

BC Agricultural Expo

September 24-27, 2021 North Thompson Agriplex Barriere, BC



GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All entry fees **MUST** accompany entry forms. Entry fees are the following & are GST taxable

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4-H JUDGING ONLY -All Divisions -\$ 5.00 (plus GST) Entry forms must be filled out.

2. **Deadlines for Entry:** July 31st for 4-H entries; and August 15th for OPEN. Please note any OPEN entry **wanting to be included in the Fair catalog must have entry in by August 15**th. Post entries may be accepted on a case by case basis after the deadline. If accepted, a \$20.00 (non-taxable) post

- entry fee per entry in addition to the above listed entry fees. No post entries will be listed in the catalogue. All entry fees are GST 5% taxable. (GST# 77836 2723)
- 3. No entry refunds will be given for ANY DIVISION, excluding the Horse Division. Horse entry fees, less a \$15.00 office charge, will be refunded if the office receives a veterinarian certificate within 48 Hours prior to the beginning of the Expo.
 - * A Bill of Sale is required for all Market entries.

*All livestock manifests for transporting to and from the fair should include the North Thompson Fall Fair Premise # BC4469RH3

- 4. All entry forms must be completed, signed and money enclosed (INCLUDING CCIA/CSIP IDENTIFICATION numbers). Failing to have the entry form completed will result in it being returned to the contributor and it will then be the contributor's responsibility to return the corrected entry form prior to closing date.
- 5. Only a leader who registers a 4-H member at BC Agricultural Expo may excuse that member from the show, or change a project's VERIFIED identification number in the case of a lost or missing ear tag.
- 6. All clubs attending BC Agricultural Expo must be represented at the Annual General Meeting. *All animals entered at BC Ag Expo may be used for judging classes and for Round Robin Competition. This is a condition of entry. NO EXCEPTIONS* -If the owner, leader or club representative is not present at the stall area, the Division Rep/Round Robin Committee has the right to safely remove the animal from its stall for the purpose of Round Robin or Judging Competitions. Contributor must be a registered 4-H member in the project of the Grooming and Fitting division in which they wish to compete. It is mandatory for every club entered in BC Ag Expo to enter one team in their division's Grooming and Fitting, provided they have eligible members. These Grooming & Fitting points will count towards Club Aggregates. The penalty for not entering will be the loss of Aggregate points for your club.
- 7. Upon the discovery of fraud, deception or dishonest practice which may have affected or have tended to affect the decision of the Judges, the Committee has the power to withhold awards and may prohibit the offending party or parties from exhibition in any class for one or more years and may also publish the name of such if deemed expedient. Fraud, deception or dishonest practice shall include defacing an exhibit by altering the natural structure or natural conformation of same by any means whatsoever. Protests must be submitted in writing to the BC Ag Expo Committee prior to, or during, the sale.
- 8. For the purpose of competing in this exhibition, unethical fitting will be deemed to consist of any treatment or operation materially altering the structure of the natural conformation of any part of the animal's body such as the introduction of air, liquid or other substances in any part of the body, surgical operations to correct defects, or the performances of any act or operation to exaggerate the natural conformation of the animal. There is one exception to this rule and is limited exclusively to the following:

 All castrated male animals are to be castrated by one of the following methods:
 - a) surgical castration; b) Burdizzo emasculator, or c) Elastrator
- 9. The BC Ag Expo Committee reserves the right to decide any point not covered by the rules, which the Committee considers necessary in the proper regulation and management of the show and sale. The decision of the Committee shall be final in all cases.
- 10. All grievances of any kind will be heard by a Grievance Committee of three, represented by the Chairperson of the BC Ag Expo Committee, one other person appointed by the BC Ag Expo Committee, and the rep from the 4-H or Open Division involved in the Grievance.

- 11. 4-H members absent from the BC Agricultural Expo due to sickness, health, a legitimate 4-H function, or educational reason may have another 4-H member show the animal in the age classes of heifers and cow/calf and in the weight classes of steers and lambs, but will not receive a score in showmanship. In all group competitions, the animal must be shown by the owner.
- 12. In order that a member's points be counted for the Division Aggregate Club Awards, the member must compete in at least two classes. If a member wants to do judging at BC Ag Expo, he/she may do so and this will not affect the aggregate results. Those members who will be judging only, must pay a \$ 6.00 entry fee (Plus GST).
- 13. The BC Agricultural Expo age breaks for all projects will be Jr. 9-11, Intermediate 12 -14, Senior 15 and over. Exception is for the group competitions which will be Junior 12 and under, and Senior 13 and over. All ages are as of the previous December 31st.
- 14. All 4-H Beef, Lamb, and Senior Management members with two units of a project have the choice of using their market animal or their female project for Showmanship. Office must be notified by 8PM Thursday which entry they plan to use, or the steer or market lamb project will automatically be used.
- 15. No dogs will be allowed in the show barn and livestock area, with the exception of any committee preapproved participation in events (eg Costume class). Any Rep and/or the Grievance Committee has the right to remove any dog and owner from the grounds if: a) the dog and its owner/handler are not conforming to any of the General Barn or Dog Division Rules.
- 16. Leaders responsibilities in bringing a club to BC Ag Expo shall be to ensure that each member:
 - a. be prepared for the competition,
 - b. be on time to classes,
 - c. be prepared for championship classes should they qualify,
 - d. take part in as many of the competitions offered that they are eligible for,
 - e. Reminder: it is the responsibility of the 4-H member to be ready and at ringside prior to their class and sale spot. Whipper-ins will not go "hunt" down members. **Members must understand that if they are close to missing their class they WILL miss their class NO EXCEPTIONS.**The gate will not open for any late members once the class has begun.
- 17. It shall be the responsibility of the parents of 4-H members and those minors exhibiting in the open competitions, that they conduct themselves in accordance to the rules of competition and general rules. It shall be the parent's responsibility to ensure that their children are aware of the rules with regard to the use of alcohol or drugs, and no exceptions will be made by the committee.
- 18. Strict monitoring of grooming to eliminate parental help will be enforced. 4-H members must be the ones that are doing the grooming and fitting. Adults can help at any time to meet safety concerns or emergencies. Adults can help, coach, advise or teach (at appropriate times) as long as they do not perform the tasks of the 4-H members during the 4-H section of the show. It is the responsibility of the 4-H leader to ensure the parents understand and adhere to these rules. Any breach of the rules can be reported by the BC Ag Expo Grievance Committee via a grievance form obtained at the BC Ag Expo office.
- 19. The use of ALCOHOL and/or DRUGS is strictly prohibited by 4-H members and open contributors who are minors. Anyone found to be in the possession of, or to have consumed alcohol and/or drugs shall forfeit all right to competition and any reward, including prize money, shall be forfeited without recourse. Market animals will be removed at the contributor's expense and a commission calculated on average weight for that division shall be assessed at the time of removal of said animal.

- 20. **NOTICE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS!** 4-H members or those persons under the legal age staying at the BC Ag Expo and during BC Ag Expo: it shall be your responsibility to ensure their compliance with the general rules at all times.
- 21. If, in the opinion of the committee, market stock entries are not of show standard, the contributor may take them home if he/she so desires or they will be disposed of by the committee to the best advantage of both parties, and the proceeds credited to the contributor. All accumulated charges incurred will be deducted.
- 22. All incidents with unruly animals are to be reported so they can be dealt with properly.
- 23. All market stock entries shown must be sold through the sale ring. 4-H and OPEN Female projects and their progeny may be sold at the member's discretion. The BC Ag Expo office must be notified as to the intention of the sale of female projects and their progeny by Noon on the Friday of the BC Ag Expo.
- 24. The exhibitor (or representative of that exhibitor) selling a carcass must be present in the sale ring with required information, which will be supplied by the Carcass Committee. If a contributor is not present and misses their spot on the sale sheet, they will automatically drop to the end of the sale.
- 25. Six percent (6%) of the amount of each sale will be retained by the BC Ag Expo.
- 26. Only 1st and 2nd place animals in each weight/age class will be returning to compete for Championships whereas Showmanship class finalists will be determined by the judge.
- 27. There will be no re-sales at Mondays sale. All projects donated back will be rail grades with those proceeds going to the Charity of the buyer's choice.
- 28. <u>SALE DAY ORDER OF SALE WITHIN PROJECTS TO BE AS FOLLOWS: (</u>ALL PROJECTS TO BE SOLD ALTERNATLEY)

BEEF SALE

Grand and Reserve Champion Steer, Champion 4-H and Champion Open Single, Reserve Champion 4-H and Reserve Champion Open Single; Grand and Reserve Champion Carcass, Champion 4-H and Champion Open Single Carcass, Reserve Champion 4-H and Open Single Carcass, Champion Open Youth and Reserve Champion Open Youth, followed by 4-H Steer Entries, sold in order of class placing, followed by Open Single Steer entries, sold in order of placing. All other carcasses will be sold throughout the sale in blocks by order of placings. Any Female Projects and their progeny registered for sale.

LAMB SALE -ALL LAMBS (Including Carcasses) TO BE SOLD BY THE DOLLAR

Grand and Reserve Champion Lamb, Champion 4-H Lamb, Champion Youth Open Lamb, Champion Open Single Lamb, Reserve Champion 4-H Lamb, Reserve Champion Youth Open Lamb, Reserve Champion Open Single Lamb; Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Lamb Carcass, Champion 4-H Lamb Carcass, Champion Open Single Lamb Carcass, Reserve Champion 4-H Lamb Carcass, Reserve Champion Open Single Lamb Carcass, followed by 4-H Lambs in order of class placing, Youth Open Lambs in order of class placing, Open Single Lambs in order of class placing. All other carcasses will be sold throughout the sale in blocks. Any Female Projects and their progeny registered for sale.

GOAT SALE -ALL GOATS (Including Carcasses) TO BE SOLD BY THE DOLLAR Similar order as with Beef and Lamb.

PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT SALE -TO BE SOLD BY THE DOLLAR

Grand and Reserve Champion 4-H Photography Projects, Grand and Reserve Champion Open Youth projects, followed by 4-H photography projects in order of class placing.

CLOTHING PROJECT SALE -TO BE SOLD BY THE DOLLAR Grand and Reserve Champion 4-H Clothing Projects, followed by 4-H clothing projects in order of class placing

LEATHERWORK PROJECT SALE -TO BE SOLD BY THE DOLLAR Grand and Reserve Champion 4-H Leatherwork Projects, followed by 4-H Leatherwork projects in order of class placing

- 29. There will be no re-sales at this year's sale. All projects donated back will be rail graded with those proceeds going to the charity of the buyer's choice.
- 30. If a contributor misses his or her spot on the sale sheet, they will automatically drop to the end of the sale.
- 31. Assistance will be given to buyers in the assembling and loading of purchases. The shipping superintendent will have entire charge of assembling and loading arrangements.
- 32. No dismantling, take down or tear down of Beef and Lamb stalls, boards, clipping chutes, mats, or fix decorations until the last animal is sold on Sale Day, any offending Club will be fined \$100.00. Contents of tack room can be removed, unless an exception is made by the individual division.
- 33. All animals must be free from contagious or infectious disease. Infected animals will not be allowed in the barn.
- 34. All necessary examinations and required tests will be conducted by a licensed veterinarian, which may be called on site.
- 35. All animals that become sick must be treated by a licensed veterinarian and must be announced at the time of sale. Owners shall have the option of taking the animal home on payment of commission on the net weight and average price, with the exception of Champions.
- 36. Use of tranquilizers on stock entered in the show is forbidden. An animal found to be treated will be disqualified.
- 37. A judge has the right to dismiss a contributor for inappropriate behavior.
- 38. VET SERVICES: In the case where an exhibitor requires a livestock veterinarian during the BC Agricultural Expo, they may either a) Call a Vet of their Choice, or b) Contact the BC Ag Expo Show Office which will assist the exhibitor in dispatching a veterinarian at the expense of the Contributor.
- 39. There will be no Aerosols permitted for use inside the barn, all clip chutes and aerosol to be used outdoors.
- 40. **All open entries** must complete the liability waiver A3 (attached with open entry forms) and submit signed and completed form with entries.
- 41. All beef and sheep entrants **must also adhere to their specific division Rules and Regulations**. These division specific ones have further detail for their project, for example, the improved weigh–in procedure for Beef and Sheep, and the improved Tail Length requirements for Sheep. They are available on the website www.bcaqexpo.ca or via paper or email through secretary@bcaqexpo.ca
 - i) B1 4-H & OPEN Beef Rules
 - ii) S1 Lamb Rules & Regulations 4-H & OPEN V2