

# 4- H | GRANGE | FFA DIVISION

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## **Rules, Regulations and Contests**

1. All 4-H, Grange & FFA members must be currently enrolled in the project directly relating to the exhibit. Walla Walla County 4-H members must be enrolled by March 15th. **All Livestock entry forms MUST be turned in at the Exhibitors Office or online only.** Still life and general exhibit entry forms may be turned into the Extension Office until July 25. After that date they must be turned into the Exhibitors Office. Members enrolled in 4-H, Grange & FFA who live in the following counties: Adams, Asotin, Benton, Columbia, Franklin, Garfield, Umatilla County in Oregon south to Athena and Walla Walla are eligible to exhibit. See Youth Market Stock Sale Rules for more restrictive eligibility requirements for sale animal exhibitors.

2. For exhibitors in any program, please check all departments for contests you are eligible to enter.

3. 4-H, Grange & FFA exhibits must be made in the current 4-H, Grange & FFA year by the exhibitor. The 4-H|Grange year is October 1st through September 30th.

4. ***Age divisions for 4-H|Grange exhibitors: Cloverbuds-Ages 5 & 7 years, (receive participation ribbons only); (Oregon cloverbud members must enter as OCY) Junior– Ages 8 to 10 years; Intermediate- Ages 11 to 13 years; Senior-Ages 14 to 19 years of age. The 4-H Exhibitors age on October 1 of the current 4-H year will be used to determine age division.***

5. A novice is a FFA member who has not previously shown a species.

6. No entry fees or stall fees are charged for 4-H, Grange & FFA exhibitors.

7. Exhibitor passes will be available at the Exhibitors Office only, through the end of the fair.

8. An exhibitor may not be paid for more than 3 ribbons in any class. If there is no competition in a class, the exhibitor will be awarded prizes according to merit of exhibit.

9. All exhibits (except sale animals) must remain in place until Monday after the Fair.

Prior approval by the Exhibitors Office and Fair Veterinarian must be obtained for early release of an animal for health and safety reasons.

## ALL ANIMALS

### 1. Animal ownership

- a. Animals must be under the 4-H, Grange & FFA members regular care and management for no less than the following periods of time prior to the fair.

Market Beef - 120 days

Breeding Beef - 90 days

Horse and other equine - 90 days

Dairy (except Dairy Heifer Replacement) - 90 days

Dairy Heifer Replacement - 60 days

Rabbits, Cavies, Poultry, and other birds - 45 days

Dairy & Meat Goat (breeding & market) - 60 days

Sheep (breeding & market) - 60 days

Swine (breeding & market) - 60 days

Dogs - 60 days

Cats - 60 days

- b. Exhibitors must own market animals by designated pre-fair weigh-in date for that species and no less than the period of time (see 1a) required in the WA State 4-H Youth Development Program Policy, EM0758E.

- c. Animals must be owned individually by the member exhibiting them or the member must have a written management and care lease agreement for that animal on file with the Extension Office by the ownership time periods required by the WA State 4-H Youth Development Policy, EM0758E.

- d. Animals may not be owned in a farm name or by the exhibitor in partnership with his or her family. (Exception-horse projects)

2. All animal exhibitors will be required to show in one Fitting and Showmanship contest. Exhibitors must use their own animal or their leased animal.

### **Any 4-H, Grange & FFA member exhibiting an animal project is encouraged to exhibit that project in Open Class too.**

3. Youth enrolled in 4-H, Grange & FFA must have separate projects or animals for each program during the same year (October 1 to September 30).

4. Animal Health Certificates-See General Rules and Regulation and WA Livestock Regulations.

5. Every animal must be identified as to owner, club, name of animal, and breed. Identification cards (exhibitor stall cards) are available through the Exhibitors Office.

6. All stalls, wash racks, tack rooms and grooming areas must be cleaned before 8:00 A.M. each day and refuse disposed of as directed by the superintendent. The fair management reserves the right to withhold premiums from any exhibitor who violates this rule. The fair will furnish bedding throughout all divisions of the fair.

7. All 4-H, Grange & FFA livestock exhibitors are responsible for keeping their animals, stalls, pens, feed, wash rack, and tack area clean and attractive. Failure to do so may result in the loss of all premium money. No dirty animals will be allowed in the show ring at the discretion of the superintendent.

8. Double showing: the same animal cannot be entered in both breeding and market classes.

9. The show management reserves the right to test any animal for illegal drugs and/or improper use of animal health products. If a claim is made against an animal, it must be in writing, signed, and delivered to the Exhibitors office by the plaintiff. The plaintiff is initially responsible for payment of any tests that are done. If the animal tests positive for drugs, the exhibitor of that animal will be responsible for the payment of tests.

Steers, Goats, and Sheep Market Animals will be weighed and tagged on the following dates at 8am. All livestock except for Beef will be at the Fairgrounds:

|              |          |               |
|--------------|----------|---------------|
| Market Beef  | March 26 | 1000lbs max   |
| Market Sheep | June 8   | 100lbs max    |
| Market Goat  | June 8   | 80lbs max     |
| Market Swine | June 8   | do not bring. |

#### **4-H|Grange Show and Judging Attire**

The following attire **MUST** be worn for 4-H|Grange Fitting and Showmanship classes, breed classes, judging, contests, Herdsmanship, and all other 4-H|Grange public events. This attire is designed for the safety of the participant and the animal as well as appropriate presentation to the judge and the public. If you choose to dress inappropriately, you may be asked to change, be dropped a placing, lose points or may be disqualified from the event.

**Long-Sleeved white shirts and black pants are strongly recommended** for uniformity, easy identification, and to promote 4-H|Grange during the event.

#### **All 4-H|Grange Events**

Clean and appropriate attire should be worn for presentations, monitoring in the pavilion, and all other 4-H, Grange activities. Dress should be appropriate for the event and should reflect sincerity, proficiency, and pride in the member's 4-H|Grange project and achievements.

#### **Attire NOT allowed:**

- Any attire with holes.
- Sagging pants or pants worn significantly below the waist.
- Revealing pants or pants with side openings
- Mesh or see through garments.
- Visible midriff or inappropriately visible cleavage, neckline of top should remain in place when bending over.
- Halter top, tube top, one shoulder top, backless top, or spaghetti strap top.
- Visible undergarments.
- Attire with poorly placed logos or inappropriate logos.

#### **4-H|Grange Beef, Swine, Sheep & Goat Classes**

- **Fitting and Showmanship classes:** long sleeved shirts required. (white recommended)
- **Breed classes, judging classes & Herdsmanship:** long sleeved shirts (white recommended) or club t-shirts required.
- Shirts must be tucked in
- Jeans or slacks required, no shorts; black pants are strongly recommended.
- Leather boots are required, (no rubber barn boots) no tennis shoes, sandals, loafer shoes, open toe or open heeled shoes allowed.
- No hats allowed.
- Ties are optional.
- Attire must also meet the standards for “All 4-H|Grange Events” as stated above.

4-H|Grange Dairy Goat exhibitors may wear white.

#### **4-H|Grange Dairy Cow and Heifer Classes**

- **Fitting and Showmanship classes:** long sleeved shirts required. (white recommended)
- **Breed classes, judging classes & Herdsmanship:** long sleeved shirts (white recommended) or club t-shirts required.
- Shirts must be tucked in
- Jeans or slacks required, no shorts; white pants are strongly recommended.
- Leather boots are required, (no rubber barn boots) no tennis shoes, sandals, open toe, or open heeled shoes allowed.
- No hats allowed.
- Ties are optional.
- Attire must also meet the standards for “All 4-H|Grange Events” as stated above.

#### **4-H Rabbit, Cavy, Poultry and Cat Classes**

- **Fitting and Showmanship classes:** long sleeved shirts required. (white recommended)
- Breed classes, judging classes & Herdsmanship:** long sleeved shirts (white recommended) or club t-shirts required.
- Shirts must be tucked in
  - Jeans or slacks required, no shorts; black pants are strongly recommended.
  - Leather boots, shoes, or tennis shoes required; no sandals, open toe or open heel shoes allowed.
  - No hats allowed.
  - Ties are optional.
  - Attire must also meet the standards for “All 4-H|Grange Events” as stated above.

## **4-H|Grange Dog Classes**

- **Fitting and showing/Fitting and Showmanship classes**

- Dress slacks or skirt with dress shirt or polo shirt, suit, or dress (dress or skirt length should be at knee or below which allows for kneeling, bending, and free movement)

- **Obedience, Agility, Judging classes & Herdsmanship.**

- 4-H|Grange members may wear dress shirt, polo shirt, long sleeved shirt, or club t-shirt, jeans or slacks, no shorts

- Shirts must be tucked in

- Boots, shoes, or tennis shoes required, a flat non-skid sole is preferred for safety and traction; no sandals, open toe or open heeled shoes allowed.

- No hats allowed.

- Ties are optional.

- Attire must also meet the standards for “All 4-H Events” as stated above.

## **4-H|Grange Horse Classes**

- ASTM/SEI approved headgear (see 4-H publication PNW574) must be worn when mounted or driving, headgear must be properly fitted and have the chin strap fastened. It is recommended that 4-H|Grange members wear the ASTM/SEI helmets anytime they are around horses.

- The footwear must be boots. Boots must fit flat in the stirrup and must be able to move freely in the stirrup with the ability to slide out. Boot heel must have an adequate heel stop to prevent forward movement through the stirrup.

- **Attire must also meet the standards for “All 4-H|Grange Events” as stated above.**

- **See 4-H Horse Contest Guide, PNW574, for any additional and/or specific class Requirements.**

## **FFA Official Dress Attire**

- \* FFA Jacket

- \* White shirt

- \* No loafer shoes

- \* FFA tie or scarf

- \* Black Jeans or slacks

- \* Leather boots or hard sole shoes

## **4-H|Grange|FFA Fitting and Showmanship**

4-H, Grange & FFA members with animal projects entered in competition must enter and participate in a Fitting and Showmanship contest. Ribbons will be awarded on the Danish System. Exhibitors must PRE-ENTER Fitting and Showmanship under individual departments.

In this handbook 4-H|Grange “fitting and showing” will be referred to as ‘Fitting and Showmanship.’ In Fitting and Showmanship, the emphasis is on the knowledge & performance of the 4-H|Grange member. A 4-H|Grange member must prepare their own animal for show. The word “fitting” means more than just feeding the animal for slaughter or exhibit, it includes preparing and grooming the animal in a way to present its best qualities. The word “showing” includes properly handling/showing the animal and knowing the principles of care, management, and breed specifics of that species. Caring for and preparing the animal for a show is the responsibility of the individual exhibiting member. All large and small animals have fitting and showing 4-H|Grange contests. ‘Fitting and Showing’ is a unique term used in the 4-H program.

### **All-Around Large Animal Fitting and Showmanship Contest**

The champions from beef, swine, sheep, goat, dairy and horse divisions will be automatically entered in the All-Around Fitting and Showmanship Contest. If there is no champion, then the highest scoring showman goes to the All-Around Contest. There will be separate contests and awards for 4-H, Grange and FFA top showman. The contestants will be showing the same type of animal against one another in the timed event. The showmen will rotate until all species are shown. If there is a species that does not have a showman in the All-Around Contest that species will still be shown in the All-Around Contest. In the event that there are not enough animals of any one species to supply all showmen with an animal, that species will not be shown. However, the top showman of that species will get to compete in all other species of the contest. There will be a 12- minute time limit for each class. The showman with the most points will be named the All-Around Showman and receive an award. All 4-H|Grange contestants must follow the 4-H|Grange attire requirements for their species, except that no hats will be allowed (helmets ok). All FFA contestants must follow the FFA attire requirements for their species.

### **4-H|Grange Small Animal All Around Fitting and Showmanship Contest**

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The champions from cat, dog, rabbit, cavy, pocket pets, waterfowl, and poultry divisions will be automatically entered in the Small Animal All Around Fitting and Showmanship Contest. The contestants will be showing the same type of animals against one another in the timed events. The showmen will rotate until all species are shown.

There will be a 15-minute time limit for each class. All 4-H|Grange contestants must wear long sleeved shirts, jeans, or slacks, as well as boots or shoes (no sandals, open toe or open heeled shoes allowed). No hats allowed.