

LIVESTOCK RULES AND REGULATIONS

Superintendent of Livestock - Tim Coon

1. Before making entries, read Part 350, Standards for Conduct of Fairs at www.dutchessfair.com. DCAS policy on competitive exhibits applies to all livestock entries.
 2. All cattle, sheep, goats, swine, and poultry will be inspected by the State Veterinarian upon arrival at the fairgrounds. Animals must be accompanied by a valid CVI (certificate of veterinary inspection). **BVD testing results must be included on the Health Certificate or proof of testing must be shown by the exhibitor.**
Only after inspection will animals be allowed to enter the barns. The state inspection team will be available on **Sunday, August 20th and Monday, August 21st from 8am-7pm** unless special arrangements are made with the livestock superintendent. Hogs, rabbits, cavy, and poultry will be inspected in the respective barns at the discretion of the state veterinarian.
 3. Violations of rules - All entries for exhibits of any kind or character in this animal exhibit are subject to these regulations and any violation will subject exhibitors to any penalties the Livestock Committee may order. The Dutchess County Fair reserves to the Management and the Livestock Committee the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or incident to, the show.
 4. Entries are open to all competition. Check each department for entry fees. The show management reserves the right to accept or reject entirely, partially or conditionally any entry or application. The management also reserves the right to personally, or appoint a committee, to inspect all entries after they have arrived, and dismiss any entries that would discredit the show.
 5. Fair will provide bedding and shavings as follows: 1 Bale per day, per cow. 1 Bale per day for every 2 heifers.
(Example: 1 cow, 2 heifers = 2 bales each day). Anything over that can be purchased at market price). Sheep will receive 2 bales of shavings and 1 bale of straw per pen. Goats will receive shavings only.
 6. **Assignment of Pens/Stalls**- The assignment of all the spaces will be made by the superintendent of the breed, or any other person appointed by the Chairperson of Livestock or the committee. **NO EXHIBITOR** shall change, trade or take extra pens/space without permission of appointed representative. This will be strictly enforced.
 7. **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE MADE BY THE DATE LISTED IN EACH DEPARTMENT** No additions will be made after the close of entries. Changes or substitutions can be made but may not appear in show program. In the unlikely event pens/barns reach capacity the Superintendent of Livestock and fair management will decide how to proceed.
 8. **PARKING FOR 4-H AND OPEN LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS WILL BE ON 4-H/LIVESTOCK HILL. PARKING PASSES WILL BE ISSUED.**
 9. All animals exhibited must be in place of exhibit by 8am the first day of the Fair and remain in place until 8pm on the last night of the Fair, Sunday, unless other arrangements are made with livestock superintendent. **ALL EXHIBITORS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THEIR RELEASE ORDER BY FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 2023.**
 10. All exhibitors must have registration papers available and **all animals must have an official, legible ID.**
 11. No parking of trucks or other vehicles in any of the barn areas.
 12. All worthy exhibits competing in show ring will receive an award (group classes included).
 13. Any animal competing in group classes must also be entered in single classes.
 14. All animals to be owned by Exhibitor except in Get-of-Sire and Produce of Dam Classes and Dam and Daughter, including Jr. and Sr. Best 3 Female Class.
 15. All milk weights will be recorded in Livestock Office by **5pm** daily.
 16. Animals must be washed at wash rack only.
 17. 4-H members and sponsor calves are welcome in Open Shows.
 18. **EXHIBITOR PASSES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING POLICY: Passes are based on number of animals on the grounds for exhibition and will be distributed when health papers are checked by the Livestock Office after check-in by the State Veterinarians. (Please note 4-H exhibitors are not eligible to receive tickets for open entries as they already received 4-H wristband and tickets.**
Beef & Dairy Cattle: All registered exhibitors will receive one 6-Day Pass for the first three head, two 6-Day Passes for four to seven head, three 6-Day Passes for eight head and above.
Sheep, Goats & Hogs: All registered exhibitors will receive one 6-Day Pass for the first five head, two 6-Day Passes for six head and above. **Poultry:** Two one day passes will be given per exhibitor
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4- H tickets will be distributed according to the following policy:

- Non-Livestock** (i.e. Exhibit Hall departments, shooting sports, canine) 4-H Child/Exhibitor will receive a wristband and 1 book of 6 tickets per family.
- Livestock** 4-H Child/Exhibitor will receive a wristband and 2 books of 6 tickets per family.
- 4-H Livestock exhibitors will **not** receive additional tickets for open livestock entries.
- Reduced rate books of 6 individual tickets are available for purchase in the Livestock Office for \$30. Limit 2-at discretion of the livestock office.
- 4-H members: Be sure to keep your tickets secure as no additional tickets will be distributed. Tickets/passes/wristbands will not be replaced if lost or stolen.
- 4-H Ticket PICK-UP HOURS:**
SAT. 8/19, 12 NOON - 3:00pm
SUN. 8/20, 12 NOON - 5:00pm

OPEN SHOW LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS-

Books of 6 individual tickets will be sold for \$30, depending on amount and type of entries. These will be sold at the discretion of the livestock clerk. *The Tickets & Passes for Open Livestock Exhibitors ONLY will be on sale through Wednesday, August 23th until 5 pm. **ANY PASSESTHAT HAVE NOT BEEN PICKED UP BY MONDAY WILL NOT BE HANDED OUT TO AN ALTRERNATE PERSON, NOEXCEPTIONS!!!**

The following procedures will apply to ALL EXHIBITORS:

- a) The livestock office is where passes will be obtained.
 - b) All registered exhibitors must sign for their passes.
 - c) 4-H Wristbands must be worn at all times. Wristbands will be taken at gate if they are not on wrist or they can be slipped off wrist and the exhibitor will have to pay admission for entry onto fairgrounds.
NO REPLACEMENT WRISTBANDS WILL BE ISSUED.
19. All livestock award checks will be mailed and made out to the exhibitor. In order to receive full premiums, ALL LIVESTOCK must remain on the grounds for the entire fair.
 20. No canvas and/or draping around barns and no fans or signs in walkways of barn without approval of General Superintendent.
 21. Livestock Feed Deliveries are requested to be in between 10 P.M. - 9:00 A.M. In case of emergencies-please seek approval from the Livestock Committee.
 22. ALL BULLS **MUST** HAVE RINGS OR SNAP RINGS AND MUST BE HANDLED WITH HALTERS AND RINGS.
(Exceptions - calves, nursing cows under 8 months old)
 23. No booths, show boxes, chairs allowed in cattle tie area, unless approved by Livestock Superintendent.
 24. Premium ribbons or cards have no value as to payments, since **awards are paid only from the records of the judge's books.**
 25. **Conduct** - False representation, interference, or discourteous conduct by an exhibitor will be dealt with by the Livestock Committee according to the equities of the case. Underage drinking will not be tolerated.

NO LIABILITY

26. EVERY POSSIBLE PROTECTION AND COURTESY WILL BE EXTENDED TO EXHIBITORS AT THE DUTCHESS COUNTY FAIR BUT THE BOARD SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS OF EXHIBITS, ANIMALS OR EQUIPMENT IN CASE OF FIRE, THEFT OR LOSS FROM ANY OTHER CAUSE.
27. THE DUTCHESS COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY INC., ITS AGENTS, SERVANTS, AND EMPLOYEES SHALL NOT BE HELD LIABLE IN CASE OF INJURY TO EXHIBITORS, CONCESSIONAIRES, OR THE PUBLIC ON THE GROUNDS OR IN THE BUILDINGS FROM ANY CAUSE WHATSOEVER WHILE ON THE GROUNDS OF THE DUTCHESS COUNTY FAIR.

ALL EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO ENSURE THE ACCURACY OF THE LIVESTOCK RULES AND REGULATIONS. PRINTING ERRORS OR OMISSIONS ARE SUBJECT TO A FINAL DECISION BY THE LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE ONLY

Livestock Hill - Barn of Excellence Award

The Barn of Excellence will include all barns/species on Livestock Hill during the 177th Dutchess County Fair.

Barns will be judged on the following criteria:

- Engagement and welcoming attitude to the fair public.....30 points
- General Appearance of stalls, animals, and equipment.....30 points
- Educational value of display.....20 points
- Promotion of product..... 20 points

All Barns will be judged each day, between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. The main factor in display scoring will be the engagement and welcoming attitude towards the fair public and overall appearance of the barn area. Each day a banner will be presented to the barn having the highest average score. Let's show the fair patrons what Livestock Hill is all about!