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**2023 EXHIBITION LIVESTOCK & POULTRY HEALTH REQUIREMENTS  
(EFFECTIVE JANUARY 3, 2011)**

**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

1. CERTIFICATES OF VETERINARY INSPECTION AND ENTRY PERMITS: "Certificate of Veterinary Inspection" refers to a legible record (made on an official form issued from the state of origin) by an accredited veterinarian, which shows that the animals listed thereon meet health requirements of the state of destination. It must bear the identification of each animal and separate certificates must be made for each species of animal entered. Entry permits are required on all out-of-state swine, rodeo bulls, psittacines, passerines, ratites, all other avian species except poultry and turkeys, camelids, or exotic animals. Permits are also required on all cattle entering Arkansas from any state that is not a tuberculosis free state, unless that state has a reciprocal agreement with Arkansas. Permit numbers can be obtained from the state veterinarian's office (501) 907-2400 from 8:00 am. – 4:30 pm. Monday through Friday. A certificate of veterinary inspection must accompany all animals and:
  - a. Must be available on request by animal health officials.
  - b. Individually identify all animals, showing positive identification of each animal by tattoo, ear tag, registration number or ear notch. Steers should be identified by description.
  - c. Show required tests, vaccinations, and entry permit number, if applicable.
  - d. Show name and address of owner or exhibitor – this shall be the same name as under which animals are exhibited.
2. Any animal or poultry showing any evidence of infections or contagious disease, or of external parasitism, and animals with active ringworm, lesions (with the resulting loss of hair), multiple warts easily visible without close examination, or atrophic rhinitis, will not be permitted to exhibit or remain on fairgrounds.
3. All animals entering the grounds, including those shown in pet zoos, children's barnyard animals, Old McDonald Farms, etc. must meet requirements of their particular species.
4. All animals originating out of areas quarantined because of other diseases (vesicular stomatitis, scabies, etc.) shall not be permitted to enter the State.
5. The Fair Board reserves the right to have a blood and urine laboratory analysis made for any animal at the Northeast Arkansas District Fair.
6. Any exhibitor administering a drug to an animal which would render the carcass unfit for human consumption or any exhibitor of any animal producing an analysis indicating the presence of an unapproved drug that can result in quantitative or qualitative change in the characteristic of the animal will be required to return all premium money and could be banned from further competition. Their name and the lab analysis will be submitted to the USDA & FDA for further investigation and possible prosecution.
7. Any animal receiving medication for any life threatening disease or illness must be registered at the time they are entered in the fair.

**ARKANSAS LIVESTOCK  
COUNTY, JR. DISTRICT, AND STATE FAIR LEVEL**

1. Arkansas livestock (except for Arkansas sheep, goats, horses, steers, and rabbits) must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 90 days prior to exhibition, showing the following:

**ARKANSAS CATTLE**

1. If Arkansas is a Class Free State, Arkansas cattle are exempt from brucellosis testing. If Arkansas is not a Class Free State then the following testing requirements must be met: Negative brucellosis test within ninety (90) days prior to exhibition, for females and bulls eighteen (18) months of age or over. All heifers that have calved or are bred must be tested. Animals originating from a Certified Brucellosis Free Herd are exempt if the Certified Free Herd number is shown on certificate.
2. All heifers that are four to twelve (4-12) months of age shall be vaccinated before entering show.
3. Heifers that were born on or after January 1, 1985, that are over twelve (12) months of age and are not official calthood vaccinates will not be allowed to show (unless they are from a Brucellosis Certified free herd). This will not apply if Arkansas continues as a Brucellosis Free State.

**ARKANSAS SWINE**

1. Animals to be tested negative for brucellosis within 90 days of exhibition or originate directly out of Validated herd, with validation number and date of last herd test shown on certificate (barrows exempt).
2. Animals to be tested negative for pseudorabies within 90 days of the exhibition on a test approved by The State Veterinarian or originate directly out of a Qualified Pseudorabies Free herd.
3. Free of other contagious, infectious, and communicable diseases (erysipelas, atrophic rhinitis, etc.).  
Otherwise they will not be allowed to show and will be released from fairgrounds.

**ARKANSAS SHEEP**

Sheep will be inspected on grounds. No sheep showing symptoms of disease, particularly foot rot, sore mouth, sheep pox, and scrapie will be allowed to show. Federal Law requires ALL Breeding Sheep, over 18 months of age and sexually intact sheep for exhibition, to have an official USDA tag or official tattoo PRIOR to movement.

**ARKANSAS GOATS**

Goats may be examined on grounds by fair personnel, veterinarians, or state-federal personnel. No goats showing evidence of abscesses and certainly draining abscesses will be allowed to show and may be released by fair officials, veterinarians, or state-federal personnel. Goats showing evidence of any other disease may be released. Federal Law requires ALL Breeding Goats, over 18 months of age and sexually intact goats for exhibition, to have an official USDA tag or official tattoo PRIOR to movement.

**ARKANSAS POULTRY**

An official representing the person sponsoring the exhibition shall notify the State Veterinarian no later than thirty (30) days prior to the exhibition, giving the names, place, inclusive dates and time of the event. The requirements for exhibition are as follows:

- 1. Pullorum-Typhoid Status** – All poultry, including turkeys and excluding waterfowl, present at exhibitions in Arkansas shall have originated from U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean or equivalent flocks or have had a negative Pullorum-Typhoid test within ninety (90) days of the movement to the exhibition. This information will be documented on an NPIP Form VS 9-3, NPIP Form VS 9-2 or similar certificate, which will accompany the poultry during the exhibition.
- 2. Infectious or Contagious Disease** – Any poultry showing evidence of infectious or contagious disease or insect infestation will not be permitted to exhibit.
- 3. Record Keeping** – The sponsor of the exhibition shall compile a list of all poultry present at the exhibition. The list shall contain the name and address of each owner, the number, species, breed, variety, type, sex, and Pullorum-Typhoid status of all poultry present. A copy of this list shall be retained by the sponsor of the exhibition for at least twelve (12) months.

## GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES

Rules apply to all animal divisions

1. **All livestock pre-entries will be due by Friday, September 08, 2023. Entries will be submitted online at [www.neadistrictfair.com](http://www.neadistrictfair.com) beginning August 21, 2023. All entries will be charged the following entry fees: ALL Cattle \$5, Swine \$5, ALL Goats \$5, ALL Sheep \$5 & Poultry & Rabbits \$5. \$5 of the entry fee will be returned back in prize money to each exhibit that is showed. Bring your online receipt to get you in the gate, then take it to show registration proof and pick up passes in west office of cattle barn. NO reserving/re-marking of pens. NO tack pens until all animals are in place. Superintendents assign pens as livestock is checked in.**
2. Livestock competition is open to Northeast Arkansas District only.
3. All exhibitors (Junior and Senior or Open) must have owned and taken possession of their animals at least sixty (60) days prior to the opening day of the Northeast Arkansas District Fair.
4. The Junior Division will be open to 4-H members currently enrolled in a 4-H Club and FFA members who are currently paid members of an FFA Chapter.
5. Junior exhibitors will be given the opportunity to enter their animals in the Junior & Open division, but MUST pay separate entry fee for both shows.
6. All livestock divisions, EXCEPT CATTLE, will be subject to: To constitute a Breed Show, there must be at least five (5) head and two (2) exhibitors. All breeds with less than this minimum requirement will be assigned to "All other Breeds" ("AOB").
  - a. All Breeds assigned to "All other Breeds" shall have a Grand Champion selected and award presented.
  - b. Award shall be Fifty Dollars (\$50) and a Rosette.
7. No non registered intact male will be shown in any species.
8. The Fair Association is not liable for loss, damage, or injury to any exhibit or animal during the show.
9. A night watchman will be provided by the Fair Association.
10. All livestock must provide own bedding.
11. Smoking is PROHIBITED in the livestock barns or other stall areas.
12. No dogs will be allowed in livestock barns or other stall areas.
13. **All exhibitor pens must be cleaned out before exiting the fairgrounds. Failure to do so will result in the loss of prize money.**
14. **NEA District Fair reserves the right at any time to remove an animal from the fairgrounds that is sick or has any other health issue that could compromise the exhibit, exhibitor, other exhibitors, etc.**
15. **ALL PRIZE CHECKS WILL BE VOIDED AFTER 90 DAYS.**

### TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED FOR WINNERS IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

1. Rabbit Showmanship—Pee-Wee, Junior and Senior
3. Reserve Champion Market Hog
4. Reserve Champion Market Goat
5. Reserve Champion Market Lamb
6. Reserve Champion Market Steer
7. Livestock Exhibitors Neatness and Arrangement Award, during entire show. An award for First Place will be presented to the adults and juniors that are selected for keeping their beef and exhibits neat, clean and kept arranged properly during the entire fair. The purpose of this contest is to encourage all exhibitors to have a neat appearing exhibit for the attending public to observe. The contest will be judged by a special committee.
8. Livestock Judging Contest for both 4-H and FFA bonafide members certified by Vo-Ag Instructors or County Extension Agents. Trophies will be awarded to the 1st Place Junior and Senior teams. The junior must not have reached 14 years by September 1, 2023 and the senior must be 14 by September 1, 2023.
9. Showmanship Junior and Senior. Junior must not have reached 14 years by September 1, 2023 and Senior must be 14 by September 1, 2023.
10. Poultry Best of Show – Junior and Open

### BELT BUCKLES WILL BE AWARDED FOR WINNERS IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

1. Grand Champion Market Hog
2. Grand Champion Market Goat
3. Grand Champion Market Lamb-Junior
4. Grand Champion Market Steer-Junior
5. Supreme Bull-Junior
6. Supreme Heifer-Junior
7. Grand Champion Dairy Goat
8. Grand Champion Dairy Cow

Other prizes will be awarded for showmanship.

Goat Showmanship – Pee Wee, Junior and Senior

Sheep Showmanship – Pee Wee, Junior and Senior

Beef Showmanship – Pee-Wee, Junior and Senior

Dairy Goat & Cattle Showmanship – Pee Wee, Junior and Senior

Mini Beef Showmanship- Pee Wee, Junior and Senior

Swine Showmanship – Pee Wee, Junior and Senior

**PLEASE NOTE:** The department superintendent will be responsible and advise all contestants of the rules and regulations for competing for the above awards.

**ALL ANIMALS ENTERING FAIRGROUNDS INCLUDING THOSE SHOWN IN PET ZOOS, CHILDREN'S BARNYARD ANIMALS, OLD MCDONALD FARMS, ETC. WILL BE SUBJECT TO ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**SWINE DIVISION  
OPEN AND JUNIOR COMPETITION  
SUPERINTENDENT – CARI BETH WILDER  
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT – MADELYN RAMSEY SMITH  
SWINE DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**NOTE: NO reserving/pre-marking of pens. NO tack pens until all animals are in place. Superintendents will assign pens as livestock is checked in.**

**Open Swine must be in place by 5:00 pm Sunday, September 24, 2023.**

**Open Swine may check in from 3:00-5:00 pm Sunday, September 24, 2023.**

**Open Swine judging will be 8 am Tuesday, September 26, 2023 in Barn # 1.**

**Open Swine will be released at 10:00 pm Tuesday, September 26, 2023. Anyone leaving before 10:00 pm will forfeit prize money.**

**Junior Market and Breeding Swine may start checking in as early as 3:00 pm on Sunday, September 24, 2023.**

**Junior Swine must be in place by 5:00 pm Sunday, September 24, 2023.**

**Junior Market Swine weigh-in will be 6:00-8:00 pm Monday, September 25, 2023.**

**Jr. Breeding Swine judging will begin immediately at the conclusion of the open swine show.**

**Market swine and showmanship will follow after the breeding show on Tuesday, September 26, 2023.**

**All Swine will be released at 10:00 pm, Tuesday, September 26, 2023. Anyone leaving before 10:00 pm will forfeit prize money.**

1. **All swine pre-entries will be due by Friday, September 8, 2023.** Entries will be submitted online at [www.neadistrictfair.com](http://www.neadistrictfair.com) beginning August 21, 2023.
2. All swine must be registered with an ear tag that must match the tag in their hog. Additionally, 840 tags are required and can be used as the registration number (use the last 4 digits). Tagging must be done prior to entry into the barn as there will be no tagging on the premises.
3. Only bona fide 4-H and FFA members are eligible to show in the junior division of the Swine show.
4. All Breeding classes of Swine in both open and junior divisions must be registered in the name of the exhibitor.
5. Exhibits are to be trained to handle as judging will be done in an open ring.
6. Exhibitors will be limited to two entries per class.
7. Exhibitors will furnish hurdles to control swine.
8. Minimum weight-175 pounds, Maximum weight-280 pounds for Market Hogs.
9. Anyone leaving without proper release will forfeit premium money.
10. All junior swine must be owned by an exhibitor 60 days prior to the start of district fair.
11. Junior exhibitors will be given the opportunity to enter their animals in either the Junior Market, Junior breeding or Open division but may not enter their hog in more than one show. .
- 12 No fully intact males will be exhibited.
13. **All exhibitor pens must be cleaned out before exiting the fairgrounds. Failure to do so will result in the loss of prize money.**
14. Any changes or additional classes will be at the discretion of the Superintendent.
15. Late entries by permission only + \$10.00 late entry fee.
16. There will be showmanship classes posted base on entries.
17. Animals to be tested negative for brucellosis within 90 days of exhibition or originating out of Validated Herd, with validation number and date of last herd date test shown on certificate.
18. Animals to be tested negative for Pseudorabies within 90 days of the exhibition on a test approved by the State Veterinarian out of Qualified Pseudorabies Free Herd.
19. Free of other contagious, infections, and communicable diseases (erysipelas, atrophic rhinitis, etc.); otherwise they will not be allowed to show and will be released from fairgrounds.
20. **ALL PRIZE CHECKS WILL BE VOIDED AFTER 90 DAYS.**
21. The Fair Association is not liable for loss, damage, or injury to any exhibit or animal during the show.

Breeding Swine Divisions

The Breeding Swine show will be divided into classes base off of the 9 standard breeds. Any exhibit that does not apply will be exhibited in All Other Breeds show unless there are two exhibitors with at least 3 head of that specific breed.

- Breeds..... AOB
- Berkshire ..... Erect Eared
  - Chester White ..... Floppy Eared
  - Durox
  - Hampshire
  - Hereford
  - Landrace
  - Yorkshire
  - Poland China
  - Spotted

Breeding Classes/Commercial Gilt

1. 3-5 month Gilt
2. 6-9 month Gilt
3. 10-12 month Gilt
4. 13-24 month Gilt

Classes will be paid out accordingly:

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>
\$30	\$26	\$22	\$18	\$16

Grand Champion \$50

Reserve Grand Champion \$25

Market Hog-Barrows and Gilts may show (classes will be determine by weight)

Market Classes will be paid out accordingly:

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
\$30	\$26	\$22	\$20	\$18	\$16

Grand Champion..... Belt Buckle + \$50

Reserve Grand Champion..... Rosette + \$25

All swine grading USDA #1 will receive \$20.00.

**SPECIAL AWARD BY UNITED DUROC REGISTRY**

In shows such as the Northeast Arkansas District Fair that include a market barrow show in the junior, with different breeds competing for grand champion overall the Duroc Registry offers \$7.50 cash to the owner of the grand champion barrow, provided it is a recorded Duroc Boar and out of a recorded dam. In the event that gifts show as well as barrows in a market hog show such as the Northeast Arkansas District Fair, a Duroc Gilt out of a registered sire and dam is eligible for \$7.50. If this is the case and if there is an all-breed show of gilts in which a champion is named, registered Duroc gilt that is named champion over all breeds is eligible for the \$7.50.

No market premium will be paid on No. 2 and No. 3.