

# 2024 Kings Fair Market Animal Project Guidelines & Requirements

## WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Available to all exhibitors of Kings County 9 years of age by December 31, 2023.

## CONTRACT INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS:

Market Beef Contracts due by February 14, 2024, before 4:00pm.

Market swine, lambs, goats, and prospect steer contracts due by April 14, 2024, before 4:00pm.

A contract must be completed for each market animal you wish to enter in the Kings Fair along with a front, left and right profile picture of the entire market animal. Each exhibitor is to turn in a fully signed Kings Fair Code of Ethics for the contract(s) to be accepted.

## ONLINE ENTRIES: Due May 17, 2024, by 11:30pm

1. Your project contract does not enter your animal(s) in the Kings Fair. All animals you wish to show at the fair must be entered in the fair through the official Kings Fair online entry system and all entry fees must be paid by 11:30pm on May 17, 2024. All entries are ONLINE ONLY.
2. All exhibitors must complete the annual [YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals \(yqcaprogram.org\)](http://yqcaprogram.org) online training required by the CDFA F&E prior to the May 17, 2024, entry deadline as the certificate number will be required with your entry.

## WHAT ARE THE PROJECT GUIDELINES?

Exhibitors may sell one (1) Dairy Replacement springer or yearling and one (1) market animal at the 2024 Kings Fair. All Champion and Reserve Champion animals for each species (sheep, beef, swine & goats) are terminal and must be shipped by fair staff from the fairgrounds directly to the fairs processing facility (i.e., they may not be picked up live, resale or donated to a barbeque). Prospect steers, rabbits, and poultry Champion and Reserve Champions are not terminal.

## EXHIBITOR AND ANIMAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. The exhibitor is responsible for following all 2024 CA State Rules and the Kings Fair local rules as posted in the exhibitor handbook. If the exhibitor is found in violation of any state or local rules the exhibitor is to be disqualified from participating at the Kings Fair. If premiums, awards, or auction proceeds have been awarded the exhibitor forfeits the rights to those awards and proceeds.
2. Exhibitors must show and sell their own animals during the Kings Fair. If the exhibitor is unable to sell their animal due to health or emergency, they will need to submit a request in writing to the CEO for another exhibitor to sell their animal on their behalf.
3. At the Kings Fair, exhibitors will be disqualified if not dressed appropriately and if the animal is not groomed and halter broke to lead.
4. **ALL CATTLE MUST BE HALTER BROKE TO LEAD.** If any cattle are found to be a danger to the public and the exhibitor cannot lead or handle the animal, they will leave the premises. ***There is absolutely no exception to this rule.***
5. All exhibitors must help during their respective auction (i.e., runners).
6. Every exhibitor must turn in a fully signed Kings Fair Code of Ethics (found on the Kings Fair website) with their contract.

## MARKET CLASS & WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS:

1. **MARKET STEERS 1,050-1,500 LBS (exhibitors will be paid on full market weight of animal. Feeder steers 1,049 and under not eligible for sale. Market steers 1,501 and above not eligible for sale.)**
  - a. English-Angus, Herford, Shorthorn, Red Angus, (REGISTRATION PAPERS REQUIRED)
  - b. Black/Black X
  - c. All Other Colors

- 2. PROSPECT STEERS 500-750 LBS (Exhibitor is not required to sell and animals cannot be more than 9 months of age)**
  - a. 50/50 Dairy/Beef Breeds, 500-750 lbs.
  - b. 100% Beef Breeds, 500-750 lbs.
  - c. Feeder class 499 and under (not eligible for sale)
- 3. MARKET LAMBS 110-150 LBS (Feeder lambs 109 and under not eligible for sale)**
  - a. Market Lamb White Face
  - b. Market Lamb Black Face
- 4. MARKET GOATS 60-115 LBS (Feeder market goats, under 60 pounds not eligible for sale)**
  - a. Market Goats (shown by weight class)
  - b. Feeder market goats (not eligible for sale)
- 5. MARKET HOGS 215-280 LBS (Feeder hogs 214 and under not eligible for sale. Market hogs 281 and above not eligible for sale)**
  - a. Hampshire
  - b. Yorkshire
  - c. Duroc
  - d. All Other Breeds
  - e. Cross Bred
- 6. RABBIT MEAT PENS 3 Rabbits, not over 70 days old and weighing between 3.5 – 5.5 LBS each). List all 3 markings on the entry and only one entry per pen. A bill of sale on the or statement certifying that rabbits were bred by the exhibitor showing a minimum of 30-day ownership required at weigh-in.**
  - a. All Meat Pens
- 7. POULTRY MEAT PENS 2 chickens 42-45 days old at the time of show and will be separated by weight class. Light weight chickens are 4.5-7.5 LBS each. Heavy weight chickens are 8-10 LBS each. Super heavy weight chickens are 10.5 LBS each. Pick-Up Date No later than May 1, 2024, for possible purchase locations contact Sanchez Feed & Seed, Evangelho Feed & Farm Store, or any authorized dealer to pre-order. Proof of age, signed bill of sale, receipt or donation must accompany birds at check in. No Exceptions.**
  - a. Poultry Meat Pen
- 8. MARKET TURKEY One (1) bird Tom or Hen. Turkey must weigh between 20-35 LBS. Turkey's over 35 LBS will be shown in the super heavy weight class. Turkey's must be a minimum of 10 weeks old and a maximum of 22 weeks old at the time of show. Pre-Order Turkey's between 1/5/2024 and 3/29/2024. Contact Sanchez Feed & Seed, Evangelho Feed & Farm Store, or any authorized dealer to pre-order. Proof of age, signed bill of sale, receipt or donation must accompany birds at check in. No Exceptions.**
  - a. Turkey- Tom
  - b. Turkey- Hen

***Note: These are basic guidelines the official 2024 Kings Fair exhibitor handbook will have all official available classes and local rules.***