

**SUMMARY OF RULES FOR 2018 HUERFANO COUNTY FAIR AND**  
**CONSIGNMENT LIVESTOCK SALE**

**AGE REQUIREMENTS:** The Junior Class will be exhibitors ages 8 through 10 as of **December 31<sup>st</sup> 2018**. The Intermediate Class will be exhibitors ages 11 through 13 as of **December 31st of 2018**. Seniors are exhibitors 14-18 as of **December 31<sup>st</sup> 2018**. At the discretion of the Fair Board or the superintendent, the Intermediate class may be eliminated and the Junior Class will be ages 8 through 13 and the Senior Class will be 14-18. These age breakdowns are for Showmanship classes only.

**BEDDING:**

Cattle, sheep and goats may be bedded in wood chips or straw. Exhibitors may provide carpet, matting or wood pellets as bedding on the sand or concrete. Pellets or matting is required in the Hog Barn. The exhibitor must provide all bedding material. Exhibitors are required to clean their animal stall areas prior to exiting the facilities at the conclusion of the Fair.

**ENTRY FEES:**

Entry fees will be paid at the rate of **\$15.00** per exhibitor. Checks are to be made to Huerfano County Fair Board. Fees are to be paid by July 15<sup>th</sup> of each year to the Fair Board. Failure to pay fees by the deadline will result in disqualification from the fair.

**NUMBER OF ANIMALS ALLOWED:**

Each 4-H & FFA member is allowed only **three** market animals per species at the Fair. Each exhibitor may weigh in more than two market animals per species on the first designated weigh in date, however only two market animals of a particular species will be allowed to be shown and stalled. Breeding animals have no limit as to the number of animals exhibited at the Fair.

**DRESS CODE FOR ALL EXHIBITORS:**

All exhibitors must adhere to the following dress code when showing or selling their animals. In general, appropriate western attire. ***Horse show participants must refer to the State Horse Show rules and dress code for specifics in their projects.***

1. All exhibitors must wear button up shirts with long or elbow length sleeves.
  - a. Shirts not covering the **entire torso** or with cut outs will not be allowed in the show or sale ring.
2. All exhibitors must wear full length pants.
  - a. No baggie pants showing undergarments will be allowed in the show or sale ring.
  - b. Frayed bottoms and pants with excessive wear are discouraged.
3. All exhibitors must wear shoes covering the entire foot.
  - a. No sandals or shoes with toe or heel openings will be allowed in the show or sale ring. Exception to this rule is the dog show.
  - b. Tennis shoes will not be allowed in the show or sale ring.
  - c. No hats allowed in the **show or** sale ring.
4. The Fair Board could reprimand any exhibitor not following the above dress code. No exceptions to the above dress code will be allowed.

#### **REQUIREMENTS TO SHOW AND SELL AN ANIMAL:**

1. All exhibitors must be enrolled in a project in Huerfano County prior to the add/drop deadline. Huerfano County FFA members must also declare the animals they will show at the fair by the add/drop deadline.
  - a. No member shall exhibit and or sell an animal at two county fairs in the same calendar year.
2. All exhibitors must present all animals (market and breeding) along with a completed COOL form for each animal and a Housing Form for all projects, on the designated weigh and check in date for that species. You must, at time of weigh in, be enrolled in 4-H or FFA. All market animals must be ear tagged and/or tattooed at the designated weigh and check in. These same animals must be presented at Fair weigh in.
  - a. In the event that a tag is inadvertently lost from the animal, you **must immediately** contact your species superintendent or a Fair Board member to receive instructions for retagging.
  - b. You must have the original tag for the animal. This tag must be presented to a Fair Board member for inspection.
  - c. Tags appearing to have been tampered with will deem that animal ineligible for show and/or sale.
  - d. Failure to comply with a., b., or c. above will result in disqualification for show/sale.
3. The exhibitor must accompany his/her animal into the show ring in order for the animal to be placed and qualify for the sale.
  - a. In the event that the exhibitor has two animals in the same show class; that exhibitor may have another Huerfano County 4-H or FFA member show one of their animals.
  - b. In the event of injury to a 4-H or FFA member, the exhibitor must obtain permission from the Fair Board to have another Huerfano County 4-H or FFA member show and or sell his or her animal or animals.

- c. For any other reasons that the exhibitor cannot show his or her animal or animals, Fair Board permission must be obtained prior to the day of show. (i.e. - family emergency)
4. Any animal not exhibited through the show ring will not be eligible for the sale.
5. The Sale Manager will provide buyer's tickets for you to sign and distribute with your personal invitation.
6. No notes will be given to the Auctioneer during the sale pertaining to the person selling.
7. Any animal that may constitute a **risk to the well being of people or other animals will not** be allowed to remain on the Fair Grounds and therefore not be allowed to participate in the show and sale.
  - a. If the animal is found to be a risk to the well being of people, other animals or itself it will be removed from the Fair Grounds immediately.
  - b. The Fair Board and the Division Superintendent have the decision in this matter.
8. Sick animals will not be allowed in any of the competitions.
  - a. If, in the judgment of the Fair Board an animal displays symptoms of a serious illness, the animal will not be allowed on the Fair Grounds without a written statement from a licensed Veterinarian.
  - b. The written statement from the Veterinarian must be presented to the Fair Board, certifying the animal in question as healthy.
  - c. The Fair Board and the Division Superintendent have the decision in this matter.
9. In the event any project animal, that has met the weigh/check in and tagging qualifications, has contracted a serious illness/injury or has died, the exhibitor has the right to replace that animal under the following guidelines.
  - a. The exhibitor must make the request to the Fair Board within 10 days of the incident.
  - b. The exhibitor must present proof of the death or injury to any Fair Board member and/or obtain a written statement from a licensed Veterinarian.
  - c. The deadline for animal replacement is on or before July 29<sup>th</sup> of that Fair year.
  - d. The Fair Board and the Division Superintendent have the decision in this matter.
10. A 4-H or FFA member is allowed to sell two animals at the Huerfano County Fair Livestock Consignment Sale but can sell only one animal per species.
  - a. The member may sell for example 1 pig and 1 sheep but not 2 sheep.
  - b. By exhibiting an animal at the fair, all eligible animals will be consigned to the sale.
11. The decision of the Fair Board is final.
12. All market animals must be stalled in the 4-H Fair building facilities.

### **SENIOR EXHIBITORS:**

Senior exhibitors are ages 14 through 18 as of **December 31<sup>st</sup> of 2018**.

1. Senior exhibitors are not allowed any parental or professional assistance in grooming of animals for show or sale.
2. Senior exhibitors may receive assistance from another senior exhibitor of Huerfano County.

3. Senior members must care for their animals (i.e. feeding, watering and cleaning of pens) while on the fair grounds.
  - a. In the event a member is unable to provide care, said member must have another 4-H or FFA member of Huerfano County, care for that animal.
  - b. Parents/relatives are not allowed to do chores.

#### **INTERMEDIATE EXHIBITORS:**

Intermediate exhibitors are ages 11 through 13 as of **December 31<sup>st</sup> 2018.**

1. Intermediate exhibitors are allowed assistance in the grooming of animals for show or sale by immediate family members or other Huerfano County 4H/FFA exhibitors.
2. Intermediate exhibitors are allowed assistance by immediate family members in the daily care of the animal. (I.e. watering, feeding, cleaning of pens)
  - a. Parents, immediate family members or 4H/FFA members may help, but the intermediate member must be present and helping to the best of their ability.

#### **JUNIOR EXHIBITORS:**

Junior exhibitors are ages 8 through 10 (if there is no Intermediate division ages 8-13) as of **December 31<sup>st</sup> 2018.**

1. Junior exhibitors are allowed assistance in the grooming of animals for show or sale by immediate family members or other Huerfano County 4H/FFA exhibitors.
2. Junior Exhibitors are allowed assistance by immediate family members in the daily care of the animal. (i.e. watering, feeding, cleaning of pens)
  - a. Parents, immediate family members or 4H/FFA members may help but the junior member must be present and helping to the best of their ability.

#### **RELEASE OF ANIMALS:**

1. All animals, with the exception of horses, will remain on display until the conclusion of the sale unless there are extenuating circumstances and approved by Fair Board.
2. At the conclusion of the Fair and Sale, each exhibitor is expected to clean their respective stall or stalls as much as possible. The show superintendent will release any animal that will not be sold, from the barn after their respective shows.
3. All sale animals will be released to the shipping trucks Monday morning after the sale. Animals should be fed Sunday evening. All feeding equipment may be picked up at the fair barn Monday afternoon.
4. Exhibitor will have **one week** to clean their stall areas. If the Fair Board and/or the division superintendent deem the stall area or pen has not been adequately cleaned the exhibitors sales check will be held until cleaning is done.

- a. **Fair Board will not be held responsible for any buckets, feed bowls, rakes etc that are left on the grounds. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to keep track of their belongings.**

#### **LIVESTOCK RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

The following is a summary of regulations concerning the checking in and showing of livestock.

**Each animal will be weighed one time and one time only.**

**When a weight is assigned to your animal and it leaves the scales, that weight determination will be final.**

**You will NOT be allowed to re-weigh that animal.**

**The scale master's call is final and written documentation of the weight will be provided to the member.**

**LIVESTOCK DIVISIONS: THERE WILL NO LONGER BE A GENERAL AND LOCAL LIVESTOCK CLASS.**

**SPIECIES WILL BE BROKEN DOWN BY THEIR WEIGH AND PUT INTO THE APPORRIATE CLASSES.**

#### **SHOWMANSHIP**

Showmanship will be mandatory with each species of animal being exhibited at Fair, this includes breeding projects.

1. Exhibitor **will not** be allowed to sell an animal in the market sale if they did not participate in Showmanship for that species.
2. You must show your own animal in the showmanship class. The superintendent will check ID tags.
3. Market and Breeding classes will take place before showmanship classes.
4. Grand Champion Showman of each class will have the opportunity of moving forward to Round Robin Showmanship for large animals and Small Animal Showmanship for small animals.
  - a. In the event the Grand Champion does not wish to or is not able to move forward to Round Robin the Reserve Champion will be offered the opportunity.

#### **BEEF**

1. Market animals are weighed in and tagged during the specified time on the first Saturday in March of the Fair year. A Market Beef can be either a steer or heifer.
2. To qualify for the show and sale, market beef cannot exceed 24 months of age.
3. Any beef weighing less than 1000 pounds **will not** be allowed to sell.
4. Any beef weighing less than 1000 pounds will be shown in a feeder class and **will not be eligible for the Championship class.**
5. No extra control devices will be allowed in the show or sale ring (i.e. nose rings).
  - a. A temporary Nose ring will be allowed for control and safety in the event of a Bull being brought as a Breeding project.

6. All animals must be show finished.

7. Breeding Beef will be groomed to show/class standards.

## **SHEEP**

1. Market sheep must be weighed and tagged during the specified time on the first Saturday in May of the Fair year.

2. Market lambs must be ewes or wethers.

3. Market lambs must have their milk teeth at time of fair.

4. No ram lambs will be tagged as a market animal.

5. Any lamb weighing less than 100 pounds will not be allowed to sell.

6. Any lamb weighing under 100 pounds will be shown in a feeder class and not be eligible for the Championship class.

7. Market lambs must be slick shorn (wool no longer than ¼ inch) and dry prior to weigh in at Fair.

8. All animals must be show finished

9. Intermediate & Senior showman will not be permitted in the show ring while using halters.

## **GOATS**

1. Market goats must weigh in during the specified time on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in May of the fair year.

2. Market goats must weigh a minimum of 55 pounds to be eligible for sale.

3. Male goats must be a wether by time of weigh-in and a doe may be shown in the market class but cannot also be exhibited in the breeding class that project year.

4. Market goats must have their milk teeth at the time of Fair.

5. Market goats not weighing 55 pounds will show in a feeder class.

6. Market goats must be show clipped, dry and the horns tipped prior to fair weigh in.

7. All animals must be show finished

8. Intermediate & Senior showman will not be permitted in the show ring while using halters.

9. Breeding Goats will be washed, dried and blocked.

10. Breeding Goats will be shown with a show chain.

## **SWINE**

1. All swine projects must be weighed in and tagged during the specified time on the first Saturday in May of the Fair year. Maximum weight at weigh-in cannot be more than 120 pounds and animal must be born in the fair year.

2. Any market swine weighing less than 200 pounds will be shown in a feeder class.

3. Any market swine weighing less than 200 pounds will not be eligible for the Championship class.

4. Any market swine weighing less than 200 pounds will not be allowed to sell.

5. Any market swine weighing more than 290 pounds **WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS**

6. Any market swine weighing more than 290 pounds will be shown in a feeder class
7. Any market swine weighing more than 290 pounds **WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SELL**
8. All swine must be show finished
9. Breeding Swine will be groomed to show finished standards

## **BREEDING ANIMALS**

All breeding animals must be enrolled in no later than the weigh-in for their species.

1. Breeding animals can consist of a female chosen to breed (i.e.: Heifer, Doeling, Ewe, etc.), or a mother and offspring combination (Cow/calf, Nanny/kid, Ewe/lamb etc.) the following will be allowed any male of a species, (Bull, Ram, Buck etc.)
2. Breeding animals will be groomed according to their individual class standards.

## **RABBITS**

### **Show and Market Rabbits**

1. All rabbits must be tattooed, before or during, and identified during the specified time on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of June of the Fair year.
2. Rabbits must meet the June identification deadline in order to be eligible for show and sale at the Fair sale.
3. Rabbits must be presented at Fair check in to the division superintendent.
4. Rabbits must be exhibited in a showmanship and conformation class to be eligible for sale.
5. Any rabbit, regardless of age, can only be shown in their specific class during Fair.
6. No market rabbit older than 1 ½ years old will be allowed to sell in the sale.
7. No rabbit, regardless of age, under 7 lbs. at the final weigh-in will be sold in the sale.
8. Any rabbit weighing less than 7 pounds will be shown in a feeder class
9. Any rabbit weighing less than 7 pounds will **NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS**

### **BREEDING/MEAT PEN RABBITS**

1. Breeding rabbits must be tattooed and identified during the specified time on the first Saturday in March.
2. Rabbits must be presented at Fair check in to the division superintendent.
3. Meat pen rabbits must be bred by the exhibitor from a doe that they own and that is officially part of the 4-H members breeding rabbit project in Huerfano County.
4. Meat pen rabbits will consist of a pen of 3.
5. To be eligible for show and/or sale, meat pen rabbits cannot be more than eight (8) weeks of age and must weigh between 3 ½ to 5 pounds each at check in on the Wednesday of the fair. The judge's determination is final.
6. Meat pens must be exhibited in a class to be eligible for sale and will be sold as 1 unit of 3 rabbits.
7. Meat pen rabbits must be tattooed prior to check-in on the Wednesday of the Fair.

8. The breeding doe will not be allowed to sell at the Fair sale.

9. No bucks will be allowed to show as a breeding project

## **POULTRY**

Market, Egg Production and Show Poultry

1. All poultry (chickens, turkeys, geese, and ducks) must be tagged and identified during the specified time on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of June of the Fair year.
2. All poultry must meet the June identification deadline in order to be eligible for show and/or sale.
3. All poultry must be exhibited in a class to be eligible for the sale.
4. All poultry must be presented at Fair check in to the division superintendent.
5. No Fancy Class Poultry, regardless of age, will be sold in the sale.

## **POULTRY MEAT PEN**

1. Poultry Meat pen must be enrolled in before the add/drop deadline. Check in and identification will take place during the specified time on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in June.
2. Meat pen poultry will consist of a pen of 3 (1 cockerel & 2 pullets)
3. Meat pen poultry must be checked in at the Fair prior to the show.
4. Meat pen poultry can be sold as a pen of three at the market animal sale.

## **HORSE**

1. All horse certificates must be in the Extension Office by May 1<sup>st</sup> of the Fair year.
  - a. Only horses for which certificates have been turned in are eligible to participate in the horse show.
2. Please contact the Superintendent for classes, regulations and riding patterns or consult the current Colorado 4-H Horse Rule book.
3. An exhibitor may show as many horses as desired in the halter classes.
4. To qualify for the all around trophy you must show the same horse in all events. This includes halter and performance classes.
5. Appropriate attire is required. Consult your 4-H horse rulebook.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS DOG TRIALS**

1. All exhibitors must turn in a dog identification certificate and a copy of vaccination records to the Superintendent by add/drop deadline of the Fair year.
2. Contact the Superintendent for classes and regulations or consult the State Fair Syllabus.

## **GENERAL AND HOME ECONOMICS**



The Huerfano County Fair Board will not reprint the Colorado State Fair Syllabus for General Home Economics Division rules. Members participating in the divisions must contact the Extension Office in Walsenburg in order to receive project updates.

### **RECORD BOOKS**

1. General and Home Economics Record books are due at the time of individual interviews during the fair.
2. Animal Record books are due in the Extension Office before the last day of August.

### **GENERAL PROJECTS OPEN CLASS**

Open Class Regulations are available at the Extension office in Walsenburg. Entry fees will be \$5.00 per exhibitor.

### **YOUTH OPEN LIVESTOCK SHOW**

1. A youth open class will be held for all animal projects including beef, sheep, swine, goats, horses, rabbits and poultry, **time permitting**.
2. Participants must be at least 5 years of age and not more than 18 years of age (age limitations are at Superintendents' discretion) at the time of the competition and not be enrolled in 4-H or FFA in that project.
3. Participants may show an animal of their own or borrow an animal from another 4-H or FFA member.

### **ROUND ROBIN**

The Round Robin competition will be open to top showmen who have participated in the beef, sheep, swine, dairy, goat or horse show during the fair.

- a. The following rules will also be applicable for small animal showmanship unless otherwise specified.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. Eligible participants will be the Champion Showmanship winners from the goat, sheep, beef, swine, and horse divisions, in each of the three age groups, Junior, Intermediate and Senior.
2. Upon qualifying for Round Robin, exhibitors will have until the conclusion of the horse show to decide if they will exhibit that species in Round Robin or opt out of the Round Robin. If they opt out (give up their spot) they will not be allowed to take it after declining, they must then qualify with another species.

### **RULES:**

1. Round Robin participants will be asked to commit themselves to the contest immediately after the Showmanship Class in which they placed Champion.
2. PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO SHOW THE ANIMAL with WHICH THEY QUALIFY FOR THE ROUND ROBIN. The only exception to this rule is for safety reasons. All substitute animals must be approved by the Superintendents.

a. If a showman qualifies with more than one species they must declare which species they will use in Round Robin. The Reserve Champion of the remaining species will then have the opportunity to compete.

3. **Check-In:** All Round Robin participants are required to attend an organizational meeting on Saturday morning following the Beef Show in the Show Arena. Participants back numbers will be available from 12-12:30 at the ribbon table by the indoor arena. If you fail to pick up your number by 12:30, the next contestant in line will be asked to compete.

4. Round Robin Timing: You will show one animal in each of the species divisions. You will exhibit in each species area for approximately 4 minutes total. You will then make a rotation through all of the Large Animal Round Robin Species (beef, goats, horse, sheep, and swine). Participants from each age division will compete at one time, together. You are encouraged to meet the other participants before the show to find out information on, breed, age, etc. that the judge might expect you to know.

a. Small animal showman will exhibit in each species area for approximately 2 minutes total. You will then rotate to the other species. (Rabbit, poultry, water fowl)

b. Participants from each age division will compete separately.

5. Tie Breaker: Ties will be broken by a species that the individual has not showed during the year of the county fair.

6. Spectators: Spectators will only be allowed in the bleachers of the Show Ring areas, from here they will be able to observe participants in Round Robin. Communication between participants and spectators is not allowed and could result in disqualification of participants.

7. The judge's decision is final. Winners will be announced as the Round Robin/ Small Animal Showman Champion.

## **MEMBER-IN-GOOD-STANDING**

### **4-H & FFA Member Requirements:**

4H and FFA members must meet Member-In-Good-Standing requirements which are set by the CSU Extension Office in order to participate in the fair. Contact the Extension office or FFA Advisor for requirements and questions.

