

LOCAL FAIR RULES

1. **EXHIBITS:** All exhibits shall be kept clean and in good condition for the duration of the Fair. All attendants of exhibits must be neatly attired and conduct themselves in a quiet and orderly manner on the Fairgrounds. The Fair reserves the right to exclude any exhibit it deems undesirable.
2. **BOOTH EXHIBITS:** All materials used in decorations must be flameproof.
3. **ARTICLES:** All articles are entered at the exhibitor's risk. Although police protection is provided, the Fair will not be responsible for any loss.
4. **LOCAL CLASSES:** Unless otherwise specified at the beginning of the departments, all entries and classes are limited to the legal residents and producers of the following counties: Santa Cruz, San Benito, Santa Clara and Monterey.
5. **VEHICLES:** on official business will be permitted on the Fairgrounds and must be removed from the Fairgrounds PRIOR to 8 AM each day of the Fair. Vehicles found in violation will be removed at the owner's expense. Police, Fire and Ambulance Vehicles are allowed at any time.
6. **PREMIUM CHECKS:** will be mailed unless presented at the Fair. Premium checks must be cashed within 30 days. AWARDS ARE PAID FROM ENTRIES MADE BY THE JUDGE'S CLERKS ON THE OFFICIAL JUDGING SHEETS AND NOT FROM AWARD STICKERS PLACED ON THE EXHIBIT. Refunds of over-payments under \$5.00 will not be made.
7. **SANTA CRUZ COUNTY FAIR OFFICE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ARTICLES LEFT AFTER RELEASE TIME.**

JUNIOR EXHIBITORS

8. Each entry in these divisions must be owned and/or grown or constructed by the exhibitor. State and Local Rules apply to all entries.

ELIGIBILITY & AGE REQUIREMENTS

9. Any member of a Junior Organization must have their entry blank signed by their leader or advisor.
10. **FFA MEMBERS:** FFA members may participate as members until the end of the calendar year following the year of graduation from high school.
11. **4-H MEMBERS:** 4-H primary members must be at least 5 years old by January 1 of the 4-H program year (July - June) or in Kindergarten to exhibit small animals approved by 4-H state policy. Junior, Intermediate and Senior members must be 9-18 years old (or in the 4th grade for juniors) on January 1 of the 4-H program year. Senior members may exhibit until the end of the calendar year in which they reach age 19.
12. **INDEPENDENT JUNIOR EXHIBITORS:** Independent junior exhibitors not affiliated with any organization can enter appropriate FFA or 4-H classes if they meet the age or grade level requirements. The Livestock Committee may establish separate classes if there are sufficient entries. Independent junior exhibitors must not have been in a junior organization within 60 days (120 days for market beef cattle) to be able to participate.

FFA CHAPTER & 4-H CLUBS

13. The Junior Department is restricted to members of FFA, who are under the supervision of the Bureau of Agricultural Education, State Department of Education, Future Homemaker of America, who are under supervision of the Bureau of Homemaking Education, State Department of Education; members of 4-H youth groups who are under the supervision of the Cooperative Extension Service, University of California; members of other recognized junior farm organizations; and other children 9 through 17 years of age. Liability insurance is the responsibility and at the discretion of the junior exhibitor.
14. **CODE OF CONDUCT:** Junior exhibitors. If exhibitor's conduct is such as to reflect on or discredit his/her club or chapter, the Livestock Committee may find it necessary to withhold premiums and/or send the exhibitor home with his/her animals.
15. **NONCOMPLIANCE with STATE and LOCAL RULES will RESULT in THE WITHHOLDING OF PREMIUM AWARDS.**