

DAILY SCHEDULE

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK

(subject to change)

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

5 PM - 8:00 PM Barns available for Tack only. No livestock will be allowed to enter California State Fairgrounds at this time.

Thursday, July 16, 2026

6 AM - 12 Noon Barns available for livestock: Beef (Market & Breeding), Sheep, Swine, Market Goats, and Wether Dam Does

1 - 3:00 PM Pre-weigh Market Steers and Market Heifers (L1)
Pre-weigh Market Goats and Wether Dam Does (L2)
Pre-weigh Market Lambs and Wether Dam/Sire Sheep (L2)
Pre-weigh Market Hogs, Crossbred Breeding Gilts (L3)

1:30 PM All livestock must be vet checked and in place.
All vehicles must be in parking lots.

3:00 PM Mandatory Exhibitor Meeting - All Species (Beef, Sheep, Swine & Goats) (L1)

4:00 PM All Original Registration Papers and Tattoo's/Permanent Identification must be checked in.

4:00 - 5:00 PM Official scale available for weigh-in of Market Goats and Wether Dam Does. Weight cards for Market Goats must be submitted by 5:30 pm. (L2)

4:00 - 5:30 PM Official scale available for weigh-in of Crossbred Breeding Gilts. Weight cards for Crossbred Gilts must be submitted by 6:00pm. (L3)

5:00 PM Written Exam for Large Animal Champion Challenge Program (L1)

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK (CONTINUED)

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Friday, July 17, 2026

California State Fair Opens

- 8 - 9:30 AM** Official Breed Classification and scale available for weigh-in of Market Barrows. All Barrows must come to the scales to be classified. Weight cards for Market Barrows must be submitted by 10 am.
- 8 - 9:30 AM** Official Breed Classification and scale available for weigh-in of Market Lambs. All Lambs must come to the scales to be classified. Weight cards for Market Lambs must be submitted by 10:00 am. (L2)
- 9:30 - 10:30 AM** Official scale available for weigh-in of Wether Dam/Wether Sire Sheep. Weight cards for Wether Dam/Sire Sheep must be submitted by 11 am. (L2)
- 9:30 AM** Mandatory Meeting for Champion Challenge participants followed by Champion Challenge Preliminary round followed by Semi-Final round (L1)
- 10 - 10:30 AM** Official weigh-in and Breed Classification of Market Steers and Market Heifers. Original Bill of Sale and Brand Inspection Papers must be available upon check-in. Weight Cards for Market Steers must be submitted by 11:00 am. All steers must come to the scales to be classified. (L1)
- 12:30 PM** Judge registered Berkshire Gilts, followed by Chester Gilts, followed by Duroc Gilts, followed by Hampshire Gilts, followed by Hereford & Tamworth Gilts, followed by Landrace Gilts, followed by Poland China & Spot Gilts, followed by Yorkshire Gilts, followed by Crossbred Gilts, followed by County and Chapter Groups, followed by Selection of Swine Supreme Champions (L3)
- 1:30 PM** Judge Market Goats followed by Wether Dam Doe Show followed by County and Chapter Groups followed by Goat Showmanship (Junior 4-H followed by Senior 4-H followed by Grange followed by FFA) (L2)
- 4:30 PM** Junior Sheep Lead Class Competition check in
- 5:00 PM** Judge Junior Sheep Lead Competition (L2)

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Saturday, July 18, 2026

- 8:00 AM** Judge Market Barrows followed by County Groups followed by Chapter Groups (L3)
- 8:00 AM** Judge Market Lambs followed by County Groups followed by FFA Chapter Groups followed by Sheep Showmanship (Junior 4-H followed by Senior 4-H followed by Grange followed by FFA) followed by Judge Leonard Bianchi Wether Dam and Wether Sire Show followed by Western Regional Junior Hampshire Sheep Show followed by Junior Dorset Show followed by Junior Southdown Spectacular Show followed by Junior All Other Breeds Meat Show followed by AOB Wool Sheep Show followed by County and Chapter Groups followed by the selection of Sheep Supreme Champion (L2)
- 10:00 AM** Judge Fitted Market Steers followed by Slick Market Steers followed by Market Heifer Show followed by County and Chapter Groups followed by Beef Showmanship (4-H Junior followed by 4-H Senior followed by Grange followed by FFA) followed by Junior All Other Breeds Beef Show followed by Junior Hereford Show followed by Junior Shorthorn Show followed by Junior Angus Show followed by Supreme Champion Beef Female, Supreme Champion Bull and Supreme Champion Cow Calf (L1)
- 1:00 PM** Judge Swine Showmanship (4-H Junior followed by 4-H Senior followed by Grange followed by FFA) (L3)
- 7:00 PM** Selection of all State Fair Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Animals (Hogs followed by Goats followed by Lambs followed by Steers) (L1)

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Sunday, July 19, 2026

- 9:00 AM** County Fair Best of Show Large Animal Master Showmanship Exhibitors must check in at the Livestock Office no later than 9AM.
- 10:00 AM** Judge State Fair Master Showmanship and FFA Round Robin (L1)
- 12 NOON** Judge County Fair Best of Show Large Animal Master Showmanship (L1)
- 3:30 PM** Junior Livestock Awards Ceremony. Award recipients must appear in official uniform. All Large Animal Champion Challenge Exhibitors must be present. (L1)
- 5:00 PM** Release all Junior Livestock (use Gate 25 when exiting fairgrounds)

Monday, July 20, 2026

- 6:30 AM** All animals and tack must be removed from grounds

OPEN BEEF, NIGERIAN DWARF GOAT & PYGMY GOATS

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Monday, July 20, 2026

**Not before
8:00 PM** Out of state exhibitors interested in arriving to the California State Fair tie-outs must confirm arrival with the livestock superintendent prior to July 11, 4:30 pm. All exhibitors are expected to arrive within the designated arrival times.

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

8:00 - 11:00 AM Barns available for Pygmy Goats, Nigerian Dwarf Goats, and Open Beef Cattle

11:00 AM All livestock must be vet checked and in place. All vehicles must be in parking lot.

1:00 PM All Original Registration Papers and Tattoo's/Permanent Identification must be checked in at this time.

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

10:00 AM Judge Open Angus Show followed by Open All Other Breed Beef Show followed by A.H.A. Regional Hereford Classic Show (Females followed by Bulls) (L1)

12 Noon Judge Junior Pygmy Goat Show (L3)

3:00 PM Judge California Classic Pygmy Goat Show (L3)

Thursday, July 23, 2026

9:00 AM Judge Open Pygmy Goat Show (L3)

10:00 AM Judge Open Charolais Show followed by Open Shorthorn Show followed by selection of Beef Supreme Champions (Females followed by Bulls followed by Cow Calf Pairs) (L1)

7:00 PM Release all Beef Cattle (use Gate 25)

OPEN BEEF, NIGERIAN DWARF GOAT & PYGMY GOATS (CONTINUED)

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Friday, July 24, 2026

- 10:00 AM** Judge Nigerian Dwarf Goat Show (L3)
Judge SPPGA Pygmy Goat Club Show (L2)
- 3:00 PM** Judge State Fair Small Animal Master Showmanship (L1)
- 4:00 PM** Release all Pygmy Goats, and Nigerian Dwarf Goats (use Gate 25)
- 5:00 PM** Judge County Fair Best of Show Small Animals Master Showmanship (L1)
- 8:00 PM** All animals and tack must be removed from the grounds.

DAIRY CATTLE AND DAIRY GOAT

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Saturday, July 25, 2026

Not before

7:00 AM - 1:00 PM Barns available for Dairy Cattle and Dairy Goats

2:00 PM All animals must be vet checked and in place, all vehicles must be in parking lots.

3:00 PM All Original Registration Papers and Tattoo's/Permanent Identification must be checked in by this time.

5:00 PM Champion Challenge Written Exam (L1)

Sunday, July 26, 2026

9:00 AM Junior Dairy Goat Showmanship (FFA followed by Senior 4-H followed by Junior 4-H followed by Grange) (L2)

10:00 AM Judge Dairy Cattle Showmanship (Junior 4-H followed by Senior 4-H followed by Grange followed by FFA) (L1)

12 Noon Judge Alpine Show: Youth Exhibitor classes shall alternate with Open Exhibitor Classes (L2)

1:00 PM Judge All California All Other Breeds Dairy Show followed by All California Brown Swiss Show - Junior exhibitor classes and Open classes shall be combined. Cows approximately at 3:00 pm (L1)

4:00 PM Judge Oberhasli Show followed by Recorded Grade Show: Youth Exhibitor classes shall alternate with Open Exhibitor Classes (L2)

Monday, July 27, 2026

9:00 AM Judge Junior Nubian Show & Golden State Nubian Specialty Show: Youth Exhibitor classes shall alternate with Open Exhibitor Classes. (L2)

10:00 AM Judge All California Junior & Open Jersey Show - Junior exhibitor classes shall alternate with Open exhibitor classes starting with heifers (Cows approximately at 11:30 a.m.) (L1)

1:00 PM Judge ADGA Nigerian Dwarf Goat Show: Youth Exhibitor classes shall alternate with Open Exhibitor Classes. (L2)

6:00 PM Champion Challenge Preliminary Round followed by Semi-Final Round (L1)

DAIRY CATTLE AND DAIRY GOAT

Tuesday, July 28, 2026

- 8:00 AM** State Fair 4-H Master Showmanship followed by FFA Round Robin Showmanship (L1)
- 9:00 AM** Judge Toggenburg Show: Youth Exhibitor classes shall alternate with Open Exhibitor Classes. (L2)
- 9:00 AM** Judge Red & White Holstein Heifers alternating with Black & White Holstein Heifers, Junior Division followed by Open (L1)
- 12:30 PM** Judge Saanen Show: Youth Exhibitor Classes shall alternate with Open Exhibitor Classes. (L2)
- 1:00 PM** Judge Red & White Holstein Cows alternating with Black & White Holstein Cows, Junior Division followed by Open Division, followed by County and Chapter Groups, followed by selection of the Junior Division Supreme Junior Champion followed by Grand Champion Dairy Cattle Udders of the Junior Show followed by selection of the Supreme & Reserve Supreme Champion Dairy Cattle Female of the Junior Show. Followed by selection of the Open Division Supreme Junior Champion followed by the Grand Champion Dairy Cattle Udders of the Open Show followed by selection of the Supreme Champion Dairy Cattle Female of the Open Show followed by Supreme Best Three Females. (L1)
- 2:30 PM** Judge La Mancha Dairy Goat Show: Youth Exhibitor classes shall alternate with Open Exhibitor Classes followed by County and Chapter Groups followed by the selection of the Junior Division Dairy Goat Supreme Champions followed by the selection of the Junior Division Grand Champion Dairy Goat Udders. Followed by selection of the Open Division Dairy Goat Supremes (Best Junior Doe followed by Supreme Female, followed by Supreme Best Three Females followed by Grand Champion Udder followed by Total Performer)(L2)
- 5:00 PM** Final Round Champion Challenge (Administration Board Room)
- 7:30 PM** Dairy Cattle & Dairy Goat Awards Ceremony. Announcement of Showmanship Winners, Dairy Champion Challenge Winners, Supreme Champion Challenge Winners and Premier Awards followed by Release all Dairy Goats and Dairy cattle (use Gate 25 when exiting the fairgrounds)

Wednesday, July 29, 2026

- 7:00 AM** All animals and tack must be removed from grounds

OPEN LONGHORNS, SHEEP, ANGORA & FIBER GOATS, BOER GOATS, LLAMAS & ALPACAS (CONTINUED)

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Thursday, July 30, 2026

- 7 AM - 11 PM** Barns available for Longhorns, Sheep, Boer Goats, Angora Goats, Llamas and Alpacas
- 10:00 AM** Check in Llama and Alpaca Entries (L1)
- 12:00 PM** All livestock must be vet checked and in place. All vehicles must be in parking lot.
- All Original Registration Papers and Tattoo's/Permanent Identification must be checked in for Llamas & Alpacas.
- 1:00 PM** Llama Youth Skillathon Challenge (L1)
- 2:00 PM** Check in Alpaca Fleece entries (L1)
- 3:00 PM** All Original Registration Papers and Tattoo's/Permanent Identification must be checked in at this time for all other species.
- 5:30 PM** Llama & Alpaca exhibitor meeting (L1)
- 6:30 PM** Adult Costume Class followed by Youth Costume Class (L1)
- 7:00 PM** Walk-a-Llama/Walk-an-Alpaca, Open to the Public (L1)

Friday, July 31, 2026

- 8:30 AM** Judge Llama & Alpaca Showmanship (Adult, followed by Senior Youth, Intermediate Youth, then Junior Youth) (L1)
- 10:00 AM** Judge Llama & Alpaca Halter Classes (Non-Breeder Llamas, followed by Male Llamas - Suri, Silky, Light Wool, Medium Wool, Heavy Wool followed by Female Llamas - Suri, Silky, Light Wool, Medium Wool, Heavy Wool followed by Non-Breeder Alpaca, Male Alpacas - Huacaya, Suri followed by Female Alpacas - Huacaya, Suri followed by Llama Get of Sire and Produce of Dam, followed by Alpaca Get of Sire and Produce of Dam) (L1)
- 2:00 PM** Judge Angora Goat Show followed by All Other Fiber Goat Show (L2)
- 6:00 PM** Llama & Alpaca Demonstration - Learn about Llamas and Alpacas (L1)
- 6:30 PM** Llama Limbo (L1)
- 7:00 PM** Walk-a-Llama/Walk-an-Alpaca, Open to the Public (L1)

**OPEN LONGHORNS, SHEEP, ANGORA & FIBER GOATS, BOER GOATS,
LLAMAS & ALPACAS (CONTINUED)**

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Saturday, August 1, 2026

- 9:00 AM** Judge Llama & Alpaca Pack Classes (Master, Advanced, Senior Youth, Intermediate Youth, Open Alpaca, Junior then Novice) (L1)
- 9:00 AM** Judge Columbia & Rambouillet Sheep Show followed by Open Western Regional Dorper and White Dorper Show followed by Western Regional Cheviot Show followed by Montadale Show, followed by Natural Colored Wool Sheep Show followed by Western Regional Hampshire Show followed by Heritage Sheep Show followed by Open Dorset Show (L2)
- 11:00 AM** Judge Llama & Alpaca Public Relations Classes (Master, Advanced, Senior Youth, Intermediate Youth, Open Alpaca, Junior Youth, then Novice) (L1)
- Judge Junior Boer Goat Show and ABGA Boer Goat Show. Junior Exhibitor classes and Open Classes shall be combined. (L3)
- 2:00 PM** Judge Llama & Alpaca Obstacle Classes (Master, Advanced, Senior Youth, Intermediate Youth, Open Alpaca, Junior Youth, then Novice) (L1)
- 6:00 PM** Llama and Alpaca Demonstration - Learn about Llamas and Alpacas (L1)
- 6:30 PM** Llama Limbo (L1)
- 7:00 PM** Walk-a-Llama/Walk-an-Alpaca Open to the Public (L1)

OPEN LONGHORNS, SHEEP, ANGORA & FIBER GOATS, BOER GOATS, LLAMAS & ALPACAS (CONTINUED)

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Sunday, August 2, 2026

- 9:00 AM** Judge Llama Walking Fleece (L1)
- 9:00 AM** Judge All Other Breeds Wool Show followed by Open Southdown Spectacular Show followed by Western Regional Suffolk Show followed by All Other Breeds Meat Show followed by Wether Dam/Wether Sire Show (L2)
- 10:00 AM** Judge California Classic Boer Goat Show . L3
- 10:00 AM** Judge Texas Longhorn Mini Show followed the Texas Longhorn Halter Show followed by Loose Show followed by Youth Show (L1)
- 2:30 PM** Llama and Alpaca Demonstration - Learn about Llamas and Alpacas. (L1)
- 3:00 PM** Walk-a-Llama/Walk-an-Alpaca Open to the Public (L1)
- 4:00 PM** Select Supreme Champion Sheep (L2)
- 5:00 PM** Llama & Alpaca Award Ceremony (L1)
- 7:00 PM** Release all Longhorns, Sheep, Angora Goats, Boer Goats and Llamas & Alpacas (use Gate 25 when exiting the fairgrounds)