

## JUNIOR FAIR LIVESTOCK RULES

- All market livestock to be exhibited at the Fayette County Fair must be owned by May 1 of the current year, with the exception of market steers (dairy & beef), which must be owned by Dec. 1 of the previous year. Market rabbits and poultry must be owned by deadline (May 30) as outlined by Rabbit and Poultry committee. All breeding animals must be owned by May 15.
- All market livestock must be properly identified. Tampering with the identification will result in disqualification for fair participation.
- Family tagging will be allowed, however, each animal must be claimed by an individual at tag-in. If a family member does not complete the project, then that individual's identified animals will not be eligible for other family members to exhibit at the Fair.
- All Junior Fair livestock is subject to all health regulations as outlined by the Fayette County Agricultural Society.
- Each exhibitor must show and sell his or her own animal. If the exhibitor is ill, disabled, has another Junior Fair responsibility, or has more than one entry in class, another Fayette County Junior Fair Exhibitor may show and sell for the owner.
- Junior Fair exhibitors are eligible to receive minimal assistance with care and show preparation with his/her project from **fellow Fayette County Junior Fair exhibitors and immediate family**. *Immediate Family* is defined as the Mother, Father, Brother, Sister, Grandparent, Uncle or Aunt, of an exhibitor by marriage or by law. Participant's 4-H Club and FFA Advisors may instruct or advise with a hands-off approach. Failure to comply may result in forfeiture of right to show or sell.
- All livestock must be judged in the show arena. Judges will not evaluate animals in stalls/pens (exception: poultry & rabbits).
- All entries for breeding classes must be eligible for registry in their respective breed associations except for commercial classes.
- Only exhibitors, ring stewards, and show officials are permitted in the show ring during livestock shows.
- Overall Grand and Reserve Champions in all species must be sold through the Junior Fair Livestock Sales and slaughtered, with the exception of feeders.
- All species will recognize top five placings in market shows (Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, 3<sup>rd</sup> overall, 4<sup>th</sup> overall, and 5<sup>th</sup> overall. Animals will sell in this order (if 3-5 overall choose to sell in the Jr. Fair Sale).
- Only Junior Fair Board personnel are permitted to sleep overnight in the livestock barns.
- All livestock exhibitors are encouraged to participate in the showmanship contest. Exhibitors participating in showmanship must use their own project for these classes and have ownership of the animal by May 1 for market animals and May 15 for breeding animals. Showmanship order for all species will run from oldest to youngest, with novice after the youngest age group, if applicable.
- The Showman of Showmen contest will be held in the Swine Pavilion. The show begins at 12:00 PM on Saturday, July 20. Species will include Alpacas, Chickens, Rabbits, Dogs, Turkeys, Ducks, Swine, Sheep, Goats, Beef, Dairy Beef, Dairy Cattle, and Horses. The contest will be open to the Overall Showmanship winner in each species. The overall showmanship winner is selected from the age division winners in each species. Each showman will show all species in their division including the one they are representing and will be scored on a total point basis. The showman with the most total points will be named the Showman of Showmen. In case of a tie, the showman with the most wins in various species will be the winner. Previous winners of the Showman of Showmen contest are not eligible. In the case that a previous winner wins overall showmanship in a particular species, the reserve showman in that species will be the representative for said species. Judges will be selected by the committee. Judges and committee decisions are final.

Showmanship includes:

- a. Appearance of animal and equipment used in showing
- b. Ability to properly pose animal

- c. Ability to move animal as directed by judge
- d. May include ability to show other animals in showing
- e. Answer questions posed by the judge.

- Junior Fair exhibitors are to furnish suitable equipment to feed and water livestock. They must care for livestock regularly throughout fair week, keeping pens clean, properly bedded and aisle clean at all times.
- Junior Fair exhibitors failing to abide by department rules, cleanliness of pens and aisles and the neglect of livestock while on exhibit are subject to having a percent of the sale price removed.
- There will be no re-weighing of livestock projects unless stipulated by the Senior Fair Board and Senior Superintendents.
- All market project exhibitors must declare destination of their animal (either home or on the trailer) at the Junior Fair weigh-in. This destination cannot be changed unless the exhibitor has a Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion project.
- All livestock will be treated humanely and show no signs of inhumane treatment.
- All livestock are to be exhibited in total compliance with chapter 901:19 (Ohio's Livestock Tampering Exhibition Rules). In addition, sections 901.70 -901.99, the Livestock Show Reform Act, apply to the exhibition of all livestock.
- Dress code for Junior Fair Exhibitors for pictures, in the show ring, and in the sale ring is: **NO** tube tops, tops with spaghetti straps with bra straps showing, no low cut tops, no jeans with large holes, no sandals, no apparel with tobacco, alcohol, bars, or offensive language or pictures, no cut-off t-shirts. Junior Fair Members are representatives of their youth organizations and should set a good example. The Junior Fair Advisors have the right to ask an exhibitor to change clothing or to tell the exhibitor they may be ineligible to sell.
- All livestock exhibits, with the exception of Dairy, Breeding Beef, and Gilts, must remain until the completion of the final sale on Friday night. If an exhibitor removes their project without permission from the Sr. Fair Board, they will not be able to exhibit a livestock project the following year.
- Any participant that loses their project animal prior to fair is eligible to show another animal of their own in a showmanship class. These animals must be taken home following the Fair and are not eligible to show in a production class or sell in the Junior Fair Sale. If the participant does not have another animal of their own then they may choose from a pool of animals selected by the Junior Fair Board and Senior Superintendents.
- Any project animal not meeting the weight limits for their species may show in an over- or under-weight class. These animals are not permitted to show for Grand or Reserve Champion and may not sell in the Junior Fair Sale. These animals are eligible to show in showmanship.
- Market animals choosing to participate in their respective shows are required to complete the show, if you are selected to participate in the Champion Drive you must participate. Failure to complete the show may result in forfeiture of awards and participation in the Junior Livestock Sale.
- Exhibitors are permitted to have multiple animals in the Champion drive. However, if one is chosen for Grand Champion, the second must be pulled from the ring and is not eligible for Reserve Champion. The exception is Breeding Animals; an exhibitor is permitted to have Grand and Reserve Champion.
- Any Junior Fair member exhibiting a market hog, sheep, beef, feeder, goat, dairy, meat pen of rabbits, or meat pen of poultry project must complete the Fayette County Quality Assurance program or another approved Quality Assurance program to be eligible to show and/or sell at the county fair or the Ohio State Junior Fair. The FFA advisors will conduct training during their regular programming. There will be no Fayette County make-up Quality Assurance Training programs conducted.
- Junior Fair Members who exhibit livestock projects must participate in a livestock skillathon on project knowledge on June 17-20 or a scheduled make-up on June 13 (which must be scheduled by June 7). Exhibitors not receiving a score of 95% or above in their age division on the skillathon are required to complete a skillathon for that species. Skillathons will be scheduled through the Extension Office, exhibitors will be notified in May. All make-up skillathons must be scheduled by appointment through

the Extension Office. There will be no skillathons or “book checks” after the June 21 date, unless due to a family emergency. The exhibitor must be present for the “book check” and be able to answer questions related to their project in order to receive credit.

- All Junior Fair market exhibitors must complete an Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) Drug Use Notification Form to be eligible to exhibit and/or sell at the Fayette County Junior Fair for each market livestock project. Completed Drug Use Notification Forms must be turned in when the exhibitor’s market animal is weighed at the Junior Fair weigh-in.
- All animals must have the identification tag or tattoo in or on the animal before arriving at the fair to be eligible to weigh or show. Animals that have lost identification must be reported to the 4-H advisor, Jr. Fair Coordinator, and/or Sr. Fair Board Director in charge of the department at the time the identification is lost. All animals losing identification must be reported immediately.
- Junior Fair livestock participants must complete a Junior Fair Animal Housing Form if the animal is being housed somewhere other than the address given on the exhibitor’s 4-H enrollment form and submit it to the Mahan Building by May 15. Market Swine exhibitors are also required to submit an ear notch card to the Mahan Building by May 15. Failure to submit the form and/or misrepresentation of their project animal’s location will result in the disqualification of the project animal(s).

## **DEPARTMENT 14 - HORSES and PONIES**

Junior Fair Board: Madison Johnson, Andrea Robinson

Junior Superintendents: Mary Gerber, Hidy Kirkpatrick

Senior Superintendents: Horse Committee Officers

Senior Fair Board: Doug Marine, Dennis Garringer, Mark Payton

### **2019 FAYETTE COUNTY HORSE PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

1. The “Uniform Rules For Horse Shows in Ohio” (4-H 179) will govern 4-H horse shows. All members (or families) taking a horse project need to purchase a rule book and be familiar with it.
2. Mandatory for all members to follow the 4-H Equine Mandatory Helmet Use Policy in “Uniform Rules For Horse Shows in Ohio” (4-H 179).
3. All members and their parent/guardian must sign a new “Permission to Participate” form each year. New members are required to get the 191R Horses, Safety and You manual, and with a parent/guardian to view two videos, *Every Ride*, *Every Time and Horses, Kids & Ethics*. After reading the manual and viewing the films, the member and parent(s) sign the form on the inside back cover of the manual, Advisors will keep on file a copy of this signed form and each year’s new permission forms. When additional family members join, they can sign the original forms after they have seen the films and read the manual. Members who are not a horse club should turn permission form and a copy of the 191R form in to the Junior Fair Board Coordinator and the Senior Fair Board Horse Representatives no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>.
4. Competition at the county fair show and participation in the horse activities, (ex. Fun Day) is limited to those enrolled in a Fayette County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter with a horse project.
5. An ID sheet is to be completed for each horse, with a maximum of 3 (three) animals per members. Members of an immediate family may use the same horse with the exclusion of leased horses, but each member must complete an ID sheet for the animal. ID sheets are to be turned in by May 15<sup>th</sup> to Junior Fair

Board Coordinator and the Senior Fair Board Horse Representative/advisor. The primary horse of a member stays at the fair all week. An additional horse may be brought in for show day (Thursday) for contest classes – barrels and flags – and taken back home that day, and/or Fun Day on Friday. Standardbreds that are currently being raced may be taken from the fairgrounds as needed to race.

6. If an animal is leased, a contract to lease must be reviewed and accepted by the Junior Fair Board Coordinator and the Senior Fair Board Horse Representatives. A signed copy of the contract must be filed by May 15<sup>th</sup>.
7. All members must attend a minimum of two (2) outdoor practices with their project horse and be evaluated by an advisor as to their safety before going to the fair. Those in a non-horse club need to make arrangements to attend two (2) of one of the horse club's practices for this purpose. The horse clubs have the right to require more than the minimum two (2) practices. Each club will honor other club member and shall be counted as a minimum meeting.
8. Horses are over 58". Ponies are 58" and under.
9. Age of the exhibitor is determined as of January 1, 2019.
10. Stallions may not be shown unless they are part of a production project, and then only during their first calendar year.
11. The horse committee will deal with hardship case decisions.
12. The 4-H horse shows must have a steward who will interpret and clarify rules. The Steward will be the President of the Fayette County Horse Committee. Any exhibitor or family member with a grievance is to contact the steward first, not the judge. Judges' decisions about the placings are final. Poor sportsmanship on the part of the exhibitors, parents, or family members will not be tolerated.
13. Safe and legal tack is to be used at all times. Refer to the rule book for specific examples.
14. Each member is to complete a project book and, if applicable, participate in the skillathon/interview to complete their project.
15. Stall assignments will be made by the Junior Fair Board Horse Representatives.
16. Entries are due June 17. Entries submitted after June 17 must include a \$25 late fee for each exhibitor. No entries will be accepted after June 21. **Showmanship is mandatory.** After all entries are received, class determinations will be made according to number of entries per class. Age divisions may be added or deleted as needed.
17. All Exhibitors with a horse at the fair will be required to have emergency contact information on file. Each club will be responsible for making sure their members cards are complete and turned into the Horse Committee Secretary who will make sure appropriate copies are available for Senior Fair Board Members.
18. Exhibitors must be aware of and comply with body condition score requirements in the "Uniform Rules For Horse Shows in Ohio" (4-H 179). If your horse/pony has a body condition score of less than 4, you will not be permitted to exhibit or show your animal at the fair.
19. A mandatory meeting for all horse exhibitors will be held on Monday of the fair at noon. This is a required meeting. A member can only be excused if they make prior arrangements with an advisor or Junior Fair Board Member. Pertinent information and show numbers will be discussed and dispersed at this meeting.

20. If a member chooses to bring two (2) horses, each horse/rider combo will be assigned a show number that they will use all week for all shows. Horse/rider pairs cannot show in both Western Pleasure and Ranch Pleasure. Members will need to designate which horse/rider combination they will use for Hi-Point Awards by 8 AM Tuesday, show day.

21. It is the expectation of all 4-H Horse Club advisors to help with all activities related to the 4-H Horse Program/Show: Mock Show, Move-in Day, setting up for classes, working entry and exit gates and making sure all shows run smoothly.

Classes:

(Classes may be added or changed, depending on entries received.)

Tuesday, July 16 (class order to be determined after entries are compiled)

265. English Showmanship, Horse and Pony - all ages

266A. Western Showmanship, Pony-all ages

266B. Western Showmanship, Horse-16 & over

266C. Western Showmanship, Horse-13-15

266D. Western Showmanship, Horse-12 & under

266E. Western/English Showmanship, Horse or Pony-Beginner, 2<sup>nd</sup> year\*

266F. Western/English Showmanship, Horse or Pony-Beginner, 1<sup>st</sup> year\*

266G. Easy-Gaited Showmanship—all ages

Overall Showmanship Class-1st and 2nd place winners of classes 265 through 266D only. Winner represents the horse department in Showman of Showmen Contest.

267. Horse & Pony Production-mare and current year foal

267A. Horse & Pony Production- Yearling

268. Easy-Gaited Horsemanship—all ages

269. Walk-Trot Horsemanship/Equitation, Horse or Pony. Beginner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year\*. Exhibitor may ride only in 2-gaited classes

270. Walk-Trot Horsemanship/Equitation, Horse or Pony. Beginner, 1<sup>st</sup> Year\*. Exhibitor may ride only in 2-gaited classes

271. English Equitation, Horse or Pony-14 & over

272. English Equitation, Horse or Pony-13 & under

273A. English Pleasure (HUS), Horse or Pony-14 & over

273B. English Pleasure (HUS), Horse or Pony-13 & under

274A. Walk-Trot Pleasure, Western/HUS, Horse or Pony. Beginner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year\*. Exhibitor may ride only in 2-gaited classes

274B. Walk-Trot Pleasure, Western/HUS, Horse or Pony. Beginner, 1<sup>st</sup> Year\*. Exhibitor may ride only in 2-gaited classes.

275. Western Pleasure, Pony-all ages

276. Western Pleasure, Horse-16 & over

277. Western Pleasure, Horse-13-15

278. Western Pleasure, Horse-12 & under

279A. Western Pleasure/HUS, Horse or Pony. 3-gaited class. Beginner, 2<sup>nd</sup> year\*

279B. Western Pleasure/HUS, Horse or Pony. 3-gaited class. Beginner, 1<sup>st</sup> year\*

279C. Easy-Gaited Pleasure—all ages

280. Western Horsemanship, Pony-all ages

281. Western Horsemanship, Horse-16 & over

282. Western Horsemanship, Horse-13-15

283. Western Horsemanship, Horse-12 & under

284A. Horsemanship/Equitation, Horse or Pony. 3-gaited class. Beginner, 2<sup>nd</sup> year

284B. Horsemanship/Equitation, Horse or Pony. 3-gaited class. Beginner, 1<sup>st</sup> year

- 284C. Easy-Gaited Horsemanship/Equitation—all ages
- 285. Pleasure Driving, Horse & Pony, all ages
- 286. Ranch Pleasure
- 286A. Ranch Riding – Pattern B
- 287. Reining
- 288. Barrels—all ages
- 289. Flags—all ages
- 290. Trail—all ages
- 291. Trail—Walk Trot
- 292. Trail—Easy-Gaited

\*Beginning exhibitors are 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year members, any age. They may show only in beginner classes on Tuesday. Beginners may choose either walk-trot or 3-gaited classes, but not both.

Classes may be combined or split based on number of entries, if necessary to provide safety.

Hi-Point awards will be given for Tuesday's show to individuals in 4 divisions: Beginner, Easy-Gaited, Junior Division and Senior Division. The awards are given for one horse – one exhibitor.

Horse Activity Schedule during Fair Week:

- Monday 7:00 AM – All horses must be in place  
12:00 PM – Barn meeting
- Tuesday 8:00 AM – Junior Fair Horse Show
- Wednesday 10:00 AM – Demonstrations  
6:00 PM – Costume Contest
- Thursday 10:00 AM – Versatility Classes
- Friday 10:00 AM – Contest Fun Show \* (subject to change based on weather)  
4:00 PM – Fun Day

Horses are released after the last sale on Friday unless you are a state fair participant and you can be released after the last class on Tuesday.