Cedar County Fair
Rules and Regulations

Including Open Class Guidelines

- 4-H & FFA may have additional guidelines regarding exhibitors, livestock and exhibits. Please refer to the 4-H portion of their booklet for additional information or contact the Cedar County Extension Service, 402-254-6821.

Rule 1. Interpretation of the rules: The Cedar County Fair Board reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters and differences that may arise which are not covered by them.

Rule 2. The Cedar County Fair Board and the Superintendents will use all diligence to insure the safety of stock and of articles after their arrival, but in no case will they be responsible for any loss or damage.

Rule 3. The Cedar County Fair Management reserves the right to reject any unworthy exhibits of any kind by refusing space or admission to the grounds.

Rule 4. <u>All open class exhibits must be in place between 8:00am and 1:00pm, Thursday of Fair unless otherwise designated by Cedar County Fair Management.</u>

Rule 5. A tag showing Department, Section and Class numbers for each entry made will be furnished for each exhibit. However it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to fill out the entry cards and attach to item prior to entry.

Rule 6. There will be no addition of classes throughout the duration of the fair.

Rule 7. In Horticulture, every exhibit must be of the current year, and will be subject to marking to determine entrance validity with the exception to grain crops.

Rule 8. Entries in all Departments of the Fair are open to Cedar County residents or persons enrolled in the Cedar County 4-H program. This regulation will be strictly adhered to in all open class exhibits.

Rule 9. Ribbons awarded are as follows: White – 3rd Place; Red – 2nd Place; Blue – 1st Place; Reserve Champion and Champion and Certificate of Special Recognitions (which are awarded at the discretion of the judge); Best of Show in the Quilt Dept. All decisions by the Judge are final.

Rule 10. No article or animal may be removed from the grounds without permission from the Superintendent of the Department in which such article or animal is entered. All entries will be released at 3:30pm on Sunday.

Rule 11. Special awards may be presented to the high point grand prize winners in Open Class Departments as donations are received. All awards and trophies will be left to the discretion of the Fair Board. Champion and Reserve Champion Ribbons in each department will be awarded $2.00 and $1.00 Respectively, unless otherwise stated.

Rule 12. Exhibit halls will close at 9:00 P.M. each evening. **<u>The open class building and Quilt Building will remain closed on Thursday until judging is completed</u>**

Rule 13. ALL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS MUST BE REPORTED WITH THE EXTENSION OFFICE PRIOR TO THE FAIR FOR STALL ASSIGNMENTS. The deadline for pre-entries is recommended two weeks before the day of the show or check with the Extension office, 402-254-6821. The owner will be expected to feed and care for all animals. Exhibitors must attend to the cleaning and bedding of stalls, pens, and cages. All stalls, pens, and cages must be cleaned before Exhibitor leaves the Fairgrounds. All animals will stay until the end of fair (3:30 pm on Sunday) as long as weather and space permits.

Rule 14. FFA Exhibitors will follow all 4-H rules as stated in the 4-H Fairbook. This includes eligibility, dress code, and rules of the shows.

Rule 15. All livestock entries in the Cedar County Fair must be in healthy condition and must be able to comply with sanitary regulations governing livestock as set forth by the Nebraska Livestock and Sanitary Board for all livestock in County and State Fairs.

Rule 16. In **ALL DEPARTMENTS**, there can be only one entry per person per class. Minimum age of exhibitor is age 5.

Rule 17. Classic Livestock Shows are fee entry events which are open to all exhibitors including 4-H, FFA, Open Class and residents of other Counties. The Sheep Show is a Classic. All other Open Class animals, , are shown with the 4-H shows.

Rule 18. 4-H and FFA Projects shown at the fair this year cannot be re-shown in Open Class. An animal (beef, sheep, swine, meat goat, dairy, dairy goat, rabbit, poultry, dog, or cat) cannot be shown in more than one county fair.

Rule 19. Open class livestock entries will receive a ribbon and premium according to the open class premium schedule. Open Class entries do not qualify for the 4-H/FFA trophies even if they are shown in the same class.

Rule 20. Open Class show attire is the same as 4-H and FFA with the exception of a plain white shirt.

Rule 21. No disorderly conduct of any kind will be permitted. No unsupervised minors will be allowed on the grounds after 12:00am.

Superintendents

Rule 22. No one shall be allowed to employ help or order supplies without the approval of the Fair Board.

Rule 23. The Superintendents will have charge of all assistants in his/her department.

Rule 24. It shall be the duty of each superintendent to fully inform the judges and clerks in his/her department as to the rules and regulations governing awards and to urge them to carefully read the rules before entering upon their work.

Rule 25. Each superintendent is responsible for seeing that each exhibit is tagged and judged. The superintendent must see that all special awards are duly and properly selected, posted to the public, and recorded.