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2026 COMPETITION GUIDE

It's your moment to shine!
Enter today.

For more than 170 years the California State Fair has been a constant showcase of the talents and achievements of the people of California. Entering into the California State Fair's 2026 Competitive Exhibits Program allows you the opportunity to showcase your abilities, and revel in your accomplishments!

The California State Fair's friendly competitions are designed to acknowledge the best of the Golden State. Our Competitive Programs inspire talented Californians, as well as highlight the latest advances in technology, agriculture, and industry.

More than 750,000 visitors are expected at the State Fair this summer. Your work is an integral part of the State's celebration, and we look forward to seeing your talents on display during the annual State Fair from July 17 to August 2.

We encourage you to enter today and begin making lasting memories for yourself, and for the hundreds of thousands of State Fair patrons!

Sincerely,



Tom Martinez
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On behalf of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, I am delighted to welcome you and to thank you for your involvement as we look ahead to the 2026 fair season. Each year, our fairs bring people together from every corner of our state to celebrate agriculture, community, and the dedication of those who make it all possible.

The heart of every fair lies in its people: families, volunteers, youth leaders, and countless others who share their talents and passions. Your participation as exhibitors strengthens these connections, turning each fair into a place where learning, collaboration, and pride in California agriculture come to life.

We are especially grateful for the young people who engage through 4-H, FFA, Grange, and other youth programs. Their enthusiasm and commitment represent the future of agriculture, inspiring the next generation to value hard work, stewardship, and innovation. The skills they develop through these programs, such as leadership, responsibility, and community service, extend far beyond the fairgrounds and enrich the entire state. These experiences are supported by the very spaces that make them possible, which continue to serve their communities long after the fair season ends.

Our fairgrounds are more than event spaces; they are year-round centers of community life. They host educational workshops, local markets, and cultural celebrations that bring people together and strengthen our shared sense of belonging. During emergencies, they also serve as critical response and recovery sites, underscoring their role as essential community infrastructure. These roles highlight the enduring partnership between our fairgrounds and the exhibitors, volunteers, and communities that keep them thriving.

We recognize and deeply appreciate the effort, care, and time you invest in preparing for the fair. Your commitment ensures that these traditions continue to thrive and that agriculture remains at the heart of California's identity.

Thank you for your continued involvement and support. We look forward to another successful fair season and to celebrating the incredible spirit of California's agricultural community together.

Yours truly,



Karen Ross
Secretary





OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

February 2026

2026 California Fair Season

Fairs showcase the best of California, highlighting our spirit and creativity, and celebrating our agricultural heritage through competition and community. Through exhibitions and other fair offerings, Californians gain a deeper appreciation for the effort, skill, and care that sustain our food systems and support rural communities.

Although we celebrate the annual fair season, with events that bring Californians together in honor of agriculture, fairgrounds throughout the year serve as gathering places that strengthen our communities in both celebration and times of hardship. They bring people together to share, to learn, and to help one another when it matters most.

Fairgrounds and fairs are the landscape of so many happy memories for generations of Californians. This season, we show our gratitude for the countless people who put in the time and energy needed to keep these traditions alive and meaningful year after year. We all look forward to a safe, successful, and memorable 2026 fair season.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO KNOW

Contact: Phone: (916) 263-3149 & E-mail: entryoffice@calexpo.com

Entry Dates:

May 8	Online Entry Registration Open
June 24	Junior Breeding Boer Goat & Junior Pygmy Goat entries are due with other Open Livestock Entries
June 24	Entries Close online at 11:59 PM & entries must be paid
June 27	Detailed Receipt for online entries with all required signatures due
July 1	Missing Information Deadline
July 8	Extended Entry Deadline for Open Boer Goats, NDGA Nigerian Dwarf Goat Show and Open Pygmy Goat Shows
July 23	Selection of Beef Supreme Champions (L1)
July 24	California State Fair Small Animal Master Showmanship
July 28	Selection of Junior & Open Dairy Cattle & Dairy Goat Supreme Champions (L2)
August 2	4:00 PM - Select Supreme Champion Sheep (L2)

The California State Fair July 17 - August 2, 2026

The California State Fair has always been the awe-inspiring showcase of the state's finest, and ever since the first fair in 1854, California has upheld this tradition. People come from all over to witness the competition and innovation that our exhibitors produce. We continue to add new and exciting competitions to our competitive programs to showcase California's very best!

Why enter the Competition?

Competing at the California State Fair isn't just about sportsmanship and discipline. It is building a relationship between the consumer and the general public, education about the facts of agriculture and interacting with people who become lasting friends. It is an opportunity to showcase what you have learned through your organization and your livestock projects. It is the ability to see how your project measures up to some of the best on the west coast; to learn how to accept victory and defeat a professional and positive matter; to showcase that hard work and determination does pay off. Good luck to all exhibitors!

COMPETITION OVERVIEW



The California State Fair Open Livestock Show includes Beef Cattle, Sheep, Dairy Cattle, Boer Goats, Dairy Goats, Nigerian Dwarf Goats, Pygmy Goats, Angora & Fiber Goats, Longhorn Cattle, Llamas and Alpaca competitions.

Who Can Enter & Entry Fees

Open Livestock Competitions are open to California and out of state residents.

\$25.00 - Open Beef Cattle

\$25.00 - Open Dairy Cattle

\$15.00 - Open Breeding Sheep

\$10.00 - Open Angora Goat

\$13.00 - Open Dairy Goat

\$6.00 - Junior Pygmy Goat Show

\$9.00 - Open Pygmy Goat Show

\$9.00 - CA Classic Pygmy Goat Show

\$5.00 - Junior Boer Goat Show

\$11.00 - Open Boer Goat Show

\$11.00 - CA Classic Boer Goat Show

\$11.00 - Nigerian Dwarf Goat Show

\$22.00 - Llama & Alpaca Show

Entry fees are non-refundable.

Entry Deadlines

All entries must be registered online, and entry fees paid, at **CalExpoStateFair.com/competitions** according to the following schedule:

1. All Open Livestock entries due no later than **June 24, 2026**.
2. All Junior Breeding Boer Goat and Junior Pygmy Goat entries are due **June 24, 2026**, with Open Livestock entries.
3. Extended Entry Deadline for Open Boer Goats, NDGA Nigerian Dwarf Goats and Open Pygmy Goat Shows is July 8.

Late entries will be charged a deficiency penalty of **\$25 per entry**. Refer to the Rules & Requirements section of this guide for more information.

When entering online, the Detailed Receipt with all required signatures is due by **June 27, 2026**. (Entries must be submitted by June 24).

Wednesday, July 1: Missing Information Deadline.

Friday, July 3: Quality Assurance and Ethics Awareness (YQCA) Deadline for Junior Pygmy Goat Exhibitors. If exhibitors took the YQCA in 2025, they do not need to repeat the course. A copy of their YQCA certificate must be submitted with their Detailed Receipt.

How to Enter

1. Go to **CalExpoStateFair.com/competitions** and click on the **Open Livestock** icon under the competitions page and follow the instructions. Use a **Visa or Mastercard to pay entry fees**.
 - a. Names, addresses, registration number, dam/sire name, ear tag, tattoo or permanent marking, birthdate, etc on each and every entry form(s) are required by **July 1, 2026**. Any entry missing all or part of the information required shall result in the disqualification of those entries. The information provided will be used **exactly** as entered for award recognition and payment of award premiums. Please pay special attention to proper spelling, capitalization, the full name of cities/counties, no abbreviations, and the correct mailing address
2. Everyone must register as an exhibitor when logging in for the first time in any given year. If you entered last year, you would still enter as a first-time exhibitor.
3. Take a moment to look through this Competition Guide to see which competition your entry is eligible to compete in.
4. Note that sessions expire after 20 minutes of inactivity, so “save to cart” if you plan on leaving the computer for more than 20 minutes.

5. Submission of an entry implies acceptance of all rules and conditions as stated in this competition guide. Contact the California State Fair Entry Office with any questions concerning entry policies and procedures.
6. If you have any questions, please contact **the entry office**:
Phone: (916) 263-3149 & E-mail: entryoffice@calexpo.com
7. This Competition Guide is posted in advance and will be subject to any action that may cause revision or curtailment of the sections, premiums or regulations listed.
8. These rules are not identical to State rules published in other competition guides or by the Fairs and Expositions Branch of the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

OFFICIAL DEADLINES

Open Livestock

1. Entries must be entered online or postmarked **on or before June 24, 2026**.
2. When entering online Detailed Receipt with all required signatures are due by June 27 (**Entries must be submitted by June 24**)
3. Junior Breeding Boer Goat and Junior Pygmy Goat entries are due June 24 with Open Livestock Entries.
4. July 8: Extended entry deadline for Open Boer Goat Show, NDGA Nigerian Dwarf Goat Show and Open Pygmy Goat Shows.
5. **Missing Information Deadline:** Failure to provide complete and accurate information (ie; registration number, dam/sire name, ear tag, tattoo or permanent marking, birthdate) on each and every entry form(s) by **July 1, 2026** shall result in the disqualification of each entry missing all or part of the information required.



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 and Wether Dam Does 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)

(subject to change)

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)

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK (CONTINUED)

(subject to change)

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)

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK (CONTINUED)

(subject to change)

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

(subject to change)

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)

(subject to change)

Friday, July 24, 2026

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|-----------------|--|
| 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

(subject to change)

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 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)

(subject to change)

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)**

(subject to change)

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)

(subject to change)

Sunday, August 2, 2026

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| 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) |

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1. For information on entry fees, limit of entries, and premiums paid; see Class List for each species. Entry fees are non-refundable.
2. Once you have submitted your entries online, print the detailed receipt page, obtain all required signatures and return the signed form to our office by the required deadline.
3. A penalty of \$25 per dishonored check must be paid if a check for payment of entry fees or other applicable fees is refused by the bank. These penalties may only be paid by cash, certified bank check or money order and made payable to the California State Fair.
4. Mail, deliver or email signed Detailed Receipts to:
Mail or Deliver to: Administration Building
California State Fair Livestock Entry Office
1600 Exposition Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95815

or fax to: **(916) 263-7903**
or email as a **PDF** to: **entryoffice@calexpo.com**
5. No animal may be entered in more than one division in the Livestock Department unless provided for in the specifications of the division. Animals may not be transferred from one division to another unless Fair management determines a need.
6. Animals entered as individuals in the Junior Department are eligible to be entered in classes of the Senior Department, if the exhibit was entered and shown in the Junior Show.
7. Failure to provide complete and accurate information on each entry on each entry form(s) by July 1, 2026, shall result in the disqualification of each entry missing all or part of the information required.
8. Breeding Animals not identified at least by birthdate and at least one of the following: dam's name and her registration number, ear tag, tattoo or permanent marking or by the registration number before the closing date of entries may be made eligible only by paying a penalty of \$10.00 per entry. Only cash or certified cashiers check will be accepted as payment for these penalties.

9. The registration number of the sire for the Get-of-Sire group and the registration number of the dam for the Produce of Dam group must be shown on the original entry form. Sires and dams not identified by the closing date may be made eligible only by paying a \$10.00 penalty per group entry. All animals in each group entry must be owned by the exhibitor, entered as individuals in a breeding animal class, and be of one breed.
10. All animals entered in group classes must have been entered and shown in individual classes, unless otherwise stated.
11. No entry will be judged if fees are outstanding on that entry, this includes NSF payments or other outstanding invoices from the past.
12. Exhibitors having fees and/or payments outstanding with the California Exposition and State Fair, may not participate until payments are made in full.
13. See Blocking Chute, Blocking Table, and Pop Up Tent Rules under Livestock Rules for registration information and fees. Generators are also subject to a \$35 fee.



RULES & REQUIREMENTS

Ownership & Registration Papers

1. All entries must have been owned by the exhibitor for at least 30 consecutive days before the opening of the Fair. Animals that are leased by exhibitor are not eligible.
2. Animals entered as individuals in the Junior Department are eligible to be entered in classes of the Senior Department (when the animal is entered and shown in the Junior Show).
3. All animals in “breeding animal” divisions must be registered and recorded with the breed association in the exact name of the exhibitor (owner) as declared on the entry form, except:
 - a. For pigs under 12 months of age and still owned by the breeder, litter registrations are acceptable if recorded with the breed association and if they identify the litter by birth date, sire, dam, and ear notching.
 - b. Exhibitors whose breed association requires an inspector’s approval before registering may present a statement by the secretary of the association that the animal is otherwise eligible to be registered if the statement identifies the animal by birth date, sire, dam, and ear tag, tattoo or notching, and the animal will not be over 12 months of age on the opening day of the Fair.
 - c. Breeding partnerships or co-owned animals must be verified by names listed on original registration certificates provided by the breed association.
 - d. All junior show rules shall apply with regards to breeding partnerships.
4. Original Registration Certificates, including a Duplicate of an Original Registration Certificate **issued by a breed association**, or other documents mentioned above, Items a. through c., must be presented to the management when the animals arrive on the fairgrounds and must be available on request at any time. Photocopies or other duplicated copies of original documents, letters, telegrams, etc., **are not eligible**. Clerks are instructed to correct entry records exactly as shown on the certificate. All registration papers must be inspected and approved by the State’s representative before entries are allowed to be judged.

5. All sheep entered in the Natural Colored Wool Sheep Division, must be accompanied by a certificate of individual registry from the NCWGA or at any other breed association issuing these registrations on colored sheep. Natural Colored Wool Sheep must only be shown in the Natural Colored Wool Sheep Division; these sheep may not be shown in any other division.
6. No deviation from or alteration in the information on a registration certificate will be permitted unless clearance in writing is first obtained from the breed association and presented with the certificate. Evidence of any attempt to alter information on a registration certificate shall be reported immediately to the Division of Fairs and Expositions and the appropriate Breed Association(s) and shall result in the disqualification of that exhibitor.
7. When the owner and breeder names are not exactly the same on the registration certificate, a statement from the breed association verifying that the various names are recognized as the owner and/or breeder, including owner's mailing address, must be presented to the State Fair Livestock office before awards can be paid.
8. Animals may not be entered or shown in more than one breed division unless specific show rules allow for such. Animals entered and shown in Junior show may show in Open show if entered and have met all open division requirements. All animals must be shown in the breed division in which they are entered. Furthermore, an animal is eligible to enter and compete in only "one" breed classification regardless if the animal is registered in one or more breed associations or registries. The animal must also be registered in the recognized U.S. Registry for their breed classification or if registered in the country of origin outside the U.S., the animal must be eligible for registry in the recognized U.S. Registry.

Animal Identification

9. All animals (except market animals) shall be identified by a permanent number (ear tag, legible, easy-to-read tattoo, brand required by breed association, or ear notching) on the animal and recorded on the entry form. When identification numbers are in both ears, and the numbers are different, both numbers shall be recorded on the entry form. (Official California calf hood brucellosis vaccination ear tags, plastic orange, are acceptable; brucellosis vaccination tattoos are not.) All animals with ear notching or tattoo identification (i.e., tattoo, ear notch, tag, etc.) are required to be listed on the official breed association registration papers. The I.D. information on the animal must match that which is listed on the registration paper in order for that animal to show. Further requirements

may result from the USDA National I.D. Program. No tattooing on grounds.

10. An exhibitor may not use the same permanent marking on more than one animal of the same breed and sex during any 5 month period for swine, and two consecutive calendar years for sheep, or any 12 month period for all other livestock, except that all pigs in one litter may be marked the same.

Veterinarian

11. Livestock exhibitors will be responsible for all veterinary fees applied to their animals. The state may at its sole discretion require an autopsy of any animal that may die while on the fairgrounds. Autopsy fees will be the responsibility of the exhibitor.
12. Removal of animal tissue other than hair or wool from any livestock unless performed by the state's designated veterinarian is considered a violation of rules and the state's animal welfare policy. Violators shall be sanctioned and reported to authorities.

Judging

13. Any exhibitor and/or junior exhibitor's family member, fitter and/or agent who has outstanding financial accounts with the California State Fair will not be allowed to enter or exhibit at the California State Fair .
14. No exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any one class. For the purpose of this rule only, a husband, wife, and unmarried children (including foster children) under 18 years of age shall be considered as being one exhibitor, except half brothers and/or sisters shall be considered as being separate exhibitors in Junior Department classes. This rule shall have no bearing on consideration in the placing of entries by judges. Ribbons shall be presented in the order of placing by the judges. The management shall, however, pay third money to the fourth winner, etc., when the third winner is prohibited from receiving third cash award under the provisions of this rule. (Any entry or exhibit in which one or more members of the family described above has a financial interest shall be included in the limitation of not more than two cash awards per class.
15. Management reserves the right to combine or to divide classes in a manner it deems necessary in order to assure adequate competition. In the event of a show change, as a result of this rule, or where classes are established after the close of entries, premiums and awards will be

distributed, divided or eliminated in a manner as deemed necessary by Fair Management.

16. The judge may disqualify any animal that is not sufficiently gentle to be shown with safety. The judge may not award premiums to any animals which show visible evidence of disease, deformity, or lameness. No award will be made to entries eliminated under this rule.
17. Any animal upon which artificial means have been used to permanently remove or remedy physical defects will be barred from the exhibition. This does not apply to the train of horns.
18. Each entry shall be assigned an entry number by the Fair Management. Exhibitors must wear their numbers while showing their animals as required by Fair Management.
19. Exhibitors who make entries in group classes are required to lead out those groups at the scheduled time or forfeit their premium money for that class.
20. The judges' decision shall be final. The judges' decision may not be protested.
21. Exhibitors that qualify to compete for California State Fair Supreme Champion Drive must participate in the Supreme Champion Competition. Exhibitors that choose not to participate in Supreme Champion drive will forfeit all premiums and awards.

Stalling/Pens/Tie Outs

22. Pens and stalls will be assigned by the Fair management. Space may not be traded without the approval of the supervisor in charge. No altering of pens or stalls is allowed without similar approval. Wheat Straw or Shavings shall be used for bedding for all animals exclusively. Animals' pens must be bedded at all times. No large watering troughs allowed in the livestock area. Animals housed in L2 and L3 who use shavings instead of wheat straw must clean their pens before leaving. Exhibitors must clean their pens and alleyways before obtaining a release. Beef and Dairy animals using shavings must bring the shavings out from the panels 12 inches before leaving and obtaining a release.
 - a. Stalling Request Forms will be available online. Requests will not be taken over the phone, on Detailed Receipts or post-it notes. Only one Stalling Request Form will be accepted per exhibitor. Requests are not guaranteed.

23. Stalls, pens, and animals must be neatly kept and supplied with necessary clean bedding. Pathways and approaches must be kept clean at all times for the convenience and safety of spectators. All fans, tack boxes, blocking chutes/tables and any other equipment/supplies must be kept within the tie space or pen (not in pathways or approaches). No exceptions. Electrical cords will not be allowed to lay on the ground outside of the exhibitors stall, pen or tack space. No electrical cords are allowed in any public walk spaces. The number of fans may need to be limited per exhibitor or animal based on space available. Stalls, pens, and aisles must be cleaned by 7:30 a.m. each day. Failure to adhere to these safety and cleanliness rules may result in disqualification or forfeiture of premiums.
24. The Fair does not provide wheelbarrows, or tools for cleaning (pitchforks, shovels, brooms, etc.)
25. No nurse cows are allowed in the livestock barns. The recipient or host cows with embryo transfer calves must be identified and must match the I.D. number on the Transplanted Embryo Certificate provided by the breed association. This certificate must be presented with the calf's registration papers. The natural mother may be brought for a nursing calf entered in the show.
26. All personal belongings must be placed out of sight during hours the Fair is open. During this time no sleeping shall be permitted in barns. No minors may sleep in the barn at any time.
27. Cattle Tie Outs: Rules, regulations, and procedures will be posted during the fair. All exhibitors must adhere to these rules or be subject to disqualification.
28. Cattle may be tied out at 6:30 p.m. daily and not before. Tie-out time will be strictly monitored by management. Exhibitor's that do not adhere to this schedule shall have all premiums forfeited. It is recommended that neck ropes be used in the tie out areas. Cattle placed in the tie-outs are done so at the exhibitor's own risk. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to clean tie-out area before departure from the California State Fair.
29. Please be advised; if you remove or rearrange a panel in your assigned pens, you will be required to return the panels to their original location before a release slip is issued. Failure to do so will result in a \$50.00 back charge for each panel our staff has to re-install to its original configuration. Barn assignments will be used to back the bill, so make sure if you change locations in the barns that your show superintendent knows your final location.

30. Only animals entered in the 2026 California State Fair may be on grounds.
31. State Fair will “not” provide any bedding for exhibitors. The State will arrange for a feed vendor to be on grounds that will make straw and shavings available for sale.
32. No manure allowed in garbage bins.
33. Open division cattle shall be stalled together as much as possible by breed (i.e., Angus with Angus etc.). Cattle having registration papers with more than one breed association/registry shall be stalled with the breed in which they enter. In cases where exhibitors may be showing two or more breeds, consideration will be given on a case-by-case basis.

Blocking Chutes/Blocking Tables/Generators/Port-O-Cools

34. **BLOCKING CHUTES:** A fee of \$25.00 will be charged for each blocking chute. The State Fair reserves the right to limit the number of blocking chutes per chapter, club or individual. All blocking chutes must be registered with the Livestock Office. Upon arrival at the Fair, a numbered I.D. tag will be assigned and must be attached to the blocking chute. Spaces will be assigned. No blocking chute will be allowed in spaces other than those assigned by the Beef Supervisor. Failure to keep blocking chutes in assigned locations or properly identified shall result in disqualification and/or loss of premiums.
35. **BLOCKING TABLES:** A fee of \$10.00 will be charged for each sheep blocking table. The State Fair reserves the right to limit the number of blocking tables per chapter, club or individual. All blocking tables must be registered with the Livestock Office. Upon arrival at the Fair, a numbered I.D. tag will be assigned and must be attached to the blocking table. Spaces will be assigned. No blocking table will be allowed in spaces other than those assigned by the Sheep Supervisor. Failure to keep blocking tables in assigned locations or properly identified shall result in disqualification and/ or loss of premiums.
36. **POP UP TENTS:** A pre-registration fee of \$30.00 will be charged for each pop-up tent registered and paid for by the official entry deadline of June 18. A post registration fee of \$40.00 will be charged for each pop-up tent registered and paid for after the official entry deadline. The State Fair reserves the right to limit the number of pop up tents per chapter, club or individual. All Pop Up Tents must be registered with the Livestock Office. Upon arrival at the Fair, a numbered I.D. tag will be assigned and must be attached to the pop-up tent. Spaces

will be assigned. No pop-up tent will be allowed in spaces other than those assigned by the Specie Supervisor. Failure to keep pop up tent in assigned locations or properly identified shall result in disqualification and/or loss of premiums. Pop up tents must be 10'x 10' or smaller. Side walls on tents are not allowed Junior Week,

37. **GENERATORS: No generators will be allowed to operate within the livestock pavilion.** All generators must be operated outside the Pavilion and must be stored out of site when not in use. There is a \$35 charge per generator permit. Portable electric generators whether owned, rented or borrowed, which are operated by an exhibitor at the California State Fair, must be equipped with Ground Fault Interrupter (G.F.I.) outlets. **No Exceptions!**
38. **PORT-O-COOLS:** Port-O-Cools will require a \$35 permit fee to be on grounds. The State Fair reserves the right to limit the number of Port-O-Cools per exhibitor.
39. **No gas cans are permitted inside the livestock barns.**

Fitting and Showing

40. To maintain a high degree of confidence in the livestock show, the California State Fair reserves the right to disqualify any animal(s) and the owner/exhibitor of that animal(s) that have been fitted in an unethical manner. Unethical fitting shall include any injection of gas, solid, or liquid under the skin (or mammary system) to alter the normal conformation. It shall also include any cutting or tearing of the hide or underneath the hide or removal of tissue in an attempt to alter the shape of the animal. It shall also include attempts to disrupt or change normal dental development as well as dyeing or coloring the individuals which alter their natural coloration; including artificial tail heads or polls. Other specific violations include but are not limited to: liquid diets for lambs; excessive shrinking; excessive exercising; tying animals with their front feet off the ground; showing animals with their front feet off the ground; not allowing animals to eat or drink for extended periods of time; icing animals down; use of prolonged or spiked collars on any animal for any reason; electric stimulation; breaking of tails; the balancing of an udder and/or teats by abnormal means; physical abuse; and any attempts to change the degree of firmness of any individual shall also be considered unethical. Artificial means of filling cattle internally is prohibited. This shall also apply to violations of the California State Fair's residue avoidance program.
41. The showing of unethically fitted livestock or livestock of any ineligible age for exhibition in the class entered is prohibited. Unethical fitting will

be deemed to consist of any method altering the natural confirmation of any part of the animal's body, including, but not limited to, airing, injections, operations or another tampering with the animal's natural confirmation or the illegal or improper use of drugs.

42. Animals showing signs of having been operated upon or tampered with for the purpose of concealing faults in natural confirmation or with the intent to deceive relative to the animal's age, soundness or physical appearance will, in the sole and absolute discretion of State Fair Management, be disqualified. As a condition precedent to the participation in the Junior Livestock competition, every exhibitor must agree to submit any animal so entered to inspection by a licensed veterinarian appointed by Fair management, and agrees to have such animal submitted to any tests as may be designated and requested by the veterinarian, and agrees that the conclusions reached by the veterinarian shall be final and unappealable, without recourse against the veterinarian, the California State Fair or any of its officers, directors or employees.
43. No change of the natural color pattern of the animal by painting or dyeing will be allowed.
44. Exhibitors will be required to fit and groom their animals in fitting areas designated by the State. Fitting areas will have specific boundaries and schedule limitations. Exhibitors not following these specific policies will be disqualified. Blocking Chutes and/or Trim Tables will be assigned specific locations. Blocking Chutes and Trim Tables not registered with the Livestock Office or those that are placed in unapproved locations shall be removed without warning and at the exhibitors' expense.
45. Any species division (breeding show only) with less than 15 head entered by less than 3 exhibitors at the close of entry deadline (June 18) will be transferred to the species All Other Breed division. The premium amount from the original division will not transfer to the species All Other Breed division. All exhibitors will be contacted by management to verify if the exhibitor would like to continue their participation in the species All Other Breeds division or the exhibitor will be offered the option to have the original division entry fee's refunded.
46. All animals in the livestock barns must at all times be properly cared for, and be thoroughly groomed and clean when presented in the show ring, all animals are required to be fit and groomed in a manner that is acceptable within the prevailing show ring policy and/or trend as set by the breed association or species. The Fair reserves the right to withhold premiums and/or disqualify stock that is not, in their judgment, in suitable condition.

47. Exhibitors must appear in attire appropriate to the show ring and a formal competition. They must be as clean and neatly groomed as their animals. Management reserves the right to bar from competition or excuse from the show ring any exhibitor whose attire is inappropriate or unkept. No smoking shall be allowed in the show ring. All livestock must be clean and neatly groomed as well.
48. **The state reserves the right to limit entries based on available space and in a manner it deems appropriate.**

Show Schedule, Arrivals, and Releases

49. Each exhibitor shall be expected to show animals in accordance with the schedule for judging as printed in the Competition Guide or posted. The schedule is subject to change by the management, and such changes will be posted at the Livestock Office. Judging will not be delayed for exhibitors entering the show ring late. Any exhibit not presented promptly at the scheduled time will be ruled out and barred from competition in the class in question.
50. **Release:** No animal will be released before the scheduled release time. All livestock will be released according to the schedule as outlined in this Competition Guide. Those traveling the furthest distance will be released in order based on distance from the fairgrounds. For example; out-of-state and exhibitors living 300 miles or more will be released first with those living closer to Sacramento released in groups based on distance to return home. Emergencies requiring an early release, such as a sick or injured animal, will require proof in the form of a Veterinarian's certificate.
51. Exhibitors that arrive after official arrival time, as scheduled in this Competition Guide, may be subject to the following:
 - a. Some or all entries may not be allowed to show.
 - b. Pens or ties may not be available.
 - c. A penalty of up to \$100.00 per exhibitor may be assessed and must be paid before judging.
 - d. A charge for veterinary fees for health examinations may be assessed to each exhibitor and must be paid before judging
52. All Livestock Exhibitors are required to have themselves and their animals available to parade or be on exhibit, as requested by Fair Management. Failure to properly show or parade animals selected by the Superintendent in charge will result in forfeiture of premiums.

Photographs

53. Photographs of any livestock entry or livestock exhibitor may be taken by the Official State Fair Livestock Photographer(s). Exhibitors must make themselves and their livestock available for the taking of photographs. The official photographs become the property of the California State Fair. Exhibitors may purchase photographs from the Official Commercial Photographer. All Champions and Reserve Champions are required to have a photograph taken by the official photographer(s). The State reserves the right to publish for its intended use, any, and all photographs taken on the Cal Expo Grounds. Participants and their families, advisors and leaders approve the reprinting or publishing of any photo taken on the fairgrounds upon signature of entry.

Dogs

54. No dogs are allowed on the Fairgrounds. Guide or Service dogs, dogs in competition or as part of an exhibit, entertainment program or demonstration, and 4-H dog show entries are the only exceptions. Any dog found in the livestock barns will be subject to removal by State Fair Security or Animal Control, and the exhibitor subject to disqualification and/or loss of premiums.

Code of Ethics

55. The California State Fair, as a member of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions is uniting with other member fairs in an effort to support the ethical and humane treatment of all animals exhibited at the Fairs as well as reinforcing the educational emphasis of competitive programs for animals and maintaining the highest integrity standards of all participants. The California Exposition & State Fair has adopted the I.A.F.E. Show Ring Code of Ethics Guidelines for our Livestock Shows and reserves the right to disqualify any animal or exhibitor that has violated those specific guidelines. The Dairy Shows will abide by the Purebred Dairy Cattle Association (PDCA) Show Ring Code of Ethics for all dairy breed shows and pledges its full cooperative support for its enforcement to show management, show judges, and the national breed associations. A copy of the codes is available upon written request.
56. Should contractors, associations, clubs or individuals desire to arrange for beverages and food services, all such arrangements must be coordinated through Oak View Group, the State Fair's Master Food & Beverage Contractor. No exceptions. Contractor shall be responsible for expenses related to these services if any. Alcoholic beverage service areas/facilities

will only be allowed for in designated locations. Only persons 21 years or older will be allowed to consume alcoholic beverages.

Further, no alcoholic beverages may be brought onto the grounds. These products may only be acquired at OVG locations on the grounds. Individuals that endanger themselves or others will be reported to the authorities.

Protests

57. Any protest must be made in writing and submitted to Sandi Montiero, Expo Events Account Manager. The protest must be made within 8 hours of the cause of the protest. Any protest submitted after the exhibitors are released will not be considered. All protests must be signed and accompanied by a deposit of \$300.00 (cash, money order or certified check) payable to the California State Fair. The deposit shall be forfeited if the protest is not sustained.
58. Protest must be based on a violation of rules and must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal and set forth the facts relied upon or rule violated and must include the names of a minimum of two (2) supporting witnesses, including their phone numbers (both temporary while at the Fair and permanent) upon whom proof is to be made.
59. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation; and depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until a thorough investigation and if necessary, a hearing is completed. No complaint or appeal concerning a judge or judge's decision will be considered.
60. The protest shall be adjudicated by the Fair management. Fair management will consult with a member of the board of directors who shall be designated by the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The decision of fair management shall be final and unappealable.
61. All questions of dispute or differences not provided for under the rules and regulations shall be referred to the Specie Superintendent Captain whose decision shall be final.
62. Any animal that is involved in a protest is eligible to compete until the protest is resolved. Any class which involves a protested animal will not be officially placed until the protest is resolved. In any Championship classes involving that animal, the judge shall also select a 1st and 2nd Reserve Champion, in case of disqualification.

Definitions

The following definitions apply:

- **Registered Animal** - An animal which is recorded with a recognized governing or registering association.
- **Purebred Animal** - Animals breeding whose sire and dam traces directly to registered animals of the same breed.
- **Grade Animal (except for Dairy Goats)** - An animal whose sire is registered or purebred and whose dam is of unknown or mixed origin.
- **Recorded Grade Dairy Goat** - All animals registered Experimental (Blue Border Certificate) or recorded (Brown Border Certificate) including Native on Appearance and Native on Performance.
- **Crossbred Animal** - An animal that is not registered or purebred.
- **Nurse Cow** - Any cow nursing a calf to which she did not give birth.
- **Open Junior Show** - An official junior exhibitor show with no designated club affiliated divisions. All junior exhibitors, regardless of club affiliation, shall compete together in the same classes.
- **Livestock** - For the purpose of this guide, Livestock shall be considered any animal that is entered, in competition or on exhibition at the Fair.
- **Breeding Animal** - Any animal entered in a non-market class and intended for use in reproduction.

FAIR CATTLE BRAND INSPECTION & MOVEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Brand Inspection Requirements for Cattle Moving to the Fair

1. Cattle slated for a show/sale at a fair must have proof of ownership. Cattle arriving at fairgrounds without meeting inspection requirement cannot be sold and are subject to being held by the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Bureau of Livestock Identification.

Proof of Ownership California - Origin Cattle

Proof of Ownership consists of:

2. Brand Inspection Certificate in the Exhibitor's Name issued at the time of original purchase; or
3. Sale yard Out billing in the exhibitor's name; or
4. Completed Bill of Sale to the exhibitor with a state brand inspector's authorization of release for inspection at the destination. The request for verbal release must be made by the seller before the exhibitor taking custody of the animal and include the date, inspector's name, and phone number. The animal may not be resold without a physical brand inspection.

Proof of Ownership - Out-of-State Cattle

Proof of Ownership consists of:

5. A Brand Inspection Certificate in the exhibitor's name must accompany cattle originating from states requiring brand inspection.
6. Cattle originating from states not requiring brand inspection must be accompanied by a health certificate or original Bill of Sale in the exhibitor's name. If a Bill of Sale is used it must include the origin and destination, exhibitor's and seller's names, addresses, and phone numbers, and the animal's physical description including any identifying markings (California Food and Ag Code 21702, 21703).

Movement of Cattle to the Fair

7. A Bill of Sale or Consignment Form (yellow slip) is mandatory for each load of cattle and calves being transported. Fairs are encouraged to provide a Bill of Sale or Consignment Form to assist exhibitors in moving their animals to the fair (California Food and Ag Code 21054)

Brand Inspection Requirements for Cattle Before Sale

8. Cattle for sale at the fair must be brand inspected by a California Brand Inspector before sale (California Food and Ag Code 21051f).
9. Fairs must coordinate brand inspection date and process with the local brand inspector before the fair. The fair will be invoiced for the brand inspection fees of the sale cattle.
10. Cattle sold privately at the fair also require a state brand inspection. It is the seller's responsibility to arrange for inspection and pay the associated fee to the brand inspector.

Movement of Cattle from the Fair

11. Non-Sale Cattle:
 - a. A Bill of Sale or Consignment Form (yellow slip) must accompany breeding cattle destined to California location.
 - b. Non-sale market cattle should receive back their original brand inspection papers.
12. Sale Cattle:
 - a. Junior Livestock Auction sales slip describing the animal, brand and brand location (Yellow slip is not required if the animal is going directly to processing); or
 - b. Copy of state brand inspector's Tally Sheet (going to processing); or
 - c. Individual animals' brand inspection slip (private sales).

Beef Promotion Fees

13. (\$1.05 per head sold at the fair) will be invoiced with the brand inspection fees for all cattle. California Department of Food and Agriculture will forward these fees to the California Beef Council.

Cattle Transportation Notice

14. Local law enforcement and California Highway Patrol, in cooperation with the livestock industry routinely make vehicle stops for cattle inspection.

For further assistance, please contact the local brand inspector or the Bureau of Livestock Identification, Department of Food and Agriculture, 1220 N Street, Sacramento CA 95814, Telephone: (916) 900-5006, Fax: (916) 900-5335 or send an email to the bureau: bliinfo@cdfa.ca.gov.

CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR RESIDUE AVOIDANCE PROGRAM

In an effort to increase awareness of responsibilities associated with the production of consumer-oriented products, the California State Fair requires exhibitors of market animals to sign a Medication Declaration Form. It is also required that breeding animals on medication also declare such treatment on a Medication Declaration Form. If an animal requires medical treatment while on the fairgrounds, only a licensed veterinarian will be allowed to administer any drug, chemical or feed additive. An exhibitor may choose a licensed veterinarian other than the official State Fair veterinarian, but the official State Fair veterinarian MUST be notified in advance, and he/she MUST be present. Furthermore, The Official State Fair Veterinarian, in agreement with Show management, reserve the right to treat any animal if, in the opinion of the Official State Fair Veterinarian, it is in the best interest of the animal's health and well-being to be treated. All treatment costs are the responsibility of the exhibitor. All animals treated on the fairgrounds must submit a Medication Declaration Form. This form acknowledges the use of any substance in/ on the animal for which the required withdrawal period has not completely elapsed prior to arrival at the Fair. This includes substances used per label or in an extra-label fashion. All extra-label drug usage MUST be done under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian, and their contact information is required. Any animal requiring medically necessary treatment within 48 hours of competition may need to be withdrawn from competition if hydration status, mentation or gait will be affected by the necessary treatment. The intent of the program is not to prevent medically necessary treatment, but to ensure the animal's well being and, fair competition. The decision of the Fair's committee in regards to eligibility for competition shall be final.

The California State Fair is continuing its Residue Avoidance Program and reserves the right to test any animal officially entered in any division at any time without notice, for foreign substance including but not limited to drugs, chemicals or feed additives.

Compounds tested for may include but are "not" limited to:

- Antibiotics
- Caffeine
- Local Anesthetics
- Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs
- Diuretics
- Sedatives/Tranquilizers
- Steroids/Growth Promotants

Note to Parents/Legal Guardian, Leader/Supervisor

By signing the Detailed Receipt each parent/legal guardian acknowledges that:

1. He/she has read the California State Fair Junior Livestock Competition Guide Rules (General, Livestock, and Special) and Regulations;
2. The Junior Exhibitor has owned, fed and cared for the animal(s) throughout the required ownership period. He/she has supervised the Junior Exhibitor and the Junior Livestock animal(s) have not had any drugs, chemicals, feed additives, or other substances used on them except pursuant to the label specifications, or unless under the direction and supervision of a licensed veterinarian for therapeutic purposes. All drugs, chemicals, feed additives or other substances for which the required withdrawal period has not elapsed before arrival at the Fair must be declared on a Medication Declaration Form at official weigh-in;
3. He/she has supervised the Junior Exhibitor and the Junior Livestock animal(s) have not been tampered with in any way, including but not limited to, unethical fitting or any method altering the natural conformation of any part of the animal(s) body;
4. He/she understands the penalties for violating these General, Livestock and Special Rules and Regulations, include but are not limited to, monetary penalties, and the immediate disqualification of the Junior Exhibitor.

Residue Avoidance Policy

1. The California State Fair reserves the right to test any animal officially entered in any division at any time without notice, for any foreign substance including but not limited to drugs, chemicals or feed additives as well as DNA testing. At a minimum, some animals from the following groups will be tested: Champion and Reserve Division Champions and; any animals suspect in terms of unusual physical appearance, demeanor or activity. As a condition precedent to accepting an entry, an entry form signed by the exhibitor, FFA (Agricultural Science) Instructor, 4-H Leader, Grange Advisor, Parent or Legal Guardian grants the California State Fair permission to test any entry.
2. Testing may be performed on any body tissue, blood or fluid on both the live animal and the carcass.
3. Test samples collected from any animal must have zero tolerance for any identifiable or unidentifiable foreign substances including drugs (legal and illegal), chemicals of any kind or feed additives unless established as permissible by the USDA or FDA or disclosed on the Medication

Declaration Form.

4. If an animal has been administered a drug that is FDA approved for its species and class, sufficient time must have passed so that the animal does not test positive for that drug upon arrival at the California State Fair. Animals must remain free and clear of all drug and chemical residues while on show grounds unless being treated by the State Fair veterinarian or a licensed veterinarian while the State Fair veterinarian is present. Please note that elimination time (the time it takes for no drug residue to be found in the system) is generally longer than the labeled withdrawal time for most approved drugs.
5. The showing of any animal that has been administered during its life any quantity of any unapproved drug, chemical or medication is strictly prohibited. Such drugs include, but are not limited to, any diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant or other unapproved medication. Unapproved means not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for slaughter animals including animals that may be destined for human consumption.
6. Animals testing positive to an unapproved foreign substance including but not limited to drugs, chemicals or feed additives, will be disqualified and declared ineligible to receive awards or premium money. In addition to the disqualification and forfeiture of awards and premiums, the State Fair may release to the media the name of the exhibitor, leader, advisor and the name of the exhibitor's animal that was disqualified and was in violation of the Drug Residue Program.
7. If entry is disqualified, the entry and/or the exhibitor will be declared ineligible and will not receive awards and/or premiums, further the exhibitor will be responsible for payment of all fees (including attorneys' fees), fines, and costs incurred by Cal Expo as a result of the disqualification and any proceeding related to the disqualification. The owner/exhibitor and members of his/her immediate family may not be eligible to compete in subsequent California State Fair Programs. The extent and degree of future eligibility shall be determined by Fair management.

Wholesome Assurance Statement

8. The use by non-veterinarians of animal drugs or other substances in any manner other than in accord with the labeling approved by the FDA is a violation of federal law.
9. Abuse of the extra-label privilege by veterinarians is unethical and is subject to serious consequences such as license revocation.

10. Any food animal must not exceed FDA/EPA/USDA established tolerances for any foreign substances including drugs, pesticides, feed additives or other chemicals.
11. Violative results of residue testing are subject to investigation by the USDA and FDA for prosecution.
12. Any misrepresentation of a food animal that can potentially affect the acceptability of the carcass or milk will be considered fraud.

Violations

13. If a Junior Exhibitor is found in violation of any of the Livestock Show rules, he/she and his/her family may be forever barred from showing at the California State Fair.
14. **Post Mortem Examination:** The California State may require a post-mortem examination of any animal which dies at the State Fair. This will be performed by a licensed veterinarian at the expense of the exhibitor.

Notice to Junior Livestock Exhibitors

15. **Residue Avoidance test fees:** any fees related to testing any animal or carcass as required by The California State Fair, U.S.D.A or F.D.A. or food processor will be deducted from premium check of the junior exhibitor.

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16. If animal tests positive on the original residue test screen, the exhibitor shall be responsible for paying for the confirmation test. If the exhibitor fails to pay or post fees for the confirmation test, the animal in question will be declared ineligible.
17. It is the policy and rule of the California State Fair that no animal which is entered for competition in the State Fair shall contain any trace residues of any substance which are not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for slaughter animals, unless disclosed on the Medication Declaration Form.
18. It is the sole responsibility of the Exhibitor to ensure that the animal is free of the prescribed drugs and substances listed on page 38. Extent of knowledge on the part of the Exhibitor with regards to the drugs or substance found in an animal is not relevant to any issue, and it shall not be the defense that person or persons unknown introduced the proscribed substance into the animal before, or at arrival, or after arrival on the State Fair property.

19. Personnel (employees and contractors) of the California State Fair, other approved departments (and their representatives) within the University of California at Davis, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo and Pomona, California State University at Fresno or Chico, Modesto Junior College, University of California at Davis Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital, FDA, USDA, California Department of Food and Agriculture, California Department of Health or any other representative approved by the California State Fair reserve the right to take urine, blood, hair and other body tissue samples from any animal or its carcass at any time without notice, for the purpose of determining whether there is any residue of any substance found within the body of the tested animal. The exhibitor, by entering his/her animal, expressly agrees that he or she will cooperate with the person or persons charged with the responsibility of taking the sample from the animal at the time of arrival, weigh-in, during the show or any other time the animal is on the California State Fair's grounds. Failure to fully cooperate with testing procedures, and/or representatives collecting samples shall indicate a voluntary withdrawal by the Exhibitor of the animal from the competition, and result in the immediate disqualification of this project and automatic loss of participation privileges in all future California State Fair competitive events.
20. All samples shall be taken by persons designated by the California State Fair and tested in an approved Laboratory. Reasonable care will be taken with regard to maintaining the purity and identity of the sample. The only chain of custody required will be that routinely relied upon by veterinarians practicing in and around the **Sacramento County Region**.
21. As samples are taken, the Junior Exhibitor, a parent or legal guardian and/or a leader/supervisor shall be present to view the procedure. Upon collection of a sample, the Junior Exhibitor, and a parent or legal guardian or leader/supervisor shall provide their signatures to acknowledge that the sample was collected from the Exhibitor's animal.
22. In the event that any animal is disqualified as a result of the violation of any of the rules found within the Residue Avoidance Program, or the animal is voluntarily withdrawn from the competition as a result of failure to cooperate with the testing procedures, then the Exhibitor shall immediately return awards and/or premiums previously presented.
23. By making an entry in the California State Fair Livestock or Small Animal program, the Exhibitor, a parent or both parent(s)/legal guardian(s) and project leader/supervisor agree to abide by this Residue Avoidance Program.

ANIMAL HEALTH RULES

General Rules for All Species

1. Veterinarians and veterinarian assistants provided by the Fair shall check all livestock upon arrival, and before unloading for proper health certificates, signs of communicable disease, external parasites, unsightly disease conditions, and any wounds, open or closed, that may be contagious. Veterinarians and veterinarian assistants shall have the right to enter any pen or tie area to inspect an animal. Any animal found to be in an unsafe or unsightly condition will be quarantined in a designated area and then dismissed from Cal Expo facilities as soon as possible. The State Fair veterinarians' decision will be final. Specific health conditions that may warrant quarantine and/or dismissal are active ringworm, warts, sore mouth, infectious scours or dysentery, pinkeye, lice, mites, footrot, infectious pneumonia and abscesses which are balding showing hair separation, open, draining or still scabbed. Animals having surgical sites resulting from abscess removal are unacceptable if they have sutures (stitches), scabs or are draining. Animals that are lame or injured will also be dismissed at the direction of the State Fair veterinarian. Healed skin conditions may be sufficiently unsightly to warrant dismissal. (Lesions are considered active until skin is normal and hair regrowth is evidence.)
2. Each exhibitor will receive a Veterinarian health check form upon completion of the animal inspection. Each exhibitor will submit this form upon presentation of registration papers/official weight or animals will not be allowed to show.

Cattle Health Rules

CATTLE ENTRIES FROM CALIFORNIA

1. All female dairy cattle four (4) months of age and over must bear evidence of official calfhood vaccination against brucellosis with a legible, official tattoo visible in the right ear.
2. Owners of Purebred Registered dairy cattle without brucellosis tattoos must present documentation certifying brucellosis vaccination, or written documents showing the animal has an exemption from CDFA, AHFSS.
3. All dairy cattle need official identification (ID).
4. Acceptable methods for Official Identification of cattle include:
 - a. Official USDA individual identification eartags;

- b. Animal Identification Number (AIN) eartag (15 digits long, must begin with 840, usually Radio Frequency Identification Devices (RFID))
 - c. National Uniform eartagging System (NUES) eartags (if applied prior to November 4, 2024)
 - i. USDA metal brucellosis calfhood vaccination (orange) eartags for females
 - ii. USDA metal “silver brite” eartags
 - d. Legible breed registration tattoos with accompanying registration paperwork.
5. It is unlawful to remove official identification. Requests to remove an official ID ear tag must be submitted to CDFA, AHFSS in writing at least 72 hours prior to the need to remove the tag. The request must include a photo of the ID, the reason the ID must be removed, and all other official ID ear tags on the animal.
 6. Fairs will keep records of the consignor, buyer, and animal identification for five (5) years when animals change ownership in a public sale at the fair.

CATTLE ENTRIES FROM OTHER STATES

1. All exhibition cattle entering California require individual official identification (ID), an Interstate Livestock Entry Permit issued within 15 days prior to entry, and an Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) obtained within thirty (30) days before moving into the state listing official ID and a California entry permit prior to entry.
2. All official ID tags applied to cattle must be both electronically (EID) and visually readable.
3. Acceptable methods for Official Identification of cattle include:
 - a. Animal Identification Number (AIN) eartag (15 digits long, must begin with 840, usually Radio Frequency Identification Devices (RFID))
 - b. Official USDA individual identification eartags;
 - c. National Uniform eartagging System (NUES) eartags (if applied prior to November 4, 2024)
 - i. USDA metal brucellosis calfhood vaccination (orange) eartags for females
 - ii. USDA metal “silver brite” eartags
 - d. Legible breed registration tattoos with accompanying registration paperwork.
4. It is unlawful to remove official identification. Requests to remove an

official ID ear tag must be submitted to CDFA, AHFSS in writing at least 72 hours prior to the need to remove the tag. The request must include a photo of the ID, the reason the ID must be removed, and all other official ID ear tags on the animal.

5. Testing and/or vaccination requirements are:
 - a. All female dairy cattle four (4) months of age and over must bear evidence of official calthood vaccination against brucellosis with a legible, official tattoo visible in the right ear.
 - b. All sexually intact dairy cattle six (6) months of age and over require a negative tuberculosis (TB) test within 60 days prior to entering California or must originate from a TB accredited free herd with documentation of the herd number and test date on the ICVI.
 - c. Cattle do not require a brucellosis test unless originating from a designated brucellosis surveillance area. If a brucellosis test is necessary, the test needs to be collected within 30 days of entry and be performed by a state or federally-approved lab.
 - d. All bulls 18 months of age and over and non-virgin bulls less than 18 months of age, require a negative individual PCR Trichomonosis test performed within 60 days prior to entry, *except bulls used solely for exhibition that are confined to the exhibition location, without access to mature female cattle that will return directly to the state of origin after exhibition, and are not changing ownership* a negative tuberculosis (TB) test within 60 days prior to entering California or must originate from a TB accredited free herd with documentation of the herd number and test date.
 - c. If originating from a designated brucellosis surveillance area, a negative test is required within 30 days prior to entering California.
 - d. All bulls 18 months of age and over and non-virgin bulls less than 18 months require a negative Trichomonosis test within 60 days prior to entry *except bulls for exhibition, confined to exhibition location, without access to mature females cattle that will return directly to the state of origin after exhibition.*

Sheep and Goat Health Rules

SHEEP AND GOAT ENTRIES FROM CALIFORNIA

1. All exhibition sheep and goats in California require official scrapie identification issued by the USDA. Official scrapie identification (official eartags, official tattoos, official electronic identification, or official premises identification numbers) is required before transport to show, fair, petting zoo, or exhibition and/or when sheep change ownership.

2. Acceptable official identification includes:
 - a. Animal Identification Number (AIN) eartag (15 digits long, must begin with 840, usually Radio Frequency Identification Devices (RFID))
 - b. Scrapie ear tags, either flock ID tags or serial tags
 - c. Legible registration tattoos in the ears (or tail-web of La Mancha goats) if accompanied by breed association registration certificates.
 - d. Electronic implants (microchips) that are ISO compliant and begin with 840, only when accompanied by registration certificates and an implant reader/scanner
3. It is unlawful to remove official identification. Requests to remove an official ID ear tag must be submitted to CDFA, AHFSS in writing at least 72 hours prior to the need to remove the tag. The request must include a photo of the ID, the reason the ID must be removed, and all other official ID ear tags on the animal.
4. Fairs will not accept:
 - a. Animals from scrapie-infected flocks, scrapie source flocks, scrapie “non-compliant” flocks
 - b. Animals that are scrapie-positive, scrapie suspects or scrapie exposed unless they have been evaluated and approved for exhibition by the state scrapie epidemiologist.
5. Fairs will keep records of the consignor, buyer, and animal identification for five (5) years when animals change ownership in a public sale at the fair.
6. Fairs will try to accommodate Scrapie Flock Certification Program members with separate space if practical. Breeding animals should be housed in separate enclosures or locations from animals that are not in the certification program, if practical.
7. Sheep or goats within 30 days pre-or post-parturition, or with vaginal discharge, shall if practicable, be kept separate from animals from different flocks and in an area that can be properly cleaned and disinfected.

SHEEP AND GOAT ENTRIES FROM OTHER STATES

1. All exhibition sheep and goats entering California require official identification issued by the USDA. Official scrapie identification (official eartags, official tattoos, official electronic identification, or official premises identification numbers) is required before transport to show, fair, petting zoo, or exhibition, an Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) obtained within thirty (30) days before movement into the state with a scrapie statement “The animals are not scrapie-positive or suspect or from a scrapie non-compliant flock” and listing the official ID and a California entry permit prior to entry.
2. Acceptable official USDA identification includes:
 - a. Animal Identification Number (AIN) eartag (15 digits long, must begin with 840, usually Radio Frequency Identification Devices (RFID)
 - b. Scrapie ear tags, either flock ID tags or serial tags
3. It is unlawful to remove official identification. Requests to remove an official ID ear tag must be submitted to CDFA, AHFSS in writing at least 72 hours prior to the need to remove the tag. The request must include a photo of the ID, the reason the ID must be removed, and all other official ID ear tags on the animal.
4. Rams six (6) months of age and over imported into California require a negative *Brucella ovis* test within 60 days before entry OR originate from a *Brucella ovis* free flock. The ICVI must include the official ID number, test results, name of the approved laboratory, date of the test, or the “*Brucella ovis* free flock number.”

Vesicular Stomatitis (VS)

California import requirements specify that all horses, cattle, sheep, goats and swine originating from any state where vesicular stomatitis (VS) has been diagnosed, (except cattle and swine transported directly to slaughter), or visiting an infected state and then returning to California must be accompanied by a health certificate (certificate of veterinary inspection) and signed by an accredited veterinarian that includes the following statement:

“I have examined all the animals identified on this certificate within seven (7) days of shipment date, and found them to be free from signs of Vesicular Stomatitis (VS). During the last fourteen (14) days, these animals have not been exposed to VS nor located on a VS confirmed or a VS suspected premises.

JUDGES

BEEF & LONGHORN

Beef	Shane Werk, Herman, MN
Longhorn	Becca Vizza, Bandera, TX
Youth Longhorn	Dr. Julie Pack, Dublin, TX

DAIRY

Dairy Cattle	Jason Miley, West Salem, OH
Dairy Goats	William Pearson Jr, Carrollton, GA

GOATS

Angora & Fiber Goats	Dawn Lantz, WA
Nigerian Dwarf Goats	Lee Bergfield, Foosland, IA
Open & Junior ABGA Boer Goats	Clint Demmitt, Bridgeport, TX
California Classic Boer Goat Show	Chris Fleming, Paxton, IL
Junior Pygmy Goat Show	Macy Skillman, Red Bluff, CA
Open Pygmy Goat Show.....	Jude Beaver, Greensburg, IN
California Classic Pygmy Goat Show.....	Macy Skillman, Red Bluff, CA

SHEEP

Sheep.....	Ron Waldron, St Paris, OH
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LLAMAS AND ALPACAS

Llamas and Alpacas	Kim Schechinger, Austin, NM
Llamas and Alpaca Performance	Margaret Drew, Vacaville, CA

PREMIER AWARDS

Sheep

Dairy Goats

Beef

Nigerian Dwarf Goats

Pygmy Goats

Boer Goats

Dairy Cattle

Premier Breeder

Premier Breeder Award - This award to be made to the breeder of no more than 6 animals winning the most points in single open classes as listed below and including animals bred by him/her but exhibited by others. Both sexes must be represented, dairy cattle and dairy goats exception. No limit on number exhibited but award automatically figured on top 6 animals winning the most points. There must be at least two breeders competing for an award to be given.

Points will be calculated before any rule on the limitation of awards is applied. At least three animals must be represented to win this award. Entry is not required for this award.

Ties for Premier Breeder shall be broken by giving the award to the breeder/exhibitor ranking highest on the following list:

1. The breeder is having the greatest number of Champions (Breed and Age).
2. The breeder is having the greatest number of Reserve Champions (Breed and Age)
3. The breeder is having the greatest number of 1st place awards.
4. The breeder is having the greatest number of 2nd place awards.

Award **Banner**

Premier Exhibitor

Premier Exhibitor Award - This award to be made to the exhibitor winning the most points on no more than 6 animals exhibited by him/her in single open classes. Both sexes must be represented, dairy cattle and dairy goats exception. No limit on number exhibited but award automatically figured on top 6 animals winning the most points. There must be at least two exhibitors competing for award to be given.

Points will be calculated before any rule on the limitation of awards is applied. At least three animals must be represented to win this award. Entry is not required for this award.

Ties for Premier Exhibitor shall be broken by giving the award to the exhibitor ranking highest on the following list:

1. Exhibitor is having the greatest number of Champions (Breed and Age).
2. Exhibitor is having the greatest number of Reserve Champions (Breed and Age)
3. Exhibitor is having the greatest number of 1st place awards.
4. Exhibitor is having the greatest number of 2nd place awards.

Award Banner

Premier Sire

Premier Sire Award this award to be made to the sire in each breed (in Sheep, Dairy Goat, Boer Goats, and Beef Cattle only) whose Get wins the greatest total number of points in the regular individual classes except that the following conditions must also be satisfied:

1. There must be at least three exhibitors within the breed.
2. Points will be counted in individual classes only.
3. At least three different offspring of the sire must contribute points on which the award is based.
4. A sire will receive credit for points no matter who exhibits his offspring.
5. The Award will be presented to the exhibitor ranking highest on the following list:
 - a. The current owner
 - b. The last owner of the sire (if the animal is deceased)
 - c. The last among the exhibitors to own the sire (if the animal is alive)
 - d. The exhibitor is owning the Get contributing the greatest number of points in winning the award
 - e. The exhibitor is making entries first according to the order they are received.

Award Rosette

The following scale will be used to calculate Premier Breeder, Exhibitor, and Sire Awards

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Junior age points	10	9	8	7	6	5
Yearling points.....	15	14	13	12	11	10
Senior age points	20	18	16	14	12	10

Boer Goats will be calculated using Junior, Yearling and Senior age points.

Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats and Nigerian Dwarf Goats will use junior and Senior age points.

Pygmy Goats will use junior and senior age points. Wether classes will receive junior points.

Beef and Sheep will use Senior age points for all individual classes.



DIVISION 6725: HERDSMAN COMPETITION

Do not pre-enter. Enter upon arrival.

California State Fair offers\$2,505 (Premiums)

To encourage attractive, educational, and high quality presentations of all livestock exhibits, the California State Fair will offer awards to exhibitors according to the following payment schedule:

Classes

1. BEEF

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$50 **3rd** - \$25

2. DAIRY CATTLE

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$50 **3rd** - \$25

3. SHEEP

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$50 **3rd** - \$25

4. TEXAS LONGHORNS

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$50 **3rd** - \$25

5. LLAMAS - 2 HEAD OR LESS

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$40 **3rd** - \$25

6. LLAMAS - 3 HEAD OR MORE

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$40 **3rd** - \$25

7. DAIRY GOATS

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$50 **3rd** - \$25

8. BOER GOATS

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$50 **3rd** - \$25

9. NIGERIAN DWARFS

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$50 **3rd** - \$25

10. ANGORA & FIBER GOATS

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$50 **3rd** - \$25

11. PYGMY GOATS

1st - \$100 **2nd** - \$50 **3rd** - \$25

Best Educational presentation

Best Educational Presentation: one rosette to each species group listed above, regardless of the number of animals exhibited, and one overall award of \$300 (Winning exhibitors in all species competing for this one award). A Second Place Award of \$200 and a Third Place Award of \$100 will also be awarded. Each winner will also receive a special rosette. Do not enter class 15.

All exhibitors are eligible. Those exhibitors interested must sign up by 5:00 p.m. on the day of arrival at the Livestock Office. All 1st place winners will be given the opportunity to request barn space for the following year. No request guarantees space, however, Fair Management will do everything possible to fill these requests. Remember that Barn Chart layout for the following year may be based upon where specific breeds are located and what the total number of entries is within a species. Requests must be submitted on State Fair Stalling Request Form.

Herdsman Scorecard

General Appearance	65
Neatness and cleanliness of bedding and aisle way.....	25
Use of professional graphic signage, banners, QR codes	10
Creative use of plants and special exhibit materials.....	10
Condition and cleanliness of animals	10
Educational Material, Marketing, Breed Promotion.....	10
Feed Alleys/Tack Pen	25
Free of debris and not obstructed	15
Storage of tack	10
Conduct.....	10
Exhibitor sportsmanship and cooperation with other exhibitors and fair staff in following rules and regulations	5
Public Interactions & Accessibility	5

OPEN BEEF CATTLE SHOW

ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 per entry per class, & Entries Close on **June 24, 2026.**

No limit on number of head entered. American System of Judging.

All bulls born March 1, 2025, or earlier must be shown with either a nose ring or nose clip.

The following competitions will be offered at the 2026 California State Fair:

AHA Regional Horned & Polled Hereford Classic

Angus Show

All Other Breeds Show

Open Shorthorn Show

Charolais Show

Texas Longhorn Mini World Qualifier Show

Texas Longhorn World Qualifier Show

Livestock Bedding Notice

“Straw” is the preferred bedding that may be used in the Livestock facility, No rice straw allowed. Beef and Dairy animals using shavings must bring the shavings out from the panels 12 inches before leaving and obtaining a release.

Special Awards

No Class Placing Ribbons

Age Champion (male & female).....	Rosette
Reserve Age Champion (male & female)	Rosette
Breed Champion (male & female).....	Banner
Reserve Breed Champion (male & female)	Vinyl Banner
Supreme Champion	\$1000, Buckle & Banner
(male & female, all breeds competing)	
Reserve Supreme Champion	\$300 and Vinyl Banner
(male & female, all breeds competing)	
Supreme Champion Cow Calf	Banner
Reserve Supreme Champion Cow Calf.....	Vinyl Banner
Premier Breeder	Banner
Premier Exhibitor	Banner
Premier Sire	Rosette

Exhibitors that qualify to compete for California State Fair Supreme or Reserve Supreme Bull or Female must participate in the Supreme/Reserve Supreme Competition. Exhibitors that choose not to participate in Supreme/Reserve Supreme Champion drive will forfeit all premiums and awards.

DIVISION 6450: ANGUS

California State Fair Offers\$10,000 (Premiums)

There will be no American Angus Association Premiums in 2026 (?)

This show is sanctioned by and held in cooperation with the California Angus Association, PO Box 40, O'Neals, CA 93645 and the American Angus Association, 3201 Frederick Blvd., St. Joseph, MO 64506. The California Angus Association will provide the following awards: Champion & Reserve Champion Angus Bull, Champion & Reserve Champion Angus Female & Champion & Reserve Champion Cow-Calf Pair.

Open Class Participation

Statement American Angus Association

The American Angus Association®, 3201 Frederick Avenue, St. Joseph, Mo., will participate in premiums offered for open class Angus breeding cattle classes according to the premium schedule based on the number of head shown. The premium assistance provided by the American Angus Association for participation in this show is in addition to the premiums offered by the show itself. The premium assistance should not be used to offset show expense and shall be included in the premium payments distributed by the show to the exhibitors.

A minimum of 50 head must be shown in the open class division to receive American Angus Association premium participation for the following year.

Premiums from the Association are paid only to registered Angus cattle and only if the registration number is a part of the show report provided to the Association. Therefore, all cattle should be registered at the time of entry to make certain they receive the Association's portion of premiums. The Association does not pay on the championship or any group classes, (i.e., get-of-sire, junior get-of-sire or breeder six-head).

Exhibitors must have the original registration certificate issued by the American Angus Association available for inspection at the show for each animal or another current proof of ownership issued by the American Angus Association pedigree look up. Any animal, upon check-in, which does not have a legible permanent identification mark (ear tattoo marks, freeze-branded marks or hot-branded marks) corresponding to the permanent identification mark on the registration certificate, is ineligible to show. Once disqualified due to an incorrect or illegible permanent identification mark, animals cannot be reidentified (tattooed/branded) and rechecked at the show.

Any female shown with a calf at side: the calf must be the cow's most recent natural calf, and the calf must be registered by show day and have proof of registration at check-in.

Only one person at a time shall lead an animal into the show ring.

Exhibitors who participate in shows that accept premium monies contributed by the American Angus Association are subject to the Association Rules as found in the Breeders Reference Guide of the Association. These rules are found in Part 2; Association Rules. The rules relating directly with the exhibition of Angus cattle are Part 2: Association Rules; Rule 800 Series; including Rule 800 - 810. These rules can be found at www.angus.org.

Altering the conformation and/or appearance of an animal for the exhibition is prohibited. This includes the use of chin straps, covering of white skin, false tail heads (or use of any false hair), with the exception of false tail switches. The use of graphite, powders, hemp or other similar substances used externally is also prohibited. Other prohibited products include those used internally such as steroids, illegal or unlicensed pharmaceuticals or artificial filling. Any animal found to be in violation will be barred from showing.

At any show for which the American Angus Association appropriates funds toward the payment of premiums, no exhibitors, individuals assisting exhibitors or member-owners at such show shall be allowed to use any coloring agents, on any animal exhibited. The Association may adopt and implement various tests designed to monitor this prohibition, including but not limited to a "white towel" or "white glove" test. No aerosol cans or other pressurized containers will be allowed in designated line-up areas.

All animals exhibited are subject to DNA marker or blood type test to verify the accuracy of parentage as covered under the Association Rules and for another testing as required by the individual show.

Authorized representatives of the Association have the authority to enforce the rules set forth herein as well as in the Association Rules, including the barring of a registered animal from a livestock show at which it is to be shown if there are reasonable grounds to believe a violation has occurred.

Any classes listed in this classification, which exceeds 15 head per class, should be broken into smaller classes. This should be accomplished by dividing the class as evenly as possible without splitting animals with the same birth date.

Example 1: If 16 heads are entered in class 4, the class should be broken into two classes of 8; a class of 7 and 9; or a class of 10 and 6. Example 2: If 32 heads are entered in class 4, the class should be divided into three classes consisting of two classes with 11 head and one class of 10 head or: similar

without putting animals with the same birth date in different classes. Class breaks will be at the discretion of the American Angus Association staff in attendance.

Junior Livestock Exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Livestock Show are eligible to compete in the Open Show as long as the same exhibit/animal is entered and shown in the Junior Show and the same exhibit/animal is entered and met all Open Division entry deadlines and guidelines.

Premium Payment per Class

CLASSES 1-19, 21-41, 43-45 (EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASSES)

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$120	\$84	\$60	\$30	\$20

CLASSES 20 & 42

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
California State Fair Offers	\$115	\$90	\$60	\$25

Class - Females

1. Junior Heifer Calf, March 2026 and after
2. Junior Heifer Calf, February 2026
3. Junior Heifer Calf, January 2026
4. Junior Calf Champion and Reserve Junior Calf Champion
5. Late Senior Heifer Calf, November - December 2025
6. Early Senior Heifer Calf, September - October 2025
7. Senior Heifer Calf Champion and Reserve Senior Heifer Calf Champion
8. Late Summer Yearling Heifer, July - August 2025
9. Early Summer Yearling Heifer, May - June 2025
10. Intermediate Heifer Champion and Reserve Intermediate Heifer Champion
11. April Junior Yearling Heifer, April 2025
12. March Junior Yearling Heifer, March 2025
13. Early Junior Yearling Heifer, February 2025
14. Early Junior Yearling Heifer, January 2025
15. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female

16. Late Senior Yearling Female, November - December 2024
17. Early Senior Yearling Female, September - October 2024
18. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
19. Breed Champion Female and Reserve Breed Champion Female
Supreme Champion Female(All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Female(All Breeds Competing)
20. Two Females: owned or co-owned and bred by exhibitor
Any female that qualifies for female classes in the Association's standard classifications are not eligible to show in the cow/calf classes.
Cow and Natural Calf: a cow with her natural calf at side. The calf may compete in its appropriate age class, provided it meets all requirements for the show. For calves just competing in pair class, papers must at least be pending.
21. Cow/Calf Class: cows three (3) years of age and younger, cows must be born January 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. Calf must be the cow's most recent natural calf and be no more than 280 days on the day of the show.
22. Cow/Calf Class: cows four (4) years of age and older, cows must be born on December 31, 2022, or earlier. The calf must be the cow's most recent natural calf and be no more than 280 days on the day of the show.
23. Grand Champion Cow-Calf Pair (winners of Classes 21 thru 22 to compete)
Reserve Grand Champion Cow-Calf Pair (winners of Classes 21 thru 22 to compete)
Grand and Reserve Grand Champion cow/calf pairs do not show for grand champion female and are ineligible to compete in the get-of-sire, junior get-of- sire and breeder's six-head classes.
Supreme Champion Cow Calf (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Cow Calf (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Bulls

24. Junior Bull Calf, March 2026 and after
25. Junior Bull Calf, January - February 2026
26. Junior Calf Champion and Reserve Junior Calf Champion
27. Late Senior Bull Calf, November - December 2025
28. Early Senior Bull Calf, September - October 2025
29. Senior Bull Calf Champion and Reserve Senior Bull Calf Champion

30. Late Summer Yearling Bull, July - August 2025
31. Summer Yearling Bull, May - June 2025
32. Intermediate Bull Champion and Reserve Intermediate Bull Champion
33. April Junior Yearling Bull, April 2025
34. March Junior Yearling Bull, March 2025
35. Early Junior Yearling Bull, January - February 2025
36. Junior Champion Bull and Reserve Junior Champion Bull
37. Yearling Bull, September - December 2024
38. Senior Yearling Bull, May - August 2024
39. Two Year Old Bulls, January - April 2024
40. Senior Champion Bull and Reserve Senior Champion Bull
41. Champion Bull and Reserve Breed Champion Bull
Supreme Champion Bull (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Bull (All Breeds Competing)
42. Two Bulls - owned or co-owned and bred by exhibitor.

Class - Groups

All animals competing in Classes 43-45 must have been entered and shown in individual classes from the Standard Show Classification of the American Angus Association.

43. Junior Get-of-Sire: Three animals by one sire, both sexes represented, shown in classes 1-9 and 24-31.
44. Get-of-Sire: Four animals by one sire shown in the above-listed classes, both sexes represented.
45. Breeders Six Head: The exhibitor of the breeders six head must be a breeder and first owner, identified by the same member code of the animals exhibited. Cattle owned by other exhibitors may be included provided the exhibitor of the breeders six head is the breeder and first owner of the included animal(s). Animals must be exhibited in individual classes. Cattle bred and owned by a junior member(s) may be included in the exhibitor of the breeders six head is an individual or married couple and is the parent or legal guardian of the junior member(s).

Premier Breed

Premier Exhibitor

Premier Sire

DIVISION 6465: AMERICAN HEREFORD ASSOCIATION REGIONAL CLASSIC

California State Fair \$8,250 (Premiums)

This show is an American Hereford Association Regional event in which winning animals will receive points toward regional recognition. It is sanctioned by and held in cooperation with American Hereford Association, 11500 N Ambassador Dr, Ste 410, Kansas City, Missouri 64153, and the California-Nevada Hereford Association, Corinne Santos, 2401 Patterson Rd, Riverbank, CA 95361.

Special Rules

1. Exhibitors are subject to the Association's special rule on class qualification. Entries in these classes are accepted with the understanding that the exhibitor agrees to abide by the rule in all respects. All Hereford animals must be registered in the Herdbook of the AHA to be eligible to show. Entries with registrations "pending" or illegible tattoos or improper tattoos will be ineligible to show. An official AHA registry number at entry time will be required. Horned and polled Herefords will show together. Scurs on polled Herefords should be left as is and should not be tampered with or removed.
2. **Junior Exhibitors:** Junior exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Hereford Show classes at the 2026 California State Fair are eligible to compete in this event, provided they enter and show the same animal they did in the Junior Hereford Show at the California State Fair. No other California Juniors will be eligible without jeopardizing their junior status. All juniors must officially enter and pay entry fees by the deadline for this division.
3. See Livestock Rules & Requirements, Rule #8 for special entry requirements.
4. Polled and Horned Herefords will show together.
5. If there are more than 10 animals in a class AHA show committee recommends that the class be split.
6. Cow-Calf Class is eligible for Champion Female. If Cow Calf is Champion Female, Cow-Calf will compete for Supreme Female and Supreme Cow-Calf.

Premium Payment Per Class

CLASSES 1-16 AND 20-34 (EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASS)

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$105	\$95	\$72	\$55	\$40

CLASSES 19 & 36

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
California State Fair Offers	\$50	\$35	\$25	\$20

CLASSES 37 & 38

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
California State Fair Offers	\$125	\$80	\$70	\$50

Class - Female

1. Spring Heifer Calf, March - June 2026
2. Junior Heifer Calf, January - February 2026
3. Junior Heifer Calf Champion and Reserve Champion Junior Heifer Calf
4. Senior Heifer Calf, November - December 2025
5. Senior Heifer Calf, August - October 2025
6. Senior Heifer Calf Champion and Reserve Champion Senior Heifer Calf
7. Late Summer Yearling Heifer, June - July 2025
8. Early Summer Yearling Heifer, May 2025
9. Intermediate Champion Heifer and Reserve Intermediate Champion Heifer
10. Spring Yearling Heifer, March - April 2025
11. Spring Yearling Champion Heifer and Reserve Yearling Champion Heifer
12. Junior Yearling Heifer, January - February 2025
13. Junior Yearling Champion Heifer and Reserve Yearling Champion Heifer
14. Senior Yearling Heifer, August - December 2024
15. Senior Yearling Champion Heifer and Reserve Senior Yearling Champion Heifer
16. Cow-Calf: (Any female older than the above ages with a calf at side). Calf older than 240 days of age on the show date is not eligible to show in the cow/calf class. The calf is eligible for individual classes but must be entered in the appropriate class. Cow/Calf does not compete for overall champion female.

17. Champion Cow-Calf and Reserve Champion Cow-Calf Champion
Supreme Champion Cow Calf (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Cow Calf (All Breeds Competing)
18. Breed Champion Female and Reserve Breed Champion Female
Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
19. *Two Females: bred and owned by exhibitor, judged after Champion Female selection

Class - Bulls

20. Spring Bull Calf, March - June 2026
21. Junior Bull Calf, January - February 2026
22. Junior Bull Calf Champion and Reserve Champion Junior Bull Calf
23. Senior Bull Calf, November - December 2025
24. Senior Bull Calf, August - October 2025
25. Senior Bull Calf Champion and Reserve Champion Senior Bull Calf
26. Late Summer Yearling Bull, June - July 2025
27. Early Summer Yearling Bull, May 2025
28. Intermediate Champion Bull and Reserve Intermediate Champion Bull
29. Spring Yearling Bull, March - April 2025
30. Junior Yearling Bull, January - February 2025
31. Yearling Bull Champion and Reserve Champion Yearling Bull
32. Senior Yearling Bull, August - December 2024
33. Two Year Old Bull, January - July 2024
34. Senior Champion and Reserve Senior Champion Bull
35. Breed Champion and Reserve Breed Champion
Supreme Champion Bull (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Bull (All Breeds Competing)
36. *Two Bulls: two bulls bred and owned by exhibitor. (Bulls must have been entered and show in individual classes.)

Class - Groups

All animals competing in Classes 37-38 must have been entered and shown in individual classes.

- 37. Get-of-Sire: Four animals shown in above single entry classes with both sexes represented and all to be the progeny of one sire. It is permissible to use either the cow or calf from a cow/calf pair for the Get-of-Sire. Get-of-Sire may be comprised of animals from one or more owners.
- 38. Best Six Head: Owned by exhibitor. All animals must have been shown in their respective single entry classes, and they must be owned by the exhibitor or by a member of his/her immediate family. A cow/calf will be considered as two head in the Best Six Head class.

Premier Breed

Premier Exhibitor

Premier Sire

The AHA Regional Hereford Classic Premier Breeder and Premier Exhibitor will be figured on the following point system:

1st place= 5 points

2nd place= 4 points

3rd place= 3 points

4th place= 2 point

5th place= 1 point

No points will be given for Champions. Points will be awarded for the Best Six Head for Premier Exhibitor. The same scoring system as above will be used for awards for the group classes.

*These classes are not recognized by the American Hereford Association.

DIVISION 6440: ALL OTHER BEEF BREEDS

California State Fair Offers..... \$5,310 (Premiums)

Special Rules

1. All animals to be eligible for All Other Breeds must be registered with their breed association. Percentage cattle with registration papers are acceptable. Only bona fide (original) certificates of registration will be accepted as evidence of registration and ownership; **No Photocopies.**
2. All animals are subject to a medical examination in order to determine age, and each animal will be present in the show ring in its natural conformation without alteration or modification. Use of artificial tailheads is not permitted.
3. Any animal not having a legible tattoo or firebrand number is ineligible and will be barred from showing.
4. Bulls from classes 28, 29, 31, 32 & 33 must have a valid, satisfactory semen test certificate in possession. This certificate is valid for the entire show season.
5. All animals shown in individual classes must be weaned, with the exception of the Cow-Calf Class and calves at the side of females calved after September 1, 2024. Calves at side must be purebred and registered. In the Cow-Calf Class, the calf must have the opportunity to nurse. The judge may make the final placing decision based on this criteria. Females calved after September 1, 2024, must show in an individual female class appropriate to age. Nurse cows are not permitted.
6. Cow-Calf Class is eligible for Champion Female. If Cow Calf is Champion Female, Cow-Calf will compete for Supreme Female and Supreme Cow-Calf.
7. All females 20 months and older exhibited must be accompanied by a certificate of pregnancy from a licensed veterinarian or have produced fertile eggs as certified in a written statement by a licensed veterinarian or embryologist or have a calf at side.
8. All animals are shown with a halter and suggest that all bulls be shown with a nose lead.
9. Females competing in Class 14 & 17 must meet one of the following criteria to be eligible for competition:

- a. Be accompanied by an affidavit from a non owner licensed veterinarian stating the female is safe in calf, or
 - b. The female must have a natural born calf at the side that is registered with that Breed Association (embryo transfer progeny will not suffice.) Calf papers must at least be pending.
10. Each animal will be presented in its natural conformation and structure without alteration or modification. Alteration or modification shall be defined to include any surgical, chemical, electrical or other change for cosmetic purpose, salve only branding, tattooing, foot trimming or dehorning. The act of artificially filling animals internally, which would include stomach pumping, drench tubes, or any other method per os (by esophagus) is prohibited. Silicone injection or other injection for the cosmetic purpose shall be prohibited. Anabolic steroid use shall likewise be prohibited, and any animal testing positive for an anabolic steroid or diuretic use shall be presumed to be altered and modified.
11. Where circumstances exist and/or allow, California State Fair reserves the right to split large individual classes after check-in.
12. All other rules apply.

Premium Payment Per Class

CLASSES 1-15 AND 17-33 (EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASS)

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair Offers	\$105	\$75	\$30

CLASSES 16 & 36-40

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair Offers	\$80	\$50	\$20

Class - Female

1. Spring Heifer Calf, calved on or after March 1, 2026
2. Junior Heifer Calf, January - February 2026
3. Junior Calf Champion Female and Reserve Junior Calf Champion Female
4. Winter Heifer Calf, November - December 2025
5. Senior Heifer Calf, September - October 2025
6. Senior Calf Champion Female and Reserve Senior Calf Champion Female
7. Late Summer Yearling Females, July - August 2025
8. Summer Yearling Females, May - June 2025

9. Intermediate Champion Female and Reserve Intermediate Champion Female
10. Late Spring Yearling Females, April 2025
11. Early Spring Yearling Females, March 2025
12. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female
13. Junior Yearling Female, January - February 2025
14. Senior Yearling Female, September - December 2024
15. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
16. Cow-Calf: Calf must be cow's natural calf, not embryo transplant. Calf to be no more than 280 days of age by the day of show. No age restriction on a cow. The calf is eligible for individual classes but must be entered in the appropriate class. The pair is eligible for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion Cow Calf. The calf must have the opportunity to nurse. The judge may make the final placing based on this criteria. Cow and/or calf may be included in group class entries as an individual, not as a pair comprising a single animal unit.
17. Champion Cow-Calf Pair and Reserve Champion Cow-Calf Pair
Supreme Champion Cow Calf (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Cow Calf (All Breeds Competing) Breed
18. Champion Female and Reserve Breed Champion Female
Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Bulls

19. Spring Bull Calf, calved on or after March 1, 2026
20. Junior Bull Calf, January - February 2026
21. Junior Calf Champion Bull and Reserve Junior Calf Champion Bull
22. Winter Bull Calf, November - December 2025
23. Senior Bull Calf, September - October 2025
24. Senior Calf Champion Bull and Reserve Senior Calf Champion Bull
25. Late Summer Yearling Bull, July - August 2025
26. Summer Yearling Bull, May - June 2025
27. Intermediate Champion Bull and Reserve Intermediate Champion Bull
28. Spring Yearling Bull, March - April 2025

29. Junior Yearling Bull, January - February 2025
30. Junior Champion Bull and Reserve Junior Champion Bull
31. Yearling Bull, September - December 2024
32. Senior Yearling Bull, May - August 2024
33. Two-Year-Old Bulls, January - April 2024
34. Senior Champion Bull and Reserve Senior Champion Bull
35. Breed Champion Bull and Reserve Breed Champion Bull
Supreme Champion Bull (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Bull (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Group

36. Produce of Dam: two animals either sex, from one dam to be shown in individual classes to be eligible. Maybe owned by more than one exhibitor.
37. Junior Get-of-Sire: three animals all by one sire, both sexes to be represented, maybe owned by more than one exhibitor. All animals must be shown in individual classes to be eligible. Bulls from classes 19, 20, 22 or 23. Females from classes 1, 2, 4 or 5.
38. Get-of-Sire: Four animals all by one sire, both sexes to be represented, may be owned by more than one exhibitor. All animals must be shown in individual classes to be eligible. This get must have a minimum of two animals born before September 1, 2025.
39. Breeders' Herd: Four animals, either sex, bred and owned by exhibitor. All animals must be shown in their individual classes to be eligible.
40. Group of Five Head: Five animals of either sex owned by the exhibitor from either the calf classes, junior classes, the senior classes or a combination.

Premier Breed

Premier Exhibitor

Premier Sire

DIVISION 6485: SHORTHORN SHOW

California State Fair\$7,700 (Premiums)

This show is held in cooperation with the California Shorthorn Breeders Association, Amanda McKeith, President and the American Shorthorn Association (ASA), Cassie Reid, Director of Shows & Events, 7607 NW Prairie View Rd., Kansas City, MO 64151.

California Shorthorn Breeders Association will provide the following awards: Champion & Reserve Champion Bull, Champion & Reserve Champion Female, all class winners and Division & Reserve Division Champions.

Special Rules

1. All Animals must be registered in the records of the American Shorthorn Association (ASA). ASA will accept electronic registration papers.
2. ShorthornPlus animals are only eligible for the All Other Breeds Division.
3. **Entry in this show binds the exhibitor to all regulations pertaining thereto.**
4. No exhibitor shall be permitted to win more than two prizes in any one class.
5. All animals must be registered as the property of the exhibitor in the records of the American Shorthorn Association by the time of the Fair or Show, at least 30 days.
6. Individual animals shown in all of the group classes listed below must have been entered and shown in one of the following classes for single animals. Multiple owned animals must be exhibited in the name of all owners.
7. Family bred and raised animals entered by Juniors in Junior Classes and subsequently entered in Open Classes may be treated as family entries in group classes.
8. Each of the following classes may be broken into multiple classes to accommodate large numbers of entries, but separate classes may not be combined into one.
9. Junior Livestock Exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Livestock Show are eligible to compete in the Open Show as long as the same exhibit/animal is entered and shown in the Junior Show and the

same exhibit/animal is entered and met all Open Division entry deadlines and guidelines.

10. Females 20 months of age on the day of the show need to have a pregnancy verification signed by an accredited, nonowner veterinarian at the time the female is processed for the show. If verification cannot be produced upon request, the exhibitor is allowed to find a qualified veterinarian to verify pregnancy prior to time of show.
11. Senior Yearling Females who have calved will show based on age. The exhibitor can exhibit the female with or without the calf at side. If a Purebred Female has a ShorthornPlus calf at side, it is not eligible for the Purebred Shorthorn Show, however it is eligible for the All Other Breeds Show.
12. Females entered in a cow/calf class must have a natural born calf at side that does not exceed 280 days of age on show day and the calf must be registered with the ASA. If a Purebred Female has a ShorthornPlus calf at side, it is not eligible for the Purebred Shorthorn Show, however it is eligible for the All Other Breeds Show.
13. All Shorthorns are subject to a tattoo inspection, parentage DNA testing, an age inspection and/or females 20 months of age on day of show are subject to a blood test to prove pregnancy if deemed necessary by the ASA. The decision of an examining veterinarian is final.
14. Shorthorn Plus cattle will show in the All Other Breeds Division.

Premium Payment per Class

CLASSES 1-44 (EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASS)

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair Offers	\$105	\$95	\$75

Class - Heifers

1. Spring Heifer Calf, April 2026
2. Spring Heifer Calf, March 2026
3. Spring Heifer Calf Champion Female and Reserve Spring Heifer Calf Champion
4. Junior Heifer Calf, February 2026
5. Junior Heifer Calf, January 2026
6. Junior Heifer Calf Champion Female and Reserve Junior Heifer Calf Champion

7. Winter Heifer Calf, November - December 2025
8. Senior Heifer Calf, September - October 2025
9. Senior Heifer Calf Champion and Reserve Senior Heifer Calf Champion
10. Summer Yearling Female, July - August 2025
11. Late Spring Yearling Female, May - June 2025
12. Intermediate Champion Female and Reserve Intermediate Champion Female
13. Early Spring Yearling Female, March - April 2025
14. Early Spring Yearling Champion Female and Reserve Early Spring Yearling Champion Female
15. Junior Yearling Female, January - February 2025
16. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female
17. Senior Yearling Female, September - December 2024
18. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
19. Breed Champion Female and Reserve Breed Champion Female
Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
20. Group of Two Females: two females bred and owned or co-owned by breeder (exhibitor)

*All animals entered in Classes 20 & 41 must have been officially entered and shown in individual classes.

The calf must be born on or after January 1, 2026, and must be nursing. Twins are eligible. Both cow and calf must be owned by exhibitor, calf must be bred by exhibitor. Being shown at its dam's side does not eliminate the calf from competition in its appropriate age class, provided it meets all requirements for the show. For calves just competing in the Pair class, calf must be registered. Association does not pay premiums for these classes.

21. Two Year Old Cow/Calf Class: cows born between January 1, 2024 - August 31, 2024. (Calf age may not exceed 280 days of age on show day)
22. Three-Four Year Old Cow/Calf Class: cows born between January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2023. (Calf age may not exceed 280 days of age on show day)
23. Champion Cow-Calf and Reserve Champion Cow-Calf
Supreme Champion Cow Calf (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Cow Calf (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Bulls

24. Spring Bull Calf, March - April 2026
25. Spring Bull Calf Champion and Reserve Spring Bull Calf Champion
26. Junior Bull Calf, January - February 2026
27. Junior Bull Calf Champion and Reserve Junior Bull Calf Champion
28. Winter Bull Calf, November - December 2025
29. Senior Bull Calf, September - October 2025
30. Senior Bull Calf Champion and Reserve Senior Bull Calf Champion
31. Summer Yearling Bull, July - August 2025
32. Late Spring Yearling Bull, May - June 2025
33. Intermediate Champion Bull and Reserve Intermediate Champion Bull
34. Early Spring Yearling Bull, March - April 2025
35. Junior Yearling Bull, January - February 2025
36. Junior Champion Bull and Reserve Junior Champion Bull
37. Senior Yearling Bull, July - December 2024
38. Two-Year-Old Bull, January - June 2024
39. Senior Champion Bull and Reserve Senior Champion Bull
40. Breed Champion Bull and Reserve Breed Champion Bull
Supreme Champion Bull (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Bull (All Breeds Competing)
41. Group of Two Bulls - two bulls bred and owned or co-owned by the breeder (exhibitor)

Class - Group

All animals entered in Classes 42-44 must have been officially entered and shown in individual classes.

42. Super Cow Class, consist of two offspring of either or same-sex of show age classification from the same dam. Offspring do not need to be owned by the same exhibitor. No more than one pair from each cow can win a prize in the class.
43. Get-of-Sire: three offspring of either or same-sex of any age from the same sire. Offspring do not need to be owned by the same exhibitor.
44. Breeder's Herd (4 head): four animals owned or co-owned by the exhibitor.

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

Premier Sire

DIVISION 6475: CHAROLAIS SHOW

California State Fair Offers.....\$2,500 (Premiums)

Charolais Association.....\$500 (Premiums)

This show is held in cooperation with the Charolais Association. All junior exhibitors will need to enter and show in the Junior All Other Breeds Beef Show in order to be eligible to enter and show in the Open Charolais Show at the California State Fair.

Special Rules

1. Entries in classes at any Charolais show are accepted with the understanding that each exhibitor agrees to conform to the rules and regulations of the Charolais Association of America with reference to inspection of entries, such as blood typing, mouthing and such other inspections prescribed by the Charolais Association of America.
2. All animals must be properly tattooed and will be inspected at the show. Tattoos must be legible and must match the animal ID and herd Prefix on the registration certificate.
3. Each exhibitor and/or owner of Charolais cattle entered in any Charolais Show or exhibition is required to ensure that each animal will be exhibited in its natural conformation and structure and without any alterations or modifications, with the exception of acceptable fitting, grooming, and treatment of hooves.
4. The addition of any hair or hair-like substances shall be considered an unethical practice and will not be allowed in Charolais competition.
5. All females 20 months of age or older exhibited at a show must be accompanied by a certificate of pregnancy from a licensed veterinarian or have produced fertile eggs as certified in a written statement by a licensed veterinarian or embryologist or have a calf at side. Failure to show documentation will result in the animal being ineligible to show.
6. All bulls 9 months of age or older exhibited at a show must be shown with a nose lead.
7. All classes with 10 head or more entered and accepted after processing verifies that all other requirements have been fulfilled, must be split according to age.
8. Any animal entered and accepted after processing verifies that all other requirements have been fulfilled, must show in the same class as entered before entry deadline of the Charolais Show in question.

9. Cow-Calf Class is eligible for Champion Female. If Cow Calf is Champion Female, Cow-Calf will compete for Supreme Female and Supreme Cow-Calf.

Premium Payment Per Class

INDIVIDUAL CLASSES

	1st	2nd
California State Fair & CA Charolais Assn Offers.....	\$100	\$54

GROUP OF AND GROUP CLASSES

	1st	2nd
California State Fair & CA Charolais Assn Offers.....	\$50	\$26

Class - Females

1. March 2026 Calves
2. Spring Calf Champion and Reserve Spring Calf Champion
3. February 2026 Calves
4. January 2026 Calves
5. Junior Calf Champion and Reserve Junior Calf Champion
6. Winter Calves, November - December 2025
7. Senior Calves, September - October 2025
8. Fall Calf Champion and Reserve Fall Calf Champion
9. Late Summer Yearling Heifer, July - August 2025
10. Summer Yearling Heifer, May - June 2025
11. April Spring Yearling Heifer, April 2025
12. Intermediate Heifer Champion and Reserve Intermediate Heifer Champion
13. March Spring Yearling Heifer, March 2025
14. February Junior Yearling Heifer, February 2025
15. January Junior Yearling Heifer, January 2025
16. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female
17. Senior Yearling Female, August - December 2024
18. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
19. Two-Year-Old Cow with Calf, Cow must be born after January, two years before the beginning of show year. The calf must be under 280 days of

age and still nursing.

20. Mature Cow & Calf, cow must be born before January, two years before the beginning of show year. The calf must be under 280 days of age and still nursing.
21. Cow Calf Champion and Reserve Cow Calf Champion
Supreme Cow Calf (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Cow Calf (All Breeds Competing)
22. Breed Champion Female and Reserve Breed Champion Female
Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
23. Group of Two Females: two females, any age bred by exhibitor: must be entered in an individual class

Class - Bulls

24. Junior Bull Calf, after January 1, 2026, and over 4 months of age
25. Senior Bull Calf, September - December 2025
26. Intermediate Bull, January - August 2025
27. Senior Yearling Bull, January - December 2024
28. Breed Champion Bull and Reserve Breed Champion Bull
Supreme Champion Bull (All Breeds Competing)
Reserve Supreme Champion Bull (All Breeds Competing)
29. Group of Two Bulls-Any age bred by exhibitor: must be entered in individual class

Class - Group

All animals competing in Classes 30 must have been entered and shown in individual classes.

30. Produce of Dam: Two animals by the same dam, either or both sexes, both shown in their respective classes.

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

Premier Sire

DIVISION 6425: TEXAS LONGHORN WORLD QUALIFIER

California State Fair \$2,500 (premiums)

California Assoc. of Texas Longhorns \$1,000 (premiums)

This show is held in cooperation with the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America, P.O. Box 4430, Fort Worth, TX 76164 and the California Association of Texas Longhorns, J.A. Thomas, 1298 W Cardella, Merced, CA 95348. The CATL will pay an additional \$2,000 in premiums, which shall be based on what was paid by the California State Fair. The California State Fair will pay all premiums through their office.

Special Rules

1. TLBAA Registered Texas Longhorn cattle meeting the age criteria, and other conditions for a respective class are eligible. All shows are prohibited from allowing an animal **Within A Single Show** to be exhibited in more than one class within the same age group. Any animal with a pending registration at the time the entry application is submitted shall be allowed to show only upon presentation of a photocopy facsimile from the association, or original TLBAA registration certificate by or on the day of the show. All cattle must be 120 days of age to show at any show.
2. Bulls shown at halter must be shown **With A Nose Lead**.
3. The owner of cattle entered in a qualifying show must be a member in good standing of the TLBAA and must meet other requirements established by the show sponsor.
4. This show is open to California and out of state Junior exhibitors that meet the age requirements of California 4-H and FFA exhibitors.
5. NEW: Miniature Texas Longhorn animals will have their own division. See Division 6426.
6. If Fair Management determines that classes should be split to accommodate show ring evaluation, premiums will be divided equally between the two new classes.
7. Exhibitors may request a 10x10 exhibit space by paying a \$15 fee. This space shall be used for exhibit material only, not for animals. If animal space is limited, exhibit spaces may not be offered.
8. *NOTE:* Exhibitors are responsible for moving their cattle from pens to the show ring on show day and must clean their pens and display areas by 7:30 am each day.

9. Texas Longhorn and Miniature Texas Longhorn animals shall compete together for Premier Awards.
10. Entries may be limited further (after the close of entries) if space is not available in the Longhorn section of the livestock facility.
11. A “Longhorn Exhibitor” is defined as:
 - a. A single individual, not being married
 - b. A married couple
 - c. A partnership established at least two (2) years as of show day. Exhibitor must provide satisfactory proof of partnership establishment and history.
12. Cattle owned in a partnership must meet the following requirements:
 - a. The “Partnership” must have been in existence for at least two (2) years as of show day. Exhibitor must provide satisfactory proof of this.
 - b. The “Partnership” name must appear on the registration certificate as the name of the owner for each animal entered.
 - c. Animals owned in “Partnership” must have been owned within that partnership for at least 6 months before the opening day of the Fair. Animals less than 6 months of age must have been owned within the partnership from birth. Exhibitor must provide satisfactory proof of ownership.

Premium Payment Per Class

CLASSES 1-42 (EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASSES)

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair Offers	\$70	\$40	\$11

Class - Haltered Females

1. Heifer, born March through April 2026 (must be 120 days old or older)
 2. Heifer, born January through February 2026
 3. Junior Champion Heifer and Reserve Junior Champion Heifer
 4. Heifer, born September through December 2025
 5. Heifer, born May through August 2025
 6. Heifer, born January through April 2025
 7. Female, born 2024
 8. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
 9. Grand Champion Haltered Female and Reserve Grand Champion Female
- Banner -----

Class - Haltered Mature Females

10. Females, born 2020 - 2023
11. Females, born 2019 and before
12. Grand Champion Haltered Mature Female and Reserve Champion Haltered Mature Female

Class - Haltered Bulls (shown at Halter with Nose Lead)

13. Bull, born March through April 2026 (must be 120 days old or older)
14. Bull, born January through February 2026
15. Junior Champion Bull and Reserve Junior Champion Bull
16. Bull, born September through December 2025**
17. Bull, born May through August 2025**
18. Bull, born January through April 2025**
19. Senior Champion Bull and Reserve Senior Champion Bull
20. Grand Champion Haltered Bull and Reserve Grand Champion Bull - Banner

** Exhibitor must be 13 years of age and/or teen

Class - Groups

21. Produce of Dam: Two animals, natural birth, any sex, may have different owners.
22. Get-of-Sire: Three animals, natural birth, both sexes, 2 or more different dams, may have different owners.

Class - Free (Non-Halter) Females

23. Heifer, born March through April 2026 (must be 120 days old or older)
24. Heifer, born January through February 2026
25. Junior Champion Heifer and Reserve Junior Champion Heifer
26. Heifer, born September through December 2025
27. Heifer, born May through August 2025
28. Heifer, born January through April 2025
29. Female, born 2024
30. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
31. Grand Champion Female and Reserve Grand Champion Female

Class - Free (Non-Haltered) Mature Females

- 32. Mature Females, born 2022 and 2023
- 33. Mature Females, born 2020 and 2021
- 34. Mature Females, born 2019
- 35. Mature Females, born 2018 and before
- 36. Grand Champion Mature Female and Reserve Grand Champion Mature Female- Banner
- 37. Grand Dam Class, born 2013 and before (For a cow in this class to qualify for the World Show; she must also be entered in Class 35) No Entry Fee, No Premiums)

Class - Trophy Steer (Non-Haltered)

- 38. Junior Steers, born 2024 and 2025
- 39. Junior Steers, born 2022 and 2023
- 40. Junior Champion Steer and Reserve Junior Champion Steer
- 41. Senior Steers, born 2018 through 2021
- 42. Senior Steers, born 2017 and before
- 43. Senior Champion Steer and Reserve Senior Champion Steer
- 44. Grand Champion Steer and Reserve Grand Champion Steer

Exhibit Space

- 45. Exhibit Space: see special rule #6

Premier Breeder*

Premier Exhibitor*

Premier Sire

*Texas Longhorn and Miniature Texas Longhorn animals shall compete together for Premier Awards.

DIVISION 6426: MINI TEXAS LONGHORN

California State Fair **\$1,700 (premiums)**

California Assoc. of Texas Longhorns..... **\$1,000 (premiums)**

This show is held in cooperation with the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America, P.O. Box 4430, Fort Worth, TX 76164 and the California Association of Texas Longhorns, J.A. Thomas, 1298 W Cardella, Merced, CA 95348. The CATL will pay an additional \$2,000 in premiums which shall be based on what was paid by the California State Fair. The California State Fair will pay all premiums through their office.

Special Rules

1. TLBAA Registered Texas Longhorn cattle meeting the age criteria, and other conditions for a respective class are eligible. All shows are prohibited from allowing an animal **Within A Single Show** to be exhibited in more than one class within the same age group. Any animal with a pending registration at the time the entry application is submitted shall be allowed to show only upon presentation of a photocopy facsimile from the association, or original TLBAA registration certificate by or on the day of the show. All cattle must be 120 days of age to show at any show.
2. If there is only one miniature breeder in the class, the entry must revert to the regular Longhorn Class.
3. Miniature cows must adhere to miniature height requirements of 45" at the hook bone at three years of age. Miniature Steers must adhere to miniature height requirement of 50" at the hook bone at three years of age.
4. Bulls shown at halter must be shown **With A Nose Lead**.
5. The owner of cattle entered in a qualifying show must be a member in good standing of the TLBAA and must meet other requirements established by the show sponsor.
6. This show is open to California and out of state Junior exhibitors that meet the age requirements of California 4-H and FFA exhibitors.
7. Exhibitors may request a 10x10 exhibit space by paying a \$15 fee. This space shall be used for exhibit material only, not for animals. If animal space is limited, exhibit spaces may not be offered.

Premium Payment Per Class

CLASSES 1-29 (EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASSES)

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair Offers	\$70	\$40	\$25

Class - Miniature Females - Haltered

1. Heifer, born January - April 2026
2. Heifer, born July - December 2025
3. Heifer, born January - June 2025
4. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female
5. Heifer, born July - December 2024
6. Female, born January - June 2024
7. Female, born July - December 2023
8. Female, born January - June 2023
9. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
10. Grand Champion Haltered Female and Reserve Grand Champion Female - Banner
11. Mature Female born 2022 and before
12. Grand Champion Mature Female and Reserve Grand Champion Mature Female

Class - Miniature Bulls - Haltered

13. Bull, born January - April 2026
14. Junior Champion Bull and Reserve Junior Champion Bull
15. Bull, born July - December 2025**
16. Bull, born January - June 2025**
17. Senior Champion Bull and Reserve Senior Champion Bull
18. Grand Champion Bull and Reserve Grand Champion Bull - Banner

** Exhibitor must be 13 years of age and/or teen

Class - Miniature Steers - Haltered

19. Steers, born 2026
20. Steers, born 2025
21. Steers, born 2024 or before
22. Grand Champion Steer and Reserve Grand Champion Steer

Class - Miniature Non-Haltered Female

- 23. Non-Haltered Female, Born 2026
- 24. Non-Haltered Female, Born 2025
- 25. Non-Haltered Female, Born 2024
- 26. Non-Haltered Female, Born 2023 or before
- 27. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Non-Haltered Female

Class - Miniature Groups

- 28. Produce of Dam: two animals, natural birth, any sex, and can have different owners.
- 29. Get of Sire: three animals, natural birth, both sexes, two or more different dams, and can have different owners.

Premier Breeder*

Premier Exhibitor*

Premier Sire

*Texas Longhorn and Miniature Texas Longhorn animals shall compete together for Premier Awards.

DIVISION 6427: YOUTH LONGHORN SHOW

California Assoc. of Texas Longhorns..... \$2,500

This show is held in cooperation with the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America, P.O. Box 4430, Fort Worth, TX 76164 and the California Association of Texas Longhorns, J.A. Thomas, 1298 W Cardella, Merced, CA 95348.

Special Rules

1. This show is sponsored by the California Association of Texas Longhorn Breeders. The CATLB will provide all awards and premiums.
2. Show will follow all TBLAA and TLBT rules and guidelines.
3. Exhibitors must be youth exhibitors.
4. All animals entered in the Miniature classes must be registered and have the "m" notation in their registration number.
5. Entry Fee is \$10 per class. Day of arrival Showmanship entry fee is \$20.
6. Classes noted with ** Exhibitor must be 13 years of age and/or teen
7. All premiums and awards sponsored by the California Association of Texas Longhorn Breeders.

Premium Payment Per Class

CLASSES (EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASSES)

	1st	2nd	3rd
California Association of Texas Longhorns	\$70	\$40	\$11

Class - Females

1. Heifer, born March - April 2026
2. Heifer, born January - February 2026
3. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female
4. Heifer born September - December 2025
5. Heifer, born May - August 2025
6. Heifer, born January - April 2025
7. Female, born 2024
8. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
9. Grand Champion Female and Reserve Grand Champion Female

Class - Bulls (shown at Halter with Nose Lead)

10. Bull, born March - April 2026
11. Bull, born January - February 2026
12. Bull, born September - December 2025**
13. Grand Champion Bull and Reserve Grand Champion Bull

Class - Young Steers

14. Steers, born April - June 2026
15. Steers, born January - March 2026
16. Junior Champion Steer and Reserve Junior Champion Steer
17. Steer, born September - December 2025
18. Steer, born May - August 2025
19. Steer, born January - April 2025
20. Steer, born January - December 2024
21. Senior Champion Steer and Reserve Senior Champion Steer
22. Grand Champion Steer and Reserve Grand Champion Steer

Class - Minature Steers

23. Steers, born January - April 2026
24. Steers, born January - December 2025
25. Steers, born January - December 2024
26. Grand Champion Steer and Reserve Grand Champion Steer

Class - Miniature Females

27. Female, born January - June 2026
28. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female
29. Female, born July - December 2025
30. Female, born January - June 2025
31. Female, born January - December 2024
32. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
33. Grand Champion Female and Reserve Grand Champion Female

Class - Miniature Bulls

34. Bull, born January - June 2026
35. Bull, born July - December 2025**
36. Grand Champion Bull and Reserve Grand Champion Bull

Class - Showmanship

In Showmanship classes, you must exhibit an animal that was shown in competition. Exhibitors must have exhibited an animal that was shown in competition in the show to compete in showmanship.

37. Pee Wee: Youth six years of age and under may show calves. This is only class that will allow adults in the showing.
38. Junior Showmanship: Exhibitors 7 - 9 years of age as of January 1
39. Intermediate Showmanship: Exhibitors 10 - 12 years of age as of January 1
40. Teen Showmanship: Exhibitors 13 - 15 years of age as of January 1
41. Senior Showmanship: Exhibitors 16 - 19 years of age as of January 1

OPEN DAIRY GOAT & DAIRY CATTLE SHOW- MARKETING AWARD

Division 6726: Class 2

\$15 Entry Fee - Payable Upon Arrival

The Fair is pleased to offer a special recognition award program to Open Dairy Goat and Dairy Cattle Exhibitors which excel in presenting a Marketing Program within their display space. Marketing Program should be directed at potential customers and showcase the exhibitors Breeding Program and Operation. Dairy Goat & Dairy Cattle Exhibitors will compete for one set of awards. A \$15 entry fee is required, and the display must fit within pen and tack space. All exhibits must meet minimum Herdsman Scorecard Standards of 70 points daily to receive the awards.

AWARDS SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS

Best Marketing Program Overall	\$200 & Banner
2nd Place	\$100 & Rosette
3rd Place	\$50 & Rosette
Best Product Promotion	\$100 & Rosette
Most Creative	\$100 & Rosette

Scorecard

Display	20%
<i>Clearly demonstrates it's purpose, message and/or image</i>	
Effective use of display materials	20%
<i>Paper, wood, metal, plastic, plant material, etc.</i>	
Use of color and signage	20%
<i>Graphics and signage to create impact and storyline, QR codes</i>	
Special Effects	5%
<i>Movement, sound, audiovisual, participatory element</i>	
Effect use of Handout Materials	20%
<i>Flyers, pamphlets, business cards, recipes, children's materials, etc.</i>	
Craftsmanship	15%
<i>Is well constructed, balanced and has an overall finished, artistic and visual appeal</i>	
TOTAL	100%

OPEN DAIRY CATTLE

ENTRY FEE: \$25 per entry. **No limit on number of head entered.** Entries Close on **June 24, 2026.** American System of Judging. Ribbons through 3rd Place. The following competitions will be offered during the 2026 California State Fair:

- **All California All Other Breeds**
- **Brown Swiss Show**
- **Jersey Show**
- **Holstein Show**
- **Red & White Holstein Show**

Special Dairy Cattle Rules

1. Senior yearlings that have freshened must be shown as two-year-olds in both individual and group classes unless otherwise specified.
2. First bedding will not be provided. "Straw" is the preferred bedding that may be used in the Livestock facility, No rice straw allowed. Beef and Dairy animals using shavings must bring the shavings out from the panels 12 inches before leaving and obtaining a release.
3. All female dairy cattle four (4) months of age and over must bear evidence of official calfhood vaccination against brucellosis with a legible, official tattoo visible in the right ear.
4. Owners of Purebred Registered dairy cattle without brucellosis tattoos must present documentation certifying brucellosis vaccination, or written documents showing the animal has an exemption from CDFA, AHFSS.
5. All dairy cattle need official identification (ID).
6. Acceptable methods for Official Identification of cattle include:
 - a. Brucellosis calfhood vaccination tags
 - b. USDA metal "silver brite" tags
 - c. Tags conforming to Animal Identification Number (AIN) system (commonly known as 840 tags)
7. It is unlawful to remove official identification. Requests to remove an official ID ear tag must be submitted to CDFA, AHFSS in writing at least 72 hours prior to the need to remove the tag. The request must include a photo of the ID, the reason the ID must be removed, and all other official ID ear tags on the animal.

8. Junior Exhibitors will **not** automatically roll into the Open Show. Junior Exhibitors may enter the Open Show as long as the animal was entered and shown in the Junior Show and the \$25 open entry fee was paid by the Open Entry Deadline of June 24. Animals entered in the Junior All Other Breeds Show will automatically roll into the Open Show.
9. All Juniors must wear whites during competition. Official 4-H, FFA, and Grange uniforms are required, unless shirts are provided by the Breed Association.
10. The exhibitor must be listed as a recorded owner on the registration certificate.
11. Exhibitors that qualify to compete for California State Fair Supreme or Reserve Supreme Female must participate in the Supreme/Reserve Supreme Competition. Exhibitors choosing not to participate in Supreme/Reserve Supreme Champion drive will forfeit all premiums and awards.
12. **Generators:** There is a \$35 permit fee for all generators on grounds. Portable electric generators whether owned, rented or borrowed, which are operated by an exhibitor at the California State Fair, must be equipped with Ground Fault Interrupter (G.F.I.) outlets. NO EXCEPTIONS.
13. Dairy Cattle Exhibitors will be allowed to have Port-O-Cools on grounds. Port-O- Cools will require a \$35 permit fee to be on grounds. The State Fair reserves the right to limit the number of Port-O-Cools per exhibitor.
14. Vehicle tires and wheel wells at minimum will be disinfected as they come down the hill before unloading and again when leaving the premises.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Age Champion & Reserve Age Champions.....	Rosette
Breed Champion.....	Banner
Reserve Breed Champion	Vinyl Banner
Champion & Reserve Champion Udder.....	Rosette
Supreme Junior Champion Female	Banner
(All Breeds Competing)	
Supreme Champion Female.....	\$500 Buckle and Banner
(All Breeds Competing)	
Grand Champion Udder of Show.....	Vinyl Banner
(All Breeds Competing)	
Supreme Best Three Females	\$500 Buckle and Banner
(All Breeds Competing)	

DIVISION 6495: BROWN SWISS SHOW

California State Fair offers (for regular classes)	\$6,400
California State Fair offers (for production and under)	\$840
Premiums.....	\$7,240

Show Committee

Louis Oliveira
14253 Lacey Blvd
Hanford, CA 93230

Ken Melvold
6178 N. Blosser
Fresno, CA 93711

This show is held in cooperation with the California Brown Swiss Cattle Association (CBSCA), Louis Oliveira, Show Chair, 14253 Lacey Blvd, Hanford, CA 93230.

Special Rules

1. All cattle must be registered with the Brown Swiss Cattle Breeder's Association of America, and only original (or "duplicates" issued by the B.S.C.B.A.) are acceptable.
2. Junior Brown Swiss Exhibitors will **not** automatically role into the Open Show. Junior Brown Swiss Exhibitors may enter the Open Brown Swiss Show as long as the animal was entered and shown in the Junior Show and the \$25 open entry fee was paid by the Open Entry Deadline.
3. All Junior and Open classes shall be combined and judged together. Junior placings and award presentations shall be recognized, at the conclusion of each class, when juniors will be asked to step forward for special recognition.
4. Junior exhibitor animals must be registered in the name of that junior exhibitor.
5. For other rules concerning Juniors, please see the Junior Livestock Competition Guide.
6. Junior exhibitor animals may only be used as part of an Open exhibitor's group entry when: (1) the junior exhibitor's animal was bred-by the Open exhibitor, and the group calls for the animal in question to be bred-by exhibitor; and, (2) when the Junior exhibitors animal is to be used to fulfill the owned by exhibitor requirement of the group class. In the case of item #2 however, the Junior exhibitor's animal must be housed and tested at the operation of the Open exhibitor. Family members can only combine

entries to form groups if all entries are entered under the herd name.

7. For an exhibitor to be eligible to show an animal, the title of ownership of the exhibitor shall show on the Certificate of Registry at the time of the exhibition.
8. Any animal sold or exhibited as registered by the Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association can be blood/DNA typed at the discretion of the executive secretary. All expenses to be paid by the Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association.
9. The national PDCA show ring code of ethics will be enforced. If the show judge or other entities should bring to the attention of Show Management or the Brown Swiss Cattle Show Committee any possible unethical practices at the Brown Swiss Show, these entities will consult with the California State Fair as to the proper steps to be taken including sanctions and/or disciplinary action. Any ethics violations resulting in sanctions and/or disciplinary action of the animal or exhibitor will be carried out by the California State Fair as to the proper steps to be taken including sanctions and/or disciplinary action to be carried out by show management.
10. All Brown Swiss animals must be registered in the Official USA Herdbook. The following animals can be shown as registered Brown Swiss: Fully registered (white registration paper with green border; CIE animals (white registration paper with green border); IE animals (green registration paper). Animals with the following prefix on their name cannot be shown as registered Brown Swiss. ID (yellow registration paper); IDR (yellow registration paper), RF (blue registration paper).
11. There will be no Brown Swiss Travel Money offered through the State Fair.

Premium Payment Per Class

CLASSES 1-7, 9, 22

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$80	\$70	\$50	\$40	\$30

CLASSES 10-13, 15-17

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$140	\$120	\$100	\$75	\$50

CLASSES 21,23

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair Offers	\$145	\$80	\$62.50

Classes

1. Spring Heifer Calves - March 2026 - April 2026
2. Winter Heifer Calves - December 2025 - February 2026
3. Fall Heifer Calves - September - November 2025
4. Summer Yearling Heifer - June - August 2025
5. Spring Yearling Heifer - March - May 2025
6. Winter Yearling Heifer - December 2024 - February 2025
7. Fall Yearling Heifer - September - November 2024
8. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female
SUPREME JUNIOR CHAMPION FEMALE (All Breeds Competing)
9. Junior Best Three Females - Group to consist of 3 animals under two years of age, none of which have freshened. All three animals must have been bred by the exhibitor and at least one owned by exhibitor. Each exhibitor limited to one entry. See Special Rule #7.
10. Junior Two Year Old Cow - March - August 2024
11. Senior Two Year Old Cow - September 2023 - February 2024
12. Junior Three Year Old Cow - March - August 2023
13. Senior Three Year Old Cow - September 2022 - February 2023
14. Intermediate Champion and Reserve Intermediate Champion
15. Four-Year-Old Cow - September 2021 - August 2022
16. Five-Year-Old Cow -September 2020 -August 2021
17. Aged Cow, Six Years Old & Over - Born before September 1, 2020
18. Senior Champion and Reserve Senior Champion
19. Grand Champion Female and Reserve Grand Champion Female **Supreme Champion Female** (All Breeds Competing)
20. Breed Champion Udder and Reserve Breed Champion Udder **Grand Champion Udder** (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

21. Best Three Females: Group to consist of any three females. At least one must have freshened, the other two any age, all bred by exhibitor, and at least one owned by exhibitor. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry. First place to compete for **Supreme Champion Three Dairy Females**.

22. Produce of Dam: Group to consist of two females, any age, the produce of one cow which must be named. Animals need not both be owned by one exhibitor.
23. Exhibitor Herd: Five animals, all owned by exhibitor. One entry per exhibitor.

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

SPECIAL BROWN SWISS PREMIUMS

Production Award

All females two years or older placing 1st-5th as individuals (in the division which they compete, i.e., Brown Swiss) are eligible for an additional premium in their class if the following minimum production requirements for 305-day lactation are met:

Age	Pounds Milk
5 years and over	21,250
4 years and under 5	20,250
3 years and under 4	18,500
2 years and under 3	16,000

PAYMENT SHALL BE BASED ON ACTUAL CLASS PLACING

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15

Production record may have been made at any age, not necessarily at the age which the cow is being shown. Production record should be mailed with Detailed Receipt and verified 12 hours before scheduled judging time to qualify for additional premiums. If this information is not provided at the time of entry, a \$5 fine per entry in question will be charged. Premium awards for production will not be paid unless a fine is paid. Please include a photocopy of the cow's DHI Sheet when submitting the cow's entry form, due June 24. Only records shown on Dairy Herd Improvement Registry Certificates or Dairy Herd Improvement Association Official Plan records will be accepted for verification.

Best Udder Award

In addition to the regular premiums in Classes for lactating females, an additional premium of \$25 for first and \$20 for second will be paid for cows judged the best udder.

DIVISION 6500: RED & WHITE HOLSTEIN

California State Fair offers (for regular classes) \$6,600

California State Fair offers (for production and udder) \$840

Premiums \$7,440

Red & White Holsteins may also enter the Open Holstein Show by paying the additional entry fee by the Open Entry Deadline of June 24.

CLASSES 1-7

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$120	\$95	\$70	\$60	\$34

CLASSES 9-12 AND 14-16

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$132	\$102	\$75	\$65	\$39

CLASSES 20-23

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
California State Fair Offers	\$100	\$75	\$50	\$39

Class - Females

1. Junior Heifer Calf, March - April 2026
2. Intermediate Heifer Calf, December 2025 - February 2026
3. Senior Heifer Calf, September - November 2025
4. Summer Yearling, June - August 2025
5. Junior Yearling, March - May 2025
6. Winter Yearling, December 2024 - February 2025
7. Fall Senior Yearling, September - November 2024
8. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female
Supreme Junior Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
9. Junior Two Year Old, March - August 2024
10. Senior Two Year Old, September 2023 - February 2024
11. Junior Three Year Old, March - August 2023
12. Senior Three Year Old, September 2022 - February 2023

13. Intermediate Champion Female and Reserve Intermediate Champion Female
14. Four-Year-Old, September 2021 - August 2022
15. Five-Year-Old, September 2020 - August 2021
16. Aged Cow, Born before September 2020
17. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
18. Holstein Champion and Reserve Holstein Champion
Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
19. Champion Udder and Reserve Champion Udder
Grand Champion Udder (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

20. Produce of Dam: Two animals, any age, all the produce of the same dam, at least one owned by exhibitor. Limited to one entry per exhibitor per dam.
21. Daughter-Dam: One cow and one of her daughters, any age. Daughters must be bred by exhibitor. Limited to one entry per exhibitor per dam
22. Best Three Females: Three females, any age, all bred and at least one owned by exhibitor. Limit of one entry per exhibitor.
23. Dairy Herd: Four cows in milk, all owned by exhibitor, limit of one entry per exhibitor.

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

RED & WHITE HOLSTEIN PREMIUMS

Production Award

All females two years or older placing 1st-5th as individuals (in the division which they compete, i.e., Red & White Holstein) are eligible for an additional premium in their class if the following minimum production requirements for 305-day lactation are met:

Age	Pounds Milk
5 years and over	23,750
4 years and under 5	22,500
3 years and under 4	21,000
2 years and under 3	20,000

PAYMENT SHALL BE BASED ON ACTUAL CLASS PLACING

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15

Production record may have been made at any age, not necessarily at the age which the cow is being shown. Production record should be mailed with Detailed Receipt and verified 12 hours before scheduled judging time to qualify for additional premiums. If this information is not provided at the time of entry, a \$5 fine per entry in question will be charged. Premium awards for production will not be paid unless the fine is paid. Please include a photocopy of the cow's DHI Sheet when submitting the cow's entry form, due June 24. Only records shown on Dairy Herd Improvement Registry Certificates or Dairy Herd Improvement Association Official Plan records will be accepted for verification.

Best Udder Award

In addition to the regular premiums for lactating females, an additional premium of \$25 for first and \$20 for second will be paid for lactating females judged the best udder.

DIVISION 6505: HOLSTEIN

California State Fair offers (for regular classes)	\$7,000
California State Fair offers (for production and udder)	\$840
Premiums	\$7,840

All Holsteins need to be at least 87% Registered Holstein Ancestry and be registered with Holstein Association USA to be shown in Holstein Division.

Red & White Holsteins may also enter the Open Holstein Show by paying the additional entry fee by the Open Entry Deadline of June 24.

CLASSES 1-7

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
California State Fair Offers	\$120	\$95	\$70	\$60	\$34	\$15	\$12

CLASSES 9-12 AND 14-16

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
California State Fair Offers	\$132	\$102	\$75	\$65	\$39	\$15	\$12

CLASS 20-23

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair Offers	\$100	\$75	\$57

California State Fair Special Awards

Holstein Champion Female	\$100
Holstein Reserve Champion Female.....	\$50

Class - Females

1. Junior Heifer Calf, March - April 2026
2. Intermediate Heifer Calf, December 2025 - February 2026
3. Senior Heifer Calf, September - November 2025
4. Summer Yearling, June - August 2025
5. Junior Yearling, March - May 2025
6. Winter Yearling, December 2024 - February 2025
7. Fall Senior Yearling, September - November 2024

8. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female
Supreme Junior Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
9. Junior Two Year Old, March - August 2024
10. Senior Two Year Old, September 2023 - February 2024
11. Junior Three Year Old, March - August 2023
12. Senior Three Year Old, September 2022 - February 2023
13. Intermediate Champion Female and Reserve Intermediate Champion Female
14. Four-Year-Old, September 2021 - August 2022
15. Five-Year-Old, September 2020 - August 2021
16. Aged Cow, Born before September 2020
17. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
18. Holstein Champion and Reserve Holstein Champion
Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
19. Champion Udder and Reserve Champion Udder
Grand Champion Udder (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

20. Produce of Dam: Two animals, any age, all the produce of the same dam, at least one owned by exhibitor. Limited to one entry per exhibitor per dam.
21. Daughter-Dam: One cow and one of her daughters, any age. Daughters must be bred by exhibitor. Limited to one entry per exhibitor per dam
22. Best Three Females: Three females, any age, all bred and at least one owned by exhibitor. Limit of one entry per exhibitor.
23. Dairy Herd: Four cows in milk, all owned by exhibitor, limit of one entry per exhibitor.

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

SPECIAL HOLSTEIN PREMIUMS

Production Award

All females two years or older placing 1st-5th as individuals (in the division which they compete, i.e., Holstein) are eligible for an additional premium in their class if the following minimum production requirements for 305-day lactation are met:

Age	Pounds Milk
5 years and over	23,750
4 years and under 5	22,500
3 years and under 4	21,000
2 years and under 3	20,000

PAYMENT SHALL BE BASED ON ACTUAL CLASS PLACING

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15

Production record may have been made at any age, not necessarily at the age which the cow is being shown. Production record should be mailed with Detailed Receipt and verified 12 hours before scheduled judging time to qualify for additional premiums. If this information is not provided at the time of entry, a \$5 fine per entry in question will be charged. Premium awards for production will not be paid unless the fine is paid. Please include a photocopy of the cow's DHI Sheet when submitting the cow's entry form, due June 24. Only records shown on Dairy Herd Improvement Registry Certificates or Dairy Herd Improvement Association Official Plan records will be accepted for verification.

Best Udder Award

In addition to the regular premiums for lactating females, an additional premium of \$25 for first and \$20 for second will be paid for lactating females judged the best udder.

DIVISION 6510: JERSEY SHOW

California State Fair offers (for regular classes)	\$7,300
California State Fair offers (for production and udder)	\$960
Premiums	\$8,260

Special Rules

1. All Jersey cattle must be registered with the American Jersey Cattle Association and be recorded in the Herd Register or have a Generation Count of 4 or greater, or be registered with Jersey Canada with 93.75% or greater registry status. only original (or a “duplicate” issued by the A.J.C.A.) registration certificates are acceptable. No original animal (oa) or provisional register (pr) certificates will be acceptable to be shown.
2. Junior Jersey Exhibitors will **not** automatically role into the Open Show. Junior Jersey Exhibitors may enter the Open Jersey Show as long as the animal was entered and shown in the Junior Show and the \$25 open entry fee was paid by the Open Entry Deadline of June 24.
3. Junior exhibitor classes shall alternate with Open classes.
4. Junior exhibitor animals may only be used as part of an Open exhibitor’s group entry when: (1) the junior exhibitor’s animal was bred-by the Open exhibitor, and the group calls for the animal in question to be bred-by exhibitor; and, (2) when the Junior exhibitors animal is to be used to fulfill the owned by exhibitor requirement of the group class. In the case of item (2) however, the Junior exhibitor’s animal must be housed and tested at the operation of the Open exhibitor. All animals must have been entered in the open show to be used in open groups.
5. Junior exhibitor placings in the Open Show and Open exhibitor placings shall be counted when calculating the Premier Breeder and Exhibitor Award.
6. For other rules concerning Juniors, please see the Junior Livestock Competition Guide.

Premium Payment per Class

CLASSES 1-7

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
California State Fair Offers	\$120	\$95	\$70	\$50	\$25	\$20	\$16

CLASSES 9-13 AND 15-17

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
California State Fair Offers	\$132	\$102	\$75	\$55	\$30	\$20	\$15

CLASSES 21-24

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair Offers	\$100	\$90	\$70

Class - Females

1. Junior Heifer Calf, March - April, 2026
2. Intermediate Heifer Calf, December 2025 - February 2026
3. Senior Heifer Calf, September - November 2025
4. Summer Yearling, June - August 2025
5. Junior Yearling, March - May 2025
6. Winter Senior Yearling, December 2024 - February 2025
7. Fall Senior Yearling, September - November 2024
8. Junior Champion Female and Reserve Junior Champion Female
Supreme Junior Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
9. Senior Yearling in Milk, September - November 2024
10. Junior Two Year Old, March - August 2024
11. Senior Two Year Old, September 2023 - February 2024
12. Junior Three Year Old Cow, March - August 2023
13. Senior Three Year Old Cow, September 2022 - February 2023
14. Intermediate Champion & Reserve Champion Female
15. Four-Year-Old Cow, September 2021 - August 2022
16. Five-Year-Old Cow, September 2020 - August 2021
17. Aged Cow, Born before September 2020
18. Senior Champion Female and Reserve Senior Champion Female
19. Breed Champion Female and Reserve Breed Champion Female
Supreme Champion Female(All Breeds Competing)
20. Champion and Reserve Champion Udder (1st and 2nd Place winners of classes 9-13, 15-17)
Grand Champion Udder (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

21. Produce of Dam: Two animals, any age, all the produce of the same dam and at least one owned by exhibitor. No more than one entry per exhibitor per dam
22. Best Three Females: Three females, any age, all bred by exhibitor. First place to compete for **Supreme Champion Three Dairy Females**
23. Daughter-Dam: One cow and one of her daughters, any age. Daughters must be bred by exhibitor; both must be owned by exhibitor. One entry per exhibitor per dam.
24. Dairy Herd: Four cows in milk, does not include dry cows, all owned by exhibitor.

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

SPECIAL JERSEY PREMIUMS

Production Award

All females two years or older placing 1st-5th as individuals (in the division which they compete, i.e., Jersey) are eligible for an additional premium in their class if the following minimum production requirements for 305-day lactation are met:

Age	Pounds Milk
5 years and over	17,250
4 years and under 5	16,500
3 years and under 4	15,500
2 years and under 3	14,250

PAYMENT SHALL BE BASED ON ACTUAL CLASS PLACING

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15

Production record may have been made at any age, not necessarily at the age which the cow is being shown. Production record should be mailed with Detailed Receipt and verified 12 hours before scheduled judging time to qualify for additional premiums. If this information is not provided at the time of entry, a \$5 fine per entry in question will be charged. Premium awards for production will not be paid unless a fine is paid. Please include a photocopy of the cow's DHI Sheet when submitting the cow's entry form, due June 24. Only records shown on Dairy Herd Improvement Registry Certificates or Dairy Herd Improvement Association Official Plan records will be accepted for verification.

Best Udder Award

In addition to the regular premiums for lactating females, an additional premium of \$25 for 1st and \$20 for 2nd will be paid for lactating females judged the best udder.

DIVISION 6515: ALL CALIFORNIA ALL OTHER BREEDS SHOW

California State Fair offers (for regular classes)	\$5,000
California State Fair offers (for production and udder)	\$675
Premiums	\$5,675

Special Rules

1. All juniors are automatically entered in the Open Show by paying the \$25.00 entry fee per entry, per class in the junior show. There will not be a separate junior show, a Junior Champion, Senior Champion and Grand Champion will be selected from the junior exhibitors.
2. All cattle must be registered with a recognized Breed Association and only original registration certificates are acceptable.
3. Any registered Milking Shorthorn that has black hair may not be shown without prior inspection and approval by the American Milking Shorthorn Society.
4. Junior exhibitor animals may only be used as part of an Open exhibitors group entry when; (1) the junior exhibitor's animal was bred by the Open exhibitor and the group calls for the animal in question to be bred-by exhibitor and (2) when the Junior exhibitor's animal is to be used to fulfill the owned by exhibitor requirement of the group class. In the case of item #2 however, the Junior exhibitor's animal must be housed and tested at the operation of the open exhibitor.
5. Senior Yearlings that have freshened must be shown as two-year-olds in both individual and group classes.

Premium Payout

CLASSES 1-7

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50	\$40

CLASSES 10-15

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$115	\$90	\$75	\$55	\$30

CLASSES 9 AND 19-22

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
California State Fair Offers	\$70	\$50	\$40	\$20

Class - Females

1. Junior Heifer Calf, March - May 2026
2. Intermediate Heifer Calf, December 2025 - February 2026
3. Senior Heifer Calf, September - November 2025
4. Summer Yearling, June - August 2025
5. Junior Yearling, March - May 2025
6. Winter Senior Yearling, December 2024 - February 2025
7. Fall Senior Yearling, September - November 2024 (Senior Yearlings that have freshened must be shown as two-year-olds in both individual and group classes.)
8. Junior Champion Female & Reserve Junior Champion Female
Supreme Junior Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
9. Junior Best Three Females (Three animals, senior yearling or younger, none which have freshened, all bred and at least one owned by exhibitor, limit of one per exhibitor.)
10. Junior Two Year Old, March - August 2024
11. Senior Two Year Old, September 2023 - February 2024
12. Three-Year-Old Cow, September 2022 - August 2023
13. Four-Year-Old Cow, September 2021 - August 2022
14. Five Year & Older Cow, born before September 2021
15. Dry Cow, born before September 2023
16. Senior Champion Female & Reserve Senior Champion Female
17. Breed Champion Female and Reserve Breed Champion Female
Supreme Champion Female (All Breeds Competing)
18. Champion and Reserve Champion Udder (1st & 2nd Place winners of classes 10-14) **Grand Champion Udder** (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

19. Produce of Dam: Two animals, any age, both the production of the same dam and at least one owned by exhibitor. No more than one entry per exhibitor per dam.
20. Daughter-Dam: One cow and one of her daughters, any age. Daughters must be bred by exhibitor; both must be owned by exhibitor. One entry per exhibitor per dam.
21. Best Three Females: Three females, any age, all bred and at least one owned by exhibitor. Limit of one entry per exhibitor.

Supreme Champion Three Dairy Females

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

ALL OTHER BREEDS PRODUCTION PREMIUMS

Production Award

All females two years or older placing 1st-5th as individuals (in the division which they compete, i.e., Milking Shorthorn) are eligible for an additional premium in their class if the following minimum production requirements for 305-day lactation are met:

Age	Pounds Milk
5 years and over	19,000
4 years and under 5	17,750
3 years and under 4	16,750
2 years and under 3	15,000

PAYMENT SHALL BE BASED ON ACTUAL CLASS PLACING

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15

Production record may have been made at any age, not necessarily at the age which the cow is being shown. Production record should be mailed with Detailed Receipt and verified 12 hours before scheduled judging time to qualify for additional premiums. If this information is not provided at the time of entry, a \$5 fine per entry in question will be charged. Premium awards for production will not be paid unless a fine is paid. Please include a photocopy of the cow's DHI Sheet when submitting the cow's entry form, due June 24. Only records shown on Dairy Herd Improvement Registry Certificates or Dairy Herd Improvement Association Official Plan records will be accepted for verification

Best Udder Award

In addition to the regular premiums for lactating females, an additional premium of \$25 for first and \$20 for second will be paid for lactating females judged the best udder.

OPEN SHEEP SHOW MARKETING AWARD

Division 6726 - Class 1

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00, Payable upon arrival

The Fair is pleased to offer a special recognition award program to Open Sheep Exhibitors which excel in presenting a Marketing Program within their display space. Marketing Program should be directed at potential customers and showcase the exhibitors Breeding Program and Operation. All Breeds shall compete together within this program. A \$15 entry fee is required, and the display must fit within pen and tack space. All exhibits must meet minimum Herdsman Scorecard Standards of 70 points daily to receive the awards.

*Angora Goat exhibitors are eligible to compete for the Open Sheep Marketing Award

Awards shall be as follows:

Best Marketing Program Overall	\$500 & Banner
2nd Place	\$300 & Rosette
3rd Place	\$200 & Rosette
4th Place	\$100 & Rosette
5th Place	\$50 & Rosette
Best Signage Program	\$100 & Rosette
Best Program directed at General Public	1st \$100 & Rosette
Most Creative	1st \$100 & Rosette

Marketing Scorecard

Display	20%
Clearly demonstrates it's purpose, message and/or image	
Effective use of display materials	20%
Paper, wood, metal, plastic, plant material, etc.	
Use of color and signage	20%
Graphics and signage to create impact and storyline, QR Codes	
Special Effects	5%
Movement, sound, audiovisual, participatory element	
Effective Use of Handout Materials	20%
Flyers, pamphlets, business cards, recipes, children's materials, etc.	
Craftsmanship	15%
Is well constructed, balanced and has an overall finished, artistic and visual appeal	
Total	100%

OPEN SHEEP

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 per entry per class, & Entries Close on **June 24, 2026**

No limit on a number of head entered. American System of Judging. All lambs must have lambs teeth. Ribbons through 3rd Place.

The following competitions will be offered at the 2026 California State Fair:

- All Other Breeds Meat Sheep Show
- All Other Breeds Wool Sheep Show
- Southdown Spectacular Show
- Western Regional Dorper and White Dorper Show
- Open Dorset Show (Horned & Polled)
- Western Regional Hampshire Show
- Western Regional Suffolk Show
- Wether Dam and Wether Sire Show
- Western Regional Border Cheviot Show
- Montadale Show
- Primitive & American Breeds Sheep Show
- Columbia & Rambouillet Show
- Natural Colored Sheep Show

Any specie division (breeding show only) with less than 15 head entered by less than 3 exhibitors at the close of entry deadline (June 24) may be transferred to the specie's All Other Breed division. The premium amount from the original division will not transfer to the specie's All Other Breed division.

Babydoll Sheep will show in the All Other Breeds Wool Show.

Special Awards

Age Champions	Rosette
Reserve Age Champions	Rosette
Breed Champion	Banner
Reserve Breed Champion	Rosette
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)	\$500, Buckle and Banner
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)	\$500, Buckle and Banner

DIVISION 6565: ALL OTHER BREEDS MEAT
SHOW (OXFORD, SHROPSHIRE, TUNIS)

DIVISION 6575: ALL OTHER BREEDS
WOOL SHOW

DIVISION 6595: NATURAL COLORED
WOOL SHEEP

DIVISION 6605: COLUMBIA & RAMBOUILLET

Payment Schedule

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Individual Classes.....	\$55	\$45	\$40	\$35	\$25	\$20
Group Classes.....	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25		

Class - Rams

1. Yearling Rams, September 2024 - August 2025
2. Fall Ram Lambs, September - December 2025
3. Spring Ram Lambs, January - May 2026
4. Pair of Ram Lambs - all bred and owned by exhibitor
5. Breed Champion Ram and Reserve Breed Champion Ram
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Ewes

6. Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025
7. Pair Yearling Ewes - all owned by exhibitor
8. Fall Ewe Lambs, September - December 2025
9. Spring Ewe Lambs, January - May 2026
10. Pair of Ewe Lambs: all bred and owned by exhibitor
11. Breed Champion Ewe Banner and Reserve Breed Champion Ewe
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

(Limit One Group per Class per Exhibitor)

12. Young Flock: One ram lamb and two ewe lambs, all bred and owned by exhibitor
 13. Get-of-Sire: Four animals, any age, all owned by exhibitor, all sired by same sire
 14. Flock: One ram any age, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs all owned by exhibitor
 15. Best Pair: Two animals either sex, owned by exhibitor
- Premier Breeder Premier Exhibitor Premier Sire

DIVISION 6590: MONTADALE SHOW

California State Fair offers (for regular classes) \$2,000

CLASSES 1-3, 6, 8-9

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
California State Fair Offers	\$60	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$13

CLASSES 4, 7, 10, 12-15

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair Offers	\$60	\$40	\$20

Class - Rams

1. Yearling Rams, September 2024 - August 2025
2. Fall Ram Lambs, September - December 2025
3. Spring Ram Lambs, January - May 2026
4. Pair of Ram Lambs - all bred and owned by exhibitor
5. Breed Champion Ram and Reserve Breed Champion Ram
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Ewes

6. Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025
7. Pair Yearling Ewes-all owned by exhibitor
8. Fall Ewe Lambs, September - December 2025
9. Spring Ewe Lambs, January - May 2026
10. Pair of Ewe Lambs-all bred and owned by exhibitor
11. Breed Champion Ewe and Reserve Breed Champion Ewe
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

(Limit One Group per Class per Exhibitor)

12. Young Flock: One ram lamb and two ewe lambs, all bred and owned by exhibitor
13. Get-of-Sire: Four animals, any age, all owned by exhibitor, all sired by the same sire
14. Flock: One ram any age, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs all owned by exhibitor
15. Best Pair: Two animals either sex, owned by exhibitor

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

Premier Sire

DIVISION 6591: WESTERN REGIONAL BORDER CHEVIOT SHOW

California State Fair offers (for regular classes) \$2,100

CLASSES 1-21 (EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASSES)

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair & American Border Cheviot Sheep Society offers			
.....	\$60	\$50	\$30

Class - Rams

1. Yearling Rams, September 2024 - August 2025
2. Fall Ram Lambs, September - December 2025
3. Senior Champion and Reserve Senior Champion Ram
4. Early Spring Ram Lambs, January 2026
5. Late Spring Ram Lambs, February - May 2026
6. Junior Champion and Reserve Junior Champion Ram
7. Pair of Ram Lambs - all bred and owned by exhibitor
8. Breed Champion Ram and Reserve Breed Champion Ram
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Ewes

9. Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025
10. Pair Yearling Ewes-all owned by exhibitor
11. Fall Ewe Lambs, September - December 2025
12. Senior Champion and Reserve Senior Champion Ewe
13. Early Spring Ewe Lambs, January 2026
14. Late Spring Ewe Lambs, February - May 2026
15. Junior Champion and Reserve Junior Champion Ewe
16. Pair of Ewe Lambs-all bred and owned by exhibitor
17. Breed Champion Ewe and Reserve Breed Champion Ewe
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups (Limit One Group per Class per Exhibitor)

18. Young Flock: One ram lamb and two ewe lambs, all bred and owned by exhibitor
19. Get-of-Sire: Four animals, any age, all owned by exhibitor, all sired by the same sire
20. Flock: One ram any age, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs all owned by exhibitor
21. Best Pair: Two animals either sex, owned by exhibitor

Premier Breeder	Premier Exhibitor	Premier Sire
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DIVISION 6566: PRIMITIVE & AMERICAN BREEDS

Including but not limited to Black Welsh Mountain, Gulf Coast Native, Hog Island, Icelandic, Jacob, Karakul, Navajo-Churro, Santa Cruz, Soay, Clun Forest, Scottish Blackface, Sennybridge Welsh Mountain, Wiltshire Horn, Shetlands, St. Croix, California Reds, and American Blackbelly Sheep.

California State Fair offers \$2,440

Payment Schedule

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Individual Classes.....	\$55	\$45	\$40	\$35	\$25	\$20
Group Classes.....	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25		

Class - Rams

1. Yearling Rams, September 2024 - August 2025
2. Fall Ram Lambs, September - December 2025
3. Spring Ram Lambs, January - May 2026
4. Pair of Ram Lambs - all bred and owned by exhibitor
5. Breed Champion Ram and Reserve Breed Champion Ram
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Ewes

6. Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025
7. Pair Yearling Ewes - all owned by exhibitor
8. Fall Ewe Lambs, September - December 2025
9. Spring Ewe Lambs, January - May 2026
10. Pair of Ewe Lambs - all bred and owned by exhibitor
11. Breed Champion Ewe & Reserve Breed Champion Ewe
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)

Groups (Limit One Group per Class per Exhibitor)

12. Young Flock: one ram lamb and two ewe lambs, all bred and owned by exhibitor
13. Get-of-Sire: four animals, any age, all owned by exhibitor, all sired by the same sire
14. Flock: one ram any age, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs all owned by exhibitor
15. Best Pair: two animals either sex, owned by exhibitor

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

Premier Sire

DIVISION 6580: OPEN DORSET SHOW (HORNED & POLLED)

California State Fair offers \$3,090

This show is recognized by the Continental Dorset Club, Michelle Torrance, Executive Secretary/Treasurer, P.O. Box 186, Good Hope, IL 61348-0186.

Slick Shorn means no more than 7 days of wool.

Dorset Premium Payment Schedule

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Classes 1-5, 7, 11, 14, 16, 18	\$50	\$40	\$35		
Classes 6, 10, 13, 15, 17	\$50	\$40	\$35	\$25	\$15
Group Classes	\$50	\$40	\$35	\$20	

Class - Rams

1. Yearling Rams, September 2024 - August 2025
2. Early Fall Rams, September - October 2025
3. Slick Shorn Early Fall Rams, September - October 2025
4. Late Fall Ram Lambs, November - December 2025
5. Slick Shorn Late Fall Ram Lambs, November - December 2025
6. Spring Ram Lambs, January 1, 2026, or later
7. Slick Shorn Spring Ram Lambs, January 1, 2026, or later
8. Pair of Ram Lambs - bred and owned by exhibitor
9. Breed Champion Ram and Reserve Breed Champion Ram
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Ewes

10. Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025
11. Slick Shorn Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025
12. Pair of Yearling Ewes bred and owned by exhibitor
13. Early Fall Ewe Lambs, September - October 2025
14. Slick Shorn Early Fall Ewe Lambs, September - October 2025
15. Late Fall Ewe Lambs, November - December 2025
16. Slick Shorn Late Fall Ewe Lambs- November - December 2025

17. Spring Ewe Lambs, January 1, 2026, or younger
18. Slick Shorn Spring Ewe Lambs, January 1, 2026, or younger
19. Pair of Ewe Lambs - bred and owned by exhibitor
20. Breed Champion Ewe and Reserve Breed Champion Ewe
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

(Limit One Group per Class per Exhibitor)

21. Young Flock: One ram lamb and two ewe lambs all bred and owned by exhibitor
22. Best Pair: Either sex, bred and owned by exhibitor
23. Flock: One ram any age, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs all owned by exhibitor
24. Get-of-Sire: Four animals, any age, all sired by the same sire, all owned by exhibitor

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

Premier Sire

Billy Cox Perpetual Award (provided by CDBA)

This award to be made to the California Breeder of no more than 5 animals winning the most points in single open classes as listed above. Animals must be bred and owned by the California Breeder. No limit on number exhibited but award automatically figured on top 5 animals winning the most points.

DIVISION 6615: SOUTHDOWN SPECTACULAR SHOW

Premiums..... \$2,710

Special Rules

1. All Southdowns must be slick shorn within five (5) days of the show. Wool may be left below the knees and hocks, also below the eyes and around the muzzle.
2. Junior Southdown exhibitors that enter and show in the Junior Southdown Show may also enter and show in the Open Southdown Show provided they 1) show in the junior show first and 2) the exhibitor enters by the open show entry deadline under the open division rules and pay the open division entry fee.

Premium Payment Schedule

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Classes 1 - 2	\$55	\$45	\$35			
Classes 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11.....	\$55	\$45	\$40	\$35	\$25	\$20
Group Classes.....	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25		

Class - Rams

1. Yearling Rams, September 2024 - August 2025
2. Fall Ram Lambs, September - December 2025
3. Spring Ram Lambs, January - February 15, 2026
4. Spring Ram Lambs, February 16 - May 2026
5. Pair of Ram Lambs - all bred and owned by exhibitor
6. Breed Champion Ram and Reserve Breed Champion Ram
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Ewes

7. Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025
8. Pair Yearling Ewes-all owned by exhibitor
9. Fall Ewe Lambs, September - December 2025
10. Spring Ewe Lambs, January - February 15, 2026

11. Spring Ewe Lambs, February 16 - May 2026
12. Pair of Ewe Lambs: all bred and owned by exhibitor
13. Breed Champion Ewe and Reserve Breed Champion Ewe
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

(Limit One Group per Class per Exhibitor)

14. Young Flock: One ram lamb and two ewe lambs, all bred and owned by exhibitor
 15. Get-of-Sire: Four animals, any age, all owned by exhibitor, all sired by the same sire
 16. Flock: One ram any age, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs all owned by exhibitor
 17. Best Pair: Two animals either sex, owned by exhibitor
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| Premier Breeder | Premier Exhibitor | Premier Sire |
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The Glen Maddux Memorial Award
Lloyd & Sheila McCabe
7933 Jahn Rd
Dixon, CA 9562

Will present a trophy to the open exhibitor of the Champion Southdown Ram and Champion Southdown Ewe in memory of Glen Maddux. Glen Maddux dominated the sheep shows in California during the 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's. While many of our historical documents do not exist, Glen captured more Champions in the Southdowns, Hampshire and Dorsets than anyone else in California.

DIVISION 6585: WESTERN REGIONAL HAMPSHIRE SHOW

Premiums..... \$2,710

This show is sanctioned by and held in cooperation with the California Suffolk and Hampshire Sheep Breeders Association, Scott Layne, President, 3113 North Ave, Modesto, CA 95358 and by the American Hampshire Sheep Association. The California Suffolk and Hampshire Sheep Breeders Association will provide awards to Breed Champion.

Special Rules

Junior Livestock Exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Livestock Show are eligible to compete in the Open Show as long as the same exhibit/animal is entered and shown in the Junior Show and the same exhibit/animal is entered and met all Open Division entry deadlines and guidelines.

Premium Payment Schedule

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Classes 1-2.....	\$55	\$45	\$35			
Classes 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11.....	\$55	\$45	\$40	\$35	\$25	\$20
Group Classes.....	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25		

Class - Rams

1. Yearling Rams, September 2024 - August 2025
2. Fall Ram Lambs, September - December 2025
3. Spring Ram Lambs, January 1 - February 15, 2026
4. Late Spring Ram Lambs, February 16, 2026, or later
5. Pair of Ram Lambs - bred and owned by exhibitor
6. Breed Champion Ram and Reserve Breed Champion Ram
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Ewes

7. Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025
8. Pair of Yearling Ewes - owned by exhibitor
9. Fall Ewe Lambs, September - December 2025
10. Early Spring Ewe Lambs, January 1 - February 15, 2026

11. Late Spring Ewe Lambs, February 16, 2026, or later
12. Pair of Ewe Lambs - bred and owned by exhibitor
13. Breed Champion Ewe and Reserve Breed Champion Ewe
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

(Limit One Group per Class per Exhibitor)

14. Young Flock: One ram lamb and two ewe lambs, all bred and owned by exhibitor
15. Get-of-Sire: Four animals, any age, all sired by the same sire, all owned by exhibitor
16. Flock: One ram any age, two yearling ewes, two ewe lambs all owned by exhibitor
17. Best Pair: Either sex, all bred and owned by exhibitor
Premier Breeder Premier Exhibitor Premier Sire

DIVISION 6620: WESTERN REGIONAL SUFFOLK SHOW

Premiums.....\$5,420

This show is sanctioned by and held in cooperation with the California Suffolk and Hampshire Sheep Breeders Association, Scott Layne, President, 3113 North Ave, Modesto, CA 95358. The association will also provide an award to the Breed Champion. The association sanctions and approves the Fair's right and privileged to collect DNA samples on any sheep for the purpose of ownership verification. We would also like to recognize Dr. Lloyd McCabe for his donation to the Suffolk premiums.

Special Rules

Junior Suffolk exhibitors that enter and show in the Junior All Other Breeds Show may also enter and show in the Open Western Regional Suffolk Show provided they 1) show in the junior show first and 2) the exhibitor enters by the open show entry deadline under the open division rules and pay the open division entry fee.

Premium Payment Schedule

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Classes 1-2.....	\$110	\$90	\$70			
Classes 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11.....	\$110	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$50	\$40
Group Classes.....	\$110	\$90	\$70	\$50		

Class - Rams

1. Yearling Rams, September 2024 - August 2025
2. Fall Ram Lambs, September - November 2025
3. Winter Ram Lambs, December 2025 - January 2026
4. Spring Ram Lambs, February 2026 or younger
5. Pair of Ram Lambs - bred and owned by exhibitor
6. Breed Champion Ram and Reserve Breed Champion Ram
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Ewes

7. Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025

8. Pair of Yearling Ewes - owned by exhibitor
9. Fall Ewe Lambs, September - November 2025
10. Winter Ewe Lambs, December 2025 - January 2026
11. Spring Ewe Lambs, February 2026 or younger
12. Pair of Ewe Lambs - bred & owned by exhibitor
13. Breed Champion Ewe and Reserve Breed Champion Ewe
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

(Limit One Group per Class per Exhibitor)

14. Young Flock: One ram lamb and two ewe lambs, all bred and owned by exhibitor
 15. Get-of-Sire: Four animals, any age, all sired by the same sire, all owned by exhibitor
 16. Flock: One ram any age, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs all owned by exhibitor
 17. Best Pair: Either sex, all bred and owned by exhibitor
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| Premier Breeder | Premier Exhibitor | Premier Sire |
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The Fred A Coble & Marian M Coble Memorial Award
Lloyd & Sheila McCabe
7933 Jahn Rd
Dixon, CA 9562

Will present a trophy to the open exhibitor of the Champion Suffolk Ram in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Coble, master Suffolk breeders and showmen, teachers and friends.

The Bob & Margie Paasch Memorial Award
Lloyd & Sheila McCabe
7933 Jahn Rd
Dixon, CA 9562

Will present a trophy to the open exhibitor of the Champion Suffolk Ewe in memory of Bob & Margie Paasch, master Suffolk breeders and showmen, teachers and friends.

WESTERN REGIONAL DORPER & WHITE DORPER SHOW

Division 6601 - Dorper & Division 6602 - White Dorper

California State Fair & ADSBS offers\$2,800 per division

Payment Schedule

California State Fair & American Dorper Sheep Breeders Society Offers

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th

Individual Classes.....\$55 \$45 \$40 \$35 \$25 \$15

Group Classes.....\$55 \$45 \$30 \$25

Special Awards

American Dorper Sheep Breeders' Society (ADSBS) will provide special awards for the Champion Ewe and Champion Ram of each division

Class - Rams

1. Yearling Rams, September 2024 - August 2025
2. Fall Ram Lambs, September - November 2025
3. Winter Ram Lambs, December 2025 - January 2026
4. Spring Ram Lambs, February 2026 or younger
5. Pair of Ram Lambs - bred and owned by exhibitor
6. Breed Champion Ram and Reserve Breed Champion Ram
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Ewes

7. Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025
8. Pair of Yearling Ewes - owned by exhibitor
9. Fall Ewe Lambs, September - November 2025
10. Winter Ewe Lambs, December 2025 - January 2026
11. Spring Ewe Lambs, February 2026 or younger
12. Pair of Ewe Lambs - bred & owned by exhibitor
13. Breed Champion Ewe and Reserve Breed Champion Ewe
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

(Limit One Group per Class per Exhibitor)

14. Young Flock: One ram lamb and two ewe lambs, all bred and owned by exhibitor
15. Get-of-Sire: Four animals, any age, all owned by exhibitor, all sired by the same sire
16. Flock: One ram any age, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs all owned by exhibitor
17. Best Pair: Two animals either sex, owned by exhibitor
Premier Breeder Premier Exhibitor Premier Sire

DIVISION 6621: WETHER DAM AND WETHER SIRE SHOW

Premiums..... \$2,800

Special Rules & Conditions

1. All sheep must be slick shorn within seven (7) days of show day.
2. At the time of entry all entries must be identified by ear tag and retain that ear tag through the duration of the fair. When entry forms are completed please use the ear tag as identification.
3. Purebred and Crossbred entries will be show together in one division.
4. Only one entry per exhibitor in class 16, 17 and 18.

Payment Schedule

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Classes 1-3.....	\$55	\$45				
Classes 4, 5, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13.....	\$55	\$45	\$40	\$35	\$25	\$20
Group Classes.....	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25		

Special Awards

The California Suffolk & Hampshire Breeders Association will provide awards for the following: Grand Champion Ram and Grand Champion Ewe

Class - Rams

1. Yearling Rams, September 2024 - August 2025
2. Early Fall Ram Lambs, September - October 2025
3. Late Fall Ram Lambs, November - December 2025

4. Winter Ram Lambs, January 1- February 15, 2026
5. Spring Ram Lambs, February 16, 2026, or later
6. Pair of Ram Lambs - bred and owned by exhibitor
7. Breed Champion Ram and Reserve Breed Champion Ram
Supreme Champion Ram (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Ewes

8. Yearling Ewes, September 2024 - August 2025
9. Pair of Yearling Ewes - owned by exhibitor
10. Early Fall Ewe Lambs, September - October 2025
11. Late Fall Ewe Lambs, November - December 2025
12. Winter Ewe Lambs, January 1 - February 15, 2026
13. Spring Ewe Lambs, February 16, 2026, or later
14. Pair of Ewe Lambs - bred and owned by exhibitor
15. Breed Champion Ewe and Reserve Breed Champion Ewe
Supreme Champion Ewe (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

16. Young Flock: One ram lamb and two ewe lambs, all bred & owned by exhibitor
17. Flock: One ram any age, two yearling ewes & two ewe lambs all owned by exhibitor
18. Best Pair: Either sex, owned by exhibitor
Premier Breeder Premier Exhibitor

ANGORA GOATS

Division 6631: Angora Goat Show

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 per entry per class. No limit on the number of head entered. Wether class \$5 per entry per class. Wethers do not require registration papers.

Entries close on **June 24, 2026**. American System of Judging.

White Angora Goats must be registered with the American Angora Goat Breeders Association, P.O. Box 195, Rocksprings, TX or the Colored Angora Goat Breeders Association PO Box 197, Harper, TX.

Premium Payment

Premiums..... \$1,050

(EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASSES)

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
California State Fair Offers	\$30	\$20	\$10	\$10

Special Awards

Champion Doe	Banner
Reserve Champion Doe	Rosette
Champion Buck.....	Rosette
Reserve Champion Buck	Rosette
Premier Breeder	Rosette

Class - Angora Goats (White)

1. Buck Aged, before November 30, 2024
2. Buck Yearling, December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025
3. Buck Kid, December 2025 - January 2026
4. Buck Kid, February 2026 or later
5. Pair of Buck Kids, owned by the exhibitor
6. Champion Buck and Reserve Champion Buck- Rosette
7. 4 Year Old and Older Does born before November 30, 2022
8. 2 and 3 Year Old Does, December 2022 - November 2024
9. Doe Yearling, December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025
10. Pair of Yearling Does, owned by the exhibitor

11. Doe Kid, December 2025 through January 2026
12. Doe Kid, February 2026 or later
13. Pair of Doe Kids, owned by the exhibitor
14. Champion Doe and Reserve Breed Champion Doe
15. Wether, any age

Class - Groups

16. White Young Flock: One buck kid and two doe kids, owned by exhibitor
17. White Get-of-Sire: Four animals, the get of one sire, both sexes represented, owned by exhibitor
Premier Breeder

Division 6633: Colored Angora Goat Show

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 per entry per class. No limit on the number of head entered. Wether class \$5 per entry per class.

Entries close on **June 24, 2026**. American System of Judging.

Natural Colored Angora Goats must be registered with the Colored Angora Goat Breeders Association, PO Box 197, Harper, TX.

Premium Payment

Premiums..... \$1,050

(EXCLUDING CLASS 14 & CHAMPION CLASSES)

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
California State Fair Offers	\$30	\$20	\$10	\$10

Special Awards

Champion Doe	Banner
Reserve Champion Doe	Rosette
Champion Buck.....	Rosette
Reserve Champion Buck	Rosette
Premier Breeder	Rosette

Class

1. Buck Aged, before November 30, 2024
2. Buck Yearling, December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025
3. Buck Kid, December 2025 - January 2026

4. Buck Kid, February 2026 or later
5. Pair of Buck Kids, owned by the exhibitor
6. Champion Buck and Reserve Champion Buck- Rosette
7. 4 Year Old and Older Does born before November 30, 2022
8. 2 and 3 Year Old Does, December 2022 - November 2024
9. Doe Yearling, December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025
10. Pair of Yearling Does, owned by the exhibitor
11. Doe Kid, December 2025 through January 2026
12. Doe Kid, February 2026 or later
13. Pair of Doe Kids, owned by the exhibitor
14. Best Angora Natural Colored Fleece (No entry fee, No Premiums) - Rosette
15. Champion Doe and Reserve Breed Champion Doe
16. Wether, any age

Class - Groups

17. Young Flock: One buck kid and two doe kids, owned by exhibitor
18. Get-of-Sire: Four animals, the get of one sire, both sexes represented, owned by exhibitor
Premier Breeder

DIVISION 6635: ALL OTHER FIBER GOAT SHOW

Division 6635: All Other Fiber Goat Show

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 per entry per class. No limit on the number of head entered. Entries close on **June 24, 2026**. American System of Judging. Fiber entries must be registered.

1. Eligible breeds include: Pygora, Nigora, Navaho Angora Goat and Cashmere Breeds
2. Goats are shown with a collar, halter and a short lead or cheek hairs.
3. All goats, except kids, must have the current year's clip present in the ring when showing.
4. Other than the judge and show staff, only exhibitors and their helpers (while helping) are to be in the ring during the show.

Premium Payment

Premiums \$700

(EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASSES AND FLEECE)

	1st	2nd	3rd
California State Fair Offers	\$25	\$15	\$10

Special Awards

Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Champion Doe	Rosette
Champion Buck.....	Rosette
Reserve Champion Buck	Rosette
Age Champion	Rosette
Reserve Age Champion	Rosette
Best Fleece	Rosette

Class -

1. Junior Wether, under 1 year
2. Senior Wether, over 1 year
3. Champion Wether and Reserve Champion Wether
4. Junior Buck Kid, 6 months and under
5. Senior Buck Kid, 7 - 12 months

6. Yearling Bucks
7. Champion Junior Buck and Reserve Champion Junior Buck
8. Bucks, 2 years and older
9. Champion Senior Buck and Reserve Champion Senior Buck
10. Grand Champion Buck and Reserve Champion Buck
11. Junior Doe Kid, 6 months and under
12. Senior Doe Kid, 7 - 12 months
13. Does, 1 year to under 24 months
14. Champion Junior Doe and Reserve Champion Junior Doe
15. 2 and 3 Year Old Doe, Doe Has Kided
16. 4 and 5 Year Old Doe, Doe Has Kided
17. Aged Doe, 6 Years and Older
18. Champion Senior Doe and Reserve Champion Senior Doe
19. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Doe
20. Best Fleece: (No premium, Chosen from goats entered in show, Single entry per exhibitor)
21. Dam and Daughter
22. Breeder's Trio (all must be over a year in age and entered in show)

DIVISION 6632 & 6634 RAW MOHAIR FLEECE COMPETITION

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 per entry per class. No limit on the number of entries.
Entries close on June 24, 2026. American System of Judging.

Mohair fleeces shall be entered into classes by the age of the goat, not the grade of the Mohair.

No premiums for these divisions.

Special Awards

Champion (White)	Rosette
Reserve Champion (White)	Rosette
Champion (Colored)	Rosette
Reserve Champion (Colored)	Rosette

Division 6632: White Mohair Fleece Division

- Class 1: White Kid
- Class 2: White Yearling
- Class 3: White Adult
- Class 4: Champion and Reserve Champion

Division 6634: Mohair Fleece Division

- Class 1: Colored Kid
- Class 2: Colored Yearling
- Class 3: Colored Adult
- Class 4: Champion and Reserve Champion

OPEN DAIRY GOAT & DAIRY CATTLE SHOW MARKETING AWARD

Division 6726: Class 2

ENTRY FEE : \$15 (Payable upon arrival)

The Fair is pleased to offer a special recognition award program to Open Dairy Goat & Dairy Cattle Exhibitors which excel in presenting a Marketing Program within their display space. Marketing Program should be directed at potential customers and showcase the exhibitors Breeding Program and Operation. Dairy Goat & Dairy Cattle Exhibitors shall compete together for one set of awards. A \$15 entry fee is required, and the display must fit within pen and tack space. All exhibits must meet minimum Herdsman Scorecard Standards of 70 points daily to receive the awards.

Awards shall be as follows:

Best Marketing Program Overall	\$200 & Banner
2nd Place	\$100 & Rosette
3rd Place	\$50 & Rosette
Best Product Promotion	\$100 & Rosette
Most Creative	\$100 & Rosette

Scorecard

Display	20%
Clearly demonstrates it's purpose, message and/or image	
Effective use of display materials	20%
Paper, wood, metal, plastic, plant material, etc.	
Use of color and signage	20%
Graphics and signage to create impact and storyline, QR Codes	
Special Effects	5%
Movement, sound, audiovisual, participatory element	
Effective Use of Handout Materials	20%
Flyers, pamphlets, business cards, recipes, children's materials, etc.	
Craftsmanship	15%
Is well constructed, balanced and has an overall finished, artistic and visual appeal	
Total	100%

OPEN DAIRY GOATS

ENTRY FEE: \$13.00 per entry per class, & Entries Close on **June 24, 2026**.
American System of Judging.

ADGA Rules shall govern.

Show schedule is subject to change to allow for a smoother run show.

Special Rules

1. All dairy goats exhibited must be registered with the American Dairy Goat Association, American Goat Society, or the Canadian Goat Society. The original registration or recording certificate for all animals of all ages is required. Nigerian Dwarf Goat Association (NDGA) papers will not be accepted for the ADGA show.
2. Beginning, January 1, 2026, stamped duplicates will be valid for 90 days. Animals with extenuating circumstances will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
3. In all classes, an exhibitor is an owner as evidenced by the name on the registration or recordation certificate. All animals must be owned by exhibitor not less than 30 days before the opening of the show. All proof of partnerships must be declared at the time of entry, and the partnership name will be used as exhibitor/owner.
4. All milk must be disposed of in designated areas. No dumping of milk will be allowed.
5. Health Rules-See Animal Health Rules in this book.
6. Exhibitors must appear in attire appropriate to the show ring and formal competition. They must be as clean and neatly groomed as their animals. Management reserves the right to bar from competition or excuse from the show ring any exhibitor whose attire is inappropriate or unkept.
7. **Exhibitor Reminder:** Per ADGA rule, your animal must be tattooed before registering it with ADGA. This means that there will be no tattooing allowed at the show, No exceptions. Tattoos will be checked against papers at time of official registration paper and tattoo check. Unannounced tattoo checks may be performed at any time during the show.
8. Production record must be put on an entry form and verified 12 hours before scheduled judging time to qualify for additional premiums. If this information is not provided at the time of entry, a \$5.00 fine per entry in question will be charged. Premium awards for production will not be paid unless this fine is paid.

9. The Junior Doe and Senior Doe Shows are separately sanctioned. There is no momentary awards for Junior and Senior Champions.
10. Youth Dairy Goats that enter and show in the Youth Dairy Goat Divisions may also enter and show in the Open Dairy Goat Show provided they 1) show in the youth show first and 2) the exhibitor enters by the open show entry deadline under the open division rules and pay the open division entry fee.
11. The Youth Dairy Goat Show will alternate classes with the Open Dairy Goat Show in the L2 show ring.
12. Any Dairy Goat Division with less than 15 head shown will have premiums reduced by 50%.
13. The only animals not required to be entered will be those nursing kids dependent on their dams entered in the show. However, there will be a required \$4.00 stalling fee for each nursing kid dependent on their dam that is not entered in the show.

Special Awards

Ribbons through 3rd Place

Age Champions	Rosette
Reserve Age Champions	Rosette
Best Junior Doe in Show	\$50
Best Doe in Show/Supreme Champion	\$500, Buckle, and Banner
Grand Udder of Show	\$50 and Vinyl Banner
Supreme Best Three Females	\$500, Buckle, and Banner

DIVISION 6535 GOLDEN STATE NUBIAN SPECIALTY SHOW

Premiums **\$2,600**

Payments per Class

CLASSES 1-4, 6 AND 16-20

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
California State Fair offers	\$45	\$30	\$25	\$16	\$16	\$10	\$6

CLASSES 7-12

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
California State Fair offers	\$50	\$35	\$25	\$20	\$18	\$14

Overall Breed Champion \$100 & Banner
 Overall Reserve Breed Champion \$50 & Banner

DIVISION 6520: ALPINE
 DIVISION 6525: LAMANCHA
 DIVISION 6530: SAANEN
 DIVISION 6540: TOGGENBURG
 DIVISION 6545: OBERHASLI
 DIVISION 6550: RECORDED GRADES
 DIVISION 6551: NIGERIAN DWARF GOATS

Payments Per Class

CLASSES 1-4, 6 AND 16-20

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
California State Fair offers	\$40	\$25	\$16	\$12	\$10	\$8

CLASSES 7-12

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
California State Fair offers	\$45	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$16	\$12

Overall Breed Champion\$30 & Banner

Overall Reserve Breed Champion\$20 & Vinyl Banner

Class - Doe Kids

This show is sanctioned by the American Dairy Goat Association.

1. Junior Kid, April - June 16, 2026
2. Intermediate Kid, March 2026
3. Senior Kid, January - February 2026
4. Yearling Not In Milk, January - December 2025
5. Junior Champion Doe and Reserve Junior Champion Doe
Best Junior Doe In Show (All Breeds Competing)
6. Junior Get-of-Sire - Three does, senior yearlings or younger, all sired by the same sire

Class - Does

This show is sanctioned by the American Dairy Goat Association.

7. One Year and Under Two, January - December 2025
8. Two Years and Under Three, January - December 2024
9. Three Years and Under Four, January - December 2023
10. Four Years and Under Five, January - December 2022
11. Five Years and Under Seven, January 2020- December 2021
12. Seven Years and Over, before January 2020
13. Senior Champion Doe and Reserve Senior Champion Doe
14. Breed Champion Doe and Reserve Champion Doe
Best Doe In Show (All Breeds Competing)
15. Champion Udder (Judged at the conclusion of Group Classes)
Grand Udder Of Show (All Breeds Competing)

Class - Groups

16. Produce of Dam: Two does, any age, all owned by exhibitor, all products of the same dam.
17. Get-of-Sire: Three does, at least one to be one year or older in milk, all sired by same sire.
18. Daughter-Dam: One doe and one of her daughters, any age. Daughters must be bred by exhibitor, and both must be owned by exhibitor. Each entry must consist of two animals; no animal may be used in two entries.
19. Dairy Herd: Four does in milk, all owned by exhibitor.
20. Best Three Females: Three females, any age, all bred and owned by exhibitor. Limited to one entry per exhibitor.
Supreme Best Three Females (All Breeds Competing)
Premier Breeder Premier Exhibitor Premier Sire

PRODUCTION AWARD

No more than two monies paid per exhibitor per class.

All females 1 year or older, placing 1st-5th in Classes 7-12 as individuals, are eligible for an additional premium if the following minimum production requirements are met: American Dairy Goat Association Blue Border Certificates of Registry are eligible.

Minimum Production - 305 lactation

Age	Milk (lbs)	Butterfat (lbs)
4 years and over	2300	80
3 years and under 4	2200	75
2 years and under 3	2100	70
1 year and under 2	1700	54.5

NIGERIAN DWARF GOATS		Milk (lbs)	Butterfat (lbs)
4 years and over	1500	53	
3 years and under 4	1450	50	
2 years and under 3	1390	42	
1 year and under 2	1120	36	

A minimum of \$10.00 for does placing 1st-5th in Classes 7-12 will be paid for having met the above requirements. An added \$5.00 for every 500 lbs. Over the minimum pounds of milk or 15 pounds, butterfat over the minimum pounds of butterfat will be added to a maximum of \$20.00.

The record of production may have been made at any age and need not have been made at the age which the doe is being shown.

NOTE: Yearlings or two year olds in first lactation may have production paid on the projected 305-day records.

Only records shown on Dairy Herd Improvement Registry Certificates or Dairy Herd Improvement Association Official Plan records which are supervised and approved by the State Agricultural Extension Service will be accepted.

Certified excerpts containing all necessary information will be acceptable. Official Production projections are acceptable for first fresheners. Progress reports on yearling milkers are acceptable. Production record must be submitted with Detailed Receipt to qualify for additional premiums. Please include a photocopy of the doe's DHI sheet with the doe's entry form, due June 16. DHIA Sheets will not be returned to exhibitors.

DOES JUDGED ON UDDER

No more than two monies paid per exhibitor per class.

Additional premiums will be paid in Classes 7-12 for does judged on udder only. To be milked in the ring if judge so desires. Additional premiums will be as follows:

	1st	2nd
California State Fair Offers	\$8	\$5

Breed Champions and Reserve Breed Champions of each breed will receive ADGA rosettes in addition to State Fair awards.

DIVISION 6555: DAIRY GOAT TOTAL PERFORMER

This show is dedicated to Chuck Wing

ENTRY FEE: \$13.00 per entry per class, & Entries Close on **June 24, 2026.**
No limit on the number entered. \$950 in Premiums

Classes Offered

1. Alpine
2. La Mancha
3. Nigerian Dwarf Goat
4. Nubian
5. Oberhasli
6. Saanen
7. Toggenburg
8. Recorded Grade

Awards

Dairy Goat Total Performer Breed Champion.....\$100 and Plaque
(Dairy Goat Total Performer Breed Champions to compete for Supreme
Champion Dairy Goat Total Performer)
Supreme Champion Dairy Goat Total Performer.....\$250 and Banner

Entry Procedures

1. Enter under general **Division 6555**, and under specific class for your breed(s)
2. Enter by June 24 and include a \$13.00 entry per head
3. All does must be shown in regular classes. A doe must place in the premium awards in her class to be considered.
4. Enter online.
5. Information on doe must be provided at least 24 hours before show time. Exhibitor must provide a **Lifetime** production history. An average of all 305 Days or less actual production will be used. All lactation records must be DHI or DHIR. Type classification or type appraisal score must be officially verified. Appropriate sheets must accompany registration papers on arrival.
6. All Breed Champions of this competition shall compete against each other for the title of Supreme Champion Dairy Goat Total Performer. The winner will be announced after a lead out of the does at this time.

One award for each breed in Open Division. Points will be calculated as follows:

1. **Production:** 10 points for every 100 lbs, of milk, based on an average of all completed lactations (up to 5) of 305 days or less. (Extended lactations will utilize only the first 305 days of production, and will be included as a completed lactation in progress). 1 point for each pound of butterfat based on average records. The first lactation will be awarded points on actual milk/fat produced to date. For does with 6 or more lactations, an owner must specify which 5 lactations are to be included in the calculations when production sheets are submitted. At the discretion of the exhibitor, a doe with official *M designation may be awarded 100 points in lieu of calculated production points.
2. **Classification/Appraisal Score OR Permanent Champion Status:** Doe receives exact Final Score points. (Only latest score is official for does up to the age of five. The five-year score cannot be lowered.) At the discretion of the exhibitor, a doe with official GCH or CH designation may be awarded 85 points in lieu of the classification/appraisal points.
3. **Show Placing:** Points to be calculated on basis of premium money paid out for individual class placing, udder placing and breed champion/reserve breed champion awards within the division shown. Recorded Grade will receive points based on the premium scale for the non-featured breed

shows. For the calculation of the California State Fair Supreme Champion Dairy Goat Total Performer only, the Breed Champion Total Performers will receive points based on the premium scale for the non-featured breed shows. One point awarded for each dollar in the premium award.

4. **Breeder:** 100 bonus points shall be awarded if the exhibitor is the breeder of the doe.
5. In case of a tie, the animal with the highest show placing shall be presented the award.

This award is presented to recognize outstanding producers of dairy goats which equally emphasize show ring accomplishments and the most economically important trait, “milk production”

DIVISION 6704: JUNIOR PYGMY GOAT SHOW

ENTRY FEE: \$6.00 per entry per class

SHOWMANSHIP: \$5.00 per entry

Entries Close on **June 24, 2026**. No limit on the number of head entered.
American System of Judging.

Special Rules

1. All pygmy goats, (except wethers) must be registered with the National Pygmy Goat Association. The original registration or recording certificate for all animals of all ages is required, and registration papers must be in owners possession at the time of check-in and on show day. Only animals tattooed and with original registration certificate or transfer of ownership will be allowed to be shown. The transfer must be less than 90 days old.
2. All animals entered in the Pygmy Goat show, including wethers, must be tattooed and all animals over two months of age on July 22, 2026, must be entered in the show. Microchip is acceptable; however, the exhibitor must provide the microchip reader.
3. The only animals not required to be entered will be those nursing kids dependent on their dams entered in the show. However, there will be a required \$4.00 stalling fee for each nursing kid dependent on their dam that is not entered in the show.
4. The Showmanship Classes require a \$5.00 entry fee, and the animals shown in these classes must be animals that have been entered in their appropriate age class of the day. To be eligible to compete in showmanship, exhibitors must meet age requirements to compete at the California State Fair.
5. All pygmy goats must arrive, show and be released according to the schedule in this competition guide.
6. Exhibitors must wear whites during competition.
7. This show shall be governed by N.P.G.A. Rules for Official Shows, except where California State Fair business procedures or operation policies conflict.
8. All pygmy goats may be bedded on straw or shavings. Shavings may be used however you must clean your pen before obtaining a release.
9. Every Pygmy Goat must have a veterinary inspection upon arrival at the Fairgrounds. See animal health rules for details.

10. Any exhibitor placing first or second in showmanship classes 1-3 are required to participate in Master Showmanship. If the exhibitor chooses not to compete in Master Showmanship management reserves the right to withhold all premiums, awards and Sale of Champions proceeds (if applicable).
11. **Mandatory Requirement:** All Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goat and Pygmy Goat Exhibitors will be required to participate in the YQCA program before July 3, 2026.
12. Junior exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Pygmy Goat Show classes at the 2026 California State Fair are eligible to compete in the Open Pygmy Goat Show and the Classic Pygmy Goat Show. No other California Juniors will be eligible without jeopardizing their junior status. All juniors must officially enter and pay entry fees by the June 18 deadline. This competition is open to out-of-state juniors that meet California age requirements for 4-H and FFA. This show shall be open to all youth exhibitors. We encourage juniors to enter the Junior Pygmy Goat Show as well as both Open Pygmy Goat Shows.
13. Castration sites shall be healed and free of inflammation. No Elastrator bands may be visible.

Special Awards

Ribbons through 3rd Place

Champion Wether	Vinyl Banner
Reserve Champion Wether	Vinyl Banner
Junior Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Reserve Junior Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Senior Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Reserve Senior Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Grand Champion Doe	Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner

Class - Showmanship

1. Junior 4-H Showmanship, 13 Years and under on or before December 31, 2025
2. Senior 4-H Showmanship, 14 Years and over on or before December 31, 2025
3. FFA Showmanship
4. Independent & Grange Showmanship

Class - Wether

5. Junior Wether, Under One Year, born July 22, 2025, and younger
6. Intermediate Wether, One Year and Two Years, July 22, 2023 - July 21 2025
7. Senior Wether, Three Years and Over, July 21, 2023, and before
8. Champion Wether and Reserve Champion Wether

Class - Junior Does

9. Junior Doe Kid (0-4 months), March 22, 2026 - July 21, 2026
10. Intermediate Doe Kids (4-8 months), November 22, 2025 - March 21, 2026
11. Senior Doe Kid (8-12 months), July 22, 2025 - November 21, 2025
12. Junior Yearling Not Fresh, (12-18 months), January 22, 2025 - July 21, 2025
13. Senior Yearlings Not Fresh, (18-24 months), July 22, 2024 - January 21, 2025
14. Junior Champion Doe and Reserve Junior Champion Doe

Class - Senior Does

15. Freshen Yearlings, (under 24 months), born July 22, 2024, or after
16. Two Year Old Doe, July 22, 2023 - July 21, 2024
17. Three Year Old Doe, July 22, 2022 - July 21, 2023
18. Four Year Old Doe and Over, born on or before July 21, 2022
19. Senior Champion Doe and Reserve Senior Champion Doe
20. Grand Champion Doe and Reserve Grand Champion Doe

Class - Groups

21. Dam and Daughter
22. Breeder's Trio: Three (3) does, any age, all owned by the exhibitor

DIVISION 6709: OPEN PYGMY GOATS

This is an N.P.G.A. sanctioned show, N.P.G.A. Rules shall govern.

Premiums..... \$1,000

ENTRY FEE: \$9.00 per entry per class

Entries Close on **June 24, 2026**. No limit on a number of head entered.

American System of Judging.

Special Rules

1. All pygmy goats, (except wethers) must be registered with the National Pygmy Goat Association. The original registration or recording certificate for all animals of all ages is required, and registration papers must be in owners possession at the time of check-in and on show day. Only animals tattooed and with original registration certificate or transfer of ownership will be allowed to be shown. The transfer must be less than 90 days old.
2. All animals entered in the Pygmy Goat show, including wethers, must be tattooed and all animals over two months of age on July 23, 2026, must be entered in the show. Microchip is acceptable; however, the exhibitor must provide the microchip reader.
3. The only animals not required to be entered will be those nursing kids dependent on their dams entered in the show. However, there will be a required \$4.00 stalling fee for each nursing kid dependent on their dam that is not entered in the show.
4. All pygmy goats must arrive, show and be released according to the schedule in this competition guide. This show period is scheduled for July 16-19 and pygmy goats must be present during these entire dates. Show day is July 18.
5. Extended Entry Deadline for Open Boer Goats, NDGA Nigerian Dwarf Goats and Open Pygmy Goat Shows will be July 8.
6. All persons showing animals in individual classes in the ring should wear either white shirts, show uniforms or dress professionally.
7. This show shall be governed by N.P.G.A. Rules for Official Shows, except where California State Fair business procedures or operation policies conflict.
8. All pygmy goats shall be bedded on straw or shavings. If using shavings you must clean your pen before obtaining a release.
9. Every Pygmy Goat must have a veterinary inspection upon arrival at the Fairgrounds. See animal health rules for details.

10. Pygmy Goat exhibitors interested in participating in the Herdsman Competition must sign up at the Livestock Office on July 20, by 5 p.m.
11. Junior exhibitors may not enter this division unless they have entered Division 6704. Junior exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Pygmy Goat Show classes at the 2026 California State Fair are eligible to compete in the Open Pygmy Goat Show and the Classic Pygmy Goat Show. No other California Juniors will be eligible without jeopardizing their junior status. All juniors must officially enter and pay entry fees by the June 18 deadline. This competition is open to out-of-state juniors that meet California age requirements for 4-H and FFA. This show shall be open to all youth exhibitors. We encourage juniors to enter the Junior Pygmy Goat Show as well as both Open Pygmy Goat Shows.
12. Castration sites shall be healed and free of inflammation. No Elastrator bands may be visible.

Special Awards

Best Wether	Rosette
Reserve Best Wether	Rosette
Junior Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Junior Champion Doe	Rosette
Senior Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Senior Champion Doe	Rosette
Grand Champion Doe	Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Doe	Rosette
Junior Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Junior Champion Buck	Rosette
Senior Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Senior Champion Buck	Rosette
Grand Champion Buck	Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Buck	Rosette
Ribbons through 3rd Place	

Premium Payments

CLASSES 1-27 EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASSES

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
California State Fair Offers	\$20	\$14	\$10	\$6

Class - Wether

1. Junior Wether, Under One Year, July 23, 2025, and younger
2. Senior Wether, One and Two Years, July 23, 2023 - July 22, 2025
3. Three Years and Over, July 22, 2023, and before
4. Best Wether and Reserve Best Wether

Class - Junior Does

5. Junior Doe Kid (0-4 months), March 23, 2026 - July 22, 2026
6. Intermediate Doe Kids (4-8 months), November 23, 2025 - March 22, 2026
7. Senior Doe Kid (8-12 months), July 23, 2025 - November 22, 2025
8. Junior Yearlings Not Fresh (12-18 months), January 23, 2025 - July 22, 2025
9. Senior Yearlings Not Fresh (18-24 months), July 23, 2024 - January 22, 2025
10. Junior Champion Doe and Reserve Junior Champion Doe

Class - Senior Does

11. Freshened Yearlings, born July 23, 2024, or after
12. Two Year Old Does, July 23, 2023 - July 22, 2024
13. Three Year Old Doe, July 23, 2022 - July 22, 2023
14. Four Year Old Does & Older, born on or before July 22, 2022
15. Senior Champion Doe and Reserve Senior Champion Doe
16. Grand Champion Doe and Reserve Grand Champion Doe

Class - Bucks

17. Junior Buck (0-4 months), March 23, 2026 - July 22, 2026
18. Intermediate Buck (4-8 months), November 23, 2025 - March 22, 2026
19. Senior Buck (8-12 months), July 23, 2025 - November 22, 2025
20. Junior Champion Buck and Reserve Junior Champion Buck
21. Junior Yearling Buck (12-18 months), January 23, 2025 - July 22, 2025
22. Senior Yearling Buck (18-24 months), July 23, 2024 - January 22, 2025
23. Two-Year-Old Buck, July 23, 2023- July 22, 2024
24. Three-Year-Old Buck, July 23, 2022 - July 22, 2023
25. Four Years and Older Buck, Born on or before July 22, 2022
26. Senior Champion Buck and Reserve Senior Champion Buck
27. Grand Champion Buck and Reserve Grand Champion Buck

Premier Breeder

Premier Exhibitor

DIVISION 6708: CALIFORNIA CLASSIC PYGMY GOAT SHOW

This is an N.P.G.A. sanctioned show, N.P.G.A. Rules shall govern.

ENTRY FEE: \$9.00 per entry per class

Entries Close on **June 24, 2026**. No limit on a number of head entered.

American System of Judging.

Special Rules

1. All pygmy goats, (except wethers) must be registered with the National Pygmy Goat Association. The original registration or recording certificate for all animals of all ages is required and registration papers must be in owners possession at the time of check-in and on show day. Only animals tattooed and with original registration certificate or transfer of ownership will be allowed to be shown. The transfer must be less than 90 days old.
2. All animals entered in the Pygmy Goat show, including wethers, must be tattooed and all animals over two months of age on July 22, 2026, must be entered in the show. Microchip is acceptable; however, the exhibitor must provide the microchip reader.
3. The only animals not required to be entered will be those nursing kids dependent on their dams entered in the show. However, there will be a required \$4.00 stalling fee for each nursing kid dependent on their dam that is not entered in the show.
4. All pygmy goats must arrive, show and be released according to the schedule in this competition guide. This show period is scheduled for July 21-24, 2026 and pygmy goats must be present during these entire dates. Show day is July 23.
5. Extended Entry Deadline for Open Boer Goats, NDGA Nigerian Dwarf Goats and Open Pygmy Goat Shows will be July 8.
6. All persons showing animals in individual classes in the ring should wear either white shirts, show uniforms or dress professionally.
7. This show shall be governed by N.P.G.A. Rules for Official Shows, except where California State Fair business procedures or operation policies conflict.
8. All pygmy goats shall be bedded on straw or shavings. If using shavings you must clean your pen before obtaining a release.
9. Every Pygmy Goat must have a veterinary inspection upon arrival at the

Fairgrounds. See animal health rules for details.

10. Pygmy Goat exhibitors interested in participating in the Herdsman Competition must sign up at the Livestock Office on July 21, by 5 p.m.
11. Junior exhibitors may not enter this division unless they have entered Division 6704. Junior exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Pygmy Goat Show classes at the 2026 California State Fair are eligible to compete in the Open Pygmy Goat Show and the Classic Pygmy Goat Show. No other California Juniors will be eligible without jeopardizing their junior status. All juniors must officially enter and pay entry fees by the June 24 deadline. This competition is open to out-of-state juniors that meet California age requirements for 4-H and FFA. This show shall be open to all youth exhibitors. We encourage juniors to enter the Junior Pygmy Goat Show as well as both Open Pygmy Goat Shows.
12. Castration sites shall be healed and free of inflammation. No Elastrator bands may be visible.

Special Awards

Best Wether	Rosette
Reserve Best Wether	Rosette
Junior Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Junior Champion Doe	Rosette
Senior Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Senior Champion Doe	Rosette
Grand Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Grand Champion Doe	Rosette
Junior Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Junior Champion Buck	Rosette
Senior Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Senior Champion Buck	Rosette
Grand Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Grand Champion Buck	Rosette
Ribbons through 3rd Place	

Class - Wether

1. Junior Wether, born July 22, 2025, and younger
2. Senior Wether, One & Two Years, July 22, 2023 - July 21, 2025

3. Three Years and Over, July 21, 2023, & before
4. Best Wether and Reserve Best Wether

Class - Junior Does

5. Junior Doe Kid (0-4 months), March 22, 2026 - July 21, 2026
6. Intermediate Doe Kids (4-8 months), November 22, 2025 - March 21, 2026
7. Senior Doe Kid (8-12 months), July 22, 2025 - November 21, 2025
8. Junior Yearlings Not Fresh 12-18 months, January 22, 2025 - July 21, 2025
9. Senior Yearlings Not Fresh 18-24 months, July 22, 2024 - January 21, 2025
10. Junior Champion Doe and Reserve Junior Champion Doe

Class - Senior Does

11. Freshened Yearlings, born July 22, 2024, or after
12. Two Year Old Does, July 22, 2023 - July 21, 2024
13. Three Year Old Doe, July 22, 2022 - July 21, 2023
14. Four Year Old Does and Older, born on or before July 21, 2022
15. Senior Champion Doe and Reserve Senior Champion Doe
16. Grand Champion Doe and Reserve Grand Champion Doe

Class - Bucks

17. Junior Buck (0-4 months), March 22, 2026 - July 21, 2026
18. Intermediate Buck (4-8 months), November 22, 2025 - March 21, 2026
19. Senior Buck (8-12 months), July 22, 2025 - November 21, 2025
20. Junior Champion Buck and Reserve Junior Champion Buck
21. Junior Yearling Buck, (12-18 months), January 22, 2025 - July 21, 2025
22. Senior Yearling Buck, (18-24 months), July 22, 2024 - January 21, 2025
23. Two-Year-Old Buck, July 22, 2023 - July 21, 2024
24. Three-Year-Old Buck, July 22, 2022 - July 21, 2023
25. Four Years and Older Buck, Born on or before July 21, 2022
26. Senior Champion Buck and Reserve Senior Champion Buck
27. Grand Champion Buck and Reserve Grand Champion Buck

SIERRA PACIFIC PYGMY GOAT ASSOCIATION SHOW

This is an N.P.G.A. sanctioned show, N.P.G.A. Rules shall govern.

SHOW DATE: July 24, 2026
10:00 a.m

Please contact show Chairperson for entry details:

Lynn Braziel
1109 Grenache Way, Elk Grove, CA
(916) 6823-1083
mail: cbraziel@citilink.net

All Exhibitors must enter State Fair Shows and follow State Fair Rules.

JUNIOR BOER GOAT SHOW

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 per entry per class

Entries Close on **June 24, 2026**. American System of Judging.

General Information

1. Junior exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Boer Goat Show classes at the 2026 California State Fair are eligible to compete in the Open Boer Goat Show. No other California Juniors will be eligible without jeopardizing their junior status. All juniors must officially enter and pay entry fees by the June 18 deadline. This competition is open to out-of-state juniors that meet California age requirements for 4-H and FFA. This show shall be open to all youth exhibitors. We encourage juniors to enter the Junior Boer Goat Show as well as the Open ABGA Show as they will be judged at the same time.
2. All Junior and Open classes shall be combined and judged together. Junior placings and award presentations shall be recognized, at the conclusion of each class, when juniors will be asked to lead out for special recognition.
3. All goats must be registered with the American Boer Goat Association registry before the opening day of the California State Fair. (July 17, 2026) The original registration certificate is required to be in the possession of the exhibitor the day of check-in. Animals must be registered in the name of the exhibitor and must have been owned by the exhibitor on or before 30 days before the opening day of the show. Information on transfers is not acceptable. Goats must be registered in the JABGA member's name only. The ranch name cannot be listed.
4. Any female over 24 months of age or older that has not kidded and cannot prove current pregnancy will not be allowed to show.
5. All goats must have a legible tattoo(s), or other means of permanent identification consistent with its registration certificate or the animal will be disqualified. If the animal has a microchip as its permanent identification, the exhibitor is responsible for providing a microchip reader.
6. Birth dates as listed on the registration certificate will be used to determine the class divisions. The show date (August 1, 2026) will be the base date in computing all ages.

7. All animals must be registered purebred, full-blood or percentage blood Boer Goats. Percentage doe classes are for goats 50% to 87.5% Boer; Fullblood classes are for does that are 15/16 blood (93.7%) and higher and 31/32 blood (96.8%) and higher for bucks. Progeny of fresh will NOT be allowed in the ring. At the discretion of the judge and the superintendent, goats may be let loose in the ring as a function of judging. The Champion and Reserve classes will be chosen from the first and second place animals in that division of the show.
8. Any goat showing any pronounced defect or abnormality will be barred from the show in any of the breeding classes. Artificial coloring will be a disqualification. Illegible tattoos or tattoos inconsistent with registration papers will result in disqualification.
9. All persons showing animals in individual classes in the ring should wear either white shirts, show uniforms, or dress professionally.
10. All junior Boer goat exhibitors must also have their parent or guardian sign their summary form under exhibitor signature.
11. Only one person per goat is permitted in the ring.
12. Showmanship classes will start at the beginning of the Junior show.
13. Juniors must have the parent, 4-H leader, instructor or other approved adult present during the show as a supervisor.
14. Exhibitors will be allowed to use halters or collars in the showing. The use of prolonged or spiked collars is prohibited.
15. Show Order: Showmanship, Percentage Boer Does, Fullblood/Purebred Boer Does, Fullblood Boer Bucks followed by Groups.

JABGA Rules

1. Must be in accordance with the JABGA By-Laws in terms of age and be an active Junior American Boer Goat Association member. If not a JABGA member, they can sign up the day of the show.
2. If the child is present and physically able, they must show their own animal unless they have multiple entries, then they must have another JABGA member to show the animal for them.
3. If the child is not present due to extenuating circumstances such as a death in the family, family emergencies, religious reasons, etc. They must have a JABGA member show for them, and it must be reported before the goats arrive at the show. This will be allowed for two JABGA shows only.
4. Goats must be registered in the JABGA member's name only. The ranch

name cannot be listed.

Special Awards

Junior Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Reserve Junior Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Yearling Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Reserve Yearling Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Senior Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Reserve Senior Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Grand Champion Doe	Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Doe	Vinyl Banner
Junior Champion Buck	Vinyl Banner
Reserve Junior Champion Buck	Vinyl Banner
Yearling Champion Buck	Vinyl Banner
Reserve Yearling Champion Buck	Vinyl Banner
Senior Champion Buck	Vinyl Banner
Reserve Senior Champion Buck	Vinyl Banner
Grand Champion Buck	Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Buck	Vinyl Banner

DIVISION 6564: SHOWMANSHIP

Classes Offered

1. Junior Showmanship - 13 years and under as of January 1, 2026
(*no entry fee required)
2. Senior Showmanship - 14 years and over as of January 1, 2026
(*no entry fee required)

*Showmanship may be added after entry deadline until the day of arrival at 7 pm in the Livestock Office for a \$10 fee.

DIVISION 6561: PERCENTAGE BOER DOES

1/2 TO 7/8 BLOOD

Classes Offered

1. 0 to under 3 months, May 2 - August 1, 2026
2. 3 to under 6 months, February 2 - May 1, 2026
3. 6 to under 9 months, November 2, 2025 - February 1, 2026
4. 9 to under 12 months, August 2, 2025 - November 1, 2025
5. Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion
6. 12 to under 16 months, April 2, 2025 - August 1, 2025
7. 16 to under 20 months, December 2, 2024 - April 1, 2025
8. 20 to under 24 months, August 2, 2024 - December 1, 2024
9. Yearling Champion & Reserve Yearling Champion
10. 24 to under 36 months, August 2, 2023 - August 1, 2024
11. 36 months plus, before August 1, 2023
12. Senior Champion Doe & Reserve Senior Champion Doe
13. Grand Champion Doe (Banner) & Reserve Grand Champion Doe

DIVISION 6562: FULLBLOOD/PUREBRED BOER DOES

15/16 BLOOD

Classes Offered

1. 0 to under 3 months, May 2 - August 1, 2026
2. 3 to under 6 months, February 2 - May 1, 2026
3. 6 to under 9 months, November 2, 2025 - February 1, 2026
4. 9 to under 12 months, August 2, 2025 - November 1, 2025
5. Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion
6. 12 to under 16 months, April 2, 2025 - August 1, 2025
7. 16 to under 20 months, December 2, 2024 - April 1, 2025

8. 20 to under 24 months, August 2, 2024 - December 1, 2024
9. Yearling Champion & Reserve Yearling Champion
10. 24 to under 36 months, August 2, 2023 - August 1, 2024
11. 36 months plus, before August 1, 2023
12. Senior Champion Doe & Reserve Senior Champion Doe
13. Grand Champion Doe (Banner) & Reserve Grand Champion Doe

DIVISION 6563: FULLBLOOD BOER BUCKS

Classes Offered

1. 0 to under 3 months, May 2 - August 1, 2026
2. 3 to under 6 months, February 2 - May 1, 2026
3. 6 to under 9 months, November 2, 2025 - February 1, 2026
4. 9 to under 12 months, August 2, 2025 - November 1, 2025
5. Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion
6. 12 to under 16 months, April 2, 2025 - August 1, 2025
7. 16 to under 20 months, December 2, 2024 - April 1, 2025
8. 20 to under 24 months, August 2, 2024 - December 1, 2024
9. Yearling Champion & Reserve Yearling Champion
10. 24 to under 36 months, August 2, 2023 - August 1, 2024
11. 36 months plus, before August 1, 2023
12. Senior Champion Buck & Reserve Senior Champion Buck
13. Grand Champion (Junior, Yearling & Senior Champions compete) (Banner) & Reserve Grand Champion Buck

Premier Breeder Vinyl Banner
 Premier Exhibitor Vinyl Banner

ABGA BOER GOAT SHOW

Sanctioned and held in cooperation with ABGA

ENTRY FEE: \$11.00 per entry per class

Entries Close on **June 24, 2026**. No limit on the number of head entered.

Entries may be limited after the close of entry deadlines. American System of Judging.

Special Rules

1. This show shall be open to all exhibitors. Junior exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Boer Goat Show classes are eligible to compete in this event. No other California Juniors will be eligible without jeopardizing their junior status. All juniors must officially enter and pay entry fees by the June 18 deadline.
2. All goats must be registered with the American Boer Goat Association registry before the opening day of the California State Fair. (July 17, 2026) The original registration certificate is required to be in the possession of the exhibitor the day of check-in. Animals must be registered in the name of the exhibitor and must have been owned by the exhibitor on or before 30 days before the opening day of the show. Information on transfers is not acceptable.
3. Any female over 24 months of age or older that has not kidded and cannot prove current pregnancy will not be allowed to show.
4. Goats entered under its ABGA registration number and presenting its ABGA Certificate of Registration will be eligible to earn points for its actual placing in the show as described in the ABGA "Criteria for Ennoblement of a Boer Goat."
5. All goats must have a legible tattoo(s), or other means of permanent identification consistent with its registration certificate or the animal will be disqualified. The top 6 in the class plus Champion and Reserve tattoos must be read as placings are recorded. If the animal has a microchip as its permanent identification, the exhibitor is responsible for providing a microchip reader.
6. Birth dates as listed on the registration certificate will be used to determine the class divisions. The show date (August 1, 2026) will be the base date in computing all ages.
7. All animals must be registered purebred, full-blood or percentage blood Boer Goats. Percentage doe classes are for goats 50% to 87.5% Boer;

Fullblood classes are for does that are 15/16 blood (93.7%) and higher and 31/32 blood (96.8%) and higher for bucks. Progeny of fresh will NOT be allowed in the ring. At the discretion of the judge and the superintendent, goats may be let loose in the ring as a function of judging. The Champion and Reserve classes will be chosen from the first and second place animals in that division of the show.

- 8. Any goat showing any pronounced defect or abnormality will be barred from the show in any of the breeding classes. Artificial coloring will be a disqualification. Illegible tattoos or tattoos inconsistent with registration papers will result in disqualification.
- 9. All persons showing animals in individual classes in the ring should wear either white shirts, show uniforms, or dress professionally.
- 10. Only one person per goat is permitted in the ring.
- 11. Exhibitors will be allowed to use halters or collars in the showing. The use of prolonged or spiked collars is prohibited.
- 12. All Junior and Open classes shall be combined and judged together. Junior placings and award presentations shall be recognized, at the conclusion of each class, when juniors will be asked to lead out for special recognition. Juniors must enter the Open Show if they want open recognition.
- 13. Extended Entry Deadline for Open Boer Goats, NDGA Nigerian Dwarf Goats and Open Pygmy Goat Shows will be July 8.
- 14. The only animals not required to be entered will be those nursing kids dependent on their dams entered in the show. However, there will be a required \$4.00 stalling fee for each nursing kid dependent on their dam that is not entered in the show.
- 15. Show Order: Percentage Boer Does, Fullblood/Purebred Boer Does, Fullblood Boer Bucks followed by Groups.

Premium Payments

Premiums \$1,209

DIVISIONS 6556, 6557, AND 6558 (EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASSES)

	1st	2nd
California State Fair Offers	\$25	\$14
Ribbons through 3rd place		

Special Awards

Junior Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Junior Champion Doe	Rosette
Yearling Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Yearling Champion Doe	Rosette
Senior Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Senior Champion Doe	Rosette
Grand Champion Doe	Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Doe	Rosette
Junior Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Junior Champion Buck	Rosette
Yearling Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Yearling Champion Buck	Rosette
Senior Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Senior Champion Buck	Rosette
Grand Champion Buck	Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Buck	Rosette

DIVISION 6556: PERCENTAGE BOER DOES

1/2 TO 7/8 BLOOD

Classes Offered

1. 0 to under 3 months, May 2 - August 1, 2026
2. 3 to under 6 months, February 2 - May 1, 2026
3. 6 to under 9 months, November 2, 2025 - February 1, 2026
4. 9 to under 12 months, August 2, 2025 - November 1, 2025
5. Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion
6. 12 to under 16 months, April 2, 2025 - August 1, 2025
7. 16 to under 20 months, December 2, 2024 - April 1, 2025
8. 20 to under 24 months, August 2, 2024 - December 1, 2024
9. Yearling Champion & Reserve Yearling Champion
10. 24 to under 36 months, August 2, 2023 - August 1, 2024
11. 36 months plus, before August 1, 2023
12. Senior Champion Doe & Reserve Senior Champion Doe

13. Grand Champion Doe (Banner) & Reserve Grand Champion Doe
14. Percentage Get-of-Sire, Three percentage does, the get of one sire, at least one owned by exhibitor. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry sired by the same buck. Indicate the name of sire on the entry form.

DIVISION 6557: FULLBLOOD/PUREBRED BOER DOES

15/16 BLOOD

Classes Offered

1. 0 to under 3 months, May 2 - August 1, 2026
2. 3 to under 6 months, February 2 - May 1, 2026
3. 6 to under 9 months, November 2, 2025 - February 1, 2026
4. 9 to under 12 months, August 2, 2025 - November 1, 2025
5. Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion
6. 12 to under 16 months, April 2, 2025 - August 1, 2025
7. 16 to under 20 months, December 2, 2024 - April 1, 2025
8. 20 to under 24 months, August 2, 2024 - December 1, 2024
9. Yearling Champion & Reserve Yearling Champion
10. 24 to under 36 months, August 2, 2023 - August 1, 2024
11. 36 months plus, before August 1, 2023
12. Senior Champion Doe & Reserve Senior Champion Doe
13. Grand Champion (Banner) & Reserve Grand Champion

DIVISION 6558: FULLBLOOD BOER BUCKS

Classes Offered

1. 0 to under 3 months, May 2 - August 1, 2026
2. 3 to under 6 months, February 2 - May 1, 2026
3. 6 to under 9 months, November 2, 2025 - February 1, 2026
4. 9 to under 12 months, August 2, 2025 - November 1, 2025
5. Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion
6. 12 to under 16 months, April 2, 2025 - August 1, 2025
7. 16 to under 20 months, December 2, 2024 - April 1, 2025
8. 20 to under 24 months, August 2, 2024 - December 1, 2024
9. Yearling Champion & Reserve Yearling Champion
10. 24 to under 36 months, August 2, 2023 - August 1, 2024
11. 36 months plus, before August 1, 2023
12. Senior Champion Buck & Reserve Senior Champion Buck
13. Grand Champion Buck (Banner) & Reserve Grand Champion Buck
14. Percentage Flock, to include 1 Fullblood/Purebred buck, 2 Junior does, and 2 does, yearling or older. Must all be owned by exhibitor. (Buck may not also be shown in class 9)
15. Fullblood/Purebred Flock, to include 1 Fullblood/Purebred buck, 2 Junior does, and 2 does, yearling or older. Must all be owned by exhibitor. (Buck may not also be shown in class 8)
16. Fullblood/Purebred Get-of-Sire, Three animals, the get of one sire, both sexes may (but do not have to) be represented, at least one owned by exhibitor. Each exhibitor limited to one entry sired by the same buck. Indicate the name of sire on the entry form.

Premier Breeder Banner
Premier Exhibitor Banner
Premier Sire Percentage Boers Rosette
Premier Sire Fullblood/Purebred Boers Rosette

CALIFORNIA CLASSIC BOER GOAT SHOW

Sanctioned and held in cooperation with ABGA

ENTRY FEE: \$11.00 per entry per class

Entries Close on **June 24, 2026**. No limit on the number of head entered.

Entries may be limited after the close of entry deadlines. American System of Judging.

Special Rules

1. This show shall be open to all exhibitors. Junior exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Boer Goat Show classes are eligible to compete in this event. No other California Juniors will be eligible without jeopardizing their junior status. All juniors must officially enter and pay entry fees by the June 18 deadline.
2. All goats must be registered with the American Boer Goat Association registry before the opening day of the California State Fair. (July 17, 2026) The original registration certificate is required to be in the possession of the exhibitor the day of check-in. Animals must be registered in the name of the exhibitor and must have been owned by the exhibitor on or before 30 days before the opening day of the show. Information on transfers is not acceptable. Goats must be registered in the JABGA member's name only. The ranch name cannot be listed.
3. Any female over 24 months of age or older that has not kidded and cannot prove current pregnancy will not be allowed to show.
4. Goats entered under its ABGA registration number and presenting its ABGA Certificate of Registration will be eligible to earn points for its actual placing in the show as described in the ABGA "Criteria for Ennoblement of a Boer Goat."
5. All goats must have a legible tattoo(s), or other means of permanent identification consistent with its registration certificate or the animal will be disqualified. The top 6 in the class plus Champion and Reserve tattoos must be read as placings are recorded. If the animal has a microchip as its permanent identification, the exhibitor is responsible for providing a microchip reader.
6. Birth dates as listed on the registration certificate will be used to determine the class divisions. The show date (August 2, 2026) will be the base date in computing all ages.

7. All animals must be registered purebred, full-blood or percentage blood Boer Goats. Percentage doe classes are for goats 50% to 87.5% Boer; Fullblood classes are for does that are 15/16 blood (93.7%) and higher and 31/32 blood (96.8%) and higher for bucks. Progeny of fresh will NOT be allowed in the ring. At the discretion of the judge and the superintendent, goats may be let loose in the ring as a function of judging. The Champion and Reserve classes will be chosen from the first and second place animals in that division of the show.
8. Any goat showing any pronounced defect or abnormality will be barred from the show in any of the breeding classes. Artificial coloring will be a disqualification. Illegible tattoos or tattoos inconsistent with registration papers will result in disqualification.
9. All persons showing animals in individual classes in the ring should wear either white shirts, show uniforms, or dress professionally.
10. Only one person per goat is permitted in the ring.
11. Exhibitors will be allowed to use halters or collars in the showing. The use of prolonged or spiked collars is prohibited.
12. Extended Entry Deadline for Open Boer Goats, NDGA Nigerian Dwarf Goats and Open Pygmy Goat Shows will be July 8.
13. The only animals not required to be entered will be those nursing kids dependent on their dams entered in the show. However, there will be a required \$4.00 stalling fee for each nursing kid dependent on their dam that is not entered in the show.
14. Show Order: Percentage Boer Does, Fullblood/Purebred Boer Does, Fullblood Boer Bucks followed by Groups.

Special Awards

Junior Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Junior Champion Doe	Rosette
Yearling Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Yearling Champion Doe	Rosette
Senior Champion Doe	Rosette
Reserve Senior Champion Doe	Rosette
Grand Champion Doe	Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Doe	Rosette
Junior Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Junior Champion Buck	Rosette
Yearling Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Yearling Champion Buck	Rosette
Senior Champion Buck	Rosette
Reserve Senior Champion Buck	Rosette
Grand Champion Buck	Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Buck	Rosette

DIVISION 6711: PERCENTAGE BOER DOES

1/2 TO 7/8 BLOOD

Classes Offered

1. 0 to under 3 months, May 3 - August 2, 2026
2. 3 to under 6 months, February 3 - May 2, 2026
3. 6 to under 9 months, November 3, 2025 - February 2, 2026
4. 9 to under 12 months, August 3, 2025 - November 2, 2025
5. Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion
6. 12 to under 16 months, April 3, 2025 - August 2, 2025
7. 16 to under 20 months, December 3, 2024 - April 2, 2025
8. 20 to under 24 months, August 3, 2024 - December 2, 2024
9. Yearling Champion & Reserve Yearling Champion
10. 24 to under 36 months, August 3, 2023 - August 2, 2024
11. 36 months plus, before August 2, 2023
12. Senior Champion Doe & Reserve Senior Champion Doe

13. Grand Champion Doe (Banner) & Reserve Grand Champion Doe
14. Percentage Get-of-Sire, Three percentage does, the get of one sire, at least one owned by exhibitor. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry sired by the same buck. Indicate the name of sire on the entry form.

DIVISION 6712: FULLBLOOD/PUREBRED BOER DOES

15/16 BLOOD

Classes Offered

1. 0 to under 3 months, May 3 - August 2, 2026
2. 3 to under 6 months, February 3 - May 2, 2026
3. 6 to under 9 months, November 3, 2025 - February 2, 2026
4. 9 to under 12 months, August 3, 2025 - November 2, 2025
5. Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion
6. 12 to under 16 months, April 3, 2025 - August 2, 2025
7. 16 to under 20 months, December 3, 2024 - April 2, 2025
8. 20 to under 24 months, August 3, 2024 - December 2, 2024
9. Yearling Champion & Reserve Yearling Champion
10. 24 to under 36 months, August 3, 2023 - August 2, 2024
11. 36 months plus, before August 2, 2023
12. Senior Champion Doe & Reserve Senior Champion Doe
13. Senior Champion & Reserve Senior Champion
14. Grand Champion (Banner) & Reserve Grand Champion

DIVISION 6713: FULLBLOOD BOER BUCKS

Classes Offered

1. 0 to under 3 months, May 3 - August 2, 2026
2. 3 to under 6 months, February 3 - May 2, 2026
3. 6 to under 9 months, November 3, 2025 - February 2, 2026
4. 9 to under 12 months, August 3, 2025 - November 2, 2025
5. Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion
6. 12 to under 16 months, April 3, 2025 - August 2, 2025
7. 16 to under 20 months, December 3, 2024 - April 2, 2025
8. 20 to under 24 months, August 3, 2024 - December 2, 2024
9. Yearling Champion & Reserve Yearling Champion
10. 24 to under 36 months, August 3, 2023 - August 2, 2024
11. 36 months plus, before August 2, 2023
12. Senior Champion Buck & Reserve Senior Champion Buck
13. Grand Champion Buck (Banner) & Reserve Grand Champion Buck
14. Percentage Flock, to include 1 Fullblood/Purebred buck, 2 Junior does, and 2 does, yearling or older. Must all be owned by exhibitor. (Buck may not also be shown in class 9)
15. Fullblood/Purebred Flock, to include 1 Fullblood/Purebred buck, 2 Junior does, and 2 does, yearling or older. Must all be owned by exhibitor. (Buck may not also be shown in class 8)
16. Fullblood/Purebred Get-of-Sire, Three animals, the get of one sire, both sexes may (but do not have to) be represented, at least one owned by exhibitor. Each exhibitor limited to one entry sired by the same buck. Indicate the name of sire on the entry form.

DIVISION 6706: NIGERIAN DWARF GOAT SHOW

Entries Close on **June 24, 2026**. No limit on the number of head entered. Entries may be limited after the close of entry deadlines. American System of Judging.

Sanctioned and held in cooperation with NDGA

ENTRY FEE: \$11.00 per entry per class

Premiums \$1,624

Nigerian Dwarf Goat Rules

1. All goats must be registered with the Nigerian Dwarf Goat Association before the opening day of the California State Fair (July 11, 2026). To be shown, the original registration certificate is required to be in possession of the exhibitor the day of check-in. Animals must be registered in the name of the exhibitor and must have been owned by the exhibitor on or before 30 days before the opening day of the show. Information on transfers is not acceptable.
2. Extended Entry Deadline for Open Boer Goats, NDGA Nigerian Dwarf Goats and Open Pygmy Goat Shows will be July 8.
3. Does that are over 24 months in age, and have never freshened, do not qualify for competition in NDGA sanctioned shows.
4. Any exhibitor 18 years or under, must have parent/guardian/leaders signature on their Detailed Receipt.
5. All goats must have a legible tattoo(s), or other means of permanent identification consistent with its registration certificate or the animal will be disqualified. The top 6 in the class plus Champion and Reserve tattoos must be read as placings are recorded. If the animal has a microchip as its permanent identification, the exhibitor is responsible for providing a microchip reader.
6. Birth dates as listed on the registration certificate will be used to determine the class. The show date will be the base date in computing all ages.
7. The Champion and Reserve classes will be chosen from the first and second place animals in that division of the show.

8. Any goat showing any pronounced defect or abnormality will be barred from the show in any of the breeding classes. Artificial coloring will be a disqualification. Illegible tattoos or tattoos inconsistent with registration papers will result in disqualification. Any doe over 24 months of age that has not kidded and cannot prove a current pregnancy will not be allowed to show.
9. All kids are required to be tattooed and entered in the show in order to be on grounds.
10. Only one person per goat is permitted in the ring.
11. All Junior exhibitors must wear whites.
12. Exhibitors must appear in attire appropriate to the show ring and to formal competition. They must be as clean and neatly groomed as their animals. Management reserves the right to bar from competition or excuse from the show ring any exhibitor whose attire is inappropriate or unkept.

Premium Payments

CLASSES 1-39 (EXCLUDING CHAMPION CLASS)				
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
California State Fair Offers	\$20	\$14	\$12	\$10

Special Awards

Champion Junior Doe & Reserve Champion Junior Doe	Rosette
Champion Dry Doe & Reserve Champion Dry Doe	Rosette
Champion Milking Doe & Reserve Champion Milking Doe	Rosette
Grand Champion Doe	Banner
Reserve Grand Champion Doe	Rosette
Grand Champion Udder	Rosette
Champion Wether & Reserve Champion Wether	Rosette
Champion Junior Buck & Reserve Champion Junior Buck	Rosette
Champion Senior Buck and Reserve Champion Senior Buck	Rosette
Champion Buck	Banner
Reserve Champion Buck	Rosette
Premier Breeder	Banner
Premier Exhibitor	Banner
Premier Sire	Rosette

Doe Classes

1. Baby Doe Kids - 0 to under 4 months of age
2. Junior Doe Kids - 4 months to under 8 months
3. Senior Doe Kids - 8 months to under 12 months
4. Never Freshened Yearling Does - 12 months to under 18 months
5. Never Freshened Senior Yearling Does - 18 months to under 24 months
6. Champion Junior Doe & Reserve Champion Junior Doe
7. Yearling Dry Does - Dry does under 18 months of age
8. Advanced Yearling Dry Does - 18 months to under 24 months
9. Dry 2 Years and Under 3 Years
10. Dry 3 Years and Under 4 Years
11. Dry 4 Years and older
12. Champion Dry Doe & Reserve Champion Dry Doe
13. Freshened Does under 18 months of age
14. Freshened Does 18 months to under 24 months
15. 2 Year Old Does and Under 3 Years
16. 3 Year Old Does and Under 4 Years
17. 4 Year Old Does and Under 5 Years
18. 5 Year Old Does and Older
19. Champion Milking Doe & Reserve Champion Milking Doe
20. Champion Challenge (must be master champion - proof is registration paper)
21. Grand Champion Doe & Reserve Grand Champion Doe
22. Grand Champion Udder

Wether Classes

23. Junior Wethers - under 2 years
24. Senior Wether - 2 Years Old and Older
25. Champion Wether & Reserve Champion Wether

Buck Classes

26. Baby Buck Kids - 0 to under 4 months
27. Junior Buck Kids - 4 months and under 8 months
28. Senior Buck Kids - 8 months to under 12 months
29. Champion Junior Buck & Reserve Champion Junior Buck
30. Yearling Bucks - 12 months to under 18 months
31. Senior Yearling Bucks - 18 months to under 24 months
32. 2 Year Old Bucks and Under 3
33. 3 Year Old Bucks and Under 4
34. 4 Year Old Bucks and Older
35. Champion Senior Buck & Reserve Champion Senior Buck
36. Grand Champion Buck & Reserve Grand Champion Buck
37. Dam/Daughter Pair - mother/daughter pair & they may be shown in either milk or dry
38. Sire and Son - father and son
39. Best Three - Three animals, any age, all bred and owned by exhibitor. Limited to one entry per exhibitor.

LLAMA & ALPACA SHOW

Division 6710 - Llama & Alpaca Show

ENTRY FEE: \$22.00 per entry per class. Entries Close on **June 24, 2026**. Show will be held **July 30 - August 2, 2026**. Entry is open to the world. Number of animals entered limited to 130 animals. American system of Judging.

PEN FEE: \$10.00 per pen, limit two animals per pen

Pen space may be limited after the close of entries based on space available.

This show is sanctioned under the current edition of the ALSA Handbook - ALSA Rules Shall Govern.

As of January 1, 2022, unregistered animals are required to have an ALSA tracking number to be shown in Youth, Performance, or Adult Non-Breeder classes. ALSA will no longer charge for an animal to have an ALSA number to show and for points to be accumulated. Animals will be tracked for show purposes and points accumulation using one of the following numbers:

ALSA assigned "1XXXXXXX" number (purchased prior to 1/1/2022)

IRL number (registered with ALSA after 1/1/2022)

AOA number (registered with ALSA after 1/1/2022)

ALSA Show Fee - \$5.00 per animal entered, **\$3.00** for Shorn Fleece classes (if animal's only entry)

***Non-ALSA Member Fee: \$50.00** per farm plus **\$5.00** per animal entered;
\$15.00 for youth showing in youth classes plus **\$5.00** per animal entered.
\$3.00 for Shorn Fleece classes (if animal's only entry)

ALSA Fees paid during check-in to LANA

California State Fair offers \$3,590

The **Llama Association of North America**, (LANA) sponsors this Show. This is an Alpaca and Llama Show Association (ALSA) sanctioned show and points can be earned according to ALSA rules.

The California State Fair Llama & Alpaca Show Committee

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Website: www.lanainfo.org www.alpacallamashows.com

The following person will act as coordinator for this show and will be available before and during the State Fair:

Show Chairperson Kathleen Nichols

Special Rules

1. Exhibitors shall not knowingly exhibit animals in any ALSA class (including performance and showmanship) that, in their opinion, exhibit unsoundness as described in the ALSA Handbook.
2. Judges shall not knowingly allow exhibition of animals in any ALSA class (including performance and showmanship) that, in their opinion, exhibit unsoundness as described in the ALSA Handbook.
3. Show Management shall not knowingly allow exhibition of animals in any ALSA class (including performance and showmanship) that, in their opinion, exhibit unsoundness as described in the ALSA Handbook. Show Management shall request exhibitors to remove animals from the fairgrounds that exhibit unsoundness or do not represent the best of the llama and alpaca community by their conformation, condition and/or attitude.
4. Every llama and alpaca will be inspected upon arrival and before unloading by an on-site veterinarian assistant.
5. All llamas 5 months and older entered in approved classes, must be registered with the ILR. All alpacas 5 months and older entered in approved classes must be registered with the AOA. EXCEPTION: Non-breeder llamas and alpacas entered only in youth, open performance, or non-breeder halter classes do not have to be registered, but will need an ALSA tracking number.
6. Non-Breeder animals are defined as geldings, vasectomized males, spayed or non-reproductive females all of which are suitable for purposes other than breeding. A registration or veterinarian certificate verifying the above conditions must accompany these animals.
7. ILR or AOA registration numbers are required to be provided on the entry forms.
8. **Original registration certificates must be presented to management when the animals arrive and be available upon request at anytime.**
9. **A photocopy of the registration certificate or application pending for each llama or alpaca entered must accompany your entry forms.**
10. Include your animals' ALSA number in addition to registration number if you want to receive ALSA points for this show. Youth exhibitors must also provide ALSA number to receive points for this show. Adult Showmanship exhibitors provide your Adult Showmanship number if you want to receive ALSA points for this show (you are not required to have

this number to show in showmanship). All exhibitors will be required to provide their ALSA membership card to verify membership to the clerk upon check-in. This is an ALSA requirement.

11. As per ALSA requirements, there is a \$5.00 ALSA Show fee per llama or alpaca entered. There is a \$3.00 ALSA Show fee per animal for shorn fleece if the animal is not shown in other classes. Animal need not be present for shorn fleece. Non-ALSA member fee is \$50.00 per farm plus \$5.00 show fee per animal or \$3.00 shorn fleece only fee. These ALSA fees will be collected at the time of check-in at the State Fair. Do “NOT” include with your entry fees.
12. Junior exhibitors that officially enter and show in Junior Division classes at the California State Fair are eligible to compete in this event without jeopardizing their junior status. No other California Juniors will be eligible without jeopardizing their junior status. All juniors must officially enter and pay entry fees by the June 18 deadline. This competition is open to out-of-state juniors that meet California age requirements for 4-H and FFA.
13. All animals are subject to Livestock Rules and General Rules in the California State Fair Open Livestock Competition Guide.
14. Exhibitors and Handlers are responsible for all other rules and regulations of this Competition Guide.
15. **Entry Fees:** A **\$22.00 per entry** per class fee for all open, halter, group, youth, fleece, showmanship and performance classes are required.
16. All get and produce exhibited in Get of Sire and Produce of Dam classes must have been entered in and competed in individual halter classes. If exhibitors of the Get of Sire and Produce of Dam classes are not the sire’s/dam’s owner, they must have written permission from the sire/dam owner. ALSA points for these classes will go to the sire and dam of these classes.
17. A single \$22.00 fee is required for Get-of-Sire Class of three animals. A single \$22.00 fee is required for Produce of Dam class of two animals. Entrants involved in these classes must decide who in the group will pay the fee and so stipulate on the entry form.
18. When entering, enter in the sire’s or dam’s name as ALSA points are awarded to the sire or dam.
19. All premiums won will be paid through the offices of the California State Fair.

- 20. Llama Halter Classes:** The selection of wool category will be determined by the owner, but can be changed at the discretion of the judge at the time of competition. If in doubt, check with the judge immediately following the initial exhibitors' meeting.

Suri Llama - Fiber has a natural luster and hangs and drapes over the body forming a part along the spine. The fibers have a very distinctive and well-defined lock structure, with many individual locks formed at the skin and carrying to the ends.

Silky Wool - Fiber is very soft or silky handle. May be straight or have some wave or crinkle but not crimp. Fiber may exhibit little or no loft and some luster. Guard hair is nearly indiscernible. Locks independent and consistent in size, and the degree of wave or spiral consistent through the neck and body. Coverage on the animal may vary from light to heavy.

Light Wool - Minimal body wool, short neck wool with smooth legs.

Medium Wool - Moderate to long body wool, minimal to moderate neck wool, smooth to moderate leg wool.

Heavy Wool - Abundant body and neck wool with minimal to abundant leg wool (i.e.; leg wool at least to knee and hock).

21. Enter all Llama Halter Classes according to sex, age (at time of show) and wool type of the llama as defined in these rules.
22. Llama Best in Show will be awarded to the best overall llama halter champion.

23. Alpaca Halter Classes.

- a. All alpacas will be shown shorn.
 - b. All alpaca halter classes are combined color classes.
 - c. Non-breeder classes will be combined: shorn Huacaya and shorn Suri.
24. Enter all Alpaca Halter classes according to sex and age (at time of show) of the alpaca as defined in these rules.
25. Alpaca Best in Show will be awarded to the best overall alpaca halter champion.
26. Age of animal must be specified on each entry form. Age limits are 5 months and older. On an animal's date of birth, the animal moves up to the next older class.
27. Open, Novice, Advanced, and Masters shall be defined as follows:
- a. **Open** - Open to all entries

- b. **Novice** - Open to all entries that have never entered an Advanced or Masters class at any show and/or have not earned the title Novice Performance Champion. A Novice animal is defined as an animal who has not earned 4 or more Grand or Reserve Champions, in any combination of 4, whether Grands or Reserves, in any show association:
1. Showing under two different judges on two different dates.
 2. In any Open, Novice, Senior Youth or Intermediate Youth Division with a minimum of 5 in the division.
 3. Grand and Reserve Champions from Junior youth classes or non-sanctioned shows will not count towards moving an animal from Novice to Advanced.
- c. **Advanced** - Open to all entries that have achieved Novice Performance Champion. If a Novice animal has moved to the Advanced division in any other show association, they must show in the Advanced division in ALSA. An animal can enter the Advanced division without being a Novice Performance Champion, however it cannot move back to the Novice division. To be an Advanced Performance Champion, an animal has earned:
1. 4 Grands, or 3 Grands and 2 Reserve Championships
 2. Showing on two different show dates.
- d. **Masters** - For all animals that have completed the requirements for an ALSA Advanced Performance Champion. Once a llama has entered Masters, it is no longer eligible for Advanced.
- e. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to enter the correct performance division. Please check the current ALSA guide online at www.alpacallamashows.com.

Masters must be offered in conjunction with Advanced and Novice Divisions. Advanced Performance rules will be followed for Master Performance Classes. If a minimum of five entries is not achieved in Master Obstacle and or Advanced Obstacle classes, show management may choose to combine these classes. The exception to this rule will be at Grand National and Regional Shows where these performance divisions will not be combined.

28. Pack class exhibitors must provide a saddle and panniers suitable for back country use, complete with weight and fill materials as per ALSA regulations. Llamas age 3 years and over in non-youth classes must carry a minimum of 20 pounds. All packs must have two cinches. Panniers must be removable except for Youth Pack Classes.

29. **Youth Classes:** These classes are available to Youth that are 7 years old and have not passed their 20th birthday as of January 1, of the current year. There shall be three age divisions available for each youth class. They are Seniors: 15 to 19 years of age; Intermediates: 12 to 14 years of age and Juniors: 7 to 11 years of age. All ages are determined as of January 1, of the current year. Entry fee is required. The youth's parent or legal guardian must sign entry form and permission slip.
30. An animal may be owned or leased or loaned to the youth exhibitor and must be trained and prepared by the youth for the three months before the fair. The youth must submit a statement to this effect signed by the leader or parent.
31. Youth judging has been eliminated from this show for 2026. In its place will be a Youth Skillathon Challenge. The Skillathon Challenge will test the youths' knowledge on a variety of camelid topics. These topics may include, but not limited to: health and care, anatomy and conformation, history, uses, and showing. Time and date TBA at Fair. Participation in the Youth Skillathon Challenge is open to the Youth exhibitors entered in the California State Fair Llama & Alpaca Show and is required to be eligible for the Youth Premier Exhibitors Awards. Register with the superintendent at check-in. No entry fee.
32. A youth exhibitor may enter only one animal in the youth division, as the youth is awarded ALSA points in youth classes, not the animal. Rosettes to fifth place.
33. Classes may be split or combined by Show Management as allowed by the ALSA rules.
34. Animals may only show in ONE Performance Division (animals showing in Youth Division may NOT show in any other performance division).
35. All animals must have a halter on at all times while on the fairgrounds.
36. All animals will be housed in pens on the fairgrounds and must remain on the premises for all four days of the show.
37. Pens are 12 feet long by 6 feet wide and 40 inches tall. All exhibitors are required to pay a pen fee of \$10.00 for every pen requested, (limit of two (2) animals per pen) Indicate on the stalling request form your preference for location and number of pens. Indicate if you would like a display area. If your animals are prone to jumping you should plan on providing some device to encourage them to stay in the stall. As there are a limited number of available pens, no guarantees of location and number of pens can be made. Pen and entry fees are due and payable by the

entry close date.

38. Animals are to remain in the immediate barn area throughout the show and are prohibited from entering the midway and other non-livestock areas without being accompanied by a fair official.
39. Exhibitors using stall mats or artificial turf must remove and thoroughly clean these surfaces daily.
40. If an animal is not owned by the adult exhibitor, signed permission to show form must be presented at check-in. This form is available on the ALSA website.
41. The ALSA form is not needed for a youth exhibitor showing in the Youth classes (points go to the youth). However, if the youth exhibitor is showing that animal in halter or fleece, the signed ALSA permission to show form will be needed (points go to the animal).
42. No vehicles allowed in the livestock barns overnight.
43. Herdsman competition is a special competition created by the State Fair to encourage attractive, educational, and high quality presentations of all livestock exhibits. Exhibitors must sign up at the livestock office the day of check-in to be included in the competition. (See Division 6725 Herdsman Competition section for more details.)

Class - Halter

Rosettes to 3rd Place in each Class. No Class Premiums. Rosettes and Premiums to Champions and Reserve Champions.

Halter Classes - Llamas

1. Suri Wool Male (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
2. Suri Wool Male (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
3. Suri Wool Male (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months
4. Suri Wool Male (Adult), 36 months and over
5. Silky Wool Male (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
6. Silky Wool Male (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
7. Silky Wool Male (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months
8. Silky Wool Male (Adult), 36 months and over
9. Light Wool Male (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
10. Light Wool Male (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months

11. Light Wool Male (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months
12. Light Wool Male (Adult), 36 months and over
13. Medium Wool Male (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
14. Medium Wool Male (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
15. Medium Wool Male (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months
16. Medium Wool Male (Adult), 36 months and over
17. Heavy Wool Male (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
18. Heavy Wool Male (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
19. Heavy Wool Male (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months
20. Heavy Wool Male (Adult), 36 months and over
21. Suri Wool Female (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
22. Suri Wool Female (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
23. Suri Wool Female (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months
24. Suri Wool Female (Adult), 36 months and over
25. Silky Wool Female (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
26. Silky Wool Female (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
27. Silky Wool Female (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months
28. Silky Wool Female (Adult), 36 months and over
29. Light Wool Female (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
30. Light Wool Female (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
31. Light Wool Female (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months
32. Light Wool Female (Adult), 36 months and over
33. Medium Wool Female (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
34. Medium Wool Female (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
35. Medium Wool Female (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months
36. Medium Wool Female (Adult), 36 months and over
37. Heavy Wool Female (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
38. Heavy Wool Female (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
39. Heavy Wool Female (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months

- 40. Heavy Wool Female (Adult), 36 months and over
- 41. Non-Breeder (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
- 42. Non-Breeder (Two-Year-Olds), 24 months through 36 months
- 43. Non-Breeder (Adult), 36 months and over

Halter Classes - Alpacas (all alpacas will be shown shorn)

- 44. Huacaya - Multicolor Male (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
- 45. Huacaya - Multicolor Male (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
- 46. Huacaya - Multicolor Male (Two and Older), 24 months and over
- 47. Huacaya - Multicolor Female (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
- 48. Huacaya - Multicolor Female (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
- 49. Huacaya - Multicolor Female (Two and Older), 24 months and over
- 50. Suri - Multicolor Male (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
- 51. Suri - Multicolor Male (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
- 52. Suri - Multicolor Male (Two and Older), 24 months and over
- 53. Suri - Multicolor Female (Juvenile), 5 months through 12 months
- 54. Suri - Multicolor Female (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
- 55. Suri - Multicolor Female (Two and Older), 24 months and over
- 56. Non-Breeder Alpaca (combined Huacaya and Suri) - Multicolor (Yearlings), 12 months through 24 months
- 57. Non-Breeder Alpaca (combined Huacaya and Suri) - Multicolor (Two and Older), 24 months and over

Class - Groups

All llama get and produce exhibited in classes 58 and 59 must have been entered and competed in individual classes 1-43. All alpaca get and produce exhibited in classes 60 and 61 must have been entered and competed in individual classes 44-57. If the exhibitor(s) of classes 58-61 are not the sire's/dam's owner, they must have written permission from the sire's/dam's owner. ALSA points for these classes will go to the Sire and Dam of these classes, not the exhibited animals. The sire or dam does not need to be present.

- 58. Get of Sire Llama: group to consist of three llamas, all sired by the same sire and from at least two different dams, may be either sex, sire must be named. One entry per sire.

59. Produce of Dam Llama: group to consist of two llamas, either sex, the produce of one dam which must be named. One entry per dam.
60. Get of Sire Alpaca: group to consist of three alpacas, all sired by the same sire and from at least two different dams, may be either sex, sire must be named. One entry per sire.
61. Produce of Dam Alpaca: group to consist of two alpacas, either sex, the produce of one dam which must be named. One entry per dam.

Llama Halter Awards

Champion Suri Wool Male	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Suri Wool Male	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Silky Wool Male	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Silky Wool Male	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Light Wool Male	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Light Wool Male	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Medium Wool Male	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Medium Wool Male.....	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Heavy Wool Male	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Heavy Wool Male	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Suri Wool Female	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Suri Wool Female	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Silky Wool Female	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Silky Wool Female	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Light Wool Female	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Light Wool Female	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Medium Wool Female	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Medium Wool Female	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Heavy Wool Female	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Heavy Wool Female	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Non-Breeder Llama	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Non-Breeder Llama	\$35 and Rosette
Llama Best in Show	\$50 and Special Rosette

Alpaca Halter Awards

Champion Huacaya Male	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Huacaya Male	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Huacaya Female	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Huacaya Female	\$35 and Rosette

Champion Suri Male	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Suri Male	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Suri Female	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Suri Female	\$35 and Rosette
Champion Non-Breeder Alpaca	\$50 and Rosette
Reserve Champion Non-Breeder Alpaca	\$35 and Rosette
Alpaca Best in Show	\$50 and Special Rosette

YOUTH PERFORMANCE CLASSES

No Class Premiums

Rosettes to 5th Place in each Class. Rosettes and Premiums to Champion and Reserve Champions.

Youth Pack

- 62. Junior Youth Pack - 7 yrs. to 11 yrs.
- 63. Intermediate Youth Pack - 12 yrs. to 14 yrs.
- 64. Senior Youth Pack - 15 yrs. to 19 yrs.

Youth Obstacle

- 65. Junior Youth Obstacle - 7 yrs. to 11 yrs.
- 66. Intermediate Youth Obstacle - 12 yrs. to 14 yrs.
- 67. Senior Youth Obstacle - 15 yrs. to 19 yrs.

Youth Public Relations

- 68. Junior Youth Public Relations - 7 yrs. to 11 yrs.
- 69. Intermediate Youth Public Relations - 12 yrs. to 14 yrs.
- 70. Senior Youth Public Relations - 15 yrs. to 19 yrs.

Youth Showmanship

- 71. Junior Youth Showmanship - 7 yrs. to 11 yrs.
- 72. Intermediate Youth Showmanship - 12 yrs. to 14 yrs.
- 73. Senior Youth Showmanship - 15 yrs. to 19 yrs.

OPEN PERFORMANCE CLASSES

No Class Premiums

Rosettes to 5th Place in each Class. Rosettes and Premiums to Champion and Reserve Champions.

Llamas - Pack

- 74. Novice Pack
- 75. Advanced Pack
- 76. Master Pack

Llamas - Obstacle

- 77. Novice Obstacle
- 78. Advanced Obstacle
- 79. Master Obstacle

Llamas - Public Relations

- 80. Novice Public Relations
- 81. Advanced Public Relations
- 82. Master Public Relations

Alpacas

- 83. Open Alpaca Pack
- 84. Open Alpaca Obstacles
- 85. Open Alpaca Public Relations

Showmanship

- 86. Adult Showmanship

Performance Grand and Reserve Champions

Performance Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded in accordance with ALSA scoring/guidelines.

- a. Animals must be shown in Obstacle, Public Relations and Pack in their respective division.

Youth Performance Champions and Reserve Champions will be awarded in accordance with ALSA scoring/guidelines.

- a. Youth must enter and compete in Youth Obstacle, Youth Public Relations and Youth Pack.
- b. Youth must use the same animal for all three classes.

Performance Awards

Master Champion Performance	\$50 and Rosette
Master Reserve Champion Performance	\$35 and Rosette
Advanced Champion Performance	\$50 and Rosette
Advanced Reserve Champion Performance	\$35 and Rosette
Novice Champion Performance	\$50 and Rosette
Novice Reserve Champion Performance	\$35 and Rosette
Alpaca Champion Open Performance	\$50 and Rosette
Alpaca Reserve Champion Open Performance	\$35 and Rosette
Senior Youth Champion Performance	\$50 and Rosette
Senior Youth Reserve Champion Performance	\$35 and Rosette
Intermediate Youth Champion Performance	\$50 and Rosette
Intermediate Youth Reserve Champion Performance	\$35 and Rosette
Junior Youth Champion Performance	\$50 and Rosette
Junior Youth Reserve Champion Performance	\$35 and Rosette

Costume

Rosettes to 3rd Place. No Class Premiums.

87. Youth Costume Class

Fleece Classes

Rosettes through 3rd Place. No Class Premiums. Rosettes and Premiums to Champions and Reserve Champions. Llama Shorn Fleece classes not offered this year.

Alpaca Shorn Fleece

Alpaca does NOT need to be present. Age of Alpaca at time of shearing.

Shorn alpaca fleece entries must be showed within 12 months of shear date,

88. Shorn Huacaya Fleece - Multicolor - 5 to 12 months

89. Shorn Huacaya Fleece - Multicolor - 12 to 24 months

90. Shorn Huacaya Fleece - Multicolor - 24 months and older

91. Shorn Suri Fleece - Multicolor - 5 to 12 months
92. Shorn Suri Fleece - Multicolor - 12 to 24 months
93. Shorn Suri Fleece - Multicolor - 24 months and older

Alpaca Shorn Fleece Awards

Shorn Alpaca Fleece - Multicolor - Huacaya Champion \$50 and Rosette
 Shorn Alpaca Fleece - Multicolor - Huacaya Reserve Champion ..\$35 and Rosette
 Shorn Alpaca Fleece - Multicolor - Suri Champion \$50 and Rosette
 Shorn Alpaca Fleece - Multicolor - Suri Reserve Champion\$35 and Rosette

Llama Walking Fleece

Llama MUST be present. Classes 101 and 102 are non-ALSA classes, but are offered for those competing for the State Fair Champion. Results from classes 101 and 102 will be configured with Double Coat results for ALSA.

94. Walking Fleece (Double Coat) - under 24 months
95. Walking Fleece (Double Coat) - over 24 months
96. Walking Fleece (Single Coat) - under 24 months
97. Walking Fleece (Single Coat) - over 24 months
98. Walking Fleece (Suri Coat) - under 24 months
99. Walking Fleece (Suri Coat) - over 24 months
100. Walking Fleece (Classic Coat) - under 24 months
101. Walking Fleece (Classic Coat) - over 24 months

Llama Walking Fleece Awards

Walking Llama Fleece - Double Coat Champion \$50 and Rosette
 Walking Llama Fleece - Double Coat Reserve Champion.....\$35 and Rosette
 Walking Llama Fleece - Single Coat Champion \$50 and Rosette
 Walking Llama Fleece - Single Coat Reserve Champion.....\$35 and Rosette
 Walking Llama Fleece - Suri Coat Champion..... \$50 and Rosette
 Walking Llama Fleece - Suri Coat Reserve Champion\$35 and Rosette
 Walking Llama Fleece - Classic Coat Champion \$50 and Rosette
 Walking Llama Fleece - Classic Coat Reserve Champion\$35 and Rosette

STATE FAIR LLAMA CHAMPIONS

The State Fair Llama Champion Awards recognize the best all-around llamas in their respective gender divisions. This award category is open to all llamas participating in Novice, Advanced, or Masters Performance classes and meeting the following **State Fair Llama Champion** criteria:

Mandatory Classes

- a. Appropriate Halter class
- b. Appropriate Walking Fleece class
- c. Appropriate Performance Division: Novice, Advanced or Master (all **three** classes: Obstacle, Pack, and Public Relations classes)

State Fair Scoring

1. Scores will be based on the totals of the mandatory halter and walking fleece classes plus the best two of three performance class scores. Scoring will be based on the ALSA point chart for class placement without the extra points for Grands, Reserves or Best In Show.
2. The score in Halter, then Obstacle, then Walking Fleece, then Public Relations, then Pack will be used to break a tie.

State Fair Llama Champion Awards

State Fair Grand Champion Female Llama	\$135 and Banner
State Fair Reserve Grand Champion Female Llama	\$50 and Banner
State Fair Grand Champion Male Llama	\$135 and Banner
State Fair Reserve Grand Champion Male Llama	\$50 and Banner
State Fair Grand Champion Non-Breeder Llama	\$135 and Banner
State Fair Reserve Grand Champion Non-Breeder Llama	\$50 and Banner

STATE FAIR ALPACA CHAMPIONS

The State Fair Alpaca Champion Awards recognize the best all-around alpaca. There will be one Champion and one Reserve Champion regardless of gender due to the decreased number of eligible alpaca entrants. This award category is open to all alpacas participating in the Open Alpaca Performance classes and meeting the following **State Fair Alpaca Champion** criteria: The alpaca must compete in:

Mandatory Classes

- a. Appropriate Halter class
- b. Appropriate Shorn Fleece class
- c. Open Alpaca Performance Division (all **three** classes: Obstacle, Pack, and Public Relations classes)

State Fair Scoring

1. Scores will be based on the totals of the mandatory halter and shorn fleece classes plus the best two of three performance class scores. Scoring will be based on the ALSA point chart for class placement without the extra points for Grands, Reserves or Best In Show.
2. The score in Halter, then Obstacle, then Shorn Fleece, then Public Relations, then Pack will be used to break a tie.

State Fair Alpaca Champion Awards

State Fair Grand Champion Alpaca \$135 and Banner
State Fair Reserve Grand Champion Alpaca \$50 and Banner

SPECIAL AWARDS

These awards shall be selected by a State Fair representative.

Best Educational Camelid Exhibit Rosette

Most Creative Ranch Presentation Rosette

Premier Exhibitor Award

This award to be made to the individual winning the most ALSA points (for class placement without the extra points for Grands, Reserves or Best In Show) with their top six animals owned and exhibited by that individual in single open classes. Another exhibitor may show that individual's animals in halter if they have entered more than one animal in the same halter class.

Ties for Premier Exhibitor shall be broken by giving the award to the exhibitor ranking highest on the following list:

1. Exhibitor having the greatest number of Grand Champions
2. Exhibitor having the greatest number of Reserve Champions
3. Exhibitor having the greatest number of 1st place awards.

Premier Exhibitor Award\$150, Special Award and Rosette

Premier Youth Exhibitor Awards

The Premier Youth Exhibitor Award recognizes the best all-around youth in their respected age division. These awards to be made to the youth winning the most ALSA points in Showmanship and their best of two performance classes in their age division, as well as participation in public relations activities at Fair and the Youth Skillathon Challenge.

Mandatory

- a. Showmanship
- b. Performance Division (all **three** classes: Obstacle, Pack, and Public Relations Classes.
- c. Public Relations Activities (participation in two demonstrations and two walk-a-llama/alpaca)
- d. Youth Skillathon Challenge (competing by age divisions - points awarded for placements similar to the ALSA point system.

Ties for Premier Youth Exhibitor shall be broken by giving the award to the

youth exhibitor having the greatest number of 1st places, followed by 2nd places, and so on.

Premier Junior Youth Exhibitor\$50, Special Award and Rosette
Premier Intermediate Youth Exhibitor\$50, Special Award and Rosette
Premier Senior Youth Exhibitor\$50, Special Award and Rosette



ADMISSION & PARKING

Livestock Exhibitors Credentials

The State Fair has an exhibitor credential policy which will make additional exhibitor credentials available for a nominal fee. Each exhibitor will receive one exhibitor credential at no charge upon check-in at the Livestock Office. Credentials will be provided for the entire show period only (These will be called limited season credentials). Additional credentials may be purchased at a rate to be determined before the opening day of the Fair. These credentials may be purchased from the Box Office after obtaining an authorization form from the Livestock Office upon arrival at the Fair.

4-H leaders responsible for exhibitors and named on Exhibitor's Detailed Receipt as project leader will receive one admission credential at no charge and good for the length of the junior show. 4-H County I.D./Leader cards must be presented prior to receiving the credential.

FFA advisors will receive one admission credential good for the length of the junior show. All advisors must be approved through the CATA representative at the State Fair.

These credentials are good for the length of the Show.

Livestock Parking Permits

Each exhibitor will receive one parking permit (limit of one free per family) at no charge upon check-in at the Livestock Office. Additional parking permits may be purchased at a rate \$8.00 per day.

Parking permits DO NOT include in and out privileges. These additional permits may be purchased from the Livestock Office upon arrival at the Fair. Parking permits allow parking in designated parking lots ONLY. Parking permits must be visible in the windows of all vehicles and stock trailers on the grounds. **NOTE: A stock trailer parking area will be designated for Livestock Exhibitors. All trailers and/or trucks will be parked in this parking area. Contact the Fair office for specific information.** (Vehicles with parking permits also have access to the barn area after 10:00 pm and before 7:00 am) All vehicles must be removed from the barn area to designated parking lots by 7:00 am.

4-H leaders responsible for exhibitors will receive one limited season parking credential (limit of one per family) at no charge good for the length of the show period. 4-H County I.D./Leader cards must be presented prior to receiving the credential.

FFA advisors will receive one limited season parking credential (limit of one per family good for the length of the show period. All advisors must be approved through the CATA representative at the State Fair.

Overnight Camping

Exhibitors with campers, trailers and or motor homes, must camp in their vehicles in the R.V. Park only. There will be NO parking area without hook-ups. R.V. spaces are \$1,000 for the State Fair season, July 10 to August 9, 2026, or \$75 per day for full hook-ups with 30 or 50 AMP service.

To apply for RV Space, please complete an RV Park application and return with a rental fee to the RV Park Office - Trailer Space Rental, California Exposition and State Fair, 1600 Exposition Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95815. **All R.V. Park applications and payments must be received by June 17, 2026.**

Applications may be obtained by contacting the Cal Expo RV Park at (916) 263-3187 or rvpark@calexpo.com for further information and RV space reservations. Their hours are 8 am to 4 pm daily.

2026 GENERAL RULES

California Exposition & State Fair

General Rules are subject to any action that may cause revision or curtailment at any time before each competition or judging. Upon submission of online entry and signature on detailed receipt if applicable, the exhibitor acknowledges that they have read and understood these rules and all others of the competition in which they enter. Furthermore, exhibitors are responsible for viewing, reading and understanding all revisions or curtailments on the State Fair's website before the competition. Exhibitors may request an additional copy of the most current rules by contacting the entry office: email: entryoffice@calexpo.com.

Exhibitors Entry Responsibilities

STILL EXHIBITS

1. All submissions and information necessary to determine that the exhibit is eligible must be submitted online, uploaded if necessary, and entry fees paid by Visa or MasterCard by the entry deadline.

It shall be the responsibility of the exhibitors to correct all deficiencies in connection with entries or exhibiting which are required of them by the rules printed in the Competition Guide.

Entries will not be judged if deficiencies have not been cleared or fees paid.

LIVESTOCK & AG MECHANICS

2. All signatures and information necessary to determine that the exhibit is eligible must be submitted online for Junior Livestock, Open Livestock, Best of Show and Small Animals.

All Livestock, Small Animal, Best of Show and Ag Mechanics exhibitors will be required to submit a Detailed Receipt with all required signatures within one week of the entry deadline.

It shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor to correct all deficiencies in connection with entries or exhibiting which are required of them by the rules printed in the Competition Guide.

A deficiency penalty of \$20 per entry must be paid for any deficiency or fees which have not been paid by July 1 for Livestock and Small Animals, this includes not returning the detailed receipt by the due date.

Entries will not be judged if the detailed receipt is not received.

This rule shall apply to all equine shows with a requirement for their fees, forms, and signatures being submitted by the entry deadline date within each equine section of any competition guide.

ENTRY LIMIT

3. The State Fair management shall reserve the right to limit entries displayed and/or exhibited to facilities available and may limit the number of entries made by an exhibitor.

Entries may also be limited or not displayed based on size, content, subject material, or for any reason determined not in the best interest of the California State Fair.

Any return of entries under this rule will be done at the sole discretion of the State Fair management.

OWNERSHIP OF ENTRY

4. Unless specific provisions are otherwise made in the Competition Guide (printed or on the web), exhibitors must be the bona-fide owner of their entries.

The management may demand such proof of ownership as it deems necessary in each case.

EXHIBITOR LIABILITY

5. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury or damage done to, or occasioned by, or arising from, any animal or article exhibited by him/her.

Exhibitor agrees to indemnify, and hold harmless, the State of California, California Exposition & State Fair and all officers, agents, and employees thereof from all claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses, or liability costs suits or actions of every name, kind and description, brought forth from or on account of, injuries to death of any person including but not limited to workers, and the public, or damage to property resulting from the performance of the exhibitor or entries.

Neither party shall request apportionment of liability by a jury.

NO GUARANTEE

6. The State Fair cannot guarantee that all exhibition requirements of an entry can be provided (i.e., electricity, a showcase, a pedestal, special lighting, special location, total space requirements, water source, computer services, or any other special requirements).

DIVISION/CLASS CANCELLATION

7. The State Fair management reserves the right to return entries and cancel any division or class in which, in its judgment, the entries are insufficient to secure adequate competition.

ENTRY ERRORS

8. State Fair management is not responsible for finding errors in entries.
9. Exhibitors are responsible for any and all errors which were submitted online.
10. No exhibitor shall be entitled to an award which has been disallowed as the result of his own error.
11. The State Fair management shall withhold the payment of awards for exhibits that are ineligible and may recover awards that have been paid for ineligible entries that are disclosed during post audits of State Fair records. However, exhibitors with a cause are entitled to question the validity of any disallowance. Such exhibitors should inform the State Fair management immediately, in writing, giving their name, address, complete description of the entry and the reason for requesting reconsideration. Requests will not be considered later than ninety (90) days after receiving notice of disallowance.

SUBSTITUTION

12. Substitutions may be made in still exhibits only in the same division of the original entry of the original exhibitor, and may be made only if completed by the entry delivery date.
13. Substitutions for livestock must be in the same division of the original entry by the original exhibitor.
14. Substitutions must be made at the time of check-in to avoid penalty.
15. Fees may apply for substitutions in excess of two per division.
16. The State Fair or the judge may disqualify or transfer to the correct division or class any entry which is not a true representative of the division or class in which it is entered.

PREVIOUSLY ENTERED ENTRY

17. Any non-animal (still exhibit) entry that has been exhibited at a previous California State Fair is not eligible for entry in the 2026 California State Fair.

VERIFICATION

18. Online submissions will receive a confirmation once entries are submitted.

RESPONSIBILITY

19. The State Fair shall not be responsible for exhibits remaining on the fairgrounds after designated release times.
20. All Still Exhibits or display elements remaining on the fairgrounds after designated release time will be treated as abandoned property and will be disposed of on or before September 1 of the same year.

REMOVAL OF ENTRIES

21. An exhibitor may not remove his or her entry from the California State Fair once it has been accepted.
22. **Judged or Accepted:** Entries must be on exhibit at the official opening of the State Fair or at any other time specified in the Competition Guide and shall not be removed from the fairgrounds prior to the release date printed in the guide, except (at the discretion of the State Fair management) in cases of positive evidence of sickness, accident and/or death, or other circumstances that are in the best interests of the State Fair.

DISHONORED CHECKS

23. A penalty of \$25.00 per dishonored check must be paid if a check for payment of entry fees or other applicable fees is refused by the bank. Only cash, certified check or money orders are acceptable for the penalty payment.

ENTRY FEES

24. Entry Fees are NON-REFUNDABLE.

LATE ENTRIES

25. Late Entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the California State Fair under the following conditions:
 - a. Late Entries will **NOT be accepted** for **California Crafts, Fine Art, Student Showcase, Photography, Canning & Baking, and County Fair Best of Show Master Showmanship**.
 - b. If the department accepts late entries, the completed entry form(s) and other completed required forms, signatures and full payment for all required fees must arrive at the California State Fair Entry Office

(by Certified Mail, Hand Delivery or Electronically) no later than five calendar days after the official entry deadline requirement of the competition.

For example, if the Official Entry Deadline is June 17, the last day and time a late entry may be eligible would be June 22 at 4:00 pm. If late entries arrive after 4:00 pm on that fifth day, they will NOT be considered.

- c. Open **Livestock Late Entries** will be accepted until July 8, 2026, with **an additional \$100 per entry**. Payment must be received no later than 5 pm on July 8, 2026.
- d. Extended Entry Deadline for Open Boer Goats, NDGA Nigerian Dwarf Goats and Open Pygmy Goat Shows will be July 8.
- e. All late entries must be accompanied with the entry fee as listed within the program in addition to a **late fee of \$20 per entry for all Junior Livestock and Open Livestock** entries and a **late fee of \$10 per entry for non-livestock competitions and small animals** (Small Animals and dogs). Acceptable forms of payment are Visa, Master Card, check or money order.
- f. Exhibitors who are already entered as exhibitors may add additional entries as long as the animal is already entered by paying a \$100 late fee plus the original entry fee.
- g. No entries will be accepted beyond the capacity of the facility.
- h. All other entry requirements as well as any rules, regulations and schedules shall apply.
- i. No entry is a guarantee of acceptance and it is the exhibitor's responsibility to confirm that the State Fair has accepted any and all entries.
- j. The California State Fair expressly reserves the right to reject any and all entry forms for any reason whatsoever.

DESIGN

- 26. The California State Fair assumes total design control over the presentation of the exhibits.
- 27. Entries designed for hanging and not so equipped will be hung in a manner deemed appropriate by the State Fair.
- 28. No exhibit changes will be made once the entries have been displayed.
- 29. Once an entry has been received by the State Fair, no further handling of

- entry by exhibitor shall be permitted.
30. Relocation and final placement shall be accomplished by State Fair personnel.
 31. Entries requiring assembly/disassembly must include detailed instructions and sketches for assembly/disassembly.
 32. Instructions should indicate lifting points, unsecured parts and any other information required for such handling. Where necessary bank pins will be utilized to attach exhibits for display.

JUNIORS ENTERING SENIOR DEPARTMENT

33. All divisions and classes within Junior Departments are intended for Juniors exclusively. Entry into the Junior Department is regulated by age and youth organization requirements as outlined in this competition guide. In no case may a person, group or organization outside of these age requirements (younger or older) be allowed to enter and compete in the Junior department.
34. However, Juniors may elect to enter, exhibit and compete (animal or non-animal) in the Senior Department when the rules of that department, division or class allow for such. Such entries shall be restricted to:
 - a. A class for the exhibit that is not provided in the Junior Department.
 - b. Junior Livestock Exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Livestock Show are eligible to compete in the Open Show as long as the same exhibit/animal is entered and shown in the Junior Show and the same exhibit/animal is entered and meets all Open Division entry deadlines and guidelines.
 - c. Open classes or divisions that allow for the participation of Juniors due to the open competition being a specialty, feature, regional or national show sanctioned by the State Fair and/or recognized organization. In this case, the Junior exhibitor must also enter and compete (with the same exhibit) in the current year's Junior department, division, class offered for the exhibit. This provision must be printed specifically within the rules of the feature show within this guide.
35. Anyone under the age of 18 who meets the California State Fair age requirements and is planning to exhibit in a Senior department must have their parent or legal guardian sign their detailed receipt.
36. If the exhibitor is required to be on the fairgrounds, the Junior must be supervised by their parent or legal guardian while at the State Fair.

37. Exhibit animals owned in partnership between Seniors and Juniors shall not affect Junior's eligibility when the Senior partner is the exhibitor.

STATE FAIR EMPLOYEE PARTICIPATION

38. No employee of the State Fair will be permitted to enter an exhibit for competition. No person shall be an exhibitor or sign an entry form as an agent in any Division or Department in which the exhibitor is a department head, judge, or paid employee.

Disqualification

ENTRY DISQUALIFICATIONS/TRANSFERS

39. A complete exhibit eligible in more than one Division and/or Class shall be entered and judged only in the Division and/or Class for which it best qualifies.
40. The State Fair or the judge may disqualify or transfer to the correct Class (at his/her discretion) any exhibit which is not a true representative of the Division or Class in which it is entered.

It is not, however, the responsibility of the State Fair or judges to transfer an entry to the correct Division and/or Class.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

41. The State Fair management shall reserve the right to vacate, declare ineligible for competition, and/or order the removal of any entry which is not in the best interest of the State Fair, is unsightly, unhealthy, injured, lame, unsound, endangers public safety, violates the State Fair's Animal Welfare Policies, or has been entered in violation of these rules and regulations.
42. In the event, an entry or an exhibitor is disqualified for any rule or policy violation (including but not limited to practices or procedures that are unethical, those in violation of the State Fair's Residue Avoidance Program, DNA Testing Program and those not adhering to the State Fair's schedule for the program), any or all of the following actions may take place:
- a. The entry or exhibitor that is disqualified will be declared ineligible and will not receive awards, premium money and/or any sale proceeds. Further, the exhibitor shall be responsible for payment of any fees, fines due or costs incurred by the State as a result of disqualification.
 - b. The owner/exhibitor and members of his/her immediate family will not

be eligible to compete in subsequent California State Fair Programs. The extent and degree of future eligibility shall be determined by State Fair Management.

- c. State Fair Management reserves the right (but does not guarantee) to move entries up in placing after judging has taken place when an award void is created by a disqualification.
- This process of moving up judged entries shall only take place, however, when it is clear what the judge's placing would have been had the disqualified entry not been in competition.
 - For example, when a Champion is disqualified, the Reserve shall move up and be named the Champion; however, no other changes shall take place below the Reserve Champion. The same shall apply in the case of a class, section or division winner when a 2nd place has been clearly indicated by the judge.
 - If it is not possible to clearly determine a new placing, no change shall take place.
 - When a placing change does take place the entry moving up will receive all the awards, appropriate titles and all premiums of the disqualified entry but will not receive any of the original placing awards or premiums won in the second category. In other words, 2nd place will now receive 1st money and "no" entry will receive 2nd money.

COOPERATION

43. Exhibitors, their immediate family, leaders, advisors and agents thereof, not cooperating with security personnel or any other State Fair officials in all matters of policy, including but not limited to parking, stall/pen/space assignments and appearance, judging and/or animal care will have their entries canceled and will be ordered to remove their exhibit from the grounds immediately and forfeit all awards, premium monies, and sale proceeds. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in being banned from the State Fair.

PUBLIC DISTURBANCES

44. Exhibitors causing public disturbances, those who are uncooperative and/or unsportsmanlike, those not following good animal welfare practices as determined by management, or those found in violation of rules or in practices unethical or inimical with the State Fair program and/or policies/procedures shall be penalized by forfeiture of premiums awarded, any

and all awards, payments of fines and/or damages to State Property, privileges, and/or disqualification at this or subsequent State Fairs as may be deemed appropriate by the State Fair Management and/or the Board of Directors.

Further, if the exhibitor and/or exhibitor's adult supervisor, parent or family member's actions are deemed to be illegal, inhumane or unethical to livestock; the proper authorities will be notified for further investigation by those agencies for possible prosecution and/or civil penalties.

PROBATION

45. Any exhibitor found in violation of any rule may be placed on probation for one year or longer if State Fair management deems appropriate.

Judging

JUDGING

46. The judge(s) shall award first, second or third place, etc., according to merit and if without merit the judge shall make no award under any circumstances. This rule applies whether there are one or more entries in the class.

JUDGE/EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

47. No person shall act as a judge in any Division in which he/she or a member of his/her immediate family is an exhibitor, is in charge of an exhibit or division, in charge of a group of exhibitors, or is a member of a group of exhibitors.

JUDGE/FRATERNIZATION/CRITICISM

48. Judges should avoid unnecessary fraternization with exhibitors. No person shall be allowed, under any circumstances, to interfere with the judge, or judges, during their adjudications, or with the State Fair's staff, or to offer any criticism of any exhibit of another.

Violators of this rule shall be excluded immediately from the judging area and competition and be subject to such additional penalties, including cancellations of awards, as the State Fair management shall consider appropriate.

49. No exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any one class. This rule shall have no bearing on consideration in the placing of entries by judges. Ribbons shall be presented in the order of placing by the judges.

The management shall, however, pay third money to the fourth winner, etc., when the third winner is prohibited from receiving third cash award under the provisions of this rule. (Any entry or exhibit in which one or more members of the family described above has a financial interest shall be included in the limitation of not more than two cash awards per class.)

50. Management reserves the right to combine or to divide classes in a manner it deems necessary in order to assure adequate competition.

In the event of a show change, as a result of this rule, or where classes are established after the close of entries, premiums and awards will be distributed, divided or eliminated in a manner as deemed necessary by State Fair Management.

JUDGE'S DECISION

51. The judge's decision is final.
52. The judge's decision cannot be protested.

CHIEF JUDGE POLICY

53. A Chief Judge will be assigned by the State Fair, for still exhibits only, to mediate in the event there is a conflict during the judging process. All decisions of the Chief Judge shall be final and may not be protested.

PROTESTS

54. **For still exhibits and horse only** - Any protest must be submitted in writing and given to the State Fair's staff member responsible for the Competitive Program in question within 24 hours of the time of the cause of the protest.

Protests must be based on a violation of rules, and you must reference the rule in your protest. The judge's decisions on awards cannot be protested.

No protest shall be considered by the management unless accompanied by a deposit of \$300.00 (Cash, money order or certified check).

The deposit shall be forfeited if the protest is not upheld.

Protests shall be adjudicated by State Fair management.

State Fair management will consult with a member of the California State Fair Board of Directors who shall be designated by the Chairman of the Board.

The decision of State Fair Management shall be final and unappealable. See special livestock rules for protests in the Livestock Program.

55. Under no circumstances will any entry which has been previously judged be “rejudged” due to the disqualification or removal or another entry.

Awards

SPECIAL AWARDS

56. Special Awards contributed by businesses or individuals are offered in some California State Fair Competitive Programs. These Special Awards are the obligation of the contributor/donor. The California State Fair is not responsible for redemption of these awards.

TAX LAWS

57. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to investigate and adhere to State and Federal tax laws/regulations regarding premiums paid, and awards received.

As an out-of-state payee who earns \$1500 or more, Cal Expo must withhold 7.5% for State taxes.

You may request an exemption or a reduction of this withholding by filling out and submitting the Nonresident Withholding Waiver Request, California Form 588.

PREMIUM AWARDS

58. Awards, ribbons, tags or cards have no value as payment. Premiums are paid only from the records of the judges’ sheets.
59. Premium checks will be issued as soon as auditing, drug testing, if applicable, and processing can be completed. If checks are not received by November 15, please phone or write the State Fair.
60. Checks must be **cashed within six months** of the date of issue.
61. Exhibitors have until December 31 of the same year, to claim checks returned to the State Fair. Checks will not be reissued after this date.

Age Requirements

JUNIOR EXHIBITORS MEMBERSHIP AGE AND AFFILIATION REQUIREMENTS

62. Juniors who have been 4-H, FFA or Grange project members within 60 days (120 days for horse and market beef) prior to the fair are not eligible to compete in that project as Independent exhibitors or enter project(s) under a different organization. (Please refer to 4-H/FFA/Grange/ Fairs & Expositions Youth Agreement at <https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/fairsandexpositions/> for more information).

If, however, the project or entry was not produced or conducted under the supervision of the organization, the Junior must enter as an Independent Junior for that project or entry.

Example: If a 4-H member wishes to enter a Market Lamb competition and the Youth Canning & Baking competition, in a situation where they are only enrolled in a 4-H Sheep project, the entry is as follows: Enter 4-H for the Market Lamb competition and Independent Junior for the Canning & Baking competition (even though the exhibitor is a 4-H member, the baked goods project was not produced or conducted under the supervision of the organization).

63. Non-designated “Junior” shows or divisions: If a show or division offered is not specified as 4-H or FFA, Junior exhibitors who are enrolled in a 4-H or FFA project relating to that show or division must still enter as members of their respective organizations and follow all applicable rules and regulations of the department.
64. All 4-H exhibitors must be 9 years old by December 31, 2025, and not be older than 19 years old as of December 31, 2025. Exhibitors must also meet age and membership requirements of their organizations when entering as a member of an organization. Exhibitors must also meet the ownership and all other requirements of the competition to be eligible for entry.

INDEPENDENT JUNIOR AND GRANGE AGE REQUIREMENTS

(Rules 65-68 apply to Indoor non-animal Exhibits only.)

65. Independent Junior and Grange exhibitors may enter California State Fair classes and divisions in indoor (Still Exhibit) competitions if they are 5 years old as of January 1, 2026.
66. Independent exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 18 years of age.
67. Grange exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age. Exhibitors must meet the ownership and all other requirements of the competition to be eligible for entry.
68. Independent Still Exhibit Exhibitors: Persons, who are “not” 4-H, FFA or Grange members may enter the Junior competitions provided they meet age requirements for youth exhibitors in the competition they are entering. Exhibitors who enter Independent of an organization must not be older than 18 years old as of January 1, 2026.

FFA AGE REQUIREMENTS

69. FFA members must be enrolled in a state-approved agricultural education program at their school to participate as an FFA exhibitor and may participate as members as early as entering into the seventh grade, until the end of the calendar year following the year of graduation from high school.

INDEPENDENT AND GRANGE ANIMAL EXHIBITORS

70. Persons who are “not” 4-H or FFA members may enter the Junior Livestock Show provided they meet age requirements for animal exhibitors at the State Fair.

These Independent and Grange exhibitors shall enter 4-H or FFA classes as follows:

- a. Independent and Grange Junior exhibitors who are 13 years of age or under (as of show day) shall compete in the appropriate 4-H divisions only.
- b. Independent and Grange Junior exhibitors who are 14 years of age (as of show day) or are incoming freshmen in high school shall be placed by State Fair Management in either 4-H or FFA divisions.
- c. Independent Junior exhibitors are eligible to enter 4-H or FFA Showmanship. Independent Juniors are not eligible for County or Chapter Groups or Outstanding Exhibitor.

MEMBER STANDING AND OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

71. Juniors who are members of 4-H, FFA or Grange must be in good standing with their organization and projects entered as such must have been conducted under the supervision of the organization and must be owned by the exhibitor (unless otherwise stated).

ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONS

72. Any questions as to the eligibility of an entry shall be determined by the exhibitor’s advisor (for 4-H, FFA or Grange), instructor (for Student Showcase) or parent or guardian (for Independent Juniors). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the State Fair shall make the final determination of eligibility in all cases.

4-H AGE REQUIREMENTS

73. The levels of membership for 4-H are aged based. Each level is defined as follows:

- a. **Primary Level:** Must be 5 years old as of December 31, 2025. Primary membership ends when members qualify as junior members. Exhibitors who are under nine years of age on or before December 31, 2025, are not eligible to compete in animal competitions at the California State Fair.
- b. **Junior, Intermediate & Senior:** Must be 9 years old by December 31, 2025. Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.
- c. **Home Schooled Children:** Age criteria, as listed in 1 and 2, only will apply to home-schooled children. A grade level will not be a consideration. (Exhibitors who are under 9 years of age as of December 31, 2025, are not eligible to compete in animal competitions at the California State Fair.)

INDEPENDENT JUNIOR AND GRANGE AGE REQUIREMENTS

(This rule applies to Animal Exhibitors)

- 74. Independent Junior and Grange animal exhibitors must be 9 years old as of January 1, 2026, and are eligible to compete through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age. Independent Juniors and Grange exhibitors shall enter 4-H or FFA animal classes.

NO DUAL AFFILIATION IN COMPETITION

- 75. Under no circumstances may an exhibitor show the same species or project in more than one Division of the Junior Department.

ADULT SUPERVISION REQUIREMENT

- 76. All Junior exhibitors, required to be on the State Fairgrounds, must be accompanied and supervised by an adult while on the State Fairgrounds. Instructors, advisors, leaders and other adults in charge of Junior exhibitors shall be responsible for their conduct at all times.

FFA SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS

- 77. All FFA exhibitors entered as such must be supervised by their agricultural instructor.

Any deviation from this rule must be taken up with the State Agriculture Education unit representative in charge.

The CATA Curricular Activities Code shall govern the conduct and eligibility of FFA exhibitors and their projects.

UNIFORMS

78. Uniform requirements for Independent youth shall be the same as required for 4-H and FFA members excluding insignia.

The official show uniform for animal exhibitors at the California State Fair will be white pants, trousers or dress and a white blouse or shirt.

79. No exhibit owned by a chapter or club, or conducted, as a joint project by two or more individuals is eligible in the Junior Department unless the division/class specifically states.

FREE SPEECH ACTIVITIES GUIDELINE

80. The California Exposition & State Fair (Cal Expo) hereby finds that these guidelines are intended to set forth in writing Cal Expo's long-standing policy governing the conduct of Cal Expo employees and exhibitors, as well as members of the public, under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article I of the California Constitution, on Cal Expo's grounds.

These guidelines are not intended to enlarge upon nor create any rights guaranteed by existing law nor waive any defense or rights available to Cal Expo, nor do they represent any admission that the facilities of Cal Expo are open as a public forum.

It is the policy of Cal Expo to allow within the parameters set forth herein, reasonable access to its grounds and designated free speech expression zones for demonstrations for free speech activity as allowed by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article I to the California Constitution.

For further information regarding Free Speech Activities at the California Exposition & State Fair please write to:

Chief of Police, California Exposition & State Fair
1600 Exposition Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95815

81. Should contractors, associations, clubs or individuals desire to arrange for beverages and food service, all such arrangements must be coordinated through Oak View Group Hospitality, the State's Master Food & Beverage Contractor. **No exceptions.**

Contractor shall be responsible for expenses related to these services if any. Alcoholic beverage service areas/facilities will only be allowed in designated locations. Only persons 21 years or older will be allowed to consume alcoholic beverages. Further, no alcoholic beverages may be brought onto the grounds. These products may only be acquired at OVG permitted locations on the grounds. Individuals that endanger themselves or others will be reported to authorities.

DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply to this guide

American System of Judging: Each entry in a class is judged in comparison to the other entries in the class. Entries are placed first, second, third, etc. according to relative merit. There will be no more than one first, second, third, etc. per class.

Danish System of Judging: Each entry in a class is judged on its own merit. Entries are placed first, second, third, etc., depending on points received based on the score card. There may be more than one first, second, third, etc. per class.

Senior Departments: California Fine Art, California Crafts, Canning & Baking, Photography, Commercial Wine, Commercial Craft Brew, Home Brew, California Cheese, California Olive Oil, Open Livestock by species and Open Small Animals by species.

Junior Departments: Youth Canning & Baking, Student Showcase, Ag Mechanics, Junior Livestock by species and Junior Small Animals by species.

Senior/Open Exhibitor: An exhibitor who is no longer eligible to be a Junior Exhibitor or enter a Junior Department.

Junior Exhibitor: An exhibitor who is a member of 4-H, FFA, Grange, or an Independent Youth Exhibitor who meets the requirements of Independent Junior divisions offered. See the specific show and General Rules for exceptions to this definition.

Entry Office: The California State Fair Entry Office is located at 1600 Exposition Blvd., Sacramento. Contact may be made by phone, mail, email or personal contact. Questions regarding competitions may also be directed to the Entry Office. (916) 263-3149 - entryoffice@calexpo.com.

Still Exhibits: All competitive exhibits which are typically indoor and not involving animals, such as art, quilts, foods, crafts, sewing, metalwork, jewelry, graphics, drafting, sciences, etc.

Livestock & Small Animals: All competitive exhibits which animals are the entry; such as beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, goats, llamas, cavies, rabbits, poultry, dogs, etc.

Online Entry: Commitment to enter and abide by rules.

Detailed Receipt: An official form used in submitting an entry/exhibit in the California State Fair. The Detailed Receipt is only required for Open and Junior Livestock, Small Animals, Best of Show and Ag Mechanic exhibitors.

Entry Fees: A fee charged to enter a competition. All entry fees must be paid online when entries are submitted.

Entry/Exhibit: Terms used to define the item entered in the competition or contest.

Entrant/Exhibitor: Terms used to define the person entering the competition.

Premium: A cash award is given to winners of the competition.

Department: Competition you wish to enter, i.e., California Crafts, Fine Art, Student Showcase, etc. which is comprised of similar shows.

Shows: Generalized sections of the competition.

Division: Categories within a show.

Class: Specific categories within a division.

Competition Guide: a printed or electronic (web) book, prospectus, or flyer which contains information for entry into the California State Fair competitions. Competition Guides can be a printed document or as an electronic document found on the California Exposition & State Fair website CalExpoStateFair.com.

Bona-fide Ownership of Exhibit - ownership is the state or fact of exclusive rights and control over property considered an entry or exhibit. This definition includes livestock, small animals, and horses although not limited to that type of property. Objects/products created or produced are also included as well as intellectual property. Proof of such ownership may be required by management.