

Department of 4-H and Youth Development

Exhibitor Handbook

2009 General 4-H Information

ELIGIBILITY

1. A 4-H exhibit must be the work of the 4-H member and completed as part of the current year's project. Work done after county fair but prior to Oct 1 and not previously exhibited may be entered in the next project year.
2. A 4-H member may enter only one exhibit per class number unless otherwise specified.
3. The 4-H member must be enrolled in the project in order to exhibit in that project, except computers, educational displays and conservation which are open to all 4-H members.
4. The same exhibit may not be entered in more than one class.
5. No exhibit may be entered in both 4-H and FFA with the exception of Horse and Dog.
6. The 4-H project manuals shall be the guides for requirements not specified in this fairbook.
7. **4-H exhibits at the Yamhill County Fair are entered and displayed at the risk of the exhibitor.** OSU Extension 4-H in cooperation with the Yamhill County Fair accepts exhibits and will exercise due care to protect them. 4-H and the County Fair cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage due to the conditions imposed by large crowds, the arrangement of the building in which displays are housed and the great number of exhibits. Every exhibitor shall indemnify the County Fair and 4-H from and against any claims for damage to persons or property caused by them or by their exhibits. 4-H'ers who have exhibits of great sentimental and/or monetary value, should carefully consider whether such exhibits should be exposed to the hazards of the Fair.

EXHIBIT TAGS AND STALL CARDS

1. A standard 4-H exhibit tag shall be securely attached to each exhibit except wool fleeces, flowers, clothing and animals. There are special exhibit tags for wool and mohair fleeces, flowers and clothing/ sewing. We encourage the use of computer generated exhibit tags. These can be found on the State 4-H website. <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu>.
2. Livestock stall cards and small animal cards will be available at the OSU Extension Office or they may be filled out at home and brought to the Fair.
3. Tags and cards are available at the Yamhill County Extension office. All tags and cards must be filled out completely, except for addresses.
4. Small animal sale advertisement program available this year for animals being exhibited at fair. There will be a \$1 donation for each sale animal, with proceeds going to the improvements of the rabbit and poultry barns.
A pre-register form must be filled out and a for-sale card will be provided. Signs must be posted on their cage in the designated holder. This will be available after check-in and passing the health check. Members are solely responsible for the sale and pick up of their rabbits and poultry. **Sales are not final until after the close of fair and sold animals must remain in their cages until Sunday at 8am.**

EXHIBIT JUDGING AND RIBBONS

1. The Merit Method of judging will be used for all exhibits and contests. All other entries will be placed in Blue, Red, and White award groups according to quality:
 - Blue – excellent to superior
 - Red – good to excellent
 - White – acceptable but needs improvementNo ribbons will be awarded to those that do not qualify for the class.
2. Champions and reserve champions will be selected in each class only when the judge deems there are entries of championship quality.
3. Grand champion will be awarded only where champions are judged together. See Animal Science Rules for specific animal science championships.
4. All judges' decisions are final.

Premiums

1. Premiums monies are provided by the Yamhill County Fairboard.
2. Premium money will be distributed during Fair and must be claimed at that time or forfeited.
3. The Premium payout office will be open noon – 2pm, Friday and Saturday of Fair week.

State Fair Eligibility

1. 4-H members who exhibit animals or enter contests which require attendance at the State Fair must be Intermediates or seniors.
2. Exhibitors of exhibits that do not require attendance of members at the State Fair must be in 4th through 12th grades.
3. All 4-H exhibits must have been shown and selected at County Fair and approved by the County Extension Agent to be eligible for entry at the State Fair.
4. Animal exhibitors must show in showmanship.
5. State Fair quotas will be filled by participants earning blue ribbons in showmanship with blue ribbon animals or as designated by judge. See Horse section for their selection process.
6. The judge will select State Fair participants. The judge will also select alternates and designate a rank order.
7. At State Fair, members will be expected to cooperate and work as a team with other members in herdsmanship.

2009 YAMILL COUNTY FAIR CAMPING AND PARKING RULES

OVERNIGHT CAMPER TRAILER FEES, RULES AND GENERAL PARKING RULES

Campers are to come in Sunday, July 26 after 10 AM and must be removed by Sunday, August 2 by 2 PM. Campers include all 4-H and FFA Exhibitors. Any vehicles departing later will result in additional fees.

County Fair Vendors – Campers are also allowed to **come in Monday, July 27 or Tuesday, July 28 after 10 AM** and must be **removed by Sunday, August 2 by 2 PM**. Any departing later will result in additional fees.

Camping Fee:
Non-Electric: \$40.00 for Fair Week
Electrical: \$50.00 for Fair Week

All requests must be **received in the fairgrounds office by May 1, 2009** -you will be **notified** of the location of your RV spot by **May 22, 2009**.

Fairgrounds will be receiving payment on **May 29, 2009 from 12 PM-7 PM** and **May 30, 2009 from 10 AM-2 PM** at the fairgrounds office. **Payment must be received at this time or your space will be reassigned., as there can be a waiting list.**

There are a very limited number of electrical spaces, we will try to accommodate each club with (1) electrical spot. We will be assigning spaces using a lottery system.

NOTE: Horse trailers must be dropped or parked only in the designated area as per parking attendants.

OVERNIGHT CAMPING RULES

One (1) RV/Tent/Camper/Trailer per assigned RV space

1. Persons under the age of 18 or showing 4-H or FFA, must have an **adult (over the age of 21)** parent or guardian staying in campsite. **Curfew is 11 PM** please keep noise down as to not disrupt other campers.
2. All motorized vehicles must exit the RV parking area as soon as RV is parked in appropriate space through the completion of the Yamhill County Fair. Deliveries are to come thru the back gate and must be completed before 9 am and you **MUST** have a delivery pass visible, 1 per campsite only. Delivery vehicle to be reparked in 4-H/ FFA Lot, if not removed by 9 am you may lose your delivery pass.
3. **Generators may run from 7 AM – 10 PM.** Please be respectful of others who are camping when using your generator. Exhaust fumes and noise can be offensive to others.
4. Individuals are responsible for cleanliness of the area around their site. All garbage must be kept in suitable containers. Large garbage cans will be placed in selected areas in RV camping for your convenience.
5. Chemical toilets will be placed in the RV area for your use.
6. All overnight vehicles must be **removed from the Fairgrounds by 2 PM on Sunday August 2**, following the close of fair. Failure to remove vehicles and trailers could result in additional fees.
7. Overnight parking permits must be displayed in a manner set forth by parking attendant. Normally this will be by affixing the permit on the window of the vehicle. Persons must park in the space assigned.
8. Tents will be charged the same as an RV vehicle.
9. Horse trailers must be parked in accordance with instructions from the lot attendants. Any horse/utility trailers in camping areas will be charged the same fee as overnights.
10. **NO ALCOHOL IN RV CAMPING AREA.**

PARKING RULES—GENERAL

1. All parking permits must be displayed in the vehicle windshield.
2. Persons **must** park in the area designated on their permit. Electrical spaces need to plug into corresponding plug number on electrical outlet = to space number.
3. Permit holders must follow **all** directions of parking lot attendants. **Any complaints regarding parking attendants should be reported to the Fairgrounds office.**
4. Permit holders will not park in a manner which creates traffic problems or blocks a fire lane.
5. Stock trailers, horse trailers, utility trailers, etc., must be parked in accordance with directions from the parking lot attendants. If you have a problem, see the Lot Supervisor for assistance and directions.
6. **Vehicles loading and/or unloading livestock, horses and tack inside the fenced area of the Fairgrounds must not be left unattended for more than 15 minutes.**
7. No animal waste or combustibles will be dumped in the parking lots.
8. All vehicles must be **removed on move-out day Sunday, August 2 by 2 PM.**
9. **Any exceptions to the above rules must be cleared through the Fairgrounds office.**

PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF RULES

1. Harassment of parking attendants and/or fair board members or staff, or violation of rules may result in revocation of parking permit and/or overnight parking.
2. Violations could result in a recommendation that the violator not be issued permits the next year.
3. Violations of the rules could result in the violator's vehicle being towed from the Fairgrounds.
4. All decisions regarding violations set forth by the fair board are FINAL!

PARTICIPATION POLICIES

SUPERVISION OF 4-H MEMBERS

1. Each club shall be responsible for the supervision of its 4-H members at the County Fair. We recommend at least one chaperone per eight exhibitors. A completed and signed official 4-H health form must be in the possession of the 4-H Club Leader/chaperone or parent.

Dress Code

As Yamhill County 4-H members and leaders, we serve as representatives of our 4-H club, our county program, and the 4-H program nationwide. To maintain a positive image for the 4-H program, we have established the following dress code for all 4-H events. It is written with the intent of maintaining our positive image.

1. Apparel should always be in good taste. Tank tops must have a strap of 1 inch, armholes must not be revealing. No short shorts or skirts, underwear must be covered and not shown due to baggy pants or short shorts. Shirts must be worn at all times, no bare midriffs or bare back tops. No low cut or revealing shirts. (Bras must not be seen.) Clothes must not contain illustrations or words that are lewd, vulgar, obscene, plainly offensive,

represent gang affiliation or which promote illegal activity or advertise alcohol.

2. When exhibiting, dairy and dairy goat exhibitors are requested to wear show whites. Rabbit, cavy, poultry and cat exhibitors are required to wear long sleeve shirts. Other livestock exhibitors typically wear dark pants and a nice shirt. Horse exhibitors follow their specified guidelines. All exhibitors should wear enclosed shoes or boots if specified.

ANIMAL SCIENCE RULES

ENTRY INFORMATION

Member Quotas

1. 4-H exhibitors may enter more than one rabbit or bird in the same age class if type are of different breeds or varieties.
2. 4-H exhibitors are limited to one entry per class except as noted above.
3. 4-H exhibitors are limited to one wool fleece per class.

EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS

1. The same animal may not be entered in more than one class except for projects with performance classes (Dogs, Horses, etc).
2. Only animals officially entered at County Fair will be allowed in the barn with the exception of animals in milk with nursing offspring.
3. No animal may be entered in both 4-H and FFA with the exception of Horse and Dog. In addition, members in both organizations will abide by the current memorandum of cooperative service between the Oregon 4-H and FFA Programs.
4. Animals that have been sold prior to the County Fair are not eligible.
5. Market Animal health records are required for market projects.
6. Animals (**except horses and dogs**) used in showmanship must also be exhibited in conformation class. In addition to a showmanship class, horses are required to be shown in a driving, ground training, performance or gaming class.
7. We support and encourage the humane treatment of all animals. Animals showing any evidence of prolapse or mechanical repair will not be allowed. Exhibitors are expected to treat their animals with respect and provide for their continuous well-being through proper feeding, handling, disease prevention, sanitation and attention to their safety.

LIVESTOCK OWNERSHIP

1. All animals exhibited must have been carried in a 4-H project by the exhibitor since May 1.* *Except for animals in the market auction program. (Market Auction rules require ownership by June 1st.)
2. Registered animals must be registered in the name of the exhibitor. (Registration in a partnership or family name is acceptable if the 4-H member's animals have been designated at the beginning of the project).
3. Exhibitors must own the animals they exhibit (**exceptions:** leased animals and brace dogs).
Leased Animals: Members may have only one leased animal in species where they do not have their own animals

(exception: dog and horse). Copies of leases specifying responsibilities of lessee and lessor must be on file at the County Extension office. Members in the Dog Project may have one leased dog. Copies of leases specifying responsibilities of lessee and lessor must be on file at the county Extension office by May 1.

4. 4-H exhibitors are not allowed to share an animal in Livestock and Small Animal Projects. Two or more members of the same family may share an animal in the Horse and Dog projects. In addition, two non-family members can share the same horse including care and training responsibilities.
5. Owners of cattle should provide haulers with transportation certificates.
6. All cattle with horns must wear horn guards at all times, except when in the show ring. (Only polled or dehorned animals will be allowed at State Fair.)

HOUSING OF 4-H LIVESTOCK

1. Exhibitors must bring their own hay and feed from home. Exhibitors must provide their own feeder and water buckets.
2. Shavings may be available for bedding. Other bedding must be provided by exhibitors.
3. All animals exhibited in 4-H classes must be housed and groomed in the 4-H barn.
4. 4-H Members must do their own work including feeding, cleaning, fitting, and grooming. Members may assist each other, but parents and 4-H Leaders must not do any work for the 4-H Member. Parents and 4-H Leaders are encouraged to serve in a coaching role.
5. All beef and dairy cattle must be double tied (halter and neck rope).
6. All animals are subject to inspection by the superintendent and/or veterinarian in attendance upon admissions to the fair grounds. No animals shall be admitted to or allowed to remain on the grounds that shows evidence of any infectious or contagious disease or any unsightly disease condition such as warts, ringworm, etc. The management reserves the right to require health inspection, diagnostic tests, treatment and/or other disease control measures or procedures which might become necessary in emergencies.
7. Animals not passing health inspection by the County Fair Veterinarian must be immediately removed from the fairgrounds or exhibition area.
8. All 4-H members will remove and clean bedding from their pens and stalls prior to moving out.
9. Livestock exhibitors will be limited to a total of seven animals in each of the following departments: Dairy, Dairy Goats, Pygmy Goats, Fiber Goats, Market Goats, Swine, Beef, Sheep, Dog, Rabbit, Poultry, Cavy, and Household pets.
10. Exhibitors must follow the rules established by the Barn Superintendent.
11. Health certificates are required for dogs and cats. Dogs must be on a leash.
12. All Breeding Cattle over 6 months of age must be Brucellosis vaccinated.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING AND AWARDS

1. **The decision of the judge is FINAL.**
2. The "Merit" method of judging will be used. Judges will rank the exhibits in 1, 2, 3 order, then divide them into Blue, Red and White award groups according to quality.
3. A champion and reserve champion will be selected only when the judge deems there are entries of champion quality.

4. Each breed must be represented by two or more animals in order to have their own breed shown. Those with less than two must be shown in "Other".
5. Non-registered (grade) females shall be entered in the breed class.
6. When purebred females with crossbred calves are shown in the dam and daughter class, they shall be shown in the class designated by breed of dam.
7. If a member shows a mixed herd, it will be shown in the "other breeds" category.

HERDSMANSHIP

The 4-H Herdsmanship contest is to help 4-H members learn skills in making presentable exhibit for the public as well as learn skills in courtesy, cooperation, neatness, and proper care of animals.

Basis for scoring:

1. **4-H members:** Appearance, friendliness, courtesy, conduct, cooperation and work done by members.
2. **Animals:** Securely tied or penned, clean and comfortable, regularly fed and cared for.
3. **Exhibit Area:** Alleys, stalls and pens attractive for audience; feed and equipment safely stored; stall cards displayed and filled out; fitting stands and blocking chutes clean, neat, and labeled by Club.

Exhibitors are to maintain their livestock exhibit in an appropriate manner as designated by the herdsmanship judge and superintendent. The herdsmanship judge will consult with the designated superintendent if an exhibit is not maintained in proper fashion. 4-H exhibitors will enhance and improve the exhibit if a problem is identified.

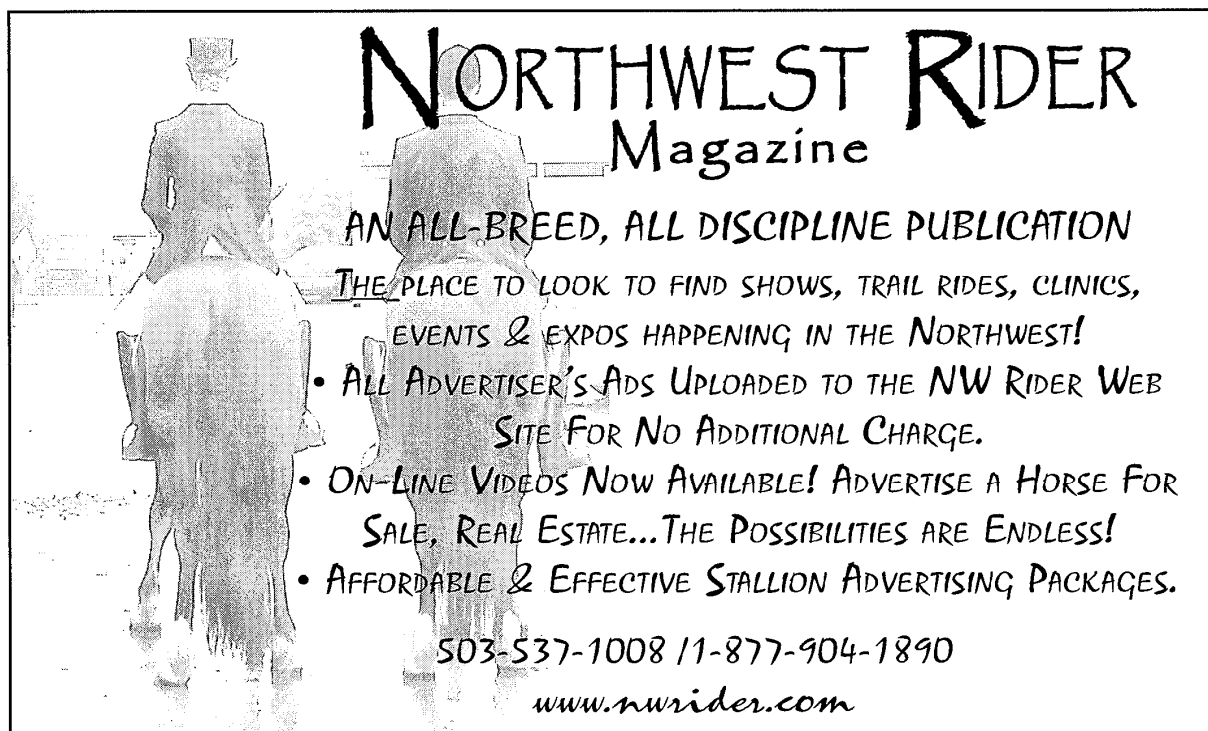
Questions on herdsmanship may be directed to the species junior superintendent(s).

SHOWING

1. 4-H members must show their own animals unless excused by the superintendent.
2. Abusive language, unsportsmanlike conduct, or abuse of an animal in any contest can be reason for dismissal from the show ring at the discretion of the show superintendent.
3. **The 4-H Division is a youth show. All care and fitting must be done by 4-H exhibitor. Exhibitor should be able to demonstrate if asked. Involvement of adults must be limited to advising. Any 4-H animal fitted for showing by adults or professional will be declared ineligible for showing. 4-H animals must be fitted in the 4-H barn area.**
4. No use of talcum powders, oil, or artificial coating material will be allowed when fitting or showing animals in any swine class.
5. Sheep and lambs must be shown with their front feet on the ground. No muzzles allowed.

SHOWMANSHIP

1. **Animal Science exhibitors are required to participate in showmanship contests relating to their exhibits, including ALL horse and dog show exhibitors. Animals exhibited in showmanship class must also be shown in a conformation class (Exception: horses and dogs).**
2. Contestants must show their own animals which are entered in 4-H classes at this show.
3. Judges may ask questions about the member's animal, fitting, showing as well as general 4-H knowledge.



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