

LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

LIVESTOCK SUPERINTENDENT: JIM BROWN

ALL LIVESTOCK MOVE IN ON

Tuesday, August 4, 2009

6:00 AM—10:00 PM

1. LIVESTOCK RELEASE

In the interest of safety and equity, animal and tack release will be staggered by travel distance. This includes horses, large livestock and small livestock! No vehicles will be allowed into the Livestock area before the time designated on the completed and signed release form. (Please help make the process smooth by waiting for your release time to get in line).

RELEASE SCHEDULE WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

3:00 – Covelo, Pt. Arena, Out of County

3:30 -- Ft. Bragg, Laytonville

4:00 -- Boonville, Willits, Philo

5:30 – Potter Valley, Hopland

6:00 – Redwood Valley, Ukiah, Calpella

2. All Junior Livestock Exhibitors will be required to pay a \$2.00 per exhibitor entry fee for spectator liability insurance during week of Fair, August 6 – 9, 2009. All livestock exhibitors, 4-H and FFA Leaders will be provided a discounted Fair entrance wristband for \$3.00, due in conjunction with entry form.

3. **NEW NEW !!** As a result of the ongoing TB investigations in the state, breeding dairy cattle over 6 months of age entering fairs in California are required to be tested for TB. This tuberculosis testing is mandatory for the 2009 fair season. <http://www.bigfun.org/pdfs/competitions/TBletter.pdf>.

4. To prevent the transmission of any poultry diseases, all Poultry must be inspected by official Poultry Inspector prior to cooping.

5. If swine are imported directly from states classified Pseudorabies Eradication Program Stage 1, 2, or 3, negative Pseudorabies test is required within 30 days before entry in California. These swine must be isolated from other swine and cannot be exhibited until retested and found negative 30 to 60 days after entering California.

6. A regular California entry permit will not be granted for swine vaccinated for Pseudorabies. However, AHFSS, CDFA may grant a special California entry permit with specific limitation for such swine.

7. Entries close July 10, 2009 at 5:00 PM Entries must be postmarked on or before this date. Depending on space availability, entries may be accepted during a ten (10) day grace period after the entry closing date with a \$50 dollar penalty fee. Entries may close sooner if capacity is reached.

8. **STATE RULES:** All rules contained in "State Rules for California Fairs" as prescribed by the Division of Fairs & Expositions apply to this fair. Copies of this booklet may be obtained from the fair office, or online: <http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/fe>.

9. **4-H Age requirements:** The levels of membership for 4-H are age and/or grade based. Each level is defined as follows:

■ **Primary Level:** Must be 5 years old or in kindergarten as of January 1, 2009 to exhibit at fair. Primary membership ends

when members qualify as junior members. Exhibitors who are under 9 years of age as of January 1, 2009 are not eligible to compete in large animal competitions at California Fairs.

■ **Junior, Intermediate & Senior:** Must be 9 years old or in the 4th grade by January 1, 2009. Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.

10. **FFA Age requirements:** Members may participate as members until the end of the calendar year following the year of graduation from high school.

11. **INDEPENDENT JUNIOR Exhibitors Age requirements:** Independent Exhibitors must be at least 9 years old or in the 4th grade by January 1, 2009. Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age. Exhibitors who are under 9 years of age as of January 1, 2009 are not eligible to compete in large animal competitions at California Fairs.

12. Independent Junior exhibitors entering livestock animals must provide fair management with a picture of their animal, appropriate proof of ownership, permanent tag, tattoo and/or hog ear notch information 120 days prior to the fair for horse and beef, 90 days for swine, 60 days for sheep and goat, 30 days for rabbit, dogs, cavy, poultry and breeding animal.

13. Independent Junior exhibitors' exhibiting a market animal to sell must have attended at 80% of the Junior Livestock auction meetings. Auction meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Willits High School, and follow all of the guide lines set forth in the Rate of Gain program. For further information contact the Exhibit Superintendent at the Redwood Empire Fair at 707-462-3884.

14. Independents need to submit a project folder with their Entry Form to the fair. The project book must include proof of ownership, i.e. dated sale receipt or time dated photograph. Project book should have a journal of feed and weight, how many hours you have spent with your animal, expenses spent on your animal and an explanation of what you learned. Animals must have been fitted by exhibitor only.

15. Livestock and horse projects must be owned (and leased horses as specified in this document) by and under the exhibitor's care and management and under the supervision of the organization in which the project will be shown as specified below. The official ownership date is the date shown on the receipt of sale unless the exhibitor bred the animal. The days are counted prior to the weigh-in day of the fair.

a) Market animals: Beef – 120 consecutive days; and 90 consecutive days for swine and 60 consecutive days for sheep, and goats.

b) Breeding animals: 30 consecutive days

- c) All small market/breeding animals 30 consecutive days (rabbits, poultry and cavies)
 - d) All horses: leased or owned 120 consecutive days.
16. Independent exhibitors 14 and younger may be placed in 4H classes, depending on class size.
 17. Independent exhibitor 15 and older may be placed in FFA classes, depending on class size.
 18. Placement on all of the above depends on class size and will be decided by management.
 19. Independent exhibitors that win showmanship classes will be allowed to compete in Round Robin with all other exhibitors.
 20. Independent exhibitors that participant in the market animal program at the Redwood Empire Fair will be given equal consideration as all other exhibitors will with regards to Supreme Champion as will as all classes.
 21. While in the show ring at the Redwood Empire Fair independents must adhere to the dress code and may not exhibit in clothing related to any other program.

LIABILITY

1. Exhibitors of animals, machinery in motion and other exhibits liable to occasional accident, injury, or damage to persons coming in contact therewith shall indemnify the Fair from and against all claims and demands, costs, charges, and expenses which it may incur, suffer, or be put to, by reason of any exhibit not properly guarded, or the public not being properly guarded there from.
2. **All Junior Livestock Exhibitors will be required to pay a \$2.00 per exhibitor fee for spectator liability insurance during week of Fair, August 4-9, 2009.**

ENTRIES

1. Entries are limited to one Market/Feeder Animal per exhibitor of one combined source.
2. Under no circumstances may an exhibitor enter the same species of animal or bird in FFA, 4-H and Independent classes of the junior department.
3. All livestock exhibitor must check in at the Livestock office.
4. The Exhibitor's name, written signature and complete address, including mailing address, must be clearly indicated on the entry form to assure delivery of premium checks, which will be mailed promptly after the close of the Fair.
5. All entries must be properly made on the official entry forms furnished by the Redwood Empire Fair and must be signed by the 4-H exhibitor, parent or guardian, and 4-H Community Club Leader and project leader, indicating the club represented, or by leaders' designated representative. Exhibitor, parent or guardian and FFA advisor must sign entry forms for FFA exhibitors. The Independent Junior Exhibitor and parent or guardian must sign Independent junior exhibitor's entry form.
6. Substitutions may only be made within a division: steer for steer, pig for pig etc. **NO** other substitution will be allowed! Exhibitor's entry may be disqualified for non compliance, such as bringing different species to fair. Substitutions must be made when the exhibit arrives at the fairgrounds, or for livestock (breeding animals), when registration certificates are checked. In the livestock department a minimum \$5.00 penalty

must be paid at the time of check-in for each substitution made by the exhibitor in excess of two in the division.

7. The Fair RESERVES the right to split livestock classes by AGE, WEIGHT OR BREED for equity in judging.
8. The Management of the Redwood Empire Fair may remove any exhibitor and/or exhibit from the fairgrounds for any behavior deemed disruptive, or dangerous e.g., alcohol, drugs, (use or possession), smoking in barns, defacing property, etc. Award money may be forfeited and exhibitor may not be allowed to participate in auction. Anyone on the Fairgrounds is subject to search by security. It is illegal to bring any alcoholic beverages on fairground property, except by contracted vendors. Any illegal act will be reported to the police.

DRESS CODE

1. All exhibitors must wear the appropriate uniform of their organization while showing their animals, or helping show for another exhibitor.
2. 4-H and FFA members must wear white pants and white shirts. 4-H members must wear official 4-H tie or scarf and hat. FFA members must wear FFA jacket.
3. All Independent Junior Exhibitors showing animals must wear white pants (ankle length) white blouse or shirt; black, brown or white footwear. See Horse show rules for Horse show dress code.

EXHIBITING

1. All Livestock must arrive only on Tuesday, August 4, 2009 between 6:00 AM & 10:00 PM
2. Upon arrival, Animal Exhibitors will report to the livestock office (through gate 4) with ownership/lease papers, to receive instruction, assignment of stalls or pens, and to check registration papers.
3. **ALL JUNIOR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS** are required to attend Orientation 8:00 am, August 5, 2009 in Racine Pavilion.
4. **ALL 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.
5. Shearing at Fair; exhibitors at fair may use electric shears. Leader may use shears for safety reasons or training purposes only
6. Muzzling of any animal is strictly prohibited.
7. No one is allowed in the barn after 11:00 PM or before 5:00 AM. A security guard will be in attendance from 11:00 AM to 5:00 AM each morning.
8. Exhibitors may not sleep over night in the barn area.
9. Animals must be kept thoroughly groomed, cleaned and in show condition at all times.
10. First bedding will be furnished. All other bedding and feed must be supplied by the exhibitor.
11. All stalls must be cleaned by 7:30 AM daily. **It is mandatory that all stalls and pens AND aisles be kept clean.**
12. Pathways, approaches and areas around barns must be kept clean for the safety and convenience of spectators.
13. The only animals allowed past the fence to the campground are horses, guide Dogs and Goats. Anyone in violation of these rules will be asked to leave the Fairgrounds.
14. Only horses may be washed at the wash racks in the horse barn area.

15. Exhibitor may not use independently owned fans in the barns. The Fair will furnish as many fans as the power supply will safely support.
16. Exhibitor vehicles and livestock trucks must park in lot provided for this purpose.
17. No Parking in front or sides of horse stalls is allowed. Vehicles doing so will be towed at owner's expense.(V.C.22658)
18. Exhibitors, leaders, advisors and parents found in violation of rules or in practices unethical or inimical with the Fair program shall be denied entry or be penalized by forfeiture of awards and/or privileges as may be deemed appropriate to the circumstances. The management shall report any such incidences to the Division of Fairs and Expositions in writing and such reports may become the basis for any fair to refuse entries.
19. Exhibitors are responsible for inspecting their pen/stall prior to penning animals.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

1. Any inhumane or other inappropriate action to animals by the exhibitor may cause disqualification, forfeiture of awards and removal of the exhibitor or exhibit from the Fairgrounds.
2. Animal health decisions will be made in the best interest of the animal and for the other animals at the Fair.
3. Castration sites shall be healed and free of inflammation.
4. No animal shall be admitted or remain on the Fairgrounds that shows any evidence of any active, communicable disease, or any unsightly disease or other condition. No animal shall be admitted to the Fairgrounds from any premises under quarantine for disease.
5. Management reserves the rights to require health inspections, quarantine and/or diagnostic tests to be made before, during or after animals are on the Fairgrounds and to implement disease control procedures that may become necessary in emergencies. The health of animals when determined by the official vet or by the judge shall be final and cannot be protested. Exhibitors who refuse to allow their animals to be examined shall be disqualified and such violation shall be reported to F & E. No refunds of fees will be made and animal may be required to be removed from grounds.
6. All exhibitors must comply with all state and federal animal health regulations and the Fair's health requirements, including submittal of the Fair's Certificate of Animal Medication.
7. SCRAPIE: A scrapie ear tag is required on all market and breeding Sheep and Goats. Exhibitors must include this I.D. tag number on their entry form. Scrapie is a fatal, degenerative disease affecting the central nervous system of sheep and goats.

4-H, FFA and INDEPENDENT AWARDS PROGRAM

Exhibitors are requested to be in uniform and attend the awards program on Sunday, August 9, 2009 at 10:00 AM in Grange Park. All exhibitors and parents are welcome.

Redwood Empire Fair Camper Rules

It is the intent of the Fair to provide a safe and enjoyable environment for all livestock exhibitors and their families. To insure a safe and enjoyable fair, it is imperative that all

participants are familiar with the rules and their ramifications. By signing and submitting an entry form you acknowledge having read and understood the state and local rules and agree to abide by them.

Particular attention should be given to the Rules for California Fairs 2009, which state "Fair management shall deny entry or disqualify and remove any exhibit or exhibitor that has violated State and or Local Rules". The ability to camp at the fair grounds is a privilege. Abuse of this privilege will impact future exhibitors as well as current exhibitors. Rules mandate as followed;

1. Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated.
2. Alcohol or drug use or possession will not be tolerated.
3. Each camp space shall have an adult chaperone over the age of 21 years old staying in the camp space.
4. Camping is only for exhibitors, leaders, parents and chaperons. Siblings will need special permission from the 4-H Community Leader or FFA Advisor.
5. All camping shall be in the assigned camp space, and not protrude into a designated fire lane. Once assigned, a camp space cannot be moved without permission.
6. If a vehicle is parked in the fire lane, a camp space or no parking area, it will be towed at the owner's expense without notice to vehicle owner.
7. NO swimming pools.
8. Camp curfew; up to and including 14 year olds is 10:00 P.M.; 15 and up is 11:00 P.M. Saturday curfew may be extended dependent on the overall compliance with this curfew policy.
9. All visitors must leave the camp area by 11:00 P.M. No visitors are allowed to stay overnight.
10. Exhibitors will not be allowed in the barns past 11:00 P.M.
11. Dogs are not allowed on the fairgrounds except during the dog show or are an identified Guide Dog.
12. Registration deadlines will be enforced.
13. There will be a mandatory exhibitor meeting at 8:00 AM Wednesday morning to review rules and expectations.
14. Problems should be brought to respective 4-H Club leaders or FFA Chapter advisors first, unless an emergency situation exists. If that leader is not able to deal with it, then the leader will bring it to the Fair Manager.
15. All fees must be paid with one check from Clubs/Chapters.

The ultimate ramification of failing to abide by the rules is the removal of the exhibitor and the exhibit from the fair grounds and forfeiture of premiums and all other awards. In order to insure a safe and enjoyable experience for all, fair management will remove those exhibitors that show disregard for State and local rules.

CAMPGROUND RULES

It is the intent of the Fair to provide a safe environment for the Livestock exhibitors and their families during the Fair. The following rules are established to meet the goal. Please read the camp registration form carefully.

1. Campers will stage (line up) in the front parking lot (front office of fair) to be checked in. You may enter the parking lot from State Street.
2. Camp registration/wristband request application forms must be submitted by June 22, 2009 by 5:00 pm.. Late returns may lose their place in the rotation. The Community Leader/FFA Adviser must sign all reservation forms. Contact the entry department for forms by phone (707) 462-3884; fax (707) 642-2641 and exhibits@redwoodempirefair.com.

3. Livestock Exhibitor Campground Camping Fee is \$60 for a 15' X 30' space; also available is tent camping space of 15' X 15' for \$40.
4. All livestock exhibitors, 4-H and FFA Leaders will be provided a discounted Fair entrance wristband for \$3.00, due in conjunction with entry form. A fee of \$3 will be charged for replacing a wristband with the complete broken band in exchange; a \$7 fee will be charged for replacement without wristband, but proof of Livestock exhibitor status will be required. Prior arrangements may be made for replacement in extenuating circumstances.
5. Campsites may be set up Sunday, August 2, 2009 between 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM; if campground applicants exceed space available, the Fair may make adjustment in space size to accommodate for more spaces. Applications will be returned on a 1st come 1st serve basis. No camping in campsites is permitted until Tuesday, August 4, 2009.
6. Camping & R.V. units must be kept within space allocated and not protrude into designated fire lane, or other camp spaces.
7. Camp packets (wristbands, camp and parking passes) will be distributed under the tree at Willow stage on Tuesday, August 4, 2009 Please report the actual camp space # at time of pick up. If you have any questions or concerns call the Fair at 462-3884 ask for the Entry Department.
8. The only animals allowed in the campground are guide dogs. No other livestock is allowed in the campground area. Anyone in violation of these rules will be asked to leave the Fairgrounds, and forfeit their premiums.
9. While NO guarantee is made, the Fair will make every attempt to make power and water available to each site.
10. Campers are required to use a 12 AWG cord (20 AMPS maximum). Cord must be rated for hard usage and must be free of any defects such as fraying or broken insulation, exposed conductors or missing ground blade. Cords not meeting these safety requirements will be confiscated.
11. No leaking hoses will be allowed; all hoses must be in good repair with proper fittings and washers.
12. Use of generators may be prohibited, if exhaust creates a hazard for other campsites.
13. No cars, trucks or vans, unless used as camping unit, will be allowed in the Camp areas except for temporary loading or unloading of equipment. Camp vehicles are to be parked in the designated parking lot at the East end of the camp area.
14. For the safety of all, fire lanes will be a minimum of 20 feet and are to be kept clear at all times. Any vehicle parked in a camp space or no parking area or fire lane will be towed at owner's expense. (V.C.22500.1)
15. Camp cannot be broken before noon, Sunday, August 9, 2009, and need to be off grounds by 4 P.M.
16. Clean pens before leaving fairgrounds

PREPARATION OF THE EXHIBIT:

- Adequate bedding, clean dry and in place..... 10
- Alleys clean, free of straw and debris..... 10
- Materials used for decorations neat and attractive. 5
(Must be fire retardant)
- Appropriate signs, stall cards readable and
Neatly arranged.....5

APPEARANCE AND ATTITUDE OF EXHIBITORS:

- Knowledgeable, courteous, friendly and able to
answer questions about exhibit..... 10
- Exhibitor neat and clean, appropriately dressed.... 10

CARE OF EXHIBIT:

- Animals clean & clipped.....10
- Attractive organized feeders and feed equipment...10
- Feed and equipment stored neatly when not in use,
& kept clean.....10

EDUCATION & INFORMATION DISPLAYS:

- Provides opportunity to learn.....10
- Appearance, appropriateness and legible10

TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS.....100%

PERPETUAL SPORTSMANSHIP TROPHY

Nominations are made from 4-H and FFA leaders/advisors, applicant to any area in which an exhibitor is exhibiting. Nomination forms may be obtained at the Livestock Office. Criteria for the nomination:

- Cheerfully follow the rules of their respective organization.
- Is helpful to others, especially newer/younger members, sharing the knowledge he/she has learned.
- Whether winning or losing, exhibits a good attitude.
- Follow project to completion through to the end of the fair.

CLEAN STALL AWARDS

A \$100.00 cash award will be given for top overall clean stall

A \$50.00 cash award will be given for the best Agricultural Exhibit

The clean stall program is designed to encourage group efforts by **all livestock exhibitors** to make their exhibits meaningful, educational and attractive to the viewing public, and safe and comfortable for the animals and exhibitors.

A spirit of fun, friendship and teamwork should prevail. The clubs, groups and chapters will be judged as a group display, whether one or many exhibitors are involved. A committee will inspect all exhibits every day of the Fair to determine those that, in their judgment, maintain the best overall score, taking into consideration the following points:

All stalls must be cleaned by 7:30 AM daily. **It is mandatory that all stalls and pens AND aisles be kept clean.**

NOMINATE YOUR

4-H LEADERS & FFA ADVISORS

Nominate your favorite 4-H leader and/or FFA advisor for the Leader and Advisor award for the 2009 year. Nomination forms can be picked up at the livestock office or by contacting the Entry Superintendent at the Redwood Empire Fair, 462-3884. Nomination forms must be submitted by Saturday night at 6:00 PM