

SILVER DOLLAR FAIR LOCAL RULES

Please read carefully all rules and regulations. If rules are not complied with, premium awards shall be withheld.

ENTRIES:

1. Entry forms may be obtained by writing to the Silver Dollar Fair, 2357 Fair St., Chico, CA 95928 or by phoning (530) 895-4436. Entry forms are also available in "fill-out" form at our website: silverdollarfair.org. After completing the form, it should be signed and mailed to the address above by entry closing date.
2. Separate entry forms are required for each department. (ie: Home Ec separate from Art, Beef from Sheep)
3. Entries will be accepted only at the entry office of the fairgrounds either in person or by mail. To avoid delay, be sure entries have sufficient postage before mailing.
4. Absolutely NO late entries will be accepted. ENTRIES MUST BE IN THE FAIR OFFICE OR BEAR THE POSTMARK OF THE ENTRY DEADLINE.
5. The management reserves the right to eliminate divisions unless sufficient entries are received to afford competition.
6. All entries are subject to available facilities on a first come, first served basis. As soon as facilities are filled, entries shall be closed. Absolutely no late entries will be accepted.
7. State Rules, Health and Specie Rules, Horse Show Rules, and Score Cards for Judging as prescribed by the Division of Fairs and Expositions apply to all entries of the fair.
8. A penalty of \$25.00 per exhibitor must be paid if a check in payment of an entry fee or liability insurance is refused by the bank. Only cash, certified check or money orders are acceptable for penalty payments. Over payments of less than \$2.00 will not be refunded. Over payments between \$2.00 and \$5.00 will only be refunded if a written request is made to the Silver Dollar Fair.

CLOSING DATES:

9. *Wednesday Floriculture/Exhibition Table Setting:
Sunday, May 20 at 3:00 p.m.
*All other Floriculture entries due by 3 p.m. the day prior to exhibition.
*Gardens - Tuesday, April 17 at 5:00 p.m.
*All Other Departments - Tuesday, April 17 at 5:00 p.m.

Entry forms must be in the Fair Office or postmarked not later than the dates listed above.

PARKING:

10. All vehicles must be removed from the grounds by 9:00 a.m. each day. This rule shall be strictly enforced.

COMPLIANCE WITH RULES:

11. Exhibitors failing to comply with the rules and regulations will not be paid premiums awarded their exhibits, may be disqualified from selling in the Junior Livestock Auction, and may be banned from participation in future Fairs.
12. The management reserves the right to interpret the rules and regulations and to settle questions and disputes.
13. All entries are shown at the owner's risk. The management is not liable for any theft, loss or damage while exhibits are on the grounds. All precautions possible will be taken for the protection of exhibits.
14. Placing of ribbons does not guarantee correct placing in judging. Only the official placing on the judging sheet constitutes the final placement.
15. Junior Exhibitors are prohibited from using, possessing or being under the influence of drugs or alcohol while on the fairgrounds.

ADMISSION AND PASSES:

16. Each livestock exhibitor will be issued an exhibitor pass after his/her animal is in place on the Fairgrounds, and has met the necessary weight requirements. THIS PASS ALLOWS EXHIBITORS TO ENTER THE GROUNDS TO CARE FOR THEIR LIVESTOCK. Parents/guardians of Junior Livestock exhibitors may purchase a wristband pass at the Livestock office beginning 12:00 noon on the day of weigh-in. This pass will be good all five days of the fair and MUST be presented at the gate to be admitted to the fair. No refunds will be issued.
17. Trailer and Camper Spaces by reservation only. A \$150.00 fee will be charged for spaces with water & electricity. A \$75.00 fee will be charged for "dry camping".

18. 4-H, FFA, & Independent Livestock exhibitors will be allowed to stay overnight in trailers under the direct supervision of approved chaperones. Names of chaperones and junior exhibitors should be submitted to the ENTRY OFFICE at the time trailer space permits are picked up. Junior Livestock Exhibitors must be in their beds by 11:00 p.m. each night, or their animals will be withdrawn from the sale.

LIVESTOCK:

19. All Livestock Exhibitors (except Horse Shows) must provide Proof of Insurance (3rd party liability) to exhibit livestock at the Silver Dollar Fair, or purchase Liability Insurance through the Fair at a cost of \$35.00 per family for large animal exhibits. The insurance provides liability coverage ONLY during the Silver Dollar Fair. This fee is due no later than closing date of entries.

20. Management reserves the right to remove any exhibitor from competition and/or the Junior Livestock Auction, & disallow premiums for jeopardizing the welfare of an animal on the Fairgrounds, including the application of artificial stimulus. Management to determine violations. Violations of this rule can prevent exhibitor from showing at future fairs.

21. At the Manager's discretion, entries in the livestock department can be limited. The Management reserves the right to return entries when facilities are filled.

22. Livestock will not be accepted on the grounds before Tuesday, May 22, 2012.

23. Junior livestock divisions for large animals will be open to 4-H members who have turned 9 by January 1, 2012 and are no older than 19, and to FFA, Grange and Junior Exhibitors who meet the age requirements as defined in the State Rules. Special needs participants who are older than 19 may be enrolled in 4-H special education programs with the approval of the county 4-H program staff. Youth in these programs may participate until they are 22 years of age as per the State Education code.

24. All pens and stalls must be cleaned before 9:00 a.m. each day and maintained in clean condition to the satisfaction of the management in order to be eligible for premium awards and participation in the Junior Livestock Auction. Bedding removed from pens and stalls must be placed in waste receptacles (bins) provided by the fair. AISLES MUST BE KEPT FREE OF BEDDING WASTE.

25. The first bedding shall be furnished by the Fair Association and the exhibitor is expected to use additional bedding as needed in order to keep pens and animals clean.

26. All blankets must be removed from the animals by opening hour of the fair each day.

27. All stalls, displays and booths are subject to inspection by the State Fire Marshal in regards to fire hazards. Non-Flammable materials must be used for all decorations. No decorative electrical lights will be allowed in livestock barns for pen or display decoration. Background material must not be of a solid material such as plastic or plywood. Pens behind and to each side of you must be visible and the view of neighboring pens must not be blocked. If materials do not meet flammability compliance they must be removed.

28. BREEDING LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS: Display & educational materials, tack, feed supplies, etc. may not be removed prior to 5 p.m., Monday, May 28. No vehicles will be allowed on the grounds to remove these items. See local rule #10.

MARKET ANIMAL EXHIBITS: Display and educational materials may not be removed prior to the conclusion of the Junior Livestock Auction, Saturday, May 26. No vehicles will be allowed on the grounds to remove these items. Local rule #10.

29. No "For Sale" signs may be posted in the livestock barns.

30. REGISTRATION PAPERS MUST BE CHECKED THE DAY PRIOR TO JUDGING OF EACH INDIVIDUAL SPECIES.

31. All junior livestock must be in place by 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 22, 2012. All senior livestock must be in place by 11:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 22, 2012.

32. Livestock will not be released prior to 8 pm Monday, May 28. All animals must be removed by 11:00 p.m. Monday, May 28.

HORSE DEPARTMENT

33. Horses are subject to random drug & medication testing specified in the Food & Agricultural Code. The applicable fee is \$5.00 per horse per event. See state rules XI, #32.

34. Horses will be brought to the fairgrounds the day of the show and be removed from the grounds immediately following the show. Horses will not be stabled on the grounds.

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION:

35. Junior exhibitors are limited to one market animal entry. There will be no duplicate market animal entries allowed. A duplicate market animal entry will result in the invalidation of all market entries of that individual exhibitor.

36. "INDEPENDENT" junior exhibitors participating in the Junior Livestock Auction must meet the requirements set out in the Local Rules and are subject to State Rules, Section VII. INDEPENDENT EXHIBITORS MUST HAVE THEIR PRIMARY RESIDENCE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF BUTTE COUNTY.
37. Market hogs will be weighed between 5:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 22. Market steers, prospect steers, lambs, and goats will be weighed between 5:30 pm & 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 22. Certified Weigh Masters will be provided by the fair. No pre-weighing will be permitted.
38. If any weight is contested, it must be done immediately while the animal is still on the scale. The procedure will be as follows: The animal will be taken from the scales, the scales will be rebalanced and the animal weighed again. Under no circumstances shall an animal be re-weighed if it is taken from the scale area. All disputes will be settled at the scales.
39. No private scales will be allowed on the grounds.
40. All sifted animals not participating in Showmanship must be removed from the fairgrounds immediately after weighing. Animals sifted for Health reasons or those released for safety reasons must be removed from the Fairgrounds immediately.
41. Entries in Market Classes will be accepted only from residents, students, or members of recognized chapters or clubs in Butte County. Closing dates for market animal entries are (1) Steers, 120 days prior to opening day of the fair; (2) Hogs, Lambs, Goats, 60 days prior to opening day of the fair; (3) Rabbits, 30 days prior to opening day of the fair; or (4) when limits are reached, whichever comes first. (see rule #48)
42. TAKE NOTE! Photographs of all market animals with the exhibitor must be delivered or postmarked to the fair office within the time frames listed in rule #41. (i.e. 120 days prior to opening day of the fair for steers, 60 days prior to opening day of fair for hogs, goats & lambs, etc.) The photo should be a side view with the exhibitor included taken as close as possible so that both are identifiable. Photos of any back up animals must be submitted as well. Exhibitor's name and club name must be legible and on the back of photograph. Photo must be in color and no smaller than 4" x 6". The Fair reserves the right to refuse submissions and request another photograph.
43. All participants of the sale must present their animals in the auction ring and return them to pens or stalls designated by the auction committee. Seller must care for animals as long as the animal remains on the fairgrounds. Special permission may be granted by the auction chairman to use a substitute for handling the animal if a legitimate reason is presented.
44. All participants presenting animals in the show ring must wear white shirt and uniform articles if a member of a junior organization. White, navy blue or black pants may be worn.
45. All animals eligible for the sale must have been shown as individuals in their respective classes. Steers, Lambs, Hogs, and Goats must have placed in Groups 1 or 2 and determined by Judge to be "market ready". Rabbit Meat Pens must be judged "market ready".
46. The Fair Management will arrange the Sale Order based on the American System placings of the Champions and Reserve Champions. If entries exceed limitations, the management reserves the right to name the entries eligible for the sale.
47. Junior Exhibitors are to fit and groom their own animals. Agriculture instructors and 4-H leaders should work with the Junior Exhibitors and their animals prior to the fair so that Junior Exhibitors are prepared to do their own fitting and grooming when they arrive at the fair. However because of the educational nature of livestock shows, it is appropriate on occasion for parents, leaders, or other youth eligible to exhibit at that show, to provide assistance. Assistance should always be given only when the exhibitor is present and actively engaged. Club members may share in feeding of animals and the cleaning and maintaining of the pens, but should not share in the actual fitting and grooming of animals. Physical challenges and age can be an exception to this rule.
48. Market animal entries will be limited to 40 steers, 480 lambs, hogs, and goats, and 30 rabbit meat pens.
49. The seller must furnish a Bill of Sale or a Brand Inspection slip for steers. A brand inspection or an outbidding from a sale yard must be made out to the exhibitor showing 120 day ownership or a signed statement that the animal was dropped from the exhibitor's cow and was raised by the exhibitor.
50. The Silver Dollar Fair reserves the right to publish for its intended use, any and all photographs taken on the Silver Dollar Fairgrounds of livestock exhibitors and/or livestock entries taken by the Official Fair Photographer(s). Exhibitors must make themselves and their livestock available for taking of photographs. The official photographs become property of the Silver Dollar Fair. Exhibitors may purchase photographs from the Official Fair Photographer. All Market Animal Champions are required to have a photograph taken by the official photographer. Participants and their families, advisors and leaders approve the reprinting or publishing of any photo taken on the fairgrounds upon signature of entry.
51. **NEW THIS YEAR!** All exhibitors selling steers, lambs, hogs, or goats at the auction shall be assessed a percentage of the total auction sale amount (steers-3%; lambs, hogs, goats – 6%). Rabbits will be assessed a flat fee of \$30.00.
52. Champions MUST sell.

53. The Junior Livestock Auction is a TERMINAL sale. No Live Animal Pickup. No registration papers will be provided by the seller. Buyer of animals through the auction shall not negotiate resale of animals during the sale and transfer of animals from one buyer to another will not be permitted through the sale office.

54. Each animal will be sold to the highest bidder without reserve. "Bumps" additional price per pound by non-buyer will not be allowed.

55. By signing the entry form, the exhibitor/seller in the Junior Livestock Auction agrees to abide by and be responsible for all the rules set forth concerning the Junior Livestock Auction. The exhibitor/seller also guarantees that the animal they are selling through the auction, on the day of the sale, to be healthy, sound, disease free, and in compliance with all State and Federal animal health regulations concerning the use of pharmaceuticals and withdrawal period.

56. The Silver Dollar Fair reserves the right to remove any animal from the Junior Livestock Auction that is found in violation of State or Federal animal health regulations concerning the use of pharmaceuticals. Animals suspected of this violation can be detained and tested. During this period, the fair will hold all auction proceeds from the sale of the animal. If the carcass tests positive for any abnormal residue, the proceeds for that animal will be returned to the buyer and the carcass will be destroyed.

57. **JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION PURCHASES:** As per the Silver Dollar Fair Board of Directors, the following wording has been added to the Junior Livestock Auction Bill of Sale: "By signing this bill of sale the signer agrees to accept the responsibility of payment for the entire amount of the purchase regardless of how many individual buyers are involved in the purchase of the animal."

58. **NEW THIS YEAR!** The Junior Livestock Auction Auctioneer will not read or announce any information presented by the Exhibitor and/or agents of exhibitor during the Silver Dollar Fair Junior Livestock Auction.

59. **NEW THIS YEAR!** During the sale of their animal, exhibitor may display only items awarded, presented, and/or approved by the Fair Management. (ie: ribbons, banners, buckles, special awards, etc.) The Champion Market Animals may have a floral "blanket" provided by and at the expense and decision of the exhibitor.

60. **NEW THIS YEAR!** Champion Market Animal exhibitors may have only ONE youth assist in the ring with the handling of Silver Dollar Fair awards, banners, and other special awards during the sale of the animal. The assisting youth must be a current livestock exhibitor at the Silver Dollar Fair and be in the uniform of their organization. Any exceptions to this rule must be approved by Fair Management.

61. **NEW THIS YEAR!** All other Market Animal exhibitors (non-champions) requiring assistance during the sale of their animal must obtain permission from Fair Management prior to the sale.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR JUNIOR EXHIBITORS

62. The Management reserves the right to immediately remove any exhibitor from competition and/or the Junior Livestock Auction, as well as withhold premiums (cash and awards) and revoke exhibiting privileges for a period of 13 months from the date of the infraction for "unacceptable conduct".

Examples of "unacceptable conduct" are, but not limited to:

- (1) Possession and use of alcoholic beverages by a minor, under the age of 21;
- (2) Possession and use of all tobacco products, under the age of 18;
- (3) The use of any drugs other than prescription medication;
- (4) Tampering with fire extinguishers, fire alarms, or any other emergency equipment;
- (5) Smoking in the barns;
- (6) Violation of the 11:00 p.m. curfew without permission;
- (7) Obscene language or gestures directed to any judge, employee, or official of the Silver Dollar Fair.

