



LOCAL RULES

**These are local rules IN ADDITION to the CDFA State Rules*

1. ***NEW*** - All Independent Exhibitors MUST turn in an application to show as an Independent Exhibitor. This is in addition to the regular entry form requirements. Please see the Fair website or contact the Fair Office for forms.
2. ***NEW*** - All entries and payments will only be accepted online. Payments will not be accepted in the fair administration office.
3. ***NEW*** - Any changes or revisions of entries will result in a \$20 fee. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor, leader and parents to enter the correct classes.
4. ***NEW*** - Junior exhibitors are expected to groom, handle and care for their animal(s) when at the fair. This includes feeding, watering, grooming and fitting. They shall refrain from accepting active assistance from adults and non-exhibiting youth unless the junior exhibitor is actively engaged, and the assistance is only for instruction. Violation may result in disqualification.
5. ***NEW*** - Negative sportsmanship of any kind such as negatively speaking to another exhibitor, throwing show sticks and/or supplies (in and out of the ring) will result in an immediate disqualification. This applies to adults and exhibitors.
6. ***NEW*** - No person shall be allowed, under any circumstances, to interfere with the judge(s) regarding their adjudications, or with the fair's staff, or to offer any audible criticism of an exhibit or exhibitor. Violators of this rule shall be excused immediately from the competition and shall be subject to such additional penalties, including cancellations of awards, as the management shall consider proper.
7. ***NEW*** - Any inhumane activity to animals by the exhibitor, as determined by fair management in consultation with the fair veterinarian, may cause disqualification, forfeiture of awards, and removal of the exhibit or exhibitor from the fairgrounds and reported to the proper authorities if needed.
8. ***NEW*** - All adults (both parents) must sign an Adult Code of Conduct before their child is eligible to show.
9. ***NEW*** - Adults that violate the Adult Code of Conduct will disqualify their own child in the show.
10. ***NEW*** - The auction committee will distribute the auction task list fairly to all clubs.
11. ***NEW*** - All clubs and independent exhibitors must participate in the pre-show set up day. Date and time will be determined by the auction committee.
12. ***NEW*** - All exhibitors must clean out their pens on Sunday or auction check will be withheld or a fine of \$150 will be deducted from their auction check.
13. ***NEW*** - All out of area exhibitors showing 4H, FFA or Grange must have an official registered leader on grounds during the entire show dates. All out of area Independent Exhibitors must have a parent or guardian on grounds during the entire show dates. All out

of area exhibitors must show proof of current school enrollment in one of the qualifying communities listed below by close of entries.

14. Show is limited to residents of Inyo, Mono and Alpine Counties, and those areas of Nevada including: Smith Valley, Gardnerville, Minden, Sweetwater Valley, Tonopah, Fish Lake Valley, Hawthorne, Smokey Valley and Schurz.
15. **All exhibitors must market their projects and actively bring buyers to the auction.**
16. Exhibitors who are members of 4-H, Grange or FFA must have been enrolled in the project 60 days (120 days for Beef) must have project records and proof of supervision. Independent exhibitors must provide the Livestock Office with a photo of their animal, proof of ownership, ear tag, tattoo or notch, and project records with entry forms. Independent exhibitors will be placed in shows with 4-H or FFA depending on age and experience as designated by management.
17. Exhibitors may show two (2) market animals per species, but may only auction one (1) large (beef, sheep or swine) and one (1) small (rabbit meat pen, turkey or meat goat).
18. All animals must be clipped and ready for show upon arrival at the fairgrounds. The fairgrounds will not provide power sources, the exhibitors may bring generators.
19. **Exhibitors will be assigned pens by the livestock office. Market beef will be given pens and a tie area. Exhibitors may not change pens without permission of the Livestock Superintendent.**
20. Animals may only be weighed once. Exhibitors or leaders may ask for a re-weigh, however the animal **MAY NOT LEAVE THE SCALE AREA**. Only one re-weigh is allowed.
21. Absolutely no privately-owned weighing scales will be allowed on the Fairgrounds at any time.
22. Minimum weigh limits are as follows; Meat Goats 60lbs, Market Sheep 100lbs, Market Swine 205lbs, Market Beef 1000lbs, Meat Rabbits 3.5-5.5lbs. There are no maximum weight limits to be eligible to show. **Minimum weights are enforced.** Maximum pay weights are as follows (beef - 1300 pounds, swine - 265 pounds, sheep - 155 pounds, meat goats - 110 pounds) **Exhibitors are encouraged to manage their animal's weight and present them at their ideal weight.**
23. Any attempt to alter the weight of an animal by artificial means is cause for disqualification, and removal of the animal from the fairgrounds.
24. Exhibitors who are unable to be at weigh-in may have another exhibitor or sibling weigh their animal for them.
25. Beef exhibitors must have a brand inspection and transportation slip at weigh-in.
26. Lambs and goats must be dry and blankets removed before entering the scale area for weigh-in. Any animals with live club lamb fungus, ringworm, sore mouth or staff infection will be disqualified.
27. **All junior livestock exhibitors are required to wash and fit their animals for the show ring without any adult and/or leader help. Other Youth under the age of 19 years are eligible to assist if they are eligible to exhibit an animal at the 2024 Eastern Sierra Tri County Junior Livestock Show. Any violation of this rule shall result in the disqualification of the animal as well as any and all entries associated with the exhibitor. Premiums won before the infraction will not be paid, any and all titles won will be retracted.**
28. **Late entry forms will not be accepted past the deadline May 5, 2024.**

29. Exhibitors must show and sell their own animals.
 - A. **SUBSTITUTE ANIMAL HANDLER:** In the event of a scheduling conflict due to a prestigious youth activity or important family activity, an exhibitor may make written request for a substitute handler. This request must be made seven (7) days prior to the show and submitted to the Fair Office. Letter must explain why the exhibitor will be unable to show his/her animal. Letter must include name of substitute handler and must be signed by exhibitor, exhibitor's parents, leader or advisor and the substitute handler. Each request will be reviewed by the Board of Directors of the 18th District Agricultural Association and the exhibitor will be notified if request is approved.
30. **UNIFORMS:** All 4-H, Grange and FFA members must wear the official uniform of their respective organization:
 - FFA:** Black pants, white long-sleeved tailored shirt, FFA jacket and tie; no hat.
 - 4-H:** Dark navy-blue pants (Jeans or cords), white long sleeved tailored shirt, 4-H tie or scarf and 4-H hat.
 - GRANGE:** Dark navy-blue pants (Jeans or cords), white long sleeved tailored shirt, Grange Vest.
 - INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR:** Dark blue or navy pants, white long sleeved tailored shirt; no hat.
31. Exhibitor Age for eligibility is as of January 1, 2024.
32. Exhibitors under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Drinking and possession of drugs or alcohol will be cause for immediate dismissal from the fair grounds and the exhibitor will NOT be permitted to take their animal(s) through the auction, animal(s) will be removed from the fairgrounds immediately by owner.
33. **NO EXHIBITORS IN THE BARNS OR LIVESTOCK AREA PAST 10:00PM. NO EXCEPTIONS. THE LIVESTOCK SUPERINTENDENT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DISMISS ANY EXHIBITOR AND THEIR ANIMALS FROM THE SHOW AND SALE IF EXHIBITORS ARE NON-COMPLIANT.**
34. Fair management reserves the right to order the removal of any entry that is not in the best interest of the fair, endangers the public or staff by being allowed to be shown. All large livestock must be broke to lead and manageable by the exhibitor.
35. County, District and State Fairs cannot legally carry liability insurance covering the exhibitor and/or their entries. Liability insurance is the responsibility and the discretion of the exhibitor.
36. Reasonable precaution will be taken in protection of exhibits. The 18th District Agricultural Association will not be responsible for loss or damage, whatsoever the cause. The exhibitor must arrange for insurance if it is desired. Furthermore, the Eastern Sierra Tri County Fair will not be responsible for accidents or loss that may occur to any of the exhibitors or exhibits at the show and the exhibitors shall hold the management harmless and indemnify it against any legal proceedings arising from such accident or loss. Presentation of online submission shall be deemed acceptance of this rule.
37. Any deviation from the rules printed in this Exhibit Guidebook will be grounds for disqualification.
38. **ALL ANIMALS MUST HAVE CONSTANT ACCESS TO WATER!**

39. All members of a grange or independent organization will enter as follows; if exhibitor is 13 years of age or older they will compete in FFA divisions and if 12 and younger they will show in 4-H division. Age is determined as on January 1, 2024.
40. **All Exhibitors must complete YQCA training as ruled by the state.** All Youth Exhibitors (excluding Primary Members) competing in small stock and large livestock categories are required as a condition of entry to complete the National Online Training program known as Youth Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). Learn more and complete your training by going to <http://yqcaprogram.org/>. This Certification Program will NOT be required for Primary members. Exhibitors 9 Years of age and older are required to complete the training no later than MAY 5, 2024. Each exhibitor must turn a training certificate in with their entry forms online by May 5, 2024
41. **IT IS THE EXHIBITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO PROOF, READ AND CHECK ALL ENTIRES BEFORE THEY ARE SUBMITTED. We are not responsible for exhibitor/parent/leader error.**