

# LIVESTOCK RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

**PARTNERSHIP LIVESTOCK: 4-H MEMBERS** – 4-H members may own the 4-H project livestock in partnership (joint ownership) with other 4-H and/or FFA members who are (brother/sister, blended brother/sister, foster sibling, exchange students residing with your family, residential group home members, parents and grandparents and legal guardians). In the case of Breeding animals, when project animals are jointly registered/owned, all individuals names involved in the partnership must appear on the registration papers.

Dually registered animals shall be exhibited by only one owner for a show. At the time of entry, members should identify which animals are to be shown by each exhibitor and it is not allowed to switch to another division after the entries have been received by the MSF.

An individual animal may only be shown in 4-H or FFA, but not both. (Rule E, in the “Eligibility” section further clarifies that a member in both FFA and 4-H is not permitted to show the same breed in both organizations.)

## **PARTNERSHIP LIVESTOCK:**

**FFA MEMBERS** – FFA members who own livestock in partnership may have them registered jointly, and each member may show the same number of head as if they were individually owned. However, the entry sheet must show which animals are to be shown by each exhibitor. The exhibitor's name must appear on the registration papers.

## **NOSE PRINTING STEER AND MARKET LAMBS:**

- A. Each county will designate one person to receive ALL nose print cards from the Missouri State Fair. This person can be either 4-H or FFA, but will handle ALL cards from the county and will be responsible for mailing or delivering ALL cards to the Missouri State Fair by the deadline specified in this premium catalog. Nose print cards will only be mailed to and received from, this person. No nose prints will be accepted from individuals. There will be no exceptions.
- B. The deadline for providing a legible nose print on a card with proper identification is March 15 for steers and June 15 for lambs. (Faxes are not acceptable; postmarks must meet deadline dates; metered mail is not preferred, but if used, please allow sufficient time for delivery.)
- C. Nose prints must be on the card provided by the Missouri State Fair and show the date, exhibitor name, county and animal ID number. The ID number may be a tattoo or ear tag.
- D. The nose print card is for file reference only and does not constitute an entry into any class. Normal entry procedures must be followed per the Missouri State Fair 2007 catalog.
- E. Each exhibitor may nominate a total of six (6) steers. These may be the same or different breeds. Steers may be purebred, crossbred or a combination to be nominated.
- F. Each exhibitor may nominate a total of ten (10) market lambs. A given animal may be nominated by brother or sister on separate forms.
- G. An exhibitor may enter an animal in the Missouri State Fair that does not have a nose print on file, but such animal will not be eligible for breed champion or Grand Champion in that division.

## **SHOWING:**

- A. Exhibitors must exhibit their animals. The 4-H or FFA superintendents may permit another Missouri junior exhibitor to show an animal in case of illness or physical handicap.
- B. Uncontrollable animals or animal which the exhibitor cannot handle alone may be disqualified by the superintendent and required to leave the ring. If a beef cattle animal gets loose twice, it will be dismissed from the show ring and the judge will classify it into a ribbon grouping.
- C. In cases where a member has more than one animal in a class, another Missouri junior exhibitor must show the second animal.
- D. Minimal assistance is allowed by another Missouri junior exhibitor at the discretion of the superintendent.
- E. All 4-H/FFA sheep, steer, barrow and dairy shows will have an exhibitor meeting prior to show.
- F. If a breed that does not have a sponsor exhibits 2 years consistently at the fair, sponsorship will be secured and a trophy will be awarded starting with the third year.
- G. Group breeding classes will be awarded Danish ribbons and champion ribbons only.

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## **MONROE COUNTY FAIR WILL ABIDE BY STATE FAIR REGULATIONS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED**

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### **DUALLY-REGISTERED ANIMALS**

Dually-registered animals may not be exhibited more than one time in 4-H or FFA classes except as part of a group or championship class.

### **GROOMING PRACTICES AFFECTING CONFORMATION AND STRUCTURE**

Every exhibitor in consideration of his/her entry being accepted by the Missouri State Fair, specifically represents that no animal entered by the exhibitor is fitted by altering the natural conformation, normal dental development, structure of the animal or altering the color or structure of the hair or wool coat in any way except for trimming or blocking. Every exhibitor agrees to submit the entry for any inspection deemed appropriate by the veterinarian, official or committee. In the event any such animal is declared to be artificially altered in conformation and structure, the Committee and Missouri State Fair officials may permanently bar such an animal and the exhibitor from further competition in the Missouri State Fair and require the immediate return to the Missouri State Fair all premiums, monies, trophies, and ribbons awarded to the disqualified animal(s).

Specifically: Any animal showing evidence of sharp practices (such as surgical removal of excess brisket or dewlap skin, filling with oil or other foreign material, etc.) will be barred from the show as will the exhibitor of such animals.

Painting, dyeing and use of color agents on animals is not condoned by State Fair officials. Animals which show evidence of this will not be permitted into the show ring. If a color or coloring agent rubs off an animal with either a towel or hand, that animal will be disqualified.

After a class has been placed in the show ring, officials reserve the right to reinspect animal for color or sharp practices. If such is found the animal will be barred from further championship competition and forfeit all premium money.

All animals will be subject to both urine, blood and tissue analysis for diuretics and anabolic compounds and feed additives or drug residues at the discretion of the show management or state-federal inspector. Positive test will result in forfeiture of premiums and sale money.

### **HOME RAISED**

One dollar and seventy-five cents will be added to premium for any home raised (birthed or hatched) livestock animal. Shows include cattle, hogs, meat goat, poultry and rabbits – market and breeding animals on all. Exhibitor must declare home raised at show registration table. Once registration is over, it is too late to declare. (2007 Rule Change for Monroe County Fair – per Fair Board decision February 2007).

### **LIVESTOCK SHOW PARTICIPATION**

Any livestock show that has minimal participation will be reviewed. If a show only has one participant the first year that show will be put on probation. The second consecutive year will be a warning year. The third year will be the final year for that particular show. If at any time there is more than one participant, the cycle is broken and starts over. (1999 Rule Change for Monroe County Fair - per Fair Board decision August 1998).

### **RECIPROCATION**

The Monroe County Fair will be a reciprocating fair. The fair will be open for showing and premiums will be paid only to those from reciprocating fairs proven by a current fair book from their fair in the form of advance notice to the extension office or book brought on the day of the show. Monroe County Extension Office Fax Number: 660-327-1376. (2000 Rule Change for Monroe County Fair - per Fair Board decision September 1999).

### **HEALTH REGULATIONS**

Health regulations will be strictly enforced - see rules on page 23.