

Douglas County Fair

Where Urban and Rural Meet



Open Class General Rules & Regulations

1. **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The following general rules and regulations apply to the Open Class Departments. Additional rules specific to the individual departments are found in the respective entry sections. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to be familiar with these rules and regulations.

2. **INTERPRETATION OF RULES:**

The Douglas County Fair reserves the right to interpret and amend all **Rules & Regulations** and resolve differences relating to them as necessary.

3. **COMPLIANCE:**

The exhibitor agrees to comply with all rules regulations and schedules governing the Douglas County Fair upon entering exhibits in the Fair.

This includes the compliance with the current **Open Class General Rules & Regulations**, and additional rules specific to the individual Open Class Departments. Exhibitors must also agree to cooperate with all Douglas County Fair officials and personnel in all matters of policy.

Exhibitors serve as an important part of the Fair in celebrating and showcasing Douglas County's excellence. Our primary audience consists of family and youth. The Douglas County Fair reserves the right and has the sole discretion to reject any exhibit that contains graphic or obscene material or is otherwise objectionable to the Fair's family-oriented target audience. In such cases the exhibit will be disqualified and removed. Failure to comply with removal will subject exhibitor to penalties as Douglas County Fair may order and/or prescribed by law.

4. **LIABILITY:**

Management Liability: The Douglas County Fair management is not responsible for personal injury and assumes no liability for loss or damage by theft or disasters (human or natural) to any property of the exhibitor while on the fair grounds.

Exhibitor Liability: The exhibitor is solely responsible for any consequential injury or loss resulting from an article exhibited by the exhibitor and must assume responsibility relating to all legal or other proceedings regarding the exhibit or any damage or injury to any other person or property caused by the exhibitor or exhibits at the Fair.

5. **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:**

All entries must be made either by the online website or using an official Douglas County Fair Entry Form. Entry forms may be obtained from the County Fair website, www.douglascountyfair.org, or the County Fair office. Any fee or money due must accompany the submission. No item can be entered unless there is a suitable class in the appropriate department entry book.

Should an entry be made in a name other than that of a bona fide owner or using erroneous information regarding the item, the entry will be disqualified from competition and the exhibitor barred from participation until reinstated.

The opportunity to exhibit at the Douglas County Fair is open to all persons without regard to race, creed, color, sex, age or other non-merit factors. Discrimination is prohibited.

6. **ENTRY DEADLINE:**

All Open Class livestock entries are due to the Douglas County Fair office or post marked on July 2nd. All other Open Class entries will be accepted until 7:00 PM on Tuesday, July 10, 2018.

7. **RECEIVING OF EXHIBITS:**

All static Open Class exhibits must be dropped off at Village Pointe in the Exhibit Hall by Carter's on Tuesday, July 10, 2018, between the 1:00 pm to 7:00 PM. All Open Class livestock entries must arrive at the date and time designated in the additional rules specific to individual Departments.

8. **JUDGES/JUDGING:**

A judge is not permitted to be an exhibitor in a class they are judging.

Any person who interferes with the judging process will be asked to leave the judging area. Further action will be at the discretion of the Superintendent and Fair Management.

An exhibit entered in the incorrect class may be transferred to the appropriate class at the discretion of the Department Superintendent and Fair Management prior to the start of judging. However, if the correct class for the entry has already been judged the class will not be reopened and the exhibit will not be judged.

9. **AWARDS:**

The judge may, but is not required to, award all the ribbons offered in a class. It is the intention of Fair Management that no premium or distinction of any kind be given to any exhibit deemed unworthy by the judge.

The Premium Schedule is as follows:

- Best of Show** – Purple Rosette - \$10 Premium
- Best of Douglas County** – Purple Rosette - \$10 Premium
- Best of Division** – Lavender Rosette - \$8 Premium
- 1st place** – Blue Ribbon - \$5 Premium
- 2nd Place** – Red Ribbon - \$4 Premium
- 3rd Place** – White Ribbon - \$3 Premium
- 4th Place** – Yellow Ribbon - \$2 Premium
- 5th Place** – Green Ribbon - \$1 Premium
- Participation** – Orange Ribbon

Payment of Douglas County Fair premiums will be mailed to exhibitors after July 20, 2018. The Douglas County Fair will not be held liable for any award or premium offered by a private or business donor separate from the Douglas County Fair should that donor fail to provide the offered award or premium.

10. DISPUTES AND PROTESTS:

The Douglas County Fair Management reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these Rules & Regulations and to arbitrarily settle disputes and questions of differences. Any protest based on the statement that the judge(s) was incompetent will not be considered. If a protest on any other grounds is not resolved with the Department Superintendent, the Exhibitor may present a protest in written form to the Fair Management, within 24 hours of ribbons being displayed

11. RELEASE TIME:

Removal of entries by the exhibitor prior to release time set by the Douglas County Fair is prohibited. Premiums will be forfeited. All Open Class exhibits except livestock will be released from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM on Sunday, July 15, 2018 ONLY.

12. RETURNED CHECKS:

There will be a \$40 service charge for any non-sufficient fund check. If the exhibitor does not make payment of the check and service charge within five (5) days, the exhibitor will not receive any premium for entries.

13. SOLICITATION:

Exhibitors in the Open Class Departments are not allowed to solicit Fair Guests.

14. LOTTERIES:

No lottery or raffle shall be conducted at the Douglas County Fair without the written authority of Douglas County Fair Management.

15. SMOKING:

Smoking is prohibited in all buildings.

16. ALCOHOL ABUSE:

The State of Nebraska Rules of Alcohol Use and Abuse are enforced on any property where the Douglas County Fair has a presence.

17. FIRE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

By order of the State Fire Marshal, the use of flammable and combustible materials inside any buildings is strictly prohibited.

18. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

The Douglas County Fair reserves the right to cancel events or change scheduling if deemed necessary.

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Open Youth Class Sheep Department #12

Chance Ridge Event Center

506 Skyline Rd, Elkhorn, NE 68022

Sunday, July 15, 2018

WEIGH-IN CHECK IN: 8:00 am – 10:00 am

SHOW DATE & TIME: 11:00am

Early Registration Deadline: Monday, July 2, 2018 | **Post marked by this day**

Entry Release: AFTER SHOW

Entry Fees:

Pre- Registration by July 2, 2018: **\$20.00 Per Head**

After July 2 2018: **\$25.00 Per Head**

IMPORTANT:

- This show is a "Blow & Go/No Fit Show"
- There will be **NO WASH RACKS and NO POWER PROVIDED, STALL/PEN IN YOUR OWN TRAILER.**
- **Health Papers are required for out of state livestock.**

Premiums: 70% Payout of Entry Fees back in Class Money.

Champion Wether: \$100

Reserve Champion Wether \$50

Champion Ewe \$100

Reserve Champion Ewe \$50

Overall Champion Market \$200

Overall Reserve Champion Market \$100

Champion Breeding \$200

Reserve Champion Breeding \$100

Showmanship \$100 added to a Jackpot

Sheep Guidelines:

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Refer to the GENERAL & ANIMAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.
- REQUIRED to have a scrapie tag in their ear.

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION:

- An exhibitor must exhibit breeding sheep and market lambs that have been tagged and identified under their name and are filed with the Extension Office by the set deadline. The ID's for all sheep entries will be checked by superintendent when animal is brought to Expo. Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the superintendent.

ENTRY LIMIT:

- An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting a TOTAL of FIVE sheep.

WEIGH IN:

- Weight of the sheep will be final once it leaves the weigh-in area.

HEALTH INFORMATION:

- Animals that have active ringworm, fungus or visible warts will not be allowed entry into the Douglas County Fair. If animals are brought and found to be suspect, it is at the Show Superintendent and Fair Official's discretion to seek advisement from a veterinarian and possible dismissal of infected animals from the fair and show.
- All sheep must be 5 days or less fresh slick shorn before entry and weigh-in at the fair.
- A veterinarian may be present at the time of weigh in to check lambs. The veterinarian's decision will be final.
- No shearing of Sheep onsite allowed.

MARKET LAMBS:

- Market Lambs must have been born after January 1 of the current year to enter/exhibit.
- Market Lambs will be shown by weight.
- There will not be a minimum weight requirement.

Division and Class List:

Division 1201- Breeding Ewe

Class #

- 01 Meat Breed (Registration Papers Required)
- 02 Wool Breed (Registration Papers Required)
- 03 Commercial

Division 1202- Market (classes will be broken up in weights day of show)

Class #

- 01 Ewes
- 02 Wethers

Division 1203- Showmanship (JAN. 1ST AGE)

Class #

- 01 Senior (15-21)
- 02 Intermediate (10-14)
- 03 Junior (6-9)



2018 Livestock Entry Form

Exhibitor Information			
NAME:			
AGE as of JANUARY 1, 2018 (ONLY IF UNDER 21):			
PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME (ONLY IF UNDER 21):			
PHONE:			
ADDRESS:			
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:	COUNTY:
EMAIL:			

DEPT #	DEPT NAME	DIV #	DIVISION NAME	CLASS #	CLASS NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	No. of Entries	\$ per Entry	Total \$ Due
13	Swine	1301	Breeding	01	NSR GILT	Jan.1	1	\$ 20	\$ 20
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								\$	\$
								\$	\$
								\$	\$
Total								\$	\$

Check Accepted for Entry Fee Payment

All Exhibitor Information must be completed in order to receive Premiums.

By Signing Below, I shall fully agree to follow all Rules, Regulations, IAFE Code of Ethics and Schedules of the Douglas County Fair.

Youth Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date