GENERAL LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT Open and Junior Livestock Division

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State Fair Administration and Oversight

By participating in the Illinois State Fair, all exhibitors agree to abide by this premium book and all statutes and administrative rules. The Illinois Department of Agriculture shall solely interpret and uphold these rules, in order to preserve the quality and standards of the Illinois State Fair and protect the safety, security, and well-being of State Fair exhibitors, visitors and exhibited animals. It is a privilege to exhibit at the Illinois State Fair and the Illinois Department of Agriculture reserves the right to disqualify and remove any animal and/or person.

While on the Fairgrounds, livestock exhibits will be under the control of the General Livestock Superintendent and respective Livestock Department Superintendent.

"Illinois State Fair" and "Illinois Department of Agriculture" may be used interchangeably throughout this premium book.

SECTION 1 EXHIBITION LIVESTOCK HEALTH REQUIREMENTS STATE FAIRS

For Health Requirement Information:

Illinois Department of Agriculture
Bureau of Animal Health and Welfare
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General Requirements

These Exhibition Health Requirements apply to all livestock present at the Fair including those animals that are not entered in competitive events.

- Exhibitors are required to familiarize themselves with all rules applicable to their exhibits. All outof-state animals shall require an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx.
- 2. All animals, except as noted in specie-specific rules, shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) which shows that the animal meets all health requirements for the State of Illinois. CVI's shall be made available to Bureau of Animal Health Personnel on request. If an official electronic CVI is utilized, the exhibitor should be able to log on and show Bureau of Animal Health Personnel the completed CVI. If a paper copy CVI is issued by the attending veterinarian the copy must be submitted via email to the Competitive Events Department at ISF-Livestock@illinois.gov at time of entry.

CVI means a legible record, made on an official form from the state of origin, which has been issued, signed and dated by an accredited veterinarian, and which shows the name and address of the animal's owner or exhibitor and the results of all required tests or vaccinations. A CVI shall list only one animal identification per line; shall be presented on the form on which it was initially issued; and shall not be corrected, changed or altered in any manner.

- 3. All animals shall be officially identified. The animal(s) official identification shall be recorded on the CVI.
 - Animal identification number (AIN): A numbering system for the official identification of individual animals in the United States that provides a nationally unique identification number for each animal. The AIN consists of 15 digits, with the first 3 being the country code (840 for the United States or a unique country code for any U.S. territory that has such a code and elects to use it in place of the 840 code).
- 4. If animals are from tuberculosis accredited, brucellosis certified, pseudorabies qualified, or brucellosis validated herds, the identifying herd number(s) along with the date of the last herd test(s) shall appear on the CVI.
- 5. CVIs for out-of-state livestock shall be void thirty (30) days after issuance.
- 6. CVIs for Illinois-origin livestock shall be void ninety (90) days after issuance.
- 7. All livestock shall be subject to examination upon entry to the Fairgrounds. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases shall be immediately withdrawn and held in quarantine at the owner's risk and expense until properly treated and recovered, or until the animal is released to return to the owner's premise.

Any livestock infected with scabies, mange, active lesions of ringworm, soremouth, or multiple warts

which are easily visible without close examination shall not be permitted to exhibit and are subject to quarantine or removal from the Fairgrounds.

Sheep and goats with caseous lymphadenitis as evidenced by draining abscesses shall not be exhibited and are subject to immediate quarantine or removal from the Fairgrounds.

In the event of the suspicion of or diagnosis of a foreign animal disease, emerging animal disease, or other actionable disease, animals may be subject to quarantine on the Fairgrounds until such time that it is determined that the disease is no longer a threat.

- 8. Illinois Department of Agriculture personnel or designees may collect blood, tissue, milk or urine samples from any animal being exhibited and/or raced at any Illinois fair, at any time, to test for the presence of illegal drugs or banned substances. Examination techniques, such as ultrasound, may also be used at any time while the animals are on the Fairgrounds.
 - The Illinois Department of Agriculture or designee may collect urine, blood, tissue or other test samples from exhibition animals at the time of slaughter.
- 9. All exhibitors of animals at the Illinois State Fair shall comply with the provisions of the Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act. If violations are observed, the animals(s) will be excused from exhibition and ordered removed from the grounds with all awards being forfeited.
 - Any practice or deviation from normal, accepted care, including physical, medical or mechanical application, shall constitute a violation of show rules and may result in the animal(s) disqualification and removal from the Fairgrounds.
- Any Illinois cattle, bison, cervidae or goats being exhibited in non-accredited free states must be isolated from the remainder of the herd/flock upon return to Illinois and retested for tuberculosis 60-120 days post-entry.

CATTLE

Identification

Individual identification of each animal shall be by a USDA official animal identification number ear tag, ("840" tag).

The identification tag must be able to be read both visually and electronically.

Illinois Cattle

Brucellosis

Illinois is a Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Illinois cattle. <u>Tuberculosis</u>

Illinois is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin testing is not required for Illinois cattle.

Please note: Illinois calves under 6 months of age are not required to have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

Out-of-State Cattle

All out-of-state cattle are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx.

Brucellosis

- 1. Female cattle six (6) months of age and older and bulls eighteen (18) months of age and older shall be negative to an official test for brucellosis within thirty (30 Days prior to entry, unless exempt by on (1) of the following:
 - a. Originate directly from a certified brucellosis-free herd.
 - b. Official vaccinates of dairy breeds under twenty (20) months of age or official vaccinates of beef

- breeds under twenty-four (24) months of age.
- c. Animal originated from a "Class Free" state (if entire state is so classified)
- d. Steers and spayed heifers are not required to be tested for brucellosis.
- 2. The negative brucellosis test shall be conducted at a state or federal laboratory within 30 days prior to exhibition.

Tuberculosis

- 1. Accredited Tuberculous-Free States
 - a. No tuberculin test required. All cattle, including steers, originating from an Accredited Tuberculosis Free State, may enter Illinois for exhibition when accompanied by a CVI issued by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days.
- 2. Non-Accredited Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
 - a. Cattle must originate from a herd where a complete herd test was conducted within the past year.
 - b. The individual animals entering Illinois must be negative to an additional tuberculin test conducted within 30 days prior to exhibition.
 - c. Cattle that enter Illinois for exhibition and remain in Illinois (animal does not return to the state of origin within 30 days) must be isolated and retested for TB 60-120 days from the last official TB test date.

SWINE

Identification

Individual identification of each animal shall be by a USDA official animal identification number ear tag, ("840" tag).

The identification tag must be able to be read both visually and electronically.

Illinois Swine

Brucellosis

Brucellosis testing is not required for Illinois swine.

<u>Tuberculosis</u>

Pseudorabies testing is not required for Illinois swine.

Out-of-State Swine

All out-of-state swine are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx.

Brucellosis

- 1. Breeding swine 4 months of age and older shall be negative to an official test for brucellosis within 30 days prior to exhibition unless exempt by one (1) of the following:
 - a. Originate immediately and directly from a validated brucellosis-free herd.
 - b. Originate directly from a validated brucellosis-free state.
- 2. Swine brucellosis tests for exhibition shall be conducted at a state or federal laboratory.

Pseudorabies

- 1. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage IV or V state are exempt from the pseudorabies testing requirement.
- 2. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage III state shall be negative to an official test for pseudorabies conducted within thirty (30) days prior to entry or originate immediately and directly from a qualified pseudorabies negative herd.
- 3. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage I or II state shall be negative to an official test for pseudorabies conducted within the 10 days prior to entry.
- 4. Barrows and females in market classes must meet the same requirements as breeding swine.

SHEEP

Identification

Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo or official metal or plastic tag. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.

Ear tattoos may be used when a registration certificate, listing the tattoo number, accompanies the animal.

When using ear tags, the tag must indicate the premises ID and state of origin. The tag number must be assigned by a state or APHIS representative and recorded in the Scrapie Record Database.

Market Lambs

All market lambs must be slick shorn (show ring ready) before weigh-in so that show lamb fungus can be identified.

Illinois Sheep

- 1. Sheep originating from a flock that has previously been classified as either an infected or source flock can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved flock plan.
- 2. The CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

Out-of-State Sheep

All out-of-state sheep are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx.

- 1. Sheep originating from a flock that has previously been classified as either an infected or source flock can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved flock plan.
- 2. The CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

GOATS

Identification

Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo or official metal or plastic tag. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.

Ear tattoos may be used when a registration certificate, listing the tattoo number, accompanies the animal.

When using ear tags, the tag must indicate the premises ID and state of origin. The tag number must be assigned by a state or APHIS representative and recorded in the Scrapie Record Database.

Ears should be used for tattooing when possible. If there is no space in the ear, the flank or tail fold may be used.

Illinois Goats

- 1. Goats originating from a herd that has previously been classified as either an infected or source herd can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved herd plan.
- 2. The CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

Out-of-State Goats

All out-of-state goats are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx.

1. Goats originating from a herd that has previously been classified as either an infected or source herd can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved herd plan.

2. Tuberculosis- Goats from areas or states that are not Accredited Bovine Tuberculosis Free, must be accompanied by a CVI indicating that the goats originated from a herd where a complete negative herd test has been conducted within the past twelve (12) months and the individual animals are negative to a tuberculin test conducted within thirty (30) days prior to entry. The CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

HORSES, PONIES, MULES AND OTHER EQUIDAE

Illinois Equine

- 1. All horses and other equidae, twelve (12) months of age and older attending an advertised equine event, shall be accompanied by a negative test for equine infectious anemia (EIA) conducted within the last twelve (12) months. A copy of this test shall accompany the animal.
- 2. AGID (Coggins) or ELISA tests are accepted.
- 3. An advertised equine event means a show, rodeo, sale, auction, exhibition, trail ride, or horse fair that is posted or media promoted.
- 4. A CVI is not required for Illinois equine.

Out-of-State Equine

All out-of-state equine are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx.

- 1. All horses and other equidae entering Illinois that are twelve (12) months of age or older, shall be accompanied by a negative test for equine infectious anemia (EIA) conducted within the last twelve (12) months. A copy of this test shall accompany the animal.
- 2. AGID (Coggins) or ELISA tests are accepted.
- 3. All horses and other equidae shall be accompanied by a CVI issued within thirty (30) days prior to entry.

POULTRY

- All entries (except waterfowl, i.e., domesticated fowl that normally swim, such as ducks and geese) in a show or exhibition shall have originated from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean or equivalent hatchery or flock OR have a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to exhibition. Exhibitor shall show proper information as to name and address of owner or exhibitor, name and address of the authorized testing agent, date of the testing and the number, breed, and species of those tested.
- 2. Prior to being used to transport poultry to a show, all crates, boxes, containers and vehicles shall be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected.
- 3. Any poultry vaccinations must be performed at least 4 weeks prior to delivery to the show.
- 4. Upon admission to a show, all entries shall be examined by the State Fair Veterinarian or qualified state personnel who shall also receive and examine all certificates necessary for admission of birds to a show. Birds not in show condition will be excused from exhibition and removed from the premises. Any fowl showing signs of illness during the fair will be removed from the exhibition grounds.
- 5. All out-of-state turkeys must originate from flocks that are officially classified as U.S. Mycoplasma Gallisepticum Clean in accordance with the provisions of the National Poultry Improvement Plan or be negative to a test for Mycoplasma gallisepticum within 30 days prior to entry.
- 6. A permit is also required for out-of-state poultry. Entry permit numbers are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx.

CERVIDAE

(Deer, Elk, Reindeer, Caribou, Moose, Red Deer and other Related Species)

Identification

All animals shall be individually identified with an approved tag, microchip or tattoo. Elk are required to have two official/approved unique identifiers.

Illinois Cervidae

Chronic Wasting Disease

For cervidae changing ownership or moving within the State, the owner must obtain a permit issued by the Department prior to movement and the cervid must originate from a herd that is enrolled in the Certified Monitored Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Program or the Contained Monitored Chronic Wasting Disease Program. The permit shall be obtained no more than 72 hours in advance of the movement of the cervids by providing the following information:

- a. Name and complete mailing address of person exhibiting the cervids;
- b. Certified Monitored Chronic Wasting Disease or Contained Monitored Chronic Wasting Disease Herd number;
- c. Name and complete mailing address of location where the animals will be exhibited;
- d. Number of animals and unique identification of the animals.

Tuberculosis

Illinois is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Illinois cervidae.

Out-of-State Cervidae

All out-of-state cervidae are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx.

Chronic Wasting Disease

- 1. All cervidae entering Illinois must be in compliance with the Illinois Wildlife Code [520 ILCS 5]. For more information, contact the Illinois Department of Natural Resources at 217/782-6384.
- 2. All cervidae entering Illinois must be accompanied by a permit from the Department and a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection that:
 - a. has been issued by an accredited veterinarian of the state of origin or a veterinarian in the employ of the United States Department of Agriculture;
 - b. is approved by the Animal Health Official of the state of origin;
 - shows that the cervidae are free from visible evidence of any contagious, infectious or communicable disease or exposure thereto, do not originate from a CWD endemic area (any county and surrounding counties where CWD has been diagnosed in the past five years);
 - d. shows that the cervidae are not originating from a herd under quarantine for any contagious, infectious or communicable disease;
 - e. shows that the animals originate from a herd that has been monitored for at least 5 years under a state-approved CWD certification program.
- 3. A permit number can be obtained by applying online at

https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Animals/AnimalHealth/Documents/permitrequestform.pdf.

Applicant for permit shall furnish the following information to the Department:

- a. Name and post office mailing address of Illinois destination;
- b. Name and post office mailing address of the consignor and/or source herds;
- c. Name and post office mailing address of the herd veterinarian;
- d. Number and unique identification of cervidae in shipment.

<u>Brucellosis</u>

Cervidae six (6) months of age and older must have a negative brucellosis card or PCFIA test within sixty (60) days prior to entry.

Tuberculosis

- 1. Accredited Tuberculosis Free States
 - a. All cervidae twelve (12) months of age and over shall be negative to two (2) single cervical tests for bovine TB no less than ninety (90) days apart with the second test conducted within ninety (90) days prior to entry. These animals shall be isolated from all other members of the herd

during the testing period unless they originate from an accredited, qualified or monitored herd.

- Cervidae from an accredited herd may be moved into Illinois without further TB testing provided that a certificate stating that such cervids originated from an accredited herd accompanies them.
- ii. Cervidae originating from qualified or monitored herds may enter with a negative test within ninety (90) days prior to entry and a certificate stating that the animals originate from a monitored herd.
- 2. Non-Accredited Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
 - a. All cervidae shall originate from a herd where a complete herd test was conducted within the past year.
 - b. The individual animals entering Illinois must be negative to two (2) additional tuberculin tests conducted within 180 and 30 days prior to entry or exhibition.

RATITES

(Ostriches, Emus, Rheas, Cassowaries and Kiwis)

Illinois Ratites

There are no requirements governing the movement of ratites within Illinois.

Out-of-State Ratites

- 1. Must be accompanied by a CVI and permit number. Entry permits are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx
- 2. Individually identified by leg band or microchip.
- 3. Negative test for Avian Influenza within 10 days prior to entry.

PIGEONS

There are no requirements governing the movement of pigeons within or into Illinois.

RABBITS

There are no requirements governing the movement of rabbits within or into Illinois.

LLAMAS

There are no requirements governing the movement of llamas within Illinois. A permit and CVI are required for out-of-state llamas. Entry permit numbers are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx

SECTION 2 FIRE PREVENTION RULES

The following restrictions are issued under advice of the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshall and result from requirements set forth in Illinois law as well as the Illinois Administrative Code. Penalties provided by Illinois law will be imposed for violations. Fire prevention inspectors will be on the Fairgrounds to enforce the rules and require general compliance with fire-safe practices.

Flammable and Combustible Liquids:

- 1. Unattended heaters used inside buildings for animal or poultry production, or care shall be equipped with approved automatic devices to shut off the flow of gas to main burners, and pilots, if used, in the event of flame extinguishment or combustion failure.
- 2. Flammable liquids shall be prohibited in barns and sleeping rooms. Exceptions include paints, insecticides and veterinary medicine that shall not exceed five gallons in any one barn or sleeping room location.
- 3. Storage of gasoline, kerosene and other flammable or combustible liquids in quantities or methods different than those listed below shall be forbidden throughout the Fairgrounds.
 - a. Containers shall be filled only in daylight, well away from source of ignition, and always outside of any building, structure and tent and a safe distance therefrom.
 - b. Upon vacating premises, exhibitors shall not leave any filled, partly filled or empty container which has been used for gasoline, kerosene, or other flammable liquid and will be held responsible for any accident or injury which may result from violation of this provision.

Barns:

- 4. Smoking is prohibited in all barns and buildings.
- 5. Portable heating and cooking appliances are prohibited in barns. Further, cooking via grills or open flame fires is prohibited in the barns.
- 6. No unauthorized extension cords from barns, stalls, and poles to campers, motor homes, or other electrical devices outside the barns will be allowed.
- 7. Sleeping is prohibited in lofts, hay or straw storage areas, or where combustible materials are located. Sleeping is allowed only during the Fair on cots in the aisles, empty stalls and tack rooms. In all cases, aisles shall be maintained clear of obstruction at all times and access to fire exits and equipment shall not be blocked.
- 8. Vehicles, including golf carts, are prohibited in barns at all times. Exceptions include State Fair Personnel and Grounds vehicles which may pass through buildings for cleaning and maintenance.
- 9. Only reasonable hay and straw storage shall be allowed in stalls and lofts.

Decorations and Trim:

10. Draperies, curtains, hanging decorations and other similar furnishings shall be flame resistant as demonstrated by passing both the small- and large-scale test of NAPA 701, Standard Methods of Fire Tests for Flame-Resistant Textiles and Films -1991 edition. Material not complying with this provision will be ordered removed. Furnishings or decorations of an explosive or highly flammable nature shall not be used.

Housekeeping:

- 11. All fire lanes shall be kept free of vehicles and storage. Vehicles shall not park within 15 feet of fire hydrants, fire hose stations, fire reporting stations, building doors or sprinkler system connections.
- 12. Booths, railings, fencing, displays, etc., shall not block or interfere with aisles, stairs, entrances, or exits in any building, tent, grandstand or other occupiable structure.

Fireworks:

13. The display, sale and/or use of fireworks, as defined in Illinois law, is prohibited except as authorized in the Illinois Pyrotechnic Use Act.

Electric Lights and Power:

- 14. No items shall be attached to or hung from electrical wiring. All extension cords, or pendant wires, in temporary structures, tents or in the open shall be rubber-covered cords.
- 15. No wiring shall be laid on the ground or on the floor, of any permanent or temporary structure, tent or booth. Electric wiring shall not be fastened to or draped over fencing. Where installations require wiring to be placed on or over fencing the wiring must be secured to a non-conducting surface such as a 1" x 2" board.

SECTION 3

ANIMAL CARE, DRUGS, TESTING, VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

Exhibitors with questions regarding medications and/or eligibility are encouraged to contact the Illinois State Veterinarian at 217-782-4944 prior to administration of medication.

- 1. All exhibitors in any and all events described in this Premium Book acknowledge by their entry into such events that they have no constitutional or statutory right to participate or compete in such events. All exhibitors hereby expressly acknowledge that the procedures set forth in this Premium Book are the exclusive procedures and remedies concerning any disqualification. The Illinois Department of Agriculture reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations, settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, otherwise arising out of, connected with or incident to the Fair.
- 2. Exhibitors and exhibitors' parents and/or legal guardians bear absolute responsibility for the care and custody of their animals. The use of drugs or other substances in any manner other than in accord with the labeling approved by FDA is a violation of federal law.
- 3. The Illinois State Fair reserves the right to disqualify any exhibitor whose animal tests positive for a drug, even if the exhibitor and the exhibitor's parents and/or legal guardian are unaware of any wrongdoing, did not administer the drug, or had no knowledge of the administration of the drug. Even if the source of the drug is unknown, the Illinois State Fair reserves the right to disqualify the exhibitor.
- 4. If an exhibitor, their parent or legal guardian, or any other party providing care to the animal, administers any medication or drug to an animal prior to the Illinois State Fair, it is the exhibitor's sole responsibility to ensure that withdrawal times allow the animal to be slaughter eligible by the time it arrives at the fairgrounds. The elimination time (the time it takes for no drug residue to be found in the system) is generally longer than the labeled withdrawal period for most approved drugs.
- 5. The Illinois State Fair has the right to examine and/or test any animal (deceased or living), feed, liquids, or equipment at any time. The Illinois State Fair may sample an animal's blood, urine, milk, saliva, and/or tissue. Any samples taken for testing become the property of the Illinois State Fair. Samples may be collected, stored, and tested in any manner the Illinois Department of Agriculture deems appropriate. Positive test results may be made public.
- 6. The Illinois State Fair may impound any animal for testing. Refusing such tests shall be cause for disqualification. Any animal tested at the Illinois State Fair is subject to being detained at the expense of the exhibitor until the Illinois State Fair receives final test results.
- 7. The drug test results of the testing laboratories are final and binding upon the exhibitor and the exhibitor's parents and/or legal guardians.

8. Violations:

- a. <u>Drug Administration</u>: It is a violation if any medication or drug is administered to an animal after it has arrived on the State Fairgrounds without the supervision of the official State Fair Veterinarian. If an animal requires treatment while on the fairgrounds, only the Official State Fair Veterinarian is allowed to administer a medication or drug to the animal. Animals administered a medication or drug by the Official State Veterinarian having a reported withdrawal and/or elimination time period beyond the show date will be automatically disqualified from the competition.
- b. <u>Unapproved Drug Use</u>: It is a violation if a market animal tests "positive" (not a quantitative test) for any drug that has not been approved by the Food and Drug Administration and/or the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for such type of animal. However, it shall not be a violation of this subsection if the exhibitor discloses

the drug specifically as follows: the exhibitor provides to the Illinois State Fair, within 24 hours of check-in, the Illinois State Fair AMDUCA form properly completed by the veterinarian that prescribed the non-FDA-approved drug for the animal. It shall also not be a violation of this subsection if the State Fair Veterinarian prescribes a non-FDA-approved drug for an animal during the Illinois State Fair and completes the AMDUCA form. The AMDUCA form is available by contacting the Illinois Department of Agriculture. Although the preceding paragraph allows for certain use of non-FDA-approved drugs, please be aware that federal law (21 C.F.R. § 530.41) prohibits the following list of drugs, families of drugs, and substances for extra label animal uses. Therefore, notwithstanding the above paragraph, it is a violation with an increased penalty, including notification to the relevant authorities, if a market animal tests "positive" (not a quantitative test) for any of the following:

- i. Chloramphenicol;
- ii. Clenbuterol;
- iii. Diethylstilbestrol (DES);
- iv. Dimetridazole;
- v. Ipronidazole;
- vi. Other nitroimidazoles;
- vii. Furazolidone;
- viii. Nitrofurazone;
- ix. Sulfonamide drugs in lactating dairy cattle (except approved use of sulfadimethoxine, sulfabromomethazine, and sulfaethoxypyridazine);
- x. Fluoroquinolones;
- xi. Glycopeptides;
- xii. Phenylbutazone in female dairy cattle 20 months of age or older; and
- xiii. Cephalosporins (not including cephapirin) in cattle, swine, chickens, or turkeys:
 - 1. For disease prevention purposes;
 - 2. At unapproved doses, frequencies, durations, or routes of administration; or
 - 3. If the drug is not approved for that species and production class.
- c. <u>Violative Residue Limit (Tolerance)</u>: It is a violation if a test result indicates the presence of a drug, additive, or contaminant that exceeds a residue limit (tolerance) set by the FDA and applied by the FSIS.
- d. <u>Unethical Fitting and Grooming Practices</u>: It is a violation if an animal evidences air pumping or the presence of inappropriate substances to alter conformation. Methods such as stomach pumping to induce artificial fill, performing surgical and/or non-surgical procedures to alter the animal's configuration or the natural conformation of any part of the animal's body, or unethical fitting are grounds for disqualification. The following generally accepted management practices are allowed: hoof trimming, dehorning, removal of hair, castration, branding, tattooing, ear notching and docking tails.
- e. <u>Falsification of Entries or Records</u>: It is a violation to falsify or alter official entries, records, or registrations of animals.
- f. <u>Approaching a Judge:</u> It is a violation for any individual, except Illinois State Fair personnel, to approach a judge during a show. Further, it is a violation to interfere with a judge in the performance of his/her duty or to refuse the awards designated by a judge.

- 9. Penalties: In the event of a violation, the exhibitor and animal shall be disqualified. The Illinois State Fair will provide the disqualified exhibitor with a Notice of Disqualification setting forth the specific reasons for the disqualification. The exhibitor of the disqualified animal shall be subject to the following penalties:
 - a. If exhibitor's first disqualification:
 - Forfeiture of all monetary awards including sale proceeds associated with the exhibitor for the current State Fair. The exhibitor also forfeits the rights to any product resulting therefrom.
 - ii. Return of all trophies and non-monetary awards associated with the exhibitor for the current State Fair.
 - iii. Forfeiture of all titles associated with the exhibitor for the current State Fair.
 - iv. A ban from competing in any competitive event at the Illinois State Fair for the following year, unless the animal is disqualified for testing positive for a drug, family of drugs, or substances prohibited by 21 C.F.R. § 530.41, in which case the ban shall be for the lifetime of the exhibitor.
 - b. If exhibitor's second or subsequent disqualification:
 - i. All of the penalties above in 9(A), except the exhibitor shall be subject to a ban from competing in any competitive event at the Illinois State Fair for the following three (3) years, unless the animal is disqualified for testing positive for a drug, family of drugs, or substances prohibited by 21 C.F.R. § 530.41, in which case the ban shall be for the lifetime of the exhibitor.
- 10. Appeal of Disqualification: A disqualified exhibitor shall have 10 days following the receipt of the Notice of Disqualification to file a Petition with the Director of the Illinois Department of Agriculture. The procedures set forth in 8 Illinois Administrative Code 1, SUBPART C shall govern the process of filing and considering a Petition from a disqualified exhibitor.
- 11. If a Grand Champion or Grand Champion Land of Lincoln animal is disqualified, the Reserve Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Land of Lincoln will be elevated to the respective designation. Disqualified animal photos and designations shall not be used in any advertising or promotional activities following the State Fair.

Sick, Non-Ambulatory and Deceased Animal Policy

- 12. The Illinois State Fair is fully committed to animal wellness and care principles and ensuring the proper treatment of all animal exhibits. Therefore, sick animals shall not be exhibited because of the risk to the animal, other animals, the exhibitor, other persons, and the integrity of competitions. The Illinois State Fair Management, Department Superintendents, State of Illinois Veterinarians, and their respective designees, may prohibit an animal from showing and may require an animal to be sent to quarantine or leave the fairgrounds on the basis of animal health and care concerns.
- 13. A veterinarian will be available during the State Fair and may be reached by calling 217/300-6398 or 309/336-1006.
- 14. Upon arrival at the State Fairgrounds, all Junior Livestock Division Exhibitors irrevocably consent to emergency medical care that may be needed to preserve an animal's life or prevent extreme suffering. 4-H and FFA exhibitors and any person affiliated with them hereby waive any claim related to emergency medical care and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, 4-H and FFA exhibitors and any person affiliated with them hereby agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Illinois State Fair, Illinois Department of Agriculture, Illinois 4-H and FFA Programs, the

State of Illinois, and respective agencies, affiliates, agents, officers, and employees from all claims and suits including court costs, attorney's fees, and other expenses related to emergency medical care. If the following conditions have been met, the Illinois State Veterinarian and/or their designee is expressly authorized to perform any medical treatment, including but not limited to medical practices/ procedures, administering of medications, surgery, and euthanasia, for an animal in the absence of the 4-H or FFA Exhibitor:

- a. The 4-H or FFA Exhibitor is unreachable after due diligence has been made to contact the Exhibitor; and
- b. The State Fair Veterinarian (or designee) determines the animal's health is in danger and delaying treatment would be detrimental to the animal's life, or that the animal is in extreme pain.
- 15. Upon entry to the Illinois State Fairgrounds only the official State Fair Veterinarians (or designee) may administer any medications or treatments externally or internally to animals on the Fairgrounds. It is a violation if any medication or drug is administered to an animal without the supervision of the official State Fair Veterinarian. 'Treatment' includes any care provided to an animal using a device, medication, or substance, therapeutic or otherwise. It includes but is not limited to: pulsing electromagnetic field therapy, percussive massage therapy, and use of a Theragun or similar-type device. It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to confer with the Superintendent of their animal's class prior to taking any action if the Exhibitor has a question about whether that action constitutes a treatment.
- 16. Notification to the State Veterinarian shall be completed by the attending official veterinarian and signed by the exhibitor or their guardian. Within 2 hours of treatment, or as soon as practical thereafter, the State Veterinarian shall electronically report all performed treatments to the Illinois Department of Agriculture.
- 17. No animals can be unloaded that are non-ambulatory (i.e. downer) or unable to walk off the vehicle under their own power. The exception to this policy will be unloading the animal for euthanizing and disposing of the animal. If an animal becomes non-ambulatory after arrival at the Illinois State Fairgrounds, the following policy will be strictly enforced:
 - a. The owner shall immediately notify the Department Superintendent.
 - b. The Department Superintendent shall immediately notify the State Veterinarian and General Livestock Superintendent about the animal in question and the circumstances.
 - c. The official Illinois State Fair Veterinarian, Department Superintendent, General Livestock Superintendent, and owner (or representative) will consult to determine the best course of action with primary focus on the animal's well-being. If euthanasia is determined to be the best option, this will be at the owner's expense.
 - d. Livestock that becomes non-ambulatory after arriving at the Illinois State Fairgrounds must be disposed of or removed for treatment within 12 hours of discovery or receiving notice of the animal's condition. If the animal is treatable and the State Veterinarian and/or their designee will allow, the owner must remove that animal from the Fairgrounds (at the owner's expense) within the 12-hour period.
 - e. If an animal dies while at the Illinois State Fair, the animal's owner(s) shall immediately notify the Department Superintendent, who shall notify the General Livestock Superintendent who shall contact the State Veterinarian. The animal shall be removed from the building or display area within 30 minutes. Fairgrounds staff will assist in loading the carcass into a vehicle for removal or to an appropriate holding area, but the animal's owner(s) is responsible for removing the carcass from the fairgrounds. In all instances, the

- Department Superintendent and General Livestock Superintendent must be present to assist in coordinating the removal of the carcass.
- f. The Illinois Department of Agriculture reserves the right to examine and/or test any animal that dies on the fairgrounds, including having a necropsy performed. If a necropsy is performed, the Department of Agriculture will bear the cost.

Ethical Care and Fitting of Animals

- 1. The Illinois State Fair provides a showcase for Illinois agriculture, highlighting the highest quality livestock, commodities and products through fair, unbiased and educational competitive events. Therefore, livestock exhibitors are held to a high standard of stewardship, integrity and ethics in each and every aspect of the care and exhibiting of animals. By making entries in the Illinois State Fair, exhibitors certify they have read the contents of this section of the fair book and agree to abide by all applicable rules and guidelines associated with the ethical care and exhibiting of animals, including specific rules relating to the administration of drugs to animals. Failure to do so could result in immediate disqualification from entered events, loss of entry fees and other identified penalties.
 - a. When caring for and exhibiting animals, ethics means:
 - i. Setting good examples.
 - ii. Doing the right things.
 - iii. Making ethical decisions.
 - iv. Being accountable for your decisions.
 - b. Specifically, ethical care includes:
 - i. Knowing how to properly handle and treat your animals and acting accordingly.
 - ii. Observing your animals each and every day.
 - iii. Treating your animals humanely at all times.
 - iv. Providing safe and humane housing for your animals that protects them from the weather and any hazards that could result in injuries, pain, or disease.
 - v. Transporting your animals in a manner that will avoid unnecessary stress or chance of injury.
 - vi. Being gentle and patient with animals.
 - vii. Providing adequate amounts of good quality and wholesome food and water. This means feeding and watering animals daily, even on busy, difficult days.
 - viii. Keeping your animals, pens and stalls clean at all times.
 - ix. Protecting your animal's health through implementing disease prevention strategies, such as following proper vaccination protocols and quickly responding to any change in the health status of your animal.
 - x. Using and storing medications correctly and in accordance with label directions.
 - xi. Providing veterinary care when needed to prevent suffering.
 - xii. Helping others whenever possible.
 - c. Specifically, ethical exhibiting includes:
 - i. Making sure each animal's records and entries are correct, including age, breed, weight, and ownership papers.

- ii. Following the deadlines for entry and arrival at shows.
- iii. Being truthful in completing paperwork and entry forms and demonstrating honesty in working with other exhibitors and show staff.
- iv. Keeping the promises made by signing the Illinois State Fair Affidavit that...
 - 1. livestock exhibits have been cared for and maintained by the exhibitor and his or her immediate family,
 - 2. exhibitors will follow the rules of the Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act, and
 - 3. exhibitors will follow all fair rules on animal care, grooming and market eligibility.
- v. Properly handling your animals when they are being exhibited.
- vi. Being courteous toward other exhibitors and adults working with the program.
- vii. Listening to and following the advice of advisors and leaders.
- viii. Dealing with anger and disagreements in a peaceful way.
- ix. Accepting the results of competition and being a good sport.
- d. Ethical behavior does not include:
 - i. Striking, tormenting, overworking, starving, or abusing animals in any manner.
 - ii. Abandoning any animal where it may become a public charge or may suffer injury, hunger, or exposure.
 - iii. Using animal drugs illegally or not according to the label, as such action may potentially harm animals, make animal products unsafe for consumers and could result in criminal charges.
 - iv. Turning in false paperwork about an animal's age, breed, weight, ownership, identity, or more.
 - v. Taking credit for work you did not do.
 - vi. Illegally changing the appearance of an animal.
 - vii. Exhibiting deceitful, disrespectful, or discourteous behavior toward other exhibitors or show staff.

SECTION 4

LAND OF LINCOLN BREEDERS AWARD FOR PUREBRED REGISTERED LIVESTOCK GENERAL RULES

Program Established

"The Department shall establish and promote contests and exhibitions of various classes of purebred registered livestock to be known as "Land of Lincoln Breeders Awards for Purebred Registered Livestock". (20 ILCS 210/11.1)

Eligibility

1. As required by the State Fair Act, only animals which are Illinois bred, born, maintained, and solely owned and exhibited by residents of the State of Illinois as printed on registration paper, shall be eligible to participate in such contests and exhibitions. Such animals shall be permitted out of state for a maximum of 90 days for the purpose of showings and exhibitions or reproductive purposes."

Entry Rules

- 2. Entries to Land of Lincoln classes shall be made through the online fair entry system at the Illinois State Fair website. No other type of entry will be accepted.
- 3. All animals must be shown in Junior/Open classes to be eligible to exhibit in Land of Lincoln classes. When the exhibitor enters the Junior/Open class they shall indicate on the entry that the animal is Land of Lincoln eligible. Department Staff will confirm an entry's validity upon check-in. Proof of eligibility through proper registration papers is required of all Land of Lincoln Livestock entries.

Animal Registration and Ownership

- 4. Original registration papers issued by respective breed associations will be required in all purebred classes. For Junior Show Land of Lincoln entries, registration must show ownership of the animals in the name of the exhibitor or ownership by immediate family members including the exhibitor for the period required in the 4-H or FFA projects.
- 5. Effective dates for ownership must appear on the registration papers. Required ownership dates are printed in the species sections.
- 6. Double registered animals will be allowed entry in only one breed show.
- 7. This division will be governed by rules and specifications set forth in the National Breed Associations unless otherwise specified herein (ex. Chianina must be 3/4% or higher to show as purebred).
- 8. A Registration Paper or Certificate of Eligibility is required for all steer, wether, and barrow entries. Exhibitor shall have a registration paper or certificate attested by the Secretary of a recognized National Breed Association or a 'Certificate of Registry' for each animal indicating that the animal entered is purebred and giving registry numbers of sire and dam. Certificates must be presented at time of check-in to complete entry. There will be no exceptions to this rule and failure to comply will disqualify the animal.

Special Note: In the Land of Lincoln Steer Show, the Champions and Reserve Champions of all breeds may have DNA collected to verify breed characteristics. Any breeder and/or exhibitor found to be in violation will not be awarded Land of Lincoln premiums and/or awards.

ILLINOIS EXHIBITOR BRED AND OWNED LIVESTOCK AWARDS JUNIOR DIVISION ONLY

As a distinct part of the Land of Lincoln Breeders Awards, in the Junior Livestock Division, the Illinois State Fair also offers Illinois Exhibitor Bred and Owned Livestock Awards for breeding animals in Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat and Dairy Goat Departments.

Eligibility

- 9. Illinois Exhibitor Bred and Owned Livestock Awards for breeding animals are part of the Land of Lincoln Breeders Award and the same eligibility requirements apply.
- 10. In all instances, the Division Superintendent and General Livestock Superintendent have the right and authority to interpret the rules and proceedings of the shows associated with the Illinois Exhibitor Bred and Owned Livestock Awards program.

Awards

- 11. Champion rosettes may be awarded to the highest placing, eligible purebred breeding animal of each of the Junior Livestock Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat and Dairy Goat Department shows.
- 12. A single Illinois Exhibitor Bred and Owned Livestock Award banner will be awarded to the highest placing, eligible purebred breeding animal of each of the Junior Livestock Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat and Dairy Goat Department shows.

Land of Lincoln Purebred Livestock Breeder's Association Scholarship

A scholarship will be awarded to a student or students between the ages of 17 and 20 years old by January 1 of the application year and furthering their education in an agriculture or related field of study. Applicants and/or their family need to be members of the Land of Lincoln Purebred Livestock Breeder's Association and involved in purebred livestock. The eligible purebred livestock are beef, dairy, goats, horses, llamas, sheep and swine as listed in the Illinois State Fair Premium Books.

SECTION 5 JUNIOR LIVESTOCK DIVISION ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GENERAL RULES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Junior Livestock Division gives members of the Illinois FFA and University of Illinois Extension 4-H programs an opportunity to take part in the Illinois State Fair by exhibiting the animals they have raised in their project work in Livestock Shows. Participation provides exhibitors the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and skills associated with the livestock industry and showmanship and is an educational opportunity for all who attend.

Educational Objectives

The purpose of the Junior Livestock Division is to provide the youth participants the opportunity to accomplish the following objectives:

- Participate in a quality educational experience through interaction with experts in a given project field, as well as fellow exhibitors.
- 2. Exhibit the livestock and showmanship skills associated with their project work.
- 3. Showcase the talents of individual participants.
- 4. Showcase the educational benefits of the 4-H and FFA programs.
- 5. Showcase Illinois livestock and Illinois agriculture.

Headquarters

The General Livestock Office is headquarters for FFA and the Junior Livestock Division and will be near the milking parlor at the northeast corner of the lower level of Building #30, also called the Junior Livestock Barn. Headquarters for the 4-H Exhibit Division will be at the Orr Building on the West side of the fairgrounds. All Junior Livestock Division mail should be addressed in care of Junior Division, Illinois State Fair, P. O. Box 19427, Springfield, IL 62794.

General Eligibility

The following Illinois youth are eligible to show in the Junior Livestock Division of the Illinois State Fair:

- 1. Any exhibitor, who during the year has participated in a supervised 4-H or FFA program, with records kept therein, may enter the Junior Livestock Division. A minimum age of 8 as September 1, 2024, is required to participate in the State Fair Junior Livestock Division.
- 2. Programs may be done under the supervision of:
 - a. 4-H leaders or Extension staff members
 - b. Teachers of Vocational Agriculture
- 3. Illinois 4-H members exhibiting in the Junior Livestock Division of the Illinois State Fair must be active 4-H club members, as verified by the County Extension Office, and at least 8 but not yet 18 years of age on September 1, 2024. Active Illinois FFA members, as verified by local Teachers of Vocational Agriculture, may participate.
- 4. Individuals previously enrolled in Illinois 4-H or FFA programs and under 21 years of age as of September 1, 2024, may participate in the Junior Livestock Division of the Illinois State Fair provided they are active FFA members as verified by Illinois FFA and in accordance with one of the following options:

- a. Maintain active membership on the roster of their local high school FFA Chapter;
- b. Maintain active membership as an At-Large member of the Illinois FFA prior to April 1, 2025; or
- c. Maintain active membership in an Illinois FFA Alumni Chapter. FFA members must not have reached their 21st birthday as of September 2024.

A Word to Parents, Leaders and Teachers

Proper supervision of the activities of the young people participating in the Junior Livestock Division is a necessity. Those in charge of the activities of this Division have been selected because of their experience in working with young people. However, parents and leaders should be aware of conditions on the Fairgrounds and make provisions for adequate care and supervision of exhibitors.

Truck and Trailer Parking

Unless properly permitted, no stock truck or trailer parking will be permitted in Lot 1 west of the Junior Livestock Barn at any time from August 5-18, 2025. All livestock trailers must be parked in the half-mile track. Upon unloading, dump any excess manure from trailers into manure pits that are placed around Junior Livestock Barn. No vehicles may be parked in the half-mile track and no livestock trailers may be parked in tie-out areas. Vehicles will be towed at owner's expense.

Premises Registration Number Voluntary

Premises Registration is voluntary to exhibit livestock (beef, dairy, horses, swine, sheep, goats, poultry and rabbits) at the Illinois State Fair.

Choosing to register your premises puts you on the frontline of controlling and preventing the spread of animal disease. A disease outbreak can't be predicted but it can impact every segment of animal agriculture. Participation ensures that you have the information you need, when you need it most, to protect your animals and your investment. Registering a premise involves obtaining a seven-character alpha-numeric "identifier" for the farm, ranch, veterinary clinic or other site where livestock or fowl are handled, housed, managed or processed.

If an exhibitor wants to register their animals an application form can be found on-line at https://agr.illinois.gov/animals/animalhealth/premises-registration.html. Exhibitors who register on-line will receive a premise registration number immediately. An application can also be obtained by calling 866/299-9256. If completing application and returning by mail, it may take up to four (4) weeks to receive the number.

Filing a Protest

If another exhibitor or any member of the public has reason to believe that an exhibit should be disqualified, they may contact the superintendent for that department, and/or State Fair Officials and must present their evidence in writing. If, after reviewing evidence, the State Fair disqualifies the exhibit or exhibitor, the complaining party's name and evidence may be included in the Notice of Disqualification. The basis for a disqualification cannot be anonymous.

GENERAL RULES for JUNIOR LIVESTOCK DIVISION EXHIBITS

Entry Rules, Fees and Information

 No employee (includes full-time, part-time, and/or contractual employees) of the Illinois State Fair or member of his/her Immediate Family is allowed to own or exhibit any animals and/or articles in any competitive event in which he/she is employed as a judge or superintendent. (Immediate Family is defined as the spouse, children, step-children, parents or step-parents, brothers, sisters, step-brothers or step-sisters.)

- 2. By submitting an entry at the Illinois State Fair, exhibitors agree to all terms and conditions in this premium book and all other laws including the *Humane Care for Animals Act*.
- 3. Entries in all classes shall be made through the online fair entry system at the Illinois State Fair website. No other type of entry will be accepted.
- 4. Payment must be made via credit card at the time of entry. No other type of payment will be accepted. Assistance with entries is available at the Competitive Events Office, Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All entries must be submitted online on or before July 15, 2025. Fees will not be refunded. There is no late entry process for the Junior Department.
- 5. The State Fair Management reserves the right to reject any entry. Exhibitors are allowed two (2) entries per class in each Department unless otherwise noted in specific Department rules.
- 6. Entry fees for the Junior Show at the 2025 Illinois State Fair are as follows:

a.	Beef Cattle	\$15.00 per head
b.	Dairy Cattle	\$20.00 per head
c.	Swine	\$10.00 per head
d.	Sheep	\$10.00 per head
e.	Goats	\$5.00 per head
f.	Poultry	\$1.00 per head
g.	Rabbits	\$1.00 per head

7. Manure fees for the Junior Show at the 2025 Illinois State Fair are as follows:

a.	Beef Cattle	\$10.00 per head
	Dairy Cattle	
c.	Swine	\$5.00 per head
	Sheep	·
	Goats	·

Animal Registration and Ownership

- 8. Registration papers issued by respective breed associations will be required in all purebred classes. Registration must show ownership of the animals in the name of the exhibitor or ownership by immediate family members (considered to be individuals living in the same household) including the exhibitor for the period required in the 4-H or FFA projects. Original registration papers, copies and electronic papers will all be accepted.
- 9. Double registered animals will be allowed entry in only one breed show.
- 10. Effective dates for ownership must appear on the registration papers. Required ownership dates are printed in the species sections.
- 11. All animals, except horses and ponies, must be the property of the member exhibiting them and will be subject to periodic and random checks for identification (tattoo, ear notch, etc.) and compliance with class rules.
- 12. Market animals that have been a part of the member's project during the required ownership period and have been sold for future delivery through an authorized County 4-H or a Sectional FFA auction may be exhibited by the member in the Junior Livestock Division.
- 13. Each exhibitor must have kept accurate records and reports of feeds, weight, gains and methods of handling animals in connection with their livestock project.

Arrival, Penning/Stalling, Check-in, Showing and Release of Animals

- 14. All livestock exhibited in the Junior Division must meet the Illinois Exhibition Animal Health Requirements of the Illinois State Fair. Health papers must be stamped by the State Veterinarian or designee on the grounds and must be presented when obtaining exhibitor numbers at check-in.
- 15. Time of Arrival: The Junior Livestock Division officially opens for animal arrival Tuesday, August 5, 8:00 a.m. Any animals in the building before that time may be moved according to Superintendent's instruction.
- 16. All pens and stalls are to be assigned by the superintendent or his/her assistants. Insofar as possible, county and school groups will be stalled or penned as a group. Animals must be stalled or penned according to the superintendent's assignments.
- 17. Junior Division Exhibitors must stall their animals in the designated Junior Division space, unless full and otherwise directed and assigned by the respective species Superintendent.
- 18. All animals housed in the Junior Barn must be eligible to be shown in Junior Division Classes, except for Dairy Cattle during the second week of the fair.
- 19. All animals housed in the Junior Livestock Barn may be taken to the Open Division Barns and Livestock Center for exhibit only. Except for Dairy Cattle during the second week of the fair, no Junior Division animals may be left in the Open Division Barns overnight without the permission of the Superintendent.
- 20. The State Fair Management encourages the displaying of county and school exhibit signs. Such signs, if displayed, must not exceed six feet in length and three feet in width. No commercial product or service advertising, other than the home, farm, or breed of the entrant shall be allowed on stalls, pens, hurdles, or in the show arena. Decorative lights and painting of any portion of State Fair facilities is prohibited.
- 21. Practice scales will be provided by the Illinois State Fair for classes determined by weight. No scales other than those authorized by the Illinois State Fair in writing shall be allowed on the State Fairgrounds. Exhibitors found to have scales of any type on the grounds will be disqualified.
- 22. Junior exhibitors of livestock must personally care for their animals or exhibit during the entire fair and must assume responsibility for having their animals available at the time of Junior Division judging.
- 23. All animals must be exhibited in the show/judging rings by the owners unless exempted in advance by the Department Superintendent due to an identified, eligible conflict. In order for an exemption to be considered, a letter of request must be provided to the Department Superintendent no later than the time of animal check-in. The request must name the person, who must be a current exhibitor in the same Junior Livestock Show, who will show the animal(s). An exemption letter is not required at the time of check in for conflicts that are not known to the exhibitor at the time of check in.
- 24. Animals shown in Showmanship Classes, regardless of the Livestock Department, must have been or will be shown in a specific market or breeding stock class by the exhibitor in the Illinois State Fair Junior Livestock Division. Further, if an exhibitor wins a Showmanship class leading to a championship competition, the animal shown in the championship competition must be the same animal that was shown in the original Showmanship class.
- 25. Each exhibitor will be furnished ring cards showing the exhibitor number which must be worn in the show ring when animals are shown. Ear tags will be used for steer exhibitor identification. Exhibitor numbers are to be secured from the Superintendent of the Department at the designated time of checkin. To secure ring cards at check-in, each exhibitor (except in the Horse Department) must present:
 - a. Health Certificate of Veterinary Inspection approved by the State Veterinarian and showing animals comply with Illinois Exhibition Animal Health Requirements.
 - b. A certificate of eligibility or a certificate of registry, signed by the Secretary of the National Breed Association, indicating the animal exhibited is purebred and giving registry numbers of the sire and dam for all purebred Land of Lincoln classes.

- 26. Market class breaks will be made at the sole discretion of the Department Superintendent. Further, the Department Superintendent shall have complete discretion in determining specific breed division and assignments to allow for efficient show management, including the addition of an AOB class. If there are not at least three (3) different exhibitors and six (6) animals in any given livestock breed, the breed show may be eliminated with those animals assigned to show in an AOB class.
 - This rule shall not be interpreted to indicate any breed not listed in the premium book as a current recognized/designated breed under a given show will be added as a breed to the show if at least three (3) different exhibitors and six (6) animals in any given livestock breed are entered and present at the fair. Breeds will not be added to a show if they are not listed in this year's premium book as a current recognized/ designated breed under a given show. Breeds may potentially be added to a future fair in accordance with the following rule.
- 27. Exhibitors/Breed Associations wishing to add new, previously un-designated breeds, to the standard departmental shows at the Illinois State Fair may be provided the opportunity to exhibit club or breed association shows as separate events at the fair, provided the Department Superintendent and General Livestock Superintendent are supportive and it is determined that such exhibitions can be accommodated in the facilities and schedule of the State Fair. In order for a new, previously undesignated breed to be added to standard departmental shows, it must be demonstrated, through a minimum of three (3) years of club or breed show exhibitions at the State Fair, the new breed can offer and sustain minimum required numbers of exhibitors and animals for future fairs.
- 28. Understanding that the Illinois State Fair provides a showcase for the Illinois livestock industry and an opportunity for exhibitors and visitors alike to view the best livestock Illinois has to offer and learn more about responsible animal husbandry and its significance in quality food production, it is important for animals to remain at the Fair for the prescribed exposition period. Exhibitors who remove their animals prior to the published release dates and times may be subject to forfeiture of all placings, awards and premiums.
- 29. Animals will be released in accordance with the schedules listed for a given Livestock Department. In all instances, exhibitors must obtain a signed release form from an authorized Superintendent and have the approved release form available for inspection by security at fair gates. Animals may be released prior to the published release dates and times if, at the discretion of the Department Superintendent, an early release is warranted to preserve and protect the health and welfare of animals and exhibitors.

Governor's Sale of Champions

- 30. The following animals will be sold at the Governor's Sale of Champions Auction on Wednesday, August 13, 4:30 pm:
 - a. Grand Champion Steer, Barrow, Market Lamb, Meat Goat Wether, Poultry Meat Pen and Rabbit Meat Pen
 - b. Grand Champion Land of Lincoln Steer, Barrow, Market Lamb, and Meat Goat Wether.

If the Land of Lincoln Grand Champion and the Grand Champion are the same, only that one animal will be sold.

- 31. Immediately upon being designated Grand and Reserve Grand Champion animals, as identified in 30.a and 30.b above, urine samples will be collected by the State Fair Veterinarian and or their designee(s). During sample collection only the exhibitor and one (1) parent will be allowed in the sampling area. The exhibitor has the option to hold the sampling cup themselves while the urine sample is collected.
- 32. Animals sold in the Governor's Sale of Champions will be marked as the official Junior Grand Champions and the Junior Land of Lincoln Grand Champions of the Illinois State Fair.
- 33. The total sale price for the Grand Champion animals will be divided on the following basis:
 - 50% to the owner/exhibitor of the animal sold;
 - 15% to the owner/exhibitor of the Reserve Grand Champion;

15% divided evenly among the breed/weight class champions; 10% in the name of buyer(s) to the Illinois 4-H Foundation; and

10% in the name of buyer(s) to the Illinois FFA Foundation.

34. The total sale price for the Land of Lincoln Grand Champion animals will be divided on the following basis:

50% to the owner/exhibitor of the animal sold;

12.5% to the owner/exhibitor of the Reserve Grand Champion;

12.5% divided evenly among the breed/weight class champions;

10% in the name of buyer(s) to the Illinois 4-H Foundation;

10% in the name of buyer(s) to the Illinois FFA Foundation; and

5% to the Land of Lincoln Purebred Breeder's Association.

- 35. The Grand and Reserve Grand Champions and the Land of Lincoln Grand and Reserve Grand Champions must be placed on exhibit in the Hall of Champions beginning Sunday afternoon, August 10. Animals sold in the Governor's Sale of Champions must remain in the Hall of Champions until 4:00 pm, Sunday, August 17. Reserve Grand Champions not sold in the Governor's Sale of Champions will be released after the sale on Wednesday, August 13. Exhibitors of animals in the Hall of Champions must provide all needed feed, water, bedding, etc. and be responsible for the animal. The exhibitors must remain with the animals in the Hall of Champions from 7:00 am 7:00 pm. If the animal is removed from exhibition prior to release time, premiums and sale price will be withheld.
- 36. Ownership of animals passes from the 4-H and FFA Exhibitors or their families to the Illinois State Fair and auction purchasers when the Illinois State Fair takes possession of the animal exhibits for harvesting. All 4-H and FFA animal carcasses will remain under the jurisdiction of the Illinois State Fair until such time as all carcass examinations, tissue testing, and/or any other required testing as determined by the State Fair officials have been completed.
- 37. The Grand Champion and Land of Lincoln Grand Champion Steers, Barrows, Market Lambs and Meat Goat Wethers will be harvested on Monday, August 18, 2025, and tested as provided in this premium book.

Additional Expectations

- 38. No alcohol is allowed outside the designated areas of the Illinois State Fairgrounds.
- 39. Due to limited storage space in and around livestock buildings on the fairgrounds, exhibitors will only be allowed to bring a reasonable amount of feed and bedding with them.
- 40. The Department has a contract with Rex Evans d/b/a Evans Cartage, giving them exclusive right to sell feed and bedding on the Illinois State Fairgrounds. Exhibitors must pay Evans directly and provide a receipt for such prior to animals being released. As a special service on the fairgrounds, bedding and feed can be delivered to assigned stalls and pens prior to arrival if exhibitors' phone or write to: Feed Store, Illinois State Fairgrounds, P.O. Box 19427, Springfield, IL 62794; Phone 217-523-5400; or Email evansfeed@gmail.com.
- 41. Campers must be parked in the Campground. Unless specifically authorized, no campers will be allowed to park around livestock buildings.
- 42. There will be no wheelbarrows furnished by the Illinois State Fair for use by exhibitors.
- 43. Equipment left on the Fairgrounds over thirty (30) days after the closing date of the State Fair is subject to removal at the discretion of the State Fair Management.

Awards and Premiums

44. Objections to any person serving as a judge must be submitted to the Department Superintendent in

- writing, providing good and sufficient reasons, prior to the judge in question making any award in a given show. In all cases, the Illinois State Fair Management shall have sole authority and responsibility for addressing the situation and making a decision.
- 45. The Superintendent of each Livestock Department shall instruct the Clerk to confirm entries, as indicated in the entry records, against entries present at the time of judging, and make record of what animals were shown and passed upon by the Judge. The Department Superintendent shall ensure that all records of placings and awards are properly executed by Judges and Clerks, and returned to the Competitive Events Office as soon as a show is completed.
- 46. Records of placing and awards shall serve as the final evidence for payment of premiums.

 Ribbons/rosettes will not serve as evidence. Judges will certify their rankings in the showring at the time of judging, and such certification will support the completed records of placing and award.
- 47. Premiums will be paid as rapidly as possible after the last day of the State Fair.
- 48. Errors in premium statements can be corrected until November 1 following the fair, after which time the books will be closed and incorrect premiums forfeited.
- 49. In all Livestock Departments, including poultry and rabbits, exhibitors are limited to two premiums in single classes and one premium in group classes, in both Junior and Land of Lincoln shows.
- 50. All special premiums and/or awards will be paid or presented by designated associations or donors offering the same and the State Fair is in no way responsible for the payment or extension of such special prizes.
- 51. No premium will be awarded to any animal or group of animals for the purpose of advertising any commodity.
- 52. The Department of Agriculture shall use its best efforts to secure sufficient appropriations to fund premiums. In any year for which the General Assembly of the State of Illinois fails to make an appropriation sufficient to pay such premiums, premium amounts may not be accurately reflected in the Livestock Premium Book.
- 53. Ribbons and trophies will be presented to exhibitors at the time of judging and the State Fair will not be responsible for loss or the issuing of replacements.
- 54. Champion classes are limited to first place animals, except reserve champions where the second-place animal from the class in which the champion was selected may compete.

SECTION 6

SUPERIOR YOUNG PRODUCER AWARDS General Livestock (Beef Cattle, Sheep and Swine) and Dairy Cattle

Program Established

The Superior Young Producer Awards (SYPA) were established to create an educational activity at the Illinois State Fair which promotes youth development and personal growth through increased knowledge of the livestock industry and fosters career development.

Education Objective

The educational objective of SYPA is to provide youth participants in the Junior Livestock Division a practical experience that will develop their life skills, problem solving abilities and communication techniques.

Eligibility

- 1. The SYPA contest is open to any youth 14 years of age or older who are current bona fide Illinois 4-H members conducting project work in the species area for which he/she is entering the SYPA competition. The 4-H age is determined as of January 1, 2025.
- Participants do not have to be exhibiting animals at the Illinois State Fair in order to participate in the SYPA contest.

Entries

3. Entries are requested prior to the State Fair Junior Shows but will be accepted up to the start time of the contests.

General Guidelines

- 4. The SYPA contest will be held during the Illinois State Fair.
- 5. The Beef, Sheep and Swine species are combined into a single Division contest to better reflect the National 4-H Livestock Skillathon Contest. The top four (4) contestants in this combined Division will represent Illinois 4-H in the National Livestock Skillathon held in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) held in November in Louisville, Kentucky.
- 6. The contests will consist of the following three (3) specific phases:
 - a. Beef, Sheep and Swine: Skillathon, Management Test and Meat Identification and Judging
 - b. Dairy Cattle: Skillathon, Management Test and Live Animal Judging

Phase Descriptions

<u>Skillathon:</u> This will involve a series of learning stations with specific tasks and questions for participants to answer. Participants will rotate from station to station to test their knowledge and abilities in a learn-by-doing atmosphere.

<u>Management Test:</u> A fifty (50) question written test will be given to each participant. Questions will relate to all aspects of livestock management and will challenge their knowledge and recall of related facts.

<u>Live Animal Judging</u>: Classes of four (4) animals each will be placed by the participants based on type, conformation and, in some cases, production information. Participants will be scored on their ability to select quality livestock for the modern production system.

Meat Identification and Judging: Classes of retail cuts of meat will be identified and evaluated.

Awards

- 7. An award will be presented to each of the top three (3) placing individuals in the three (3) identified phase competitions for each contest.
- 8. A maximum of three (3) individual winners of the overall Superior Young Producer Awards will be selected in the Dairy Cattle Division and a total of nine (9) individual winners will be selected in the combined Beef, Sheep and Swine Division. Each identified overall winner will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and award.
 - Special Note: The Overall Superior Young Producer Award Plaques are sponsored by the Land of Lincoln Purebred Livestock Breeders Association and the Illinois State Fair.
- 9. The overall SYPA winners will be announced and recognized at an appropriate time during the Illinois State Fair.
- 10. A participant may receive only one scholarship one time throughout his/her 4-H eligible years. Further, after receiving a scholarship in any of the species award areas, the eligible 4-H member may participate in other species award programs in following years but will be eligible to receive phase awards only.
- 11. In order to receive a scholarship, the 4-H member must pursue studies at an accredited two (2) or four (4) year college, university, certified post- secondary trade school or advanced educational program.
- 12. Scholarship monies are paid directly by the Illinois 4-H Foundation to the institution where the student is enrolled. No interest will be earned on scholarships.
- 13. If a student turns twenty-one (21) and has not claimed scholarship funds by January 1st of the following year, any unused scholarship money will remain in the Superior Young Producer Award Endowment Fund for future recipients.

Contest Schedule

Beef, Sheep and Swine Division

Wednesday, August 6, 6:00 p.m. – South Showring, Junior Livestock Building

Dairy Cattle Division

Saturday, August 16, 8:30 a.m. – Livestock Center Showring

SECTION 7

OPEN LIVESTOCK DIVISION ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GENERAL RULES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Headquarters

The General Livestock Office will be near the milking parlor at the northeast corner of the lower level of Building #30, also called the Junior Livestock Barn. Mail should be addressed in care of Open Division, Illinois State Fair, P.O. Box 19427, Springfield, IL 62794.

General Eligibility

The Open Livestock Division of the Illinois State Fair is open to all exhibitors regardless of age or residency. Parental discretion is encouraged when considering the most appropriate age for young children to be caring for and exhibiting livestock in the Open Division of the State Fair.

Truck and Trailer Parking

Unless properly permitted, no stock truck or trailer parking will be permitted in Lot 1 west of the Junior Livestock Barn at any time from August 5-19, 2025. All livestock trailers must be parked in the half-mile track. Upon unloading, dump any excess manure from trailers into manure pits that are placed around Junior Livestock Barn. No vehicles may be parked in the half-mile track and no livestock trailers may be parked in tie-out areas. Vehicles will be towed at owner's expense.

Premises Registration Number Voluntary

Premises Registration is voluntary to exhibit livestock (beef, dairy, horses, swine, sheep, goats, poultry and rabbits) at the Illinois State Fair.

Choosing to register your premises puts you on the frontline of controlling and preventing the spread of animal disease. A disease outbreak can't be predicted but it can impact every segment of animal agriculture. Participation ensures that you have the information you need, when you need it most, to protect your animals and your investment. Registering a premise involves obtaining a seven-character alpha-numeric "identifier" for the farm, ranch, veterinary clinic or other site where livestock or fowl are handled, housed, managed or processed.

If an exhibitor wants to register their animals an application form can be found on-line at https://agr.illinois.gov/animals/animalhealth/premises-registration.html. Exhibitors who register on-line will receive a premise registration number immediately. An application can also be obtained by calling 866/299-9256. If completing application and returning by mail, it may take up to four (4) weeks to receive the number.

Filing a Protest

If another exhibitor or any member of the public has reason to believe that an exhibit should be disqualified, they may contact the superintendent for that department, and/or State Fair Officials and must present their evidence in writing. If, after reviewing evidence, the State Fair disqualifies the exhibit, the complaining party's name and evidence may be included in the Notice of Disqualification. The basis for a disqualification cannot be anonymous.

GENERAL RULES for OPEN LIVESTOCK DIVISION EXHIBITS

Entry Rules, Fees and Information

1. No employee (includes full-time, part-time, and/or contractual employees) of the Illinois State Fair or member of his/her Immediate Family is allowed to own or exhibit any animals and/or articles in any competitive event in which he/she is employed as a judge or superintendent. (Immediate Family is

- defined as the spouse, children, step-children, parents or step-parents, brothers, sisters, step-brothers or step-sisters.)
- By submitting an Illinois State Fair Entry Form, Exhibitors agree to all terms and conditions in this
 premium book and all other laws including the *Humane Care for Animals Act*. All exhibitors must
 acknowledge the condition of the entry when entries are made regarding Ethical Care and Exhibiting of
 Animals.
- 3. Entries in all classes shall be made through the online fair entry system at the Illinois State Fair website. No other type of entry will be accepted.
- 4. Entries in all classes shall be made through the online fair entry system at the Illinois State Fair website. Payment must be made via credit card at the time of entry. No other type of entry will be accepted. Assistance with entries is available at the Competitive Events Office, Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All entries must be submitted online one or before July 15, 2025. Fees will not be refunded. Late entries will be accepted through July 31, 2025, with an additional \$50.00/exhibitor charge assessed.
- 5. Group entries must be made from animals entered and shown in single classes and must be the same owner as single entries unless otherwise stated in breed classification. Additionally, group entries are limited to one (1) entry per exhibitor. Further, partnership animals cannot be combined for group classes, including family partnership, unless otherwise stated in breed classification.
- 6. State Fair Management reserves the right to reject any entry. Exhibitors are allowed two (2) entries per class in each Department unless otherwise noted in specific Department rules.
- 7. Entry fees for the Junior Show at the 2025 Illinois State Fair are as follows:

a.	Beef Cattle	\$25.00 per head
b.	Dairy Cattle	\$20.00 per head
c.	Swine	\$15.00 per head
d.	Sheep	\$15.00 per head
e.	Goats	\$15.00 per head
f.	Poultry	\$3.00 per head
g.	Rabbits	\$3.00 per head

8. Manure fees for the Junior Show at the 2025 Illinois State Fair are as follows:

a.	Beef Cattle	\$10.00 per head
b.	Dairy Cattle	\$10.00 per head
c.	Swine	\$5.00 per head
d.	Sheep	\$5.00 per head
e.	Goats	\$5.00 per head

9. At the time of check in, if an animal is identified as erroneously entered, the Department Superintendent has the authority to transfer the animal to the correct class. If the correct class has already been judged, it shall not be reopened, and the animal will be ineligible for competition. There will be no refund of entry fee for erroneously entered animals. "Erroneously entered" shall refer to exhibits that do not meet the technical requirements for the class (e.g.a steer class that requires at least 50% of a specific breed, where the entered animal is less than 50% of the specific breed, may be moved to another class, if the animal meets the requirements for that class in the premium book).

Animal Registration and Ownership

10. Registration papers issued by respective breed associations will be required in all purebred classes. Registration must show ownership of the animals in the name of the exhibitor or ownership by immediate family members (considered to be individuals living in the same household) including the exhibitor for the period required in the 4-H or FFA projects. Original registration papers, copies and electronic papers will all be accepted.

- 11. Original registration papers only must be available to the Department Superintendent at weigh-in/check-in and when checking ear markings, tattoos, or other identification. In extreme emergencies, a copy of the registration paper faxed from the respective National Breed Association directly to the Illinois State Fair Entry Department, 217-782-8362, when accompanied by a cover letter will be accepted. Breeders with market animals must have papers or faxed copy from the National Breed Association two (2) hours prior to the start of weigh-in and those with breeding stock must have papers or faxed copy from the National Breed Association two (2) hours prior to check-in. Litter papers for open breeding swine will be accepted only if the pigs have individual registration numbers included on the litter papers; no exceptions.
- 12. The name of the exhibitor must correspond and be the same name as on the breed registration papers and all animals must be so registered and transferred in the name of the exhibitor or partnership at least thirty (30) days prior to the opening day of the State Fair.
- 13. For purposes of distinguishing the breeder, the owner of the dam at the time of service shall be considered the breeder of the exhibited animal.
- 14. Double registered animals will be allowed entry in only one breed show.
- 15. Effective dates for ownership must appear on the registration papers. Required ownership dates are printed in the species sections.

Arrival, Penning/Stalling, Check-in, Showing and Release of Animals

- 16. All livestock exhibited in the Open Division must meet the Illinois Exhibition Animal Health Requirements of the Illinois State Fair as previously identified. Health papers must be stamped by the State Veterinarian or designee on the grounds and must be presented when obtaining exhibitor numbers at check-in.
- 17. Time of arrival, showing and release of animals is identified in the Open Livestock Schedule and also printed in the species sections. Any animals in barns prior to identified arrival times shall be moved according to Superintendent's instruction.
- 18. All pens and stalls are assigned by the superintendent or his/her assistants. Animals must be stalled or penned according to these assignments.
- 19. The State Fair Management encourages the displaying of farm exhibit signs. Such signs, if displayed, must not exceed six feet in length and three feet in width. No commercial product or service advertising, other than the home, farm, or breed of the entrant shall be allowed on stalls, pens, hurdles, or in the show arena. Decorative lights and painting of any portion of State Fair facilities are prohibited.
- 20. Practice scales will be provided by the Illinois State Fair for classes determined by weight. No scales other than those authorized by the Illinois State Fair in writing shall be allowed on the State Fairgrounds. Exhibitors found to have scales of any type on the grounds will be disqualified.
- 21. All stock exhibited in breeding classes must be in breeding condition. All male animals shown in any breeding class must be entire and no animals shall be shown which are affected with any known chronic disease, deformity or serious imperfection.
- 22. In most Departments, exhibitors will be furnished ring cards showing the exhibitor number which must be worn in the show ring when animals are shown. Ear tags will be used for steer exhibitor identification and paint numbers will be used for gilts and boars in the Open Swine Show. Exhibitor numbers are to be secured from the Superintendent of the Department at the designated time of check-in. To secure ring cards at check-in, each exhibitor (except in the Horse Department) must present:
 - a. Health Certificate of Veterinary Inspection approved by the State Veterinarian and showing animals comply with Illinois Exhibition Animal Health Requirements.
 - b. A certificate of eligibility or a certificate of registry, signed by the Secretary of the National

Breed Association, indicating the animal exhibited is purebred and giving registry numbers of the sire and dam for all purebred Land of Lincoln classes.

- 23. Market class breaks will be made at the sole discretion of the Department Superintendent. Further, the Department Superintendent shall have complete discretion in determining specific breed division and assignments to allow for efficient show management, including the addition of an AOB class. If there are not at least four (4) different exhibitors and twenty-five (25) animals in any given livestock breed, the breed show may be eliminated, with those animals assigned to show in an AOB class.
- 24. The State Fair reserves the right to cancel any class where there are less than four (4) entries which are the property of different owners. The State Fair also reserves the right to combine or divide any class or classes should the best interests of the show warrant such.
- 25. When any breed of livestock drops below four (4) different exhibitors and twenty-five (25) animals, the State Fair Management has the authority, at its sole discretion, to eliminate the breed show classification for the following year(s). In such cases and in order to regain the breed classification for future fairs, the exhibitors/Breed Association must present satisfactory evidence to the state fair management that they will have a show of the required number and quality in keeping with state fair standards.
- 26. Exhibitors/Breed Associations wishing to add new, previously un-designated breeds, to the standard departmental shows at the Illinois State Fair may be provided the opportunity to exhibit club or breed association shows as separate events at the fair, providing the Department Superintendent and General Livestock Superintendent are supportive and it is determined that such exhibitions can be accommodated in the facilities and schedule of the State Fair. In order for a new, previously undesignated breed to be added to standard departmental shows, it must be demonstrated, through a minimum of three years of club or breed show exhibitions at the State Fair, the new breed can offer and sustain minimum required numbers of exhibitors and animals for future fairs.
- 27. Animals should not be decorated or adorned with any unnecessary trappings during showing in the ring.
- 28. Understanding that the Illinois State Fair provides a showcase for the Illinois livestock industry and an opportunity for exhibitors and visitors alike to view the best livestock Illinois has to offer and learn more about responsible animal husbandry and its significance in quality food production, it is important for animals to remain at the Fair for the prescribed exposition period. Exhibitors who remove their animals prior to the published release dates and times may be subject to forfeiture of all placings, awards and premiums.
- 29. Animals will be released in accordance with the schedules listed for a given Livestock Department. In all instances, exhibitors must obtain a signed release form from an authorized Superintendent and have the approved release form available for inspection by security at fair gates. Animals may be released prior to the published release dates and times if, at the discretion of the Department Superintendent, an early release is warranted to preserve and protect the health and welfare of animals and exhibitors.

Additional Expectations

- 30. Due to limited storage space in and around livestock buildings on the Fairgrounds, exhibitors will only be allowed to bring a reasonable amount of feed and bedding with them.
- 31. As a service to exhibitors, the State Fair Management contracts with reputable entities to supply livestock feed, bedding and some miscellaneous livestock supplies. Feeds will be of good quality with prices on a level with the area retail market. Feed, bedding and supplies purchased shall be on a cash basis and all bills must be paid with a receipt provided prior to animals being released. As a special service on the fairgrounds, bedding and feed can be delivered to assigned stalls and pens prior to arrival if exhibitors phone or write to: Feed Store, Illinois State Fairgrounds, P.O. Box 19427, Springfield, IL 62794; Phone 217-523-5400; FAX 217-882-2128; or Email evansfeed@gmail.com.
- 32. No alcohol is allowed outside the designated areas of the Illinois State Fairgrounds.

- 33. Campers must be parked in the campground area. Unless specifically authorized, no campers will be allowed to park around livestock buildings.
- 34. There will be no wheelbarrows furnished by the Illinois State Fair for use by exhibitors.
- 35. Equipment left on the Fairgrounds over thirty (30) days after the closing date of the State Fair is subject to removal at the discretion of the State Fair Management.

Awards and Premiums

- 36. Objections to any person serving as a judge must be submitted to the Department Superintendent in writing, providing good and sufficient reasons, prior to the judge in question making any award in a given show. In all cases, the Illinois State Fair Management shall have full power and authority to act.
- 37. The Superintendent of each Livestock Department shall instruct the Clerk to confirm entries, as indicated in the entry records, against entries present at the time of judging, and make record of what animals were shown and passed upon by the Judge. The Department Superintendent shall ensure that all records of placings and awards are properly executed by Judges and Clerks, and returned to the Competitive Events Office as soon as a show is completed.
- 38. Records of placing and awards shall serve as the final evidence for payment of premiums.

 Ribbons/rosettes will not serve as evidence. Judges will certify their rankings in the showring at the time of judging, and such certification will support the completed records of placing and award.
- 39. Premiums will be paid as rapidly as possible after the last day of the State Fair.
- 40. Errors in premium statements may be corrected until November 1 following the fair, after which time the books will be closed and incorrect premiums forfeited.
- 41. In all Livestock Departments, including poultry and rabbits, exhibitors are limited to two premiums in single classes and one premium in group classes, in both Junior and Land of Lincoln shows.
- 42. All special premiums and/or awards will be paid or presented by designated associations or donors offering the same and the State Fair is in no way responsible for the payment or extension of such special prizes.
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