member of a junior division organization for this project since the current calendar year.
- That he/she will read, understand, and abide by all State and Local Rules pertaining to his/her junior livestock project printed in the 2021 Tulare County Fair Exhibitor Handbook.
- That he/she has attached the Quality Assurance Certificate.
- That he/she has received, completed, and will turn in all the appropriate records as required by the Tulare County Fair Junior Livestock Independent Exhibitor Program. Meeting deadlines to submit forms is the responsibility of the junior livestock exhibitor. **Failure to comply with all rules, regulations and deadlines may result in the disqualification of your project animal, all entries, forfeiture of all entry fees and no sale at the 24th DAA Junior Livestock Auction.**

Exhibitor Signature & Date

Parent Signature & Date

Contact Number: _____

**INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR
ADULT SUPERVISOR/LEADER INFORMATION FORM**

As the responsible adult supervising this project, I certify that the animal(s) stated on the Independent Exhibitor Project Registration Form and shown in the photos is currently owned by the Independent Exhibitor. The project animal is in his/her care, being fed, watered, housed, and trained primarily by the Independent Exhibitor.

I further certify that I or my below name designee, will remain on the fairgrounds as a supervisor of the named Independent Exhibitor throughout the days of the fair.

Name of Parent/Guardian _____
Relationship to Exhibitor _____
Phone Number _____
Email _____
Signature of Parent/Guardian _____
Date _____

Name of Alternate Designated Supervisor _____
Relationship to Exhibitor _____
Phone Number _____
Email _____
Signature of Alternate Supervisor _____
Date _____

INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR 2021 TULARE COUNTY FAIR CHECKLIST

Name: _____

- **Proof of Ownership (date depends on species – May 17th, July 12th, August 16th)**

- _____ Project Registration page completed and signed.
- _____ Two pictures of the animal (a close-up showing the tag/tattoo/notching with the exhibitor and a side view of the entire animal). Write the exhibitor's name on the back of each picture.
- _____ Appropriate proof of ownership/bill of sale. A bill of sale, with all the pertinent information, is required even if the animal was raised from birth by the exhibitor.
- _____ If you have a backup animal (individual or family), the same above information needs to be submitted.
- _____ Quality Assurance Training verification. You must turn in a copy of your online/in-person training certificate.
- _____ Adult Supervision/Independent Exhibitor Leader Information Form completed and signed.

- **Entered the Fair (Entries CLOSE August 20, 2021)**

- _____ Be sure to receive the confirmation email that you have entered and keep that with your records.

- **Training & Education (September 13, 2021)**

- _____ MUST attend six (6) educational meetings/trainings, related to your project, from October to August of the current year (exhibitor name, date of meeting/training, type of meeting/training and location of meeting/training).

- **Reporting (September 13, 2021)**

- _____ MUST have a minimum of six (6) hours of Community Service (date of service, type of service, description, who it benefited, location of service and time spent).
- _____ MUST provide Medication & Weight Report (shots, medication, purpose, dosage, withdrawal times and weight gain/loss). Documentation must be provided even if no medication was given.

- **Tulare County Fair**

- _____ MUST attend the livestock meeting **Tuesday, September 14, 2021, at 7:45 AM in the show ring.**
- _____ MUST have a stall card on the project pens. It is to identify the exhibitor, their animals, and their hometown.

- **After Fair (by September 30th)**

- Auction Payment (you will receive a list of buyers and add-ons to complete your thank you cards)
- _____ MUST turn in Project Record (all expenses and income related to the project).
 - _____ MUST turn in a Summary Report detailing your educational experience.
 - _____ Addressed and stamped Thank You Cards to each buyer and add-on supporter.