

LIVESTOCK RULES

Rules apply to: Department numbers: 01-02-03-04-06-08-10-11-12-14

DEPARTMENT RULES

1. YCQA is recommended for all livestock for 2020. Beginning with the 2021 Fair, YCQA will be required of all exhibitors. Call the Fair Office after June 1 for the date of the in person class. Exhibitors may also take the test online at www.yqca.org.
2. Open to Exhibitors 5-7 competitive and 8-19 years of age.
3. All market sheep, swine, goats and prospect calves must have verification of ownership by Discovery Day of the current year. Official tagging will take place at the Fairgrounds on Discovery Day from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. for the 2020 Fair. All animals must have an official, permanent ear tag in order to be shown. Once the ear tag is placed it may not be removed for any reason. If you have any problems with the tag (falls out, lost, etc.) you must contact your species superintendent immediately. **ANIMALS NOT VERIFIED (TAGGED) WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LIVESTOCK AUCTION AT THE FAIR.** The exhibitors may tag an extra animal if available only at tag in to accommodate any unforeseen problems or accidents. **Note: First year exhibitors must meet all ownership requirements for their species and must have animals tagged no later than the June 1ST Fair entry deadline and must call the Fair Office to arrange for tagging.**
4. For the 2020 Fair, market beef and market heifer tag-in day is January 4, 2020. For the 2021 Fair, tag in day will be January 2, 2021 between 9 AM and 12 PM.
5. Any animal entered in any class at the Fair may be subjected to drug testing at the discretion of the Fair Manager/ Livestock Supervisor or his/her designated representative. The Fair's veterinarian/ authorized representative may collect urine, blood, hair, tissue, and/or other test samples as needed. The Fair has legal authority to require drug testing under the Animal Industry Act, Act 466 of 1988, as amended, in SECTION 40(3): "A Fair, exhibition, exposition, or show authority may require additional testing or vaccination of animals before entry and during the Fair, exhibition, exposition or show."
6. All swine will be vaccinated for swine influenza at Discovery Day tag in. All swine MUST return to the fairgrounds to have the booster vaccination on May 16 from 9-NOON.
7. **THE CURRENT YEAR PROJECT ANIMAL CERTIFICATION/CARE FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY ANY EXHIBITOR AND A PARENT WHO IS SHOWING AN ANIMAL AT THE FAIR. THIS FORM MAY BE SUBMITTED AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION OR CAN BE COMPLETED AND COLLECTED AT THE TIME OF ANIMAL CHECK IN. IF NOT COMPLETED YOUR FAIR ANIMAL MAY NOT ENTER THE FAIRGROUNDS.** THIS FORM CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE WEB SITE: OAKFAIR.ORG OR THE FAIR OFFICE. The Superintendent/Fair Board may require additional testing or vaccination of animals before entry and during the Fair.
8. All animals must be under the control of the exhibitor and the exhibitor must show awareness of correct procedures to show the livestock. In the interest of safety, the Fair Board and/or superintendent in charge shall have any uncontrollable animal removed. At no time during the Fair, shall any animal be maintained on tranquilizers.
9. Animal Education projects are strongly encouraged, but not mandatory. Documentation for these projects can be obtained from the 4-H office in Pontiac. Animal Records: Each species records will be shown separately. Only records picked up from the Fair Office or from our web site: www.oakFair.org may be entered. Records must pertain to your current animal project.
NO CREATIVE WRITING WILL BE ACCEPTED.
10. Age Categories: Competitive 5-7 years, Junior Showmanship 8-11 years; Intermediate 12-14 years; Senior 15-19 years.
11. Failure to observe the rules printed in the Fair Book may result in forfeiture of all premiums or expulsion from Fairgrounds and may affect your eligibility to exhibit at future Fairs.

12. See individual species for ownership or lease requirements. Ownership shall be defined as when the assumption of responsibilities and care of the animal takes place. Animal age and weight shall be determined at check in. Exhibitors entering livestock must be responsible for at least 80 percent of the care of that animal he or she exhibits.
13. All exhibitors must follow all MDARD Animal Health Requirements as posted on the Fair web site: www.oakfair.org. Call the Fair Office to obtain a copy of these requirements or go to www.michigan.gov/mda. NO ANIMAL MAY BE TAKEN INTO A HOUSING AREA UNTIL THEY HAVE BEEN HEALTH CHECKED BY THE FAIR VETERINARIAN OR SUPERINTENDENT. THERE WILL BE A MAP ON THE WEBSITE FOR THE LOCATION OF THE HEALTH CHECK. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS REGARDLESS OF CIRCUMSTANCES. Livestock with clinical signs of infections, contagious, or toxicological disease, not in desirable show condition shall be removed from the Fair. This shall be determined by the Superintendent/Fair Board.
14. All livestock exhibitors (except poultry) must provide their own water pails, grain for feed, hay, straw, and grooming needs. For swine, small self feeders (non metal) may be used if approved by the superintendent will be allowed. Animals must be cleaned, fed and watered daily by 9:00 a.m. If the animal is not cared for, the pen will be red tagged. If your project animal is red tagged two times during Fair week, you may lose your premiums or be asked to take the animal home. For evening feeding times please check with species superintendents. All livestock pens are expected by be cleaned when necessary. Clean pens by 9:00 AM.
15. Each exhibitor is responsible for cleaning up and removing exhibits at end of Fair. All pens must be stripped and cleaned before leaving the Fairgrounds. The Superintendent must inspect the pen before the exhibitor is dismissed. Each exhibitor is responsible for cleaning box stall, pen or cage before checking out and leaving the grounds. Failure to comply will result in a \$50.00 per box stall, pen or cage cleaning fee charged to the exhibitor.
16. During the Fair it is the Exhibitors responsibility to prepare his/her exhibit for show. Exhibitors may only be assisted in the preparation by Oakland County leaders, fellow exhibitors and /or immediate family members for those tasks, which require more than one person, or of a skill level beyond the age of the exhibitor. Exhibitor must be present. Violation of this rule could result in expulsion from showmanship, shepherd, breeding and/or market classes and/or loss of Fair premiums.
17. Exhibitors entering competitive showmanship classes MUST show their project animal. Exhibitors entering in the Novice/Mentor and 5-7-year-old non-competitive classes may bring their own animal or borrow from another exhibitor. Any animal shown in Showmanship must be entered and shown in one other class, breeding or market.
- 18. EXHIBITOR MUST BE PRESENT TO WEIGH IN ANIMAL.** If the exhibitor is not present the animal will not be weighed, unless arrangements have been authorized by the department superintendent. This will eliminate the animal from being shown in market class or sold. If at any time during the animal weigh in, the scale is determined to be inaccurate or faulty all animals previously weighed must be re-weighed.
19. Each exhibitor must show his/her own animal unless the exhibitor is ill, has two animals to show in the same class or is a 4-H youth participating in a 4-H or youth approved event (with prior approval from the Rules Committee). Any helper(s) must be a youth registered in the Oakland County Fair as an exhibitor.
20. Livestock Exhibitor Dress Code: No Royalty Identification- Tiaras, Sashes or Hats, etc. are allowed. Exhibitors may not wear medals/pins, shirts, T-shirts, jackets, coats or any wearing apparel which displays a farm name or title/award(s) won by the Exhibitor, or which represent that the Exhibitor is involved with and/or a member of a particular species/breed association while exhibiting in any livestock classes at the Oakland County Fair. Exhibitors are required to dress in clean and appropriate clothing. Shirts should have sleeves and a collar, or can be a 4-H Club T-shirt (tucked in). Skirts should be long (knee-length); pants must be long, neat and clean with no holes. No shorts or sandals will be allowed. See specific species for additional dress code requirements.

NOTE: Volunteers working at the Fair as show superintendents, announcers, ring stewards or judging clerks may not wear articles of clothing which associate them with a particular farm, species/breed association or 4-H Club. This does not apply to the Open Shows.

21. RATE OF GAIN CLASSES - Date and time of weigh-in will during Discovery Day from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm for calves, goats, and sheep. The weight taken at time of weigh-in at Fair will be the official weight used to determine Rate of Gain. Rate of Gain is determined by subtracting the beginning weight from the final weight and dividing by the number of days between the two weighing dates.
22. Only animals entered as an exhibit at the Fair are allowed on the grounds and may be sold during Fair. No animal, which has been sold, may leave the Fairgrounds until 6 pm on the last day of Fair or until transported from livestock auctions.
23. Any animal, once unloaded in the barn, may not be removed from the Fairgrounds except at the request or permission of the species superintendent, and approval of the Livestock Coordinator.
24. Hair for swine may not be shorter than ½ inch or you will not be allowed to sell in any market class.
25. During the beef, swine and sheep shows, and during the auction, only authorized personnel will be allowed in that species aisle.
26. There will be no ringside coaching the exhibitor during any show.
27. No individual animal may be shown in both breed and market classes.
28. For Homegrown classes, a second animal entered by an exhibitor cannot place until all exhibitors first animal has been placed.

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| MARKET LIVESTOCK AUCTION RULES LARGE ANIMAL AND SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION |
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The Fair Board Livestock Auction Committee will manage the annual Market Livestock Auctions at the Oakland County Fair.

Small Animal Auction: Friday July 17, 2020

Buyers' Dinner begins at 5:00

Auction begins at 6:30

Large Animal Auction: Saturday, July 18, 2020

Buyers' Dinner begins at 5:00

Auction begins at 6:30

RULES AND CLASSES: See Department 11

LIVESTOCK

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LIVESTOCK MEMORIAL RECOGNITION, COMMEMORATIVE AND CHAMPION AWARDS

See General Rule #21 for more information

JOHN COOK MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR LIVESTOCK SWEEPSTAKES

2019 Winner: Abbey Johnston

This trophy will be given in memory of John Cook to the Livestock Sweepstakes Grand Champion. Please note, the same exhibitor may not win this revolving trophy in consecutive years. Donated by Oakland County Farm Bureau. A revolving trophy will be awarded with a personal trophy to keep.

THE RALPH BRAID MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR JR. BEEF JUDGING

2019 Winner: Allie Bottiglia

All beef exhibitors who will be 15 years old and younger by December 31st of the current year, and who have not previously won the trophy, are eligible to compete. The recipient will be the highest scorer in the Beef Judging area of the Livestock Judging Contest. If there are no junior beef exhibitors in the Livestock Judging Contest, then the trophy will be awarded to the exhibitor with the highest score in the Beef area. Donated from the Memorial Fund. This is a revolving trophy with a personal trophy to keep.

THE MIDDLETON FAMILY LIVESTOCK JUDGING AWARD

2019 Winner: Peter Sardo

This trophy will be awarded annually to the overall winner of the Livestock Judging Contest. Donated by Oakland County Farm Bureau, in memory of Keith and Theresa Middleton, and in honor of their entire family, for their longtime support of 4-H and the Oakland County Fair. This is a revolving trophy with a personal trophy to keep. This award is available until the year 2020.

RONALD AND RUSSELL HESS TROPHY FOR CHAMPION MARKET HOG

2019 Winner: Brylynn Balon

The exhibitor with the Grand Champion Market Hog will be the recipient of this trophy.

Donated by Ronald and Russell Hess. A revolving trophy will be awarded.

CHAMPION HOMEGROWN MARKET BEEF

2019 Winner: Evelyn Myers

These awards will be given to the individuals who produce the champion animals born on their farms. These are cash awards with \$40.00 for 1st place, \$30.00 for 2nd place, \$20.00 for 3rd place and \$10.00 for 4th place in addition to special rosettes. This award is donated by the Curtis Family.

KEITH COUSINS TROPHY FOR CHAMPION MARKET STEER

2019 Winner: Brendan Parks

This trophy will be given in memory of Keith Cousins who loved raising cattle, supported youth and the 4-H program. The exhibitor with the Grand Champion Market Steer will be the recipient of this trophy. Exhibitors may win this award many times.

CHAMPION HOMEGROWN PROSPECT CALF

2019 Winner: Jessica Reo

CHAMPION HOMEGROWN GOAT

2019 Winner: Taylor Bottiglia

These awards will be given to the individuals who produce the champion animals born on their farms. These are cash awards with \$50.00 for 1st place, \$40.00 for 2nd place, \$30.00 for 3rd place, \$20.00 for 4th place, \$15.00 for 5th and \$10.00 for 6th in addition to special rosettes. This award is donated by the Goodison Veterinary Center.

DAISY HILL FARM RECOGNITION TROPHY FOR HOMEGROWN LAMB

2019 Winner: Evelyn Myers

This trophy, awarded to the Homegrown Market Lamb Champion, is to recognize youth who are studying different breeding programs, feeding programs, vet procedures and also for taking the extra time and effort during lambing. In short to recognize the youth that, through the 4-H learning process, may well be the sheep producers of tomorrow. This award is donated by Daisy Hill Farm. This is a revolving trophy with a personal award available to keep.

RAY CUMMINGS MEMORIAL SWINE SHOWMANSHIP TROPHY

2019 Winner: Abbey Johnston

This trophy and award is given in the memory of Ray Cummings a long time Fairboard member and Friend of Fair. This revolving trophy and a \$50.00 cash prize will be awarded to the Grand Champion swine showman. The cash prize is in addition to the premium paid to the Grand Champion Showman. Exhibitors may win this award multiple time. This award is available until the year 2026.

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| <h2>ANIMAL EDUCATION</h2> <h3>DEPARTMENT 1</h3> |
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SUPERINTENDENT: Karen Schickel
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Placing: 1 through 6, Strip Ribbons and Premium Money. Best of Show: \$5.00 , **1-6 Rosettes and Trophy**

Learning Objective: To encourage youth to develop knowledge and improve skills related to a specific livestock species.

Rules:

1. Exhibitors ages 8-19 are eligible to enter in this Department.
2. **Exhibits in this department are not eligible for inclusion in the Wayne Nierman Contest.**
3. Exhibits for this department must be delivered to the Fair Office July 13th between 9 AM and 2:00 PM.
4. Maximum of one entry per species.
5. After judging, all projects in Animal Education will be displayed in to the Ellis Barn Exhibit Hall.
6. Large Animal class includes: dairy, beef, goats, sheep and swine.