

Lucas County Junior Fair

Exhibition Rules:

All Ohio State Livestock Exhibition mandatory rules will be followed.

- 1.** Members must participate according to General Junior Fair Rules and Junior Fair Livestock Exhibition Rules. Any exhibitor who has been subjected to disciplinary measures by the Agricultural Society or their respective organization and has not fulfilled requirements will be ineligible to exhibit at the Lucas County Fair.
- 2.** To exhibit livestock you must be a program age member in good standing in your respective 4H or FFA Club. Verification of this will occur through extension or chapter. Youth may exhibit in both 4H and FFA but cannot enroll in the same project.
- 3. Proof of Ownership** - All exhibitors are responsible for complete ownership and showing rights as evidence by a bill of sale or registration papers. Exhibitors are required to care and train their animals as outlined in their project books. Bill of sale will need to be brought with you when you check in your animals. A department head in conjunction with Senior Fairboard member will have the opportunity to make home visits during the duration of any project with prior notification of the exhibitor and their family.
 - All animals exhibited must have been actually owned and continuously cared for by the individual exhibitor including showing rights by possession dates. Ownership of an animal will be considered lost if, after possession date of current year, the animal has been consigned or sold through an auction or any other type transaction, even if the exhibitor “buys back” their animal.
- 4. Identification** - All tagging will be done by Sunday evening, except Swine. Swine will be done by 10am Thursday. Tagging costs of \$3.00 per animal for cattle, swine, sheep, goat will be deducted from the exhibitor's auction check. Tagging/banding costs of \$3.00 per pen for market rabbits and poultry.
- 5. Junior Fair Entry Forms** – Junior Fair registration forms are due May 15 and are to be completed online. Any additions or registrations must be completed by May 22 for a fee of \$50. No registrations or additions may be added after May 22.

All youth must also complete the “Livestock Exhibitor Information” form including their Social Security Number to be eligible to show.
- 6. Quality Assurance**- Every exhibitor must complete Quality Assurance by May 15 to be eligible to participate in the fair. Preferably quality assurance would be completed when it is offered in county as additional county level information is provided, any exceptions must be at a workshop approved by Senior Fairboard and Extension. If completed out of county it is on the onus of the exhibitor to provide documentation to Fairboard and Extension.
- 7. Drug Use Notification Forms** or “DUNF” must be completed for all market projects. Cattle, sheep, swine, goat need a form per animal, and rabbits and poultry may complete a form per pen. Breeding projects are not required to complete a form.
- 8. All animals must comply with show rules and be “exhibition drug residue legal” as of weigh-in Sunday beginning of fair, except swine. Swine must comply as of Thursday at 9am.**
- 9.** Animals are only permitted in the immediate area around the livestock barn and the grass area south of the barn along the railroad. Exhibitors taking their animals outside this area are subject to disciplinary action.

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10. *Date of ownership deadlines per species are as follows (market & breeding):*

Market Beef Steer	January 1
Dairy Beef Steer	January 1
Dairy Beef Feeder Calves	March 15
Beef Feeders	May 15
Swine	May 1
Sheep	May 1
Goats	May 1
Turkey	May 1
Chicken	June 1
Ducks	June 1
Rabbits	May 26

11. **Number of Entries Allowed - Market Classes:**

- Beef Steer - A maximum of two (2) per exhibitor
- Dairy Steer - A maximum of (2) per exhibitor
- Dairy Beef Feeder - A maximum of two (2) per exhibitor
- Beef Feeder - A maximum of two (2) per exhibitor
- Swine - A maximum of three (3) per exhibitor. No more than 2 of either sex (barrow or gilt)
- Sheep - A maximum of three (3) per exhibitor. No more than 2 of either sex (wether or ewe)
- Goats - A maximum of two (2) goats per exhibitor
- Rabbits - A maximum of one (1) pen per exhibitor - Consisting of 3 animals
- Turkey - A maximum of one (1) per exhibitor
- Ducks - A maximum of one (1) pen per exhibitor - Consisting of 2 animals
- Chickens - A maximum of one (1) pen per exhibitor - Consisting of 3 animals

12. **Number of Entries Allowed for Breeding, Fancy or Exhibition Classes:**

a. Cattle

1. None permitted

b. Swine:

1. No boars permitted
2. 2 gilts, must be less than 1 year in age

c. Sheep:

1. No rams permitted
2. 2 ewes, must be less than 1 year in age

d. Goats:

1. No bucks permitted
2. 2 market production does
3. 2 dairy does
4. 2 pygmy does

e. Rabbits

1. Maximum of 5 with no more than 2 per class

f. Exhibition Turkeys

1. Maximum of 2, must be different sex and/or different breed

g. Fancy Ducks: pen must be same breed

1. Maximum of 2 pens (1 male, 1 female), pens must be different breeds

h. Chicken

1. **Fancy Chickens:** pen must be same breed

- Maximum of 2 pens (1 male, 2 female), pens must be different breeds

2. **Hens & Pullets:** pen must be same breed

- Maximum of 2 pens (2 female), pens must be different breeds

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- 13. Pen Assignments** - Shall be made by the Junior/Senior Fair Board Director in Charge of that department or delegate prior to the time the livestock are brought in. The exhibitor may not make pen changes without the permission of the Senior Fair Board Director or Department Head.
- 14. Arrival Time** - All livestock exhibits must be completed and in place in Junior Fair Livestock Barn on Sunday, the week of fair, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., except Swine. All livestock will enter through the south entrance on Key St. Swine will arrive Wednesday evening between 8-10p.m. or Thursday morning between 6-8a.m. Animals will be examined by the official veterinarian Sunday evening, and periodically during the week.
- 15. Departure Time**- Sunday the end of fair is departure for all animals. No animals are permitted to leave early without Early Release Form approval. 6-6:30; market animals being hauled to market are to move to Swine Holding Area. 6:30; animals being hauled to market are released. 7p.m. remaining animals are released and barn cleanup commences. All Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning their pens and area surrounding before leaving. Department Heads must approve your area before leaving or there is a \$100 cleaning fee.
- 16. Official Weigh-In** – Market animals must weigh-in between 1:30-4:30 on Sunday, the week of Fair, except Swine. Only one weigh-in will be allowed and it will be the official weight. Drug Use Notification Forms (DUNF) must be submitted by 9a.m. Monday, excluding swine. Swine weigh-in is Thursday morning at 9a.m. Swine DUNF must be submitted by 12p.m. Thursday. No Re-Weighs will be Allowed - No exceptions.
- 17. Health Regulations** - All livestock exhibits must comply with the current year Health Regulations prescribed by the State of Ohio Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Industry (ODA) and the Lucas County Agricultural Society. The animals presented for exhibition must show no symptoms or evidence of an infectious or contagious disease. Species specific regulations appear in the department rules. Copies of the ODA Rules are available online at “<https://agri.ohio.gov/divisions/amusement-ride-safety-and-fairs/fairs>”. Where required, the health certificate must be shown before the animal may be unloaded.
 - The official veterinarian in conjunction with Senior Fairboard Directors in Charge has final determination on all matters regarding the health and wellbeing of animals. The official veterinarian reserves the right to charge an exhibitor for any medical or surgical supplies dispensed. If an exhibitor desires to use another veterinarian, they must have approval from Senior Fairboard Directors in Charge and the official veterinarian.
- 18. Drug Testing** - The Lucas County Agriculture Society shall have the right to require places first through third in each class of animals, or any other suspected animal, to be subject to examinations or tests as prescribed by the Society to determine if a substance has been administered to the animal to change the confirmation or temperament of the animal. Should violation be discovered after the sale, exhibitor may face sanctions.
- 19. Unacceptable Practices:** For a complete list and definition see 901-19-13. These include but are not limited to painting/coloring of an animal, use of ice, or ice packs applied to an animal.
- 20. Champions** - All market animals that place for Grand and Reserve Champion must be offered for sale in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale. All Grand and Reserve Champion Market Animals will be tested for tampering and/or misrepresentation of any kind. Grand and Reserve Champions of the beef steer, dairy steer, sheep, swine, and goat classes must be slaughtered pursuant to the Ohio Livestock Tampering Rule. Any exhibitor can receive Grand and Reserve Champion of any market/breed class (ie: Grand and Reserve Champion Market Lamb, or Grand and Reserve Champion Market Steer, etc).

21. Livestock Exhibitor Responsibilities

- Each department official will expect courteous and orderly conduct by the exhibitors and their attendants. Harassment, profanity or unsportsmanlike conduct toward fair officials, judges, show manager, help or exhibitors will not be tolerated.
- Each livestock exhibitor shall furnish his/her own feed and bedding, only wood chips or mulch may be used as bedding.
- All animals should be fed and watered before 10a.m. and 8p.m. each day.
- Livestock on exhibit must be clean, properly cared for, and properly groomed for the duration of the fair.
- Each exhibitor will assist with cleaning the livestock barn as assigned by the Senior Fair Board Director in Charge and the Department Heads.
- Exhibitors must be present at the time their animal is judged unless excused in advance by the Senior Fair Board Directors in charge. Only the exhibitors in the class being shown, Junior Fair Board members in charge, Ringmaster and Judge shall be allowed in the ring at the time of judging.
- When an exhibitor has two projects in the same class, another active LucasCounty 4-H or FFA member may show the animal(s) in the respective class only.
- Violations of Livestock Exhibitor Responsibilities are determined by the Senior Fair Board and Junior Fair Committee in consultation with Junior Fair Department Heads in the following order:
 1. Only one written warning will be issued to the exhibitor. Copies provided to parent and advisor.
 2. Failure to comply with written warning may result in any or all of the following: loss of premium, loss of trophies, loss of awards, and/or exemption of showing at the Lucas County Fair for the following year(s).

1. Grievance Procedure –

- Protests must be in writing and signed by party or parties making the protest and filed with the Senior Fair Board Office by noon of the day following the incident being protested. A \$50.00 non-refundable fee must accompany the protest.
- Senior Fairboard Executive Board will review the protest with the accused, accuser, and any other needed areas before reaching a decision.
- A Judge's decision on class placing cannot be protested.

2. In the question of any rule violation of any kind, the following due process will be used - The exhibitor and/or parties involved will be questioned by the Senior Fair Board Director in charge and the respective Department Head. If it is felt that a rule violation has occurred, the fair officials will make recommendations to the Senior Fair Executive Board. After the Executive Board hears the case and recommendations presented by the fair officials, all parties will have the right to present the case. Upon hearing the case, the Executive Board will make a ruling. If satisfactory evidence is obtained by the Executive Board that any of the livestock rules have been violated, the exhibitor and/or exhibitor's family may be barred from showing any species of livestock at the Lucas County Fair for a minimum period of one year or more, to be determined by the ruling of the Senior Fair Executive Board. In case any premium shall have been awarded to animals shown in violation of the rules, the Lucas County Agricultural Society will require the exhibitor to refund all premiums, trophies, awards, ribbons, and sale money above appraisal price under such violation. If the carcass of the animal under violation is found to be unusable, the exhibitor will be required to take possession of the carcass and refund the market price of the animal to the purchaser involved. The decision of the Senior Fair Executive Board is final. Unless rules violations are involved, all Championship placings stand.

