

ANIMAL EXHIBITS

PRE-ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

ALL ANIMALS

Animal Online Pre-Entries due by PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE by 5:00 p.m. to Nebraska Extension Office, Blair

CAT

Certificate of Vaccination for Cats and Ferrets (FORM-SF262)

COMPANION ANIMAL

Certificate of Vaccination for Cats and Ferrets (SF262) and/or Certificate of Vaccination for Dogs (SF263)

DOG

Certificate of Vaccination for Dogs (FORM-SF263)

Washington County 4-H Dog Ownership Affidavit

Washington County Fair Entry Form (Dog)

HORSE

Overall Horseman Award Form

PREMIUMS

Showmanship (All Animals)

Purple \$10.00 / Blue \$8.00 / Red \$6.00 / White \$4.00

Special Premiums (All Animals)

Sponsored by: Washington County Bank

Gold Medal \$10.00 / Silver Medal \$8.00 / Bronze Medal \$6.00

Animal Classes (Beef, Dairy Cattle)

Purple \$10.00 / Blue \$8.00 / Red \$6.00 / White \$4.00

Animal Classes (Dairy Goat, Hog, Meat Goat, Sheep)

Purple \$8.00 / Blue \$6.00 / Red \$5.00 / White \$3.00

Animal Classes (Dog, Horse)

Purple \$6.00 / Blue \$5.00 / Red \$4.00 / White \$3.00

Animal Classes (Cat, Poultry, Rabbit)

Purple \$4.00 / Blue \$3.00 / Red \$2.00 / White \$1.00

Clover Kids Class (except Horse)

\$0.50 & Participation Ribbon

Beef Special Awards

In Memoriam of Norm Stork

Champion Commercial Breeding Heifer \$10.00 cash at show

Champion Breeding Heifer (per breed) \$10.00 cash at show

Champion Bred & Owned Beef Animal \$10.00 cash at show

Sheep Special Awards

In Memoriam of Scott Japp

Grand Champion Market Lamb \$200.00 cash at show

Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb \$100.00 cash at show

Champion Pair of Lambs \$100.00 cash at show

Hog Carcass Contest:

1st-\$15.00 / 2nd-\$12.50 / 3rd-\$10.00 / 4th-\$7.50 / 5th-\$5.00

DRESS CODE:

(See HORSE Section for Horse Show Dress Code)

- **SHIRT:** Exhibitors are required to wear a white shirt or blouse with the official 4-H Chevron attached or a 4-H T-shirt. Washington County 4-H t-shirts and 4-H Chevrons are available for purchase at the Nebraska Extension Office in Blair or the Washington County Fair 4-H Office during the fair.
- **PANTS:** Long pants or jeans.
 - DAIRY CATTLE, DAIRY GOAT White pants (preferred).
- **SHOES:** Hard soled shoes or boots are appropriate.
 - CAT, COMPANION ANIMAL, DOG Hard soled shoes are not required, exhibitors are required to wear closed toed shoes with non-slip soles.
- **HATS:** No hats, caps or other types of headgear are to be worn while exhibiting.
- Failure to comply with dress code will result in the drop of a ribbon placing.

SPORTSMANSHIP: Good sportsmanship is expected of exhibitors, their families and friends at all times. Being pleasant and respectful of others is as important in the grooming area and at ring side as it is in the ring. Poor manners or ill temper is not appropriate at the show. Have a winning attitude regardless of placement in class.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Refer to the GENERAL & ANIMAL RULES AND REGULATIONS at the front of the fair exhibitor guide.
- <https://go.unl.edu/wcfanimalinfo>

WASHINGTON COUNTY 4-H LIVESTOCK BOOSTERS:

The Washington County 4-H Livestock Boosters is a fund that local businesses and individuals contribute to support Washington County 4-H youth. The 4-H Livestock Booster funds help offset project expenses during the current year and/or provide support for acquiring their project animals for next year. Following the Washington County Fair, animal exhibitors will receive a cash premium for each beef, dairy cattle, dairy goat, hog, meat goat, sheep, poultry, and rabbit project exhibited. Animals that take part in the Washington County Fair Livestock Auction are not eligible for booster funds due to the receipt of auction proceeds.

WASHINGTON COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM RECOGNITION FUNDS



ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED!

If you would like to be a Washington County 4-H Program Recognition Fund Contributor, please send your contribution to the **Washington County 4-H Council** at the address listed below. If you have questions, please call the Extension Office at 402-426-9455.

Washington County 4-H Council
ATTN: 4-H Recognition Fund

BEEF

IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS

Market Beef & Breeding Heifers

Friday of Fair by 9:00 p.m.

Feeder Calves, Junior Breeding & Bucket Calf Option:

Monday of Fair by 7:00 a.m.

CHECK-IN/WEIGH-IN

Market Beef & Breeding Heifers

Saturday of Fair from 9:00-11:00 a.m. (Near Beef Barn)

Feeder Calves, Junior Breeding & Bucket Calf Option:

Monday of Fair from 7:00-8:00 a.m. (Near Beef Barn)

SHOW DATE

Monday of Fair at 9:00 a.m. (RVR Bank Arena)

RELEASE

Feeder Calves, Junior Breeding & Bucket Calf Option:

Monday of Fair at conclusion of show

Market Beef & Breeding Heifers

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

Auction animals are required to stay through the auction.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Pat Meads, Danielle Dillon Koziol, Nicki Petersen

BEEF GUIDELINES

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS BY JUNE 15:

An exhibitor must exhibit MARKET BEEF, FEEDER CALVES, BUCKET CALVES, BREEDING HEIFERS, and COW/CALF PAIRS that have been properly identified under their name. The ID's for all beef entries will be checked by the show committee when animal is brought to fair. Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee. ALL LIVESTOCK MUST SUBMIT PHOTOS TO: <https://go.unl.edu/wcphotoid>

- Market Beef – EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag AND Washington County Identification Sheet OR DNA Envelope
- Feeder Calf - EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag AND Washington County Identification Sheet
- Bucket Calf – EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag AND Washington County Identification Sheet
- Breeding Heifer - Ear Tattoos (according to the regulations set by the various national beef breed associations/ Bangs tattoos are NOT acceptable.) OR EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag AND Washington County Identification Sheet PLUS copies of registration sheets for registered breeding heifers.
- Junior Breeding Heifer – refer to breeding heifer
- Washington County 4-H Bred & Owned Breeding Heifer - AFFIDAVIT
- Cow/Calf Pair (COW) - Ear Tattoos (Bangs tattoos are NOT acceptable.) OR EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag AND Washington County Identification Sheet
- Cow/Calf Pair (CALF/Bull/Steer/Heifer) - EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag OR Ear tattoos AND Washington County Identification Sheet

NOTE: Bull calves born after January 1 of the current year are eligible to be shown ONLY in the Cow/Calf class.

ENTRY LIMIT: An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting SIX TOTAL HEAD (market beef, breeding heifers, and/or feeder calves), ONE bucket calf, and ONE Cow/Calf Pair.

SHOW ORDER: Breeding Heifers, Cow/Calf Pairs, Feeder Heifer Calves, Feeder Steer Calves, Bucket Calves, Clover Kids, Showmanship (Senior, Intermediate, Junior), Market Heifers, Market Steers

STALL ASSIGNMENTS: Feeder calves, junior breeding beef, and bucket calves have the option of requesting stall space or brought the day of show. If requesting stall space, calves MUST be on the grounds by Friday with all other livestock animals and will be housed in the barns through duration of the fair.

FEEDER CALVES, JUNIOR BREEDING, & BUCKET CALF

OPTIONS: Calves that utilize Monday Check-In Option and Release Option will not be guaranteed stall space in barns next to their market and/or breeding beef. Calves signed up for stall space MUST stay the duration of the fair.

BEDDING: Bedding will be furnished by the Washington County Fair Board for all market beef, breeding beef, feeder calf and bucket calf entries. No other bedding is to be used. A bedding fee per head may be implemented at time of check-in.

BLOCKING CHUTES: Due to space limitations, blocking chutes may be required to be located outside of the beef barn. Safety ropes are recommended on all cattle.

FITTING GUIDELINES:

- **Feeder calves and breeding beef** must abide by the following "Blow and Go" rules.
- Animals may be washed, blown and/or combed and then shown.
- Clipping is permitted to enhance the animal's appearance.
- Only Pink Oil, Purple Oil, Revive and/or Final Mist may be used on the animals being shown.
- Failure to comply will result in the loss of premium monies and the opportunity to advance to Champion or Reserve Champion in their division.
- The show committee has the authority to handle any guideline discrepancies in the Blow and Go divisions.

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BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
- Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
- Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:

- Exhibitors who made the entry are eligible to compete in showmanship with that animal.
- Members taking part in a showmanship class will be judged on their skill and on the appearance their animal makes before the judges.
- Any animal may be shown in only ONE showmanship class.
- In showmanship classes, a 4-H member can ONLY exhibit an animal that has been officially identified in their name AND that they have entered in the live show. Exhibitors may NOT exhibit another exhibitor's animal (including siblings) in the showmanship competition.
- Winners of junior and intermediate divisions in previous years must move up to the next older division. This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.

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MARKET BEEF

- Class 1 Market Heifers
- Class 2 Market Steers

WEIGHT:

- All market steers and heifers will be weighed, and the classes will be divided by weight.
- ***There must be a minimum weight of 900 pounds for market steers and 800 pounds for market heifers for purple ribbon eligibility.***
- The same prize money will be awarded in each weight division.
- No re-weighs will be allowed unless it is immediately done after the initial weigh-in. The market steer or heifer will not be allowed to return to the stall area prior to re-weigh.

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BREEDING BEEF

DIVISIONS

DIV 12 Commercial

DIV 13 Bred and Owned (Washington County 4-H Bred & Owned Breeding Heifer AFFIDAVIT submitted to Extension Office BY JUNE 15.)

DIV 14 Registered (INDICATE BREED ON ENTRY FORM)

CLASSES

Senior Breeding Heifers

Class 1 Heifers born 8/1/23 to 12/31/23

Class 2 Heifers born 1/1/24 to 2/28/24

Class 3 Heifers born 3/1/24 to 4/30/24

Class 4 Heifers born 5/1/24 to 6/30/24

Class 5 Heifers born 7/1/24 to 8/31/24

Class 6 Heifers born 9/1/24 to 10/31/24

Class 7 Heifers born 11/1/24 to 12/31/24

Junior Breeding Heifer

Class 8 Heifers born 1/1/25 to 5/31/25

BREEDING BEEF GUIDELINES:

- Breeding heifers must be properly identified by Ear Tattoos OR EID Ear Tag (according to the regulations set by the various national beef breed associations). Bangs tattoos are NOT acceptable.
- REGISTERED BEEF BREEDING HEIFERS**
 - Beef divisions/classes (based on breeds) will be established if exhibitors have identified registered animals within a breed.
 - Registered heifers must have registration papers issued by Breed Association and must be in the exhibitor's, family, or family's business name. Registration papers are required at time of check-in and will be checked by the show committee.
 - If registration papers are pending or not available, the heifer must be shown in the Commercial division/class or Bred & Owned division/class (if paperwork was submitted).
 - There will be no minimum limit to entries (within a class shown) when establishing the registered beef breed divisions/classes.
 - Classes may be divided and combined at the discretion of the show committee.

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COW/CALF PAIR

Class 8 Cow/Calf Pair

COW/CALF GUIDELINES:

- An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting ONE Cow/Calf Pair.
- The calf must be produced from a cow owned by the exhibitor or exhibitor's immediate family.
- The calf, born after 1/1 of current year, may be a bull, steer or heifer.
- Steer calves (4-H/FFA tagged) are eligible to show in the Feeder Steer Class, heifer calves (4-H/FFA tagged) are eligible to show in the Feeder Heifer Class, heifer calves (4-H/FFA tattooed) are eligible to show in the Breeding Heifer Class, and bull calves (tagged/tattooed) born after 1/1 of the current year are limited to show ONLY in the Cow/Calf Pair Class. Both cow and calf are required to be officially 4-H/FFA identified and submitting by the JUNE 15 DEADLINE.
- Cow/Calf Pairs are required to be penned the duration of the fair.

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FEEDER CALVES

Class 1 Feeder Steers born 1/1/25 to 5/31/25

Class 2 Feeder Heifers born 1/1/25 to 5/31/25

FEEDER CALF GUIDELINES:

- The feeder calf classes may be divided into classes at the discretion of the show committee.
- Feeder calves must have been taken care of by the 4-H member.

- Feeder calves exhibited in the feeder class are not eligible for the Breeding Heifer class.
- Unless entered in the beef show as a cow/calf pair, the cows (dams) should not be brought to the fair.
- Feeder calves may arrive on the fairgrounds the day of the show and be excused following the show.
- Bedding will be furnished for all feeder calf entries.

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BUCKET CALF

Class 1 Senior Exhibitor (13-18 years old on Jan 1)

Class 2 Junior Exhibitor (8-12 years old on Jan 1)

BUCKET CALF SCORING:

Completed Record	= 35 POINTS
Story (15 points)	
Records-animal description, expenses, care (15 points)	
Pictures (5 points)	
Exhibitor's Knowledge in Interview	= 35 POINTS
Health & Condition of the Animal	= 15 POINTS
Training & Showing (showmanship)	= 15 POINTS
TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS	= 100 POINTS

BUCKET CALF GUIDELINES:

- Entry limit of ONE bucket calf per exhibitor.
- Bucket Calves are to be born between January 1 and May 31 of the current year.
- Bucket calf record books are to be submitted to the WCF 4-H office on Monday of fair during check-in between 7:00 & 8:00 a.m.
- Bucket calves must be checked by the show committee on Monday of fair between 7:00 & 8:00 a.m. (Near Beef Barn).
- Exhibitors in this class must have calves that have been bucket fed. Calves cannot have been on the cow.
- Dairy animals are welcome, but the bucket calves will be exhibited as beef animals.
- Calves shown as a Bucket Calf will not be eligible to be shown in the Beef Showmanship Class.
- The calf must have been taken care of by the 4-H member.
- Bucket calves should be clean when shown but no other clipping or grooming should be done to the animals.
- Show halters or rope halters may be used in the show ring. Show sticks are not required.
- Exhibitors of bucket calves have the option of keeping their calf at the fair during the entire fair OR bringing them and taking them home the day of the show.
- Bedding will be furnished for all bucket calf entries.
- Record books are available at the Nebraska Extension Office, Blair or online at: <https://go.unl.edu/wcfanimalinfo>**
- CONTENTS INCLUDE: exhibitor information, calf information, expense summary, calf care, short story, future plans, photos, and signatures.

CAT

CHECK-IN

Tuesday of Fair at 1:00 p.m. (Rybin Building)

SHOW DATE

Tuesday of Fair at 1:30 p.m. (Rybin Building)

RELEASE

Cats will be released at the conclusion of the show

SHOW COMMITTEE

Chelsea Lambert, Micki Hernandez

CAT GUIDELINES

Learn about cat breed, senses, shows, tricks, signs of illness and health, cat sounds, emergency situations, feeding, special diets, and traveling with cats.

- Scoresheets, forms, contest study materials and additional resources can be found at: <https://4h.unl.edu/statewide-events-opportunities/companion-animal-program/>
- Educational resources can be found at: https://4hcurriculum.unl.edu/index.php/main/program_project/207

ENTRY LIMIT:

- An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting ONE cat per class (one long haired and one short haired) for a TOTAL of TWO cats plus ONE showmanship class.
- An individual cat may be shown in ONE cat class and ONE showmanship class.
- Exhibitors participating in the quality classes must participate in a showmanship class as well.
- Kittens must be at least four-month-old.

HEALTH:

- CERTIFICATE OF VACCINATION FOR CATS AND FERRETS (SF262 - available at the Nebraska Extension Office) must be completed by the exhibitor's veterinarian and submitted by the PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE. All cats and kittens entered (four to eight months old) are REQUIRED to be current on their Feline Vaccinations; Rabies, FPL, PVR, FCV, FeLV. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!**
- Any cat NOT meeting these health requirements will NOT be judged and will be asked to leave the show area.

PROPER TRANSPORT & CONTROL:

- Exhibitors should bring cats to the fairgrounds on the day of the show in proper carriers for exhibiting. Cardboard boxes are NOT allowed.
- Cats must have a collar or harness and leash on at all times when not in the carrier.
- Exhibitors will present ONLY their cat to the judge. No props such as housing, toys, food, etc. will be presented to the judge.

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CAT SHOWMANSHIP

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
 Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
 Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:

- The showmanship class will be based on the exhibitor's performance.
- Areas considered are handling of animal, knowledge of animal, and presentation.
- Time limits will be used during showmanship for the oral presentations.
- **Oral presentations will be ENFORCED to the following:**
 - **Junior - 2 MINUTES OR LESS**
 - **Intermediate - 3 MINUTES OR LESS**
 - **Senior - 3 MINUTES OR LESS**
- Warning cards will be used to show how much time the presenter has left.
- One point will be deducted from the score for every minute over.

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CAT CLASSES

NOTE: Cats will be judged on cleanliness and overall health.

- Class 1 Long Haired Cat (8+ months)
 Class 2 Long Haired Kitten (4-8 months)
 Class 3 Short Haired Cat (8+ months)
 Class 4 Short Haired Kitten (4-8 months)

COMPANION ANIMAL

CHECK-IN

Tuesday of Fair at 1:00 p.m. (Rybin Building)

SHOW DATE

Tuesday of Fair at 1:30 p.m. (Rybin Building)

RELEASE

Companion animals will be released at the conclusion of the show

SHOW COMMITTEE

Chelsea Lambert, Micki Hernandez

COMPANION ANIMAL GUIDELINES

Find out what it costs to have a pet; Learn about animal digestion; Learn to keep a pet healthy; Consider a career with animals.

- Scoresheets, forms, contest study materials and additional resources can be found at: <https://4h.unl.edu/statewide-events-opportunities/companion-animal-program/>
- Educational resources can be found at: https://4hcurriculum.unl.edu/index.php/main/program_project/6

ENTRY LIMIT: An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting ONE companion animal entry.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- The Companion Animal Show is open to 4-H members enrolled in the companion animal, dog and rabbit projects.
- Only the following animals listed are eligible and will be allowed to exhibit in the Companion Animal Show:
 - Gerbil
 - Hamster
 - Guinea Pig (Cavy)
 - Ferret
 - Mouse/Rat
 - Pet Rabbit (NOT exhibited in Rabbit Show)
 - Dog (NOT exhibited in Dog Show)
 - Other Mammals
 - Tropical Fish
 - Reptile/Amphibian
 - Caged Bird (excludes pigeons and poultry)
- Animals exhibited in the Companion Animal Show may NOT be exhibited in any other animal show during the fair.
- All animals must be weaned prior to show.
- No animal with babies will be allowed.

SHOW PROCEDURE:

- Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their animals while at the fair.
- Classes waiting to be judged will be on display.
- Exhibitors must provide their own equipment.
- **Animals must be housed in a cage at all times of the show unless asked to remove them by the judge.** Failure to do so will result in disqualification.
- If an animal is displayed in a travel cage, please prepare a display, such as a poster or photographs showing the animal in its normal home.
- Exhibitors will be asked to give a short "showmanship" presentation on their animal. The characteristics, health, and care of the animal should be provided in this presentation. Following the presentation, exhibitors will be interviewed on knowledge of their animal and its care.

JUDGING CRITERIA:

- Animal Evaluation (35 points) - Overall health and appearance of animal.
- Cage/Pen/Tank Evaluation (25 points) - Condition and safety of display and appropriateness of travel housing as well as description of everyday housing.
- Knowledge Evaluation (40 points) - Exhibitor's presentation and knowledge of the project animal.

HOUSING:

- Animals should be brought in appropriate housing either their normal cage or a durable plastic or wire travel cage (not cardboard). Cages must be secure. Exhibitors should provide water and food for all animals as appropriate.
- ALL DOGS MUST BE SHOWN ON A LEASH and be on a leash at any time they are removed from the carrier/cage.
- If a cage/enclosure is deemed inappropriate by the show committee, the exhibitor will not be allowed to show. **ALL DECISIONS OF THE SHOW COMMITTEE ARE FINAL**

HEALTH:

- All animals must be free of fleas, ticks, ear mites, ring-worms, other parasites and infectious diseases.
- If the animal is not declawed, the claws must be clipped.
- Dogs in season will not be allowed to show.
- All dogs entered are REQUIRED to be current on their vaccinations; Rabies, Distemper, Infectious Canine Hepatitis, Parvovirus. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!**
- All cats and kittens (four to eight months old) entered are REQUIRED to be current on their Feline Vaccinations; Rabies, FPL, PVR, FCV, FeLV. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!**
- All FERRETS entered are REQUIRED to be current on their Ferret Vaccinations: Rabies. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!**
- Any animal NOT meeting these health requirements will NOT be judged and will be asked to leave the show area. **ALL DECISIONS OF SHOW COMMITTEE/SUPERINTENDENT ARE FINAL.**

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COMPANION ANIMAL

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

GUIDELINES

- This class will be based on the exhibitor's performance.
- Areas considered are handling of animal, knowledge of animal, and presentation.
- Time limits will be used during showmanship for the oral presentations.
- **Oral presentations will be ENFORCED to the following:**
 - **Junior - 2 MINUTES OR LESS**
 - **Intermediate - 3 MINUTES OR LESS**
 - **Senior - 3 MINUTES OR LESS**
- Warning cards will be used to show how much time the presenter has left.
- One point will be deducted from the score for every minute over.

DAIRY CATTLE

IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS

Friday of Fair by 9:00 p.m.

Cows in Milk ONLY – Saturday of Fair by 9:00 a.m.

CHECK-IN

Friday of Fair from 6:00-9:00 p.m. (Dairy Cattle Stalls)

SHOW DATE

Saturday of Fair at 11:00 a.m. (RVR Bank Arena)

RELEASE

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

Cows in Milk ONLY – Saturday of Fair at conclusion of show

SHOW COMMITTEE

Jen Hilgenkamp, Grant Melotz, Shawn Melotz, Keith Mertz

DAIRY CATTLE GUIDELINES

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- An exhibitor must exhibit dairy cattle that have been identified under their name and properly identified on an official Nebraska 4-H and FFA Dairy Identification Affidavit and filed with the Nebraska Extension Office by June 15 of the current year.
- The ID's for all dairy cattle entries will be checked by the show committee when animal is brought to fair.
- Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee.

BEDDING: Bedding will be furnished by the Washington County Fair Board for all dairy animals. A bedding fee per head may be implemented at time of check-in.

ENTRY LIMIT:

- An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting SIX dairy cattle.
- Yearlings that have calved, freshening prior to show, must be shown in the Junior Two-Year-Old Class (Class 9).
- Cows in milk may be brought the day of the dairy show (by 9:00 a.m.) and be released immediately after the completion of the show.

SHOW ORDER: Showmanship, Heifer Classes, Cow Classes, Junior Dairy Herds

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DAIRY CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:

- Exhibitors who made the entry are eligible to compete in showmanship with that animal.
- Members taking part in a showmanship class will be judged on their skill and on the appearance their animal makes before the judges.
- Any animal may be shown in only ONE showmanship class.
- In showmanship classes, a 4-H member can ONLY exhibit an animal that has been officially identified in their name AND that they have entered in the live show. Exhibitors may NOT exhibit another exhibitor's animal (including siblings) in the showmanship competition.
- Winners of junior and intermediate divisions in previous years must move up to the next older division. This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.

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DAIRY CATTLE DIVISIONS

- Division 41 Ayrshire
Division 42 Brown Swiss
Division 43 Guernsey
Division 44 Holstein
Division 45 Jersey
Division 46 Milking Shorthorn

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DAIRY CATTLE CLASSES

- Class 1 Spring Calf (born 3-1-2025 to 4-30-2025)
Class 2 Winter Calf (born 12-1-2024 to 2-28-2025)
Class 3 Fall Calf (born 9-1-2024 to 11-30-2024)
Class 4 Summer Yearling (born 6-1-2024 to 8-31-2024)
Class 5 Spring Yearling (born 3-1-2024 to 5-31-2024)
Class 6 Winter Yearling (born 12-1-2023 to 2-29-2024)
Class 7 Fall Yearling (born 9-1-2023 to 11-30-2023)
Class 8 Dry Cow (Any Age)
Class 9 Junior Two Year Old (born 3-1-2023 to 8-31-2023)

Class 10	<u>Senior Two Year Old</u> (born 9-1-2022 to 2-28-2023)
Class 11	<u>Three Year Old</u> (born 9-1-2021 to 8-31-2022)
Class 12	<u>Four Year Old</u> (born 9-1-2020 to 8-31-2021)
Class 13	<u>Five Year Old & Over</u> (Prior to 9-1-2020)
Class 14	<u>Dairy Cattle Junior Herd</u>

DAIRY CATTLE JUNIOR HERD REQUIREMENTS:

A 4-H Dairy Cattle Junior Herd will consist of three animals that meet the following requirements:

- All three animals have been officially identified, entered, and exhibited (at the current show) by the same 4-H member.
- All three animals must be the same dairy breed.
- All three animals may be grade or registered, or any combination of grade and registered; and at least one of the three animals must be a cow that has freshened long enough to have a 305 2X ME record in progress. Show management will verify the production records at the time of check-in.
- Herds will be scored and awarded ribbons on the basis of the current Dairy Cattle Junior Herd Scorecard. Each exhibitor is expected to fill out their own score card and present it to the show committee prior to the start of the show.

DAIRY GOAT

IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS

Friday of Fair by 9:00 p.m. (Goat Barn)

CHECK-IN

Saturday of Fair 9:30 -10:30 a.m. (Goat Barn)

Goats in Milk ONLY – Sunday of Fair by 8:00 a.m. (Goat Barn)

SHOW DATE

Sunday of Fair 12:00 pm (RVR Bank Arena)

RELEASE

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

Goats in Milk ONLY – Saturday of Fair at conclusion of show

SHOW COMMITTEE

Rob Ferris, Mindy Hilgenkamp, Cord Scheer, Emmitt Scheer, Kelsie Scheer, Laura Houser

DAIRY GOAT GUIDELINES

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- An exhibitor must exhibit dairy goats that have been properly identified under their name.
- Officially identified on the Nebraska 4-H Dairy Goat Identification Affidavits AND Official USDA Scrapie Tag needed for commercial breeding and female goats.
- The ID's for all dairy goats will be checked by the show committee when the animal is brought to fair.
- Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee.

SCRAPIE TAG (USDA BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRIES)

GUIDELINE: The USDA Bureau of Animal Industries has mandated a national program to eradicate scrapie in commercial goat herds. Therefore, all (commercial) goats exhibited at Washington County Fair will need to have the official USDA identification (scrapie tag).

ENTRY LIMIT: An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting SIX Dairy Goats.

BEDDING: Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own bedding.

GENERAL RULES:

- All dairy goats, with the exception of dairy goats in milk, must be entered on Saturday morning, 9:30-10:30.
- Dairy goats in milk may be brought in by 8:00 a.m. on the day of the show and will be released at the conclusion of the show.
- Bucks are not eligible to show.
- ***All goats must have horns blunted. Dehorning is acceptable and preferred.***

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DAIRY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:

- Exhibitors who made the entry are eligible to compete in showmanship with that animal.
- Members taking part in a showmanship class will be judged on their skill and on the appearance their animal makes before the judges.
- Any animal may be shown in only ONE showmanship class.
- In showmanship classes, a 4-H member can ONLY exhibit an animal that has been officially identified in their name AND that they have entered in the live show. Exhibitors may NOT exhibit another exhibitor's animal (including siblings) in the showmanship competition.
- Winners of junior and intermediate divisions in previous years must move up to the next older division. *This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.*

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DAIRY GOAT

Grade and Purebred Dairy Goats will show in the same Breed Division.

DIV. 51 LaMancha

DIV. 52 Nubian

DIV. 53 Saanens

DIV. 54 Other

- Class 1 Junior Doe born 3/1/25 and after
Class 2 Intermediate Doe born 12/1/24 to 2/28/25
Class 3 Senior Doe born 8/1/24 to 11/30/24
Class 4 Non-milking Doe born 8/1/23 to 7/31/24
Class 5 Milking Doe born 8/1/24 and after
Class 6 Milking Doe born 8/1/21 to 7/31/22
Class 7 Milking Doe born before 8/1/21
Class 8 Junior Herd (Includes 3 dairy goats with at least 1 milking goat. All animals must be exhibited by the same/one 4-H exhibitor.)
Class 9 Mother-Daughter (Includes at least 1 milking goat. Both animals must be exhibited by the same/one 4-H exhibitor.)

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PET GOAT CLASS

- Class 10 Pet Class

DEPT. G / DIV. 56

GOAT COSTUME CONTEST

- Class 11 Costume Class
- This class will be judged on creativity of the member's and/or goat's costume and accompanying story.
 - Costumes should present no possible danger to the goat, while "on" or being taken "on" and "off".
 - If coloring the hair of the goat, only food coloring will be allowed.
 - Exhibitors will give a brief, creative, presentation (up to 2 minutes) about why the goat is wearing this costume.
 - An entry consists of one member and one goat already entered in their respective division (**dairy, meat or pet**).
 - Only ONE entry can be made in the costume division.

DOG

CHECK-IN

Tuesday of Fair at 7-7:30 a.m. (Rybin Building)

SHOW DATE

Tuesday of Fair at 8:00 a.m. (Rybin Building)

RELEASE

Dogs may be released at the conclusion of the show.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Chelsea Lambert, Josey Stoddard

DOG GUIDELINES

ENTRY LIMIT:

- Exhibitors must be enrolled in a 4-H dog project by June 15 of the current year.
- An exhibitor is limited to participating in ONE class per division (Showmanship, Obedience, Versatility, and Agility).
- A dog is limited to participating in ONE class per division (Showmanship, Obedience, Versatility, and Agility).
- 4-H members showing a dog not owned by their family must submit a Washington County 4-H Dog Ownership Affidavit with their Animal Online Pre-Entry and are due by PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE.
- Classes will be based on the "Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Rules" (4-H 421).
- Dogs must be at least six months old to show unless otherwise stated.

EXHIBITION:

- Dogs are to be on grounds AND checked in by 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday of the fair. The show will begin promptly at 8:00 a.m.
- There will be two show arenas used for the dog show.
- This is an unbenchd 4-H dog show, not an AKC show; therefore, the show procedure may not be consistent with all AKC rules.
- Exhibitors must be ready to enter the ring when their class is called.

PARADE OF DOGS:

- The Parade of Dogs is a procession of the dogs with their owners around the obedience ring at the start of the dog show.
- All participants will receive a participation ribbon.

BAITING:

- Baiting with food or toys is not permitted and is cause for disqualification.
- In the showmanship classes, handlers may use a baiting action without food or toys.
- Baiting in the versatility class is permitted.
- The judge has the authority to disqualify violators.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

- CERTIFICATE OF VACCINATION FOR DOGS (SF263 - available at the Nebraska Extension Office) must be completed by the exhibitor's veterinarian and submitted by the PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE. All dogs entered are REQUIRED to be current on their vaccinations, Rabies, Distemper, Infectious Canine Hepatitis, Parvovirus. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!**
- Dogs in season will not be allowed in the show.
- Any dog showing symptoms of poor health or sickness will be asked to leave the arena at the discretion of the show committee.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Learn basic skills for dog care and training; Explore dog health, nutrition, care, showmanship, and training; Investigate responsible breeding, diseases, dog roles, and careers.
- Exhibitors need to be aware and prepared that each class has a different guideline for appropriate collars and leashes. Refer to the "Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Rules" (4-H 421) for information.
- DOGS NEED TO BE ON LEASH AT ALL TIMES.

- Only dogs participating in the show are allowed on the fairgrounds.
- Scoresheets, forms, contest study materials and additional resources can be found at: <https://go.unl.edu/ne4hdog>
- Educational resources can be found at: https://4hcurriculum.unl.edu/index.php/main/program_project/8
- Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Manual 4H421: <https://go.unl.edu/ne4hdog>

AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR: Any dog that shows aggressive behavior toward other dogs or people will be immediately disqualified and will need to be removed from the fairgrounds.

SOCIALIZATION: Socialization of dogs not entered in the 4-H Show will not be allowed.

ABUSE: Any abuse of dogs on the ground, or in the ring will result in disqualification. The judge and/or the show committee have the authority to disqualify violators.

EXHIBITOR RESPONSIBILITY:

Cleanup shall be the exhibitor's responsibility. This includes all areas while on the fairgrounds.

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DOG SHOWMANSHIP

- Judged on combing, bathing, nails, ears, teeth, condition of coat and skin.
- The dog is not judged on its conformation or individual excellence.
- Exhibitors will be judged on their appearance, skill and alertness in showing their dog and appearance that their dog makes before the judge.
- Grooming and training of the dog is important.
- Each exhibitor and dog will be asked to do a pattern chosen by the judge. 4-Hers should be familiar with all the patterns. Refer to the "Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Manual" (4-H 421) for a complete list of patterns.
- The 4-Her and dog are being judged as a team.
- When setting up the dog for the individual examination or when in the line, try to stack or position your dog according to the breed standard. Mixed breeds should be positioned according to the breed standard the dog most closely resembles.
- Once the exhibitor has won their division, they must move up to the next succeeding class the following year, regardless of the age of the exhibitor.

Class 1 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)

Class 3 Senior Showmanship
(Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1. Exhibitors who have won Senior Showmanship in the past can/must compete in the Trophy Division.)

Class 4 Trophy Showmanship
(Exhibitors who have won Senior Showmanship. Exhibitors may participate in this division until they graduate out of the 4-H program.)

DEPT. G / DIV. 61

DOG OBEDIENCE

- An exhibitor OR dog may enter no more than ONE obedience class. The exhibitor may select the obedience class best suited for their dog.
- Dogs with "CD" degrees must show in the Graduate Novice Class or higher classes. Dogs with "CDX" degrees must show in Open or Utility Classes. Dogs with "UD" degrees must show in the Utility Class.
- Dogs receiving a trophy and a purple ribbon in the obedience classes at a previous county fair must move up one class the following year.
- There is no limit to the number of years an exhibitor may show in the Open, Utility, Agility and Versatility classes.

BEGINNING NOVICE GUIDELINES:

Dog must heel including Figure 8, come on recall, stand for examination, sit and stay for one minute, down and stay for 3 minutes with leash on dog. All exercises must be performed on a six-foot leash. The leash must be held by the handler.

Class 1 Beginning Novice - Division A: Exhibitor and dog are in first year of competition.

Class 2 Beginning Novice - Division B: Exhibitor **or** dog is beyond first year of competition.

Class 3 Beginning Novice - Division C: Exhibitor **and** dog are beyond first year of competition.

NOVICE GUIDELINES:

Dogs must heel on leash including figure 8; stand for examination off leash; heel free; come on recall off leash; long sit for one minute off leash and long down for three minutes off leash with handler across the ring.

Class 4 Novice A: Exhibitor and dog have received a purple ribbon in Beginning Novice and are in first year of Novice Class competition.

Class 5 Novice B: Exhibitor and dog are beyond first year of Novice Class.

GRADUATE NOVICE GUIDELINES:

Dogs must heel on leash; stand for examination off lead, heel free including figure 8; drop on recall off leash; long sit off leash for 3 minutes with handler out of sight and long down off leash for 5 minutes with handler in sight.

Class 6 Graduate Novice: Exhibitor and dog have received a purple ribbon in Novice.

OPEN:

All exercises off leash. Dogs must: heel free and figure 8; drop on recall; retrieve on flat; retrieve over high jump; broad jump; long sit for 3 minutes and long down for 5 minutes, both with handler out of sight.

Class 7 Open: Exhibitor and dog have received a purple ribbon in Graduate Novice.

UTILITY:

All exercises must be off leash. The dogs will perform five exercises; the signal exercise; the scent discrimination with leather and metal objects; the directed retrieve; moving stand and examination, and directed jumping. Exhibitors must supply their own scent articles and gloves for the directed retrieve.

Class 8 Utility: Exhibitor and dog have received a purple ribbon in Open.

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DOG VERSATILITY

The handler shows what the dog can do instead of having a set pattern, such as in the obedience division. This can be tricks, brace or team work; sporting event such as point, retrieve, using hand signals. Events must be done in the ring. Exhibitor should prepare outline for the judge so they will know exercise.

A theme is required and costumes are encouraged.

If using an agility obstacle, it must be used in a different way than on an agility course.

Class 1 Versatility

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DOG AGILITY

- Agility is a timed obstacle course of 6 to 16 obstacles depending upon the class.
- Scoring is done by a judge making deductions for faults such as jumping off an obstacle or missing a contact, running the wrong course, refusal of an obstacle, and taking too much time on the course.
- The most important element of agility is fun, yet dog/handler teams must work well together.
- Dogs must be at least 1 year old at fair time to compete in agility.
- Dogs and handlers in their first year of agility (Class 1 Pre-

Beginning Agility A) must run on leash.

- Dogs in season will not be allowed to show.

Class 1 Level 1 - Pre-beginning Agility A

- The course will consist of 6 obstacles.
- Dog and handler are in their first year of agility.
- The course is set in a circle and must be run on leash.

Class 2 Level 1 - Pre-beginning Agility B

- Same as A, except dog and/or handler are beyond their first year of agility and have never received a purple ribbon in pre-beginning agility. Also, the exhibitor may run either on or off leash.

Class 3 Level 2 - Beginning Agility A

- The course will consist of 10 obstacles and will be off leash.
- Dog and/or handler must have received a purple ribbon in pre-beginning agility, and must be in their first year of beginning agility.

Class 4 Level 2 - Beginning Agility B

- Same as Beginning Agility A, except dog and/or handler are beyond their first year of agility and have never received a purple ribbon in beginning agility.

Class 5 Level 3 - Intermediate Agility

- The course will consist of more than 10 obstacles and will be off leash.
- Dog and/or handler must have received a purple in beginning agility B.

HOG

IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS

Friday of Fair by 9:00 p.m. (Hog Barn)

WEIGH-IN/CHECK-IN/CARCASS CONTEST SCANNING

Saturday of Fair from 8-9:30 a.m. (Hog Barn)

SHOW DATE

Tuesday of Fair at 8:00 a.m. (RVR Bank Arena)

RELEASE

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

Auction animals are required to stay through the auction.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Chris Booth, Josh Grabbe, Mary Hilgenkamp, Mike Mackie

HOG GUIDELINES

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS BY JUNE 15:

An exhibitor must exhibit hogs that have been properly identified under their name. ALL LIVESTOCK MUST SUBMIT PHOTOS TO:

<https://go.unl.edu/wcphotoid>

- Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag **AND** Washington County Identification Sheet OR DNA Envelope
- The ID's for all market hog will be checked by the show committee when animal is brought to fair. Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee.

ENTRY LIMIT:

- An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting **SIX TOTAL HEAD** (market hogs and/or commercial breeding gilts).
- **OPEN CLASS EXHIBITORS** are required to submit pen requests by the **PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE** to the Nebraska Extension in Washington County Office, 597 Grant Street, Blair, NE 68008 (FAX: 402- 426-3577).

BEDDING: Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own bedding.

HOUSING: In case of space limitations, there will be no single pigs per pen. Instead, exhibitors will be required to divide pens with panels and house at least two pigs per pen.

WEIGH-IN/CHECK-IN:

- All hog exhibits must be on fairgrounds and in place by 9:00 p.m. on Friday of the fair.

- Hogs will be weighed on Saturday morning from 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.
- All hogs must have an **Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag** according to the official paperwork (ID sheet OR DNA envelope) **or they will not show.**
- Market hogs and Breeding Gilts will be shown in classes by weight. The show committee has the discretion to separate classes by weight.
- Purebred gilts and barrows will be classified according to their breeds. Registration papers must be presented at check-in.

MARKET HOG WEIGHT DIVISIONS:

- Hogs weighing 230 pounds or more will be separated by weight at the discretion of the show committee. Weight Divisions will include Light, Middle, and Heavy. There will be a Champion and Reserve Champion for the Light, Middle and Heavy Divisions for gilts and barrows. These division champions will return to compete for overall champion awards. Gilts and barrows will exhibit separately.
- Hogs weighing less than 230 pounds will be included in the Progressive Division. Barrows and gilts will be shown together. There will be a Champion and Reserve Champion Progressive Division. The Progressive Division will NOT return to compete for overall market hog champion against the other division champions.

REGISTERED MARKET HOG

- Classes may be divided and combined at the discretion of the show committee due to the number of entries per breed.
- At the point of combination, hogs will be show in an All-Other Breeds Class Division.
- All hogs will be scanned for carcass merit.
- Scanning will be done on Saturday of the fair between 8-9:30 a.m.
- All hogs will be evaluated with the top hog of each exhibitor being entered into the contest.
- *Minimum weight requirement will be 230 pounds.*
- Ribbons will be awarded to all contest hogs with cash premiums being paid to the top five places.
- Results will be announced following the Live Show.

NON-TERMINAL SHOW/MARKETING:

- The Washington County Fair Hog Show is a non-terminal show.
- Exhibitors will personally be responsible for marketing their hogs.

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HOG SHOWMANSHIP

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
 Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
 Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:

- Exhibitors who made the entry are eligible to compete in showmanship with that animal.
- Members taking part in a showmanship class will be judged on their skill and on the appearance their animal makes before the judges.
- Any animal may be shown in only ONE showmanship class.
- In showmanship classes, a 4-H member can ONLY exhibit an animal that has been officially identified in their name AND that they have entered in the live show. Exhibitors may NOT exhibit another exhibitor's animal (including siblings) in the showmanship competition.
- Winners of junior and intermediate divisions in previous years must move up to the next older division. *This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.*

DEPT. G / DIV. 66

MARKET HOG

- Class 1 Market Gilts
 Class 2 Market Barrows
 Class 3 Purebred Market Hog

DEPT. G / DIV. 67

BREEDING GILT

Class 4 Commercial Breeding Gilts

HORSE

SHOW / SATURDAY OF CONTEST WEEK

CHECK-IN: 8:00-8:45 a.m. (Horse Arena)

SHOW: 9:00 a.m. (Horse Arena)

DIVISIONS:

Working Ranch Horse; Break-A-Way; Dally; Team Roping

SHOW / SATURDAY OF FAIR

CHECK-IN: 7:00-7:45 a.m. (Horse Arena)

SHOW: 8:00 a.m. (Horse Arena)

DIVISIONS:

Dummy Roping; Trail Class; Ranch Riding; Reining;

Goat Tying; Pole Bending; Barrel Racing

SHOW / SUNDAY OF FAIR

CHECK-IN: 7:00-7:45 a.m. (Horse Arena)

SHOW: 8:00 a.m. (Horse Arena)

DIVISIONS:

Halter; Showmanship; Walk/Trot; Bareback; English Pleasure;

English Equitation; Western Horsemanship; Pony Pleasure;

Western Pleasure; Two & Three Year Old Snaffle Bit

RELEASE

Horses may be released after showing.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Carla Kaup, Jason Arp,

Kevin Flesner, David Anderson

HORSE GUIDELINES

SHOW GUIDELINES: The Horse Show will utilize the current "Nebraska 4-H Horse Show and Judging Guide" (4-H 373) as a guide. The guide was REVISED in 2023.

HORSE IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- An exhibitor must exhibit horses that have been identified under their name and are filed with the Nebraska Extension Office by the June 15 deadline.
- The ID's for all horse entries will be checked by the show committee during horse check-in. All entries for pony classes (14.2 hands and under) will be measured at time of check-in.
- Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee.

LEVEL TEST REQUIREMENTS:

- Exhibitors entering/exhibiting in the Walk-Trot, Showmanship and Halter classes are not required to have passed Level testing.
- Exhibitors are required to have passed Horsemanship Advancement Level 1 to participate in riding classes that include a lope or canter.
- Exhibitors are required to have passed Horsemanship Advancement Level 3 to participate in the Two- & Three-Year-Old Snaffle Bit Class.
- **All Level Testing paperwork must be completed and submitted into the Nebraska Extension Office by the pre-entry deadline.**

ENTRY/CLASS LIMIT:

- Exhibitors are limited to entering/exhibiting SIX horses.
- Exhibitors are limited to entering an event/class ONCE.
- A single horse may NOT be entered/exhibited in an event/class by more than one person. As an example: George, age 12, cannot ride the same horse in the Pony Pleasure class as Jim, age 10.
- Horses may exhibit/enter in the Walk/Trot Class by ONE exhibitor and then may also show in a performance class by another exhibitor.

- Horses entered/exhibited in the Ranch Riding, Pony Pleasure, and Two- & Three-Year-Old Snaffle Bit classes are not eligible for Division 168 - Western Pleasure.
- Classes may be divided or combined within the division at the discretion of the show committee/superintendent.

PREPARATION OF HORSES: Exhibitors are expected to prepare their horses for all events. Family and/or friend assistance is welcomed and expected, BUT lunging and warm up riding on the fairgrounds by persons other than the exhibitor will require immediate and appropriate action by the show committee.

HORSE HEALTH: Owners are responsible to present healthy animals.

CHAMPION AWARDS: Exhibitors/Horses **MUST** receive a **PURPLE RIBBON** to be awarded a **CHAMPIONSHIP**.

SHOWMANSHIP:

- Exhibitors may show in only ONE showmanship class.
- Exhibitors will be judged on an individual basis.
- Purple ribbon exhibitors may be asked to return to the arena at the end of the individual patterns for the judge to make final placings.
- Medals will be awarded to the top three exhibitors in the showmanship division.
- The Champions of Junior and Intermediate Divisions must move up to the next older division the following year. *This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.*
- The representative from the horse show into the Round Robin Showmanship Contest must be confirmed with show management by the end of the show on Sunday.

TWO- & THREE-YEAR-OLD SNAFFLE BIT (WESTERN PLEASURE)

CLASS: ALL RIDING MUST BE DONE BY THE 4-HER. Violation of this rule will disqualify the 4-Her and the horse from all competition. The 3-year-old horse must have been registered in the 4-H program by the same exhibitor as a 2-year-old to be eligible for the class.

DRESS CODE:

SATURDAY OF CONTEST WEEK & SATURDAY OF FAIR:

- Exhibitors may wear an official 4-H t-shirt instead of white, long sleeve shirt or blouse.

SUNDAY OF FAIR:

- Exhibitors are required to wear a white, long sleeve shirt or blouse with the 4-H armband on the left arm above the elbow.
- For detailed dress attire, refer to the "Nebraska 4-H Horse Show and Judging Guide", 4-H 373 (**UPDATED in 2023**). This guide is available for purchase from the Nebraska Extension Office or viewed online: <https://4h.unl.edu/nebraska-4-h-horse-show-judging-guide/>
- Complete information for Western, Hunter or Saddle Seat (English) Tack and Attire can be found in the guide. To view PDF files of PowerPoint Presentations showing examples of acceptable and unacceptable show attire, go to: <http://goo.gl/Npzkgo> -> State & District 4-H Horse Show DRESS CODE (Boots, English & Western)
- Helmets are **OPTIONAL** for Speed Event classes.

HORSE SHOW ORDER

(Subject to change by Show Committee.)

SATURDAY OF CONTEST WEEK

CHECK-IN: 8:00-8:45 a.m. Horse Arena)

SHOW: 9:00 a.m. (Horse Arena)

69 – Working Ranch Horse

71 – Break-A-Way

72 – Daily Team Roping

SATURDAY OF FAIR

CHECK-IN: 7:00-7:45 a.m. (Horse Arena)

SHOW: 8:00 a.m. (Horse Arena)

73 – Dummy Roping

74 – Trail Class
75 – Ranch Riding
76 – Reining
77 – Goat Tying
78 – Pole Bending
79 – Barrel Racing

SUNDAY OF FAIR

CHECK-IN: 7:00-7:45 a.m. (Horse Arena)

SHOW: 8:00 a.m. (Horse Arena)

80 – Halter

81 – Showmanship

82 – Walk/Trot

83 – Bareback

84 – English Pleasure

85 – English Equitation

86 – Western Horsemanship

87 – Pony Pleasure

88 – Western Pleasure

89 – Two & Three Year Old Snaffle Bit

OVERALL HORSEMAN AWARD:

- A special award for Overall Horseman will be presented to the Champion Overall Horseman and Reserve Champion Overall Horseman for the Junior, Intermediate and Senior Division exhibitors.
- For consideration for the Overall Horseman Award, exhibitors must abide by the following guidelines:
 - An exhibitor with ONE **OR** MORE horses may enter in the **OVERALL HORSEMAN AWARD**.
 - The exhibitor must choose **FIVE** classes (one each from five of the six division categories) listed below:
 - **SHOWMANSHIP CLASS**
 - **PLEASURE CLASS:** English Pleasure, Pony Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Two- & Three-Year-Old Snaffle Bit **OR** Ranch Riding
 - **EQUITATION/HORSEMANSHIP CLASS:** Bareback, English Equitation **OR** Western Horsemanship
 - **ASSORTED CLASSES:** Reining, Trail Class **OR** Working Ranch Horse
 - **SPEED CLASS:** Pole Bending **OR** Barrel Racing
 - **ROPING CLASS:** Goat Tying, Dummy Roping, Break-A-Way **OR** Daily Team Roping

SCORING:

- Purple Ribbon = 4 points
- Blue Ribbon = 3 points
- Red Ribbon = 2 points
- White Ribbon = 1 point
- Champion = 2 extra points
- Reserve Champion = 1 extra point

Ties will be broken using the most champions; reserve champions; purple ribbons; and so on until the winner is declared.

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WORKING RANCH HORSE

There is a stock fee for Working Horse Classes

Class 1 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)

Class 2 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)

Class 3 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

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BREAK-A-WAY

There is a stock fee for Break-A-Way Classes.

Class 7 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)

Class 8 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)

Class 9 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

DEPT. G / DIV. 72

DALLY TEAM ROPING

There is a stock fee for Dally Team Roping Classes. Equipment check will be provided at class entry check-in. Equipment must be appropriate.

Class 10 Dally Team Roping - Headers (Exhibitor ages 8-18 on Jan 1)
Class 11 Dally Team Roping - Heelers (Exhibitor ages 8-18 on Jan 1)

DEPT. G / DIV. 73

DUMMY ROPING

Class 12 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 13 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 14 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

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TRAIL CLASS

Class 15 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 16 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 17 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

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RANCH RIDING

Class 18 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 19 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 20 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

DEPT. G / DIV. 76

REINING

Class 21 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 22 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 23 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1) - *Only simple lead changes allowed instead of flying lead changes as required in the official rule book.*

DEPT. G / DIV. 77

GOAT TYING

There will be a \$10 fee accessed per exhibitor at time of entry. Fees will NOT be reimbursed regardless of exhibitor participation.

Class 24 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 25 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 26 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

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POLE BENDING

Class 27 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 28 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 29 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

DEPT. G / DIV. 79

BARREL RACING

Class 30 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 31 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 32 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

DEPT. G / DIV. 80

HALTER

Exhibitors will be limited to exhibit in only one halter class. All ages (Exhibitor ages 8-18 on Jan 1).

Class 33 Mares, 7 years and younger
Class 34 Mares, 8 years and older

Class 35 Geldings, 7 years and younger
Class 36 Geldings, 8 – 14 years
Class 37 Geldings, 15 years and older

DEPT. G / DIV. 81

SHOWMANSHIP

Class 38 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 39 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 40 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

DEPT. G / DIV. 82

WALK/TROT

Exhibitors are not required to complete horsemanship advancement level testing. Exhibitor participating in the DIV. 82 Walk/Trot class may enter a DIV. 80 Halter class and a DIV. 81 Showmanship class. Exhibitors may NOT enter any other classes than Walk/Trot, Halter and Showmanship.

Class 41 All Ages (Exhibitor ages 8-18 on Jan 1)

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BAREBACK

Class 42 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 43 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 44 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

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ENGLISH PLEASURE

Class 45 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 46 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 47 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

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ENGLISH EQUITATION

Class 48 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 49 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 50 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

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WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP

Class 51 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 52 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 53 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

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PONY PLEASURE

Class 54 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 55 Junior/Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 8-13 on Jan 1)

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WESTERN PLEASURE

Class 56 Senior (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 57 Intermediate (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 58 Junior (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

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TWO- & THREE-YR-OLD SNAFFLE BIT

Exhibitors are required to have passed Horsemanship Advancement Level 3.

Class 59 Two- & Three-Year-Old Snaffle Bit

MEAT GOAT

IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS

Friday of Fair by 9:00 p.m. (Goat Barn)

CHECK-IN/WEIGH-IN

Saturday of Fair 9:30-10:30 a.m.

SHOW DATE

Sunday of Fair beginning at 12:00 p.m.

RELEASE

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

Auction animals are required to stay through the auction.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Emmitt & Kelsie Scheer, Mindy Hilgenkamp, Rob Ferris, Cord Scheer,
Laura Houser

MEAT GOAT GUIDELINES

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS BY JUNE 15:

- An exhibitor must exhibit goats that have been properly identified under their name. ALL LIVESTOCK MUST SUBMIT PHOTOS TO: <https://go.unl.edu/wcphotoid>
- MARKET/Meat Goats - Official USDA Scrapie Tag AND Washington County Identification Sheet OR DNA Envelope
- BREEDING/Meat Goat Does - Official USDA Scrapie Tag AND Washington County Identification Sheet PLUS copies of registration sheets for registered breeding does.
- The ID's for all meat goats will be checked by the show committee and meat goats weighed during check-in on Saturday 8-9:30 a.m.
- Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee.

SCRAPIE TAG (USDA BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRIES)

GUIDELINE: The USDA Bureau of Animal Industries has mandated a national program to eradicate scrapie in sheep flocks and goat herds. Therefore, all meat goats exhibited at Washington County Fair will need to have the official USDA identification (scrapie tag).

ENTRY LIMIT: An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting SIX Meat Goats.

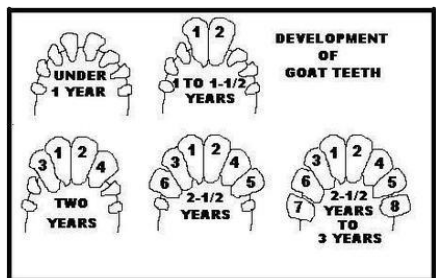
BEDDING: Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own bedding.

WEIGH-IN/CHECK-IN:

- All meat goats must be on fairgrounds and in place by 9:00 p.m. on Friday of the fair.
- Meat goats will be checked and weighed on Saturday morning from 9:30-10:30.
- Scrapie tags and identification sheets will be checked at time of check-in.
- Registration papers must be presented at time of check-in.
- The show committee will then split classes as needed.

GENERAL RULES:

- Market goats must be born ON/AFTER November 1, 2024 and must have their milk teeth, with no evidence of breaking of the skin or eruption of the two permanent front teeth. *REFER TO CHART BELOW.*
- Bucks are not eligible to show.
- All goats must have horns blunted. Dehorning is acceptable and preferred.*



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MEAT GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:

- Exhibitors who made the entry are eligible to compete in showmanship with that animal.
- Members taking part in a showmanship class will be judged on their skill and on the appearance their animal makes before the judges.
- Any animal may be shown in only ONE showmanship class.
- In showmanship classes, a 4-H member can ONLY exhibit an animal that has been officially identified in their name AND that they have entered in the live show. Exhibitors may NOT exhibit another exhibitor's animal (including siblings) in the showmanship competition.
- Winners of junior and intermediate divisions in previous years must move up to the next older division. This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.

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MEAT GOAT/MARKET

- Meat goats exhibited in the Market class are not eligible for the Breeding Class.
- Market goats must be born ON/AFTER November 1, 2024 and must have their milk teeth, with no evidence of breaking of the skin or eruption of the two permanent front teeth.

MARKET

Class 1 Market Doe Meat Goats

Class 2 Market Wether Meat Goats

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MEAT GOAT/BREEDING

Class 3 BREEDING: Meat Goat Yearling Does (9/1/23 to 8/31/24)

Class 4 BREEDING: Meat Goat Kid Does (9/1/24 to 6/1/25)

Class 5 BREEDING: Meat Goat Nanny Does (9/1/21 to 8/31/23)

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GOAT COSTUME CONTEST

- See Dairy Goat for details.

POULTRY

IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS

Friday of Fair by 6:00 p.m. (Poultry Barn)

CHECK-IN

Friday of Fair at 1-6:00 p.m. (Poultry Barn)

SHOW DATE

CHECK-IN: Sat of Fair at 7:30-8:00 a.m. (Open Air Show Arena)

SHOW: Sat of Fair at 8:00 a.m. (Open Air Show Arena)

RELEASE

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Chelsea Lambert, Robert Stoddard, Josey Stoddard

POULTRY GUIDELINES

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- All poultry must be in place by 6:00 p.m. on Friday of the fair or premium monies will be forfeited.

- Market Broilers must be brought in the day of the show and MUST BE REMOVED after the show.
- **Poultry exhibits (with the exception of Market Broilers) taken from the fairgrounds prior to the end of the fair will lose their premium money for the animals removed.**

HEALTH RULES: All poultry must be healthy and free of disease. Nebraska currently has pullorum typhoid-free status. In order to maintain the status, the Nebraska Department of Agriculture may be conducting a surveillance test on the Washington County Fair poultry exhibits sometime during the fair.

ENTRY LIMIT/EXHIBITION:

- **All entries must have been raised as the club member's project.**
- An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting a MAXIMUM of SIX individual poultry exhibits plus ONE Showmanship Class.
- An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting ONE entry per class including standard, commercial, bantams, ducks, geese, and turkeys; ONE trio entry including standard, commercial and bantams; and ONE pen entry including market broilers and egg production.
- Exhibitors are to show their own animals in all classes. Any exceptions must be approved by the show committee.
- Poultry to be judged on the table will be judged first, followed by those judged in cages. Exhibitors must be present at that time to take their animals from the cages and display them on tables for the judge.
- Poultry not displayed by exhibitors will automatically receive a white ribbon.
- Exhibitors of turkey and water fowl must be at the cage at the time of judging.
- Exhibitors are required to bring poultry exhibits to/from fair in proper carriers.
- Animals are to be treated humanely at all times during exhibition at the fair.

BEDDING: Bedding will be furnished by the Washington County Fair Board for all poultry entries. No other bedding is to be used.

HOUSING:

- Pens will be assigned by the Show Committee at time of check-in. Poultry exhibitors will NOT make pen requests.
- The Fair Board is not responsible for exhibits.
- It is suggested that exhibitors lock their cages.
- **THE SHOW COMMITTEE WILL PROVIDE TWO (2) PLASTIC MILK JUGS PER CAGE TO BE USED AS FEED AND WATER CONTAINERS. NO OTHER FEED AND WATER CONTAINERS WILL BE PERMITTED.**
- **There shall not be any "For Sale" signs up for sale of 4-H poultry during the fair.**

EXHIBITOR RESPONSIBILITY: Individual exhibitors will be responsible to feed and water their animal. Individual exhibitors are also required to keep the area clean by picking up trash and sweeping around their cages on a frequent basis.

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POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
 Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
 Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:

- Exhibitors may select any duck or bird exhibit (except geese and turkeys) that they entered in the fair for individual poultry showmanship.
- In showmanship classes, a 4-H member can ONLY exhibit an animal that has been officially identified in their name AND that they have entered in the live show. Exhibitors may NOT exhibit another exhibitor's animal (including siblings) in the showmanship competition.
- No class differentiation will be made because of the type of bird.

Individual exhibitors will use the same showmanship standards. However, there may be some specialization with showmanship techniques to the respective types of birds.

- Basis for judging — Showmanship is based on grooming and training of the bird and the appearance and behavior of the exhibitor.
- The exhibitor must vocally explain the steps in their routine and the merit 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.
- Senior showmanship should be prepared to make their presentation before a microphone.
- Intermediate and Junior Showmanship will do their presentations during the show and must be completed by the end of the show.
- The judge may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.
- Winners of junior and intermediate divisions in previous years must move up to the next older division. This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.

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LARGE FOWL

The exhibit (cockerel, cock, pullet, or hen) must be a fair representative of their breed according to the Standard of Perfection.

- Class 1 Single Cockerel (at least six weeks old / male bird hatched during current year)
 Class 2 Single Pullet (at least six weeks old / female bird hatched during current year)
 Class 3 Single Cock (male bird hatched prior to current year)
 Class 4 Single Hen (female bird hatched prior to current year)
 Class 5 Trio (consists of three birds - one male and two females - not shown as individual entries)

LARGE FOWL – TRIO:

A trio of exhibition birds shall consist of one male and two females. All three birds must be of the same breed and conform to the Standard of Perfection. Trio classes are for breeding stock birds. Hybrids, crossbred or other meat and egg production birds belong in the pen entry. Birds entered in a trio are not eligible to be judged in individual competition.

BANTAM

The exhibit (cockerel, cock, pullet, or hen) must be a fair representative of their breed according to the Standard of Perfection.

- Class 6 Single Cockerel (at least six weeks old / male bird hatched during current year)
 Class 7 Single Pullet (at least six weeks old / female bird hatched during current year)
 Class 8 Single Cock (male bird hatched prior to current year)
 Class 9 Single Hen (female bird hatched prior to current year)
 Class 10 Trio (consists of three birds - one male and two females - not shown as individual entries)

BANTAM – TRIO:

A trio of exhibition birds shall consist of one male and two females. All three birds must be of the same breed and conform to the Standard of Perfection. Trio classes are for breeding stock birds. Hybrids, crossbred or other meat and egg production birds belong in the pen entry. Birds entered in a trio are not eligible to be judged in individual competition.

DUCK

The exhibit (young drake, young hen, old drake, and old hen) must be a fair representative of their breed according to the Standard of Perfection.

- Class 11 Young Drake (male bird hatched during current year)
 Class 12 Young Hen (female bird hatched during current year)

- Class 13 Old Drake (male bird hatched prior to current year)
Class 14 Old Hen (female bird hatched prior to current year)

GEESE

- Class 15 Young Gander (male bird hatched during current year)
Class 16 Young Goose (female bird hatched during current year)
Class 17 Old Gander (male bird hatched prior to current year)
Class 18 Old Goose (female bird hatched prior to current year)

TURKEYS

- Class 19 Young Tom Turkey
(male bird hatched during current year)
Class 20 Young Hen Turkey
(female bird hatched during current year)
Class 21 Old Tom Turkey
(male bird hatched prior to current year)
Class 22 Old Hen Turkey
(female bird hatched prior to current year)

MARKET BROILERS/ EGG PRODUCTION

- Market Broilers must be brought in the day of the show and **MUST BE REMOVED** after the show.
- Any other poultry taken from the fairgrounds prior to the end of the fair will lose their premium money for the animals removed.**

- Class 23 Pen of Market Broilers
(three birds that are 6-9 weeks of age)
Class 24 Single Market Broiler
(one broiler from pen may be shown as an individual exhibit)
Class 25 Pen of Egg Production (three female birds)
Class 26 Single Egg Production (one female bird from the egg production pen may be shown as an individual exhibit)
Class 27 One Dozen Eggs Class
 - Check-In will be **Saturday** between 7am-8am
 - 1 dozen eggs judged on quality & consistency
 - Eggs can be of any color (white, brown, other)
 - 4-Hers do not need to be present for judging
 - Eggs will be destroyed immediately after the show.

RABBIT

IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS

Friday of Fair by 6:00 p.m. (Rabbit Barn)

CHECK-IN

Friday of Fair at 1-6:00 p.m. (Rabbit Barn)

SHOW DATE/TIME

CHECK-IN: Saturday of Fair at 11:30 a.m.-12 noon
(Open Air Show Arena)

SHOWMANSHIP: Saturday of Fair at 12:00 noon
(Open Air Show Arena)

SHOW: Saturday of Fair at 12:30 p.m.
(Open Air Show Arena)

RELEASE

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Chelsea Lambert, Micki Hernandez

RABBIT GUIDELINES

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- An exhibitor must exhibit rabbits that have been identified with a permanent and legible tattoo in either ear and are under their ownership and care of the exhibitor prior to JUNE 15 of the current year.
- The rabbits must be properly identified on a Washington County Identification Sheet and filed with the Nebraska Extension Office by **JUNE 15** of the current year.
- The ID's for all rabbits entries will be checked by the show committee when animal is brought to fair. Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee.
- Pens will be assigned by the Show Committee at time of check-in. Rabbit exhibitors will NOT make pen requests.

HEALTH RULES:

- All rabbits must be healthy and free of disease.
- Rabbits exhibited, both 4-H and Open Class, will be subject to inspection prior to placement in cages. Inspection includes ear mites as well as any types of diseases that could spread to other rabbits. Those infected will be excused from the show at the discretion of the show committee.

ENTRY LIMIT/EXHIBITING:

- An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting ONE entry per breed, per class (from the Meat, Fancy, Commercial and Pet Divisions), ONE Doe and Litter Class, and ONE Costume Class with MAXIMUM of SIX entries plus ONE Showmanship Class.
- Rabbits will be judged at 12:00 noon on Saturday of the fair. Exhibitors must be present at that time to take their animals from the cages and display them on tables for the judge.
- Exhibitors are to show their own rabbits in all classes. Any exceptions must be approved by the show committee (and any assistants helping with multiple rabbits).
- Rabbits not displayed by exhibitors will automatically receive a white ribbon.

BEDDING: Bedding will be furnished by the Washington County Fair Board for all rabbit entries. No other bedding is to be used.

HOUSING:

- All rabbits must be in place by 6:00 p.m. on Friday of the fair. If not in place by 6:00 p.m. rabbits may be exhibited but premium monies will be forfeited.
- Rabbits must remain on the fairgrounds the entire fair from 6 pm check in on Friday of fair through release on Wednesday of fair.
- Exhibitors who bring a doe and litter are allowed to take the doe and rabbits home at their discretion following the show. Only the doe and rabbits can be taken. Any other rabbits taken from the fairgrounds prior to the end of the fair will lose their premium money.
- Rabbits brought to the fair not to be exhibited but for sale purposes only will not be allowed to stay. The Washington County Fair is a show -- not a sale! No "For Sale" signs allowed for rabbits.
- The Fair Board is not responsible for exhibits. It is suggested that exhibitors bring their own padlocks and lock all their exhibit cages.

EXHIBITOR RESPONSIBILITY: Individual exhibitors will be responsible to feed and water their animal. Individual exhibitors are also required to keep the area clean by picking up trash and sweeping around their cages on a frequent basis.

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RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:

- The rabbit used for showmanship must come from Division 81-84 (Meat, Fancy, Commercial and Pet Divisions).
- In showmanship classes, a 4-H member can ONLY exhibit an animal that has been officially identified in their name AND that they have entered in the live show. Exhibitors may NOT exhibit another exhibitor's animal (including siblings) in the showmanship competition.
- Basis for judging - showmanship is based on grooming and training of the rabbit and the appearance and behavior of the exhibitor.
- The exhibitor must vocally explain the steps in their routine and the merit 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.
- Senior exhibitors should be prepared to make their presentation before a microphone.
- The judge may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.
- Time and Location - rabbit showmanship will be held during Rabbit exhibits judging.
- Winners of junior and intermediate divisions in previous years must move up to the next older division. This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.

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MEAT BREEDS

- Rabbits must be weighed in at check-in time.
- Fryers weighing over 5 1/2 lbs. will not be eligible for a purple ribbon.
- Classes may be divided into breeds at the discretion of the show committee/superintendent.

Class 1 Single Fryer

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FANCY BREEDS

- Indicate BREED, DIVISION and CLASS on entry form.
- To compete in this class, exhibitors must have a rabbit of an identifiable breed shown below.
- Different breeds will be shown together in one class of fancy rabbits.
- **It is up to the discretion of the judge as to the fitness of a rabbit to be a part of the Fancy Class.**

FANCY BREED CLASSES

Class 2 Junior Doe (6 months and under)
Class 3 Senior Doe (over 6 months)
Class 4 Junior Buck (6 months and under)
Class 5 Senior Buck (over 6 months)

FANCY BREEDS

American Fuzzy Lop	Jersey Woolie
American Sable	Lilac
Belgian Hare	Lionhead
Blue Holicer	Mini Lop
Britannia Petite	Mini Rex
Czech Frosty	Mini Satin
Dutch	Netherland Dwarf
Dwarf Hotot	Polish
English Angora	Rex
English Spot	Rhinelander
Florida White	Satin Angora
French Angora	Silver
Harlequin	Silver Marten
Havana	Standard Chinchilla
Himalayan	Tan
Holland Lop	Thrianta

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COMMERCIAL BREEDS

Indicate BREED, DIVISION and CLASS on entry card. Rabbits without true breed characteristics must enter as Commercial Crossbred Class OR may enter the Companion Animal Show.

COMMERCIAL BREED CLASSES

Class 6 Junior Doe (under 6 months)
Class 7 Intermediate Doe (6 to 8 months)
Class 8 Senior Doe (over 8 months)
Class 9 Junior Buck (under 6 months)
Class 10 Intermediate Buck (6 to 8 months)
Class 11 Senior Buck (over 8 months)

COMMERCIAL BREEDS

American	English Lop
American Chinchilla	Flemish Giant
Beveren	French Lop
Blanc de Hotot (Hotot)	Giant Angora
Californian	Giant Chinchilla
Champagne d'Argent	New Zealand
Checkered Giant	Palomino
Cinnamon	Satin
Crema d'Argent	Silver Fox
Crossbred	

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PET CLASS

- Rabbits eligible for the pet class will be judged on the basis of being a pet.
- Rabbit will not be judged against the "Standards of Perfection" book of the A.R.B.A. or downgraded because of faults such as blind, malocclusions, broken toe nail, etc.
- Rabbits shown in this class will not be allowed to show in the Breeding Classes (Fancy or Commercial).
- Rabbits need not conform to breed standards.
- Classes will be divided by age of rabbit and not sex.
- Rabbits shown in this class should be easy to handle, not bite or scratch the exhibitor or the judge.

Class 12 Junior Rabbit (under 6 months)
Class 13 Intermediate Rabbit (6-8 months)
Class 14 Senior Rabbit (Over 8 months)

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DOE AND LITTER

Only one doe and litter class can be shown by each exhibitor. It is recommended that the exhibitor bring their own cages for the doe and litter class. The litter must be from one to three months old.

Class 15 Commercial Breed-Doe and Litter

Class 16 Fancy Breed-Doe and Litter

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COSTUME CLASS

- Exhibitors must use a rabbit that they have exhibited in another class.
- This class will be judged on creativity of the exhibitor and/or rabbit's costume and accompanying story.
- Costumes should present no possible danger to the rabbit - while "on" or being taken "on" and "off".
- If coloring the hair of the rabbit, only food coloring will be allowed.
- Exhibitors will give a brief, creative presentation (up to 2 minutes) about why the rabbit is wearing this costume.
- An entry consists of one member and one rabbit already entered in their respective division.
- Only ONE entry can be made in the costume division.

Class 17 Costume Class

SHEEP

IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS

Friday of Fair by 9:00 p.m. (Sheep Barn)

CHECK-IN/WEIGH-IN

Saturday of Fair from 8-9:30 a.m. (Sheep Barn)

SHOW DATE

Sunday of Fair at 9:00 a.m. (RVR Bank Arena)

RELEASE

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

Auction animals are required to stay through the auction.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Kari Loseke, Tracy Gross, Kara Neuverth, Amanda Lehan

SHEEP GUIDELINES

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS BY JUNE 15:

An exhibitor must exhibit goats that have been properly identified under their name. The ID's for all sheep will be checked by the show committee when animal is brought to fair. Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee.

ALL LIVESTOCK MUST SUBMIT PHOTOS TO:

<https://go.unl.edu/wcphotoid>

- Market Lambs: Official USDA Scrapie Tag AND Washington County Identification Sheet OR DNA Envelope
- Breeding Sheep: Official USDA Scrapie Tag AND Washington County Identification Sheet PLUS registration papers for registered breeding sheep.

SCRAPIE TAG (USDA BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRIES)

GUIDELINE: The USDA Bureau of Animal Industries has mandated a national program to eradicate scrapie in sheep flocks and goat herds. Therefore, all sheep exhibited at Washington County Fair will need to have the official USDA identification (scrapie tag).

ENTRY LIMIT: An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting SIX TOTAL HEAD (market lambs and/or breeding ewes).

BEDDING: Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own bedding.

WEIGH-IN/CHECK-IN:

- All sheep must be on fairgrounds and in place by 9:00 p.m. on Friday of the fair.
- Sheep will be checked and weighed on Saturday morning from 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.
- Scrapie tags and ID sheets will be checked at time of check-in.
- Purebred ewes will be classified according to their breeds. Registration papers must be presented at check-in.

WOOL LENGTH:

All market sheep and registered and commercial "meat breed" breeding sheep must be 5 days or less fresh slick shorn before entry and weigh-in at the fair. All registered and commercial "wool breed" sheep may be shown in the fleece.

HANDLING PRACTICES: Showing and/or handling practices that may be considered objectionable or abusive, such as striking or slapping lambs and exhibiting the lamb with its feet off the ground are not acceptable.

GROOMING: Spray paint in any manner will not be allowed. If color comes off the animal it is the judge's discretion as to the ramifications.

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SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:

- Exhibitors who made the entry are eligible to compete in showmanship with that animal.

- Members taking part in a showmanship class will be judged on their skill and on the appearance their animal makes before the judges.
- Any animal may be shown in only ONE showmanship class.
- In showmanship classes, a 4-H member can ONLY exhibit an animal that has been officially identified in their name AND that they have entered in the live show. Exhibitors may NOT exhibit another exhibitor's animal (including siblings) in the showmanship competition.
- Winners of junior and intermediate divisions in previous years must move up to the next older division. *This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.*

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MARKET LAMB

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| Class 1 | <u>Market Ewe</u> |
| Class 2 | <u>Market Wether</u> |
| Class 3 | <u>Progressive Weight Class</u> |

MARKET LAMB GUIDELINES:

- Ewes and wethers will exhibit separately at the discretion of the show committee.
- Weight Divisions will include Progressive, Light, Middle, and Heavy. There will be a Champion and Reserve Champion for the Light, Middle and Heavy Divisions for ewes and wethers. These division champions will return to compete for overall champion awards.
- ***There must be a minimum weight of 100 pounds for purple ribbon eligibility. If not 100 pounds, they will be placed in a progressive weight class.***

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BREEDING SHEEP

BREEDING SHEEP GUIDELINES:

- Breeding Ewe Lambs - Ewes born 9/1/2023 or after are classed as lambs. Ewe lambs must have all temporary teeth present.
- Breeding Yearlings Ewes - Ewes born between 9/1/2022 and 8/31/2023 will be classed as yearlings. Yearling ewes can have yearling teeth but cannot have two-year-old teeth.
- **Ewes born prior to 9/1/2022 are ineligible to show.**

BREEDING SHEEP DIVISIONS/CLASSES

- Sheep divisions/classes (based on breeds) will be established if exhibitors have identified registered animals within a breed.
- Registered ewes must have registration papers issued by Breed Association and must be in the exhibitor's, family, or family's business name. Registration papers are required at time of check-in and will be checked by the show committee.
- If registration papers are pending or not available, the ewe must be shown in the Commercial division/class.
- There will be no minimum limit to entries when establishing (register) sheep breed divisions/classes.
- Classes may be divided and combined at the discretion of the show committee.

DIVISIONS

DIV 132 Commercial

DIV 133 Registered (***INDICATE BREED ON ENTRY FORM***)

CLASSES

Class 1 Yearling Ewe born 9/1/2023 to 8/31/2024

Class 2 Ewe Lamb born 9/1/2024 or after

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PAIR OF LAMBS / CLUB PEN OF THREE

- Class 1 Pair of Lambs:
- Pair of lambs must be owned by same exhibitor.
- Class 2 Club Pen of Three:
- Club Pen of Three consists of exhibits from at least two exhibitors in same club and entered in the club's name.