

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW NOMINATION RULES

1. **Animal Nomination Deadline:** Animal nomination must be submitted online, and DNA sample mailed with a copy of the online nomination receipt on or before July 8, 2024.
2. **Animal Nomination/Family Nomination:** At the time of nomination, all junior exhibitors may family/household nominate all animals according to the following guidelines:
 - a. Exhibitors must all legally reside in the same household and are sibling, stepsiblings, or legally adopted.
 - b. Exhibitors must all permanently reside in the same county.
 - c. In order to properly family nominate an animal, enter each exhibitor online and list every nominated animal in each exhibitor's name.
 - d. All exhibitors must sign the DNA sample envelope. Animals WILL NOT be family nominated if all exhibitors have not been entered online and signed the DNA envelope for each animal.
 - e. DNA nomination does not constitute an entry in the Tulsa State Fair. Regular entry procedures must be followed. Entry Deadline is August 26th.
 - f. Animals must have the assigned TSF ear tag in place upon entering the facility. Animals that do not have a tag in their ear will not be eligible to compete.
3. **Animal Nomination Entry Procedure:**
 - a. Siblings may submit DNA samples on the same animal but may not enter the same animal.
 - b. At the time of entry, the final exhibitor decision must be made if the animal was family nominated. Animals found double entered, (one animal entered in multiple exhibitors' name), will not be accepted.
 - c. The exhibitor entering the animal must have been cared for daily from date of nomination.
 - d. In the case the exhibitor is ineligible to show, each animal entered in the exhibitor's name is also ineligible to show.
 - e. Exhibitors may enter all nominated animals. Exhibitors will be required to pay the entry fee for all animals entered. All nominated animals you wish to show must be entered into the show.
 - f. Animals nominated, but not officially entered are not eligible to show.
4. **DNA Samples:** A DNA sample must be submitted to the Tulsa State Fair by July 8, 2024, for Market Steers, Market Barrows, Breeding Gilts, Market Lambs, Commercial Ewes, Meat Goats, Doe Goats, and Commercial Heifers. DNA nomination envelopes/hair samples submitted to the Tulsa State Fair on all junior animals become the property of the Tulsa State Fair. Exhibitors relinquish any claim to said envelopes/hair samples when submitted as proof of ownership. Nomination envelopes are stored in a secure environment and are destroyed in due time following the show. Contaminated samples or hair samples without the follicle attached will result in disqualification of the animal. DNA samples collected at the show that do not match the submitted nomination sample will result in disqualification, forfeiture of all premiums/awards, and will exclude the exhibitor from future competition at the Tulsa State Fair.
5. **DNA Submission Rules:**
 - a. All junior market steers, market barrows, market lambs, meat goats, gilts, doe goats, commercial ewes, & commercial heifers must submit DNA samples to the Tulsa State Fair.
 - b. Every exhibitor must submit nomination information and payment online by 11:59pm on July 8 and mail DNA sample with a copy of the online entry receipt.
 - c. DNA sample envelope must arrive sealed with the official Tulsa State Fair DNA Envelope template attached to the front of the envelope with all required information and signatures.
 - d. There is no limit on the number of DNA samples that an exhibitor may submit.
 - e. DNA Hair Sample Requirements instructions must be followed for collecting the DNA hair sample.
 - f. The animal's permanent identification on the DNA envelope must exactly match the identification on the animal(s) entered. Animal's permanent identification is subject to inspection at the show.
 - g. Names and signatures of each sibling must appear on the DNA envelope when it is submitted. Siblings may submit DNA samples on the same animal but may not enter the same animal.
 - h. DNA nomination does not constitute an entry in the Tulsa State Fair. Entry procedures must be followed for each nominated animal entered in the Tulsa State Fair. Only animals which have an individual DNA nomination envelope on file with the Tulsa State Fair are eligible to enter.
 - i. Should it be necessary to return your nomination for any reason (lack of signatures, etc.) there will be a \$10 reprocessing fee charged to the exhibitor.
 - j. The Tulsa State Fair reserves the right to refuse any Nomination or Entry.
6. **DNA Hair Sample Requirements:**
 - a. Obtain a minimum of 40 hairs with follicles (roots) intact. Hair must be pulled from the legs or tail of the animal. DO NOT cut or clip the hair. DO NOT contaminate the sample with hairs from other animals. Contaminated samples or samples without follicles attached will result in disqualification of the animal.
 - b. Place the hair sample in an envelope with the official Tulsa State Fair DNA Envelope template attached to the front of the envelope with all required information and signatures and seal shut.