Wabaunsee County Fair Association

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General Rules & Regulations

NOTICE: Only bona fide Wabaunsee County 4-H members may show in the 4-H division. Open Class division is open to anyone, including out of county exhibitors.

Entry System: We have transitioned to the FairEntry online fair management system! Entries can be completed by going to: <u>http://wabcofair.fairentry.com/</u>.

- **4-H Entries:** Online entries are required for all 4-H exhibitors and projects,
- **Open Class Entries:** Online entries are requested, but not required. Entry sheets (OC Only) are available at the Extension Office.
- 1. The Wabaunsee County Fair Board reserves the right to interpret all Open Class and general County Fair rules and regulations. They will arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incident to the County Fair. Wabaunsee County Extension reserves the right to interpret 4-H rules and regulations. They will arbitrarily settle and determine all 4-H matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incident to the County Fair.
- 2. An entry may only be exhibited in one division: 4-H or Open Class.
- 3. Age categories are based on January 1 of current year.
- Age divisions will be: Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13) and Senior (14-18), unless otherwise specified.

- 5. Open Class will be awarded on a basis of purple, blue, red and white ribbon groups. Premium money will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.
- 6. If, in the opinion of the judge, the entry(s) for an award are not up to standards worthy of first prize, the prize awards will be made as the judge may consider proper.
- All buildings will be open Friday of the fair at noon. <u>All exhibits are to be in place during scheduled check-in times.</u>
- 8. All exhibitors will be expected to help clean up the barns and fairgrounds Tuesday evening.
- 9. No project may check-out early unless directed by Extension Agent, Fair Board, and/or Fair Veterinarian.
- 10. Superintendents will use diligence to ensure the safety of livestock or articles after their arrival and placement, but will in no case be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.
- 11. Night watchmen will be provided Friday through Tuesday nights of the Fair.
- 12. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed on the fairgrounds during the fair.
- 13. No dogs other than genuine service dogs allowed on fairgrounds during the County Fair.
- 14. Campers or RVs may not arrive before 6:00 a.m. on Saturday of the Fair.

Animal Rules & Regulations

GENERAL

- 1. ALL 4-H animal entries **MUST** be submitted via FairEntry no later than **the first Friday in July**.
- 2. Open Class animals are requested to submit a preentry, but are not required. Please let the Extension Office know how many head you are bringing, so stalls can be assigned.
- 3. ALL livestock must check-in Saturday morning as scheduled. This includes market & breeding animals.
- 4. Livestock must be checked in and weighed by the 4-Her or family; superintendents are not responsible

for moving animals from pens to the scales.

- 5. If you wish to protest the official scale weight, the 4-Her or family must be present when weighed; the animal will walk off the scale, scale will be zeroed, and the animal will immediately re-weigh.
- 6. There will be no sleeping in the exhibit buildings. Adequate nighttime supervision will be provided. Camping will be allowed east of Mill Creek Cowboys Arena
- 7. All cattle, goats, sheep, swine not sold can be released Tuesday 6:00 a.m. - noon. Rabbits and poultry will be released Tuesday at 8:00 p.m.

Animal Rules & Regulations (continued)

- 8. No project may check-out early unless directed by Extension Agent, Super and/or Fair Veterinarian.
- 9. Insurance for animals will not be provided. A waiver will be completed with pre-entries.

ANIMAL HEALTH

- 1. All animals will be subject to veterinary inspection at specie weigh-in.
- 2. Superintendents reserve the right to refuse admittance to any animals for health reasons.
- 3. All animals shall be free of clinical signs of infectious and contagious disease.
- 4. Animals with active lesions or ringworm, warts or infected with mange will not be permitted to exhibit.
- 5. Mistreatment and/or abuse of animals will not be tolerated and will result in disqualification as determined by Superintendent and Agent.
- 6. Animals that arrive prior to weigh-in, enter at their own risk.
- 7. We will follow the recommended guidelines from KDAH for the 2021 Fair.

CARE AND SAFETY

- 1. Poultry and rabbit cages will be provided by the Fair Association. Turkey-sized fowl and larger will use cages supplied by the exhibitor.
- 2. Pet exhibitors must provide own cage or carrier.
- 3. All feed for livestock, poultry, & rabbit projects must be furnished by the owner. Bring feed your animal is accustomed to eating. Water is available onsite.
- 4. Bring your own water & feed troughs for rabbits & poultry; bedding will be provided. Straw is allowed for bedding of livestock.
- 5. Exhibitors are responsible for keeping their stalls, cages, and alleyway clean at all times.
- 6. Care for 4-H projects is the 4-H MEMBER'S responsibility. 4-Her's must handle animals to their capabilities. Parents are asked to limit assistance to that needed for the member's safety.
- 7. Exhibitors are responsible for extra care required during hot weather.
- 8. Superintendents will use diligence to ensure the safety of animals after their arrival and placement, but will in no case be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.

SHOWS

- 1. Classes for Open Class exhibits will be made to fit those entries.
- 2. Livestock may be groomed/handled ONLY by the 4-H member, with help from; immediate family member, other 4-H members, superintendent, or project leader.
- 3. Exhibitors should be properly attired when showing livestock.
- 4. 4-Her's should accompany their exhibits, and in the case of livestock, exhibitors must show their own entries. In case the exhibitor has two entries in the same

class, he or she may have another Wabaunsee County 4-H member assist with one exhibit.

- 5. Showmanship exhibitors must have shown that animal in a market or breeding class.
- 6. Showmanship classes will be divided into Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13) and Senior (14-18). Large classes within each division may be broken up for judging purposes. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from within each division: Jr, Int, Sr. The Overall Showmanship Champion will be selected from the 3 division champions. The Reserve Champion from the Overall Showmanship Champion's class will be brought into the ring with the remaining two contestants to select Overall Showmanship Reserve Champion. The Overall Showmanship Champion in Beef, Goats, Horses, Sheep, and Swine will represent the species in the Round Robin Showmanship contest unless he/she has previously won, the Overall Reserve Champion will be the alternate.
- 7. In all divisions, a rating system of awards will be used. Livestock exhibits will be placed by judges into Blue, Red, and White ribbon groups. Each ribbon group will have their own premium level. Class champion must be Blue ribbon quality. Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons may only be given to blue ribbon exhibits. Livestock going through Livestock Sale will not receive a ribbon premium.
- 8. All livestock barns will be closed to the public during livestock shows to ensure safety of livestock, 4-H members, and the public.
- 9. Superintendents may request the use of livestock for Round Robin. A 4-H family may choose to authorize this use or not.

LIVESTOCK SALE

- 1. Premium only (ribbon) auction. Carcasses will not be sold through the auction, exhibitors are responsible for finding their own carcass buyers. Floor buyer available for Sheep & Goats and Poultry & Rabbits only.
- 2. Only animals exhibited in 4-H market classes at the Fair may be sold. Each 4-H member may sell two (2) animals through the auction ring, a maximum of one (1) per species.
- 3. Declaration forms must be submitted to the Extension office for all animals going through the auction ring by Monday at 9:45pm. No form = no auction.
- The following minimum weights are mandatory for sale: Beef – 1000 lbs, Swine – 220 lbs, Lambs – 100 lbs, Meat Goats – 50 lbs, Poultry – 3 lbs, Rabbits – 3 lbs.
- 3. Animals sold through the auction ring cannot compete at any show after the fair.
- 4. All animals selling through the livestock sale will be charged a \$15.00 flat fee per head.
- 5. For base bids only, the following fees apply: \$3.00 for Sheep & Goats and Poultry & Rabbits.