

# GENERAL INFORMATION

## Amador County Fair – 2024 GO FOR THE GOLD!

### THE AMADOR COUNTY FAIR WILL OPERATE:

THURSDAY: JULY 25<sup>th</sup> - 9 AM CLOSE: 12:00 Midnight

FRIDAY: JULY 26<sup>th</sup> - 9 AM CLOSE: 1:00 AM

SATURDAY: JULY 27<sup>th</sup> - 9 AM CLOSE: 1:00 AM

SUNDAY: JULY 28<sup>th</sup> - 9 AM FAIR OVER at Midnight

**EXHIBIT BUILDINGS WILL CLOSE** 10 PM NIGHTLY

**OFFICE HOURS:** 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM MON-FRI

### Closed Weekends

**TELEPHONE:** (209) 245-6921

**MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. BOX 9  
PLYMOUTH, CA 95669

**PHYSICAL:** 18621 SHERWOOD & SCHOOL STREETS  
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### FAIR ADMISSION FOR 2024

#### DAILY GENERAL ADMISSION:

General Admission.....	\$14.00
Seniors (60 & over).....	\$10.00
Children (7 to 12).....	\$ 8.00
Youngsters (6 & under).....	<b>FREE</b>
<b>Senior's Day</b> - Fri -Seniors 60 yrs and up are admitted Free until 6:00pm	
<b>Kid's Day</b> -Thurs - Kids 12 yrs and under are admitted Free until 6:00pm	
General Parking.....	\$ 7.00

### ON-LINE PRE-SALE ADMISSION TICKETS

**Ride from Noon to Midnight**  
Carnival Pre-Sale Wristband - \$40  
This is a \$50 Value ~ You Save \$10

Fair Foundation Pre-Fair BBQ **Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup> 6 PM**

Wine Tasting **Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup> 7-9 PM**  
21 & Over \$50.00  
Designated Driver \$30.00

Hot Rod Truck Pulls **Friday, July 27<sup>th</sup> 7 PM**  
Any Age General Admission \$17.00

CCPRA Pro Rodeo **Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup> 8 PM**  
Reserved Grandstand Seating \$25.00  
Reserved Bleacher Seating \$20.00

Destruction Derby **Sunday, July 29<sup>th</sup> 6 PM**  
Reserved Grandstand \$30.00  
Reserved Bleachers \$25.00

**INFANTS IN ARMS (MUST BE IN ARMS) FREE IN ALL SHOWS**

**FOR PRESALE SAVINGS PASSES/TICKETS**  
MUST BE PURCHASED BY WEDNESDAY, JULY 24<sup>th</sup> 4 PM

**Exhibitor passes must be purchased  
at time of entry prior to the  
beginning of Fair.**

CEO	Richard Hoffman
Office Manager	Sherri Elliott
Maintenance	Robert Moody
Entry Department	Rielle Waters Santinelli
Office Staff	Clydette Gunter & Claudia Beshears
Finance	Brooke Wunschel
Concessions Manager	Denise Elliott
Publicist	Rich Hoffman
Horse Show	Barbara Reilly
Livestock Superintendent	John Seever
Livestock Secretary	Karson White
Creative Arts & Ag Hort	Dianne Bennett
Fine Arts	Judy Day
Photography	Taylor Reeder
Fur & Feathers	DeAnna Bell
Floriculture	Erik Lucas & Sybil Griffith
Junior Department	Toni Linde
Home Brew	Bill Tarchala
Commercial Wine	Steve Jones
Homemade Wine	Dave Dufor, Kevin Lowe & Mike Jones,
Poster	Rand Huggett
Flowers	Nancy Hawkins

### HOW TO USE YOUR EXHIBITORS GUIDE:

1. This Exhibitors Guide is published yearly and lists all the different divisions and classes that can be entered. Please feel free to make copies of the appropriate form for each department you are entering. After you pick out the division and class you wish to enter, fill out the appropriate entry forms completely. FOLLOW THE DIVISION AND CLASS RULES AND READ THE SCHEDULES AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH DIVISION. The whole EXHIBITORS GUIDE can be accessed and downloaded via the internet at: click on "All Entry Info" and go to the department you need information on. Entries can also be done on-line for most Classes at: <https://amadorcountyfair.com/>.
2. The Entry Office will open Monday - Friday, Starting May 1<sup>st</sup>. **The hours are 10 AM to 4 PM weekdays, closed weekends.** When filling out your forms, be sure to fill in ALL information completely, including full name, **MAILING** address, phone number, and signature lines. Make sure both the division and class information are clearly and correctly listed. For most classes you can also enter online at: <https://amador.fairwire.com/>. The Fair will attempt to enter exhibits in the proper classes when entries are made in error on the forms; however, the Fair will not be held liable for entries made in error. **Before an exhibit is official, all forms must have signatures.** NO entry form will be accepted unless exhibitor & his/her authorized agent **SIGN IT**. **ALL FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY FORMS.** If the bank refuses the check for the entry fee, a penalty of **\$50.00 per check** must be paid before the judging of the class.
3. **Bring your items to the Fairgrounds on the designated day as listed on the schedule** for each Division listed in the EXHIBITORS GUIDE. Look for the column for EXHIBITS RECEIVED. Bring your items between the hours listed. Items will not be accepted any earlier or later than the times listed. **THE TIMES LISTED ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED BY STATE RULES. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!!**
4. All exhibits must be picked up on the designated day as listed on the schedule for each Division listed in the Exhibitors Guide. Any exhibits not picked up will become the sole property of the Fair. The Fair reserves the right to dispose of such property in any manner it may deem necessary in the best interest of the Fair.
5. If you need assistance in filling out your forms or have a question, the Entry Office can help you. For more information, call during regular business hours (209) 245-6921 or email to [entries@amadorcountyfair.com](mailto:entries@amadorcountyfair.com).

State Rules may be referenced on-line at

[https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/FairsAndExpositions/Documents/Circular Letters/2023/2024 State Rules for California Fairs.pdf](https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/FairsAndExpositions/Documents/Circular%20Letters/2023/2024%20State%20Rules%20for%20California%20Fairs.pdf)

# LOCAL RULES – PLEASE READ ALL RULES!!!

- **HORSE SHOW** – Entries & fees must be received or postmarked by 6 pm on Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup> for English & Western Classes and July 12<sup>th</sup> for 4-H, FFA & Grange, Gymkhana, Cattleman’s Day & Cutting Classes.
  - **COMMERCIAL WINE ENTRIES** – Commercial Wine Online Entries **ONLY** Opens March 25<sup>th</sup> through April 5<sup>th</sup>. Wineries have until 4 pm, on Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, to deliver their entries to the fair.  
<https://amador.fairwire.com/>
  - **HOMEMADE WINE & LABEL ENTRIES** – Wine entries & fees must be received or postmarked by 4 pm, on Friday, June 14, 2024.
  - **HOME BREW** - Fees must be received by 4 pm, TBD. All info found here. <http://www.brewangels.com/>
  - **COMMERCIAL BEER** - Entries & fees must be received by TBD by 4 pm enter at <http://www.brewangels.com/>. For any questions contact Bill Tarchala [sharkbrew2@gmail.com](mailto:sharkbrew2@gmail.com) for alternate drop off location and time.
  - **FEATURE EXHIBITS** – Entries & fees must be received or postmarked by 4 PM on Friday, May 24, 2024.
  - **GARDEN EXHIBITS** – Entries & fees must be received or postmarked by 4 pm on Friday, April 30, 2024.
  - **FLORICULTURE EXHIBITS** – Entries & fees must be received or postmarked by 4 pm on Saturday, July 20, 2024.
  - **HORTICULTURE EXHIBITS** – Entries & fees must be received or postmarked by 4 pm on Saturday, July 20, 2024.
  - **ALL OTHER DEPARTMENTS** - Entries & fees must be received or postmarked by 4 pm on Friday, July 5, 2024.
1. **FAIR’S LIABILITY:** The Fair Management shall not be responsible for accidents or losses that may occur to any of the exhibitors or participants or exhibits at the show, and all persons, exhibitors/participants, exhibiting in or participating in Fair-sponsored activities agree to indemnify the State of CA, the County, the Amador County Fair (26<sup>th</sup> DAA), their officers, agents, employees and volunteers, harmless from any and all claims, liabilities, losses, costs, damages, and attorneys’ fees arising out of the willful acts or omissions of the officers, agents, employees, or volunteers of the Fair. The exhibitors shall hold the management harmless and indemnify them against any legal proceedings arising from any accidents or losses. All entries are accepted with the understanding that the State of CA, the County, the Amador County Fair, nor their officers, agents, employees, or volunteers shall not be held responsible for any loss or damage that shall arise to any entry, exhibitor, or equipment on exhibit. Each exhibitor shall be solely responsible for any loss or damage done to another or occasioned by or arising from any animal or article exhibited by him/her, and will indemnify the State of CA, the County, the Amador County Fair, their officers, employees, agents and volunteers against all legal proceedings thereto. The Amador County Fair assumes no liability or responsibility not herein expressed.
  2. **EXHIBITS:** Entries must be on exhibit at the official opening of the fair or at the time specified in the Exhibitors’ book. Entries will not be removed from the fairgrounds before the release date printed in the Exhibitor’s book except as determined by Fair Management in cases of sickness, accident, death, disciplinary actions requested by a youth supervisor, or other circumstances which are in the best interests of the Fair. Management may allow late delivery or early removal of exhibits when it is in the best interest of the Fair. The Fair is a family event. The Fair reserves the right to determine content appropriate for family viewing.
  3. **PLACINGS:** Where there is only one exhibitor in a class, the first prize, if any merited, will be awarded so far as there are worthy entries. Where entries are not worthy of first prize, judges may, at their discretion, award a prize or prizes of such grade as the animal or entries deserve.
  4. **RESPONSIBILITY:** proper entry of exhibits rests with the exhibitor.
  5. **PLACEMENT OF RIBBONS:** DOES NOT guarantee correct placing in judging. Only the official placing on the judging sheet constitutes the final placement.
  6. **EXHIBIT ID’S:** Exhibitor tags and stall cards will be issued as follows: Stall cards at the Livestock Office. Horse Show numbers and stall assignment will be issued at the Horse Show Office. Exhibitor tags/claim checks for still exhibits will be issued upon delivery of articles.
  7. **REFUNDS:** Requests for a refund of entry fees and added purse money must be in writing to the Fair and may be granted upon approval of the Board/Fair Management. Refunds may be made only because of sickness, accident, death, cancellation of a class, or return of entries for lack of exhibit space. Non-selected exhibits in a juried show are not eligible for refunds. For animal classes, requests must be made prior to the event. Requests involving the health or soundness of an animal must be accompanied by a Veterinarian’s Certificate and must be received by the Entry Office 24 hours prior to judging to be considered. NO refunds less than \$5.00.
  8. **DISQUALIFICATION:** With prior review and approval of an executive committee comprised of Fair Board Members and the Fair Management, the Manager, Superintendent or Department Head of any department shall have the authority, without liability or recourse to the Amador County Fair Board or Employees, to bar any exhibitor or his/her representatives in the event of a discourteous act to a Judge or an Official of the Fair, and he or she shall have the power to disqualify the entry of said exhibitor. In the event of such disqualification, the exhibitor forfeits all entry fees, stake fees, stall fees, and all other charges against the exhibitor as well as all prize money that may have been won up to that time.

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- 9. JUDGING:** Exhibitors talking to the judge is prohibited, except when answering a question of the judge. Those who wish to explain in regard to their exhibit must do so through the Superintendent or clerk and must not interfere with the judge. **JUDGE'S DECISION IS FINAL.** See State Rules for additional rules:  
[https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/FairsAndExpositions/Documents/Circular Letters/2023/2024 State Rules for California Fairs.pdf](https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/FairsAndExpositions/Documents/Circular%20Letters/2023/2024%20State%20Rules%20for%20California%20Fairs.pdf)
- 10. PREMIUM DISPUTE:**
- Dispute - **NOVEMBER 18** of each year is the deadline for reporting any error in a premium check or check not having been received by the exhibitor. **AFTER THAT DATE, NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE, NOR CHECKS ISSUED.**
  - Premium checks not cashed after 1 year will be null and void.
  - Premium checks over \$600 will not be mailed until a Social Security number is provided.
- 11. CLAIM CHECKS: MUST** be presented when claiming entries at the close of the Fair. Other ID may be required.
- 12. LOCAL DIVISION:** Any class designated as "Local" may be entered only by legal residents or producers in Amador County or that part of El Dorado County lying south of the middle fork of the Consumnes River.
- 13. EXTENDED DIVISIONS:** Divisions open to residents or producers in the State of California.
- 14. RESIDENT:** Any exhibitor may be required to prove residency by presenting proof of anyone, or combination of the following items if requested by Fair Management: Voter Registration within the designated area, driver's license showing residence address, or a Producer of livestock in normal marketable quantity or commercial quantities, the specific type of animal or product entered within the designated area or property owner. In the event the exhibitor is under 18 years of age, the exhibitor's legal parent(s) or guardian will be responsible for proof of residency.
- 15. ON-GROUNDS PARKING:** – other than general parking: Vehicle passes admit ONLY the vehicle & must be visible on windshield or rearview mirror of vehicle. Each occupant must pay admission or have a daily pass on their person to be allowed to enter grounds. Service vehicles delivering goods to the fairgrounds will be allowed admission for a limited time length only & requires a delivery pass. Vehicle passes, if eligible, **MUST BE** purchased at the Fair Office. No vehicles, with the exception of official Fair vehicles, such as electrician's trucks, caretaker's vehicles, and other maintenance equipment, will be allowed to enter the Fairgrounds, except in the case of emergencies and authorized by Fair Management, other than designated parking areas, after 8:30 am each day. All vehicles entering before that time must be removed by 8:30 am. Exceptions **CANNOT** be made for Concessionaires, Commercial Exhibitors, (Vendors) or Exhibitors.
- 16. STATE RULES:** for California Fairs for judging as prescribed by the Division of Fairs and Expositions are published in a separate book and apply to all entries of this fair and are incorporated herein by reference. These books are available upon request at the Fair Office or on line at:  
[https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/FairsAndExpositions/Documents/Circular Letters/2023/2024 State Rules for California Fairs.pdf](https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/FairsAndExpositions/Documents/Circular%20Letters/2023/2024%20State%20Rules%20for%20California%20Fairs.pdf)
- 17. ANY OTHER:** Fair Management reserves the right to create classes from an "Any Other" class when a specific variety's entries are in excess of five (5). These changes will be noted, and adjustments will be made for the following year's fair, if necessary. These procedures are intended to maintain industry standards and accommodate changing trends and varieties.
- 18. PROTESTS:**
- Protests will be considered only if there has been a violation of State or Local Rules that have not been enforced. Decisions of judges, veterinarians, weigh masters, breed callers, tail dock officials and timers cannot be protested and are final.
  - All Protests must be accompanied by a deposit of \$500.00 (cash, money order or certified check made payable to the fair). NOTE: The deposit will be returned if the protest is upheld. If the protest is upheld, the violator may be held liable for any portion of the direct costs incurred by the fair in the course of the protest resolution. Failure to reimburse the fair shall be cause for disallowing future entries in any of the network of California fairs.
  - Given the short duration of the fair:**
    - The protestor shall make every effort to file the protest prior to judging. All protests must be filed in writing within 24 hours of the time of the cause of the protest and before conclusion of fair.
    - The fair will make every effort to resolve protests as quickly as possible. All exhibitors, by entering an exhibit and all persons by filing a protest agree to cooperate with Fair Management to resolve protests in a timely manner.
    - Protests shall be adjudicated by Fair Management and/or members of the Board of Directors.
  - Any exhibit involved in a filed protest before or during judging is eligible to compete until the protest is resolved.
  - Classes that involve a protested exhibit will not become official until the protest is resolved.
    - In championship or special award classes that involve the protested exhibit the judge shall also select 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> runners-up in case of disqualification.
    - In the case of protest, the unofficial judging results may be used to prepare the sale list and other necessary information.
  - At the discretion of the CEO judging can be delayed to allow time for the fair to resolve the protest if to do so does not unreasonably delay or disrupt the operations of the remainder of the fair judging and auction events.

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- (g)** Prior to judging the affected class, fairs may announce that an entry has been protested.
  - (h)** All questions concerning competition or non-protestable disputes or differences with staff or the exhibition not provided for under the State or Local Rules shall be referred to the CEO or their designee, whose decision shall be final.
  - i)** Violations of State Rules may be appealed to F&E in writing.
  - j)** An individual may appeal to F&E only after adjudication at the local level and only if:
    - i.** The decision upholds a Local Rule that circumvents or is not in the spirit of a State Rule(s);
    - ii.** The individual can substantiate new and credible information that was not available at the time of the local decision; or
    - iii.** There was inappropriate adjudication at the local level that may have included conflict of interest, lack of due process, or a significant misinterpretation of rules.
  - k)** A fair or state, national or international organization or subdivision thereof which has a significant stake in the interpretation of rules affecting the network of California fairs may make an appeal directly to F&E concerning multiple-fair issues, industry-wide issues, unavoidable conflict of interest or assistance in enforcing its own organization rules.
  - l)** No protest will be accepted unless it:
    - i.** Is filed or received, in writing, with a signed original and a signed duplicate copy.
    - ii.** Clearly states which rule has been violated.
    - iii.** States when the protestor first became aware of the facts and rule violation.
    - iv.** States the facts relied upon for the basis of the protest.
    - v.** States that the protestor will cooperate with the investigation of the protest and that the protestor will be available and agrees to attend any hearing held to resolve the protest at the time and place directed by F&E.
    - vi.** Includes the names of supporting witnesses, with accessible phone numbers; and
    - vii.** Describes or attaches any documents relating to the protest, which must include the written decision issued by the local arbitrating body.
  - m)** Fairs & Expositions Branch (F&E) must receive the appeal in writing within 24 hours from receipt of notice of local decision.
  - n)** A hearing may be conducted at the discretion of F&E. The Director of F&E may consult with and/or request that members of State Rules Advisory Committee participate in any hearing.
  - o)** Once the Director has ruled on an appeal to F&E, no additional protest or appeal will be considered relating to that incident.
- 19. NO DOGS OR PETS ALLOWED:** on fairgrounds except those entered in Fair as exhibits and service animals.
- 20. ENTRY FORMS:** For Official Entry Forms write or call: Amador County Fair, P.O. Box 9, Plymouth, CA 95669, or phone (209) 245-6921 or go to the website: [www.amadorcountyfair.com](http://www.amadorcountyfair.com). No faxed or e-mailed entries will be accepted. All entries must be mailed, or hand delivered to the Fair's Entry Office within the time limits specified. Make all checks payable to the Amador County Fair.
- 21. INSURANCE:** The Amador County Fair would like to make you aware as an exhibitor there is NO liability coverage provided on your behalf in the event that your animal/exhibit would cause bodily injury or property damage. It is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** that you check with your insurance agent or insurance company to see if your present liability extends to you while participating as an exhibitor at the Amador County Fair.
- Independent exhibitors shall provide insurance coverage as required by the Fair.
- Special events insurance is available through the California Fair Services Authority (CFSA). Contact the Fair office for rates. Waiver: ALL EXHIBITORS must sign a release & waiver of liability agreement (a parent or guardian must also sign the waiver for an exhibitor under the age of 18). Livestock & horse show waivers are on a separate form; all other entries, the waiver is included as part of the entry form.
- 22. ANYTHING OTHER THAN STRAW OR SHAVINGS IS PROHIBITED FOR LIVESTOCK BEDDING.**
- 23. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE RULES MAY RESULT IN A DISQUALIFICATION OF THE EXHIBITOR.**

# EXHIBITOR RULES

1. FFA MEMBERS - AGE REQUIREMENTS: May participate as members until the end of the calendar year following the year of graduation from high school. (For example, graduates this year are eligible until December 31 of 2024), and are in good standing with their local and state organization.
2. 4-H AGE REQUIREMENTS: Amador County Club members only who are under the supervision of the University of California Cooperative Extension. Primary members may participate as primary in Special Junior Divisions only. Primary Members must be at least 5 years old as of January 1 of the year of the Fair in which they are exhibiting. Primary members may only exhibit small animals (Rabbits, Poultry, Pygmy & Nigerian Goats, and Cavies) in "My Favorite" small animal divisions, as approved by 4-H State Policy. Junior, Intermediate & Senior members must be 9 years old or in the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade by January 1 of the Fair year in which they will be exhibiting. Exhibitors may compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.
3. GRANGE: Amador County Grange members who are under the supervision of the California State Grange and are residents of Amador County are eligible. Youth members may participate as primary in Special Junior Divisions only. Grange members must be at least 5 years old on January 1 to exhibit. Youth members may enter, show, and have judged, cavies, rabbits, poultry (excluding turkeys), Nigerian dwarf and pygmy goats. Must be 9 years old on January 1 to exhibit large animals (horses, cattle, sheep, swine, and llamas). They may exhibit until the end of the calendar year in which they reach age 19. Grange members 12 and under show with 4-H; 13 and over with FFA. Age determined as of the first day of the Junior Livestock Judging.
4. INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR: Must be residents of Amador County and at least 9 years of age or in the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade by January 1. Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.
5. OPEN YOUTH: Primary members may participate as primary in Special Junior Divisions only. Under 9 years of age must exhibit in special divisions designated by the Fair. For junior exhibitors showing in divisions and classes other than 4-H, FFA, and Grange, the local Fair management may set requirements as to age, grade, etc. If not printed, Independent age rule will apply. Exhibitors will be placed/penned within their age-appropriate classes/barn. Primary members may participate as primary in Special Junior Divisions only. Youth ages 5 through 8 years of age as of January 1, may participate as primary members/exhibitors in Special Junior Divisions only. Uniforms requested are blue pants and white long or short-sleeved shirt, no hat/cap and appropriate footwear (no open toe shoes).
6. OPEN JUNIOR: If an open junior class is not available, junior exhibitors may enter an appropriate FFA/Grange (13+), or 4-H/Grange (12 and under) class if they meet all appropriate age and State Rule requirements. Age to be determined as of the first day of Fair.
7. ENROLLMENT: Jr. exhibitors who are enrolled in a project, in an established junior organization (i.e., 4-H, Grange, FFA), CANNOT also exhibit in Jr. Department Divisions as an "Independent Junior exhibitor" in the same project.
8. ENTRY GUIDELINES: Any school project must be

entered in the Open Junior Divisions. Entries shall be made on Jr. Department entry forms provided by the Fair. 4-H, Grange, FFA & Industrial Ed, a Leader or Instructor and parent must sign entry forms. Independent Junior exhibitors must have a parent signature on entry form. State & Local Rules apply to all entries and score cards in corresponding Jr. Department classes & shall be used unless otherwise provided in these divisions.

9. ELIGIBILITY: Juniors must own and/or grow or construct their exhibits. 4-H, FFA, and Grange animal and poultry project members must be enrolled in the project for at least 60 days (**120 days for horses & market beef**) immediately preceding the opening day of the fair. 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 Juniors or enter project(s) under a different organization. Exhibitors, leaders, and advisors must be in good standing with the local and state organization(s) (4-H, Grange, FFA) to be eligible to exhibit at the Fair. Eligibility of a project according to 4-H, FFA, or Grange rules shall be determined by the exhibitor's advisor/leader or designee. Signatures of advisor, leader, teacher, or parent/guardian is required on the entry form by the Fair certifying that: (a) Projects have been under their supervision in accordance with the rules and regulations of the organization and the Fair, and (b) The entry is the project of the exhibitor and is eligible for exhibit. Failure or refusal to sign the required entry form will prevent the exhibitor from entering that particular class(es). Independent exhibitors must enter an Open Junior or Independent class unless one is not available. If an Open or Independent class is not available, Junior exhibitors may enter an appropriate 4-H, FFA, or Grange class. Divisions and/or class placement of Independents may be determined by Fair management. ALL Juniors must have project management records and proof of supervision available as to the length of project. ALL Junior exhibitors must have "on ground" supervision by a responsible adult.

10. INDEPENDENT DECLARATION TIMELINE: Independent Juniors entering market animals must provide Fair management with a picture of their animal, permanent tag and/or tattoo information, and the appropriate packet (available at the Fair Office) 120 consecutive days prior to the fair for horses and market beef, 60 consecutive days for sheep, swine & goats; 30 consecutive days for breeder & feeder animals and rabbits and poultry. Independent exhibitors must have "on-ground" supervision by a responsible adult.

11. UNIFORMS: All FFA, 4-H & Grange exhibitors of livestock & dairy cattle must wear the established uniform of their organization while showing their animals. Independent exhibitors are required to wear white shirts (long or short sleeves), blue pants, and appropriate footwear (no open toed shoes).

12. SENIOR DEPARTMENT RESTRICTIONS: Junior exhibitors and Junior organizations may be allowed to enter exhibits in Senior Department classes for which they are eligible only when: (a) "ALL OTHER" classes are not available, or (b) a class for the exhibit is not provided in the Junior department, or (c) it allows participation in featured breed and/or sponsored association shows.

The Junior exhibitor must also exhibit the project in the Junior Division. (d) The Junior exhibitor is not eligible to exhibit in the Junior Department once he/she exhibits in the Senior Department.

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13. JUNIOR HORSE EXHIBITORS: may be allowed to enter the Senior Department horse show unless Local Rules prohibit.

14. SCRAPIES: Sheep and/or Goats not having scrapies tags at pre-weigh in will not be allowed across the scales and will not be accepted after scales close.

## SEE STATE RULES FOR ADDITIONAL RULES

### EXHIBITOR'S ADMISSION TO GROUNDS FEES:

Under the ALL-PAY system, a reduced admission credential will be available for purchase. This admission credential will entitle the exhibitor to GROUND'S ADMISSION ONLY at a reduced rate and are non-transferable.

DISCOUNTED ADMISSION CREDENTIALS MUST BE PURCHASED WHEN SUBMITTING ENTRY FORM FOR THE ENTRY TO BE CONSIDERED COMPLETE.

### STILL EXHIBITS

- Adult Division \$9 per day
- Junior Division \$5 per day

### LIVESTOCK:

Adult/Leader/Advisor/Parent (18 & older)	
4-day gate admission	\$30
Jr. Exhibitor 4-day gate admission	\$17
Sibling 4-day gate admission	\$17

Purchase must be made at the time of exhibitor's entry.

### HORSE SHOW EXHIBITORS:

18 years and older: 4-day gate admission	\$30
18 years and older: Daily gate admission	\$ 9
Jr. Exhibitor: 4-day gate admission	\$17
Jr. Exhibitor: Daily gate admission	\$ 5
Sibling 4-day gate admission	\$17
Child Non-exhibitor 4-day gate admission	\$ 8

### LIVESTOCK PARKING PASSES:

Livestock parking is \$45 for a 4-day parking pass. This includes a Livestock trailer and the pull vehicle. Parking in the livestock camping area is LIMITED TO TWO (2) VEHICLE PASSES PER FAMILY. PARKING PASS MUST BE IN VEHICLE AND VISIBLE AT ALL TIMES. The second vehicle pass may be purchased for \$45.00. Vehicles that do not have a valid parking permit will be subject to being towed. **All Livestock Trailers** must be parked in the overflow parking area or taken home for the duration of the Fair.

### HORSE SHOW PARKING PASSES:

Horse Show exhibitors may purchase a 1-day vehicle parking pass for \$12 or a 4-day vehicle parking pass for \$45 with qualified entries of enter six (6) horseshow classes on Wednesday, Saturday, or Sunday of Fair, with a minimum of 3 classes Saturday or Sunday.

### LIVESTOCK & HORSE STOCK TRAILERS:

Due to the lack of parking in the livestock area, all stock trailers will be subject to a \$50 parking fee per day if left in livestock/camping area overnight. Overflow trailer parking is available or remove all stock trailers if exhibiting more than one day.

### TRAILER AND TENT CAMPING RULES

1. OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Is limited to livestock, qualifying horse show exhibitors, and a limited number of commercial exhibitors ONLY. To qualify for camping as a horseshow exhibitor you must enter six (6) horseshow classes on Wednesday, Saturday, or Sunday of Fair, with a minimum of 3 classes Saturday or Sunday. NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN FOR EXHIBITORS WITHOUT AN ENTRY FORM. Prior-year exhibitors are given first chance to re-reserve until May 31<sup>st</sup>. On June 6<sup>th</sup>, availability of open campsites will be on a first-come, first-served basis in person at the Fair's Entry Office.

2. All Junior Exhibitors: Camping overnight will be required to have a chaperone in attendance at all times. It is permissible for one chaperone to be responsible for a maximum of seven (7) Junior exhibitors. All chaperones will be required to list, at the time of purchasing trailer space, the names of the Juniors for which they will be responsible.

3. CAMPING: A \$265.00 charge will be made for each camping space for duration of Fair; this includes one vehicle-parking pass. Sites are limited to one 15' X 30' space per family. NO EXCEPTIONS ON SIZE WILL BE MADE. A limited number of electrical hook-ups are available, designated spaces only. Electrical hookups are not guaranteed. No loud noise (partying) after 11 pm in camping area. Be courteous to your neighbors. ABSOLUTELY NO LIVESTOCK OR HORSES ALLOWED IN THE CAMPING AREA!

4. GENERATORS: The use of generators may be disallowed if the exhaust is hazardous to the neighboring campsites. ALL generators must have a muffler and the noise level must meet or be below the decibel level of a normal human voice.

5. REGISTRATION: Everyone camping overnight MUST REGISTER AT THE ENTRY OFFICE BEFORE being admitted to the camping area. Trailers or campers will not be permitted on the grounds before 8:30 am, Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> except employees of the Fair.

6. PARKING: Any and all vehicles must be parked and/or contained within the parameter of the designated space. Vehicles not parked within the camping area must park in the camping parking lot.

7. NO ELECTRICAL CORDS: NO modifying of electrical outlets. NO ELECTRICAL CORDS ACROSS ROADWAYS. NO PLUGGING INTO THE LIVESTOCK BARN! NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE. EXTENSION CORDS: used to distribute power to electrical apparatus shall be rated 15 amps minimum and contain ground wire. Cords not meeting these requirements shall be confiscated for the duration of the Fair.

8. CAMPFIRES: NO campfires of any sort.

9. NO DOGS OR PETS ALLOWED on fairgrounds except those entered in Fair as exhibits and service animals.

10. SECURITY: A security guard will be assigned to the area.

11. PARKING PASS: ALL VEHICLES PARKED IN LIVESTOCK/CAMPING AREAS MUST HAVE A PARKING PASS VISIBLE IN THE VEHICLE. VEHICLES NOT BEARING A PARKING PASS WILL BE TOWED AT OWNER'S EXPENSE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ATV & GOLF CARTS.

12. ANY EXHIBITOR WHO VIOLATES THE ABOVE RULES AND/OR THE RULES OF GOOD CONDUCT WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE PREMISES AND WILL FORFEIT ANY AND ALL PREMIUMS EARNED AT THE FAIR.

# LIVESTOCK RULES

**LIVESTOCK SUPERINTENDENT**  
JOHN SEEVER

**LIVESTOCK CLERK**  
KARSON WHITE

## Livestock Office Hours:

Tuesday thru Saturday 7:00 am to 6:00 pm  
Sunday Release Waivers will be available at 6:00 pm

**1. ALL STATE AND HEALTH RULES:** All State and Health Rules apply to the Sr. and Jr. Departments.

**2. All Junior Livestock Exhibitors need to have a valid Quality Assurance Certificate on file at the Fair Office.**

To be turned in no later than the exhibitor's respective specie Pre-Weigh-In/Declaration date for all Livestock animals, including breeding projects.  
<http://yqcaprogram.org/>

(Horse & Primary exhibitors are exempt).

**3. ANIMALS** affected by or having been exposed to any contagious diseases, during the thirty days preceding the Fair will be excluded from the grounds. In case of any outbreak of contagious or infectious diseases among the domestic animals, neither the Amador County Fair Board nor employees will be liable for any damage or loss to exhibitors. Goats/Lambs/Cattle due to birth at Fair time are not allowed. Kid, Lamb & Calves are required to be a minimum of 30 Days old by Tuesday of fair.

**4. PEN/STALL ASSIGNMENTS** and pens assignments will not be made until club/chapter leaders/advisors verify and confirm number of pens required. Stall assignments will be made by the fair.

**5. LIABILITY FOR PEN/STALL DAMAGES:** a charge for damage to any stalls, which includes removal of stall boards, will be billed to the exhibitor. Failure to make payment shall prohibit the exhibitor or his/her horses or his/her livestock from making future entries at the Amador County Fair. In the event the exhibitor has won premium awards, replacement costs will be deducted from said premiums.

**6. EXHIBITORS WILL BE EXPECTED TO KEEP PENS/STALLS CLEAN,** and aisles swept down. All manure and debris must be removed to outside of the barns daily. Removal time shall be prior to 7:00 A.M. each day. Please do not remove debris at times other than allotted. Trash containers are located throughout the barns to use for paper, cans, etc. We encourage the use of these containers in the effort to keep our barns as clean as possible. **ALWAYS RECYCLE WHEN POSSIBLE.**

**7. NO LIVESTOCK** will be allowed on the grounds prior to Tuesday, of Fair at 6:00 am.

**8. JUDGING SCHEDULES:** It will be each exhibitor's responsibility to follow the progress of judging schedules & to be prepared and ready to enter the judging ring promptly when classes are called. At Judges discretion, continuation into the next specie may start prior to listed breaks if time allows i.e. "To Follow". Be Ready!! Exhibitors having more than one animal to show must arrange to exchange animals without delay. CLASSES WILL NOT BE HELD FOR LATE EXHIBITORS. All animals entered in groups must be of one breed.

**9. NO "FOR SALE" SIGNS** will be permitted or placed upon any exhibit or in any building of the Amador County Fair. There is no objection to private sales, but in case a sale is made, no sign announcing the sale may be placed in or upon any building or exhibit.

**10. OTHER CURRENT AMADOR COUNTY FAIR JUNIOR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS ARE** responsible for the care of their own animals, which includes feeding, cleaning of

pen/stall, grooming and/or shearing. **Assistance and/or instruction may be offered ONLY by other Amador County Fair junior exhibitors, and while the exhibitor is present. Adults may offer ONLY verbal assistance and/or instruction.** Any exception must be approved in advance and in writing by the Livestock Superintendent.

**11. WAIVERS:** All exhibitors are required to sign a "Release & Waiver of Liability Agreement" to exhibit in the Livestock & Horse shows. Exhibitors under the age of 18 years also require a parent or guardian signature. For online entries, with the agreement of payment you are agreeing to all policies, rules and regulations set forth by the Amador County Fair.

**12. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:** The Amador County Fair would like to make you aware as an exhibitor there is NO liability coverage provided on your behalf, in the event that your animal/exhibit causes bodily injury or property damage. It is strongly recommended that you check with your insurance agent or insurance company to see if your present liability extends to you while participating as an exhibitor at the Amador County Fair. Special events insurance is available through the California Fair Services Authority (CFSA). Contact the Fair Entry office for rates.

**13. INDEPENDENT EXHIBITORS** shall provide insurance coverage as required by the Fair. Special events insurance is available through the California Fair Services Authority (CFSA). Contact the Fair Entry office for rates. **NOTE: Beef** declarations due by **March 10, 2024, and Horse** declarations due by **March 1, 2024.** (120 days prior to Fair). Horse Leases must be submitted by **March 1, 2024,** as well. **All other Market Livestock declarations must be made by May 19, 2024** (at least 60 days prior to Fair). **Breeding animals only** are due by **June 24, 2024. Independent Paperwork required on dates listed in Independent Paperwork on the Fairs website.**

**14. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE RULES MAY RESULT IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF THE EXHIBITOR WITH LOSS TO ANY & ALL PREMIUMS!**

**15. PREG-CHECK, PRE-WEIGH IN & DECLARATIONS:** Replacement Heifers & Market Beef on **March 10, 2024.** Lambs, Goats, Swine, Poultry & Rabbits Declaration on **May 19, 2024.** All Market Beef must show a minimum gain of 20% over the pre-weigh in weight at the time of Fair Weigh-in. **All Market Animals** must meet ALL of the Fair's requirements for market classes.

**16. LOCAL BRED ANIMALS:** All exhibitors wishing to show in the "Local Bred" class(es) are required to submit completed "Local Bred" paperwork at Species designated Pre-Weigh-In/Declaration date. **No Exceptions**

**17. GOATS:** This is a **NO BUCK** Show for ALL goats. ALL market goats must be dehorned or tipped.

**18. ABSOLUTELY NO ANIMALS ALLOWED ON THE GROUNDS UNLESS ENTERED IN A CLASS!!**

**19. VET CHECK:** Is required for all Livestock animals entered. **Jr. Livestock** - will be upon entering the fairgrounds on Tuesday, of Fair. A vet check card will be issued and will be needed in order to come across the

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scale for Weigh-In. Fair Tag/Tattoo is to be in the animal's ear and/or Leg Band on leg prior to coming on the grounds. **Sr. Livestock** – will have Vet check On Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, after 3:00 pm. **ALL OPEN EXHIBITORS must be** present for Vet Check. Any animal assessed unfit shall leave the grounds **IMMEDIATELY!**

**20. MEDICAL RELEASE:** Medical release forms are required for each potential sale terminal animal that would be harvested for consumption.

**21. ABSOLUTELY NO LIVESTOCK IS ALLOWED OUTSIDE OF THEIR BARN AREA OR IN THE CAMPING AREA AT ANY TIME FOR ANY REASON!**

**22. MANDATORY MEETING:** All Junior Livestock Exhibitors, Leaders and at least one (1) parent shall attend the Mandatory Meeting Tuesday of Fair at 3:00 p.m. Location TBD.

**23. FAIR WEIGH-IN & PREG CHECK:** ALL MARKET ANIMALS MUST TURN IN:

- **ONE (1) DECLARATION OF MEDICATION PER ANIMAL PER MARKET ANIMAL** - Turn in medical release forms for Turkeys & Market Poultry to the Livestock office Tuesday of Fair, after judging. Turn in medical release forms for Rabbits to the Livestock office Wednesday of Fair, after judging. (Replacement Heifers are exempt).
- **ONE (1) DECLARATION OF UNDERSTANDING OF A TERMINAL SALE PER ANIMAL**
- **BEEF - MUST HAVE A BILL OF SALE AND TRANSPORTATION SLIP TO PRESENT TO BRAND INSPECTOR.**

Weigh-In for Swine shall be from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday of Fair as they are unloaded from their trailers after Vet check. Overweight hogs will be immediately excused from the Fair. Weigh-In for Market Goats & Market Sheep will follow the Mandatory Meeting. Lambs & Goats will be mouthed at this time per CDFA Rules. Weigh-In and Preg-Check for Replacement Heifer and Market Beef exhibitors will be on Tuesday 1:30 p.m.

**24. CODE OF CONDUCT & ETHICS:** All exhibitors will adhere to both their associated organizational Code of Conduct and Ethics as well as those set forth by the Amador County Fair in our Exhibitor/Parent/Adult Code of Conduct. Any adults associated with an exhibitor(s), projects or animals will encourage compliance nor allow conduct/rule violations. Expectations include but not limited to:

- a. No obscene language.
- b. No tobacco, e-cigarette, or marijuana use.
- c. No drinking of alcoholic beverages by minors as defined by local ordinance and State law(s).
- d. No use or possession of other illegal substances or products.
- e. Use of appropriate language and manner towards other people. Abusive/threatening language will not be tolerated.
- f. Appropriate treatment of animals. Any cruel or abusive treatment toward an animal will not be tolerated.
- g. Exhibitors shall conduct themselves in a professional manner in the livestock area, including, but not limited to, appropriate dress, physical contact **and language.**

**25. NO LAMBS OR GOATS IN THE HORSE, BEEF BARN, OR BEEF FITTING AREA!**

**26. ABSOLUTELY NO ICING OR DRENCHING IN ANY FORM OR DEFINITION ALLOWED!!!**

**27. "MOVE OUT":** No stall/display tear downs or equipment removal is allowed until after 6:00 pm on Sunday. **No Livestock is allowed to leave until after 6:00 pm or the Livestock Transport(s) have been loaded and are gone to ensure animal safety and safety of livestock staff and volunteers.** Leaders and Advisors are expected to enforce this rule. Any vehicles that inhibit/block alleyway areas or otherwise impede necessary roadways will be towed at the owner's expense. Sr./Open Livestock may haul out prior to Sunday morning with a Livestock Release. Exhibitors are **required** to clean their pens and tie area before leaving fairgrounds. No open livestock will be released on Sunday until after 6:00 pm. Absolutely no vehicles down alley ways until transport truck is gone.

## SCRAPIE REQUIREMENTS FOR GOATS & SHEEP

1. All sheep and goats entering fairs require individual identification. All official ID will be kept on the animals. The official ID may be official USDA individual ID ear tags, premises ear tags, Scrapie Flock Certification Program ear tags, registration tattoos, if accompanied by registration papers, or other methods approved by the CA Department of Food & Ag.
2. All sheep and goats from out of state require official individual identification, a certificate of veterinary inspection and a California entry permit.
3. Fairs will not accept sheep and goats from scrapie "non-compliant" flocks, or animals that are scrapie-positive or scrapie suspects.
4. Fairs will not accept sheep and goats from scrapie-infected or source flocks, or animals that have been exposed to scrapies 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 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 aren't in the certification program, if practical.
7. Sheep or goats within 30 days pre- or post-parturition, or with vaginal discharge, shall if practical, be kept separate from animals from different flocks and in an area that can be properly cleaned and disinfected.
8. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to acquire scrapie identification before the Fair.
9. Sheep and/or Goats not having scrapies tags at pre-weigh in will not be allowed across the scales and will not be accepted after scales close.

*For more information on the Scrapies program or to enroll animals, please call: (877) 741-3690. (Scrapie rules were provided by the State of CA - 2004)*

**THE FAIR MANAGEMENT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO EXPEL ANY EXHIBITOR OR CHAPERONE WHO VIOLATES ANY LIVESTOCK RULES UP TO AND INCLUDING FORFEITING THE EXHIBITOR'S ABILITY TO SHOW ALL LIVESTOCK AND OTHER FAIR PROJECT ENTRIES AND SELL AT BOTH THE JR. LIVESTOCK AUCTION, REPLACEMENT HEIFER SALE & AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS SILENT AUCTION.**



# JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION

SUNDAY, JULY 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am

**THIS IS A TERMINAL SALE**  
**ALL ANIMALS SOLD THROUGH THE AUCTION**  
**NO EXCEPTIONS**

Limited to Amador County 4-H Clubs, FFA Chapters, Youth Granges & Independent exhibitors attending schools or living in Amador County meeting the Junior Department State Rules for California Fairs exhibitor requirements.

## **LARGE ANIMALS** **BEEF, SWINE, LAMB & MEAT GOATS**

ALL ELIGIBLE CHAMPIONS AND RESERVE CHAMPIONS AND “SALE CHAMPION” AND “SALE RESERVE CHAMPION” ARE REQUIRED TO SELL. If the exhibitor of the Champion or Reserve Champion is not eligible to sell, the judge will choose a “Sale Champion”. Only Beef, Swine, Lambs, and Meat Goats graded as Marketable One (1) or Marketable Two (2) will be allowed to sell in the auction.

Sellers may sell only one (1) large animal (Beef, Swine, Lambs, & Meat Goat) *subject to the following exceptions:*

~If Seller has more than one Marketable One (1) Swine, Lambs, or Meat Goat, seller may sell a maximum of two large animals.

~If Seller has a Marketable One (1) or Marketable Two (2) Beef **AND** a Marketable One (1) Swine, Lambs or Meat Goat, seller may sell Beef and one other Marketable One (1) animal.

~If Seller has two or more Champion or Reserve Champion large animals, all Champions will sell, but seller may not sell any other Marketable large animals.

## **SMALL ANIMALS** **RABBITS, POULTRY & TURKEYS** Only Champion & Reserve Champion will sell.

### **THE AMADOR COUNTY FAIR JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:**

1. Livestock sold in the Auction must be exhibited in one of the market classes of beef, lamb, swine, meat goat, rabbit, turkey, or poultry in the current year’s Amador County Fair.

2. No personal information about the seller will be given out by the auctioneers during the auction.

3. All market animals must have been Weighed-In or declared with their “Intent to Show & Sell” on species Pre-Weigh-In date. The Fair must have marked and/or weighed all market livestock animals, except rabbits and poultry, on species Pre-Weigh-in dates.

4. 4-H & Grange leaders, FFA advisors, and Independent exhibitor’s parent or guardian will submit to the Amador County Fair the names of exhibitors owning fryer rabbits, meat pen rabbits, and poultry and the identification numbers of their rabbits and poultry by the May 19, 2024 declaration date. Rabbits & poultry whose identification numbers have not been received by this date will not be eligible for sale.

5. There will be **NO** substitutions of any animal due to death, loss or for any other reason following Pre-Fair Weigh-In of large animals and official declarations of intent to exhibit small animals. (Exception: See Replacement Heifer Rules) Pre-Weigh-In for **Beef on March 10, 2024.** Declaration Swine, Lambs, & Goats on **May 19, 2024.** There is no maximum pre-weigh weight for beef. All Market animals must meet minimum and not exceed the maximum weight at the time of Fair weigh-in on **Tuesday, July 23, 2024,** and meet the Fair’s requirements for market classes. Sheep and/or Goats not having scrapies tags at Declaration will not be allowed to Declair.

6. Animals must meet the specified weight and classification given in the premium list for the particular divisions. Animals will be weighed in at the specific time listed in the Livestock Schedule, after arrival at the fairgrounds.

7. There will be one weigh-in only per species. If the animal does not make weight, upon request, the animal will be taken off the scale, the scale balanced, and the animal immediately re-weighed. **Sellers do not receive any payment for any weight that exceeds: 155 lbs. for lambs; 1400 lbs. for beef steers and 1300 lbs. for market beef heifers; 100 lbs. for market goats.** Swine exceeding **285 lbs.** will be disqualified and must leave the fairgrounds on completion of weigh-in.

8. **DECLARATIONS:** EXHIBITOR/SELLER MUST make a declaration of intent to sell for ALL sale animals NO LATER THAN one (1) hour after the end of the last Junior Market Show. Replacement Heifers, declaration of intent to sell must be made within 10 minutes of end of heifer show. Failure to declare will result in a penalty of \$75.00 per animal for reinstatement into the sale order. For Replacement Heifers, the fee must be paid by Friday, prior to the sale. For market animals, the fee must be paid by 11am Saturday prior to the Livestock Auction. Declarations, payment and reinstatement into the sale order will NOT be accepted after Saturday at 11 am. NO EXCEPTIONS. Excess declarations made by a seller will be corrected at the discretion of the Fair.

9. **DECLARATION PHOTOS:** Seller must submit a digital show ready photograph of the full profile of the animal including exhibitor in uniform, due to the fair on Date specified by the Fair Entry Office.

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**10.** Animals must be withheld from sale if any medications have been administered to those animals other than in accordance with label instructions.

**11.** Animals may be withheld from the sale for health reasons at the discretion of the Fair.

**12. Sale order will be posted in the Livestock Barns Friday evening.** The Fair reserves the right to arrange the sale order in the manner in which they consider equitable to all sellers.

**13. Appearance of Exhibitor & Animal:** The Exhibitor shall wear approved organization's (i.e. 4-H, Jr. Grange, FFA) uniform and Independent Exhibitors shall wear a white collared shirt and white or dark pants/jeans. All exhibitors will have closed toes shoes while in the ring. Animals shall enter sale ring in show ready. Only show products allowed by Fair Management may be used. **No Glitter!!**

**14.** Seller is responsible for bringing own animal into sale ring in **accordance with the Sale Order** and then to a designated location.

**15.** Each animal will be sold to the highest bidder without reserve. The auctioneer will settle any disputes as to bids by declaring all bids off and reselling the animal in question. Bidding procedure will accept buying orders as allowable bids.

**16. THIS IS A TERMINAL SALE.** ANIMALS sold at this auction will be transported to the USDA approved processing facility contracted with by the Amador County Fair. The Fair will provide transportation. The split carcass (with the exception of the resale animals) will be returned to the processing plant of the purchaser's choice of options available for that years.

Livestock Auction listed in the auction Sale Catalog and sales slip. Animals consigned for sale and sold through the auction are not eligible for re-purchase.

**17.** All animals large and small will be at purchaser's risk as sold and will be delivered to the livestock transport for shipment at the completion of the sale.

**18.** Animals may be sold one (1) time **ONLY**.

**19.** All animals will be cared for, free of charge and without responsibility to the buyer, until shipped. Swine exhibitors are required to supply feed and ensure water is available to their animals until the transport truck arrives Monday a.m. after Fair.

**20. PRIVATE TREATY SALE ANIMALS:** Contingent upon space availability in livestock transport, Private Treaty Sale Animals will be accepted for processing on a first come, first served basis. Prior to being accepted on the wait list for processing, written verification of sale on Fair Forms must be completed and submitted to the Livestock Office with payment of appropriate fees by end of the Junior Livestock Auction. Only those animals eligible for sale through the auction are allowed to be sold through the Fair Private Treaty (No Feeders or Fatties).

**21. AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS SILENT AUCTION:** All exhibits eligible to sell through the silent auction will be in place by 9:00 a.m. Sunday at the designated area. Minimum bids will be set by the exhibitor with increments of \$20.00. Bids will be taken until 1:30 p.m. Exhibits will sell to the highest bidder and are subject to all Junior Livestock Auction Rules and Policies. Exhibitors must remain near their silent auction lot to answer questions as needed.

## **AMADOR COUNTY FAIR JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION POLICIES**

**1. Amador County Fair Junior Livestock Auction Exhibitor (Seller) Policy for Replacement Heifers, Terminal Livestock & Agricultural Mechanic's:** Amador County Fair Junior Livestock Auction (JLA) disbursements for all fair JLA Exhibitor (seller) will be distributed at the time the Amador County Fair has received enough monies to fund all exhibitor (seller) payments, or within 90 days of the auction, whichever occurs first. Sellers will be paid by check. A commission of seven percent (7%) of the gross selling price will be deducted to defray auction sale expenses and provide improvements to the Junior Livestock Program. Any legally mandated inspection/marketing fees will also be deducted.

### **2. Amador County Fair Junior Livestock Auction Buyer Policy**

A. All buyers are required to provide credit card information or guarantee of payment (signed check) prior to receiving a buyer's number. **EXCEPTIONS MUST BE APPROVED IN ADVANCE BY AMADOR COUNTY FAIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR ITS DESIGNEE.**

B. All buyers at the Amador County Junior Livestock Auction (JLA) must have received a buyer's number and provided required contact and payment information prior to purchasing an animal. *Any lot sold to a buyer without a buyer's number will be considered a "no sale" and will be sold immediately.*

C. All buyers are expected to **PAY FOR THEIR PURCHASES ON THE DAY OF THE AUCTION.** Cash, Check, Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express are accepted forms of payment. A 3% credit card fee will be added to ALL credit card purchases. An additional fee of \$50 shall be assessed on all insufficient fund checks and/or transaction fees resulting from a declined check or credit card transaction.

D. Should the JLA lot not be paid on the day of the sale, the payment guarantee will be utilized for any outstanding balances after 30 days of the auction. It is the responsibility of the buyer to ensure all outstanding balances are paid within 30 days of auction.

E. At 30 days, any outstanding balances and fees will accrue a twenty (20%) percent penalty, compounded monthly, until the balance is paid in full.

F. The Amador County Fair JLA reserves the right to refuse to issue a buyer's number to any potential buyer due to their prior non-payment or poor payment history.