

ANIMAL EXHIBITOR CODE OF CONDUCT

This Code of Conduct is an agreement, formal or implied, between the participants and the management of this Fair. Its purpose is:

- To ensure the overall well-being of animal exhibited
- To ensure the use of commonly accepted practices in preparing and exhibiting animals for show.
- To maintain a safe and wholesome food supply.
- To maintain the intent and integrity of animal competitions and displays for future generations.

Animal exhibitors participating at this Fair agree to the following guidelines:

1. Animals must be transported to and from the Fair in accordance with all transport regulations and standards.
2. Intentional misrepresentation of an animal in any way including age of the animal, ownership, altering of pedigree, or other misinformation provided by the exhibitor is prohibited.
3. Animals must be treated and handled in a responsible manner. They will be fed and watered at least twice daily.
4. Treating an animal internally or externally with any substance or procedure used to artificially change the conformation, appearance, or handling characteristics of the animal for show is prohibited. This does not apply to accepted methods of clipping or combing an animal's hair.
5. The use of abusive showing and/or handling practices such as striking animals or administering an electrical shock to cause swelling or to affect the bracing behavior of an animal is prohibited.
6. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after a competitive event is prohibited.

Any violation of this Code of Conduct will result in forfeiture of premiums and awards, disqualification, and probationary status and/or loss of eligibility for future competition at this Fair.

An overview committee consisting of at least three people generally recognized as knowledgeable of livestock management and exhibitions are responsible for the administration of this Code of Conduct. Their decisions are final and not subject to appeal.

