

Please read all rules for each section to make sure you have the required supporting materials attached to each exhibit.

Larry May Memorial Innovator Award \$50.00

All static exhibits are eligible. Awarded to the static exhibit deemed most innovative by the family.

GENERAL RULES & INFORMATION

PREMIUMS FOR ALL BKR COUNTY FAIRS:

ANIMALS:	PURPLE \$7	BLUE \$5	RED/WHITE \$3
STATIC EXHIBITS:	PURPLE \$4	BLUE \$3	RED/WHITE \$2
CLOVER KID:	\$1.00		
SHOOTING SPORTS:	\$3.00		

AGE GROUPS

For all purposes age divisions are as follows:

For projects divided into 3 age divisions:

- Junior 8-9
- Intermediate 10-13
- Senior 14 & up

For projects divided into 2 age divisions:

- Junior 8-13
- Senior 14 & up (age to go to State Fair must be 9 as of Jan 1. For livestock, live contests)

The following rules apply to all departments of the 4-H section of the Nebraska State Fair. Rules that apply specifically to a particular department will be listed under rules for that department.

Fair Liability

The Nebraska Extension Service, County Ag Societies, 4-H Councils, Employees and Volunteers under no circumstances, will be responsible for personal injury, and assumes no liability for loss or damage of any nature to any property of the concessionaire, exhibitor or patron while on the grounds or at any time or place due to theft, fire, tornado, weather conditions, or other causes, nor be liable for or make any payment for the value thereof.

"WARNING! Under Nebraska law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities pursuant to Sections 25-21, 249 to 25-21, 253."

4-H exhibits at all the Fairs, Achievement Days, Showcase and any other displays are entered, transported and displayed at the risk of the 4-H member. University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension 4-H Youth Development in cooperation with the Nebraska State Fair Board, Ag Societies, and 4-H Councils accepts exhibits and will exercise due care to protect them. However, 4-H and the Nebraska State Fair Board, along with all Ag Societies, 4-H Councils, 4-H Volunteers and Extension personnel cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage due to the conditions imposed by large crowds, the arrangement of the buildings in which displays are housed, transport of exhibits, and the great number of exhibits or negligence.

By choosing to exhibit your display and/or have it transported or stored by someone other than yourself, you are taking a risk that is solely your responsibility.

4-H'ers who have exhibits of great sentimental and/or monetary value should carefully consider whether such exhibits should be exposed to the hazards of the fair, transport or storage. While the greatest possible care will be exercised by the management to protect patrons of the State or County Fair, each individual will be held personally responsible for any injury.

By leaving your exhibit in the care of another you agree to hold harmless University of Nebraska – Lincoln Extension personnel, Local and State Fairs, All Ag Societies, 4-H Council, and volunteers.

By choosing to participate as an exhibitor, you are choosing to enter a competitive event where your entry will be judged. You are asking for the judge's opinion on that day. The 4-H Code of Conduct: should be followed at all times by parents, volunteers, and 4h-ers.

<file:///C:/Users/BKR3/Documents/Participant-Parent%20Code%20of%20Conduct.pdf>

*****State Fair rules for exhibits could be different. See the State Fair Book <http://4h.unl.edu/fairbook> for details.

GENERAL RULES

DRESS REQUIREMENTS

Exhibitors showing BEEF, CATS, DAIRY, DOGS, POULTRY, RABBITS, SHEEP and SWINE are required to wear either a white shirt, blouse with the official emblem (armband or chevron) or a 4-H T-shirt. Armbands and Chevrons are available at the Extension Office or Fairgrounds. Exhibitors shall not display local, county, commercial or other identification - except official 4-H - while showing their animals. Dark blue jeans will be accepted in all livestock exhibits.

***Exhibitors of beef, dairy, dogs, cats, small animals, sheep, and swine will not wear hats, caps or other types of headgear while showing.

***Hard-soled shoes are also required. No cloth or open-toed shoes will be allowed - exception: dog, cat, and small animal show.

LIGHT HORSE PROJECT DRESS REQUIREMENTS are a western hat or helmet, all-white shirt or blouse with convertible collar (long sleeves preferred), dark blue jeans, hard-soled boots or shoes and an official 4-H armband worn on the left arm. The 2017 Nebraska 4-H Horse Show and Judging Guide will be followed.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

1. The respective superintendent and BKR 4-H council in cooperation with the 4-H educator has the authority to make appropriate decisions based on the 4-H premium list.
2. A protest committee will be the officers of the 4-H Council. The members will meet as needed to act upon concerns. All protests must be submitted in writing and signed.
3. The written protest must include:
 - Names of persons involved

- Nature of concerns
- Situation and documentation
- Recommendations for correction
- Specific action, rule, etc. in question
- Additional persons committee may contact for further clarification
- Procedures and/or steps carried out by person involved prior to submission of the protest to the Protest Committee

4. The committee will review the written protest. They may discuss the situation with affected persons and show officials, including County Fair management if appropriate, prior to making a final decision. The committee will recommend appropriate action to management in writing. The recommendation will be followed and communicated both verbally and in writing to the group or individual affected.

5. In cases of protest the exhibitor may be allowed to show, but results of showing will be subject to change based on the outcome of the protest process. This allows for smooth operation of the show and facilitates appropriate processing.

6. The management reserves the right to withhold premium and/or award. The exhibitor may be excluded from the show if action warrants.

7. Protests will not be accepted after the exhibit is released.

8. Protests related to judges' integrity, decisions, placings, or other evaluations will not be accepted.

REQUIREMENTS - All 4-H exhibits must meet requirements as stated in the project manual and/or premium list provided by the Extension Office. Those not meeting requirements will receive a participation ribbon or be downgraded one ribbon placing.

AGE - All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor. 4-H club members must be between eight and 18 years of age on January 1 of current year. (This means they are 8 on January 1st AND turn 9 during the year) to be eligible to compete for premiums. Any age 4-H'er (8-18 years) can exhibit projects at State Fair except in classes where presence of the 4-H'er is required for judging purposes such as animal exhibits, judging contests, presentations, and the fashion show. These 4-H'ers must be between 10-18 years of age on January 1 to be eligible for these classes. Cloverkids are youth 5-7 years of age on January 1 of current year. They will receive participation ribbons only and are not allowed to show any animal over 350 pounds or older than 6 months of age or any horse. Cloverkids are not allowed on a horse on the grounds during any 4-H event.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES - Enter exhibits only in the project you are enrolled in. 4-H'ers may also enter presentations, all judging contests, talent showcase and style revue.

RIBBONS AWARDED - All exhibits will be divided into groups according to merit. Purple will denote superior exhibits, blue will denote an excellent exhibit, and red will denote a good exhibit, while white will denote an exhibit of not such high quality. Cloverkids will receive noncompetitive Cloverkid ribbons. Premiums are maximum and will be pro-rated as funds permit.

**PRE-ENTRIES are mandatory for all
animal exhibits.**

Strongly encouraged for static.

Pre-entries are due on July 22, 2024