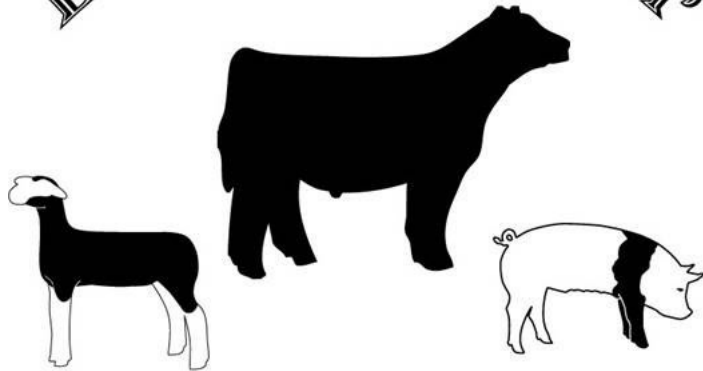


2023
Large Animals
LIVESTOCK RULES

Bi-County Fair



General Livestock Rules

1. New Mexico Livestock Board Regulations and all General Rules and Regulations will apply.
 - a) All Market Steers must bear the registered brand of the exhibitor, or they must be fire branded with '4H' on the left jaw (4H members), an 'A' (FFA members), or bear the registered brand of an NM Breeder. They must be accompanied by a written statement permitting the junior to show and sell the steer under that brand.
 - b) All breeding heifers must bear a registered brand.
 - c) All Market Lambs and Market Goats must be tattooed in the left ear with '4H' for 4H members or in the right ear an 'A' for FFA members.
 - d) All Market Swine must be ear notched.
 - e) Please be aware of any import requirements and contact your local Brand Inspector and the State Vet with any questions.
2. Classifier and Judge's decisions are FINAL. There will be no re-weighs.
3. The Superintendent has the privilege of combining, adding, or deleting classes when deemed advisable.
4. **Eligibility:** The Junior Livestock Show and the Junior Breeding Livestock Show are open to any Cibola/McKinley County FFA or 4-H member currently in good standing wither FFA Chapter and 4-H Club and meet the age requirement for their organization. Jr Boosters - youth 7 years of age and in 2nd grade enrolled in My Animals Friends, must have their own animals, and participate in the annual tagging process, and follow all requirements as other livestock exhibitors. Jr Boosters not allowed to exhibit Market Beef or Breeding Heifers. Must be a member in good standing and attend regular meetings. Jr Booster exhibitors will be allowed to make the Jr Livestock Sale.
5. Animals must be owned by and in possession of the exhibitor by the deadlines outline in each species.
 - a) Steers/Heifers: large animal tag day.
 - b) Market Lamb, Market Goat, Market Hog: by designated tag day.
 - c) Exhibitor will be allowed to tag and show a total of six (6) Market Animals - any combination totaling to six (6).
6. At the time of verification, the exhibitor must provide:
 - a) A copy of the bill of sale establishing ownership before the stated deadline for each species. Must include birthdate for Heifers.
 - b) A copy of Ear Notch papers for Market Hogs purchased inside New Mexico and a copy of heath papers indicating ear notches for hogs bought from out of state.
7. All entries must be made online by the deadline. Entries accepted there will be a \$50 per entry late fee.
8. If ear tags are lost or come out of the ear, the exhibitor must contact their county extension agent of their respective county schedule a **retagging within 24 hrs** of losing the tag. All animals must have a certified NM 840 tag to come on the fairgrounds – replacement tags will cost \$5.00.

9. Exhibitors will be required to register for Showmanship and must have an animal in that species at County Fair.
10. An Exhibitor Meeting will be held Thursday evening after weigh-in is complete. The Junior Livestock Committee will relay any pertinent information at that time.
11. Exhibitors are expected to be present and actively involved in the care of their animals during the Fair.
12. All Sheep and Goats must be sheared to one quarter in an inch (1/4") above the hock before entering the Fairgrounds. No blankets or tubes during weigh-in and health check.
13. Only Exhibitors and Fair Officials will be allowed in the Show Ring while animals are being judged.
14. Animals must be shown by their owner except when:
 - a) The owner has more than one entry in a class.
 - b) The owner has a valid reason that has the Superintendent approval.
15. Animal must be sold by their exhibitor – no exceptions.
16. The Fair Board may disqualify any Exhibitor from present and future participation, including withholding of premium, sale, add-on, or packer monies for any violation of rules policies.
17. First place animals from each class will be brought back for Grand Champion judging (For Market Swine this will be the Breed Champions). Upon selection of a Grand Champion, the second- place animal from the class the Grand Champion was originally shown or the Reserve Breed Champion for swine, will be brought back and included with the remaining first place animals for Reserve Grand Champion judging.
18. No exhibitor will be allowed to sell or display "FOR SALE" signs or discuss the sale of non-sale animals until after the Junior Livestock Sale is completed.
19. All animals presented for exhibition shall be free from contagious and infectious diseases and will be subject to examination daily during the fair. Any diseased or infectious animal will be removed from the fairgrounds.
20. RELEASE OF ANIMALS WILL BE AT 7:00 pm on Sunday. All release papers must be signed by 6:00 pm. If your release papers are not signed by this time, you will be assessed a fee of \$25 per head. If you want early release of your animals, you will need to pay a cash early release fee of \$50 per animal.
21. No add-on or sale monies will be issued to any exhibitor until all such money is received from donors and buyers. Every effort is made to invoice buyers immediately following the fair so the funds can be distributed to youth as soon as possible.
22. Animal Care
 1. All animals entered in Junior Livestock shows must be in Good physical condition and be kept clean and well taken care of and their pens for the duration of the time on the Bi-County Fairgrounds.

2. Animals in poor conditions or that do not comply with the stated rules for each species may be sent home at the Superintendents' discretion.
3. If an animal becomes sick or injured, a Licensed Veterinarian will examine the animal and notify the Superintendent if treatment or release is necessary. If a veterinarian is unavailable, the Superintendents and Fair Board will decide what they feel is in the animal's best interest.
 - a) No medication or treatment can be administered while at the Fairgrounds without the supervised any form administration by a Licensed Veterinarian and the responsible Superintendent.
 - b) No animal that has not cleared all FDA and USDA required withdrawal times may be shown or sold throughout the Junior Livestock Sale.
4. If livestock is not adequately cared for, necessary items will be supplied and charged to the exhibitor.
5. Abuse of any animal will result in immediate disqualification and forfeiture of any prizes or monies. The Fair Board reserves the right to reject any entry by anyone who participates in animal abuse of any kind.
6. The following are termed UNETHICAL PRACTICES:
 - a) Animals that have been given of an intoxicating beverage, tranquilizer, substance, or other drug affecting mood or attitude before judging. Except in the case of an Over the Counter product that is labeled for that species.
 - b) Use any substance administered internally or used externally to alter an animal's appearance or conformation for the exhibition. This includes the use of graphite, hemp, false tail heads, glued-on hair, or hair-like substances, or other similar substances externally, steroids, diuretic, or artificial filling internally by stomach pump. Judges are requested to report to the Superintendent or Fair Board any animal upon which surgical operation has been performed to improve their "show" appearance, except surgical dehorning.
 - c) There will be no changing of major color patterns with dyes or paints.
 - d) The use of any chemical or compound that the USDA and FDA do not approve for the specific species can result in immediate disqualification.
 - e) Any Exhibitor whose animal has been found to be contaminated by an unethical fitting proactive by the Superintendents and Fair Board will result in the forfeiture of all premium and sale money, if any, over the packers bid if a packer bid exists.
 - f) Any Exhibitor and their family found guilty of unethical fitting will be barred from competition until the Fair Board makes reinstatement.
7. **If the Fair Veterinarian is summoned by the Superintendent and/or the Livestock Office on the behalf of the exhibitor, whether or not any services are rendered, the Exhibitor is responsible for all fees paid to the veterinarian.**

Protests

1. The judges' decision shall be final, and no appeal will be considered except in the case of a protest.
 - a) All protests will be determined by the Fair Board and must be made in writing to the Fair Board, accompanied by an affidavit setting forth ground for protest and a deposit of \$100.00 cash, which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained.
 - b) Protests against the exhibition of an entry must be filed, considered, and determined before a section is judged.
 - c) Protests against an awarded must be filed within one hour of the show's conclusion on the day the award was made and will be considered and determined at the first meeting of the Fair Board following the Fair.
 - d) In addition to the right of protest guaranteed above to interested parties, the Fair Board reserves the right to take cognizance of any fraud, consummated or attempted,

and to deal with all persons implicated therein, in such a manner within the limits of power of the Fair Board as may, from the evidence relating to and deemed just and proper.

e) Interested parties will be duly notified of the time and place for considering protests and allowed to submit evidence.

23. There must be at least 3 entries to be eligible for awards.

Junior Market Livestock

Entry Fees: \$25 per head for all species and \$10 for Showmanship

Market Swine:

1. Classes will be broken by weight and breed.
2. Gilts and barrows are eligible. The minimum weight is 200lbs, there is no maximum.
 - a) The Classifier will decide breed designation at weigh-in. All Classification decisions are final.

Breeding Swine:

1. Classes will be broken by weight
2. Gilts (Under 1 year of age)

Market Goats:

1. Classes will be broken by weight.
2. Wethers and Does are eligible to show. The minimum weight is 50lbs. There is no maximum.
3. Horns must be tipped and shorter than 2 (two) inches.

Dairy Goats

1. Classes will be broken by weight

Market Lambs

1. Classes will be broken by weight.
2. Wethers and Ewes are eligible to show.
3. The minimum weight is 100lbs for all.

Breeding Sheep

1. Ewes (under 1 year of age)
2. Ewes (over 1 year of age)
3. Rams (under 1 year of age)
4. Rams (over 1 year of age)

***All sheep and goats for exhibition must have USDA Scrapies I.D. Tags (REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW)**

Market Steers/Heifers

1. Market Beef classes will be broken by weight. There is a minimum weight of 1,000lbs.
2. Both Steers and Heifers are eligible to show.
3. Market heifers must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection dated within 30 days of the show stating heifer is open.
4. A heifer shown as a market beef cannot show in the Breeding classes.
5. Market Beef Classes show light to heavy.

Breeding Heifers

1. Breeding Heifer Classes will be broken by birthday into the following classes: a) Heifers calved between September 1 and December 31 of the previous year. b) Heifers calved between May 1 and August 31 of the previous year. c) Heifers calved between January 1 and April 30 of the previous year.

Dairy Heifer

1. Tooth Rule: Any heifer having two sets of permanent incisors that have broken through the skin will not be eligible to show.
2. All dairy cattle over 4 months of age are required to have a negative TB test. Test is good for 120 days prior to showing.

County Bred Animals General Rules (\$10 Entry Fee)

- Entries will be online at the same time as you enter the animal for market shows.
- All animals must be bred, raised, and purchased from a Cibola/McKinley County breeder.
- All breeds will be shown together.
- All entries and awards will be subject to the Junior Livestock rules.
- Boosters are eligible to show.
- Official weights used at weigh-in for the Market Show will be used to determine County-bred classes.
- The County-bred Animal Show will pay premiums based upon the number of entries in each species. A buckle will be awarded to the overall Champion of each species.

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE
TIME 1:00 P.M. SUNDAY OF LABOR DAY WEEKEND

1. **Animal's chosen as grand and reserve grand champions in market steers, swine, lambs, and goats must be sold through the junior livestock sale.** Other animals accepted for the sale must be sold through the Junior Livestock Sale unless the exhibitor notifies the Livestock Superintendent to the contrary within 30 minutes of the conclusion of Market Show on Saturday afternoon.
2. Market livestock will be sold in the following order: Grand Champion Market Steer, Grand Champion Market Swine, Grand Champion Market Lamb, Grand Champion Market Goat, Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer, Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine, Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb, and Reserve Grand Champion Goat.
3. Each exhibitor must sale his/her own animal in the sale ring you may not get another person to sale the animal for you.
4. Exhibitors are responsible for the care and safe delivery of all animals after the sale. Sale animals will be released at noon for proper delivery to purchasers on Labor Day.
5. The Fair Board Treasurer will pay the money derived from the sale of market animals after the fair. **See rule #21 in the General Rules.**
6. Sale limited to two (2) animals per exhibitor. If the exhibitor has more than two (2) animals in sale and does not notify the Superintendent of which animal to pull the Superintendent will choose for you. Exhibitors must complete in Intent to Sell Form.
7. All livestock sold through the sale shall be charged 7% on total of sale price and add-ons defray judging and sale expenses.
8. The Fair Board will not be responsible for animals not listed in the auction.
9. Any exhibitor having animal or animals entered in the sale is prohibited from seeking special privileges from the buyers, such as repurchase the animal from the buyer or packer to be shown again, or to be used for other purposes including breeding. Exhibitors violating this rule will subject to disciplinary action. The fair Board may withhold the sale proceeds or ban exhibitor from showing for at least one year.
10. The exhibitor whose animal does not make the livestock sale is obligated to sell his or her own animal(s). The buyer will be responsible for arranging transportation for said animal and give packer instructions.
11. After the sale and fair is over, each exhibitor will have sufficient feed and water for their animals if necessary, and all paperwork must be completed at the fair office. The requirement for the completion of paperwork applies to "all" market animals. No animal will leave the fairgrounds or be left at the fairgrounds without the paperwork.
12. Animals purchased through the sale may be donated to clubs or organizations. However, only those animals donated to the Bi-County Fair Board will be resold through the Junior Livestock Sale.
13. **4-H and FFA exhibitors that sale through the Jr Livestock sale are required to send all buyers and add on people thank you cards – if your cards are not received by Jan 1st following the sale you will not be able to show the next fair.**