### JUNIOR LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT

The Junior Department is for young people who would like to enter their exhibits at the Fair. The Colusa County Fair will make every effort to accommodate these Junior Exhibitors by providing divisions and classes for groups such as FFA and 4-H. The Fair will also provide the opportunity for young people to enter their exhibits who are not members of an established club or organization. Independent Exhibitors may compete in the appropriate age class in direct competition with the FFA or 4-H members. If there is a significant number of Independent Exhibitors, then divisions and classes may be formed only for those Independent Exhibitors. Good luck with your exhibits and we look forward to seeing you at the COLUSA COUNTY FAIR.

### **ELIGIBILITY AND AGE REQUIREMENTS**

**FFA**: members may participate as members until the end of the calendar year following the year of graduation from high school. (For example, a graduate this year is eligible until December 31, of next year.)

4-H Age Requirements: The levels of membership for 4-H are age based. Each level is defined as follows:

**Primary Members:** Must be 5 years old by December 31, 2020 of the program year. Primary members cannot enroll in large animal projects. Youth enrolling who turn nine on or after January 1st must participate as a Primary Member until the end of the program year.

**Junior, Intermediate and Senior Members:** Must be 9 years old by December 31, 2020 of the program year and may continue in the program until December 31<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year in which they become 19 years of age.

**Grange Members:** must be at least 5 years old on January 1, 2021 to exhibit. They may exhibit until the end of the calendar year in which they reach age 19. All Grange Youth must be 9 years old on January 1, 2021 to exhibit large animals.

Independent Exhibitors must be at least 9 years old by January 1, 2021. Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.

### One Year Out of High School Policy

An exhibitor may participate in the Colusa County Fair one year after graduating from high school as a 4-H or FFA member provided they have met all the rules and requirements of the organization. Independent exhibitors may only complete one year after graduating from high school, provided they were entered as an independent in the previous year.

Youth under 9 years of age must exhibit in special divisions designated by the fair.

### COLUSA COUNTY FAIR SHOW UNIFORM

**FFA** show uniform to be worn by all FFA exhibitors while showing at the fair shall consist of white pants, white shirt, the official FFA Jacket with the official FFA four-in-hand necktie or scarf. Shirts must be tucked in and have short or long sleeves (not sleeveless). Hats or headgear of any kind shall not be worn with the show uniform while showing.

**4-H** show uniform to be worn by all 4-H exhibitors showing at the fair shall consist of white pants and white shirt. Shirt must be tucked in and have short or long sleeves (not sleeveless). 4-H members must wear the 4-H tie or scarf and hat. NOTE: The 4-H hat must be worn on the exhibitor's head.

**Independent Exhibitors** showing livestock must wear white pants and white shirt. Shirts must be tucked in and have short or long sleeves (not sleeveless)

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Junior Exhibitors who help show in group or pen classes must also wear their show uniform.

**Grange Members** showing livestock must wear clean blue jeans, red grange vest, white shirt. Shirts must be tucked in and have short or long sleeves (not sleeveless).

## INDEPENDENT LIVESTOCK MARKET EXHIBITOR

### Rules:

To show and sell at the Colusa County Fair an Independent Junior Exhibitor must register with the Colusa Fair Entry Office by November 30th of each year. If this date falls on a weekend, it is by the Friday before.

At this time, you must list:

- a. Project or Species
- b. Name of the Adult that will be supervising you while on the Fairgrounds.
- c. Parent/Guardian must sign the registration at this time.

Exhibitor Age and Other Requirements:

- 1. Limited to Colusa County Residents only
- 2. Must be 9 years old or in the 4th grade by January 1, 2021.
- 3. Exhibitors are eligible to compete through December 31st of the year in which they turn 19.
- 4. Must not be affiliated with any Junior Organization (4-H or FFA) within 60 days (120 days for market beef) before the Fair in the same livestock project (species).
- 5. Must provide certificate of Liability Insurance coverage for themselves as required by local and State Rules. (May purchase through Fair Office)
- 6. Must attend scheduled pre-weigh-in day or receive written permission to be excused. If not attending the weigh-in day, exhibitors must submit a picture of themselves and their animal subject to the same rules as outlined for all Livestock exhibitors. Additionally, all independent market animals must be tagged by a Fair representative.
- 7. Must make a project presentation to the Fair Board of Directors, or designees during the months of March, April or May. All presentations will be graded/scored by the Fair Board of Directors. Presentations must be a minimum of 5 minutes in duration. Exhibitor must receive a score of 70% or higher in order to be eligible. Presentations will be scheduled by the Colusa County Fair Management.
- 8. Keep a Record Book (provided by the fair) that must be turned into the Fair Livestock Office by 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 8, 2021. To be reviewed by a Fair Board member and a JLA Committee Representative.
- 9. A Thank You note MUST be written to the buyer and turned into the Fair Entry Office in an addressed, stamped envelope after the awards ceremony on Sunday. Checks will NOT be issued until thank you notes are received at the Livestock Office. Thank you notes are to be submitted in an addressed, and postage stamped envelope.
- 10. Independent Exhibitors shall show in age appropriate division as per their age/year in school as of January 1, 2021.

8th Grade/13 or under 4-H High School/14 or over FFA

- 11. Independent exhibitors may only compete one year after graduating from high school provided, they were entered as an independent in the previous year.
- 12. Please note that members transferring from 4-H, FFA or Grange to Independent may be ineligible to participate at Fairs as an Independent exhibitor if documented disciplinary action involving their

- project(s) has been taken against them by 4-H, FFA or Grange organizations. Length of ineligibility shall be determined by Fair Management.
- 13. Independent Exhibitors are required to check in with the Livestock Superintendent at the Livestock Office daily (starting the day after the animal is moved onto the Fairgrounds) at three separate times: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Exhibitors and Superintendent will do three walk through's per day to inspect pens for cleanliness and confirm water and feed have been provided to each animal.
- 14. If the Exhibitor fails to meet any of the above listed rules, they will NOT be eligible to show as an Independent Exhibitor for the following year.

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### **Rules:**

- 1. Limited to Colusa County Residents only. (Except for Dairy)
- 2. Animal Ownership: Large market animals must be owned and under the exhibitor's care and possession no later than: Beef—February 8, 2021, Swine, Sheep, Goats—April 8, 2021. Breeding animals, Rabbit and Poultry Meat Pens—Thursday May 8, 2021.
- 3. Livestock can arrive on the grounds after 4:00 pm Monday, June 7, 2021. On Tuesday, June 8, Hogs need to have arrive by 7:30 a.m. All other Large Market Animals can arrive NO LATER THAN 10:30 am. Breeding Stock can arrive no later than 6:30 p.m. No vehicles will be allowed in the livestock area at any time after 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 8, 2021.
- 4. All market animals must be clean and dry prior to being weighed.
- 5. All bedding shall be provided by the exhibitor, including first bedding. Qualified bedding can be, wheat or barley straw, pine or cedar shavings mix, or wood chips.
- 6. Exhibitors must furnish feed and care for their exhibits for the duration of the fair.
- 7. All livestock pens and stalls must be cleaned by 9:00 a.m. each day of the fair and be kept clean throughout the day. On Sunday, June 13, 2021, pens should be cleaned out after 10:00 a.m. due to the shipping of sale animals.
- 8. Replacement of Injured or Deceased Animals: If a market animal is seriously injured or dies prior to fair, a report/necropsy must be completed by a licensed veterinarian. The exhibitor must then contact the CEO, who along with the Livestock Superintendent, will determine whether an ownership variance will be granted. Animals that are granted a variance will not be eligible to compete in the Champion Drive.
- 9. Weigh masters will be provided by Fair Management. No pre-weighing will be permitted. If any weight is contested, it must be done immediately. The animal will be taken off the scales, the scales balanced, and the animal re-weighed. NO RE-WEIGHS WILL BE PERMITTED AFTER THE ANIMAL LEAVES THE SCALE AREA.
- 10. Exhibitors may show a maximum of two (2) large market animals at the fair. Exhibitors may only weigh-in 2 market animals per species at the Official weigh-in. If more than 2 total animals are weighed, immediately following weighing of the last animal, the exhibitor must declare which 2 animals will remain to be shown. All other animals must be removed from the fairgrounds prior to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, this includes animals that don't make weight.
- 11. There must be a minimum of five exhibitors that show in a class, for that specie to be eligible for the Master Showmanship competition.
- 12. Release time for livestock and tack will be 9:00 p.m. on Friday and again at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. NO LIVESTOCK OR TACK will be released from the grounds AT ANY TIME without a signed release from the Livestock Superintendent.
- 13. Exhibitors must show their own animal (s). In the instance that an exhibitor may have two animals in the same class, another exhibitor may show the second animal if they are a valid member of the organization that the original exhibitor belongs to, i.e. 4-H for 4-H, FFA for FFA, and Independent Exhibitors would acquire another Independent Exhibitor. Only the CEO may release the exhibitor from this rule.
- 14. In accordance with State Rule X, Animal Health Rules, all large animal entries shall be health checked after their arrival time on Tuesday, June 8, 2021. Any animals that do not pass the health inspection will be required to leave the grounds immediately.

- 15. The exhibitor assumes all risk both to and by their animals.
- 16. Fair Management will cancel and return all entries that are received after available facilities are filled.
- 17. To be eligible to sell a market animal at the Junior Livestock Auction, all junior market animal exhibitors must show and sell in their show uniform and their market animal must be judged Market Ready.
- 18. Use of blocking stands, blowers, etc. will be allowed only in areas designated by fair management.
- 19. Junior exhibitors (4-H, FFA and Independent) who are exhibiting market and/or breeding animals at the fair are expected to groom and care for their animals while at Fair. Exhibitors may help each other in the fitting and grooming process. Parents, 4-H leaders and agricultural advisors (teachers) of these junior exhibitors can offer assistance or educational instruction if the exhibitor is actively engaged.
- 20. Colusa County Fair has adopted State Rule V. Protest, 1 thru 15 as their Protest Policy; see the State Rules on the Colusa County Fair Website.
- 21. No Junior exhibitor may exhibit an animal in a market class once it has been sold as a market animal through a Junior Livestock Auction. These animals may be shown following the 30-consecutive day ownership requirement as breeding animals. All Champion and Reserve Champion market animals will be permanently identified by the Colusa County Fair if sold through the Jr. Livestock Auction.
- 22. Violation of any of the above rules may result in disqualification of the exhibitor, market / breeding animal(s) from all classes and the Junior Livestock Auction as well as the possible forfeiture of all premiums.
- 23. Purchase ONLINE with entry fees: Exhibitor Wristband \$10

Purchase at the Fair Office: Leader Wristband \$15 Parent 4-day pass \$20 If you lose your wristband or pass, you pay at the gate.

24. Notice to ALL exhibitors, the Colus gate is the ONLY gate for credential vehicles. Pedestrians may enter here with a credential or purchase a ticket at the ticket booth.

### **LIVESTOCK RV PARKING:**

- 1. If a trailer space is needed, please call the entry office to request a trailer space application. Additional rules and regulations apply.
- 2. A fee of \$250.00, per trailer during Fair Time will be charged.
- 3. The State Health Department has ruled that no trailers will be allowed on the grounds with open drains.
- 4. House trailers will be allowed only as sleeping facilities.

#### INSURANCE:

County, District and State Fairs cannot legally carry liability insurance covering Junior Exhibitors and/or their exhibits. Liability insurance is the responsibility and at the discretion of the Junior Exhibitor. Therefore, it is suggested, that Junior Exhibitors consider taking out a liability policy covering themselves and their exhibits.

### **LIABILITY WAIVER:**

By submitting entries (property) through the online entries process to the Colusa County Fair, you are agreeing that:

I am the owner of the property specified herein or the supervisor of the projects with authorization to act as agent and to bind the owners of the property in all matters herein. I have read, understand and agree to abide by all rules and regulations governing the Fair entries as published in the official Colusa County Fair Entry Guide (Premium Book).

I agree to indemnify, defend and save harmless the Colusa County Fair, it's officers, agents and employees from any and all losses accruing or resulting to any and all persons in connection with my participation in the Fair, and from any and all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any person, firm or corporation who may be injured as a result of my participation.

# **LOCAL RULES**

- 1. See Department for area designations and pertinent rules. Unless otherwise specified, departments shall be limited to members of Colusa County 4-H and FFA programs or independents who are residents of Colusa County.
- 2. Entries are accepted ONLINE for STILL EXHIBITS at www.Colusacountyfairgrounds.com; click on Entry Guide, then the desired Department link, or you may make a copy of the attached paper entry form in the back of the book and submit the hand-written entry form, which is due one week prior to the ONLINE closing date for still entries
- 3. Exhibits will be placed on standard containers as specified by the Fair management before being display.
- 4. Exhibitors may not remove exhibits, except livestock (see livestock rules) before 10:00 a.m. Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Teachers may pre-schedule with Exhibit Supervisor to pick up class exhibits. ALL EXHIBITS SHOULD HAVE CLAIM CHECK TAGS TO BE RELEASED. The Management will not be responsible for articles left in or around Exhibit Buildings and/or displayed on the Fairgrounds after 4:00 p.m., Monday, June 14, 2021.

- 5. While every effort will be made to protect exhibits, the 44th District Agricultural Association assumes no responsibility for any articles or exhibits which may be stolen, lost or destroyed by fire or damaged in any way.
- 6. Articles sent by mail, freight, express, etcetera will not be accepted.
- 7. Exhibitors requesting exhibit tags mailed must send postage in stamps to cover mailing expense
- 8. Placement of ribbons does not guarantee correct placing in judging. Only the official placing on the judging sheets constitute final placement.
- 9. Premium checks for STILL ENTRIES will be mailed out. All premium checks not cashed will automatically void after 120 days from issue. Errors in payment of premiums will not be corrected unless requested prior to July 31, 2021.
- 10. The Board of Directors has authorized a 10 day grace period after the entry deadline in each department to accept Late Entries with payment of a penalty fee of \$100 (One hundred dollars).
- 11. Judges selection is based on their qualifications of knowledge, experience, and in most cases, accreditation by specific Guilds, Schools, or Associations usually accomplished through schooling, testing and periodical updated training.

2020 State Rules for California Fairs go to:

https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/Fairs & Expositions/Documents/State Rules for California Fairs/2020 State Rules for California Fairs.pdf