

## Livestock Rules 2009

1. All animals brought to the fair must be shown except nursing infants.
2. Exhibitor must accept stalls as assigned by superintendent.
3. Animal designations are:  
Livestock: dairy cattle, beef cattle, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, swine, alpacas and llamas.  
Small animals: poultry, rabbits, and covies
4. Veterinary check slips must be presented to general or department superintendent prior to enter the barn for stall assignments.
5. A minimum of three (3) animals per class is required to award a trophy. Exceptions to this rule may be made at the judge's discretion.
6. Any livestock participants, except those with market sale animals, may enter their animals in open class. Any youth exhibitor member entered in open class must comply with open rules.
7. Youth exhibitors wanting to leave the immediate fairgrounds must report to their leader and leave a telephone number where they can be reached. Their leader will inform the barn superintendent.
8. Market livestock may be removed from grounds when authorized on Sunday. Removal of other animals before designated time will result in forfeiture of the premium unless the barn superintendent authorizes removal.
9. Grooming, handling and exercise of project animals and herdsmanship must be performed by the youth exhibitor; this includes clipping and washing the animal. In cases where youth exhibitors are physically incapable of doing their own clipping or washing, only other youth members may provide needed assistance. Violations of this rule creates loss of learning experience to the exhibitor and unfair competition to other members, particularly in the fitting and showing contest, and is cause for disqualification of entry. **ONLY YOUTH EXHIBITORS ARE ALLOWED IN STALLS** with the exception of superintendents.
10. All exhibitors must show their own animals in both fitting & showing, type, and participate in herdsmanship to receive premium and awards.
11. Emergency veterinarian service will be provided when necessary, with superintendent's approval. Exhibitors will be billed for medication used. In all animal exhibits, medication can only be given with the approval of the superintendent or fair office.
12. It is not consistent with Washington State 4-H policy to administer any drug or medication, which could affect the performance or disposition of the animal. The fair management reserves the right to test any market animals that will be processed, and/or test champions and/or reserve champions, or test at random.
13. Portable clipping chutes may be used in areas designated by the barn superintendent.
14. Round Robin Showmanship contest will include overall Champion and Reserve Champion from beef, dairy cattle, sheep, swine, horse, meat goats and dairy goats.
15. Round Robin Small Animal Showmanship contest will include overall champions from poultry, waterfowl, game birds and covies.
16. Livestock Time Schedule:  
7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m.: Mandatory stall & barn cleanup  
8:00 a.m.: Mandatory barn meeting.  
9:00 p.m.: Mandatory barn meeting and animal bed down.  
10:00 p.m.: Barn closes.

17. Herdsmanship in the Livestock Barn is a team effort. Each exhibitor will be assigned to at least two hours per day. Exhibitors may be assigned to an area other than that which they are exhibiting in. Individual exhibitors must check on their animals every two hours.

18. Livestock management and ownership policy:

NOTE: Please refer to National Ring Code of Ethics

youth exhibitor members in Skamania County need not own their project animal, but the animal(s) must be under the care and management of the youth exhibitor for a specified period of time.

**Dairy Cattle:** 90 days.

**Beef:** Market animals must be owned by the youth exhibitor member 120 days prior to the official county exhibit event. Other beef 90 days.

**Swine:** Must be under the member's care and management 90 days prior to exhibit event.

**Sheep:** Must be under the member's care and management 60 days prior to exhibit event.

**Alpacas/Llama:** Must be under the member's care and management 90 days prior to exhibit event.

**Goats:** Goats must be under the member's care and management for a minimum of 60 days

**Rabbits and Poultry:** Rabbits and poultry must be under the member's care and management for a minimum of 45 days prior to a qualifying exhibit event.

26 Showing of horned livestock:

**Beef Cattle:** Market steers must be dehorned; healed or regrowth not to exceed two inches or naturally polled.

Breeding animals should have safeguards on the horn tips and should be encouraged to be dehorned as a management practice.

**Dairy Cattle:** No dairy animals with horns will be permitted to exhibit except those entered in the Junior Heifer Calf class. Horns, as defined for all other age classes, shall include "scurs," "nubbins," or "stubs" which extend beyond the skin more than one inch.

**Goats:** No horns on market animals, others if required by breed must have protectors on horns.

**Sheep:** No horns on market animals, others if required by breed must have protectors on horns

27 Showing of unaltered males:

**Beef Cattle:** Bulls under 12 months of age may be shown.

**Swine:** Boars are prohibited in all youth exhibitor classes.

**Sheep:** Rams under 2 years of age may be shown.

**Goats:** Goats under three months may be shown.

28 Show dress code:

All species – All Breeds

White Shirts, Blue or Black Jeans, Brown or Black Belt, Brown or Black Boots, No hats, Ties are optional.

White pants in the Dairy classes are required at State competition but will not be worn at the county level.

We understand and will abide by these rules.

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Exhibitor

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Parent