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Livestock Rule Book**

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**Rules for Collier County Agriculture Fair & Exposition
Livestock Exhibitors
2023 – 2024**

1. Show open to bona fide members of 4-H youth organizations and Collier County Citizens. Market Livestock Exhibitors must be 18 years old or younger and still in grade or high school. Market entries limited to one market animal per exhibitor. **All Market Animal Exhibitors must be enrolled in a 4-H Club or Open Club. All Exhibitors will be categorized by the following ages and awards will be awarded according to these age groups.**

**Pee Wee Show Exhibitors 3-7
(Breeding Cattle, Swine, Goat and Sheep Show Only)**

**Open Youth 7yrs-Under
(Rabbit, Poultry and Cavy Shows Only)**

Junior 8-10

Intermediate 11-13

Senior 14-18

Adult

2. Livestock Committee and the Fair board mandate that all livestock exhibitors must be enrolled in a 4-H Livestock Club or Open Club. All Exhibitors show age will be the 1st of September of the current year. What makes a 4-H Livestock Club or Open Livestock Club? The leader or someone designated by the 4-H Livestock Club or Open Club must attend the Livestock meetings held at the Fair Office on the **2nd Tuesday of the month (unless otherwise noted)** convening at 6:30 pm except the pre-fair parent/exhibitor meeting that will take place in conjunction with the current year's fair dates. If any Club misses two meetings, the Club is no longer considered a 4-H Livestock Club or Open Livestock Club, and children from that Club will not be able to show in the Fair. **All clubs must hold 5 meetings by the last day of January. Club secretary books will be checked for attendance and meeting minutes by the last day of January.**
3. Exhibitors with a 4-H youth organization or Open club must attend all Club meetings the entire year and be active and in good standing with the Club. **If three (3) meetings are missed, the Exhibitor is no longer a member in good standing unless there are extreme extenuating circumstances (decided by the Livestock Core Committee and/or Club Leader).** **Club secretary books will be checked for attendance by the last day of January.** No exceptions to this rule. **Fair Office will notify Exhibitor that their animal will not be weighed in because they have not met prior project requirements.**
4. The Collier Fair PeeWee Show is a show specifically designed by the Collier Fair to promote knowledge and responsibility when dealing with a large or market animal. It is the Fair's goal to equip these young exhibitors with the necessary experience and knowledge to show a market/large animal in the future. The only time the Fair will refer to exhibitors as "PeeWee" is for this show only. Any of these exhibitors who wish to show other animals may do so under the 7-Under age group. 7-Under Exhibitor's animals will be judged against the other exhibitors' animals in the designated show. These exhibitors will be encouraged to participate in showmanship (no judging will take place, this will be a learning experience only) to gain knowledge for the future.

5. Exhibitors are expected to expand their knowledge of animal science as related to the animals being raised. Livestock Clubs are expected to designate a Project Leader for hogs, steer, etc. to be responsible for related educational programs to be presented at the Club level. Exhibitor is required to present a demonstration at Club level. (Demonstration similar to show and tell and **must be on the animal he/she will be showing at the Fair.**) The secretary book will have a record of who gave a demonstration at Club meetings; this is due to the Fair Office at the **January Livestock meeting. Demonstrations must be completed by the end of January. Secretary book must also include a record of the meeting minutes for at least 5 meetings.**
6. All Entry Forms are available online at www.collierfair.com Follow the link provided. In the Livestock Rule Book there is a paragraph that states every **Exhibitor and Parent** has read and understands the **Livestock Rule Book, Media Release** and the **Code of Conduct**. Both forms must be signed by both the **Exhibitor and Parent or Legal Guardian** and **turned in at weigh-in or animal check-in. Late and or incomplete entry forms will not be accepted.**
7. No gum is permitted under the pavilion.
8. Exhibitor should send out typed or hand written buyer's & add-on invitations about **two weeks** before Fair.
9. Modified Danish System is used by all judges (1st, 2nd and 3rd, etc.....). Judge decisions are **FINAL**. Parents are not allowed to ask judges questions during the shows.
10. Exhibitors must wear show clothes when showing and selling animals. Long or short sleeve button up dress shirt of any color with no wording (tucked in), plain black pants, black or dark blue jeans or skirts, and boots. Cowboy hats are allowed but no caps. Jackets are allowed if representing your Club or Organization.
11. If due to illness, injury or unusual circumstances an Exhibitor is unable to show his/her animal, an alternate exhibitor will be appointed by the Agricultural Director. Permission must be obtained in advance.
12. **Mandatory Exhibitor/Parent Meeting before the Fair,**
The fair will have mandatory meeting for all Livestock Exhibitors (Goat/Small Animal/Market Swine/Pee Wee/Market Steers/Breeding Cattle) from **7:00 - 9:00 pm the second Tuesday of March**. Exhibitor and one parent/legal guardian must be present. **NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.**
13. All Exhibitors are required to complete a Record Book on the market animal they show. 4-H Exhibitors Record Books must be turned in at the **Extension Office** for 4-H Clubs on the date given by the 4-H Representative and Open Club Exhibitors Record Books must be turned in at the **Fair Office** to the Fair Manager at the Livestock Awards Night the fourth **Tuesday in May**. A list of Exhibitors who have completed their Record Book will be turned in to the Fair Office by the 4-H Youth Development Agent and Fair Manager before the start of the next Fair year. **Any Exhibitor who fails to turn in a completed Record Book for the previous year will not be allowed to show in the current Fair year.**

Requirements for FIRST Weigh In-Market Animals

14. Official Entry Forms online at www.collierfair.com Market Animal entry forms must be filed with the Collier Fair office the day before the initial tagging. **Bill of Sale is required for market animals at initial tagging. Exhibitors showing for the first time must have a certified birth certificate with them at INITIAL tagging (8-18 years). Market animals will be tagged for identification at initial tagging.** Exhibitors must be able to handle their animal or must bring a responsible adult to assist them. The Livestock Committee is there only for assistance in tagging and paperwork. Pictures will be taken to show proof of animal that is tagged in.

Requirements for FINAL Weigh In

15. Entries must meet health requirements of the Florida Department of Agriculture pertaining to the animal he/she will be exhibiting. Exhibitors must present a current Health Certificate dated within thirty (30) days of the final weigh in. Any animals showing signs of illness, hernia, warts, communicable diseases, ringworms, etc. must be approved by the veterinarian and/or Livestock Committee before weighing in; or as required by the Florida Department of Agriculture. Animals shall be accompanied by an up-to-date Record Book when admitted to final weigh in. **NO ANIMAL WILL BE WEIGHED WITHOUT A RECORD BOOK and the LIVESTOCK SHOW ANIMAL QUESTIONNAIRE.** Exhibitors must be able to handle their animal or must bring a responsible adult to assist them. The Livestock Committee is there only for assistance in weighing and paperwork. No one except designated personnel will be in the pen or barn area during weigh in. All exhibitors and parents will be allowed to feed and check on animals after all animals are weighed in. All market, breeding cattle and pee wee animals will be unloaded directly onto the scale. No animals will be walked to the scales from the parking lot. This is to ensure everyone and every animal safety.
16. **Under Weight Market Animals:** Any underweight steer or swine must be within 10% of the minimum weight ex: Swine 220 minimum weight 10% = 198 pounds to be sold at the fair. Underweight animals not meeting this requirement must be taken home at the time of final weigh-in and will not be shown at the fair.
17. **Hauling of animals:** Please do not bring your market animals in small cages. For the safety of the animal, exhibitors and volunteers, please have a modern trailer to haul your animals (ex: dog crates). If you do not have a proper way to haul your animal, please make arrangements with someone else in your Club.
18. **All Club Leaders** are responsible for getting their pass lists to the Livestock Manager at the **January Livestock Meeting**. All Lists must include Exhibitor and Parents first and last names. Any siblings or step parents needing passes must be on the list at that time and the money for their passes will be required at that time also. Grandparents, siblings over eighteen and extended family members must purchase a regular ticket at the front gate. Exhibitors who show one market or large animal will be given one pass to get in the back gate of the Fair. Exhibitors who are showing small animals (only) must enter at least 3 animals (small) to receive a pass for the fair. These animals must be in a category that will be judged. Exception first time exhibitors under the age of 10 may show one small animal their first year. Exhibitor will also receive 2 passes for parent/guardians and two parking passes **ONLY**. Anyone who comes to the back gate without a pass will be turned around and refused entry until pass can be presented for entry. This will be strictly enforced. Parking in the Livestock area will only be allowed during the feeding times, any vehicles left in that area at the start of the Fair Day will be towed at owner's expense. A designated parking and entry area will be set aside in the front parking lot for all Livestock Exhibitors and Parents. Photo ID's will be processed up until **November 15th**. Any exhibitor or parent/guardian who does not have their picture ID taken or emailed to the office by November 15th will have to pay for admission daily at the front gate this will be strictly enforced in 2024. There will be a \$20 fee for lost passes.

19. An **Exhibit Sign** containing the Exhibitor's name, Club, animal weight and breed must be displayed on the pen or stall by **5:00 pm the day of animal check in**. Sign design must be appropriate for the code of conduct and follow all ethical rules for what is required of a livestock exhibitor. No profanity, business logo or inappropriate wording or wording that can be misconstrued as inappropriate may be used on the sign as determined by the Collier Fair Board. Failure to put up sign by the above time frame or inappropriate signs may be removed at the discretion of the livestock chairman and may result in the loss of all premium monies.
20. Every exhibitor will be responsible for putting in 30 minutes in the ASK ME BOOTH for each type of animal they are showing (if you are showing 5 chickens you will only do one 30 minute spot, but if you are also showing rabbits you must do 30 minutes for your rabbit entries also).
21. PENS MUST BE CLEANED and ANIMALS FED MONDAY-FRIDAY BETWEEN **3:30 pm-5:30 pm**; SATURDAY & SUNDAY **10:30 am-12:30 pm**. Exhibitors are not to be in the barn except during these hours before the fair. All EXHIBITORS MUST SIGN OUT WITH A BARN SUPERINTENDENT 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO THE END OF CLEANING TIMES. This will ensure that pens can be properly checked for cleanliness. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH EXHIBITOR TO MAKE SURE THEY HAVE SIGNED OUT WITH A BARN SUPERINTENDENT. IF A BARN SUPERINTENDENT IS UNAVAILABLE, PLEASE CONTACT THE FAIR OFFICE IMMEDIATELY. PREMIUMS WILL BE FORFEITED IF THE PEN IS NOT KEPT IN GOOD SHOW CONDITION. Each Exhibitor must provide his/her own cleaning supplies. All equipment should be labeled with the Exhibitor's name and must be kept in show boxes when not in use. Each Exhibitor will be eligible for the Herdsman and/or the Golden Shovel Award. Judging will be conducted randomly throughout the Fair by an anonymous committee. Exhibitors are not allowed: on the Fairgrounds during the hours that the Fair is closed except for cleaning pens. Parents/Legal Guardians must provide supervision while Exhibitors are in the Livestock Pavilion and on the Fairgrounds. When the Fair dates fall on Spring Break these rules will still apply and be strictly enforced.
22. All animals must be kept in stalls after Fairgrounds open. Exceptions: Show and sale nights. Exhibitors wishing to exercise, groom or practice for showmanship with their animal or practice in the show ring before the Fairgrounds open may do so and under the direct supervision, of the Barn Superintendent or a Fair Official Only. Exhibitor must set up a time with Barn Superintendent for grooming.
23. **All animal Exhibitors must remain in the Livestock Pavilion until their show and/or sale, including resale, are complete.** Failure to do so will result in loss of all premium monies. **Parents of Exhibitors** are not to be in the pens or closed barn areas during shows and or sale. The Livestock Core Committee will designate personnel for specific show dates and times to help in these areas during said shows and or sale. Anyone in these areas without proper approval will be asked to leave immediately. Livestock Committee does appreciate everyone's willingness to volunteer their time and energy but safety for our exhibitors, animals, public and designated volunteers is our first priority.
24. **Sale of market animals** will take place on the **Second Saturday of the Fair at 7:00pm**. The Livestock Committee and the Fair Management make no guarantee for the price paid for market animals. Each Exhibitor is responsible for finding a buyer.
25. **The Livestock Dinner/Awards** will take place two months after the Fair. Awards ceremony will be for all exhibitors.
26. **Three (3) percent of the selling price (excluding add-ons)** will be assessed from each Exhibitor's check to help cover the costs for putting on the livestock portion of the fair.

27. Each Exhibitor will give their buyer a gift or a token of appreciation on their own. During the Fair, any animal showing signs of illness, will be moved to a designated sick bay area.
28. A licensed veterinarian will be called, at the cost of the Exhibitor, to determine the status. If the veterinarian determines that the animal must go home, it will be removed from the fairgrounds and will not be allowed to return under any circumstances. The area that the animal is removed from must be disinfected.
29. All animals must be signed out by the Barn Superintendent on the days of their departure. Any animals that will go home the Second Sunday of the Fair cannot be signed out until 8:00pm Sunday night.
30. **MANDATORY:** Barn Clean Up will be the Second Saturday night of the fair. All exhibitors are required to check in and out with the Barn Superintendent. Exhibitors who do not attend the Barn Clean Up will not be allowed to show the following year. Clean Up will not start until the barn superintendent is present and leads the Clean Up. Market, Cattle, and Pee Wee in Market Barn will take place after the auction and loading of animals for the slaughter house. Small animal and Goat clean up will start at 10pm. If the auction is still in process market animal exhibitors will be excused from small animal clean up until the conclusion of the auction.
31. Exhibitor must present satisfactory Buyer's thank you letters (stamped, addressed and unsealed and written on a card (NOTEBOOK PAPER WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED) containing at least three sentences. All thank you letters must be hand written; computer generated letters of any kind will not be accepted. Letters will be checked by the Collier Fair Office the **first Tuesday in June**. Exhibitors who do not complete their Thank You letters will not be able to show in the next year's fair. All Auction and Premium checks will only be good for 90 days once printed.
32. If DES or any other substance violating Federal or State law is found in a carcass, the owner assumes responsibility for violating the law, exonerates the Collier County Agricultural Fair & Exposition, Inc. and the Youth Livestock Committee from any liability; and forfeits the rights to sale price of the animal, and Exhibitor will be banned from showing in the Collier County Agricultural Fair & Exposition.
33. None of the cattle or other ruminants will have been fed and feed containing protein derived from mammalian tissue, e.g., meat and bone meal; and none of the livestock will have any illegal level of drug residues, within the meaning of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.
34. Problems not covered by the rules herein will be considered by a special committee for decision. Notify the Barn Superintendent and the Fair Manager if a problem arises. The Livestock Committee and the Fair Board reserve the right to alter or modify procedures, classes, schedules or rules in this Rule Book for safety, show facility restrictions or other circumstances that may arise during the entire course of the Collier County Agricultural Fair & Exposition beginning with the first weigh in through the final release of animals at the fair.
35. The Fair Board will make every effort to provide for the safety and wellbeing of guests and animals; however, the management assumes NO RESPONSIBILITY in case of injury, illness or death to the exhibits, Exhibitors or general public.

****ALL EXHIBITORS AND FAMILY MEMBERS WILL PARK IN THE****
PARKING LOT SALE NIGHT OF THE FAIR NO EXCEPTIONS!!! Arrive early!

*** ALL MARKET ANIMALS MUST GO TO THE SLAUGHTER HOUSE IN WHICH THE FAIR HAS CHOSEN TO USE FOR SLAUGHTERING***NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE. Anyone found to have not had their market animals slaughtered will not be allowed to show at the fair in the future.

Mandatory Meeting and/or Itinerary

*****Please check the web site before fair and the bulletin board during the fair on a regular basis for updates*****

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DATE	TIME	EVENT	WHO MUST ATTEND
Tue., October 10, 2023	6:00pm	Steer Tagging Entry Form Due Online the day before weigh in.	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
Mon., October 16, 2023	10:00am-2:00pm	Poultry Seminar	Poultry Exhibitors (encouraged to attend)
November 15, 2023	5:00pm	Last Day for Photo ID's	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
Sat, December 2, 2023	7:00am Health concern hogs 8:00am	Swine Check In/Tagging Breeding Cattle Tagging Entry Form Due Online the Day before weigh in.	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
Sun., January 7, 2024	2:00pm-5:00pm	Collier Fair Workshop Day	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
Tue., January 9, 2024	Fair Office	Goat/Rabbit/Poultry/Cavy Entry Forms Due ONLINE	All Exhibitors participating in the Fair
Tue., February 6, 2024	6:00pm	Pee Wee Tagging Pee Wee Entry Forms Due	All Pee Wee Exhibitors
Tue., March 5, 2024	6:00pm	Barn Set Up	Senior Exhibitors ONLY Mandatory
Tue., March 12, 2024	7:00pm	Exhibitor/Parent Meeting	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
Thur., March 21, 2024	3:00pm	Rabbit/Cavy Check In	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
	4:00pm – 5:00pm	Goat and Pee Wee Goat Check In	
Fri., March 22, 2024	11:00am A-M 3:00pm N-Z	Poultry Check In (Done by last name)	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
	7:30pm	Steer, Breeding Cattle and Pee Wee Cattle Check In	
Sat., March 23, 2024	10:00am	Market Swine Weigh/Check In Pee Wee Swine Check In	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
	3:00pm	Goat Show and Showmanship PeeWee Goat Show	
	7:00pm	Rabbit & Cavy Show and Showmanship	
	10:00pm	Steer, Breeding Cattle and Pee Wee Cattle Screening	
Sun., March 24, 2024	2:00pm	Poultry Showmanship	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
	7:00pm	Poultry Show Results and Question/Answer Session	
Tue., March 26, 2024	7:00pm	Breeding Cattle Show Pee Wee Cattle Show Steer Show and Cattle Showmanship	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
Wed., March 27, 2024	7:00pm	Swine Show and Showmanship Pee Wee Swine Show	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
Sat., March 30, 2024	7:00pm	Livestock Auction	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
Sat, March 30, 2024	10:00pm	Barn Clean Up Animal Removal	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
Tue., June 4, 2024	5:00pm	Buyer Thank You and Record Books Due	Exhibitor/Parent MANDATORY
	6:00pm-7:00pm	Dinner and Awards Ceremony	

Dates and times of mandatory meetings are subject to change. In addition, due to circumstances beyond anyone's control, additional meetings may be called and are mandatory.

MARKET STEER

Market Animal entries are limited to one market animal per exhibitor

CATTLE: Consigned for exhibition must be covered by an up-to-date health certificate dated within thirty (30) days of final weigh in and must meet the following requirements.

1. **Initial Tagging:** The **Second Tuesday of October at 6:00 pm** at the Collier Fairgrounds. **SUGGESTED WEIGHT OF 800 lbs. Steer should be born in the month of July to September of the previous year to ensure meeting weight requirements. Steers cannot be over 24 months of age.** Exhibitor must be present and have all paperwork ready; if not he/she will be sent to the end of the line.
2. **FINAL WEIGH IN:** The **First Friday of the Fair at 7:30 pm** at the Fairgrounds, steers will be weighed one time only. Steers must be a minimum of 1000 lbs. and a maximum of 1400 lbs. Any steer weighing more than 1400 lbs. will be sold at 1400 lbs. The exhibitor and one assistant are permitted in the vicinity of the scales during weigh in. The Exhibitor must be present and have all paperwork ready, or he/she will go to the end of the line.
3. All steers must be dehorned and halter broke with a suitable halter with double-tie ropes and is double-tied at all times. A Screening Committee consisting of at least three individuals and a Fair Office representative will screen all animals as to their disposition and ability to be led by the Exhibitor. Only the Exhibitor will be allowed to lead the animal. No animal may be exhibited that cannot be properly managed and led into the show ring by the Exhibitor. This disposition screening will take place the **First Saturday of the Fair at 10:00 pm. This rule will be strictly enforced.**
4. All cattle must have an official USDA 840 ear tag or a metal premises ID tag tied to a premises to enter the fair. **If your animal does not have a USDA tag a FDACS inspector will be at the mandatory check in and provide an official USDA tag and be able to register you for a premise ID to register the USDA official tag.**
5. Exhibitors may sign up the day before show to wash and groom their steer.
6. All steer exhibitors are permitted to bring in steer mats for their animal. The Fair will not be responsible for lost or stolen mats.
7. Judging will take place on the **First Tuesday of the Fair at 7:00 pm.**

MARKET SWINE

Market Animal entries are limited to one market animal per exhibitor

1. Entries are open to both barrows and gilts. (If gilts become pregnant they will be disqualified and removed from the Fairgrounds.)
2. **Initial Tagging:** The **First Saturday of December at 7:00 am** at the Collier Fairgrounds. **SUGGESTED FEEDER PIG WEIGHT 90 lbs. Birthdate must be on bill of sale. Swine must be born on September 21, 2023 or after.**
3. All entries must be market hogs. All will have teeth cut and barrows will be castrated before entry date and castrations will be verified by fair officials. No open wounds will be allowed. All breeds and crosses of domestic type hogs will be eligible. Absolutely no wild woods hogs, pot-bellied pigs, or crosses will be accepted. **Violations of this rule will result in disqualification.**
4. **Final Weigh In:** The **First Saturday of the Fair at 10:00 am** at the Collier Fairgrounds. **Hogs will be weighed one time only.** MINIMUM WEIGHT 220lbs Only Exhibitors and one assistant are permitted in the vicinity of the scales during weigh in. Swine weighing in excess of 300lbs. will be sold at the 300lbs. Exhibitor must be present and have all paperwork ready, if not he/she will be sent to the back of the line. All swine will go to slaughter.
5. All swine must have an official USDA 840 ear tag or a metal premises ID tag tied to a premises to enter the fair. **If your animal does not have a USDA tag a FDACS inspector will be at the mandatory check in and provide an official USDA tag and be able to register you for a premise ID to register the USDA official tag.**
6. The Fair will provide Lixit type watering device in each hog pen and therefore, each hog should be thoroughly accustomed to drinking from one.
7. All swine must be shaved prior to coming to the fair. Exhibitors may sign up to wash their swine the day before their show.
8. Judging will take place the **First Wednesday of the Fair at 7:00pm** for ANIMAL PLACING and for SHOWMANSHIP.

BREEDING CATTLE

*****Breeding Cattle entries limited to one per Exhibitor*****

Cattle consigned for exhibition must be covered by an up-to-date health certificate dated within ninety (90) days of final weigh in and must meet the following requirements:

- I. Dairy Cattle must be calf hood vaccinated with a tag in the ear or a 30-day negative brucellosis test.
 1. Dairy Cattle will be tagged on the **First Saturday of December at 7:00 am.**

- II. Breeding Cattle must have a health certificate with a permanent identification in the ear (example ear tag from feed store) within ninety (90) days before show.
 1. Breeding Cattle will be tagged on the **First Saturday of December at 7:00 am. All breeding cattle with a tag will not need to attend the tagging. But must register online by the deadline.**
 2. All Breeding Cattle must be cared for and trained by the Exhibitor at least ninety (90) days before show. Breeding Cattle will not receive add-ons.
 3. All cattle must have an official USDA 840 ear tag or a metal premises ID tag tied to a premises to enter the fair. **If your animal does not have a USDA tag a FDACS inspector will be at the mandatory check in and provide an official USDA tag and be able to register you for a premise ID to register the USDA official tag.**
 4. All cattle must be received at the Fairgrounds, the **First Friday of the Fair at 7:30 pm.**
 5. All cattle must be halter broke and have a suitable halter with double-tie ropes. All cattle will be double-tied at all times. Screening of animals will take place the **First Saturday of the Fair at 10:00 pm.** No animal may be exhibited that cannot be properly managed and led into the show ring by the Exhibitor. If the animal cannot be handled properly it will be sent home. This rule will be strictly enforced.
 6. Exhibitors may sign up the day before show to wash and groom their steer.
 7. **Judging** will take place on the **First Tuesday of the Fair at 7:00 pm.**
 8. **Cattle** may be purebred, grade or crossbred (crosses between beef breeds showing evidence of both breeds).
 9. All animals showing in registered classes must have registration papers.
 10. Beef and Dairy crosses may be shown together in commercial classes and all recognized breeds will compete separately according to the following classifications:

BEEF

Bulls 4 months and under 1 year
 Bulls 1 year and under 2 years
 Bulls 2 years and over
 Heifer Calf under 1 year old
 Heifers 1 year and under 2 years
 Females 2 years and over

DAIRY

Jr. Calf - under 6 months
 Sr. Calf - 6 months and under 12 months
 Jr. Yearling - 12 months and under 18 months
 Two year old-24 months and under 36 months
 Three year old-36 months and under 48 months
 Four year old and older-48 months and over

The above are ages as of opening day of Fair.

GOAT

*****Goat entries limited to one per Exhibitor*****

1. All goats/sheep consigned for public exhibition in Florida must be accompanied by an official certificate of veterinary inspection certifying the animals to be free from symptoms of contagious or infectious disease, and a registered scrapie tag or permanent ID from a registered herd and have registration papers on hand March 21, 2024 at time entries are received at the Fairgrounds.
2. All dairy goats must be polled or de-horned. Pygmy and Grade goats may be exhibited with horns, if desired.
3. All Goat entries will be received at the Fairgrounds on the **First Thursday of the Fair at 4:00 pm.**
4. **Judging** will take place on the **First Saturday of the Fair at 3:00 pm.**
5. Goats may be purebred or grade (mix breed).
6. All grade animals will be shown in grade classes for breeds in which they show predominate characteristics. All other grade animals will be shown together in the classification listed below.
7. Goats will not receive add-ons.
8. Exhibitors will be permitted to sell their animal; they must place a For Sale sign on the animal's cage and the animal must remain in the cages until the **Second Sunday of the Fair at 12:00 pm.** (Absolutely no animals may be removed earlier.) All sales are between the purchaser and the Exhibitor, the Fair assumes no responsibility.
9. Companion goats are allowed, however bucks will not be allowed as companions.

Age Classes:

- Junior doe– under 4 month of age
- Senior doe– at least 4 months but under 7 months of age
- Junior yearling doe– at least 7 months but under 12 months of age
- Senior yearling doe– at least 12 months but under 24 months of age
- Yearling milkers – under 2 years of age and in milk
- Junior milkers – at least 2 years but under 3 years of age
- Mature milkers – at least 3 years but under 4 years of age
- Aged milkers – 5 years of age and older

POULTRY

*****Poultry entries limited to one rooster and one hen per breed or one trio per breed*****

1. Poultry should be at least 4 months of age. No sick or diseased stock will be accepted. Poultry having lice, mites, etc. will not be allowed. Animals will be screened by Fair Management and the decision will be final.
2. Poultry entries will be received at the Fairgrounds on the **First Friday of the Fair at 11:00 am for participants with a last name starting with A-M and 3:00 pm for exhibitors with a last name starting with N-Z. NO EARLY OR LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
3. Judging cards must be left on display on all cages, out of reach of the animals.
4. Youth Poultry Showmanship will take place on the **First Sunday of the Fair beginning at 2:00 pm.** (Showmanship is not required.)
5. Poultry Judging Results and Question/Answers will be the **First Sunday of the Fair beginning at 7:00pm.** All poultry Exhibitors must be present.
6. Poultry will not receive add-ons.
7. Exhibitors will be permitted to sell their animal; they must place a For Sale sign on the animal's cage and the animal must remain in the cages until the **Second Sunday of the Fair at 12:00 pm.** (Absolutely no animals may be removed earlier.) All sales are between the purchaser and the Exhibitor, the Fair assumes no responsibility.
8. Commercial and Non-Purebred Birds will compete in the People's Choice Class. Winners will be determined by monetary votes.
9. All participants (open and adult) must wear appropriate clothing during the show.
10. Trios will be judged as one group and receive one ribbon and premium for the three birds.

Poultry Classes:

Standards	Domestic Geese	Bantams
Domestic Ducks	Domestic Turkeys	Game Birds Exotics

RABBIT/CAVY

*****Rabbit and Cavy entries limited to one buck and one doe per breed*****

1. No sick or diseased stock will be accepted. (Entries exhibiting evidence of injury, malocclusion or parasites, e.g., ear mites, etc. will not be allowed. Animals will be screened by Fair Management and the decision will be final.
2. Rabbits and Cavy must be at least 3 months old to show. With the exception of Meat Pen, they will be judged as one entry. Babies must be at least 2 weeks old at time of entry.
3. Rabbit and Cavy entries will be received at the Fairgrounds, the **First Thursday of the Fair at 3:00 pm. NO EARLY OR LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
4. Rabbits can be groomed 10 minutes daily only under the supervision of the Barn Superintendent or a Fair Official.
5. Judging cards must be left on display, on all cages and out of reach of the animals.
6. Rabbit and Cavy show will take place on the **First Saturday of the Fair beginning at 7:00 pm.** Judging will be first then showmanship. (Showmanship is not a requirement.)
7. Rabbit and Cavy show classes will be according to the breeds of rabbits and cavies as identified in the American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) Book of Standards. All entries will be examined by Fair Representatives who will determine breed, sex and health. **THE DECISIONS OF THESE REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE FINAL!**
8. For safety purposes rabbits and cavy should have a permanent tattoo in the rabbit's ear or cavy's ear.
9. Rabbits and Cavy will not receive add-ons.
10. Exhibitors will be permitted to sell their animal; they must place a For Sale sign on the animal's cage and the animal must remain in the cages until the **Second Sunday of the Fair at 12:00 pm.** (Absolutely no animals may be removed earlier.) All sales are between the purchaser and the Exhibitor, the Fair assumes no responsibility.
11. All participants (open and adult) must wear appropriate clothing during the show.

PEE WEE INFORMATION

*****Pee Wee entries limited to one per Exhibitor*****

1. Show is open to members in good standing and certified by Fair Officials. Class will be limited to the first twenty (20) Exhibitors to register online.
2. Exhibitor must be 3 years to 7 years old by September 1st of the current fair year. Entries are limited to one animal per Exhibitor (swine, goat, or cattle).
3. Bill of Sale for all PEE WEE cattle and swine must be brought to the Collier County Fairgrounds on the **First Tuesday of February at 6pm. Swine must weigh between 20-40 pounds at the first weigh in.** All animals will be weighed and tagged at this time. **Must be a gilt or bar.**
4. Pee Wee animals Final Weigh In will be on the **First Friday of the Fair for Cattle 7:30 pm and the First Saturday of the Fair for Swine at 10:00 am.**
5. All cattle must have an official USDA 840 ear tag or a metal premises ID tag tied to a premises to enter the fair. **If your animal does not have a USDA tag a FDACS inspector will be at the mandatory check in and provide an official USDA tag and be able to register you for a premise ID to register the USDA official tag.**
6. Pee Wee Swine: All breeds and crosses of domestic type hogs will be eligible. Absolutely no wild woods hogs, pot-bellied pigs, or crosses will be accepted. **Violations of this rule will result in disqualification.**
7. Pee Wee class will show on the NIGHT OF THE LARGE ANIMAL SHOW RELATED TO THE ANIMAL THAT THEY ARE SHOWING: EX: PEE WEE CATTLE WILL SHOW ON STEER SHOW NIGHT. PEE WEE WILL SHOW FIRST, BEFORE THE LARGE ANIMALS. Show clothing is required; any color button up dress shirt (tucked in) and black pants, black jeans or dark blue jeans.
8. Pee Wee class will not be allowed to auction animals or receive add-ons. Exhibitors will be permitted to sell their animal; they must place a For Sale sign on the animal's cage and the animal must remain in the cages until the **Second Sunday of the Fair at 12:00 pm.** (Absolutely no animals may be removed earlier.) All sales are between the purchaser and the Exhibitor, the Fair assumes no responsibility.
9. Pee Wee class is not required to turn in a completed Record Book.
10. Show line up is as follows: Goats, Cattle, and Swine.

**Collier County Agricultural Fair & Exposition, Inc.
Livestock Committee
Livestock Addendum**

OWNER represents to the Collier County Fair Association, Inc. (AUTHORITY) that no animals that are exhibited or otherwise transported onto Collier Fairgrounds will in any way be suffering from any contagious or infectious disease. In addition, OWNER shall defend, indemnify, and hold the AUTHORITY, the applicable Show Committee and each of their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agent harmless of and from all losses, damages, claims, expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees at the trial and appellate levels actions and causes of action arising out of, or in any way connected with, or by reason of this Agreement, the presence of OWNER's livestock at THE Collier Fairgrounds, and/or use of Collier Fairgrounds including, but not limited to, any claim for the death of, or injury to any person or livestock, or damage to, theft of, or destruction of any property arising out of any act or omission of OWNER, OWNER's officers, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, contractors and livestock, violation of any Federal, State and Local environmental laws, rules ordinances and/or regulation, actions for negligence, wrongful death, torts, defects, in the real and personal property at COLLIER FAIRGROUNDS and from any alleged liability, cause litigation or proceeding whatsoever, even if such injury, death, loss, or property damage results, in whole or in part, from the negligence of AUTHORITY, or the applicable Show Committee and their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents or otherwise. Neither AUTHORITY nor such applicable Show Committee shall be liable to OWNER, or any officers, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, handlers, or other contractors, invitees or guest of OWNER for any injury or damage to livestock, person or property. AUTHORITY, its officers or agents, assume no liability for any loss or damage to property (including but not limited to livestock) on account of fire, theft, or any other cause including infectious or contagious diseases. In addition, OWNER acknowledges receiving and agrees to abide by the applicable rules and regulations of the AUTHORITY titled THE COLLIER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIR & EXPOSITION, INC. & LIVESTOCK SHOW RULES, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS (IAFE) and National Code of Show Ring Ethics.

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times conduct 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 Exhibitors as well as Open Class Exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show in addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics." Fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.

All Youth Leaders working with Exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to 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. Owners, Exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the Code of Ethics will forfeit premiums, 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 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. Owners, Exhibitors, fitters, trainers or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by Fair or Livestock Show Officials. All Exhibitors must be present and/or participate in the washing and grooming of their animals at all times. Adult supervision allowed as needed.
3. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of volatile drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the given consent by the Owner, Exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens or 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 chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood or other samples taken from livestock indicate 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 Owner, Exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person 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 or approval from a Barn Superintendent.

4. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counter-irritant or similar substance), which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. No person 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.

8. The application of this Code of Ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an Owner, Exhibitor, fitter, trainer or participant whether or not he/she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of the Code of Ethics.
9. The act of entering an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of consent by the Owner, Exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person to have any 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 in a fair or livestock show 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 notice to members.
10. The act of entering an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the Owner, Exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person that he/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 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.

CODE OF CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE PROCEDURES FOR FAIR PARTICIPATION – COLLIER COUNTY

Standards of conduct have been established. Exhibitors, their parents/legal guardians and adults in charge are expected to understand, respect and act in accord with these standards as they support the goal of maintaining the health, safety, and well-being of all participants while also ensuring that all can benefit from their planned activities and learning experiences.

I. STANDARDS

- Exhibitors are expected to participate in all scheduled meetings and other activities.
- Exhibitors are expected to be responsive to the reasonable requests of adults in charge.
- Exhibitors will be respectful of their need for personal safety and the safety of others.
- The possession or use of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, narcotics, firearms and/or other weapons, tobacco and tobacco products is strictly prohibited at all times. (Exceptions of parents and adults are allowed tobacco products.)
- The malicious destruction or theft of personal or public property is unacceptable.
- Exhibitors are expected to follow rules applying to their specific project.
- PARENTAL SUPERVISION/RESPONSIBILITIES during the fair: If parent will not personally be at the fair, they must arrange for someone to supervise/chaperone their child. Neither the Barn Superintendent nor Fair Volunteers are to be assumed responsible.

II. Participants accused of any of the following at an activity will be required to appear before a Fair Review Board within forty-eight (48) hours:

- Possession or use of illegal drugs or alcoholic beverages.
- Theft, misuse or abuse of public or personal property.
- Sexual misconduct.
- Possession of weapons or fireworks.
- Physical assault.

III. If the accused participant is found in violation of the offenses listed in II above, his/her parents will be notified; and the exhibitor is subject to, but not limited to, premium and ribbon forfeiture, inability to participate in a major event such as the livestock sale or out of county activities, and suspension from participation in a project area.

IV. Participants accused of any of the following at an activity will be required to appear before a Fair Review Board within forty-eight (48) hours.

- Unexcused absence from the activities of the event.
- Use of abusive language.
- Disruptive or disrespectful behavior against any Club Member or Club.

V. If the accused participant is a child and is found in violation of the offenses listed in II and IV above and receives discipline issued by the Fair Review Board, his/her parents will be notified, and the exhibitor may be suspended from participating in County, Districts, State, Nationals and International activities. If the accused participant is an adult, he/she will be banned from the Fairgrounds.

VI. Realizing these guidelines are not “all inclusive” the Fair Office reserves the right to make adjustments to these policies.

VII. NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES: If a participant is found in violation of the Code and is to be sent home, the person in charge of the event will notify the appropriate program leader or open class leader.

VIII. FAIR REVIEW BOARD: Will be appointed at the beginning of the year by the Fair President or Members of the Fair Board.

IX. APPEAL PROCEDURES: If a participant wishes to appeal the decision of the Fair Appeals Review Board, he/she must appeal in writing through the Collier County Fair Office showing just cause.

Appeals must be filed within thirty (30) days following notification of discipline. As necessary, the Fair President or Members of the Fair Board shall appoint an Appeal Board to meet no sooner than thirty (30) days following the date of the exhibitor’s request.

**COLLIER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIR
AND EXPOSITION
STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING**

Exhibitor:

I hereby request permission to participate in the Youth Livestock Show at the Collier County Agricultural Fair and Exposition. I have read and fully understand the rules. I agree to abide by the rules of the Livestock Show and I will accept the decisions of the judges and the Livestock Committee as final. I also agree to conduct myself in a sportsmanlike manner at all times.

Printed Name of Exhibitor Signature of Exhibitor Date

Parent/Guardian:

I have consented for my child to enter the Youth Livestock Show at the Collier County Agricultural Fair and Exposition. I have read and discussed the rules with my child and fully understand them. I agree to abide by the rules of the Livestock Show and I will accept the decisions of the judges and the Livestock Committee as final. I also agree to conduct myself in a sportsmanlike manner at all times.

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

Media Release Statement

The Collier County Fair Agricultural Fair & Exposition, Inc. (Collier Fair) periodically uses electronic and traditional media (e.g., photographs, video, audio footage, testimonials) for publicity and educational purposes. By my signature on this form, I acknowledge receipt of this document and give permission to the Collier County Agricultural Fair & Exposition, Inc. and its designee to use such reproductions for educational and publicity purposes in perpetuity without further consideration from me.

I understand that I will need to notify The Collier County Agricultural Fair & Exposition, Inc. if any changes to my situation occur that will impact this media release permission.

I have read the above release and am aware of its contents.

Signed _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____

Address _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if under 18) - I am the guardian of the minor named above and hereby agree that we will be bound by this release:

Signed _____ Date _____

Collier Fair Animal Exhibitor Questionnaire

Circle One:	7-Under	Junior	Intermediate	Senior
	3-7yrs	8-10yrs	11-13yrs	14-18yrs

Name: _____ Age: _____

Club: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Circle the type of animal below: (for multiple types of animals please use multiple forms. If you are showing multiple small animals of the same type only one form is needed for each type of the small animal you will be showing. Ex: Trio of poultry would only require one form.)

Steer Swine Breeding Cattle Goat Poultry Rabbit Cavy

Breed of Animal: _____

Name of Animal: _____

How long have you been showing animals? _____

Tell us something unusual about your animal: _____

What is something you would like to see or do at the Collier Fair that we don't have here currently? _____

How many animals are you showing at the Collier Fair? _____

What do you want to be when you grow up? _____

Youth Livestock Premiums

Steer

Grand Champion	Rosette & \$80.00
Reserve Champion	Rosette & \$67.00
Blue Ribbon	\$20.00
Red Ribbon	\$15.00
White Ribbon	\$10.00

Swine

Grand Champion	Rosette & \$80.00
Reserve Champion	Rosette & \$67.00
Additional placing overall after 10 swine	Ex: 40 Swine 4 placings overall
Blue Ribbon	\$20.00
Red Ribbon	\$15.00
White Ribbon	\$10.00

Breeding Cattle

Grand Champion	Rosette & \$80.00
Reserve Champion	Rosette & \$67.00
Blue Ribbon	\$30.00
Red Ribbon	\$25.00
White Ribbon	\$20.00

Goats

Grand Champion	\$60.00
Reserve Champion	\$50.00
Blue Ribbon	\$15.00
Red Ribbon	\$10.00
White Ribbon	\$5.00

Rabbits/Cavy

Best of Show	\$50.00
Best Opposite	\$42.00
Best Meat Pen	\$10.00
Best of Breed	\$16.00
Best of Opposite Breed	\$16.00
Blue Ribbon	\$10.00
Red Ribbon	\$7.00
White Ribbon	\$5.00

Poultry

Overall Grand Champion	\$60.00
Overall Reserve Champion	\$55.00
Grand Champion Large Fowl	\$47.00
Grand Champion Bantam	\$47.00
Grand Champion Turkey	\$47.00
Grand Champion Goose	\$47.00
Grand Champion Duck	\$47.00
Grand Champion Exotic	\$47.00
Reserve Champion Large Fowl	\$45.00
Reserve Champion Bantam	\$45.00
Reserve Champion Turkey	\$45.00
Reserve Champion Goose	\$45.00
Reserve Champion Duck	\$45.00
Reserve Champion Exotic	\$45.00
Class Winners	Certificate & \$10.00
Blue Ribbon	\$10.00
Red Ribbon	\$7.00
White Ribbon	\$5.00

Showmanship

Showmanship Jr., Int. & Sr. 1 st Place	\$36.00
Showmanship Jr., Int. & Sr. 2 nd Place	\$29.00
Showmanship Jr., Int. & Sr. 3 rd Place	\$20.00
Showmanship Jr., Int. & Sr. 4 th Place	\$13.00
Showmanship Jr., Int. & Sr. 5 th Place	\$10.00

Herdsmen/Golden Shovel

Herdsmen/Golden Shovel	Gift Card
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**** Animal Placing and Showmanship to be determined by the judge. Judge will choose to add or delete number of awards given based on number of entries, amount of participants or knowledge of animal. Judge's decision is **FINAL**. There shall be 3 entries per category to qualify for Grand/Reserve Champion, Best of Breed or Class award and Showmanship. Herdsmen will be decided by special committee and number of awards given will be based on number of entries, amount of participants, and knowledge of animal or effort given by exhibitors. ****