



# INDEPENDENT JUNIOR EXHIBITOR RULES, INFORMATION & EXHIBITOR DECLARATION OF INTENT FORM

*All Independent Junior Exhibitors must complete and submit Declaration of Intent and required Photos & Paperwork by their Specific Specie (s) deadlines listed inside on page 3 !!!*



## Amador County Fair Independent Junior Exhibitor Rules and Information

Enclosed are the official rules and forms for Junior (Jr.) Independent Exhibitors. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure all rules and deadlines are met. To be eligible for the Jr. Livestock show and sale, all records must be maintained on the project animal(s) and submitted to the Fair at arrival.

### Rules

#### 1. Exhibitor Eligibility

1. To be eligible for the Amador County Fair Jr. Livestock Show and Sale, the independent exhibitor must be a qualified independent junior exhibitor from Amador County (Refer to State and Livestock Rules in Amador County Fair Premium Book for eligibility and qualifications).
2. Exhibitor must have current Quality Assurance and Ethics training. The website for this training is [www.yqca.org](http://www.yqca.org). Proof of training must be submitted:
  - a. Market Animal(s) Exhibitors: **Designated Pre-Weigh/Declaration date(s)**.
  - b. Breeding Animal(s) Exhibitors: **June 29, 2026**
3. Exhibitor must adhere to the dress code outlined in the Amador County Fair Rules.
4. Exhibitor and chaperone(s) shall adhere to all other Amador County Fair Rules to maintain eligibility for any shows.

#### 2. Project Eligibility

1. Market Animal Projects must be declared (Declaration of Intent) and weighed at the **Designated Pre-Weigh/Declaration date(s)**.
2. Horse Projects must be declared (Declaration of Intent) by **March 30, 2026** (see State and Livestock Rules for ownership/lease requirements)
3. Breeding Projects must be declared (Declaration of Intent) by **June 29, 2026** (see State and Livestock Rules for breeding animal ownership requirements)
4. A Project Management Record Book shall be maintained and submitted upon arrival to the fair to the appropriate office.
  - a. Livestock (Market & Breeding): Jr. Livestock Office
  - b. Horses: Horse Show Office

Should an exhibitor fail to maintain record book and submit to the fair, the exhibitor and projects entered will be disqualified and be unable to show and/or sell at the Amador County Fair.

**NO EXCEPTIONS**



5. Declaration of Intent: When submitting the Declaration on Intent, the following is required:
  - a. Declaration of Intent Form
    - i. Must be complete, with signatures.
  - b. Must have two photos of animal (exhibitor is encouraged to be present in photos).
    - i. Side view of animal
    - ii. Front view of animal
      - To Declare Market Rabbits, our rules state that you must own the Doe(s). If you plan to exhibit Market Rabbits you will need to submit a photos of the doe(s).
      - For Market Chickens you will need to submit a **COPY** of the Receipt of Sale for either the Cornish Cross Eggs (if you plan to hatch them out yourself) or the Cornish Cross Chicks.
      - Photos of live Project Market Rabbits & Market Chickens are required to the Fair by **June 29, 2026**
  - c. Declaration of Intent forms and photos must be submitted by:
    - i. Market Animals: close of pre-weigh on designated date
    - ii. Horse and Breeding: close of business on designated date
6. 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 would cause bodily injury or property damage. We as the Fair will pay for this insurance out of the 7% auction commission to ensure that you are covered for any liability to you while participating as an exhibitor at the Amador County Fair. This is a blanket policy that covers all Livestock and Horse Show exhibitors for the duration of the fair. Special events insurance is available through the California Fair Services Authority (CFSA). Contact the Fair office for rates.

Should an exhibitor fail to submit the declaration of intent to the fair by the designated date and time, the exhibitor and project(s) will be unable to enter the Livestock Market, Breeding Show or Horse Show. **NO EXCEPTIONS**



## **IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES**

### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025**

- ✓ Replacement Heifer Project Agreement Forms Due

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026**

- ✓ 8:00 am – 10:00 am Market Beef Pre Weigh-In at the Fairgrounds  
Independent Declaration of Intent Form & Photos & Proof of Quality Assurance Due.  
Also, Local/Exhibitor Bred form and AES Form If applicable, & Exhibitor Code of Conduct Form Due.

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026**

- ✓ 8:30 am – 10:00 am Heifer Pregnancy Check at the Fairgrounds  
Independent Declaration of Intent Form & Photos & Proof of Quality Assurance Due.  
Also, Local/Exhibitor Bred form and AES Form If applicable, & Exhibitor Code of Conduct Form Due.

### **MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2026**

- ✓ Horse Exhibitor Declaration of Intent Form & Photos, Proof of Quality Assurance & Proof of Lease/Ownership Due

### **FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026**

- ✓ All Entries Open and Fair Event Tickets Sales Open

### **SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026**

- ✓ 7:00 am – 10:00 am Market Swine, Market Sheep, Market Goat Pre Weigh-In and Small Animal (Market Rabbit, Market Chickens & Market Turkey) Declaration – Fairgrounds.  
Independent Declaration of Intent Form & Photos & Proof of Quality Assurance Due.  
Also, Local/Exhibitor Bred form and AES Form If applicable, & Exhibitor Code of Conduct Form Due. FOR SWINE - CDFA Prop 12 Compliant Certificate & Copy of the Bill of Sale.

### **FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2026**

- ✓ All Jr. Livestock Entries Close

### **MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2026**

- ✓ Small Market Animal Photos for Rabbits & Chickens Due
- ✓ Breeding Animal(s) Exhibitor Declaration of Intent Form & Photos, Proof of Youth Quality Assurance Due. Proof of Insurance Due, & Exhibitor Code of Conduct Form Due.

### **FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2026**

- ✓ Horse Show Entries Close

### **ARRIVAL AT FAIR**

- ✓ Project Management Books due to appropriate office(s)

**ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE FAIR ENTRY DEPARTMENT AT 209-245-6921**



## INDEPENDENT JUNIOR EXHIBITOR DECLARATION OF INTENT

This declaration must be completed and returned with all required attachments and signatures to the Amador County Fair office by designated date, per the species to be eligible to show Livestock (Market & Breeding) or Horse Project at the 2026 Amador County Fair. The Rules and Information should be read thoroughly before signing this declaration.

*All Fields on Declaration of Intent Form are Mandatory.*

Please print clearly or type. Forms that are not legible or are incomplete shall not be accepted.

### EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

Name of Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor Age (as of January 1 of Fair Year) \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Photos: Attach 2 photos, side view and front view to separate piece of paper when submitting declaration of intent. \_\_\_\_\_

### PROJECT INFORMATION

SPECIES:	Beef	Replacement Heifer	Horse	Swine	Goats
	Sheep	Turkeys	Rabbits	Poultry	

Fair Ear Tag/Tattoo #: \_\_\_\_\_ Scrapies & Flock #: (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

### SIGNED STATEMENT

*We have read rules and attached information for Independent Junior Exhibitors and by signing below, assert the above information as true and correct and agree to abide by the Independent Junior Exhibitor rules and State and local fair rules. Project and exhibitor disqualification will result if the rules are not followed.*

Exhibitor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_