

YOUTH LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT

Livestock Superintendent Kathleen Blankenship RULES & INFORMATION

(ALL STATE RULES APPLY IN ALL DEPARTMENTS)

ENTRY FORMS ACCEPTED THROUGH SATURDAY, MAY 15

The Fair reserves the right to reject any entry deemed unfit.

ELIGIBILITY & AGE REQUIREMENTS:

4-H CLUB MEMBERS - San Joaquin County Club members only who are under the supervision of the University of California Cooperative Extension. Primary Members may exhibit livestock in Pre-Junior Showmanship only. Junior, Intermediate & Senior members must be 9 years old *or* in the 4th Grade by January 1 of the 4-H program year. Exhibitors may compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age. Exhibitors will be placed/penned within their age appropriate classes/barn.

GRANGE - San Joaquin Co. Grange members who are under the supervision of the California State Grange, and are residents of San Joaquin Co. Grange members must be at least 5 years old on January 1 to exhibit. Must be 9 years old on January 1 to exhibit large animals. They may exhibit until the end of the calendar year in which they reach age 19. Exhibitors will be placed/penned within their age appropriate classes/barn.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA - San Joaquin County members only who are under the supervision of the Bureau of Agricultural Education. FFA members may participate as members until the end of the calendar year following the year of graduation from high school. All entries in FFA divisions are open to FFA members belonging to the following chapters: East Union, Escalon, Galt, Lathrop, Linden, Lodi, Manteca, Sierra, Ripon, Tokay, Tracy, West, and Weston Ranch who are residents of San Joaquin County.

INDEPENDENT EXHIBITORS - Must be residents of San Joaquin County and at least 9 years of age or in the 4th Grade by January 1. Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age. Exhibitors will be placed/penned within their age appropriate classes/barn. Independent Youth ages 5 through 8 years of age as of January 1 may exhibit livestock in Pre-Junior Showmanship only. Uniforms suggested will be white pants and white long or short sleeved shirt, no hat/cap.

PLEASE NOTE: Independent Youth entering market animals must provide fair management with a picture of their animal, permanent tag and/or tattoo information 120 days prior to the fair for beef, and 60 days for sheep and swine. Independent exhibitors must have “on ground” supervision by a responsible adult. (See also, Independent Exhibitor Rules in State Rules.)

RULES & INFORMATION (continued)

Starting Sunday, June 13th. Livestock vehicles (cars and trucks) may be admitted onto the Fairgrounds for drop-off purposes only until 9 a.m. No parking allowed, don't leave your car unattended as unauthorized vehicles still on the grounds will be removed at the expense of the owner. This rule must be enforced for the safety of all fair visitors.

ENTRY INFO RULES:

1. A separate entry form must be completed for each specie and for market livestock & breeding livestock.
2. Pre-registration required for showmanship classes.
3. Under no circumstances may an exhibitor concurrently enter the same species of animal or bird in FFA, 4-H, Grange and independent classes of the junior department.
4. An exhibitor is allowed to show a total of 2 large market animals or 2 small market animals or 1 of each in either 4-H, FFA or Grange including Dairy Replacement Heifer.
5. No nurse cows will be permitted on the Fairgrounds
6. In the "All Other Breeds" division, animals entered in groups must be of one breed.
7. State Rules pertaining to minimum identification requirements will be enforced.
8. All breeding animals must have been under the exhibitor's sole ownership, care and management at least 30 days prior to opening day of the Fair. **(Co-ownership under ranch or dairy name or breeding partnerships are not allowed.)**
9. Market livestock entry/entries must have been under the exhibitor's sole ownership, care and management for at least 60 days prior to the opening day of the Fair (120 days for market beef).

PROCEDURAL RULES:

10. Due to weight variances, market livestock entries should be made by division number only. After weighing, market animals will be divided into classes by weight as desired by management for convenience in judging.
11. Market animals will be tagged prior to the time of weighing and no other ear tags allowed other than official San Joaquin Fair tags; State Fair DNA & scrapie program tags are permitted.
12. No overnight camping by 4-H, FFA, Grange or Independent Youth exhibitors on the Fairgrounds.

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13. **ICE CHEST:** Any ice chest entering through the livestock gate will be subject to inspection by any San Joaquin County official.
PLEASE NOTE: No alcoholic beverages allowed. No glass bottles or cans allowed. Plastic containers are permissible. If the above rules are not complied with, exhibits will be subject to removal, resulting in withholding of premium.
14. All Youth exhibitors must be accompanied and supervised by an adult while on the Fairgrounds.
15. Instructors, advisors, leaders, parents and other adults in charge shall be responsible for the supervision of their exhibitors at all times.
16. The Fair does not provide any bedding for large animals. All animals will be bedded on straw or shavings, Please see species bedding rules. Only Bedding Bags will be permitted on top of shavings only and must be kept clean at all times. Rice straw and sprays are prohibited.
17. Any exhibitor who wishes to remove livestock exhibits prior to the official release time must request the early removal in writing, in advance, and receive Fair Management approval prior to removing livestock from grounds. Any exhibitor who does not request and receive authorization in advance will have premiums and/or privileges withheld, as appropriate.
18. No dogs will be permitted in the livestock area for any reason. Service dogs, and 4-H guide dogs should report to the livestock office so their presence may be noted.
19. The San Joaquin Fair reserves the right to test any animal entered in any division, at any time, without notice, for foreign substances including but not limited to drugs, chemicals or feed additives.
20. No admittance to Livestock Barns permitted after 10:00 p.m..

ETHICS RULES:

21. At all times, animals in the livestock barns must be properly cared for, including having water, groomed and have clean pens. This includes auction day. The Fair reserves the right to withhold premiums and/or disqualify stock that are not, in their judgement, in suitable or healthy condition.
22. No person shall be allowed to interfere with the health inspection or offer any audible criticism of any kind. Violators will be excused immediately from the competition and be subject to other penalties as management shall consider proper. Inspection decisions are final and may not be protested.

HEALTH/SAFETY RULES:

23. Unnatural force filling or drenching of animals by any means with any materials, for any reason is prohibited. Any violation of this rule will cause the animal and exhibitor to be disqualified from the show and sale, and removed from the Fairgrounds immediately.
24. Exhibitors may be required to disconnect any nonessential electrical appliances, fixtures, etc., in the event of a major loss of power on the grounds, rolling blackouts by Pacific Gas & Electric, or other emergency as determined by Fair management.

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25. Bull/Cattle Leads or nose tongs allowed on Bulls only.
26. **All livestock barns are to be cleaned by 8:00 a.m. daily.** No blowing machines allowed.
27. For safety reasons, upon arrival or at weigh-in, all animals must be controlled by the owner/exhibitor and no more than one (1) adult or the animal will be disqualified at the discretion of the Livestock Superintendent and removed from the Fairgrounds.
28. Animals that arrive on the Fairgrounds with any evidence of communicable disease or exhibit any unsightly condition will be disqualified and immediately removed from the Fairgrounds. This includes external parasites.
29. Muzzles of any kind are prohibited.
30. To qualify for exhibit, competition/all sheep must be docked so the tail (dock) is healed and can be lifted from the exterior.

UNIFORMS

Exhibitors must consult their 4-H Office, FFA Advisor or Grange Leader for details and enforcement on the official uniform.

**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY FAIR
LIVESTOCK SHOW
FITTING RULES AND POLICY**

The following shall apply to ALL livestock exhibits and exhibitors.

1. All clipping, trimming, and any other use of clippers, shears, etc. shall be done at home prior to bringing all species of animals to the Fairgrounds.
2. Only last minute “touch up” grooming will be permitted on the fairgrounds.
3. State Rule #32 regarding exhibitor responsibility will be enforced for ALL livestock exhibits:

“JUNIOR EXHIBITORS ARE EXPECTED TO GROOM AND CARE FOR THEIR ANIMAL(S) WHEN AT THE FAIR. THEY SHALL REFRAIN FROM ACCEPTING ACTIVE ASSISTANCE FROM ADULTS AND NON-EXHIBITING YOUTH UNLESS THE JUNIOR EXHIBITOR IS ACTIVELY ENGAGED, AND THE ASSISTANCE IS ONLY FOR INSTRUCTION. LOCAL FAIR RULES WILL DETERMINE ENFORCEMENT.”

- Adults (parents, leaders, advisors, and any other non-exhibitor) shall provide **educational** advice and guidance only. The exhibitor **must be present and actively involved** in the activity.
- **Safety and Common sense shall prevail!** If a situation arises where the exhibitor or another person is in immediate danger of injury, a non-exhibitor shall be permitted to intervene, but only until the immediate situation has been resolved.
- Parents, Leaders, and Advisors must report any infractions of the above State Rule and Fair policy to their respective organization’s Barn Chair or one of the Livestock Advisory Committee members who will then report to the Livestock Superintendent. It is recommended that the Barn Chair or Livestock Advisory Committee member advise the exhibitor and non-exhibitor of the policy and encourage compliance.
- The Livestock Superintendent or other Fair Management shall advise both the exhibitor and non-exhibitor when inappropriate assistance is observed and give a first warning. If inappropriate assistance is observed again, the Livestock Superintendent and/or Fair Manager may disqualify the exhibitor and animal from the show and sale.
- The Livestock Superintendent or other Fair Staff or Management must personally observe an infraction before disqualification may occur.

The decision of the Livestock Superintendent and/or Fair Manager will be final and no appeal or formal protest will be considered.

YOUTH LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT AUCTION

RULES & INFORMATION

** SPECIAL NOTICES **

Sale order will be posted on Thursday afternoon. All corrections and omissions must be made by 5:00 p.m. No changes will be granted to the market sale order after 5:00 p.m. on Thursday prior to the sale on Saturday. All exhibitors selling in the Livestock Auction must carry the paper work to their buyer and insure that their club/chapter takes their animal back to the sale pen areas.

Intent to sell must be signed with-in one hour of the end of show. If an exhibitor has another market specie, they must still notify the Livestock office.

All large and small animals sold at the Youth Livestock Auction will be sent to the commercial packer for slaughter.

Seller to be paid within 20 days after receipt of full payment from Buyer.

HEALTH REGULATIONS OF MARKET ANIMALS

Federal law prohibits the shipment of meat in interstate commerce which is adulterated with drugs or chemicals. The meat from any animal slaughtered at a Federal inspected establishment (mandatory for Fair auctioned animals) is considered to be in interstate commerce.

Any individual responsible for shipment of adulterated meat can be tried in Federal Court. Both those responsible for inoculating the animal or animals and those responsible for shipping the animals could be charged. The penalty can be a fine up to \$1,000.00 and/or one year in jail on each count or as a repeat violation, or if intent to defraud is proven, the penalty can be up to \$10,000.00 fine and/or three years in jail.

Exhibitors selling market animals shall be required to file a Certificate of Animal Medication with their entry form.

HEALTH REGULATIONS:

1. No animal medications administered on Fairgrounds without authorization from Fair Management/Livestock Superintendent.
2. All meat producing livestock must be withheld from slaughter at least 21 days after inoculation with biologics.
3. Unnatural force filling or drenching of animals by any means with any materials, for any reason is prohibited. Any violation of this rule will cause the animal and exhibitor to be disqualified from the show and sale, and removed from the Fairgrounds immediately.

POLICY RULES:

4. Animals shall be weighed in accordance with the schedule posted at the Livestock Office.

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5. All eligible San Joaquin County residents, FFA, 4-H, and Grange members may exhibit and sell a market animal if they have not sold a Dairy Replacement Heifer or a market animal at a county or district fair in the same calendar year excluding the Junior Cow Palace.
6. No Youth exhibitor may exhibit a market animal which has been sold through a fair Youth livestock auction.
7. All Supreme Champion, Supreme Reserve Champion, Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market animals/Replacement Heifers are required to sell; if owned by the same exhibitor, then only the highest placed Champions will sell.
8. Only animals that place **market ready** will sell through the auction sale.
9. Each individual shall be allowed to sell one project. If an exhibitor has 2 animals that are both judged to be "Market Ready" but are not Champions, the exhibitor may choose which one will sell.
10. All exhibitors selling in the Junior Livestock auction **MUST** wear the official show uniform of the organization they represent.

PROCEDURES RULES:

11. All market animals entering and exhibiting at the San Joaquin Fair may be required to submit a DNA sample for identification purposes.
12. All exhibitors of all market animals must declare, by their parents and leaders signature, if they wish to not sell in the Youth Livestock Auction. Notify the Livestock office if you have another market animal , the one you don't want to sale.
13. All Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Champion shall be sold first followed by the other champion animals in order of judge's placing. Following the Champions, animals will alternate 4-H, FFA and Grange in order of their placing in the class.
14. All exhibitors must show and sell their own animals , if the exhibitor has two animals in the same class then any other Exhibitor may show the second animal. Emergencies will be handled on an individual basis and must be approved by Fair Management Committee prior to start of sale.
15. All animals going through the sale ring are considered sold and must be consigned for immediate slaughtering.
16. All exhibitors selling animals at the Auction Sale will be assessed the following charges:

ALL EXHIBITORS: In accordance with State Rules and Regulations of the Division of Fairs and Expositions, the San Joaquin Fair will charge **7% on the purchase price of each animal sold in the auction.** This is to cover the disappearance or death of an animal or other discrepancies that may occur and to offset auction expenses.

BEEF EXHIBITORS: \$1.10 for Brand Inspection.

SHEEP/GOAT EXHIBITORS: \$3.00 to Superior Farms for carcass data.

SWINE EXHIBITORS: .40 % (.0040) of gross sale to Legislative Pork check-off.

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17. Any animal not accepted by processing plant and verified "UNFIT" by a veterinarian or qualified inspector will be replaced by the exhibitor/seller with an animal of similar grade and quality, or amount of resale value.
18. All animals destined for processing after the auction sale shall be delivered only to licensed processors. (Section 357-359 of California Agricultural Code.)
19. All Beef Cattle and Dairy Heifers to be sold in the Youth Livestock Auction must enter the Fairgrounds with a **BILL OF SALE OR CONSIGNMENT (form 74-036)** indicating ownership in the name of the Youth exhibitor. **A note or letter from the previous owner is NOT sufficient proof of ownership. Only the BILL OF SALE OR CONSIGNMENT (form 74-036) will be accepted.** This form is required when transporting your animal to the Fair. Any Beef or Dairy Cattle entering the Fairgrounds without a BILL OF SALE OR CONSIGNMENT form will be disqualified and unable to be shown or sold.
20. Decorative art is not allowed on sale animals (except Champion and Reserve Champion removable blankets.)

MILK PARLOR RULES & INFORMATION:

1. All milk from cows & dairy goats milked at the fair will be allowed in the milk tank. NO milk to be disposed into the sewage drains or garbage.
2. Cows must be milked at the time you sign up. If you miss your scheduled milking time you will go to the end of the schedule for that milking. If you are going to miss your milking time, contact the Barn Supervisor.
3. Exhibitors and their helpers are required to clean any manure or left over feed from the tie racks or any area used to tie out cattle for stall cleaning.

FIRE MARSHALL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Electrical cords need to be connected to a power strip that has an ON/OFF control.
2. NO electrical cords on the ground. Elevate cords by using zip ties.
3. NO black electrical tape shall be allowed to cover splices in cords.
4. NO gasoline shall be stored in containers on the Fair Grounds. If you use generators, the gasoline containers must be kept in your vehicle and removed daily.
5. Fire Hoses are for fire use only and are not to be used by any exhibitors except in case of a fire.

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San Joaquin Fair Pass Policy

Everyone entering the Fairgrounds during the Fair (June 16 - 20) must have an admission ticket of some kind - a wristband or single day ticket. Youth Livestock Exhibitors will be provided one wristband that will be valid for the 5 days of the Fair. In addition, **ONE** Parking Pass **per family** will be issued. Parents of Youth Livestock Exhibitors, other family members and friends may purchase tickets at a reduced rate no later than June 15 through the San Joaquin Fair Pre-Fair Discount Ticket Sales.

Call the Fair Administration Office at 466-5041 to schedule an appointment to pick up tickets for all livestock exhibitors in your club or chapter. Appointments will be available as follows: Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday, May 24, 25, 26 or Thursday, Friday, or Saturday, June 3, 4, 5.

CHANGING/STORAGE TENT RULES & INFORMATION:

1. No Livestock Area trailer parking is permitted.
2. No personal tents are permitted.
3. No Open-Flame devices, grills or barbecues are permitted.
4. No Smoking

CLEAN PEN AWARD WINNERS

1. With the Livestock Superintendent's approval, clean pen award winners may have their choice of pen location the year following their award.
2. Exhibitors must indicate on their entry forms A) That they won the previous year and B) The desired pen location.