



4-H AND FFA ANIMALS, HERDSMANSHIP AND YQCA



Herdsmanship is judged as a separate livestock division. \$60.00 will be divided among the top five clubs in each livestock division. These divisions are open to junior exhibitors only, open class exhibitors are encouraged to keep their stalls and alleys clean to reflect a positive image on your operation. Stall/pen assignments are made on pre-entries, scoring will be on those assigned stall/pens used and unused. Personal premiums and Club Herdsmanship premiums can and will be withheld if any member fails to clean their stalls, pens and/or keep animals in said stalls until release time.

SWINE, BEEF, SHEEP & GOAT Division Rules:

Using a scale of 1-5, with 1 poor, 3 good, and 5 excellent, the areas for consideration will include:

- a) Bedding (clean and dry)
- b) Aisle (clean, swept, dampened if needed)
- c) Identification (stall cards and club sign easy to identify)
- d) Animal Cleanliness (evidence that animals/area is cleaned and cared for)
- e) Added Decoration (decorations or other added accessories to make area attractive)
- f) Tack (organization and cleanliness of tack area)
- g) Overall Impression (what is the impression you have of the display of this clubs exhibit space)

Maximum points 35 Maximum points 35 each judging. All judges' results are final.

CHORE TIMES: Feeding animals and doing stall chores will be allowed any time after 6:00 p.m. However, cattle may not be taken to the tie-out stalls until after 8:00 p.m. Clubs should have a portion of their exhibits in the stalls for public viewing at all times between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Cooperation on this regulation is requested.

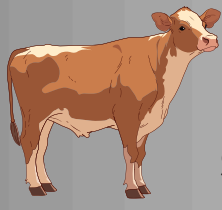
JUDGED WHEN: Herdsmanship judging will be done each day of the fair mid-morning and early evening. Final herdsmanSHIP judging will occur after all entries are removed. All judges' results are final.

Animals brought to the fair are expected to show unless excused by a veterinarian or the show superintendent.

Entering more animals than you are expecting to exhibit for the purposes of acquiring extra stall is not permitted.

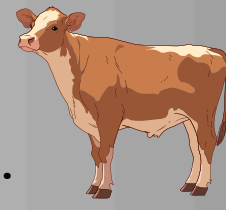
YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS

(YQCA): ALL 4-H and FFA exhibitors of beef, goats, sheep, swine, poultry, and rabbit must have completed the YQCA training by June 15 of the current year. Exhibitors must have received Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Training through a Nebraska Extension-based program training or through an individual study course. A Completion Certificate of the requirements must be on file at the Extension office by June 15 of the current year. Questions regarding YQCA completion and requirements should be directed to the Saline County Extension Office 4-H staff.



BEEF SHOW

Superintendents: Greg Hollman
Show Date: Sat. July 18, 2026 @ 8 A.M.



DIVISION 1

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS & LIMITS

OWNERSHIP OF BEEF: See General Rules

MARKET BEEF: 20 head can be identified per exhibitor. Must be identified and ear tagged with official Nebraska 4-H/FFA EID tags.

DATE OF OWNERSHIP: All stock must be owned by the exhibitor by June 15.

BEEF RATE OF GAIN: The Beef Rate of Gain Contest is designed to evaluate an exhibitor's ability to efficiently manage and grow their beef animal over a specified period of time. The contest measures the total weight gained by the animal from the official Beef Weigh Day to the time the animal crosses the scale at the county fair.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY

Project animal identification (EID tags and tattoos) will be checked and verified. No animal can be shown in a market class and a breeding class. A feeder calf cannot be shown in a breeding class and a feeder class. See General Rules.

PERFORMANCE MARKET BEEF: 1 head identified per exhibitor. Must be identified and ear-tagged with official Nebraska 4-H/FFA EID tags. **This should be the same EID tag, the calf had as a bucket calf.**

ANIMAL BIRTH DATE Breeding Beef must conform to the set ages for the respective class that the animal is being shown in. Feeder and Bucket Calves must be born between January 1, and June 14 of the current year. Cow/Calf class calves must be born and identified by June 14th of the current year.

BREEDING BEEF: No identification limit.

HEALTH: See General Rules

Purebred/Registered breeding beef are required to be tattooed. Registered Breeding Beef must have a tattoo and registration papers with tattoo listed that matches the tattoo in the animal's ear. Calthood vaccination tattoos are not acceptable. Pending registrations will not be accepted and the animal will be moved to a commercial breeding heifer class based on the animal's date of birth.

SAFETY: Calves must be broke to lead in order to show and compete for awards. Exhibitors must demonstrate an ability to control the animal, upon second escape the animal will be eliminated from the competition.

BULLS: Bulls may be shown in the bucket calf and feeder calf divisions.

Commercial Breeding Heifers can be identified with either an EID tag or tattoo.

BORN & RAISED: (Breeding and Market only, no feeder calves). These classes are to promote the quality of animals produced by our Saline County Fair 4-H and FFA exhibitors (those living in adjacent counties but members in Saline County are eligible). To be eligible your animal must have been born and raised by you and your family. Absolutely no purchased/leased animals. **Exhibitors MUST pre-enter these classes.**

PERFORMANCE BREEDING CALVES: 1 head identified per exhibitor. Must be identified with an official Nebraska 4-H EID. **This should be the same EID tag, the calf had as a bucket calf the previous year.**

IDENTIFICATION OF BEEF: All beef animals shall be identified using official Identification forms listed in this fairbook. Identification forms must be on file at the Extension Office no later than June 15. Identification guidelines and requirements can be found at: <https://go.unl.edu/4hanimalidentification>

BUCKET CALVES: 2 head identified per exhibitor. ONLY ONE BUCKE CALF CAN BE ENTERED AND EXHIBITED. Must be tagged with an official EID tag.

Fresh tags or tattoos are not allowed unless tag is a replacement authorized by

FIRST CALF, COW/CALF PAIRS: 2 head can be identified per exhibitor. ONLY ONE COW/CALF PAIR CAN BE ENTERED AND EXHIBITED. Registered Cows must be tattooed; Commercial Cows can be identified with either an EID tag or tattoo; calf must be tagged with an official 4-H/FFA EID tag (no farm tags allowed).

COW/CALF PAIRS: 2 head can be identified per exhibitor. ONLY ONE COW/CALF PAIR CAN BE ENTERED AND EXHIBITED. Registered Cows must be tattooed; Commercial Cows can be identified with either an EID tag or tattoo; calf must be tagged with an official 4-H/FFA EID tag (no farm tags allowed).

TAG LOSS: Should an EID tag be lost or not present in the animal's ear after the office identification form has been turned in, please call the Extension Office immediately to discuss tag replacement. The Extension Office must document all replaced EID tags.

ENTRY LIMITS: Entries are limited to 5 total head of cattle per exhibitor with the exception of an exhibitor having a cow/calf pair in which the calf of the cow/calf can be shown as a feeder calf if entered for a total of 6 beef entries.

ONE bucket calf per exhibitor.

ONE First Calf Cow/calf entry per exhibitor.

ONE Cow/calf entry per exhibitor. THREE Feeder

Calves per exhibitor. Example Combinations: 2

Breeding Heifers, 3 Feeder Calves entered; 3 Feeder

Calves, 1 Bucket Calf, and 1 Breeding Heifer entered;

2 Market Beef, 2 Feeder Calves, 1 Breeding Heifer, etc.

PRE-ENTRY OF ANIMALS: See General Rules.

ONLINE ENTRY: All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program –

<https://salineco.fairwire.com> by stated deadline.

BEEF ENTRIES IN PLACE: Animals may be brought to the fair grounds on Wednesday before 5:30 p.m.

NO THURSDAY ARRIVAL.

BEEF CHECK-IN: Wednesday as follows:

Market/Performance Market beef will be checked in, tags checked, weighed, and have hip height measurements taken from 6:30-7 pm.

Breeding/Performance Breeding Heifers will be checked in, tattoos and registration paper checked from 7-8 pm. Commercial Breeding Heifers will also be weighed and it will be left to the superintendent's discretion if the Commercial Breeding Heifers classes will be split by DOB or weight.

Bucket Calves will be checked in, tags checked, and weighed from 6-6:30 pm.

PENS, TACK, AND BEDDING: See General Rules TACK: No tack or chutes should be brought to the fairgrounds before Wednesday when entries are brought.

BLOCKING CHUTES: Will not be allowed in the alleyways except for beef show day and feeder calf show.

TIE OUT STALLS: Tie stalls may be used outside of barns from 9 p.m. to 8 a.m. A second, security tie, is encouraged.

BEDDING: Beef bedding will be provided by the Saline County Ag. Society. A \$10 fee per head will be accessed based on the head of beef PRE-ENTERED at entry time. **Ex: If you enter 4 head and only bring 2 head to the fair, you will be charged for 4 head as entered.** Exhibitors will receive an invoice before the county fair and must be paid immediately as no bedding fees will be managed at beef check-in. The fee will be used to obtain the beef bedding and pay volunteers to remove the bedding after the conclusion of the fair. Beef exhibits may bring their own woodchips or shaving to top-dress if desired. NO STRAW IN BEEF STALLS.

Bedding must be pulled back from the tie rail by 4 p.m. Sunday. Failure to do so will result in the exhibitor and club premiums being withheld.

NO BEEF, NO YOUTH in beef barn after 4 p.m. Sunday. All Beef and tack must be out of the barn by 4 p.m. for the mechanical removal of bedding.

THIS SHOW IS A BLOW & GO SHOW. See Grooming information below.

WHO CAN ASSIST WITH GROOMING: See General Rules

GROOMING: Beef (showmanship, market and breeding) will be shown Blow & Go. Animals may be clipped, blown, brushed or combed to enhance their appearance. All animals will be shown free of any adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products. Any compounds that have adhesive qualities that when applied cannot be combed or brushed through or alter the color of the animal are forbidden. Alcohol, water, oil, foam or any water or alcohol-based products with no adhesives or glue qualities, or artificial colorings are permitted. These include conditioners and commonly used sprays such as Kleen Sheen, Revive, Final Bloom and white show foam. Any animal found to have prohibited products applied (adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products) will be disqualified from competition. Any premiums (physical or monetary) will be forfeited, and no refunds will be made. These include, but are not limited to commonly used adhesives and colorants such as Prime Time, EZ Comb, Tail Adhesive, Ultra White Touch Up, Black Touch Up, Black Finisher and black show foam. Animals that violate these rules will not be eligible for trophy and are dropped one live score ribbon placing.

All calves are subject to be checked by show personnel prior to entering the ring for each class.

SHOW ORDER: Cow/Calf, 4-H Bucket Calves, 4-H Clover Kids Bucket Calves, Performance Breeding (alphabetical order by breed; oldest to youngest), Showmanship, followed by Performance market (light to heavy), and market classes (light to heavy). Open Class Beef to follow.

SHOWMANSHIP

SHOWMANSHIP TIME: The showmanship contest will be in the middle of the Junior Beef show in this order: Seniors, Intermediate, Junior, and 4-H Clover Kid (enrolled 4-H Clover Kids ages 5 to 7 as of Jan. 1 who have their own Bucket Calf project) and non-enrolled youth borrowing a bucket calf for showmanship only. **4-H Bucket Calf exhibitors (ages 8-11) and 4-H Performance Calf exhibitors will NOT have separate showmanship divisions, these exhibitors will show in their respective age division of showmanship. Exhibitors will complete a record book and interview.**

SHOWMANSHIP DIVISIONS: MUST PRE-ENTER

Senior - (ages 14 & older as of Jan. 1 of current year)

Intermediate - (ages 11 to 13 as of Jan. 1 of current year)

Junior - (ages 8 to 10 as of Jan. 1 of current year)

***4-H Clover Kid Bucket Calf** - youth ages 5 to 7 as of Jan. 1 of current year who are enrolled Saline County 4-H members who have identified and entered their OWN bucket calf, not a borrowed bucket calf.

***Clover Kid Bucket Calf** - youth ages 5 to 7 as of Jan. of the current year not enrolled in 4-H who are borrowing a weight appropriate bucket calf for the purposes of showmanship only.

***4-H Clover Kid Bucket Calf and Clover Kid Bucket Calf (non-enrolled youth) will participate in the same showmanship division.**

ELIGIBILITY: Youth will only be eligible to enter **ONE** Showmanship Division.

Exhibitors who wish to enter showmanship with a Feeder Calf will either have to stall the Feeder Calf for the duration of the fair OR bring the pre-entered calf (must have been exhibited in the Feeder Calf show the previous evening) to the fairground on Saturday morning prior to the start of the Junior Beef Show. Stall space will not be provided for Feeder Calves not stalling for the duration of the fair.

The Overall Showmanship Division will also include the winners of the Senior, Intermediate, and Junior, Showmanship divisions.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMAN: See General Rules

The registration papers MUST show THE EXHIBITOR'S NAME OR A CO-OWNER WHO IS AN IMMEDIATE MEMBER OF THE EXHIBITOR'S FAMILY AND IS LISTED ON THE COUNTY FAIR ID FORM.

FAMILY FARM OR RANCH NAMES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

COW/CALF- Division 200.

1. Cow-Calf Pair - Returning Breeding Heifer Entry shall consist of one cow and one calf with the exception of a twin birth.

2. First Calf Cow-Calf Pair - Returning Breeding Heifer - Entry shall consist of one cow and one calf with the exception of a twin birth.

Calves of the Cow/Calf classes may show as a Feeder Calf if properly identified and entered by the specified deadline.

BREEDING HEIFERS: *Breed Classes may be combined or split based upon entries, and at the discretion of the Show Superintendents. A minimum of 3 in a breed division entered will be recognized in their own breed classes.*

All animals shown in a breed class must have registration papers. Registration papers will be verified at check-in.

Purebred Breeding Heifers must be these breed associate specifications:

Angus - must be registered in the American Angus Association.

Charolais - must have American-International Charolais Association registration certificate and must be 100% purebred

Composite Charolais - These heifers must have an AICA Charolais-Cross Record and must be at least 1/2 blood or more Charolais influence, i.e. be sired by a registered purebred Charolais bull or be out of a registered purebred Charolais female.

Hereford - Hereford and Polled Hereford Heifers must be registered with the American Hereford Association

Maine Angou - must be registered with the American Maine-Anjou Association and must be 75% Maine or higher. Chimaine are not accepted.

Maintainer - must be registered with the American Maine--Anjou Association and be 25 - 62.5% Maine-Anjou

Red Angus - must be registered with the Red Angus Association of America

Shorthorn - must be registered with the American Shorthorn Association and must be 15/16 registered purebreds

Shorthorn Plus - must be registered with the American Shorthorn Association and must be at least 1/4 blood and up to and including 7/8 blood Shorthorn.

Simmental - must be registered with the American Simmental Association and must be 75.1% or higher

Foundation Simmental - must be registered with the American Simmental Association and must be 50-75% Simmental.

SHOW ORDER FOR BREEDING HEIFERS:

Heifers will be alphabetically by breed as listed below (Angus classes, then all Hereford, etc).

Dates indicated are for heifers born on or between during the previous year or current year.

Angus Breeding Heifers - Division 201

1A. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)

2A. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025

3A. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025

4A. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025

5A. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug. 2025

6A. Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025

7A. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

Charolais Breeding Heifers - Division 202

1C. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)

2C. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025

3C. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025

4C. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025

5C. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug. 2025

6C. Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025

7C. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

Composite Charolais Breeding Heifers - Division 203

1CC. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)

2CC. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025

3CC. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025

4CC. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025

54CC. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug.2025

6CC. Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025

7CC. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

Hereford Breeding Heifers - Division 204

1H. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)

2H. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025

3H. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025

4H. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025

5H. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug. 2025

6H. Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025

7H. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

Maintainer Breeding Heifers - Division 205

1M. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)

2M. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025

3M. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025

4M. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025

5M. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug. 2025

6M Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025

7M. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

Red Angus Breeding Heifers - Division 206

1R. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)

2R. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025

3R. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025

4R. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025

5R. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug. 2025

6R Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025

7R. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

Shorthorn Breeding Heifers - Division 207

1SH. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)

2SH. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025

3SH. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025

4SH. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025

5SH. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug. 2025

6SH. Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025

7SH. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

Shorthorn Plus Breeding Heifers - Division 208

1SH+ Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)
2SH+. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025
3SH+. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025
4SH+. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025
5SH+. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug. 2025
6SH+ Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025
7SH+. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

Simmental Breeding Heifers - Division 209

1S. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)
2S. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025
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7S. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

Foundation Simmental Breeding Heifers - Division 210

1FS. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)
2FS. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025
3FS. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025
4FS. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025
5FS. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug. 2025
6FS Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025
7FS. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

AOB (All Other Breeds not listed) Breeding Heifers - Division 211

– The AOB division may include registered heifers for which a separate division is not listed, but which meet their breed associations' criteria for exhibition. Heifers entered in the AOB class must have appropriate registration papers.

1AO. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)
2AO. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025
3AO. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025
4AO. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025
5AO. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug. 2025
6AO. Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025
7AO. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

An award sponsor is not guaranteed for AOB division.

Commercial Breeding Heifers - Division 212 Breeding heifers in this division are not purebred animals and do not have breed registration papers. Any purebred heifers with registration papers must enter in their respective breed class if available or the All Other Breeds (AOB) class if purebred.

1CM. Senior Yearling Heifers-Calved August through Dec. 2024 (should be bred but not calved prior to show)
2CM. Junior Yearling Heifers-Calved Jan.-Feb. 2025
3CM. Spring Yearling Heifers-Calved Mar.-April 2025
4CM. Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved May-June 2025
5CM. Late Summer Yearling Heifers-Calved July-Aug. 2025
6CM. Fall Heifer Calves-Calved Sept.-Dec. 2025
7CM. *Junior Breeding Heifers-Calved Jan.-April 2026

*** No double entry of Junior Breeding Heifers and Feeder Heifers.**

PERFORMANCE BREEDING BEEF - Division 214

PREVIOUS YEAR'S BUCKET CALVES - These calves are eligible for one of the Performance Calf classes which will be divided into a mixed-age breeding class.

3. Performance Calf Breeding Heifer (mixed ages): These animals will be judged on interviews, grooming, showing, general quality, and health. The winner of this class is eligible for overall Breeding Heifer and overall Performance Calf awards. **Calves in this class cannot compete in another market or breeding class.**

BORN & RAISED BREEDING BEEF - Division 199 4. Born & Raised Breeding Beef - MUST PRE-ENTER (No Market Heifers or Feeders in this class).

These classes are judged on the quality of animals born and raised by our Saline County 4-H and FFA exhibitors (those living in adjacent counties but are Saline County 4-H members or the exhibitor is an FFA member in a FFA Chapter within Saline County are eligible to pre-enter). This animal must be born and raised by the exhibitor and their family. **NO PURCHASED OR LEASED ANIMALS ARE TO BE PRE-ENTERED INTO THIS CLASS.**

4-H BUCKET CALVES - Division 215

This class is for youth ages 8-11 as of Jan. 1 of the current year who are officially enrolled in the Saline County 4-H program by the June 15th deadline. The calf must be born between Jan. 1 and June 15 of the current year.

Bucket Calf CONT.

A calf pulled from a cow for use as the Bucket Calf project does not align with the principles outlined in the Bucket Calf project. These calves should be raised on a bucket or bottle. Suckling from a cow should not exceed 12 weeks.

The intent of a Bucket Calf project is the raising of an orphaned or abandoned calf. Introducing and eventually changing over to a solid protein diet.

4-H Bucket Calves will show Friday afternoon following the Junior Feeder Calf Show.

Steer Bucket Calves must have no evidence of scrotal sack visible or will be disqualified.

Calves must be halter broken and able to be led around the show arena by the exhibitor. The two escape rule in this fairbook DOES apply to bucket calves.

CLASSES:

5B. 4-H Bucket Calf- Bull

5H. 4-H Bucket Calf - Heifer

5S. 4-H Bucket Calf - Steer

BUCKET CALF GROOMING: Bucket calves can only be washed and have their hair combed in its natural direction for the show (Natural direction is not to be changed). **NO FITTING or CLIPPING** of bucket calves is allowed. A deduction of 25 points in the total score will be made if bucket calf shows evidence of fitting or clipping.

In 2026 there WILL NOT BE INTERVIEWS FOR COW-CALF EXHIBITORS. NEW- Bucket Calf record books will be turned in at time of check-in/weigh in. Exhibitors of these projects will simply exhibit in the live show. Please be receptive to this change as the scoring of these exhibits have always been a subject of misinterpretation by most parents. Keep in mind it is still important for the exhibitor to have basic knowledge of their exhibits. Judging will be of the animals with the judge selecting Champion and Reserves.

PERFORMANCE MARKET BEEF- Division 216

These calves are eligible for one of the Performance Calf classes which will be divided into a performance market heifer class and a performance market steer market class. Performance Calf class will be open only to the previous year's bucket calf exhibitors. I.D.'s will be checked against the bucket calf I.D.'s on file from the previous year.

The winner of these classes can compete for overall Market Heifer and overall Market Steer awards. Calves in this class cannot compete in another market or breeding class.

6. Performance Calf Market Heifer (mixed weights)

7. Performance Calf Market Steer (mixed weights)

Steer Performance Calves must have no evidence of scrotal sack visible or will be disqualified.

Calves must be halter broken and able to be led around the show arena by the exhibitor. The two escape rule in this fairbook DOES also apply to performance calves.

MARKET BEEF – Division 217

Market heifer and steer classes can be split as determined by the show superintendent.

MARKET HEIFERS

8. Market Heifers (all breeds and crosses) Classes may be divided according to weight or hip height.

MARKET STEERS

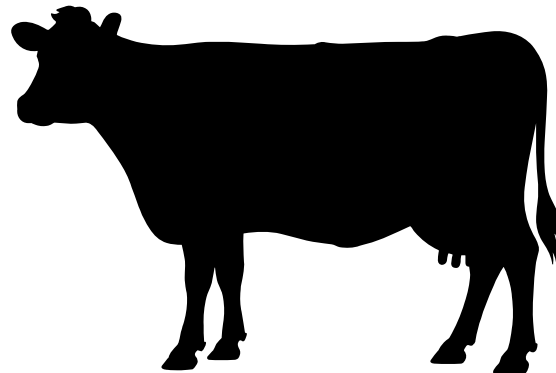
9. Market Steers (all breeds and crosses) Classes may be divided according to weight or hip height.

10. Born & Raised Market Beef - MUST PRE-ENTER

(No Breeding Heifers or Feeders in this class). These classes the quality of animals born and raised by our Saline County 4-H and FFA exhibitors (those living in adjacent counties but are Saline County 4-H members or the exhibitor is an FFA member is a FFA Chapter within Saline County are eligible to pre-enter). This animal must be born and raised by the exhibitor and their family. **ABSOLUTELY NO PURCHASED OR LEASED ANIMALS ARE TO BE PRE-ENTERED INTO THIS CLASS.**

An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple for an award to be given.

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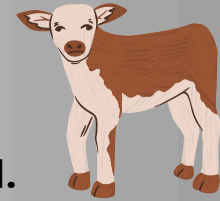




FEEDER CALF

Superintendents: Greg Hollman

Show Date: Friday July 17 2026 @ 3 P.M.



DATE OF OWNERSHIP: All stock must be owned by the exhibitor by June 15.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: Project animal identification EID tags will be checked and verified. A feeder calf cannot be shown in a breeding class and a feeder class. See General Rules.

ANIMAL BIRTH DATE: Feeder Calves must conform to the set ages for the respective class that the animal is being shown in. Feeder Calves must be born between January 1, and June 15 of the current year.

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS & LIMITS

All Feeder Calves shall be identified using official Identification forms listed in this fairbook. Identification forms must be on file at the Extension Office no later than June 15.

ENTRY LIMIT

NEW – maximum of 3 feeder calves entered per exhibitor.

Entries are limited to 5 total head of cattle per exhibitor including the 3 Feeder Calves.

EID TAGS

All Feeder Calves must be identified with an official EID tag.

Fresh tags are not allowed unless tag is a replacement authorized by the Extension Office.

TAG LOSS

Should an EID tag be lost or not present in the animal's ear after the office identification form has been turned in, please call the Extension Office immediately to discuss tag replacement. The Extension Office must document all replaced EID tags.

HEALTH: See General Rules

SAFETY: Calves must be broke to lead in order to show and compete for awards. Exhibitors must demonstrate an ability to control the animal, upon second escape the animal will be eliminated from the competition.

BULLS: Bulls may be shown in the Feeder Calf divisions

ANIMALS IN TWO CLASSES: Calves of the Cow/Calf classes may shown as a Feeder Calf IF the calf is also separately identified on the Feeder Calf Identification form and entered.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMAN: See General Rules

FEEDER CALF ARRIVAL TIMES:

Feeder Calves not stalling for the duration of the fair may be brought to the fairgrounds on Friday beginning at 1 pm.

FEEDER CALF CHECK-IN Feeder Calves stalled at the fair - Wednesday from 6-6:30 pm.

Feeder Calves coming in on Friday (not stalling) will check-in from 1-2 pm. NO LATE CHECK-IN. EID tags will be checked.

STALLING

Stalls WILL NOT be provided for Feeder Calves coming in show day.

Feeder Calves are the ONLY beef entries that may be brought to the fair and returned home the day of the show.

PRE-ENTRY OF ANIMALS ONLINE ENTRY:

All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program <https://salineco.fairwire.com> by stated deadline.

Steer Feeder Calves must have no evidence of scrotal sack visible or will be disqualified.

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Classes will split by animal's birth date that the exhibitor notes on the identification form and pre-entered in the online fair entry program.

CLASSES;

1. Feeder Heifer
2. Feeder Steer
3. Feeder Bull

THIS SHOW IS A BLOW & GO SHOW. See Grooming information on page 27.

WHO CAN ASSIST WITH GROOMING: See General Rules

GROOMING:

Beef (showmanship, market, and breeding) will be shown Blow & Go. Animals may be clipped, blown, brushed or combed to enhance their appearance. All animals will be shown free of any adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products. Any compounds that have adhesive qualities that when applied cannot be combed or brushed through or alter the color of the animal are forbidden. Alcohol, water, oil, foam or any water or alcohol-based products with no adhesives or glue qualities, or artificial colorings are permitted. These include conditioners and commonly used sprays such as Kleen Sheen, Revive, Final Bloom and white show foam. Any animal found to have prohibited products applied (adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products) will be disqualified from competition. Any premiums (physical or monetary) will be forfeited, and no refunds will be made. These include, but are not limited to commonly used adhesives and colorants such as Prime Time, EZ Comb, Tail Adhesive, Ultra White Touch Up, Black Touch Up, Black Finisher and black show foam.

Animals that violate these rules will not be eligible for trophy and are dropped one live score ribbon placing.

All calves are subject to be checked by show personnel prior to entering the ring for each class.

SHOW ORDER: Feeder Heifer, Feeder Steers, Feeder Bulls. Feeder Calves will be broken down by DOB – shown oldest to youngest.

SHOWMANSHIP – SATURDAY DURING JUNIOR BEEF SHOW – MUST PRE-ENTER

Exhibitors wishing to participate in their respective age division of showmanship will either have to stall the Feeder Calf for the duration of the fair OR bring ONE of their entered and exhibited feeder calves back to the fairground on Saturday morning prior to the start of the Junior Beef Show to participate in showmanship if you want to use one of your entered feeder calves for showmanship. **Stall space will not be provided for Feeder Calf not stalling for the duration of the fair.**

DIVISIONS:

Senior (ages 14 & older as of Jan. 1 of current year)
Intermediate (ages 11 to 13 as of Jan. 1 of current year)
Junior (ages 8 to 10 as of Jan. 1 of current year)

ELIGIBILITY Youth will only be eligible to enter **ONE** Showmanship Division with the exception of youth with Bucket Calves and Performance Calves as showmanship is part of the overall points scoring.

The Overall Showmanship Division will also include the winners of the Senior, Intermediate, Junior, 4-H Bucket Calf, and Performance Calf Showmanship.

SHOWMANSHIP TIME

The showmanship contest will begin the Junior Beef show in this order: Seniors, Intermediate, Junior, and Overall followed by 4-H Clover Kids who are enrolled 4-H who have their own Bucket Calf project, and Clover Kids who are a borrowing a Bucket Calf for showmanship will follow.

An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple for an award to be given.

Animals brought to the fair are expected to show unless excused by a veterinarian or the show superintendent.

PREMIUM CODE 2



CAT

**Superintendents: Shelly Coe, Madalyn Coe-Ahl
& Makenna Coe-Ahl**

Show Date: July 13, 2026 @ 5 P.M.



DIVISION 3

Show will be held in the 4-H Exhibit Building.

Entries in the 4-H Cat Show are not judged according to breed standards. Cats and kittens will be judged together.

Kittens under 4 (four) months of age will not be accepted.

Cats are to be brought to the show in a carrier, and shall remain in the carrier except when being inspected or shown. They must be shown with an appropriate sized collar and leash.

The exhibitor must personally present the cat to the judge.

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules.

SHOW ATTIRE: See General Rules.

RIBBON POLICY: See General Rules.

OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS: See General Rules. Exhibitor must show their OWN animal. Animals not cared for in your own household are not permitted. Exhibitors must show their own cat.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMEN: See General Rules.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: Nursing and pregnant females should not be shown. Cats that are/become uncooperative and a threat to the safety of others will be excused without placing.

HEALTH: Cat shall be free of fleas, ticks, ear mites, ring worm, other parasites, and infectious diseases. Cats showing the possibility of being contagious will be considered a threat to other cats and will not be allowed to show.

Cats are required to be current on rabies Vaccinations - must bring record. **All exhibitors must use the 4-H Vet Record at:** <https://go.unl.edu/salinecatandferretvetrecordform>

This form must be turned into the Extension Office no later than July 9. Late vet records will result in loss of points in scoring.

It is recommended that they be vaccinated for feline leukemia, panleucopenia (distemper), rhinotracheitis, calici virus and chlamydia. A list of all vaccinations and dates should be presented to the judge. Claws should be clipped.

PRE-ENTRY OF ANIMALS ONLINE ENTRY:

All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program – <https://salineco.fairwire.com> by the stated deadline.

ENTRY LIMIT: One entry per class. May enter two cats. Example: An exhibitor may enter ONE short hair cat and ONE long hair cat.

CHECK-IN: Entries need to be checked in by beginning show time and will be released following the show. Plan to arrive a few minutes early.

USE OF CARRIERS: Cats should be brought to the show in a pet carrier.

SHOWMANSHIP:

DIVISIONS: MUST PRE-ENTER

Senior - (ages 12 & older as of Jan. 1 of current year)

Junior - (ages 8 to 11 as of Jan. 1 of current year) **The showmanship contest will be held during the individual judging of cats.**

An overall Cat showman will also be selected.

4-H Clover Kid Cat showmanship will follow the 4-H Cat show. Enrolled 4-H Clover Kids ages 5 to 7 as of Jan. 1 who have their own cat and non-enrolled youth borrowing a cat for showmanship only.

ELIGIBILITY : Youth will only be eligible to enter **ONE** Showmanship Division.

NOTE CARDS: Are allowed but must not become a crutch.

BASIS FOR JUDGING: Showmanship is based on knowledge of the exhibitor along with the cats grooming, training, appearance, and behavior. The exhibitor must vocally explain the steps in his/her presentation and the merits (pro and con) of the cat. Primarily showmanship is the skill of the exhibitor in presenting and explaining the cat before the judge: the excellence of the cat is not considered in scoring. The judge may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.

A cat can only be shown once.

TIME: Youth are given 5 minutes max to give their presentation, followed by questions from the judge.

CLASSES:

1. Long Hair Cat

2. Short Hair Cat

An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple for an award to be given.

PREMIUM CODE 11



DOG

**Superintendents: Shelly Coe, Madalyn Coe-Ahl
& Makenna Coe-Ahl**

Show Date: July 13, 2026 @ 6:30 P.M.



DIVISION 4

The show will be held in the 4-H Exhibit Building.

A 4-H Pet Dog show will be held for your pet canine.

These dogs will be judged much the same as small animal and cat classes with the exhibitor sharing with the judge information about the care and training they do with their dog. There will be no required downs, stay, or sits as in obedience show classes. Dogs under 4 months of age will not be accepted.

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules.

SHOW ATTIRE: See General Rules.

RIBBON POLICY: See General Rules.

OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS: See General Rules. **Exhibitor must show their OWN animal.** Animals not cared for in your own household are not permitted. Exhibitors must show their own dog

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMEN: See General Rules.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules. Dogs that are/become uncooperative and a threat to the safety of others will be excused without placing.

HEALTH: See General Rules. Dog shall be free of fleas, ticks, ear mites, ringworms, other parasites, and infectious diseases. Dogs showing the possibility of being contagious will be considered a threat to other animals and will not be allowed to show.

Dogs are required to be current on rabies, distemper, parvovirus, and infectious canine hepatitis vaccinations. All exhibitors must use the 4-H Vet Record form at:

<https://go.unl.edu/salinedogvetrecordform>. This form must be turned into the Extension Office no later than July 9. Late vet records will result in loss of points in scoring. A list of all vaccinations and dates should be presented to the judge.

PRE-ENTRY OF ANIMALS ONLINE ENTRY: All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program – <https://salineco.fairwire.com> by the stated deadline.

ENTRY LIMIT: Limit of 2 pet dogs per exhibitor.

CHECK-IN: Entries need to be checked in by the beginning of show time and will be released following the show. Plan to arrive a few minutes early. Dogs should be brought to the show on a leash and remain on it throughout the show. **An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple for an award to be given.**

SHOWMANSHIP:

DIVISIONS: MUST PRE-ENTER

Senior - (ages 12 & older as of Jan. 1 of current year)

Junior - (ages 8 to 11 as of Jan. 1 of current year)

4-H Clover Kids - enrolled 4-H Clover Kids ages 5 to 7 as of Jan. 1 who have their own dog project and non-enrolled youth borrowing a dog for showmanship only.

ELIGIBILITY

Youth will only be eligible to enter **ONE** Showmanship Division.

An Overall Dog showman will also be selected.

4-H Clover Kid Dog showmanship will follow the 4-H Dog show.

TIME: The showmanship contest will be held before the individual judging of dogs.

NOTE CARDS: Are allowed but must not become a crutch.

BASIS FOR JUDGING:

Showmanship is based on knowledge of the exhibitor along with the dogs grooming, training, appearance and behavior. The exhibitor must vocally explain the steps in his/her presentation and the merits (pro and con) of the dog. Primarily showmanship is the skill of the exhibitor in presenting and explaining the dog before the judge: the excellence of the dog is not considered in scoring. The judge may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.

ELIGIBLE DOGS: Exhibitors must show their own dog. A dog can only be shown once.

TIME: Youth are given 5 minutes max to give their presentation, followed by questions from the judge.

PREMIUM CODE 11

CLASSES:

1. Pet Dog



SMALL ANIMALS

Superintendents: Shelly Coe, Madalyn Coe-Ahl
& Makenna Coe-Ahl

Show Date: July 13, 2026



DIVISION 5

The show will be held in the 4-H Exhibit Building.

OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS: See General Rules.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMEN: See General Rules.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules. Animals that are/become uncooperative and a threat to the safety of others will be excused without placing.

HEALTH: See General Rules.

OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS: See General Rules. Exhibitor must show their OWN animal. Animals not cared for in your own household are not permitted. Exhibitors must show their own pet.

RIBBON POLICY: See General Rules.

PRE-ENTRY OF ANIMALS ONLINE ENTRY: All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program – <https://salineco.fairwire.com> by the stated deadline.

ENTRY LIMIT: There is a limit of 3 small animals per exhibitor and 1 entry per species.

SMALL ANIMAL DEFINITION: Small mammals include hamsters, guinea pigs, hedgehogs, gerbils, mice, rats, reptiles, fish, birds, or other small household pets.

HABITAT/HOME ENVIRONMENT EXAMPLE:

All small animals shown in the small animal show should be brought in a box, cage, or crate that shows some of the home environment of the exhibit. A picture or poster of the permanent home should be presented to show the home environment of the exhibit.

CHECK-IN:

Entries need to be checked in by the beginning show time and will be released following the show. Plan to arrive a few minutes early.

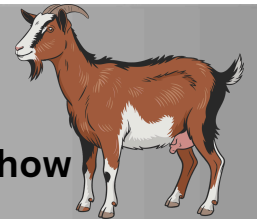
CLASSES

1. Hamsters
2. Guinea Pig
3. Other Small Mammals
4. Amphibians and Reptiles
5. Fish
6. Birds

An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple



GOATS



Superintendents: Emilye Yowell

Show Date: July 16, 2026 following Sheep Show

DIVISION 6

OWNERSHIP OF GOATS: See General Rules.

DATE OF OWNERSHIP: All stock must be owned by the exhibitor by June 15.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMEN: See General Rules.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules.

BIRTH DATE: Must conform to the set ages for the respective class that the animal is being shown in. Ages are computed from the day of the show.

HEALTH: See General Rules. A visual inspection of all goats will be made during check-in/weigh-in on Wednesday night. Goats that are found to have sore mouth, ringworm, fungus, or other health-related concerns will be excused and must be removed from the grounds. Final decisions will be the responsibility of the superintendent and Saline County Extension 4-H staff. A veterinarian may be called to confirm such findings.

USDA OFFICIAL SCRAPIE IDENTIFICATION

All market wethers and does and breeding does must be individually identified with USDA OFFICIAL SCRAPIE IDENTIFICATION. The Scrapie tag must be present in the animals' ear at check-in.

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS & LIMITS

ENTRY LIMIT: Entries are limited to a total of 5 goats per exhibitor.

Project animals' identification (EID tags and tattoos) will be checked and verified. No animal can be shown in a market class and a breeding class.

IDENTIFICATION LIMIT: 20 market goats may be identified per exhibitor.

REGISTERED GOATS: Must have scrapie tag AND flock tag or tattoo matching the registration paper and I.D. card. Registration papers will be verified at check-in time.

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules.

PRE-ENTRY OF ANIMALS: See General Rules.

ONLINE ENTRY: All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program - <https://salineco.fairwire.com> by the stated deadline.

ENTRY DAY AND TIME: Entry day will be on Wednesday before 4:30 pm.

CHECK-IN & WEIGH-IN: 4:30 pm to 5 pm on Wednesday. All Goats will have their identification checked during the check-in process on Wednesday evening.

TEETH

Doe Kids must have all temporary teeth present. Yearling does can have yearling teeth but cannot have two-year-old teeth present. All breeding does may be subject to mousing to verify age. If found to have two-year-teeth, the doe will be moved to and aged doe class. The Superintendent reserves the right to mouth any goat.

PENS AND TACK

Pens will be assigned by club. The pens allow for 3 goats per pen. If you have animals on different feed plans, you are responsible to bringing your own pen dividers.

Do not take pens assigned to others.

Tack should not be put in pen assigned for animals. Tack/stands must be removed from the aisles following the conclusion of the shows. Aisles must remain clear for other species and their shows.

If space allows, tack pens will be assigned and most likely will be shared with another exhibitor or club.

BEDDING

Exhibitors are responsible to providing their own bedding. Woodchips are recommended.

CHAINS AND HALTERS

Goats are to be shown with either a halter, smooth neck chain, smooth or pronged collars. in live animal classes ONLY. NO HALTERS ARE ALLOWED IN SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES.

SHOWING & HANDLING PRACTICES

The use of showing and/or handling practices that may be considered objectionable or abusive, such as striking or slapping goats and exhibiting the goat with its front feet off the ground, are not acceptable. The use of such practices may result in the lowering of a ribbon placing. (Lifting the goat in a fluid motion to set the front legs prior to quickly setting the feet back on the ground is acceptable.) Spike collars are not acceptable and will result in the lowering of a ribbon placing.

The registration papers MUST show THE EXHIBITOR'S NAME OR A CO-OWNER WHO IS AN IMMEDIATE MEMBER OF THE EXHIBITOR'S FAMILY AND IS LISTED ON THE COUNTY FAIR ID FORM. FAMILY FARM OR RANCH NAMES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

FITTING STANDS: Fitting stands are to be set up on show day ONLY. Fitting stands must be removed from the tack area and aisles before and after show day.

THIS IS A BLOW & GO SHOW.

GROOMING: Goat (showmanship, market and breeding) will be shown Blow & Go. Animals may be clipped, blown, brushed or combed to enhance their appearance. All animals will be shown free of any adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products. Any compounds that have adhesive qualities that when applied cannot be combed or brushed through or alter the color of the animal are forbidden. Alcohol, water, oil, foam or any water or alcohol-based products with no adhesives or glue qualities, or artificial colorings are permitted. Any animal found to have prohibited products applied (adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products) will be disqualified from competition. Any premiums (physical or monetary) will be forfeited, and no refunds will be made.

SHOWMANSHIP DIVISIONS: MUST PRE-ENTER

Senior - (age 12 & older as of Jan. 1 of the current year)

Junior - (age 8 to 11 as of Jan 1 of the current year)

4-H Clover Kids - enrolled 4-H Clover Kids ages 5 to 7 as of Jan. 1 who have their own goat project and nonenrolled youth borrowing a goat for showmanship only.

The Overall Showmanship Division will also include the winners of the Senior and Junior divisions. 4-H Clover Kid showmanship will follow.

SHOWMANSHIP TIME

The showmanship competition will be held after the breeding classes. Senior showmanship will be first followed by Juniors, and Overall. 4-H Clover Kid showmanship will follow overall showmanship.

SHOW ORDER: Showmanship, Market, followed by Breeding. Open Class to follow.

CLASSES

MARKET GOATS – MUST BE BORN ON OR AFTER JAN. 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR. Market Goats will be mouthed if any market goats ages are in question. (shown by weight) (light to heavy)

1. Market Goat

BREEDING DOES GOATS (MEAT BREEDS)

2. Breeding Doe (born before 9/1/24-8/31/25)

3. Breeding Doe Yearlings (born 9/1/24-8/31/25)

4. Breeding Doe Kids (born 9/1/25-6/1/2026)

DAIRY BREED GOATS

Classes will be offered for registered and grade combined in the Dairy breeds (Alpine, LaMancha, Nubian, Oberhasli, Saanen, and Toggenburg).

5. Milking Dairy Doe, 5 yrs. and over

10. Milking Dairy Doe, 3-5 years

20. Milking Dairy Doe, under 2 years

30. Non-Milking Dairy Doe, 1-2 years

40. Non-Milking Dairy Doe, 6-12 months

50. Non-Milking Dairy Doe, under 6 months

60. Bottle Goat, should not have been on mother for no more than 7 days, and was artificially reared after removal from mother.

An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple for an award to be given.

Animals brought to the fair are expected to show unless excused by a veterinarian or the show superintendent.

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HORSE

Superintendents: Wendy Vernon
Show Date: July 15, 2026 @ 9 A.M.



DIVISION 7

RAIN DATE

If excessive moisture makes the arena unsafe on Wednesday, we will use the rain date. If in doubt watch your email and the Saline County Extension 4-H Facebook page. If rain begins after the show starts, classes that can be safely completed will be finished (possibly indoors), with rain date used for speed events.

This will be a Ranch Horse show, eye catching equipment and attire is discouraged. Plain rope or nylon halters, and everyday riding equipment in proper repair is highly encouraged. A good ranch horse has a free-flowing stride of reasonable length and covering ground with little effort. Horse should have the appearance of “looking for more country” with the head carried in a natural position, on a relaxed rein. Expression of the horse should be alert, with smooth transitions, free moving, fit, and a pleasure to ride.

HORSE ADVANCEMENT LEVEL 1

Exhibitors need to have completed Level 1 of the Nebraska Horse Levels by June 15 of the current year to participate in the riding classes.

To participate in Halter or Groundwork classes, exhibitors need to have completed the In-Hand portion of the Level 1 Horse Advancement Level by June 15.

SHOW ATTIRE: See General Rules

RIBBON POLICY: See General Rules

Premium money will be paid for a limit of 2 horses, all classes exhibited.

An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple for an award to be given.

Unless stated in this fairbook, rules found in 4-H 373 Nebraska 4-H Horse Show & Judging Guide will be followed. It shall be the sole discretion of the judge to award a purple, blue, red or white ribbon depending on the exhibitor’s performance and to move down a ribbon grouping or dismiss a horse or pony from competition due to lameness.

SAFETY

Safety helmets are encouraged in any and all classes, and exhibitors will not be penalized for wearing safety helmets.

Judges’ decisions are final, no video replays.

OWNERSHIP OF HORSES: See General Rules.

OWNERSHIP

A 4-H member carrying the light horse project may own the horse themselves, use a family owned horse or use a horse owned by someone else (the member should be providing at least 50% of the care). Horses cannot be identified as a project horse in more than one county.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMEN & MOUNTS: See General Rules.

INJURED MOUNT (COUNTY ONLY)

Substitute mounts (due to injury or death of project horse) will be allowed only if identification is completed and on file with the Extension Office by fair pre-entry deadline. Only one horse will be allowed to substitute for original project animal. Death or injury must be verified by Veterinarian or Extension Staff or their agent.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules.

Only geldings and dry mares may be shown at halter and under saddle.

FAMILY SHARED PROJECT HORSES

A project horse may be carried as a project animal by more than one member of a family.

NON-FAMILY SHARED PROJECT HORSES 32

A project horse may be carried jointly by a member of a family and one non-family member. Each member must complete their own identification forms. The horse owner must sign the Ownership statement on the Horse Identification form.

EXHIBITING A SHARED PROJECT HORSE

4-H’ers meeting the above ownership/eligibility requirements with shared ID’s can use the same project animal in the same event,

EXHIBITING A SHARED PROJECT HORSE CPNT.

in both Jr. and Sr. age groups, i.e. Jr. Pleasure or speed events and Sr. Pleasure or speed events, BUT cannot use the same project animal in the same event in the same age group. (i.e. both Jr. Division cannot both show in Jr. Pleasure or speed events).

SUBSTITUTION OF PROJECT HORSE(S): Substitution of a project horse will not be permitted after the stated identification deadline.

ANIMAL HEALTH: General Rules.

PRE-ENTRY: See General Rules.

ONLINE ENTRY: All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program - <https://salineco.fairwire.com> by the stated deadline.

ENTRIES ARE LIMITED: Entries are limited to 5 horse/ponies per member.

ANIMALS IN THE SAME CLASS: An exhibitor cannot exhibit two different animals in the same class, exceptions to this rule are: an exhibitor may ride a pony and horse each in a pleasure class.

IDENTIFICATION OF HORSES:

ID FORMS (with photographs encouraged) - Must be turned into the Extension office by June 14.

CHECK-IN: Will begin at 7 am. Exhibitors and horse MUST come to the check-in area. Check-in for Speed events is allowed slightly later.

CHECK-IN PROCEDURE: All horses and ponies are subject to be measured and all entry identification forms, drawings and/or photos will be verified.

Show numbers will be handed out after members and project animals have I.D.s verified. MEMBERS are to be present with project animals for check-in and measuring.

PONIES: Are 14.2 hands or less. Less than 58”.

NEBRASKA HORSE SHOW & JUDGING GUIDE RULES: All exhibitors need to be familiar with rules and patterns in the Nebraska 4-H Show & Judging Guide. You can pick up your copy of this guide at the Extension Office.

SHOWMANSHIP: Pre-entry is required online in the fair entry online program by the June 15 deadline Showmanship will be the first part of the show. Senior, Junior, Elementary, and Overall.

SHOWMANSHIP AGE DIVISIONS: MUST PRE- ENTER

Senior - Ages 14 to 18 as of Jan. 1 of the current year.

Junior - Ages 12 to 13 as of Jan. 1 of the current year

Elementary - Ages 8 to 11 as of Jan. 1 of the current year.

BREAKS: Show breaks will be determined by the Horse Show Superintendent in conjunction with Extension Staff.

SHOW ORDER: Showmanship, Halter classes, followed by Performance classes.

HORSE SHOW PATTERNS WILL NOT BE RELEASED PRIOR TO SHOW DAY. PATTERNS WILL BE POSTED ON OUR SALINE COUNTY 4-H WEBSITE:

<https://go.unl.edu/2025horseshowpatterns> the morning of the show and at the show before check-in time.

HALTER CLASSES:

Grand and Reserve Judging (Halter): Top 2 ribbon placings in each age/sex division compete, no less than blue placing eligible.

1. Pony (Mare & Geld. combined) (Welsh, Shetland, etc.)

3. Yearling Mare

5. 2-Year-Old Mare

7. 3-Year-Old Mare

9. 4-Year-Old/Older Mare

13. Yearling Gelding

15. 2-Year-Old Gelding

17. 3-Year-Old Gelding

19. 4-Year-Old/Older Gelding

PERFORMANCE CLASSES:**DISQUALIFICATION OF THE HORSE AND RIDER:**

The judge has the authority to excuse and/or disqualify any horse deemed unsafe, out of control, or deemed lame. Falling or horse and/or rider falling off horse results in disqualification.

FAILURE TO DISMOUNT: Failure to dismount prior to leaving the arena after a timed event will result in a 2-second penalty.

DIVISIONS: The following classes are divided into Senior and Junior Divisions.

DIVISIONS CONT.

Senior - Youth ages 14 and older as of January 1 will ride as seniors.

Junior - Youth under 14 years of age as of January 1 will ride as juniors.

Senior division contestants will ride first in each class.

Senior and Junior Divisions may ride together if numbers allow, and show officials so choose.

No re-rides on any performance classes allowed. If in doubt of pattern, please ask.

An award will be awarded to the top performance horse, junior and senior division that receives a purple. Exhibitors considering entering classes 26 & 29 are encouraged to enter the class that will challenge them in their stage of learning and exhibition.

CLASSES:

20. Pony Trail (in-hand only).

21. Sr. Ranch Trail

22. Jr. Ranch Trail

Seniors will face 6 and Juniors will have 4 obstacles from the list:

Check Front Feet	SR	
Gate	SR	JR
Ground Tie	SR	JR
Slicker	SR	
Mailbox	SR	JR
Bridge	SR	JR
Cross Obstacle < or= 18"	SR	JR
Over Logs	SR	JR

24. Sr. Ranch Pleasure (rail work class)

25. Jr. Ranch Pleasure (rail work class)

26. Beginners Pleasure- All ages 4-H Pleasure. Only riders who are in their 1st or 2nd year of a horse project are eligible, not eligible for other Pleasure classes or Walk Trot.

27. Sr. Ranch Horsemanship

28. Jr. Ranch Horsemanship

29. Beginners Horsemanship -

All ages 4-H Horsemanship. Only riders who are in their 1st or 2nd year of a horse project are eligible, not eligible for other Horsemanship, Walk Trot or Equitation classes.

30. Walk Trot- (for those 10 years and under as of Jan. 1, one year of eligibility) Exhibitors in this class cannot enter other Horsemanship or Pleasure classes. THIS CLASS TO BE JUDGED AS A WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP CLASS, no pattern.

31. Sr. Barrels (timed)

32. Jr. Barrels (timed)

33. Sr. Poles (timed)

34. Jr. Poles (timed)

35. Sr. Stake Race (timed)

36. Jr. Stake Race (timed)

37. Sr. Keyhole (timed)

38. Jr. Keyhole (timed)

Timed classes will have a 2 second deduction per pole/barrel knocked over, and/or failing to dismount before exiting the arena. A broken pattern will result in no time.

PREMIUM CODE 5



POULTRY

Superintendents: Theresa Vernon & Justin Sand

Show Date: July 16, 2026 @ 9 A.M.



DIVISION 8

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules

SHOW ATTIRE: See General Rules

OWNER OF POULTRY: See General Rules

DATE OF OWNERSHIP: All stock must be owned by the exhibitor by June 15, except broilers which will be delivered during June.

BUILDING HOSTS: Exhibitors will be asked and are expected to sign up for Building Host times. We have had animals disappear and cannot have security 24-7 so please take this duty seriously and watch when groups or suspicious persons are viewing the exhibits.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules

HEALTH: In order to comply with the Nebraska Poultry Disease Act, poultry exhibited may be tested as part of the Bureau of Animal Industry's monitoring for the presence of pullorum and typhoid in Nebraska. No stock can be removed from the show before the close of the fair except if it shows signs of disease, in which case it will be promptly removed from the poultry department. The superintendent has full authority in the determination of sick birds.

Sick birds that need care will be the responsibility of exhibitors, if unable to contact or refusal to treat, a veterinarian will be contacted to use his discretion in treatment of the animal, with the exhibitor responsible for any costs incurred. Ag Society or any fair volunteers are not responsible for any loss or damages.

PRE-ENTRY OF ANIMALS: See General Rules

ONLINE ENTRY: All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program - <https://salineco.fairwire.com> by the stated deadline.

ENTRY LIMIT: Entries are limited to 20 entries per exhibitor. Limit of 4 entries per class, or three per breed in a class, except only one broiler pen and/or broiler bird. Classes may be combined if less than 3 entries in individual classes. No birds may be entered in both the open and junior shows.

ENTRY CLASSIFICATION:

BREED: Entries must have the correct breed and be marked as 4-H or FFA.

You need to select the proper entry from the classes as they appear in online fair entry program, Showworks. If entered in the wrong class the judge will place as they see fit, or move if that is an option.

SEX IDENTIFICATION:

Cock is a male bird hatched prior to Jan. 1 of the current year

Hen is a female bird hatched prior to Jan. 1 of the current year

Cockerel is a male bird hatched after Jan. 1 of the current year

Pullet is a female bird hatched after Jan. 1. of the current year

ARRIVAL AND IN-PLACE TIME: Poultry may be brought to the fair on Tuesday anytime before 8:00 p.m. Birds must be in cages by 8 p.m.

CAGE TAGS

Cage tags will be available on the table in the Poultry barn for exhibitors to attach to their cages.

If you need additional cage tags, see Extension staff in the 4-H Office on the fairgrounds.

ENTRY CHECK NOTEBOOK: Exhibitors are to check the notebook in the Poultry barn for their entries. This is the office entry checklist which will be used to make the show program. Please make sure you line out or write delete by any entries not coming to the fair. If you bring poultry not on the original entry list, please write the rabbit on your entry list (breed, sex, age). Failure to make corrections or additions will result in your entries not being in the correct classes on the show program or not listed on the show program.

PENS, TACK AND BEDDING: See General Rules

BEDDING: Woodchips will be provided as bedding for all poultry.

TACK: Tools for cleaning pens, feeding and watering are not provided.

FEEDING AND WATERING: Feeding and watering will be the responsibility of the exhibitor of the animal. The building hosts will be allowed to water any animal during the day that they feel needs it.

TEAR DOWN ON RELEASE DAY: Exhibitors are expected to help tear down coops at the end of the fair and clean up bedding and manure left by their animals.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMAN: See General Rules

SHOWMANSHIP

DIVISIONS: MUST PRE-ENTER

Senior - (age 12 & older as of Jan. 1 of the current year)

Junior - (age eleven to eleven as of Jan 1 of the current year)

4-H Clover Kids - enrolled 4-H Clover Kids ages 5 to 7 as of Jan. 1 who have their own poultry project and non-enrolled youth borrowing poultry for showmanship only.

The Overall Showmanship Division will also include the winners of the Senior and Junior divisions. 4-H Clover Kid showmanship will follow.

SHOWMANSHIP TIME

The showmanship competition will be held at the beginning of the show. Senior showmanship will be first followed by Juniors, and Overall. 4-H Clover Kid showmanship will follow overall showmanship.

SHOW ORDER: Showmanship, Broilers, Standard Birds, Bantam Birds, Waterfowl, and Other Fowl. Open Class to follow.

NOTE CARDS: Are allowed but must not become dependent on them.

BASIS FOR JUDGING: Showmanship is based on knowledge of the exhibitor along with the birds grooming, training, appearance and behavior. The exhibitor must vocally explain the steps in his/her routine and the merits (pro and con) of the bird. Primarily showmanship is the skill of the exhibitor in presenting and explaining the bird before the judge: the excellence of the bird is not considered in scoring. The judge may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.

PRE-ENTRY: Is required but 4-H and FFA members may enter the day of the show and be rated on showmanship in their respective age division.

TIME LIMIT: Youth are given 5 minutes max to give their presentation, followed by questions from the judge.

RESOURCES: Call the Extension Office to Showmanship help guidelines and publications.

LIVE SHOW: All exhibitors must be present to show exhibits to the judge. Any exhibitor not present will not have exhibit judged, unless substitute arrangements have been cleared with the superintendent.

START TIME: The live show will start immediately after showmanship is completed.

CLASSES:

STATIC EXHIBITS

Please check your static poultry exhibits in at the poultry barn.

1. Poster – poster about poultry industry, parts, breed(s), etc. original work please. Poster should be educational in nature, not to exceed 14” x 22” posterboard.

2. Other Exhibit – may be feeder, nests, travel cage, etc. (include plans or info to support your size or materials used).

EGGS

Egg exhibits should be labeled with exhibitor's name and town and left in the poultry barn. Find your entry tag on the table and attach it to your eggs and leave your egg entries in the poultry barn.

3G. Green Eggs - one dozen eggs

3B. Brown Eggs - one dozen eggs

3W. White Eggs - one dozen eggs

BROILER PROJECT

Orders for broilers must be made with the County Extension Office by the deadline stated in the 4-H newsletter/email/Facebook. 15 chicks per member is suggested, price available when placing order.

5. Broiler Pen - Each broiler entry will consist of three birds, 12-21 lbs. combined weight. Broiler entries are required to have record sheet- figured on total group ordered. Failure to have record sheet will result in lowering one ribbon placing. Limit one pen per exhibitor.

6. Broiler- a single bird entry (different than Broiler Pen birds). Limit one entry per exhibitor.

7. Production Trio (Hens & Cock) - 1 cock and 2 hens - Limit one pen per exhibitor (counts as one entry of your 20 entry limit).

8. Production Trio (Pullets & Cockerel) - 1 cockerel and 2 pullets - Limit one pen per exhibitor (counts as one entry of your 20 entry limit).

Standard and Bantam birds will be shown by Class and breed and divided by Cock, Hen, Cockerel, Pullet. **You need to select the proper class/entry from the classes as they appear in Showworks online fair entry website. It is important that you note the breed you have when purchasing them so you may enter correctly.**

If you need help finding which classes your poultry entries go in, please call the Extension Office and we can check our American Standards of Perfection book. You will need to know the breed name, age, and sex of bird.

Breeds categories by American Standards of Perfection.

Classes and Breeds in **Standard** size may include these common breeds but not limited to:

American - Jersey Giants, New Hampshire Red, Rhode Island Reds, Rocks, Wyandottes.

Asiatic - Brahmas, Cochins, Langshans

Continental - Hamburgs, Houdans, Polish

English - Cornish, Dorkings, Orpingtons, Sussex

Mediterranean- Anconas, Buttercups, Leghorns, Minoraca

Other - Ameraucanas, Araucanas, Frizzles, Game, Naked Necks, Modern English, Old English, Sumatra

Classes in **Bantam** size include these common breeds but not limited to:

Single Comb-Clean Legged - Plymouth Rock, Leghorn, Japanese, Rhode Island Red, Orpingtons, New Hampshire

Rose Comb-Clean Legged - Rosecomb, Wyandotte, Sebright, Belgian Bearded D'Anver

Other Comb-Clean Legged - Ameraucana, Polish, Cornish, Houdan, La Fleche, Sumatra

Feather Legged - Silkie, Cochin, Brahma, Belgian Bearded D'Uccle, Langshan

Classes in **Game** include these common breeds but not limited to: American Game Bantam, Modern, Old English

Classes in **Waterfowl** may include these common breeds but not limited to:

Standard Size Duck - Cayuga, Khaki, Pekin, Rouen, Muscovy

Bantam Duck - Call, East Indie, Mallard

Geese - African, Embden, Toulouse

Other Fowl - Guinea Fowl, Pigeons, Quail, Turkeys

RIBBON POLICY: See General Rules If only one entry in a class it is eligible for a Best of Show Rosette and Champion if awarded by the judge.

An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple for an award to be given.

PREMIUM CODE 11



RABBIT

Superintendents: Dusten Bruss & Nicole Hoesche

Show Date: July 17, 2026



DIVISION 9

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules

SHOW ATTIRE: See General Rules

BUILDING HOSTS: Exhibitors will be asked and are expected to sign up for Building Host times. We have had animals disappear and cannot have security 24-7 so please take this duty seriously and watch when groups or suspicious persons are viewing the exhibits.

OWNER OF RABBITS: See General Rules

DATE OF OWNERSHIP: All stock must be owned by the exhibitor by June 15.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules

HEALTH: Sick animals that need care will be the responsibility of exhibitors, if unable to contact or refusal to treat, a veterinarian will be contacted to use his discretion in treatment of the animal, with the exhibitor responsible for any costs incurred. Ag Society or any fair volunteers are not responsible for any loss or damages.

PRE-ENTRY OF ANIMALS: See General Rules

ONLINE ENTRY: All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program - <https://salineco.fairwire.com> by the stated deadline.

ENTRY LIMIT: Entries are limited to 10 entries per exhibitor. No rabbit may show in both open and junior divisions.

IDENTIFICATION OF RABBITS:

TATTOO: For 4-H the rabbit may be tattooed in either ear with a number or name and be on record in the Extension Office by identification deadline.

ARRIVAL AND IN PLACE TIME OF RABBITS: Rabbits may be brought to the fair on Wednesday before 8:00 p.m. Rabbits must be in their cages by 8 p.m. on Wednesday.

CAGE TAGS

Cage tags will be available on the table in the Rabbit barn for exhibitors to attach to their cages.

If you need additional cage tags, see Extension staff in the 4-H Office on the fairgrounds.

ENTRY CHECK NOTEBOOK: Exhibitors are to check the notebook in the Rabbit barn for their entries. This is the office entry checklist which will be used to make the show program. Please make sure you line out or write delete by any entries not coming to the fair. If you bring rabbits not on the original entry list, please write the rabbit on your entry list (breed, sex, age). Failure to make corrections or additions will result in your entries not being in the correct classes on the show program or not listed on the show program.

PENS, TACK & BEDDING: See General Rules

BEDDING: Bedding is not needed in the wire cages.

ICE/COLD PACKS FOR COOLING: You may want to prepare cold packs from plastic bottles in extreme heat to keep rabbits cool.

TACK: Tools for cleaning cages, and watering are not provided.

FEEDING AND WATERING: Feeding and watering will be the responsibility of the exhibitor of the animal. The building hosts will be allowed to water any animal during the day that they feel needs it. Feed will not be provided.

TEAR DOWN ON RELEASE DAY: Exhibitors are expected to help tear down cages at the end of the fair and clean up any manure left by their animals. Cages are to be free of bedding and manure for final inspection on Monday. **All entries are to remain on exhibition until the stated release time(s) in this fairbook. Exhibits leaving early will forfeit premium and be subject to further penalties at the discretion of the Ag. Society.**

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMAN: See General Rules

SHOWMANSHIP

DIVISIONS: MUST PRE-ENTER

Senior - (age 12 & older as of Jan. 1 of the current year)

Junior - (age 8 to 11 as of Jan 1 of the current year)

4-H Clover Kids - enrolled 4-H Clover Kids ages 5 to 7 as of Jan. 1 who have their own rabbit project and non-enrolled youth borrowing a rabbit for showmanship only.

The Overall Showmanship Division will also include the winners of the Senior and Junior divisions. 4-H Clover Kid showmanship will follow.

SHOWMANSHIP TIME

The showmanship competition will be held at the beginning of the show. Senior showmanship will be first followed by Juniors, and Overall. 4-H Clover Kid showmanship will follow overall showmanship.

SHOW ORDER: Showmanship, Breeding Classes, Commercial Classes, followed by Meat Classes.

NOTE CARDS: Note cards are allowed but must be dependent on them.

BASIS FOR JUDGING: Showmanship is based on grooming and training of the rabbit and the appearance, behavior and knowledge of the exhibitor. The exhibitor must vocally explain the steps in his/her routine and the merits of the rabbit. Primarily showmanship is the skill of the exhibitor in presenting and explaining the rabbit before the judge: the excellence of the rabbit is not considered in scoring. The judge may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.

NEW OR FIRST TIME SHOWMAN: Further information on the rabbit showmanship presentation is available at the Extension office.

ELIGIBLE ANIMALS: Exhibitors must show their own rabbits. A rabbit can only be shown once.

TIME LIMIT: Youth are given 5 minutes max to give their presentation, followed by questions from the judge.

LIVE SHOW

All exhibitors must be present to show exhibits to the judge. Any exhibitor not present will not have exhibit judged, unless substitute arrangements have been cleared with the superintendent.

Breeds will be shown alphabetically in this order Sr. Buck, Sr. Doe, Jr. Buck, Jr. Doe., selecting the best of each breed, the best of each breed will compete for Champion honors.

It is important that you note the breed you have when purchasing them so you may enter correctly.

CLASSES

STATIC EXHIBITS

1. Poster – poster about rabbit industry, parts, breed(s), etc. original work please. Poster should be educational in nature, not to exceed 14" x 22" poster board.

2. Other Exhibit – may be nesting box, travel cage, hutch, etc. (include plans or info to support your size or materials used). (premium doubled)

FANCY BREED RABBITS

Fancy rabbits are raised primarily for show and are judged by body type, size, and markings that are in accordance with breed standards.

Fancy Rabbits (purebred only) will be shown by breed and divided by:

Sr. Buck and Sr. Doe, over 6 months of age

Jr. Buck and Jr. Doe, under 6 months of age

You need to select the proper class number entry from the classes as they appear in the online Showworks fair entry website.

Fancy Breeds include: Belgian Hare, Blue Holicer, Britannia Petite, Czech Frosty, Dutch, English Angora, French Angora, Dwarf Hotot, English Spot, Florida White, Fuzzy Lop, Harlequin, Havana, Himalayan, Holland Lop, Jersey Woolie, Lilac, Lion Head, Mini Lop, Mini Rex, Mini Satin, Netherland Dwarf, Polish, Rex, Rhinelander, Sable, Satin Angora, Silver, Silver Marten, Standard Chinchilla, Tan, and Thrianta.

COMMERCIAL BREEDS

Commercial rabbits are those breeds known for meat and fur production. Commercial rabbits will be shown by:

Senior Buck and Doe, over 8 months

Intermediate Buck and Doe, 6-8 months

Junior Buck and Doe, under 6 months

You need to select the proper class number entry from the classes as they appear in the Showworks fair entry website.

Commercial Breeds include: American Beveren, American, California, American Chinchilla, Blanc De Hotot, Blue Vienna, Champagne D'Argent, Checkered Giant, Cinnamon, Creme D'Argent, Flemish Giant, English Lop, French Lop, Giant Chinchilla, Giant Angora, New Zealand, Palomino, Satin, and Silver Fox.

Crossbred and Breeds not recognized can be entered and will show as mixed ages and sexes. (May be Best of Show but not eligible for Grand Champion.)

PET RABBITS: Any rabbit that is your pet which does not meet breed standards and criteria. (May be Best of Show but not eligible for Grand Champion.)

MEAT CLASSES

Fryer (3 ½ to 5 ½ pounds)

Roaster (over 5 ½ pounds)

Pen of 3 Market – 3 rabbits with a combined weight of 10-16 lbs. Uniformity a plus, but not a disqualification. (May be rabbits from fryer and roaster classes, must all be entered by the same exhibitor.)

RIBBON POLICY: See General Rules If only one entry in a class it is eligible for a Best of Show Rosette and Champion if awarded by the judge.

An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple for an award to be given.

PREMIUM CODE 11



SHEEP

Superintendents: Emilye Yowell
Show Date: July 16, 2026 @ 8 A.M.



DIVISION 10

OWNERSHIP OF SHEEP: See General Rules.

DATE OF OWNERSHIP: All stock must be owned by the exhibitor by June 15.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMEN: See General Rules.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules. **BIRTH DATE:** Must conform to the set ages for the respective class that the animal is being shown in. Ages are computed from the day of the show.

HEALTH: See General Rules. A visual inspection of all goats will be made during check-in/weigh-in on Wednesday night. Lambs that are found to have sore mouth, ringworm, fungus, or other health-related concerns will be excused and must be removed from the grounds. Final decisions will be the responsibility of the superintendent and Saline County Extension 4-H staff. A veterinarian may be called to confirm such findings.

IDENTIFICATION: USDA OFFICIAL SCRAPIE IDENTIFICATION - All market wethers and does and breeding does must be individually identified with USDA OFFICIAL SCRAPIE IDENTIFICATION. The Scrapie tag must be present in the animals' ear at check-in.

REGISTERED SHEEP: A Scrapie tag, and flock tag or tattoo matching the registration paper and I.D. card.
ID FORMS : Must be turned into the Extension office by June 15.

IDENTIFICATION LIMIT:
A limit of 20 market lambs may be identified per exhibitor.

ANIMAL AGES: Ages of sheep will be computed from Jan. 1 unless otherwise noted.

ENTRY LIMIT: Entries are limited to a total of 5 sheep per exhibitor.

PRE-ENTRY OF ANIMALS: See General Rules

ONLINE ENTRY: All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program - <https://salineco.fairwire.com> by the stated deadline.

CHECK-IN: Will is Wednesday from 4 pm to 4:30 pm. All sheep will have their identification checked during

Registration papers will be checked at this time. **The registration papers MUST show THE EXHIBITOR'S NAME OR A CO-OWNER WHO IS**

AN IMMEDIATE MEMBER of the exhibitor's FAMILY AND IS LISTED ON THE COUNTY FAIR ID FORM.

FAMILY FARM OR RANCH NAMES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

WEIGH-IN

Weigh-in will be conducted at the same time as I.D. check. Only market lambs will be weighed. All sheep entries **MUST** be slick shorn within 14 days of the beginning of the fair.

TEETH: All ewe lambs must have all temporary teeth present. Yearling ewes can have yearling teeth but cannot have two-year-old teeth. All breeding ewes may be subject to mouthing to verify age. Breeding ewes found to be in violation will be disqualified. The superintendent reserves the right to mouth any lamb.

PENS, TACK, BEDDING: See General Rules.

PENS AND TACK

Pens will be assigned by club. The pens allow for 3 lambs per pen. If you have animals on different feed plans, you are responsible to bringing your own pen dividers.

Do not take pens assigned to others.

Tack should not be put in pen assigned for animals.

If space allows, tack pens will be assigned and most likely will be shared with another exhibitor or club.

BEDDING

Exhibitors are responsible to providing their own bedding. Woodchips are recommended.

FITTING STANDS

Fitting stands are to be set up on show day ONLY. Fitting stands must be removed from the tack area and aisles before and after show day. **THIS IS A BLOW & GO SHOW.**

GROOMING: Sheep (showmanship, market and breeding) will be shown Blow & Go. Animals may be clipped, blown, brushed or combed to enhance their appearance. All animals will be shown free of any adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products. Any compounds that have adhesive qualities that when applied cannot be combed or brushed through or alter the color of the animal are forbidden. Alcohol, water, oil, foam or any water or alcohol-based products with no adhesives or glue qualities, or artificial colorings are permitted. Any animal found to have prohibited products applied (adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products) will be disqualified from competition. Any premiums (physical or monetary) will be forfeited, and no refunds will be made. **The use of showing and/or handling practices that may be considered objectionable or abusive, such as striking or slapping lambs and exhibiting the lamb with its front feet off the ground, are not acceptable. The use of such practices may result in the lowering of a ribbon placing. (Lifting the lamb in a fluid motion to set the front legs prior to quickly setting the feet back on the ground is acceptable.)**

NO HALTERS ARE ALLOWED IN SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMAN: See General Rules.

SHOWMANSHIP DIVISIONS: MUST PRE-ENTER Senior - (age 12 & older as of Jan. 1 of the current year)

Junior - (age eighth to eleven as of Jan 1 of the current year)

4-H Clover Kids - enrolled 4-H Clover Kids ages 5 to 7 as of Jan. 1 who have their own sheep project and non-enrolled youth borrowing a sheep for showmanship only.

The Overall Showmanship Division will also include the winners of the Senior and Junior divisions

SHOWMANSHIP TIME

The showmanship competition will be held after the breeding classes. Senior showmanship will be first followed by Juniors, and Overall. 4-H Clover Kid showmanship will follow overall showmanship.

LIVE SHOW: The live show will start immediately following showmanship.

SHOW ORDER: Market, Breeding, Bottle Lamb, followed by Showmanship.

Ram and Ewe classes will be grouped by breed.

ANIMALS IN SAME WEIGHT CLASS: If a single exhibitor has two animals in the same weight class, they can declare to show one in the next higher weight class. Exhibitors or parents should report this change to the show clerk before showmanship classes are completed, the morning of the show. If moving an animal results in an exhibitor now having two entries in the higher class the exhibitor cannot move one from this class.

MARKET CLASSES:

LAMBS BORN ON OR AFTER JAN. 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR.

1. Market Lambs (to be shown by weight classes, determined at fair.)

HAIR BREEDS: Hair Breeds will enter and be shown in their respective age classes within Purbred or Commercial.

BREEDING CLASSES:

RAMS

2. Purebred Junior Ram Lamb (Born after Jan, 1 of the current year)

3. Commercial Junior Ram Lamb (Born after Jan, 1 of the current year)

3A. Hair Breed Junior Ram Lamb (Born after Jan. 1 of the current year)

4. Purebred Senior Ram Lamb (Born Sept. 1-Dec. 31 of the preceding year)

5. Commercial Senior Ram Lamb (Born Sept. 1-Dec. 31 of the preceding year)

5A. Hair Breeds Senior Ram Lamb (Born Sept. 1-Dec. 31 of the preceding year)

EWES

6. Purebred Junior Ewe Lamb (Born after Jan. 1 of the current year)

7. Commercial Junior Ewe Lamb (Born after Jan. 1 of the current year)

7A. Hair Breed Junior Ewe Lamb (Born after Jan. 1 of the current year)

8. Purebred Senior Ewe Lamb (Born Sept. 1-Dec.31, 2025)

9. Commercial Senior Ewe Lamb (Born Sept. 1- Dec.31, 2025)

9A. Hair Breed Senior Ewe Lamb (Born Sept.- 1 Dec.31, 2025)

10. Purebred Yearling Ewe (Born Sept. 1, 2024-Aug. 31, 2025)

11. Commercial Yearling Ewe (Born Sept. 1, 2024-Aug. 31, 2025)

11A. Hair Breed Yearling Ewe (Born Sept. 1, 2024-Aug. 31, 2025)

BOTTLE LAMB

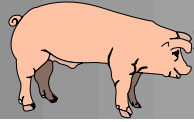
12. Bottle Lamb should not have been on mother for no more than 7 days, and was artificially reared after removal from mother.

RIBBON POLICY: See General Rules

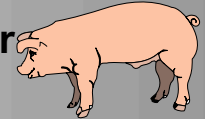
An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple for an award to be given.

PREMIUM CODE 2

SWINE



Superintendents: Todd Cecrle & Lynn Steuer



Show Date: July 17, 2026 @ 8 A.M.

DIVISION 11

LOTTERY PIG: Lottery Pigs are limited to one gilt and/or one barrow per exhibitor. They must have been purchased through the Lottery Pig program. These pigs will be tagged and/or notched at delivery day in April. Judging will consider both the Performance of the pig (rate of gain), the quality of the animal (live score), and showmanship (3 point score system). The highest scores determine the Champion Overall Lottery Gilt and Lottery Barrow. If the case of a tie, the tie-breaker is the higher rate of gain. Lottery Pigs will be from the same producer to minimize the genetic difference. Drawing for Lottery pig selection will be held on delivery day. Lottery pigs cannot change exhibitors after selection.

Points are assigned for ribbon placing in Showmanship, Rate of Gain, and Live show to determine the Lottery Champions.

Must have a minimum of 3 exhibitors using different feed plans to hold this project. The variety of feeding plans adds to the learning component of this project.

Lottery Pig exhibitors will compete in Showmanship TWICE (once in the Lottery Pig division, as it is part of the scoring and again in their own age division of Swine Showmanship).

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules Exhibitors must have a Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certificate and Premise ID number to exhibit at the Saline County Fair.

SHOW ATTIRE: See General Rules

RIBBON POLICY: See General Rules

OWNER OF SWINE: See General Rules

DATE OF OWNERSHIP: All stock must be owned by the exhibitor by June 15.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: See General Rules

NON-TERMINAL SHOW: This is a non-terminal show. Biosecurity continues to be a concern among livestock producers. It is recommended that hogs go to slaughter. The owner assumes all responsibility if he/she decides to take the animals home at the conclusion of the fair.

MARKET: We cannot guarantee a market for your swine, so please make your processing appointments early. Exhibitors are encouraged to consider making a slaughter appointment at the processor of their choosing early in the project year or ask relatives or acquaintances to purchase ½ or a whole hog.

If a market is available, hogs must be signed up for market at check-in time and will be sold to the highest bidder.

Exhibitors are highly encouraged to weigh swine prior to entry to avoid light or heavy weight entries and subsequent pricing. Price penalties for an overweight or underweight carcass is beyond our control and the 4-H'er needs to consider these deductions in their decisions to market the animal to weights outside the guidelines. Show management reserves the right to pass on discounted prices to under and overweight hogs at the marketplace.

SLAUGHTER NOTICE: See MARKET note on this page. If a market is secured Exhibitor must determine and identify which animals are going home or to slaughter through the 4-H office on the fairgrounds by end of swine show on Friday. All hogs need to be listed on either the keep or sell list. NO late changes.

SWINE HEALTH: Swine to be exhibited shall originate directly from a herd not under quarantine. All swine in violation of this requirement will be immediately removed from the grounds by the owner. Health certificates are NOT required. This is a MARKET SWINE show so all hogs are to be drugfree. Medicating an animal must be cleared with the superintendent(s) or may be grounds for immediate dismissal from the fair.

MARKET WEIGHTS: Only hogs between 200 and 310 pounds live weight are eligible for Grand and Reserve Champion in the market hog classes.

Hogs lighter or heavier than these limits may show and receive premiums but will not be eligible to be named a champion or reserve champion. The Lottery Pigs are the only ones exempt from this rule. Rate of gain is being measured and production traits should be expressed without penalty in the show.

PRE-ENTRY OF ANIMALS: See General Rules

ONLINE ENTRY: All entries must be pre-entered into the online fair entry program - <https://salineco.fairwire.com> by the stated deadline.

ENTRY LIMIT: A maximum of 6 head total per exhibitor (combination of Lottery, Market & Breeding).

IDENTIFICATION OF SWINE: Fresh tags are not allowed unless the tag is a replacement authorized by the Extension Office.

The registration papers MUST show THE EXHIBITOR'S NAME OR A CO-OWNER WHO IS AN IMMEDIATE MEMBER OF THE EXHIBITOR'S FAMILY AND IS LISTED ON THE COUNTY FAIR ID FORM. FAMILY FARM OR RANCH NAMES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

REGISTERED BREEDING GILTS: Must have registration papers presented at check-in time with ear notches matching ID form. To be eligible to show in a registered class, a breeding animal must be tagged with an official 840 USDA EID tag, owned by the exhibitor or co-owner listed on the registration papers (no papers in farm names or ranch names), have an official breed registration number.

Breeding gilts must be born on or after December 1, 2025.

Minimum entries for Breed Classes - Any breed without at least 3 breeding gilts exhibiting in their breed will show in the All Other Breed (AOB) Division.

DUAL IDENTIFICATION

Exhibitors can dual-identify gilts as breeding and market but you must decide at the time of online fair entry deadline. **YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SWITCH FROM BREEDING TO MARKET OR MARKET TO BREEDING AT FAIR CHECK-IN TIME.**

LOTTERY GILTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO EXHIBIT IN BREEDING GILT CLASSES. LOTTERY CLASSES ARE MARKET CLASSES ONLY.

IDENTIFICATION LIMIT: A limit of 40 pigs total may be identified per exhibitor.

EID TAGS: All hogs to be exhibited must have an office EID tag. Families will be responsible for tagging hogs to limit disease spread.

NOTCHES: If animals have notches you are encouraged to record these according to the Universal Notching System as a backup identification on the identification form. Notches do not serve as the official form of swine identification.

CHECK-IN OF SWINE Check-in will be on Wednesday evening beginning at 5:30p.m.

I.D. CHECK AND WEIGH IN – Hogs will have EID tags checked, weighed, and processed as they are unloaded between 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, all hogs need to be in place by 7:00 p.m. **If you bring your hogs on Wednesday before 5:30 p.m., it is the family's responsibility to bring them to the scale area for tag check and weigh in. DO NOT send pigs through the scale without an exhibitor or family member physically present with the pigs. It is not the responsibility of the Superintendents to bring your pigs to the scale. The superintendents will NOT come find you or come to your pens.**

NO RE-WEIGHS: There are no re-weighs. For weight limits refer to WEIGHTS above.

PENS, TACK AND BEDDING: See General Rules

PENS ARE ASSIGNED FOR 3 PIGS PER PEN. You are responsible for bringing your OWN pen divider should you need to separate pigs in your assigned pen(s). Individual pens cannot be guaranteed for pigs with different feeding plans. Please use wash racks or other means to feed hogs individually if desired.

CLEANING: Swine pens may be cleaned during or immediately after loading out has started on Sunday. Pens are to be free of bedding and manure for final inspection on Monday.

PEN PINS AND PANELS: DO NOT remove pins or panels to make pens larger.

Hogs must remain until the fair release time, failure to remain will result in premiums being withheld from exhibitors.

BEDDING: Woodchips are to be used. No straw.

USE OF TUBE WATERERS IN SWINE BARN

Tube waterers are highly discouraged as this water can become very hot when allowed to sit in the tube which may lead to the pig(s) not drinking the needed amount of daily water. These types of waterers may drip causing wet bedding which may draw flies and other insects into the barn. Exhibitors are encouraged to keep bedding dry and utilize wash racks for feeding or watering with less wet bedding drawing flies in the barn.

WASH RACKS: Wash racks are limited, exhibitors are asked to kindly limit usage to thirty (30) minutes, allowing all exhibitors time to wash and cool their pigs

SHOWMANSHIP DIVISIONS: MUST PRE-ENTER

Senior - (age 14 & older as of Jan. 1 of the current year)

Intermediate - (age 11 to 13 as of Jan. 1 of the current year)

Junior - (age right to eleven as of Jan 1 of the current year)

4-H Clover Kids - enrolled 4-H Clover Kids ages 5 to 7 as of Jan. 1 who have their own swine project and non-enrolled youth borrowing a swine for showmanship only.

The Overall Showmanship Division will also include the winners of the Senior, Intermediate, and Junior division.

SHOWMANSHIP TIME

The showmanship competition will be held at the beginning of the show. Senior showmanship will be first followed by Intermediates, Juniors, and Overall. 4-H Clover Kid showmanship will follow overall showmanship.

SHOW ORDER: Showmanship, Breeding Gilts, Lottery Gilts, Market Gilts, Lottery Barrows, Market Barrows, followed by Pen of 4 (breeding and market). Open Class Swine to follow.

THIS IS A BLOW & GO SHOW.

GROOMING:

Swine (showmanship and market) will be shown Blow & Go. Animals may be clipped, blown, brushed or combed to enhance their appearance. All animals will be shown free of any adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products. Any compounds that have adhesive qualities that when applied cannot be combed or brushed through or alter the color of the animal are forbidden. Alcohol, water, oil, foam or any water or alcohol-based products with no adhesives or glue qualities, or artificial colorings are permitted. Any animal found to have prohibited products applied (adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products) will be disqualified from competition. Any premiums (physical or monetary) will be forfeited, and no refunds will be made.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMAN: See General Rules

LIVE SHOW DIVISIONS: The live show will start after the showmanship competition is completed.

DIVISIONS: Market Gilts and Barrows will be divided into three weight divisions each (Light-weight, Middle-weight and Heavy-weight). Class weight breaks are determined at the discretion of the Superintendents and Extension staff. Commercial Gilts will be divided into three weight divisions each (Light-weight, Middle-weight and Heavy-weight). Class weight breaks are determined at the discretion of the Superintendents and Extension staff. Lottery pigs will be separate divisions (gilts and barrows) and live division winners are eligible for live championships of the gilts and barrow divisions.

Breeding gilt division will be divided into Purebred and Crossbred.

NO GILT CAN BE EXHIBITED IN BOTH A MARKET CLASS AND A BREEDING CLASS.

CLASSES: All market hogs will be shown by weight classes determined by the weight at the Wednesday weigh-in.

Lottery Pigs will be their own class based on sex/weight. Breeding Gilts will be shown as follows: **Purebreds** by breed (must have 3 entries per breed or will show as AOB.

Crossbred breeding gilts will be shown by weight classes determined by weight at the Wednesday weigh-in.

LOTTERY PIGS

1. Lottery Gilts

2. Lottery Barrows

MARKET PIGS

3. Market Gilts

4. Market Barrows

BREEDING GILTS

5. Purebred Breeding Gilts

6. Crossbred Breeding Gilts

ANIMALS IN SAME WEIGHT CLASS: If a single exhibitor has two animals in the same weight class, they can declare to show one in the next higher weight class. Exhibitors or parents should report this change to the show clerk before showmanship classes are completed, the morning of the show. If moving an animal results in an exhibitor now having two entries in the higher class the exhibitor cannot move one from this class.

Purebred breeding gilts will be shown by age. Crossbred breeding gilts will be shown by weight.

PREMIUM CODE 2

CLUB PEN OF 4 MARKET HOG ENTRIES: Any club or chapter is eligible to compete, a minimum of 3 owners per entry. Pre-entry is REQUIRED AND MUST BE MADE AT THE ANNOUNCERS STAND PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF THE SWINE SHOW. Entries are limited to 2 pens per club or chapter. (No premiums- trophies only)

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An award will not be awarded in classes where the single entry receives a Blue ribbon. The entry must receive a purple for an award to be given.