

Navajo County Junior Livestock Market Show and Sale

2026 GENERAL Terms & Conditions

These rules apply to all Junior Livestock entries in addition to Navajo County Fair, 4-H, and FFA rules. Navajo County Junior Livestock and Navajo County Fair decisions are final. Violations may result in removal from the show or future participation.

For purposes of this document, "NCJL" shall mean Navajo County Junior Livestock, and "NCJLC" shall mean the Navajo County Junior Livestock Committee.

1. Enrollment/ Membership

- a) Online Entry: Exhibitors must complete their online entry- \$40 per animal (Beef, Swine, Lamb, Goat, Market Turkey), BEFORE their market animal will be accepted and tagged by the species Superintendent. Available at: <https://navajojlisa.fairwire.com> - be sure to complete a MARKET entry for each animal entered in the Fair and a SHOWMANSHIP entry per species online. You will be creating an account with ShoWorks- that will be your account, keep login info. You will sign in and register each species *before* tagging.
- b) Terms and agreements: Exhibitors will be required to UPLOAD the **SIGNED signature form** of these Terms & Agreement to the above mentioned ShoWorks account. The form must be signed by the Exhibitor *and* their Parents.
- c) YQCA: A current quality assurance certification number and expiration date will be required as part of the online entry. Exhibitors must have a valid certificate at tagging that is valid through the end date of the fair.
- d) Seasonal Pass: Must be current and turned in at fair check-in. See 3.b. For details.

2. Club/Chapter Membership Requirements

Each exhibitor must be an active member of a recognized FFA or 4-H club. The exhibitor must reside in Navajo County or must receive approval from NCFB, County 4H or FFA and NCJL. **The NCJLC must have a list of all exhibitors by April 1st of the current project year.**

- a) **Agreements:** The Club Leaders (4-H & FFA) are responsible for having a signed copy of this agreement for every exhibitor in their club to the NCJLC secretary no later than March 15th or the animal will not be tagged, and they will not be eligible to show in the fair. No exceptions will be made.
- b) **Age Requirements: (As of Jan 1st, 2026)** To show all market animals, exhibitors must be at least 8 years old as of January 1st of the current project year
 - o **Beef, Lamb, Goat, and Market Turkey**
 - Junior exhibitors are 8 to 13 years old and
 - Senior exhibitors are 14 to 18 years old.
 - o **Swine**
 - Junior exhibitors are 8 to 11 years old,
 - Intermediate exhibitors are 12 to 15 years old and
 - Senior exhibitors are 16 to 18 years old.

We reserve the right to adjust the class age groups as needed per NCJLC Board.

- c) **Livestock Shows:** All exhibitors will be required to show all their project animal(s) in at least one bona fide livestock show to qualify as a pre-fair show. A livestock show can consist of a SAILA Show, Livestock Show, Jack Pot Show or Livestock Camp, Small Stock Show, Small Stock Camp. The purpose of the pre-fair show is to benefit the exhibitors and animals, to ensure the animal is well trained and well behaved. Verification must be provided to the NCJLC prior to the fair.

3. Inspection and Ownership Requirements

- a) All market animals must have the necessary livestock inspection papers prior to check-in at the fair. Refer to the fair book department Q rules: All animals entered in this section must be in accordance with Arizona state law (ARS 3-1346, Section R3-2-703).
- b) All exhibitors must be present at check-in/weigh-in, a current Arizona Department of Agriculture Seasonal Pass is required for each market animal. Each Seasonal Pass must have the specific exhibitor's name listed on the Pass for the animal they intend to show. <https://seasonalpass.azda.gov/landing>
- c) All exhibits must be tagged with an Arizona or state of origin tag at check-in/weigh-in to show at the NCJL Show. Proof of Ownership will be required:
 - All Lambs and Goats must have an official Scrapie ID tag, (Ex. AZ1234-0222)
 - All Swine exhibits must be ear tagged with an AZ or state premise ID tag or official USDA 840 tag All Beef- NCJLC highly suggests that you have a USDA or an RFID 840 Ear Tag to prevent possible delay and complications due to Government regulations.

- d) The exhibitor must have purchased, raised, fed, cared for, and trained the project animal and must be able to exercise reasonable control over it. Any animal not meeting these standards will be removed from the fair and will not be sold in the market auction.
- e) Ownership: Prior to tagging animals must be in the possession and ownership of the exhibitor as follows:

Beef – 150 days. (Deadline April 18th, 2026)

Swine, Lambs, and Goats – 95 days (Deadline June 12th, 2026)

Market Turkey – 112 days (16 weeks) (Deadline May 26th, 2026)

4. Health Requirements/ Wholesome Meat Act

Animals must be healthy, sound, parasite-free, and drug free. All questions concerning the health or suitability of an animal will be referred to a veterinarian at the expense of the owner.

- 1) The USDA Wholesome Meat Act applies to all slaughter animals at the show. The requirements of this act are as follows:
 - a) All drug label directions must be followed.
 - b) If, upon routine inspection, illegal residues are found in carcass tissue, the entire carcass may be condemned.
 - c) If a carcass is condemned, the proceeds from the sale of that animal will be returned to the buyer.

5. Tagging/ Banding

- a) All market animals will be tagged or banded according to above species requirements (which will coincide with ownership requirements). Tagging day(s) will be coordinated and conducted by the respective species Superintendent. If an exhibitor's animal cannot be present at tagging day, arrangements must be made, at the discretion of the respective species Superintendent, to tag the animal on a date prior to the designated tagging day. No animals will be tagged at a date later than the designated tagging day. If an animal is already ear tagged upon purchase, other than the premise ID tag, the tag must be removed and replaced with an NCJLC tag. Lost tags must immediately be reported to the NCJLC, and a replacement tag will be provided. The respective Livestock Superintendent is responsible for checking and verifying all ear tags at weigh-in.
- b) One ear tag per project animal will be supplied free of charge by the NCJLC. A fee of \$1.00 will be charged for each additional tag and each replacement tag requested by the exhibitor.
- c) If an animal is sifted, for any reason, during ear tagging the exhibitor will have fifteen (15) days to secure a replacement with the approval of the appropriate Livestock Superintendent.

- i) If an animal dies, with proper proof by picture, the member will have the option to replace the animal with the written individual consent of the NCJLC.
 - 1) Unless otherwise agreed upon by the NCJLC, lambs, swine, and goats must be replaced no less than 45 days prior to fair check in, and beef must be replaced no less than 75 days prior to fair check in.
 - 2) Any replacement animal must meet the original ownership duration requirement unless otherwise approved by the NCJLC.
- d) All beef must be led from the trailer to the scale and must be manageable on tagging day.
- e) All male animals must be fully castrated. (Exception to Market Turkeys only)

6. Bred and Fed

An exhibitor wishing to participate in the Navajo County Bred & Fed contest must have an animal that is bred, born, raised and fed within Navajo County and declared at tagging with the attached form completed.

7. Fair Check-In and Procedures

- a) All animals arriving at the fairgrounds shall be roughed-out and reasonably clean upon weigh-in. No wet animals will be weighed.
- b) All entries will be officially checked in and inspected by the appropriate Livestock Superintendent. Exhibits will be accepted from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday of fair week.
- c) Seasonal Pass must accompany all animals to weigh-ins and check-ins. Any animal without proper papers and tag provided by the NCJLC will not be accepted at the fair.

8. Weigh In

The exhibitor will only be allowed one official weigh-in, with one immediate re-weigh allowed if requested before leaving the scale.

- a) All livestock exhibitors will be given a show number corresponding with their animal's ear tag to be worn when exhibiting.
- b) Each exhibitor must show their own project animal. An exception will be made in the event of a conflict between show times for projects entered in market classes. In the event of a conflict, an eligible Junior Livestock exhibitor may show another exhibitor's animal in the market class only.
- c) It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to declare which animal will go to auction at weigh in. If the exhibitor fails to select the animal to be auctioned, the highest placing animal will be sold and there will be no appeal. Once declared for auction at weigh-in, the animal may not be withdrawn from the sale without approval of the NCJLC.

**Note: Scales will be opened for an unofficial weigh-in prior to 5:00 p.m. on check-in day.*

The **minimum/maximum weight and age requirements** are as follows:

Beef minimum - 1000lbs, maximum pay weight for beef - 1400lbs.

Market beef must not exceed twenty-four (24) months of age

Will be sold by the pound. Beef must be double-tied (halter and neck rope) to secure animals.

Swine, Lamb, Goat, Turkey-Will be sold by the Head.

Swine minimum - 220lbs, maximum show weight - 320lbs.

Market swine must be born between December 1st and March 1st.

Lamb minimum weight - **95lbs**, maximum show weight - **180lbs**.

Market lambs must not exceed twelve (12) months.

Must have milk teeth and no permanent incisors may be present.

Goat minimum - **55lbs** and maximum show weight - **130lbs**.

Market goats must not exceed twelve (12) months of age. Must have milk teeth and no permanent incisors may be present. Wethers must be disbudded prior to 3 weeks of age and scurs are not to exceed 1 inch, however, Does are not required to be disbudded. Scurs cannot be removed on site. All Market Goat projects must have meat goat characteristics and conform to USBGA and ABGA breed standards and rules.

Market Turkey- Must be Broad Breasted Bronze or White. Minimum weight is **15lbs** each and age should be between 4 and 9 months.

9. Showmanship

All Market class exhibitors are required to show in the Showmanship classes. An exhibitor may choose which of their own tagged market animal they wish to show in their corresponding showmanship class. If an exhibitor wishes to sell a specific species at the NCJL sale, he/she must show at least one animal in that species in the showmanship class. Once an exhibitor starts the showmanship class with a specific tagged animal, that same animal must be shown throughout all showmanship classes. No switching of animals will be allowed.

10. Exhibitor and Parent Expectations

- a) All decisions of the judges are final. Judges will render no award when, in their opinion, an exhibitor or an animal is not worthy of such an award. Any protest must be made upon completion of the class competition to the appropriate Livestock Superintendent and followed up in writing within one hour. The written protest will be submitted to the Livestock Superintendent. The protest determination must be completed on the day of the show while the judge is present.
- b) All exhibitors are to conduct themselves consistently with the standards of 4-H and FFA. This includes proper manners and dress in all classes and during the market sale. All shirts will have collars, and all exhibitors will be neat and clean in their appearance. A 4-H or FFA patch or jacket may be worn by the exhibitor in all classes and during the market sale. No livestock will be shown by exhibitors in unsuitable footwear, such as tennis shoes or sandals. All footwear will be consistent with the 4-H and FFA project manuals and provide safe covering of the foot. All exhibitors will always wear appropriate footwear while working with their animal(s) during the fair. Any gross violations of this standard, as interpreted by the NCJLC species superintendent and president, may be grounds for expulsion of the exhibitors and forfeiture of all awards and premiums. Inappropriate language or conduct by exhibitors, or parents, is prohibited, and may be grounds for disqualification.
- c) Consumption of alcohol or the use of tobacco and/or illegal drugs on the premises will result in automatic disqualification of the exhibitor.

11. Animal Care and Grooming

- a) All exhibitors are responsible for feeding, watering, and caring for their animal(s), and the cleanliness of their pens during the entire time they are being exhibited. Morning feeding and initial verified stall cleaning will be completed by 9:00 a.m. each day and maintained throughout the day. All stalls will be randomly inspected by the department superintendent. The superintendent will immediately notify exhibitors of improper care and need to be rectified in a timely manner. **After the initial warning, if the stall has not been rectified with the corresponding superintendent, the exhibitor will be charged a fee of \$25.00 assessed to the exhibitor's animal per pen per day. Any exhibitor who is fined will also still be required to clean their pen.**

- b) **The load out will be Sunday morning or at the discretion of the NCJLC and will be conducted by the NCJLC. Time will be determined and provided accordingly. Any exhibitor who is not present or who has not made prior arrangements to have their stalls cleaned will be assessed a \$100.00 fee.** All such charges will be deducted from the proceeds of the market sale for that exhibitor.
- c) The grooming of project animals should be educational for the exhibitor. Accordingly, the grooming process and the amount of help received shall be left to the discretion of the exhibitor. All animals must remain in the livestock area for grooming.
- d) No chemicals, except those approved by a licensed veterinarian, may be used within the livestock pens or stall areas.
- e) It is strongly recommended, but NOT mandatory-that livestock exhibitors purchase insurance to cover loss of market animals.
- f) Due to public perception, shavings will be required in all NCJL projects stalls/pens.

12. Auction Requirements

- a) An exhibitor wishing to sell a specific species at the NCJL sale must show at least one animal of that species in the showmanship class.
- b) Blue, red, and white ribbon animals are eligible for the market sale.
- c) Exhibitors may show up to two market animals per species.
 - i) If both of the exhibitor's animals are assigned to the same market class, another qualified exhibitor will be allowed to show that animal.
- d) Only one market animal may be sold per species in the NCJL Sale.
 - i) An exception is granted for grand/reserve market champions. These animals do not count toward the limit of one sale per species, allowing an exhibitor to then sell multiple animals. Sale of a Grand or Reserve animal is optional unless otherwise required by the NCJLC
- e) Any animal not making the minimum weight for the Market class will be moved to the prospect class and will not be eligible to be sold at the NCJLC Sale.
- f) It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to feed the animal and maintain the stall to the satisfaction of the Livestock Superintendent until the animal is delivered at the conclusion of the fair.
- g) There is no requirement to sell an animal that was entered in a Market Class.

Rights & Fees

- a) Upon sale of the animal in the auction, the exhibitor assigns full legal rights of ownership, for purposes of collection of full sale price, to the NCJLC.
- b) There will be a commission charge for the sale of all animals at auction; the percentage will be determined by the NCJLC.
 - i) Monies derived from the commission charge will be used by the NCJLC to pay show and sale expenses, which may include but are not limited to advertising, awards, and auctioneer.
- c) Any cleaning charges assigned to an exhibitor will also be deducted from the sale proceeds.

Important Clarifications:

- a) No private sale of animals will be allowed on the Fairgrounds. Anyone found guilty of this will be subject to disciplinary action decided by NCJL Board.
- b) NCJL will only load animals according to the sale slips. If there are any changes they must be submitted in writing by 10 am on Saturday.

13. 1099

Each exhibitor is required to complete an IRS W9 form online before submitting their online entry for the fair. Only exhibitors receiving \$600 or more in auction proceeds will be issued a 1099 in January. In January 2027, a 1099 form will be issued from the NCJLC to the exhibitor for their total in auction proceeds. This form and procedure is required by the IRS in order for the NCJLC to issue auction proceeds checks to exhibitors.

NAVAJO COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE EXHIBITOR & PARENT TERMS & AGREEMENT

By signing below, I acknowledge I have received a copy of the General Rules of the Navajo County Junior Livestock Committee, governing the purchase, showing and sale of livestock at the **2026** Navajo County Jr. Livestock Show & Auction. I further agree to review and abide by the rules as set forth.

It is required to submit any change requests to the board minimum 45 days before fair for the consideration of the Navajo County Junior Livestock board.

I also acknowledge I will be showing and selling at the **2026** Navajo County Fair as a Navajo County Junior Livestock Member. This membership will precede any 4-H and FFA membership, however a Jr. Livestock member must be an active, bona fide member of a recognized FFA, or 4-H club as stated in the terms and agreements. In addition, all Navajo County Jr. Livestock Members must meet all requirements set forth by the FFA or 4-H organizations to qualify them as a "Member in Good Standing". All Navajo County Livestock members must abide by all Navajo County Junior Livestock Terms and Agreement.

Exhibitor's Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent / Guardian's Signature _____ **Date** _____

RESPONSIBILITY CLAUSE

The Navajo County Fair Board & the Navajo County Jr. Livestock Committee, including its officers & members, will not be responsible for any loss, personal injury, or damage to any animal exhibited, or for any article of any kind that may be lost, stolen, or damaged. Each exhibitor will be responsible for any injury that may occur to any person, animal or property while on the Navajo County Fairgrounds or at any Navajo County Jr. Livestock function, by any animal owned or exhibited by him/her & shall legally indemnify the Navajo County Fair Board & the Navajo County Jr. Livestock Committee including its officers & members from any suits or claims. The presentation of this signed form shall be deemed acceptance of this statement.

I hereby agree to the terms of the above "Responsibility Clause" & consent to the entry of my child,
_____, in the Navajo County Jr. Livestock Show & Auction.

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

E-mail address: _____ Phone: _____

CHILD'S INFORMATION _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Physical Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Birth Date: _____ Age: _____

Membership: ____ FFA ____ 4H Club/Chapter: _____

Species Showing: _____ Ear Tag #: _____

Navajo County Bred & Fed Verification Form

2026 Navajo County Fair- Jr. Livestock Division

The completed form must be submitted at ear Tagging with your official entry form to qualify for Navajo County Bred & Fed Class. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Exhibitor Name: _____

Club/ Group/ Chapter Name: _____

Species Entry: _____ Beef _____ Goat _____ Lamb _____ Swine

RULES APPLYING TO THIS ENTRY:

The animal being entered must have been conceived, born, raised, and fed on Navajo County soil.

EXHIBITOR CERTIFICATION:

By signing below, I hereby certify that the animal above qualifies as a Navajo County Bred animal as outlined in the rules above. I hereby further certify that the animal listed above will be raised and fed in Navajo County, and in my care for the duration of the project.

As the Exhibitor signing below, I hereby certify that I have reviewed the information presented and have found it to be complete and accurate.

Exhibitor Signature

PRODUCER CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the animal indicated above and sold to the member listed above, qualifies as a Navajo County Bred Animal as outlined in the rules above.

Producer Printed Name

Producer Signature

Date

Phone Number: _____

Physical Address: _____

Producer Premise ID: **AZ** _____ Animal Permanent Tag# _____

Date of sale/ Ownership: _____ / _____ / _____

Physical Description of Animal: _____
