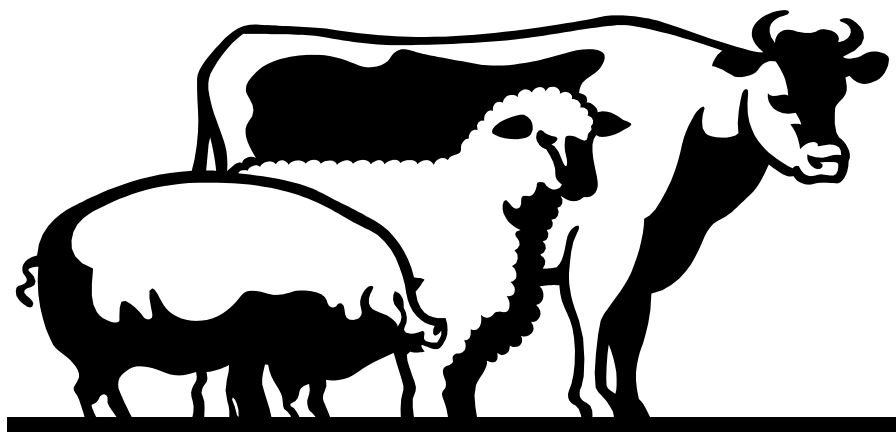


PERKINS COUNTY 4-H ANIMAL & LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR FAIR BOOK



*(Includes Rules and Code of Conduct for 4-H Livestock Exhibitors and Parents)
(revised 2018)*

IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS) NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to ALL classes of competition.

All parents/leaders working with 4-H exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Parents/guardians or exhibitors who violate the code of ethics will forfeit awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
2. Parents/guardians or exhibitors shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
3. 4-H exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the parent/guardian or exhibitor for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.

If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the parent/guardian or exhibitor to prove otherwise.

At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.

7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

8. No parent/guardian or exhibitor shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.

9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by a parent/guardian or exhibitor whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the parent/guardian or exhibitor to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.

11. The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the parent/guardian or exhibitor that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

DEPARTMENT G: ANIMAL SCIENCE

General Instructions: Small Animal Shows

Dress Code: Exhibitors showing cats, pets and dogs are required to wear the official 4-H T-shirt (any color). If there is no official 4-H shirt, exhibitors are required to wear a white shirt (or blouse) with the official 4-H chevron attached. Long jeans/pants (dark blue) are required for cat, dog and small pet exhibitors. While hard soled shoes are not required for the cat, dog and small pet shows, exhibitors are required to wear closed toed shoes with non-slip soled. No hats, caps or other types of headgear are to be worn in the show ring. Exhibitors shall not display local, county, commercial or other identification while showing their animals-except official 4-H and such identification the show ring may require.

Companion Animal Show

Projects: *Cat, Companion Animal*

Printed Youth Materials: NATL4H08148 *Cat 1: Purr-fect Pals*,
NATL4H08149 *Cat 2: Climbing Up!*, NATL4H08150 *Cat 3: Leaping Forward*,
NATL4H06359 *Pet 1: Pet Pals*, NATL4H06360 *Pet 2: Scurrying Ahead*,
NATL4H06361 *Pet 3: Scaling the Heights*

Other References and Forms: 4H340 *The Veterinarian's Way of Selecting a Proper Pet*,
Record Book for Companion Animals, RP254 *Your Cat and You*, ANSC *Extension Companion Animals*,
Animal Care Resources

General Instructions: Companion Animal Show

Show Procedure:

1. Exhibitors must be present at time of showing. Animals must be housed in a cage at all times of the show unless asked to remove them by the judge. If being shown in a travel cage, exhibitors should bring photographs of the animal's normal habitat.
2. Each exhibitor 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.
3. **The Judge Will Evaluate the Participant on the Following Basis:**
 - a. Animal health and wellbeing-35 points
 - b. Cage evaluation (appropriateness of travel housing as well as description of everyday housing)-25 points
 - c. Overall knowledge and presentation skills-40 points
4. See 4-H companion Animal Judging Sheet for more complete breakdown of points available.
5. Participant should bring animal, adequate cage and accessories, completed health certificate for cats and ferrets, and pictures of normal habitat if appropriate.

Housing:

- **Cats:** Cats must be brought in durable plastic or wire carriers (not cardboard). Cats will remain in carriers or other appropriate cage provided by the exhibitor except for when being judged. The exhibitor may provide food, water, and litter for the cat in the carrier if necessary. Exhibitors may want to provide a cover for the carrier to prevent their cat from seeing other cats. ALL CATS MUST BE SHOWN ON A LEASH and be on a leash at any time they are removed from the carrier/cage.
- **Other Animals:** All other 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. If a cage/enclosure is deemed inappropriate by the show superintendent, the exhibitor will now be allowed to show.

Eligibility: To be eligible to show, the 4-H'er must be currently enrolled in the Cat or Household Pet/Small animal project.

Health & Vaccinations: All animals should be free of fleas, ticks, ear mites, ringworm, any internal parasite and infectious disease. Required veterinary checks will be performed on each animal entering the show. If any signs of these external parasites or other contagious health conditions are presented, exhibitors will be asked to leave without being allowed into the show area. It is highly recommended that a veterinary check is performed or preventative measures are taken prior to the show to ensure the animal is free of external parasites. ALL DECISIONS OF SHOW OFFICIALS ARE FINAL. If an animal shows the possibility of being contagious, it will be considered a danger to the other animals in the show and will not be allowed to show. Animals that pose a danger to others will not be allowed in the building.

- Cats: Cats are required to be current on their vaccinations of rabies, distemper, panleucopenia, viral rhinotracheitis and calicivirus. Proof of vaccination must be sent in with the fair pre-registration forms. Participants should have their veterinarian fill out and sign the "Nebraska State Fair Cat/Ferret Vaccination Record Form". Exhibitors will not be allowed to show without a signed Vaccination Form. 4-H'ers vaccinating their own cats must provide proof by including a statement from their vet on the Vaccination Record form or by including the vaccination labels on the form and having it signed by a parent. A rabies vaccination is federally mandated to be given by a Certified Veterinarian ONLY. This vaccination must be current and include a veterinarian signature on the Vaccination Record Form. If a cat is not declawed, the claws must be clipped. This will be a point of judging during the competition.
- Ferrets: Ferrets must be vaccinated for rabies and have a completed health form signed by the administering veterinarian submitted with the fair pre-registration form.
- Mother Animals: No expectant or nursing mother animals may be entered in the show.

Number of Entries: An exhibitor may make no more than one entry per class with a maximum of four entries total.

Age of Animals: All animals must be weaned prior to show. Minimum age of animals to be shown:

- Cats: 4 months
- Ferrets: 4 months
- Chinchillas: 7 weeks
- Guinea pigs: 4 weeks
- Gerbils, hamsters mice, rats: 4 weeks
- Hedgehogs: 5 weeks
- Pet rabbits: 9 weeks

Dress Code: Dress code for this show is stated in the *general instructions*. 4-H'ers will be judged on the neatness of their appearance. This includes but is not limited to; shirt tucked in, appropriate size of clothing, tied shoe laces, etc. Individuals not meeting these requirements will be lowered one (1) ribbon placing in showmanship.

Required Poster for ALL Pets: *County Fair requires a poster, related to the companion animal shown for classes 900-910. Poster should be the size of one full standard poster (should not exceed 22" X 28"). Poster should be presented at time of animal judging and will be judged on quality of the poster, accuracy of information provided, and ability of the exhibitor to explain the information and answer judge's questions.*

Division 100

Class G100900 Cat

Class G100901 Pet Rabbit

Class G100902 Ferret

Class G100903 Chinchilla

Class G100904 Guinea Pig

Class G100905 Gerbil

Class G100906 Hamster

Class G100907 Mouse

Class G100908 Rat

Class G100909 Hedgehog

Class G100910 Other Small Pet not listed

Class G100911 Poster Can include entries covering any companion animal (including reptiles, companion birds, or others). Exhibitors should make a poster with information on the proper care of a companion animal that they are not showing in another class of the Companion Animal Show. Poster should be the size of one full standard poster (should not exceed 22" X 28"). Exhibitors must be present at time of judging and will be judged on quality of the poster, accuracy of information provided, and ability of the exhibitor to explain the information and answer judge's questions.

Dog Show

Projects: Dog

Printed Youth Materials: NATL4H08166 Dog 1: Wiggles and Wags,
NATL4H08167 Dog 2: Canine Connection, NATL4H08168 Dog 3: Leading the Pack

Dog References and Forms: 4H420 Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Rules,
4H402EX Dog and Puppy Care, Animal Care Resources

General Instructions: Dog Show

Procedure: Those procedures described in Nebraska 4-H dog Shows Guidelines 4-H 420. It is the dog exhibitor's responsibility to pick up after their dogs at all times. Dogs soiling in the show ring (during a class) will be lowered one ribbon placing. Dogs soiling anywhere on the show grounds with no pick up will be disqualified from all entered classes on that show day regardless of the person who is holding the dog leash.

Dog Eligibility (State Fair): Exhibitor should provide primary care and training for the dog. The dog should reside with the exhibitor or be cared for by the exhibitor the majority of the year.

Vaccinations: All dogs must be immunized for Distemper, Hepatitis, Parvo and rabies. A Dog Show Vaccination Record Form must be filled out and signed by a veterinarian and returned as a part of the county fair pre-entry. The Vaccination Record Form must document all vaccinations within 1 year or 3 years of the show date based on label guidelines. All vaccinations must be in effect at the time of the fair dog show. **Explanation:** Some vaccinations are viable for one year and some vaccinations are viable for three years but are specifically designed and administered according to their label. It is not acceptable nor allowed to vaccinate a dog with a 1 year vaccine and plan to have it in effect for 3 years. A vaccination form must be submitted for each dog according to the entry guideline due date or it will not be allowed to show.

Advancement Levels in Obedience Classes: Follow rules in Nebraska 4-H Dog Show Guidelines 4-H420.

Advancement in Showmanship Classes: Classes are divided into age divisions.

Disqualified Dogs:

- Females in season will not be permitted to show.
- Overly aggressive dogs may be disqualified at the discretion of the judge or superintendent.
- Lameness or crippled dogs will not be permitted to show if it is determined by the show superintendent that is affecting the health of the dog.
- See "Procedure" for information about disqualification for dog soiling on show grounds.

Age of Dog: A dog that is exhibited at the fair must be 6 months or older. Agility dogs must be 18 months or older to participate in competition.

Dress Code: Dress code for this show is stated in the *general instructions for small animal shows*.

Baiting: Baiting with food or a toy is not permitted and is cause for disqualification. Handlers may use the baiting action without food or toys in showmanship. The judge has the authority to disqualify violators.

Cleanup: Shall be the EXHIBITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY. This includes all areas while on the show site.

Grooming: Only exhibitors are allowed to groom or work dogs at the show, both in and out of the rings.

Substitutions: A dog may be substituted for showmanship classes only if it is injured or dies following the entry deadline. Substitutions are generally not allowed in obedience and agility classes. However, substitutions may be considered at the discretion of the fair superintendents. A substitute can be selected from the exhibitor's household family or from the household where the originally entered dog resides. Dog(s) may be substituted only if extension staff is directly consulted prior to the show date. A Vaccination Record Form must be completed for all substitution dogs and received by extension staff prior to the show date.

—Showmanship Classes—

Each class will be judged on handler's appearance (10%), grooming and conditioning of dog (20%), coordination of the dog handler (50%), and general knowledge (20%). Classes are divided into age divisions at fair.

Division 700

Class G700900 Dog Showmanship

Division 701

—Obedience Classes—

Follow rules in Nebraska 4-H dog Show Guidelines 4-H420 to determine class entry and exercises within each obedience class.

Class G701900 Beginning Novice Division A Exhibitor **AND** dog is in first year of competition.

Class G701901 Beginning Novice Division B Exhibitor **OR** dog is beyond first year of competition.

Class G701902 Beginning Novice Division C Exhibitor **AND** dog is beyond first year of competition.

Class G701903 Novice A Exhibitor and dog is in first year of Novice Class competition.

Class G701904 Novice B Exhibitor and dog is beyond first year of Novice Class competition.

Class G701905 Graduate Novice

Class G701906 Advanced Graduate Novice

Class G701907 Open

Class G701908 Graduate Open

Class G701909 Utility

Classes 910-911 in this division are ineligible for State Fair

Class G701910 Team The team will consist of 2-4 well-trained dogs. Each 4-H member may only participate in one team.

Class G701911 Brace Two dogs, one handler, beginning novice performance.

Division 702

—Agility Classes—

Agility classes are currently unavailable at the county level in this county.

DEPARTMENT G: Livestock

Livestock Shows

General Rules: Livestock

A. ELIGIBILITY OF EXHIBITORS-An Exhibitor must be a 4-H member enrolled in the project they are exhibiting in. Youth must be enrolled in 4-H by the deadline set by the County Extension Office to exhibit. To exhibit at the county level, the youth must be at least 8 years of age as of January 1 of the current exhibiting year and no older than 18 as of January 1. Youth wanting to exhibit livestock at State Fair must be at least 10 years of age as of January 1 of the current exhibiting year to exhibit in classes where the presence of the 4-H'er is required (such as animal exhibits). Contact the Extension Office for complete State Fair exhibition rules and qualifications.

B. RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENTRY-The responsibility for making proper entry rests with the exhibitors and the Extension Educator. It is the responsibility of the Extension Educator to make sure that each beef, sheep, swine, dairy, meat goats, or rabbit entry that he/she submits was properly identified on an appropriate ownership affidavit and that the ownership affidavit was submitted by the deadline date. The exhibitors of all animals shall conduct themselves with honesty, good sportsmanship, and support all rules and regulations of the Nebraska 4-H program. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to confirm that each beef, sheep, swine, dairy, meat goat, or rabbit being brought to the fair has ID (ear tag, ear notches, tattoo) that matches the ownership affidavit. Compare notches, tattoos, and ear tags to the ownership affidavit before leaving for the fair.

C. ENTRY DEADLINES-All advance entries are due in the County Extension Office by the date set in that county.

D. BRAND INSPECTION-All 4-H show cattle that are moved, driven, shipped or transported, in any manner from any point within the brand area to any point outside the brand area shall first have a brand inspection by the Nebraska Brand Committee, and a certificate of inspection issued. A copy of such certificate shall accompany the cattle and shall be retained by all persons transporting or moving such cattle, as a permanent record. The responsibility of insuring the cattle are inspected prior to removal falls equally on the parent, owner, seller, shipper, person, persons, firm, motor carrier, railroad company, or other carrier or corporation of his, her, its, or their agent or agents or servant or servants moving, driving, shipping, or transporting. Cattle that are transported in and out of the brand area numerous times for showing may qualify for a show permit, utilized for show purposes only and is valid for 1 year from date of issuance. For more information, contact your local brand inspector or the Nebraska Brand Committee.

E. 4-H/FFA EXHIBITS FOR STATE FAIR (done online by exhibitor)-By nominating (or identifying) any Market Beef, Market Lamb, Market Hog, Meat Goat, Breeding Heifer, Breeding Ewe, or Breeding Doe by the deadline set by your local Extension Office, that animal is eligible for exhibition in either 4-H or FFA shows prior to August 10. On August 10, when final State Fair Livestock Entries are made via ShoWorks, the exhibitor will be required to designate whether the animal will show 4-H or FFA. The designation made at that time will remain final.

F. OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS & POULTRY-All animals and poultry in the 4-H Show must be owned by the exhibitor who entered it. Ownership of beef, sheep, swine, dairy, meat goats, and rabbits must be certified where required on the appropriate forms in the Extension Office. All market animals (beef, sheep, swine & meat goats) must have a hair sample for DNA testing on file at Ak-sar-ben by the appropriate dates (April 1 for beef, June 15 for all other species) in order to be exhibited at the State Fair. Breeding animals must have submitted a breeding nomination by the appropriate deadline in order to be exhibited at the State Fair.

G. DAIRY ANIMALS-In the case of dairy animals, some lease arrangements are acceptable, but must be certified on the appropriate forms in the Extension Office. Livestock Show Regulations in the 4-H Program Management files (<http://4h.unl.edu/calendarfiles/livestockshow.htm>) will apply to this show.

H. ELIGIBILITY OF ANIMALS-Any 4-H project animal that has been offered for auction, where the intent of the auction is change of ownership, is ineligible for the 4-H livestock classes at the Nebraska State Fair. This includes animals offered for sale in other events at the Nebraska State Fair, when the event is prior to the 4-H event the animal is entered in. A project animal that has been through a "premium only" auction is eligible to be exhibited at the Nebraska State Fair, provided it and its exhibitor meet all other ownership and eligibility requirements. To be a "premium only" auction, there can be absolutely NO change of ownership that occurs during the auction. All exhibitors and animals need to be treated the same in this process. In a premium only auction, exhibitors will receive a check that represents their premium and is in no way related to the market value of the animal.

Additionally an animal that becomes wild and uncontrollable during the show may be declared ineligible by the Division Superintendent.

I. ANIMAL TESTING AND EXAMINATION-Any animal entered in 4-H classes is subject to any type testing at the discretion of either the superintendent or official show veterinarian. If the results of testing indicate the possible use of compounds or drugs not approved for use in that species by FDA or compounds or drugs used outside the specified withdrawal requirements of FDA, these animals will be declared ineligible for competition and awards. In the case of market animals, show management will determine the appropriate disposal of the animals. An animal that is tampered with to change appearance or weight may be declared ineligible by the Division Superintendent.

J. CERTIFICATION OF DRUG USE AND WITHDRAWAL-Each exhibitor will be asked to submit a signed affidavit certifying correct withdrawal from legal drugs, vaccines or other substances. They will also certify that their entries have not received any non-approved drugs. Affidavits for beef and sheep will also state that animals have not been fed any "prohibited" mammalian derived protein (i.e. ruminant meat and bone meal) while under the care of the exhibitor. Affidavits will be presented to department superintendent prior to or at the time of animal weighing and check-in.

K. YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA): Nebraska 4-H requires all youth enrolled in livestock projects to complete annual quality assurance training through Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). This may be done through the YQCA online course, through a UNL Extension Staff taught course or by completing the Intermediate or Senior test out test (administered in your local Extension Office). Quality Assurance training/testing must be complete by June 15.

L. REGISTRATION OF LIVESTOCK-A breeding animal to be eligible for show in a registered (purebred) class must be owned by the exhibitor by June 15 of the current year and be registered by the official breed association.

M. ONLY PURPLES CAN BE CHAMPIONS-Any beef, dairy, sheep, swine, meat goat, dog, companion animal, poultry or rabbit entry must be awarded a first or second purple ribbon in a class to be eligible to compete for champion or reserve champion.

N. GROOMING OF LIVESTOCK

Preparation and grooming of an animal should be the primary responsibility of the fair exhibitor, however assistance may be provided by other 4-H youth exhibitors involved in the livestock program and/or immediate family members. All livestock including Showmanship, Market and Breeding Classes will be Blow and Go; animals may be clipped, blown and brushed or combed to enhance their appearance.

Guidelines for the Blow and Go Show:

- A. All animals will be shown free of any adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products.
- B. Any compounds that have adhesive qualities that when applied cannot be combed or brushed through or alter the color of the animal are forbidden. These products include but are not limited to commonly used adhesives and colorants such as Prime Time, EZ Comb, Tail Adhesive, Natural Hold, Ultra White Touch-Up, Black Touch-Up, Black Finisher, black show foam and baby powder.
- C. Alcohol, water, oil, foam or any water or alcohol-based products with no adhesive or glue qualities or artificial colorings are permitted. These products include conditioners and commonly used sprays such as Kleen Sheen, Revive, Final Bloom, Pink Oil, white show foam Freshen Up, Silk, and Sudden Impact.
- D. Any animal found to have prohibited products applied (adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products) will be disqualified from competition. Any premiums or awards will be forfeited.

1. Pigs must be shown without hairdressing compounds. This includes oil, powder or any other coat dressing compounds considered objectionable by the packer. Only unadulterated water is permitted.
2. Exhibitors shall not add materials, natural or synthetic, which extend body shapes beyond normal limits. These animals will be disqualified from competition. Additionally, animals showing signs of illegal drenching, injections, etc. will be disqualified from competition.
3. Upon violation of above rules, the exhibitor's animal involved may be lowered one or two ribbon placing(s) or may be disqualified from the show.
4. Exhibitors will be asked to submit a signed affidavit certifying they know and understand these rules.

O. BY ORDER OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHALL-The use of flammable and combustible grooming sprays inside the barns is strictly forbidden. These types of materials must be used outside the buildings only.

P. SUBSTITUTE SHOWMAN-An animal must be shown by the FFA or 4-H owner who entered it unless the exhibitor is excused by the Division Superintendent because of serious illness, disability due to an injury (e.g. broken arm or leg) or conflict with other livestock classes in a 4-H or FFA show. An exhibitor who has more than one animal in a class need not secure approval for another FFA or 4-H member, eligible to exhibit livestock, to show the additional animal in the class. A substitute exhibitor for an FFA animal can only be another FFA exhibitor at the current fair, and a substitute exhibitor for a 4-H animal can only be another 4-H exhibitor at the current fair. All substitute showmen should wear an exhibitor number identifying him/her as a substitute showman (available in the 4-H Livestock Office and/or from species superintendent.)

Q. ANIMAL SUBSTITUTIONS-Within the same class or division, substituting a different animal for a pre-entered animal, provided the substitute meets all ownership and eligibility rules, is acceptable and does not require prior approval from the Division Superintendent. Substitutions between divisions, except within Breeding Beef and Dairy are not allowed (i.e. a market lamb cannot be substituted for a breeding sheep entry). For Breeding Beef and Dairy, where each breed is listed as a separate division, substitution between divisions is allowed (i.e. an Angus heifer can substitute for a Charolais heifer).

R. AUTHORITY-Each Division Superintendent (i.e., Beef Superintendent) shall have the authority to make all decisions within their respective Divisions in accordance with rules and regulations set forth in this premium list.

S. DRESS CODE-Exhibitors showing beef, dairy, dogs, companion animals, goats, sheep, swine, poultry, and rabbits are required to wear an official 4-H T-shirt (any color). If there is no official 4-H T-shirt, exhibitors are required to wear a white shirt (or blouse) with the official 4-H chevron attached. Dark blue jeans and hard soled shoes or boots are required for beef, sheep, swine, poultry, and rabbit exhibitors. Dairy exhibitors may wear dark blue jeans or white pants. No hats, caps or other types of headgear are to be worn in the show ring. Exhibitors shall not display local, county, commercial or other identification while showing their animals-except official 4-H and such identification the show ring may require.

T. SHOW TIMES-Show times printed in the newspaper are *TENTATIVE*. Consult the exhibitor letter you receive with your fair pre-entry forms for the most accurate show times. The times stated in this letter *will* be the time of the shows *unless* you are notified by the Extension Office.

U. HERDSMANSHIP-4-H project animals are on display to the public while at the fair. The following are guidelines to follow in presenting your animals:

1. Animals clean at all times.
2. Animals adequately cared for with proper feeding, clean and proper amount of bedding and adequate feeding equipment. Beef animals are to be securely tied with 18-20 inches of lead.
3. Trappings and feed area clean and neatly arranged. Fork handles and similar equipment kept down.
4. Proper courtesy and conduct shown by exhibitors at all times and at all places.

V. SHOWMANSHIP AGES-Ages for ALL animal projects (cattle, swine, sheep, goats, poultry, rabbits, pets, dog and horse) will be:

- Juniors—(age 8-10 years)
- Intermediates—(age 11-13 years)
- Seniors—(age 14-18 years)

W. NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK ANIMALS THAT CAN BE SHOWN-

- Market Rabbits—five (5)
- Non-Market Class Rabbits—one per class (maximum of 5 total)
- Market Chickens—four (4)
- Non-Market Class Poultry—one per class
- Market Goats—three (3)
- Breeding Goats—three (3)
- Dairy Goats—three (3)
- Market Sheep—three (3)
- Breeding Sheep—two (2)
- Market Swine—three (3)
- Market Beef—two (2)
- Breeding Beef—three (3)
- Feeder Beef—two (2)
- Bucket Calf—one (1)
- Dairy Beef—two (2)

X. ONLY MARKET ANIMALS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR SALE. Animals may be shown for PREMIUM ONLY if they will be shown at another show (**this applies to MARKET animals ONLY**).

This includes:

- ✓ Market Rabbits (one each market class as listed—each class equals one (1) small animal)
 - Single fryer
 - Meat pen of three
 - Roaster
- ✓ Market Chickens (one each market class as listed—each class equals one (1) small animal)
 - Broiler individual
 - Any poultry, pen of three (they *must* be market chickens)
- ✓ Market Goats
- ✓ Market Sheep
- ✓ Market Swine
- ✓ Market Beef

Y. MINIMUM ANIMAL WEIGHTS FOR SALE ELIGIBILITY-

- Market Rabbits (Fryer & Meat Pen)—Not over 10 weeks of age. Minimum weight of 3 pounds each. Maximum weight of 5 pounds each.
- Market Rabbits (Roaster)—Must be under 6 months of age. Minimum weight over 8 pounds.
- Market Chickens—as stated in The American Standard of Perfection
- Market Goats—minimum of 50 lbs.
- Market Sheep—minimum of 90 lbs.
- Market Swine—minimum of 220 lbs./maximum of 325 lbs.
- Market Beef (Steers)—minimum of 1000 lbs.
- Market Beef (Heifers)—minimum of 900 lbs.

Number of Market Animals That Can Sell in Perkins County:

One (1) market beef and one (1) market small animal (market sheep, market swine, meat goat, market rabbit(s), market chicken(s))—for a total of TWO (2) animals OR two (2) market small animals (not beef) in any combination.

Z. ANY MARKET ANIMALS LIGHTER THAN MINIMUM WEIGHT MAY SHOW BUT MAY **NOT** BE SOLD. MARKET SWINE THAT ARE OVER THE MAXIMUM WEIGHT MAY SHOW BUT MAY **NOT** BE SOLD.

Livestock Showmanship

Printed Reference: 4H357 Guide for Evaluating Livestock Showmanship Contests

General Instructions: Livestock Showmanship

CONTEST RULES

1. **ELIGIBILITY**-All 4-H livestock exhibitors must show their own animals to be considered as participants in the Showmanship Contest. Ownership is determined by fair entry and appropriate ownership/ID affidavits from the Extension Office.
2. **SHOWMANSHIP CANDIDATES**-In Beef, Dairy, Goats, Rabbits, Poultry, Sheep, and Swine, all exhibitors **who pre-enter** by the specified deadline are eligible to show in showmanship class but must show their own animal.
3. **ASSIGNED CLASSES** - In species where showmanship classes are assigned and posted prior to the show, exhibitors must show in the class assigned, or receive prior permission from the species superintendent, or they will be disqualified.
4. **BASIS FOR JUDGING**-Showmanship judging is based on preparation of animals for show, their apparent training and the appearance and behavior of the showman. Minor technical points are not to be over-emphasized, nor do minor infractions disqualify. Primarily in showmanship it is the skill of the showman in presenting the animal before the judge that counts, while individual excellence of the animal does not.
5. **EXHIBITOR DRESS CODE**-See rule S, General Animal Rules.
6. **LIVESTOCK GROOMING RULE**-See rule N, Livestock/Animal General Rules.
7. **EXHIBITOR NUMBERS**-To allow for easy and rapid identification, all exhibitor numbers shall be pinned on the back of the exhibitor in the area of the shoulder blades.
8. **MARKET AND BREEDING SHOWMANSHIP**-Exhibitors may compete in both market and breeding showmanship for the same animal species (i.e. market beef and breeding beef showmanship). Exhibitors must pre-enter showmanship. Exhibitors must show their own animal.
9. **DISQUALIFICATION**-The division superintendents may disqualify any 4-H'er from showmanship for any violation of rules or unsportsmanlike conduct.
10. **LIVESTOCK SHOWMANSHIP AGES**-
 - **Junior-Ages 8-10**
 - **Intermediate-Ages 11-13**
 - **Senior-Ages 14-18**

Division 001

Class G001900 Cattle Showmanship

Class G001920 Sheep Showmanship

Class G001930 Swine Showmanship

Class G001940 Goat Showmanship

Beef

Printed Material: NATL4H08143 Beef 1: *Bite into Beef*, NATL4H08144 Beef 2: *Here's the Beef*, NATL4H08145 Beef 3: *Leading the Charge*

Beef References: 4H117R *Beef Resource Manual*, EC20597 *Livestock Judging Guide*, *Guide to Identifying Meat Cuts*, *Animal Care Resources*, *BVDV (Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus)--Why is it Important?*
A Guide to Cattle Produces and Youth Raising 4-H/FFA Beef Projects

General Instructions: Market Beef

1. GENERAL RULES-All general livestock rules (listed at the beginning of this department) apply.
2. IDENTIFICATION-All market beef animals must have been tagged and identified with the County Extension Office (form 4HF106) by the due date determined by the Extension Office to be eligible to show at county fair.
3. HANDLING EQUIPMENT-No muzzles or similar devices will be allowed on 4-H beef animals at this show. Halters with throat straps, nose leads, barbed or studded show halter chain leads and other equipment determined to be distracting or severe to the animal by the division superintendent will not be permitted.
4. BLOCKING CHUTES-Blocking chutes will not be allowed in the barn. Areas on each side of the barn will be designated for blocking chutes.
5. DRESS CODE-Will be as required in Section S of Livestock/Animal General Rules.
6. GROOMING-See Livestock/Animal General Rules. Please note that the beef show will be Blow and Go with guidelines as outlined by the Nebraska State Fair.
7. DISQUALIFICATION-Exhibitors shall not add materials, natural or synthetic, which extend body shapes beyond normal limits. These animals will be disqualified from competition. Additionally, animals showing signs of illegal drenching, injections, etc. will be disqualified from competition.
8. YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA): Nebraska 4-H requires all youth enrolled in livestock projects to complete annual quality assurance training through Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). This may be done through the YQCA online course, through a UNL Extension Staff taught course or by completing the Intermediate or Senior test out test (administered in your local Extension Office). Quality Assurance training/testing must be complete by June 15.

Division 10

—Rate of Gain—

Class G010900 Rate of Gain All Market Beef that were weighed-in will be eligible for the Rate of Gain award.

Division 11

—Market Beef—

Class G011900 Market Beef Market animals will be divided into classes at the time of fair weigh-in.

NUMBER OF MARKET BEEF THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Two (2) Market Beef

ONLY MARKET BEEF WEIGHED AT THE OFFICIAL WEIGH IN ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RATE OF GAIN

MINIMUM ANIMAL WEIGHTS FOR SALE ELIGIBILITY:

- Market Steers-minimum of 1000 lbs.
- Market Heifers-minimum of 900 lbs.

MARKET ANIMALS LIGHTER THAN MINIMUM WEIGHT MAY SHOW BUT MAY NOT BE SOLD

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

Division 23

—Breeding Beef—

Class G023900 Yearling Heifer Calved Jan 1 –Dec 31, last year.

Class G023901 Heifer Calf Calved Jan 1-May 31 of current year.

—Cow/Calf Pair—

Division 24

Class G024900 Cow/Calf Pair Any Breed

This class is designed to be an extension of the breeding heifer project.

There are 2 Options for this Exhibit:

1. Once a heifer has been shown at the county fair, she is eligible to be shown by the same exhibitor in the Cow/Calf class at subsequent fairs. The heifer must be identified on form 2-07-75 at the County Extension Office by June 1 using an ear tattoo or family herd tag.
2. A purchased Cow/Calf Pair may be exhibited by the 4-H'er providing the 4-H'er is enrolled in the Breeding Beef Project and the cow is identified on form 2-07-75 at the County Extension Office by June 1 using an ear tattoo or family herd tag.

The cow in this class will be shown in a natural state, without clipping or washing. The calf may be clipped and groomed. The Cow/Calf winner will be determined by the confirmation, quality and mothering ability of the cow in addition to the conformation and quality of the calf.

NUMBER OF BREEDING BEEF THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Three (3) Breeding Beef *(Divisions 23 & 24 combined)*

—Feeder Calf—

Calves to be exhibited in this division must be identified and recorded with the County Extension Office on or before June 1.

Division 25

Class G025900 Stocker Feeder Steer Calved Jan 1-May 31 of current year.

Class G025901 Stocker Feeder Heifer Calved Jan 1-May 31 of current year.

Class G025902 Bucket Calf Exhibits will be judged on an interview basis and on how well the calf responds to the exhibitor when showing. Calves should be washed and combed only. Those exhibitors who have had their 13th birthday before Jan 1 of current year are ineligible to show in this class. Bucket calves may not be shown in regular showmanship.

NUMBER OF FEEDER BEEF THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Two (2) Feeder Calves

NUMBER OF BUCKET CALVES THAT CAN BE SHOWN: One (1) Bucket Calf

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

Sheep

Printed Material: NATL4H06367 Sheep1: Lambs, Rams and You,
NATL4H06368 Sheep 2: Shear Delight, NATL4H06369 Sheep 3: Leading the Flock
Sheep References: 4H194R Sheep Resource Manual, EC20597 Livestock Judging Guide,
Animal Care Resources

General Instructions: Sheep

1. GENERAL RULES-All general livestock rules (listed at the beginning of this department) apply.
2. USDA OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION-All sheep (market and breeding) must be tagged with a USDA official scrapie ID tag.
3. IDENTIFICATION-All market sheep must be identified with the County Extension Office (form 4HF106) by the due date determined by the Extension Office to be eligible to show at county fair.
4. DRESS CODE-Will be as required in Section S of Livestock/Animal General Rules.
5. GROOMING-See Livestock/Animal General Rules. Additionally--All market lambs must be completely slick shorn, including belly, to within ¼". Wool may be left on the legs ONLY below the knees and hocks.
6. DISQUALIFICATION-Exhibitors shall not add materials, natural or synthetic, which extend body shapes beyond normal limits. These animals will be disqualified from competition. Additionally, animals showing signs of illegal drenching, injections, etc. will be disqualified from competition.
7. NO MUZZLES ALLOWED-No muzzles or similar devices will be allowed.
8. YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA): Nebraska 4-H requires all youth enrolled in livestock projects to complete annual quality assurance training through Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). This may be done through the YQCA online course, through a UNL Extension Staff taught course or by completing the Intermediate or Senior test out test (administered in your local Extension Office). Quality Assurance training/testing must be complete by June 15.
9. SHOW PRACTICES-The use of showing and/or handling practices that may be considered objectionable or abusive, such as striking or slapping lambs and exhibiting the lamb with its front feet off the ground, are not acceptable. The use of such practices may result in the lowering of a ribbon placing. (Lifting the lamb in a fluid motion to set the front legs prior to quickly setting the feet back on the ground is acceptable.)

—Market Sheep—

Division 31

Class G031900 Market Lambs all Breeds Wethers and Ewes shown together.

Class G031901 Feeder Lambs Under 90 pounds.

Class G031902 Pen of Three

—Breeding Sheep—

Division 32

Class G032900 Yearling Ewes Born 09/01/year before last to 08/31/last year

Class G032901 Ewe Lambs Born 09/01/last year and after

NUMBER OF MARKET SHEEP THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Three (3) Market Sheep

NUMBER OF BREEDING SHEEP THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Two (2) Breeding Sheep

MINIMUM WEIGHTS FOR SALE ELIGIBILITY:

- Market Sheep-minimum of 90 lbs.

MARKET ANIMALS LIGHTER THAN MINIMUM WEIGHT MAY SHOW BUT MAY NOT BE SOLD

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

Swine

Printed Material: NATL4H08065 Swine 1: *The Incredible Pig*,
NATL4H08066 Swine 2: *Putting the Oink in Pig*, NATL4H08067 Swine 3: *Going Whole Hog*
Swine References: 4H134R *Swine Resource Manual*, 4H357 *Guide for Evaluating Livestock*,
EC20597 *Livestock Judging Guide*, 4H459 *Nebraska Pork Quality Assurance*, *Animal Care Resources*

General Instructions: Swine

1. GENERAL RULES-All general livestock rules (listed at the beginning of this department) apply.
2. SWINE IDENTIFICATION-Official 4-H ownership affidavits (4HF107) will be considered the official list of eligible hogs. Entries that do not match hogs on the affidavit will be disqualified without exception. The universal ear notch system with notches in both ears is required for county fair. All market swine must have been notched and identified by the due date determined by the Extension Office to be eligible to show at county fair (tags are allowed, but not required).
3. DRESS CODE-Will be as required in Section S of Livestock/Animal General Rules.
4. GROOMING-See Livestock/Animal General Rules. Additionally—Swine must be shown without hairdressing compounds. This includes oil, powder, or any other coat dressing compounds considered objectionable by the packer.
5. ENTRIES-Entries are due as indicated by your County Extension Office. Designation of a specific hog is not required prior to the fair.
6. DISQUALIFICATION-Exhibitors shall not add materials, natural or synthetic, which extend body shapes beyond normal limits. These animals will be disqualified from competition. Additionally, animals showing signs of illegal drenching, injections, etc. will be disqualified from competition.
7. YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA): Nebraska 4-H requires all youth enrolled in livestock projects to complete annual quality assurance training through Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). This may be done through the YQCA online course, through a UNL Extension Staff taught course or by completing the Intermediate or Senior test out test (administered in your local Extension Office). Quality Assurance training/testing must be complete by June 15.
8. WATER-Only unaltered water is permitted. Pigs found in violation will be disqualified from the show. They will also be subject to all price discounts imposed by the packer for such compounds.
9. STATE FAIR-TERMINAL SHOW-Please note that the Nebraska State Fair swine show is a **TERMINAL** show. ALL MARKET SWINE, WHETHER ELIGIBLE OR INELIGIBLE TO SHOW MUST BE FORWARDED TO SLAUGHTER. All exhibitors must provide a Premise ID number and PQA number for all swine being marketed.

Division 35

Class G035900 Market Gilts

Class G035901 Market Barrows

Class G035902 Pre-Market (under 220 pounds)

Class G035903 Pen of Three

NUMBER OF MARKET SWINE THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Three (3) Market Swine

MINIMUM/MAXIMUM ANIMAL WEIGHTS FOR SALE ELIGIBILITY:

- Market Swine-minimum of 220 lbs.
- Market Swine-maximum of 325 lbs.

MARKET SWINE THAT DO NOT MEET THE MINIMUM/MAXIMUM WEIGHT LIMITS MAY SHOW BUT MAY NOT BE SOLD

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

Dairy Cattle

Printed Material: NATL4H08161 Dairy 1: Cowabunga!, NATL4H08162 Dairy 2: Mooving Ahead,
NATL4H08163 Dairy 3: Rising to the Top

Dairy Cattle Resources: Animal Care Resources

General Instructions: Dairy Cattle

1. GENERAL RULES-All general livestock rules (listed at the beginning of this department) apply.
2. IDENTIFICATION-Dairy exhibitors must complete form 4HF108 and turn it in to the Extension Office by the due date determined by the Extension Office to be eligible to show at county fair.
3. DRESS CODE-Will be as required in Section S of Livestock/Animal General Rules. Additionally—Dairy exhibitors may wear dark blue jeans or white pants.
4. GROOMING-See Livestock/Animal General Rules.
5. DISQUALIFICATION-Exhibitors shall not add materials, natural or synthetic, which extend body shapes beyond normal limits. These animals will be disqualified from competition. Additionally, animals showing signs of illegal drenching, injections, etc. will be disqualified from competition.
6. YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA): Nebraska 4-H requires all youth enrolled in livestock projects to complete annual quality assurance training through Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). This may be done through the YQCA online course, through a UNL Extension Staff taught course or by completing the Intermediate or Senior test out test (administered in your local Extension Office). Quality Assurance training/testing must be complete by June 15.

Division 40

Class G040900 Spring Heifer Calves Born 03/01-04/30 of current year.

Class G040901 Winter Heifer Calves Born 12/1 (last year)-02/28 (current year).

Class G040902 Fall Heifer Calves Born 09/1-11/30 of last year.

Class G040903 Summer Yearlings Born 06/1-08/31 of last year.

Class G040904 Spring Yearling Born 03/01-05/31 of last year.

Class G040905 Winter Yearling Born 12/01 (year before last year)-02/28 (last year).

Class G040906 Fall Yearling Born 09/01-11/30 of the year before last year.

Class G040907 Dry Cow Any age.

Class G040908 Two Year Old

Class G040909 Three Year Old

Class G040910 Four Year Old

Class G040911 Five year Old & Older

Class G040912 Junior Herds

NUMBER OF DAIRY CATTLE THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Two (2) Dairy Cattle

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

Goat

Printed Material: NATL4H07909 Meat Goat 1: *Just Browsing*,
NATL4H07910 Meat Goat 2: *Get Growing with Meat Goats*,
NATL4H07911 Meat Goat 3: *Meating the Future*,
NATL4H08352 Goat 1: *Getting Your Goat*, NATL4H08353 Goat 2: *Stepping Out*,
NATL4H08354 Goat 3: *Showing the Way*
Meat Goat References: *4-H Meat Goat Guide*, *P2177 Meat Goat Selection & Care*,
P2263 Market Goat Showmanship, *Animal Care Resources*

General Instructions: Goat

1. GENERAL RULES-All general livestock rules (listed at the beginning of this department) apply.
2. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS-All sheep and goats being exhibited must be tagged with a USDA official scrapie ID. Under no circumstances may sheep or goats be exhibited which originate from scrapie-source flocks or scrapie-infested flocks.
3. GOAT IDENTIFICATION- All goats must have been identified with the County Extension Office (form 4HF111) by the due date determined by the Extension Office to be eligible to show at county fair.
4. AGE-All market goats are required to be born on or after January 1 of the current 4-H year. Market goats are to have milk teeth and there shall be no evidence of breaking of the skin or eruption of the two permanent front teeth.
5. DRESS CODE-Will be as required in Section R of Livestock/Animal General Rules.
6. GROOMING-See Livestock/Animal General Rules.
7. HAIR-Goats must be uniformly slick shorn with 1/4 inch of hair or less from the knee and hock up. Breeding Goats will be allowed to be unshorn.
8. DISQUALIFICATION-Exhibitors shall not add materials, natural or synthetic, which extend body shapes beyond normal limits. These animals will be disqualified from competition. Additionally, animals showing signs of illegal drenching, injections, etc. will be disqualified from competition.
9. HORNS-Goats must have horns blunted. Dehorning is acceptable and preferred.
10. NECK CHAINS-Goats are to be shown with neck chains or smooth collars only. Spike collars are not acceptable and will result in the lowering of a ribbon placing.
11. SHOW CLASS AND SEX-Market goats may be doe or wether kids. Short scrotum, cryptorchid and buck kids are not eligible as market goats. All market goats will be weighed and divided into classes based on total numbers and weight range. Does and wethers will show together.
12. SHOWING AND HANDLING PRACTICES-The use of showing and/or handling practices that may be considered objectionable or abusive, such as striking or slapping goats and exhibiting the goat with its front feet off the ground, are not acceptable. Goats may be braced but **MUST HAVE** all four feet on the ground. The use of such practices may result in the lowering of a ribbon placing. (Lifting the goat in a fluid motion to set the front legs prior to quickly setting the feet back on the ground is acceptable.)
13. YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA): Nebraska 4-H requires all youth enrolled in livestock projects to complete annual quality assurance training through Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). This may be done through the YQCA online course, through a UNL Extension Staff taught course or by completing the Intermediate or Senior test out test (administered in your local Extension Office). Quality Assurance training/testing must be complete by June 15.

—Market Goats—

Division 58

Class G058900 Market Goats Wethers and Does

NUMBER OF MARKET GOATS THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Three (3) Market Goats

MINIMUM ANIMAL WEIGHTS FOR SALE ELIGIBILITY:

- Market Goats-minimum of 50 lbs.

MARKET ANIMALS LIGHTER THAN MINIMUM WEIGHT MAY SHOW BUT MAY NOT BE SOLD

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

—Breeding Meat Goats—

Division 59

Class G059910 Yearling Does Born 9/1/year before last to 8/31/last year

Class G059911 Doe Kids Born 9/1/last year to 6/1/current year

—Dairy Goats—

Division 59

Class G059920 Dairy Goats

NUMBER OF BREEDING GOATS THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Three (3) Breeding Goats

NUMBER OF DAIRY GOATS THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Three (3) Dairy Goats

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

Horse

Printed Material: 4H458 Horse Project Member Manual, 4H426 Horse Project Advancement Levels
NATL4H08053 Horse 1: Giddy Up & Go,

NATL4H08054 Horse 2: Head, Heart & Hooves, NATL4H08055 Horse 3: Stable Relationships,
NATL4H08056 Horse 4: Riding the Range, NATL4H08057 Horse 5: Jumping to New Heights

Horse References: 4H373 Nebraska 4-H Horse Show and Judging Guide,
4H427 Nebraska 4-H Horse Program Opportunities Brochure

General Instructions: Horse

1. ELIGIBILITY-An exhibitor shall ride or show a certified project animal, be enrolled in the Horse Project and turn in a horse ID sheet by date specified by the Extension Office.
2. DRESS CODE-Dress code requirements and examples are available from your County Extension Office.

Division 60

—Showmanship—

Class G060900 Horse Showmanship

—Halter Classes—

Sexes shown separately. Limit of two.

Class G060910 Mare & Foal Mare with foal of current year.

Class G060911 Weanlings Jan 1 to Jun 1 foals.

Class G060912 Yearling

Class G060913 2-Year Old

Class G060914 3-5 Years Old

Class G060915 6-12 Years Old

Class G060916 13 Years and Older

—Performance Classes—

Class G060920 Pleasure

Class G060921 Horsemanship

Class G060922 Reining

Class G060923 Pole Bending

Class G060924 Barrel Racing

Class G060925 Trail

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

Poultry

Printed Material: NATL4H06363 Poultry 1: *Scratching the Surface*,
NATL4H06364 Poultry 2: *Testing Your Wings*, NATL4H06365 Poultry 3: *Flocking Together*
Poultry References: 4H460 *National Poultry Judging*, 4H308 *Market Broilers*, 4H433 *Embryology Poster*,
Animal Care Resources

General Instructions: Poultry

1. GENERAL RULES-General Livestock Rules apply to this department.
2. QUALITY ASSURANCE-Quality assurance certification is required prior to the fair for market chickens.
3. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS-Health certificate is not required for poultry. No additional testing requirements for Nebraska origin poultry.
4. BREEDS-To be eligible for breed exhibition, cockerel, pullet, cock or hen chicken entries must be fair representatives of one of the breeds listed in the American Standard of Perfection.
5. MINIMUM WEIGHTS-The minimum weights for exhibition birds will be as stated in The American Standard of Perfection and the Bantam Standard.
6. TRIO-A pen of egg production birds can be hybrids, crossbred or purebred and shall consist of 3 sexually mature females. Egg production females will be judged for production qualities only and need not necessarily conform to breed standards.
7. RULES FOR BANTAM & OTHER POULTRY-The rules for standard size chickens apply equally to bantams, waterfowl and turkey where applicable.
8. ENTRIES MUST BE 4-H PROJECT BIRDS-All poultry exhibited must be grown in a 4-H member's project.
9. EGG EXHIBITS-Egg exhibits are limited to one entry per class. Class options will consist of 1 dozen white, brown or colored eggs. Eggs will be judged according to uniformity of size, weight and color as well as cleanliness. Do NOT refrigerate eggs prior to exhibiting.
10. DRESS CODE-Will be as required in Section S of Livestock/Animal General Rules.

Division 70

—Large Fowl—

Class G070900 American (Plymouth Rock, Jersey Giant, Wyandotte, New Hampshire Red, Rhode Island Red)

Class G070901 Asiatic (Cochin, Brahmas, Langshan)

Class G070902 English (Cornish, Orpington, Australorps, Sussex, Dorklings)

Class G070903 Mediterranean (Leghorn, Buttercup, Minorca)

Class G070904 Continental (Polish, Hamburg, Campines, Faverolles, Houdan)

Class G070905 All other Breeds (Naked Neck, Game, Sumatra, Araucanas, Ameracanas)

—Bantam—

Class G070906 Game Bantam (Modern and Old English)

Class G070907 Single Comb Clean Legged (Plymouth Rock, Leghorn, Japanese, Rhode Island Red, Orpingtons, New Hampshire)

Class G070908 Rose Comb Clean Legged (Rosecomb, Wyandotte, Sebright, Leghorn, Belgian Bearded D'Anver)

Class G070909 All Other Comb Clean Legged (Polish, Cornish, Houdan)

Class G070910 Feather Legged Class (Silkie, Cochin, Brahma, Belgian Bearded D'Uccle, Langshan)

—Ducks—

Class G070911 Heavy (Pekin, Rouen, Muscovy)

Class G070912 Medium (Swedish, Buff, Crested, Cayuga)

Class G070913 Light (Runner, Khaki, Campbell)

Class G070914 Bantam Ducks (Call, Mallard, East Indie)

—Geese—

Class G070915 Geese (all weights)

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—Turkeys—

Class G070916 Turkeys (all weights)

—Other Poultry Classes—

Class G070917 Broiler, Individual

Class G070918 Any Poultry, Pen-of-Three

Class G070919 Production Trio

—Eggs—

Class G070920 One Dozen White Eggs (displayed in a standard egg carton)

Class G070921 One Dozen Brown Eggs (displayed in a standard egg carton)

Class G070922 One Dozen Other Colored Eggs (displayed in a standard egg carton)

General Instructions: Poultry Showmanship

1. ELIGIBILITY-Any 4-H'er with a bird may enter the competition.
2. ELIGIBLE POULTRY-The participant may use any bird they choose, so long as it was raised and trained by the 4-H'er. Showmanship class must be entered with advance entry.
3. 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.
4. TIME LIMIT-There will be a five minute time limit to complete the showmanship presentation. Exhibitors will be timed. Time will begin as soon as the 4-H'er begins speaking and will stop when the exhibitor poses the bird or when they indicate to the judge they are finished with their presentation. Point deductions may be assessed if the length of showmanship presentations exceeds five minutes
5. JUDGES-The judges may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.

Information on the basis of judging poultry showmanship is found in Nebraska Cooperative Extension 4-H 191.

Class G070930 Poultry Showmanship

NUMBER OF POULTRY THAT CAN BE SHOWN:

- Four (4) Market Chickens
- One (1) per class Non-Market Poultry

MINIMUM WEIGHT FOR SALE ELIGIBILITY:

- Market Chickens-as stated in The American Standard of Perfection

MARKET ANIMALS LIGHTER THAN MINIMUM WEIGHT MAY SHOW BUT MAY NOT BE SOLD

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

Rabbit

Printed Material: NATL4H08080 Rabbit 1: What's Hopping?, NATL4H08081 Rabbit 2: Making Tracks, NATL4H08082 Rabbit 3: All Ears.

Rabbit References: 4H257 Judging 4-H Rabbit Shows, ANSC Extension Companion Animals, Animal Care Resources

General Instructions: Rabbit

1. GENERAL RULES-General Livestock Rules apply to this department.
2. QUALITY ASSURANCE-Quality assurance certification is required prior to the fair for market rabbits (Division 80—Classes 002, 003 and 004).
3. IDENTIFICATION-All rabbits except fryers must have permanent ID numbers or names tattooed in their ear with a pin tattoo pliers and tattoo ink (permanent marker numbers written in the ears of the rabbits are NOT permanent ID numbers).
14. OWNERSHIP-Ownership must have been certified on official 4-H ownership affidavits (4HF103) by the due date determined by the Extension Office to be eligible to show at county fair.
4. ID NUMBERS or names along with class information must be supplied to superintendent at time of entry. Showmanship entry animals must be ID'd also.
5. TATTOOS-All animals will be physically checked for tattoos during entry. Tattoos and class information must match the information found on the 4-H Affidavit form. Rabbits whose tattoos are not readable or do not match the 4-H Affidavit will not be allowed to show. Tattoos that have faded or are no longer readable should be re-done prior to fair.
6. DRESS CODE-Will be as required in Section R of Livestock/Animal General Rules.

Division 80

—Market Classes—

Class G080900 Single Fryer Not over 10 weeks of age. Minimum weight of 3 pounds. Maximum weight of 5 pounds.

Class G080901 Meat Pen Three (3) Rabbits. Age limit 10 weeks. Minimum weight of 3 pounds each. Maximum weight 5 pounds each.

Class G080902 Roaster Must be under 6 months of age. Minimum weight over 8 pounds.

NUMBER OF MARKET RABBITS THAT CAN BE SHOWN: Five (5) Market Rabbits

RABBIT WEIGHTS FOR SALE ELIGIBILITY:

- Fryers and Meat Pen-Not over 10 weeks of age. Minimum weight of 3 pounds. Maximum weight of 5 pounds.
- Roaster-Must be under 6 months of age. Minimum weight of over 8 pounds.

MARKET ANIMALS LIGHTER THAN MINIMUM WEIGHT MAY SHOW BUT MAY NOT BE SOLD

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

DEPARTMENT G—DIVISION 80 CONTINUED

—Breeding Classes—

- 1) Fancy Breed Rabbits may be divided into the following age divisions:
 - a) Junior-Six months old and younger
 - b) Senior-Over six months old.
 - c) Note: a Fancy Breed Rabbit that is exactly six months old on show day will be shown as a Junior Division rabbit. A Fancy Breed rabbit that is six months plus one day old on show day will be shown as a Senior Division Rabbit.
- 2) Age will be the age of the rabbit on show date
- 3) Division breakdown will be by the age of the rabbit not by the weight of the rabbit.

Fancy Breed Rabbits

Class G080905 American Fuzzy Lop	Class G080920 Holland Lop
Class G080906 American Sable	Class G080921 Mini Lop
Class G080907 Belgian Hare	Class G080922 Mini Rex
Class G080908 Britannia Petite	Class G080923 Mini Satin
Class G080909 Dutch	Class G080924 Netherland Dwarf
Class G080910 Dwarf Hotot	Class G080925 Polish
Class G080911 English Angora	Class G080926 Rex
Class G080912 English Spot	Class G080927 Rhinelander
Class G080913 Florida White	Class G080928 Satin Angora
Class G080914 French Angora	Class G080929 Silver
Class G080915 Harlequin	Class G080930 Silver Marten
Class G080916 Havana	Class G080931 Standard Chinchilla
Class G080917 Himalayan	Class G080932 Tan
Class G080918 Jersey Woolie	Class G080933 Thrianta
Class G080919 Lilac	Class G080934 Lionhead

- 1) Commercial breed rabbits may be divided into the following three age divisions:
 - a) Junior-Six months old and younger.
 - b) Intermediate-Six months old to eight months old.
 - c) Senior-Over eight months old.
 - d) Note: A Commercial Breed Rabbit that is six months old on show day will be shown as a Junior Division Rabbit. A Commercial Breed Rabbit that is six months plus one day old on show day will be shown as an Intermediate Division Rabbit. A Commercial Breed Rabbit that is exactly eight months old on show day will be shown as an Intermediate Division Rabbit. A Commercial Breed Rabbit that is eight months plus one day old on show day will be shown as a Senior Division Rabbit.
- 2) Rabbit age will be the age of the rabbit on show date.
- 3) Division breakdown will be by the age of the rabbit and not by the weight of the rabbit.

Commercial Breed Rabbits

Class G080950 American	Class G080959 English Lop
Class G080951 American Chinchilla	Class G080960 Flemish Giant
Class G080952 Beveren	Class G080961 French Lop
Class G080953 Blanc d Hotot	Class G080962 Giant Angora
Class G080954 Californian	Class G080963 Giant Chinchilla
Class G080955 Champagne D'Argent	Class G080964 New Zealand
Class G080956 Checkered Giant	Class G080965 Palomino
Class G080957 Cinnamon	Class G080966 Satin
Class G080958 Crème D'Argent	Class G080967 Silver Fox

One rabbit per class may be shown in fancy & commercial breeds with a total of five (5) that may be shown for both classes combined.

General Instructions: *Rabbit Showmanship*

1. ELIGIBILITY-Any 4-H'er with a rabbit may enter the competition.
2. SHOWMANSHIP-The participant may use any rabbit they choose, so long as it was raised and trained by the 4-H'er. Showmanship class must be entered with advance entry.
3. 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.
4. TIME LIMIT-Maximum length of showmanship presentations is four minutes. Exhibitors will be timed.
5. JUDGES-The judges may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.
6. RABBIT BREEDS-Note that any breed of rabbit may be shown as part of the showmanship competition.

Class G080970 Rabbit Showmanship

****REMINDER—SHOWMANSHIP AGES ARE:**

JUNIOR-AGES 8-10

INTERMEDIATE-AGES 11-13

SENIOR-AGES 14-18

Educational Displays for Animal Entries

4-H'ers are invited to create a poster highlighting an educational aspect of their animal project. The poster could focus on a current livestock issue, animal industry career, animal care or health, or economic impacts of the livestock industry, within the species of dairy, beef, sheep, swine, goat, poultry, and rabbit.

Posters will be displayed in or around the livestock barn as a way to increase the educational experiences of both the 4-H member and the general public increasing agricultural literacy and promoting good will at the fair. In order to be eligible for the State Fair, posters must have been exhibited at the county fair and received a purple ribbon. Because posters may have been exhibited at the county fair in outside conditions, it is understood that they may be re-done prior to the Nebraska State Fair but the content and design should be similar.

One educational poster may be shown per eligible species shown at the fair. Species include: dairy, beef, sheep, swine, goat, poultry and rabbit.

General Instructions: *Educational Displays*

- DISPLAY ENTRY DAY-Entries will be entered on 4-H Static Entry day (the Wednesday of fair) in the 4-H Static Building.
- EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS JUDGED-Posters will be judged on static entry day when other static exhibits are judged (the Wednesday of fair).
- EXHIBIT DISPLAY-Posters will be displayed in the livestock barn, arena or as close to the animal represented in the display as possible depending on space available.
- POSTER SPECIFICATIONS-Poster display should be sturdy enough to last through the fair and no larger than 22 x 28 inches. Only standard poster board will be accepted. Foam Board or cardboard posters are discouraged. NOTE: Please take into consideration that these exhibits will be displayed inside the barn and may not be returned to the exhibitor in the original condition as the time of entry.
- ENTRY MUST MATCH SPECIES SHOWN-All entries must match the specie of livestock they have entered. For example, if a 4-H'er is exhibiting beef, their entry must be about beef and not another species. Also a 4-H'er is NOT required to exhibit their livestock/animal entry at the State Fair. The entry just needs to match the species that was exhibited at the county level.
- SPECIES ACCEPTED IN THIS DIVISION-Dairy, beef, sheep, swine, goat, poultry and rabbit.
- POSTERS WILL BE JUDGED AS A SEPARATE ENTRY

Division 90

Class G090100 Educational Displays One entry per species shown may be entered.