



RULES & REGULATIONS FOR EXHIBITORS

CONDUCT POLICY

Anyone participating in a 4-H activity caught in the act of theft or vandalism, or caught with illegal drugs, alcohol or under the influence of, who is involved in such act as unsportsmanlike conduct, foul language or animal abuse, may be dismissed from the county park. Premium monies will be forfeited and if it is determined by the 4-H staff, leaders, or persons in charge of the activity that the offense warrants it, the offender may be turned over to the proper authorities.

1. Rules found in this premium list take precedence over similar regulations appearing in publications published or revised previous to June 1st.

2. An exhibitor can enter an unlimited number of classes in most divisions unless otherwise noted. However, the exhibitor will receive premium money only on the top three ratings in each project area, and will be paid only once in each class.

3. Eligibility:

To participate as a youth, exhibitors must have reached their ninth birthday as of January 1 of the current year; upper age limit is exhibitors who have reached their 19th birthday by January 1 of the current year. Fair age will be determined as of January 1 of the current year.

If you were born in:

(Age as of Jan. 1)

- 2006 you are 9 years old
- 2005 you are 10 years old
- 2004 you are 11 years old
- 2003 you are 12 years old
- 2002 you are 13 years old
- 2001 you are 14 years old
- 2000 you are 15 years old
- 1999 you are 16 years old
- 1998 you are 17 years old
- 1997 you are 18 years old
- 1996 you are 19 years old.

Clover Sprout age is determined as of January 1 of the current year. If you were born in: (Age as of Jan. 1)

- 2010 you are 5 years old
- 2009 you are 6 years old
- 2008 you are 7 years old
- 2007 you are 8 years old **

**Clover Sprout Showmanship (Age 8 years old as of January 1)

- a. Clover Sprouts not limited to number of Clover Sprout Showmanship classes they participate in, and Clover Sprout Showmanship classes do not count towards total number of projects exhibited in still exhibit barn.
- b. Clover Sprouts may use livestock (poultry, rabbits, cavy, sheep, swine, beef, veal, dairy, goats, llama, walking fleece) of an exhibitor to show in Clover Sprout Showmanship class. There will be a Clover Sprout Showmanship Class in each livestock project area.
- c. Livestock shown in Clover Sprout Showmanship do not have to be designated, but must be exhibited by an exhibitor between the ages of 9-19 as of January 1 and registered for exhibition at the current fair.
- d. Clover Sprouts must be accompanied in the exhibition area, make up ring and show ring by a teen exhibitor, 4-H leader or parent.
- e. Participation ribbons only, no premiums on Clover Sprout Showmanship classes.

- f. Must sign up for Clover Sprout Showmanship on online entry in each project area of anticipated participation. See each project guideline for Division/Class No. and show schedule for each project exhibition time.
- g. No livestock pre-registration forms required.
- h. See each project area for the properly designated Clover Sprout Showmanship class. Clover Spouts not limited to number of Clover Sprout showmanship classes they show, but each class must be designated on the online entry.
- i. See horse and dog project areas for specific Clover Sprout exhibit guidelines.

4. Enrollment: 4-H and Youth exhibitors must be properly enrolled, registered and/or entered with the fair office. **Each exhibitor must register online, complete online the Livestock Drug Form, Livestock Care Agreement, and any online Pre-Entry Forms by June 15. Online entries are free and completion of that process will satisfy all requirements to submit a paper entry form and pre-entry forms in project areas.** For project record books, please refer to individual project areas, along with the Livestock Rules & Regulations.

5. Each exhibitor will assume all risk in taking their exhibit to the fair. If exhibits are brought in before exhibit time, you must properly label your exhibit and leave in proper exhibit area. The Fair Board carries a general insurance policy for the fair. Exhibitors and spectators are largely responsible for their projects and self while at the fair. In the event of a claim, please report to the fair office immediately.

6. Exhibitors will be provided with exhibit tags.

7. Market sale animals released 6 a.m. Sunday. All other livestock will be released at 6 a.m. Sunday of the fair, or at Fair Board's discretion. Still exhibits released between 8 & 10 a.m. Sunday. **NOTICE : EXHIBITS NOT PICKED UP ON SUNDAY MORNING BY 10:00 A.M. WILL BE TAKEN TO THE FAIR OFFICE. THE FAIR OFFICE WILL BE OPEN ON A SATURDAY SEVERAL WEEKS AFTER FAIR FOR A SECOND CHANCE PICKUP. EXHIBITS WILL BE DESTROYED AFTER THAT DATE.** All exhibitors exhibiting livestock must clean and help dismantle pens when removing exhibits.

8. Any livestock or still exhibit project that is not pre-registered will not be allowed to show.

9. Exhibits leaving before release time will forfeit all premiums.

10. No unauthorized solicitation in County Park.

11. 4-H exhibitors participating in the St. Clair County 4-H & Youth Fair may not show the same species/still exhibit through 4-H in any other county fair during the current year.

12. Premiums:

- a. Premiums will be mailed to exhibitors after the fair. Exhibitors will be paid on the basis of their A & B. Only three classes per project area will be paid. Funds to pay premiums come from the St. Clair County Agricultural Society and payment may be subject to fair receipts and may be prorated.
- b. Exhibitors with livestock must clean their pen or stall at the end of the fair. Superintendents will withhold premiums from exhibitors who do not clean their respective pens or stalls.
- c. Persons not completing Online Entries will not receive premiums. Premiums are not paid for Best of Class or Championship Classes. **Online entries are due June 15.**
- d. Premium check discrepancies must be settled with the Society within 60 days of the date checks are issued.
- e. The Society reserves the final and absolute right to mind all matters, questions or differences. It further reserves the right to amend or add to these rules, and in the case the receipts of the fair are insufficient to pay premiums and expenses, the Society may prorate sums on all awards.

13. Every article or animal upon the grounds will be under control of the Society. While the Society provides this precautionary measure for the protection of all exhibits and articles brought upon the grounds, it will

not be responsible for loss, theft, injury or damage by fire, lightning, wind or any other act to such animal or article on exhibition or display, and upon which condition all entries are accepted.

14. The Society cannot be held responsible for mistakes in this book or on the website and we reserve the right to make corrections where and when they appear.

15. **RIBBON GUIDELINES:**

- a. Each exhibit will receive a rating ribbon, A, B or C.
- b. Grand and Reserve ribbons awarded in all project areas, if warranted.
- c. Grand Champion, Reserve Champion and Best of Class ribbons can only be awarded to A rated exhibits.
- d. **EXHIBITORS ARE INELIGIBLE FOR ANY CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES/AWARDS IN THE PROJECT AREA IN WHICH A DEADLINE WAS MISSED.**

16. **TROPHY GUIDELINES:**

- a. Trophies will be awarded at the judge's discretion.
- b. All trophies awarded must be sanctioned by the St. Clair County Agricultural Society.
- b. The Society reserves the right to revoke any/all awards, if deemed necessary.

17. No coffee makers/pots, microwaves, crock pots or electric kitchen appliances are to be plugged in or maintained in any barns or area surrounding barns.