

**UNIFORM JUNIOR FAIR RULES
APPLY TO ALL DEPARTMENTS**

1. Any boy or girl who is enrolled in a Columbiana County youth organization is eligible to exhibit in this department.
2. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between FFA and 4-H states the youth must complete a specific project in only one organization, and that projects completed as part of another organization should not be exhibited as a 4-H project.
3. To participate in this department a person must comply with the 4-H age eligibility policy. Age eligibility begins when a child is *age 8 as of January 1 AND* in the third grade, and ends December 31 of the calendar year (Jan.1 - Dec. 31) in which a member reaches the age of 19. No entry fee is charged to exhibit in this department
4. For entries in any class in the Jr. Division, premiums and/or ribbons shall be based on the quality of the exhibit at the time of grading and judging. No awards will be made unless the exhibit is considered worthy by the judges.
5. Any junior exhibitor with registered livestock, upon filing an entry blank with the secretary of the Senior Fairboard not later than July 15, 2011 and paying the entry fee and exhibitor fee, is eligible to exhibit in the open class.
6. All products, except livestock, must have been developed, produced or made in the current program year as part of a youth organization activity.
7. Youth exhibitors will receive a pass at a \$5 charge, admitting the exhibitor to the grounds. No passes will be issued other than to the exhibitor. Club advisors passes, at a \$5 charge, may be prorated to each club. Senior Fairboard Rule: parents, guardians, or other adults must pay to enter to assist a Jr. Fair exhibitor. A full refund will be made if leaving within one hour. 4-H Volunteers receiving \$5 wristband must have attended at least one volunteer training session.
8. Jr. Fair Livestock exhibitors will be paid \$4.00 per project area. (i.e. - \$4 for dairy, \$4 for hog, \$4 for rabbit, etc.)
9. The Jr. Fair operates on a budget. Should expenses exceed the budget, the Sr. Fairboard reserves the right to prorate premiums.
10. Youth who are staying overnight must have a permit issued by the Senior Fairboard (included with registration forms in the back of this book).
11. All crepe paper decorations placed in Fair buildings must be flameproof. All other paper should be kept to a minimum and must be treated with fire retardant.
12. All Jr. Fair exhibitors will be required to wear show numbers for identification when they are showing their project. The numbers will be furnished at the Fair when wristbands are purchased.

13. Insurance is the sole responsibility of the exhibitors. The OSU Extension Staff recommends each club insure their members with the 4-H accident group insurance from American Income Life Ins. Co. for \$1 - \$2 per member on the form provided to club advisors.

14. Committees will assign stall spaces. All feed, hay, and bedding must be provided by the exhibitor. Saw dust may be used for bedding of animals with a maximum depth of 6 inches.

15. All animals to be shown at the Fair must be pre-registered with the OSU Extension Office on the appropriate registration dates. NO stock may be substituted after registration, even if the original animal has died or is not available.

16. Entries for Jr. Fair livestock exhibits and booth exhibits must be submitted to the **OSU Columbiana County Extension Office not later than the following dates:**

Beef Feeder	July 1, 2011
Dairy Cheese Animal	March 15, 2011
Dairy Beef Feeder	March 15, 2011
Beef Breeding & Dairy	July 1, 2011
Market & Carcass Hog	April 16, 2011
Market & Carcass Lamb, Sheep Breeding	April 16, 2011
Market Goat	April 28, 2011
Horse Project & Stall Registration	May 21, 2011
Rabbit & Poultry	June 18, 2011
Booth Space Request	July 1, 2011
2012 Steer	November 10, 2011
Pocket Pets	June 18, 2011

OVERNIGHT PASS GETS MAILED TO **SENIOR FAIRBOARD** BY July 23, 2011.

17. Livestock exhibited must conform to the health requirements of the Agricultural Society for the Senior Fair as stated. All livestock, except small animals and horse, are required to have health papers.

17A. To exhibit at the Columbiana County Junior Fair the exhibitor must have a record book checked by each livestock committee at 4-H book grading day. (FFA and other organization members must bring their record books to be checked.) To foster fairness any committee member doing book grading must have their family member's books graded by another committee member.

18. Please read and refer to the **MANDATORY** Ohio Livestock Exhibition and

Livestock Tampering Rules. All exhibitors are responsible for following these requirements.

19. If an animal loses a registration tag, a committee member or the Extension Office MUST be notified within 72 hours/3 days. Any animal that enters the fairgrounds without a tag in its ear will be dismissed. Failure to notify within 72 hours/three days could result in loss of showing privileges for that animal at the Fair.

20. All market and lactating animal project exhibitors (including dry animals) **MUST** attend a Quality Assurance session. Evidence of participation must be shown to participate in the Fair. *Dates for the 2011 QA clinics are:*

- *January 19, 2011, 6:00 pm, United High School, QA Clinic*
- *March 24, 2011, 7:00 pm, Crestview Middle School, QA Clinic*
- *May 14, 2011, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, Col. Co. Career Center, SR 45, Lisbon, QA Clinic*

21. Each livestock committee requires attendance at two clinics. For most committees this will mean attendance at a QA clinic plus a clinic put on specifically by their livestock area. Always attend and listen carefully at the clinics for possible changes in rules or shows. Each committee will give as much advance notice of changes as possible. It is your responsibility to know what is going on with your project. Failure to attend 2 clinics will result in the loss of showing privileges in that livestock area for the current year's Fair. **THERE WILL BE NO MAKE-UPS.**

A. Expectations of attendance at clinic would be to stay for the entire session. Committees will have attendance sheets at each clinic where you will be expected to sign-in at arrival and sign-out at the end of the clinic session.

22. Fair Check - in and Release Times

A. Check-ins: Market hogs, lambs, goats, dairy beef feeder and all rabbits and poultry must be in by 5:00 p.m. Mon., Aug. 1, 2011. All other livestock must be in by 8:00 p.m. Mon., Aug. 1, 2011.

B. Release times: All steers will be released Monday, August 8, 2011, 6-11 a.m. All other livestock will be released at 8 p.m., Sunday, August 7, 2011 (Horses released at 7 p.m.).

23. All market livestock/animal projects are the responsibility of the exhibitor until they are released to the buyer/packer, or until 12 noon on Monday, August 8, 2011.

24. Any youth organization member exhibiting in the various animal classes may participate in the showmanship contest for that animal. See showmanship rules. Exhibitor must show own animal in showmanship.

25. Exhibitors may not sell more than two (2) market animals at the fair. Exhibitors may register more than 2 market projects for the fair but **ONLY TWO** market animals may be shown at the fair.

26. All exhibitors are expected to be present at some part of the current Columbiana County Fair. Each exhibitor must show their own animal in the show ring, unless they are unable to do so because of sickness, *military service*, *college*, or a conflict with showing another animal of a different species. In these cases the exhibitor may procure another Columbiana County Jr. Fair exhibitor to show their animal for them. (Exception would be horse projects) Prior approval must be obtained from the livestock committee involved.

27. It is the Junior Fair exhibitor's responsibility to groom and care for their own project animal at the fair. Violation of this rule is a Quality Assurance issue and will be dealt with as such.

28. Livestock must be brought into the show when the class is called. Violators will not be permitted to show and will forfeit premiums.

A. All exhibitors are responsible for being present one hour prior to their livestock sale, get their animal ready, and remain in the barn until their project has been sold unless released by the committee. Anyone not present to sell will:

1. Move to the end of the sale and pay a penalty to the committee, and
2. If the end of the sale is reached and the exhibitor still has not arrived, the animal will not be sold. The exhibitor will be responsible for the removal of the animal from the fairgrounds at the close of the fair. This exhibitor will not be permitted to show the following year.

29. Barn duty is **MANDATORY** in all livestock areas. Each committee has its own guidelines. Please make sure you know what is expected of you in each livestock area and fulfill your responsibility.

30. There will be two ways in which an animal can be released from the Fairgrounds:

A. A veterinarian may excuse an animal at any time.

B. If someone thinks an animal should be excused, the following procedure should be followed:

The Sr. Fairboard member who is responsible for the Jr. Fair Department is John Karlen and he **MUST** be present during this procedure along with Julie Herron, 4-H Extension Educator AND a livestock committee member **MUST** meet to determine if the animal will be released. **NO** animal will be sent home without the Senior and Junior Fairboard representatives' approval.

C. Once released from the fair by the veterinarian, the excused animal must be confined to its assigned stall and is to be removed ASAP and is not to be shown at the fair. Failure to comply with this rule may jeopardize participation at future fairs.

31. To insure the safety and enjoyment of the general fairgoer, appropriate conduct of a 4-H/Jr. Fair participant, parent or other spectator, and committee members are expected. Non-appropriate behaviors include water fights, foul language, verbal/physical fights, abuse/neglect of animals, unsportsmanlike actions, or other inappropriate behavior as determined by 4-H Educator, committees, and fair management. Exhibitors involved in non-appropriate behaviors will be reprimanded and may forfeit all awards and not be permitted to exhibit the following year. Parents, spectators or committee members involved in non-

appropriate behaviors will be asked to leave the fairgrounds.

32. Any youth showing at the fair who commits a major violation of the rules with the intent to deceive for the purpose of winning, will forfeit any and all awards won that year and will be barred from showing at the fair the following year.

33. A small percentage may be deducted from the sale price of market animals to cover expenses. The amount will be determined by each 4-H/Jr Fair Committees.

34. The Fairboard will not be responsible for losses or injury to exhibits, however, every precaution will be exercised to prevent loss or injury to such exhibits.

35. Problems arising not mentioned in these rules must conform to the rules of the youth organizations and the County Agricultural Society.

36. The Columbiana County Agricultural Society will designate all market sales as "partial terminal" or "terminal" sales prior to the fair, in accordance with ODA regulations and time tables. Either case means all Grand and Reserve animals must go **directly** to processing. If this rule is broken and animals are not processed, any parties found in violation of this rule will be subject to state penalties and will also be banned from showing any animals at the Columbiana County Fair the following year.

37. Committees who sponsor an award for a "Best Project" which includes skillathon scores, showmanship scores and class placing will call this award:
Specie – Outstanding Youth Project – Grand
Specie – Outstanding Youth Project – Reserve

38. All questions pertaining to exceptions to Rules should be directed in writing to the appropriate livestock committee, with a copy going to the Junior and Senior Fairboards. This shall be done at least 30 days prior to fair. The committee shall pass the request and their recommendations on to the Junior Fairboard. *The Junior Fairboard will then pass the matter with their recommendation onto the Senior Fairboard representative who will then bring this matter to the attention of the Senior Fairboard.*

39. *Once an animal has been accepted by the respective Senior Show Superintendent in charge to be shown at the fair and placed in its assigned spot at the fair, there will be NO replacements of animals for any reason.*