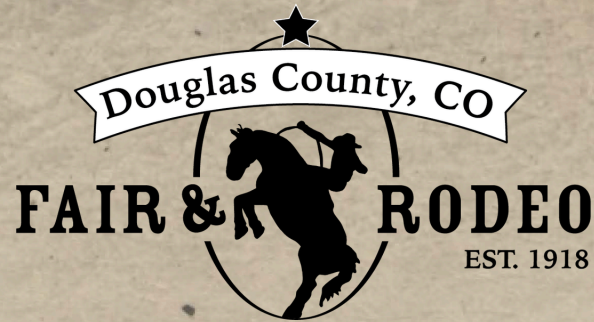




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SECTION 1

DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR & RODEO COMPETITION RULES

APPLIES TO ALL DIVISIONS, DEPARTMENTS, AND COMPETITIONS

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. The following terms, conditions, and rules apply to all departments and all competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo (alternatively referred to as “DCFR” or “Fair”).
- B. Every exhibitor or competitor at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo shall comply with the Competition Rules (alternatively referred to as the “Rules”) herein and comply with the more specific rules set forth in each Department.
- C. Any person in violation of the Competition Rules herein, may be subject to discipline as set forth in these rules and may be vacated or removed and ineligible for competition.
- D. Smoking is not allowed in any public buildings, or within 100’ of any building entrance.
- E. Alcohol will be sold in designated areas on the Fairgrounds during DCFR. Alcohol cannot be consumed or carried outside premised areas designated by signage.
- F. Any public display of photos or video of any DCFR event, concert, or rodeo for public dissemination without express written consent from DCFR Management is strictly prohibited.
- G. All guests, contestants, and participants are subject to a search by security personnel.
- H. The current Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules will be posted online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division.

II. GENERAL COMPETITION RULES

- A. The Douglas County Fair does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, age, or other non-merit factors.
- B. Overnight sleeping in any livestock or horse barn is strictly prohibited. Exhibitors, family members, and guests are not permitted to remain in the barns after designated closing hours.
- C. No fireworks are allowed.
- D. Warning: Under Colorado law, it is a crime to sabotage or to tamper with, administer growth stimulation drug(s) to, or substitute unauthorized animal(s) for exhibition livestock, pursuant to CRS Section 18-9-207. Penalties include up to eighteen (18) months in prison or a fine up to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) and the name and photograph of any convicted person (s) to be available for publication in newspapers and trade journals.
- E. Warning: Under Colorado law, equine or llama professionals and activity sponsors are not liable for any injury to or death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities pursuant to section 13-21-119, Colorado Revised Statutes.
- F. DCFR Management is not responsible for any loss, damage, or injury to any person or property while on Douglas County grounds or real property.
- G. An exhibitor or competitor acknowledges and agrees to abide by all Competition Rules when they sign up to participate in any way in the Fair, and anyone who has not done so will not be allowed to participate.
- H. **Exhibitors and competitors hereby indemnify the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Management from any and all legal proceedings in regard to a challenge to any Competition Rules.**
- I. Exhibits must be stalled, penned, or exhibited only in areas and locations assigned to that exhibitor by DCFR Management. Exhibits not in authorized locations will be removed by DCFR Management without notice, and the exhibitor may be subject to disciplinary action.

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- J. Exhibits may not be removed prior to the release time listed within Sections 2A and 2B of the Competition Rules.
- K. All Exhibitors with animals housed on the Fairgrounds at any point during the final weekend of Fair must report to their assigned barns to assist with clean-up before animal release, as listed in the official schedule online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division.
- L. Every animal or article shall be entered and exhibited in the name of its bona fide owner.
- M. DCFR Management reserves the right to cancel events or change the schedule if deemed necessary. Specific or special competition rules or conditions are published in each department where necessary.

III. DEFINITIONS

- A. Douglas County Fair & Rodeo ("DCFR" or "Fair"): An annual event organized by the Douglas County Fair Board in coordination with County staff, featuring educational and agricultural events along with various competitions and contests.
- B. Douglas County Fair Board ("Fair Board"): The Douglas County Fair Board is comprised of 21 Directors who are appointed by the Board of Douglas County Commissioners to organize, conduct, and operate the annual Douglas County Fair & Rodeo.
- C. Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Management ("DCFR Management"): this term includes the Fair Board Directors (the "Fair Board"), Fairgrounds Manager, Fair & Rodeo Event Supervisor, Fair Coordinator, and Superintendents. The primary enforcement responsibility of these Competition Rules on a day-to-day basis is with the Fair Board.
- D. Program Leader: Douglas County 4-H Extension Agent or Douglas County School District Vocational Agricultural Instructor.
- E. Department Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent: A person appointed by the Fair Board that oversees a specific department, division, or contest at the County Fair.
- F. Judge: an individual who is selected to judge items or animals based on his/her expertise.
- G. Junior Division Exhibitor (Exhibitor): Douglas County 4-H Member and/or Douglas County FFA member competing in the Douglas County Fair and Rodeo.

IV. ENTRIES & ENTRY FORMS

- A. Junior Division Competitions are open to Douglas County 4-H Members and FFA Members in good standing.
- B. All entries must be completed online, properly filled out, and accompanied by all required fees. Fees are non-refundable.
- C. Information and Resources regarding Junior Division Competitions may be found online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division.
- D. No animal or article will be entitled to a place on the grounds until proper entry has been made.
- E. DCFR Management assumes no responsibility for errors on the entry forms.
- F. Every participant expressly understands and agrees that a completed entry form is acceptance of these Competition Rules and further agrees and understands that they will abide by these Rules throughout the duration of their time at DCFR. It is understood that non-compliance with these Competition Rules may subject any participant to penalties up to and including exclusion from future participation.
- G. Late entries will not be accepted. See the current year Junior Division schedule online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division for required deadlines.
- H. DCFR Management reserves the right to limit entries to facilities available and to cancel any Department, division, or class in which, in its judgment, the entries are insufficient to secure

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adequate competition. DCFR Management further reserves the right to return entries in the event any event competition, class or exhibit is cancelled.

- I. **Premiums** -All premiums will be paid in cash. Cash will be distributed by November 1. Forfeited funds will return to the general fund of the Fair.
 1. All premiums earned will be paid to the Exhibitor.
 2. Ribbons will be awarded in 1st through 6th place only. Premiums will be paid through 3rd place.
 3. PREMIUMS: 1st-\$5, 2nd-\$3, 3rd-\$1

V. EXHIBITOR AND COMPETITOR CONDUCT

- A. DCFR Management expects all participants (including exhibitors, competitors, parents, volunteers, etc.) to abide by the stated Competition Rules for all activities and events, including, but not limited to the following:
 1. Conduct themselves in a courteous, respectful manner, using appropriate language, exhibiting good sportsmanship, providing positive role models, and following the 4-H/FFA Code of Conduct as appropriate.
 2. Adhere to Competition Rules, curfews and dress codes.
 3. Abstain from illegal and immoral behavior.
 4. Fully participate in scheduled activities.
 5. Refrain from physical or emotional child abuse or neglect.
 6. Apply safety regulations to individuals, groups and property; and
 7. Accept personal responsibility for behavior.
- B. Consequences may include penalties as set forth in these Competition Rules.

VI. DISPUTES

- A. DCFR Management is the final review and authority to interpret these Competition Rules and to settle questions of interpretation.
- B. There are additional specific competition rules set forth, if necessary, within each Department's competition section. Both may apply and if there is a conflict between them the Department rules will apply.
- C. In the event that references to external requirements, regulations, or rules conflict to these Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules then the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules shall control over such conflicts.
- D. The following three types of disputes are addressed in the following:
 1. Pre-Fair rule infraction/violation.
 2. During Fair rule infraction/violation.
 3. Exhibitor, competitor or contestant-initiated protest.
- E. Failure to meet dates or deadlines identified in these rules or communicated through other official Fair documents, notices, or announcements shall not be considered grounds for protest. See the current year Junior Division Schedule tab online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division for required deadlines.

VII. DETERMINATION OF VIOLATIONS/PENALTIES

- A. Whenever a violation of any competition term or Competition Rule has occurred or has been reported to have occurred, prior to or during DCFR, it shall be reported first to the Department

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Superintendent, if possible for resolution, who will then elevate it to DCFR Management if need be, to determine if, in fact, a violation has occurred. Only alleged violations reported within 24 hours of their occurrence will be investigated.

- B. If the Department Superintendent is unavailable, the alleged violation shall be reported to DCFR Management. DCFR Management reserves the right to take the actions provided herein at any time if it believes a potential violation of the Rules has occurred. If in fact a rule infraction has occurred, the notified DCFR Management Representative shall inform the Fairgrounds Manager and the DCFR Board Chairman. If the infraction warrants an investigation, the Infraction Sub-Committee, identified in Section 1, XI, will be assembled to investigate and deliver a decision on the infraction.
- C. The Infraction Sub-Committee shall investigate the infraction, conduct interviews with the affected parties and determine a resolution of the issue and identify if any penalty, as identified in Section 1, VIII, shall be applied.
- D. The Infraction Sub-Committee shall prepare a written response detailing the infraction and the Committee's proposed resolution. The response shall be submitted to the DCFR Board Chair for review and signature prior to dissemination. Upon approval by the Chairman, the final response shall be provided to the affected parties.
- E. The affected parties shall be notified of the resolution and be informed of any penalty that was invoked.
- F. The Infraction Sub-Committee will present the issue and resolution to the DCFR Board for information only and to identify if the rule in question requires revision in the Competition Rules. The decision of the Infraction Sub-Committee is final.

VIII. POSSIBLE PENALTIES FOR RULE INFRACTIONS

- A. The following penalties may be invoked for rule infractions:
 - 1. Written warning.
 - 2. The exhibitor or competitor in question is disqualified and could forfeit entry and other fees, trophies, and awards.
 - 3. The exhibitor or competitor shall be barred from competition at DCFR for a predetermined period of time that may include a lifetime suspension from competition upon the concurrence of the Douglas County Fair Board.
 - 4. The exhibit in question will not be sold in any sales at DCFR to include the Junior Livestock Sale.
 - 5. In the case of an exhibit already sold at DCFR, the exhibitor or competitor shall refund and return all sale proceeds in excess of market value to DCFR. The Douglas County Fair Board after conference with the Buyer shall determine the disposition of the remaining funds.
 - 6. Any combination of the above stated penalties.

IX. INFRACTION SUB-COMMITTEE

- A. The following Infraction Sub-Committee will be assembled to investigate and render a decision when required:
 - 1. The Vice Chair of the Fair Board shall serve as the presiding officer of the Infraction Sub-Committee (Voting Member).
 - 2. Superintendent of the affected department (Voting Member).
 - 3. One Douglas County Fair Board Director at large (preferably with knowledge in the affected department) (Voting Member).
 - 4. Fairgrounds Manager or representative strictly as an advisory role, who shall not have a vote.

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5. Two additional Douglas County Fair Board Directors at large may be appointed as voting members if the Vice Chair of the Fair Board determines that the situation warrants additional assistance.

X. PROTESTS

- A. DECISIONS OF JUDGES ARE FINAL AND NOT ELIGIBLE FOR PROTEST.
- B. Whenever any person believes that an exhibitor, competitor, contestant, parent or Fair Official has engaged in any activity that violates the Competition Rules of DCFR or engaged in any unethical activity during the course of the competition that may violate these rules, such person has the opportunity to provide their allegations of wrong-doing (protest) to DCFR Management for review. Any person making such report must do so in writing (within 24 hours of the alleged infraction) and it must be personally presented to the Department Superintendent or a DCFR Management representative.
- C. Any protest must be accompanied by a one-hundred-dollar (\$100) bond (the "bond") payable to the Douglas County Fair Foundation.
- D. The following is the Protest Procedure:
 1. The protest must be presented, in writing, and sworn to, within 24 hours or sooner, of the occurrence of alleged infraction for all activities and prior to the official closing of DCFR.
 2. In the event a protest is presented after the judging has begun on the item or activity in question, the judging will proceed, and the protest will be handled as if the protest has been presented following the judging.
 3. The written protest must state the name of the exhibitor, competitor, contestant or fair official as applicable, who has allegedly committed a violation, or identified by the activity in question when the name is unknown to the reporting party. The protest shall include the exhibit, class in question, the specific allegations giving rise to the protest, the facts that support the protest with reference to Competition Rules as applicable.
 4. Upon receipt of a properly presented protest, the Douglas County Fair Board will appoint the Infraction Sub-Committee, identified in Section 1, IX, to review the protest and render a decision. The review process may include interviews with the parties involved to assist in obtaining the facts associated with the filed protest.
 5. The decision on the Infraction Sub-Committee is final. (Written notice or record of the decision).
 6. In the discretion of the Infraction Sub-Committee, the bond may be returned to the individual who posted the bond or retained. If retained, the bond will be deposited in general funds of the Douglas County Fair Foundation.

XI. CONCESSIONS AND ADVERTISING PRIVILEGES

- A. All exhibits, concessions, or commercial privileges are at the sole discretion of DCFR Management. Under no circumstances will any advertising matter be allowed to be placed upon buildings, trees, or other places on the grounds, or otherwise distributed, without management permission. Unauthorized advertising material may be immediately removed and disposed of, without recourse or notice.

XII. DOGS

- A. Dogs are not allowed on the Fairgrounds during DCFR with the following exceptions:
 1. Service Animals.

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2. Dogs on leashes will be allowed in the camping and trailer parking areas only. For their safety, dogs should not be tethered to a camper. A self-contained kennel is required for dogs staying in the camping area.
3. Excessive barking or complaints of aggressive behavior will result in the dog being excused from the Douglas County Fairgrounds. Excused dogs must be immediately removed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
4. Dogs that are competing or performing during DCFR. Owners / Handlers must keep dogs under constant control and dogs ARE NOT allowed into any livestock barns, Kirk Hall, or the Events Center. All dogs must be kenneled or leashed when not participating or competing.

XIII. MOTORIZED UTILITY VEHICLES

- A. NO personal golf carts, ATV's or bicycles will be allowed on the fairgrounds during DCFR.

XIV. OBJECTIONABLE EXHIBITS

- A. DCFR Management reserves the right to exclude from the grounds any exhibit, animal, or entry that may be falsely entered or those deemed undesirable or objectionable without assigning a reason.

OFFICIAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER

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SECTION 2

JUNIOR DIVISION ADDITIONAL RULES

I. INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

- A. The following terms, conditions, and requirements apply to all Departments at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo and are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2A and 2B. All Junior Division Exhibitors must be familiar with and abide by all Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules. Additional and specific Competition Rules are set forth within each individual Department's sections. Both general and specific Competition Rules shall apply to all competitions unless specifically noted otherwise.
- B. Every Exhibitor entering into any competition at DCFR shall comply with the Competition Rules set forth below and shall comply with any additional or specific requirements or regulations as set forth for each individual competition. Submission of an entry to DCFR expressly binds the Exhibitor to all terms and conditions contained in any and all parts of DCFR Competition Rules.

II. GENERAL COMPETITION RULES

- A. EXHIBITOR CLASSIFICATION: Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of the previous year. Unless otherwise noted.
 - 1. **CLOVERBUD** – 5-7 years old.
 - a. 4-H Cloverbuds CANNOT exhibit animals. 4-H Cloverbuds may participate in the Primary Fair and display one exhibit.
 - 2. **JUNIOR** – 8-10 years old.
 - 3. **INTERMEDIATE** – 11-13 years old.
 - 4. **SENIOR** – 14-18 years old.
 - 5. When only two age classifications are used, the breakdown will be: Junior 8-13 years old and Senior 14-18 years old.
- B. Junior Division competition eligibility.
 - 1. **ELIGIBILITY:** Junior Division Competition is open to any Douglas County 4-H Member in Good Standing for the current year who is not over 18 years old as of December 31st of the previous year.
 - 2. At the discretion of the 4-H/FFA Program Leader, Exhibitors who are NOT Members in Good Standing will not be eligible to compete in any Junior Division class at DCFR or participate in the Junior Livestock Sale.
 - 3. Exhibitors must be bona fide members of and enrolled in a Douglas County 4-H Club or FFA program. They must also be active in the project they are exhibiting, meet the age requirements, and meet all the individual program requirements.
 - 4. For exhibitors, DCFR Management, Program Leader, Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent shall verify the entry forms to ensure the following:
 - a. The Exhibitor's entry is a bona fide project of Douglas County's 4-H/FFA program.
 - b. The Exhibitor is a Member in Good Standing of Douglas County's 4-H/FFA program; and
 - 1) Member in Good Standing status can be revoked at any time during Fair if the Exhibitor does not fulfill any program rules necessary during Fair.
 - c. If the entry is for a Junior Division General Project Department, the Exhibitor has fulfilled all project requirements.
 - d. If the entry is for a Junior Livestock Division Department, the animal entered is owned and has been in the continuous possession of the named Exhibitor unless otherwise stated.

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5. By completing the online entry form (e.g. Fair Entry), the Exhibitor or the minor Exhibitor's parent/guardians certifies that he or she has read, agrees and has been advised of and will abide by the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules, Sections 1, 2, 2A, 2B and any special rules as applicable to the Exhibitors project.
 - a. The contact information provided in online entry (e.g. Fair Entry) is the official and only source used for all communication to Exhibitors. It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that all contact details including name, phone number, email address, and mailing address are accurate and up to date.
6. In addition, the Exhibitor agrees to and will abide by Competition Rules regarding sabotage, tampering, prohibited substance and unethical fitting.
7. **DRESS CODE:** All Junior Division Exhibitors are required to wear appropriate attire when competing. Shorts, tank tops, low-cut shirts, shear blouses, flip flops, t-shirts, shirts with inappropriate messages or logos, ball caps, or bare midriffs are not acceptable attire and shall not be worn during any competitive event. Recommended dress is as follows: long- or short-sleeved, button-down shirt or blouse, clean jeans or slacks with belt, or clean skirts. Hard-soled, closed-toe shoes or boots are recommended to protect the feet. DCFR Management may refuse entry to anyone improperly dressed into the competition area until said Exhibitor is properly dressed. Cowboy hats of standard, professional western style are permitted in the Show Ring. Hats must maintain a traditional appearance and not be modified with any excessive embellishments, decorations, or costume-like elements. Fair Management reserves the right to restrict or prohibit hats and/or direct the removal of any hat or embellishments at their discretion.

III. ON GROUNDS PARKING AND ACCESS

- A. Parking inside the gates of the Fairgrounds is by permit only. Permits are issued by DCFR Management.
 1. Permits must be clearly displayed with the vehicle at all times.
 2. Duplication of a Permit is prohibited.
 3. Permitted vehicles must park in designated areas.
- B. Exhibitor parking is provided in the Lowry Lot and is on a first-come first-served basis. Reserved Parking is not available. When this lot is full, additional vehicles must be parked in the other general parking lots.
 1. Parking permits will be required to park in the Lowry Lot the afternoon and evening of the Junior Livestock Sale. One permit will be distributed per family prior to the beginning of Fair
 2. Lost Parking Permits will not be reissued.
- C. Vehicles are not permitted to block other vehicles from being able to leave.
- D. Vehicles are not allowed to block or restrict access to the roadway leading to the Exhibitor gates. This is a designated Fire Lane for emergency vehicles access during the fair.
- E. Vehicles parked improperly are subject to being towed at the owner's expense. No attempts will be made to contact the owner prior to it being towed.

IV. CAMPING

- A. A designated area for 4-H camping is limited to reserved camping spots only. No camping or overnight stays are allowed in any parking lot or barn areas of DCFR.
- B. Camping spaces are reserved for Exhibitors and their immediate families. Campers that do not house current Exhibitors will be asked to vacate to allow space for Exhibitors who are staying overnight on the grounds.

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- C. A camping registration form is required to be allowed to camp at the fairgrounds.
- D. All campers and trailers must be self-contained. No electric or water hook-up is available.
- E. Any vehicle or camper not validly parked is subject to being towed at the owner's expense. No attempts will be made to contact the owner prior to it being towed.

V. TRAILER PARKING

- A. Temporary livestock trailer parking outside is allowed during animal check-in day only. These trailers must be removed at the end of check-in day.
- B. Any vehicle or trailer not validly parked is subject to being towed at the owner's expense. No attempts will be made to contact the owner prior to it being towed.

VI. JUNIOR DIVISION EXHIBITOR ID

- A. All Exhibitors will be issued a wristband, and it must be worn at all times and be presented to DCFR Management or security personnel on request.
 - 1. Failure to present the Exhibitor wristband on request may result in the Exhibitor being escorted off the Fairgrounds.
 - 2. Only Fair issued wristbands will be accepted. Lost Exhibitor wristbands must be reported immediately to DCFR Management.

VII. JUNIOR DIVISION EXHIBITOR GROUNDS ADMISSION

- A. Wristbands can also be purchased for Junior Division family members for a discounted rate. This wristband will admit bearer onto the grounds.

VIII. COOPERATION

- A. All Exhibitors and their family, friends and associates must cooperate with all DCFR Management including office clerks, ground admission, security, and parking personnel while on the Douglas County Fairgrounds.

IX. INTERFERENCE

- A. No person may act as a judge in any Department in which he or she has or may have any interest in an Exhibitor, agent or employee of an Exhibitor, and, if such case arises, DCFR Management may remove such judge or substitute another judge temporarily.

SECTION 2A

JUNIOR DIVISION GENERAL PROJECT RULES

Available projects and specific exhibit requirements are no longer detailed in the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules. Exhibitors must refer to the Colorado State Fair 4-H exhibit requirements, available at www.co4h.colostate.edu > 4-h program/projects > 4-h state fair information, for the official list of eligible projects and corresponding exhibit standards. Exhibitors are also responsible for consulting their local 4-H project leader or contacting the Douglas County 4-H Extension Office for any County-specific guidance or clarifications. Not all projects may be eligible for competition at Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. Please see Fair Entry for competition event options.

I. INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

- A. The following Rules are specific to the Junior Division General Projects Competition at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These Rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules and Junior Division Additional Rules in Sections 1 and 2. Additional rules for individual departments and classes supplement these rules.
- B. Exhibits of unusual size or shape may not be on public display or may be displayed in an area that is different from other Junior Division General Project exhibit displays. All exhibits will be displayed unless there is a safety, health or space issue.
- C. The American Ribbon System will be used to rank Junior Division General Project exhibits. This system uses standards and the fulfillment of exhibit rules to rank the exhibits. It also uses the idea of competition among exhibitors to establish ranking.

II. JUNIOR DIVISION GENERAL PROJECTS COMPETITION RULES

- A. **ELIGIBILITY:** Only currently enrolled Douglas County 4-H Members in good standing are eligible to participate in Junior Division General Projects.
- B. **JUNIOR DIVISION GENERAL PROJECT ENTRIES:** Every entry, including writing and images, must be the Exhibitor's own original work with all sources cited. If the work was not created by the Exhibitor or if it was submitted as a representation of the exhibitor's work without proper acknowledgment that it was created by another, then it is considered plagiarism. The use of artificial intelligence (AI) to generate, develop or complete any portion of an exhibit or project is strictly prohibited. Any project determined to have utilized AI will be treated as plagiarism. Plagiarism will not be tolerated and will subject the Exhibitor to immediate disqualification and subject to discipline as set forth in Section 1, VIII Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules in addition to any 4-H or FFA rules or penalties.
- C. **JUNIOR DIVISION GENERAL PROJECT ENTRY LIMITATIONS:** An Exhibitor may enter for competition as many general project entries as he or she wishes within the entry limitations of each individual Junior Division General Project department.
- D. **ENTRY AND ENTRY PAYMENT:** A completed DCFR entry form must be used. Each entry shall include the following:
 - 1. One completed online or entry form for each department
 - 2. Any special additional documents required for the entered department.
 - 3. Payment of all fees.
- E. **ERRONEOUS ENTRY:** Participants are responsible for their own errors in preparation of entries. Entry forms must be completely filled out in accordance with instructions and signed by the

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appropriate parties. By submitting an application for entry, participant acknowledges that he or she has read and agrees to abide by the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules Sections 1, 2, 2A and the Department Rules as applicable to the project entered.

F. EXHIBIT CHECK-IN:

1. All exhibits and record books must be checked in on Exhibit Day.
2. Junior Division General Project exhibits are classified as either "Project Only/Drop Off" or "Project and Interview".
 - a. "Project and Interview" exhibits are judged on the merit of the exhibit, and the Exhibitor will interview with the judge at exhibit day to demonstrate knowledge and skills learned through the project.
 - b. "Project Only" exhibits are judged only on the merit of the exhibit. Project-only entries and accompanying record books must be delivered during the designated drop-off period as published in the current year Junior Division Schedule, available online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division. No exceptions. Project-only entries will be accepted for competition **only** during the designated drop-off period listed in the current schedule.
 - c. "Project Only" 4-H Members may submit an optional one-page cover sheet with their exhibit explaining any details about their project.

G. **EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS:** Exhibits must meet all the rules of the Department, Division, Class and Unit to be eligible for a Blue Work Award. Exhibits that do not merit a Blue Work Award are not eligible to compete for Champion Awards and may not be eligible for competition at the Colorado State Fair.

1. Exhibits will earn Work Awards based on the merit of the exhibit. Exhibit Judges may disqualify an exhibit based on the quality of work.
2. All exhibits must have been grown or produced by the exhibitor.
3. Premiums and Special Awards will be based on the Judges' decisions on Exhibit Day.

H. **RELEASE OF EXHIBITS:** The release time for all general project exhibits is 5:00 p.m. on the final Sunday of DCFR. Any Exhibitor who leaves early will automatically forfeit all awards and premiums earned at DCFR and are subject to discipline as set forth in Section 1, VIII Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules. Any exhibit released for a special DCFR activity must be returned for display immediately after the special activity.

I. The Junior Division General and Home Ec. Department Rules will utilize the current year's Colorado State Fair 4-H Exhibit Requirements that can be found at http://www.colorado4h.org/project_resources/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf

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I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. All entrants must read and be familiar with and comply with the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo General Competition Rules, Junior Division Competition Rules, Junior Livestock Division Competition Rules, Department or Class Competition Rules and the Colorado State Contest Rule Book most current version. Located online: http://www.co4hshooting.org/ss_contest
- B. All Douglas County Shooting Sports competition and matches will be conducted in compliance with the Colorado State Contest Rule Book. The most current version of the State Contest Rule Book will govern the Douglas County match. With the exception of Archery, which will follow the 2019 guidelines that can be found at <http://douglas.extension.colostate.edu/>
- C. Douglas County will only calculate the individual contest and there will be no team contest at the County contest.
- D. All devices and equipment that may facilitate shooting which are not mentioned in these rules and are contrary to the spirit of these rules and regulations are forbidden. All Exhibitors will submit equipment for official inspection and approval prior to the contest.
 - 1. Superintendents have final say on equipment and all safety matters. It is the responsibility of the Exhibitor to have all equipment approved prior to the competition.
- E. Safe firearm handling is expected at all times. Members carrying firearms should remember
MAT
Muzzles pointed in a safe direction
Actions open and empty
Fingers off the Trigger
- F. Unsafe firearms Management which could result in possible injury is reason for disqualification and dismissal from the firing range. Dismissal rests entirely upon the Superintendent and Range Safety Official. Exhibitors who are disqualified for safety reasons will be subject to discipline per Section 1, VII of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo General Competition Rules.
- G. **Range Management:**
 - 1. Each individual range will be under the direct supervision of the discipline superintendent.
 - 2. The same firearm/bow must be used throughout the match except in the case of equipment malfunction. The line officer must be notified immediately of any equipment malfunction.
- H. **Target Inspection & Challenge:** All paper targets, with the exception of archery, will be posted for inspection for a time period of 15 minutes following the scoring of the relay. Challenges must be made by the Exhibitor or another Exhibitor. No challenges will be allowed after targets have been posted for the allotted posting time period. If the contestant is shooting another relay during the target posting time, they can report to the scoring area and ask to check their targets. Any exception to this rule must be approved by the scoring superintendent. Parents, coaches, Program Leaders or other adults are not allowed to handle targets after they have been scored or allowed to make a challenge.
- I. **Coaching:** No coaching will be allowed during the record relay. The Exhibitor will be disqualified if coaching occurs.

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- J. **Local Range Rules:** The Douglas County Shooting Sports Competition takes place at several public or private shooting ranges or other venues. We are guests at these venues and, therefore, must also follow the rules of such venues.
- K. **Exhibitor Coach Responsibility:** In all circumstances, Exhibitors, coaches and parents are responsible for their actions. Cooperation, self-control, self-discipline and high standards of sportsmanship are expected at all times.
- L. **Policing the range:** All Exhibitors are responsible for policing the range and keeping the firing points clean after each match or stage.
- M. **Ammunition:** Factory-loaded .22 ammunition may be used in these events. See CSU Extension State 4-H rules for clarification.
- N. **Results:** Accumulative score will determine individual placement for each class entered.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Exhibitors entered in the Douglas County Shoot must be a Member in Good Standing of the Douglas County 4-H program. All program requirements must be met and certified by the Douglas County 4-H Agent.
- B. **Age Divisions:** Age is determined as of December 31 of the previous year.
 - 1. Junior (ages 8-13)
 - 2. Senior (ages 14-18)
- C. Exhibitors must be enrolled in the shooting discipline in which they want to compete in at the Douglas County Shooting Sports Competition.
- D. Exhibitors must complete three practices per discipline with a certified 4-H instructor to be eligible to compete at the County shoot. 4-H Program Leaders will verify any non-completes with the 4-H office one week before the first County Shoot competition.
 - 1. The Competitor Safety meetings will be held throughout the events.
- E. Exhibitors must complete their Exhibitor Project and record book and receive a minimum of a red or blue work award to remain eligible to compete at the State Shooting Competition.
- F. Exhibitors must have a valid Hunter Education / Hunter Safety card issued in their name by the current year deadline and be registered in the shooting sports project by the deadline established by the Douglas County 4-H Extension Office.
- G. Exhibitors may compete in all disciplines at county and state competitions subject to the requirements outlined in the Colorado 4-H State Shooting Sports Rulebook and Douglas County Fair and Rodeo Junior Competition Rules. A Shooting Sports 4-H Member must have at least 3 official 4-H practices before they can enter in County Shoot each summer. These practices must be recorded and signed off by approved leaders.

III. PREMIUMS

- A. Champion and Reserve Champion awards will be based on the following scoring and results criteria:
 - 1. Champion .22 Pistol – highest score all .22 Pistol Classes
 - 2. Champion .22 Rifle Hunt – highest score of all hunt Classes
 - 3. Champion .22 Rifle Sporter – highest percentage of possible score for 3P and 4P
 - 4. Champion .22 Rifle Scope – highest score of all scope Classes
 - 5. Champion Muzzleloader – highest score of all Muzzleloader Classes
 - 6. Champion Shotgun – Highest combined score of all Shotgun Classes
 - 7. Champion Recurve Archery – highest percentage of possible score of all Archery Recurve Classes

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8. Champion Compound Archery – highest percentage of possible score of all Archery Compound Classes
 9. Champion Air Pistol – highest score of all Air Pistol Classes
 10. Champion Air Rifle Target – highest score of Utility and Olympic Off-Hand Classes
 11. Champion Air Rifle Sporter – highest percentage of possible score of all 4P & 3P Air Rifle Classes
 12. Champion Western Heritage – highest combined score from timed, score, written and persona
- B. Exhibitors placing 1st – 6th in each discipline will be eligible to compete in the State 4-H Shooting Contest according to the State Contest Rules.

IV. DOUGLAS COUNTY SHOOT

- A. Douglas County Shoot will take place at three separate venues. Venues to be listed on the Exhibitor Master Schedule.

1. Contest dates may be adjusted annually due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

V. DIVISIONS AND CLASSES

AIR PISTOL 10 METER CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2803	208	Air Pistol 10 Meter – Junior
2803	209	Air Pistol 10-Meter – Senior

AIR RIFLE 25-FOOT UTILITY CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2802	200	Air Rifle 25-Foot Utility – Junior
2802	201	Air Rifle 25-Foot Utility – Senior

AIR RIFLE 10-METER 4-POSITION SPORTER CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2802	202	Air Rifle 10-Meter 4-Position Sporter – Junior
2802	203	Air Rifle 10-Meter 4-Position Sporter – Senior

AIR RIFLE 10-METER PRECISION 3-POSITION CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2802	204	Air Rifle 10-Meter Precision 3-Position – Junior
2802	205	Air Rifle 10-Meter Precision 3-Position – Senior

AIR RIFLE 10-METER OLYMPIC OFF-HAND CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2802	206	Air Rifle 10-Meter Olympic Off-Hand – Junior
2802	207	Air Rifle 10-Meter Olympic Off Hand – Senior

.22-CALIBER 50-FOOT HUNT CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2801	100	.22 Rifle 50-ft Hunt – Junior
2801	101	.22 Rifle 50-ft Hunt – Senior

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.22-CALIBER 50-FOOT HUNT SCOPE CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2801	102	.22 Rifle 50-ft Scope – Junior
2801	103	.22 Rifle 50-ft Scope – Senior

.22-CALIBER 50-FOOT 4-POSITION SPORTER CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2801	104	.22 Rifle 50-ft 4-Position Sporter – Junior
2801	105	.22 Rifle 50-ft 4-Position Sporter – Senior

.22 CALIBER 50-FOOT INTERNATIONAL 3-POSITION CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2801	106	.22 Rifle 50-ft 3-Position International – Junior
2801	107	.22 Rifle 50-ft 3-Position International – Senior

.22 PISTOL CLASS (SEMI-AUTO AND REVOLVER)

Division	Class	Description
2800	108	.22 Pistol Sporter – Junior
2800	109	.22 Pistol Sporter – Senior

COMPOUND BOW UNLIMITED CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2805	400	Compound Bow - Unlimited – Junior
2805	401	Compound Bow - Unlimited – Senior

COMPOUND BOW LIMITED CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2805	402	Compound Bow - Limited – Junior
2805	403	Compound Bow - Limited – Senior

COMPOUND BOW TRADITIONAL CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2805	404	Compound Bow - Traditional – Junior
2805	405	Compound Bow - Traditional – Senior

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RECURVE BOW LIMITED CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2805	406	Recurve Bow - Limited – Junior
2805	407	Recurve Bow - Limited – Senior

RECURVE BOW TRADITIONAL CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2805	408	Recurve Bow - Traditional – Junior
2805	409	Recurve Bow - Traditional – Senior

MUZZLELOADING CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2806	500	Muzzleloading – Junior
2806	501	Muzzleloading – Senior

SHOTGUN – SPORTING CLAYS CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2804	300	Shotgun - Sporting Clays – Junior
2804	301	Shotgun - Sporting Clays – Senior

SHOTGUN – AMERICAN SKEET CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2804	302	Shotgun – American Skeet – Junior
2804	303	Shotgun – American Skeet – Senior

SHOTGUN – TRAP CLASS

Division	Class	Description
2804	304	Shotgun - Trap – Junior
2804	305	Shotgun - Trap – Senior

WESTERN HERITAGE

Division	Class	Description
2808	502	Western Heritage – Junior
2808	503	Western Heritage – Senior

SECTION 2B

GENERAL LIVESTOCK DIVISION RULES

I. INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

- A. The following Livestock Division Rules are specific to the Junior Livestock Division Competition at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These Rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules and Junior Division Additional Rules in Sections 1 and 2. Additional rules for individual departments, livestock shows, competitions, and classes supplement these rules.
- B. Early stall set-ups are Department specific. Please refer to the Department Competition Rules to determine if early stall set-up will be allowed before scheduled arrival times.
- C. Generators and fans are not allowed in the livestock barns except as noted in the individual Department Rules.
- D. The Exhibitor must exhaust all reasonable efforts to meet the scheduled times for Animal Check in, Tag in and Weigh-in for DCFR. Exceptions to meeting these scheduled times by the exhibitor may be considered as hardship cases by DCFR Management. The exhibitor must contact the Department Superintendent, Program Leader or DCFR Management at least 15 minutes before scheduled completion of animal check-in or weigh-in to be considered as a hardship case.
- E. Exhibitors committing any violation of these rules may be subject to discipline as set forth in Section 1, VIII of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo General Competition Rules.
- F. No medications will be administered to any animal on the Fairgrounds unless such medications have received approval from the respective Superintendent and Fair Management as well as prior written authorization from the Fair designated veterinarian.

II. COMPETITION RULES

A. JUNIOR LIVESTOCK COMPETITION ELIGIBILITY

- 1. Future Farmers of America (FFA) Members have been added to DCFR as eligible Junior Division Competitors. All Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules that apply to 4-H Members and Competitors also apply to FFA Members and Competitors. This applies to all Livestock Departments unless Department Rules exclude FFA participation.
- 2. By entering any animal in DCFR the Exhibitor and parent/guardian certify that the entry has not been administered or that the Exhibitor and parent/guardian does not have any knowledge that this entry has received any substance not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for food animals. Furthermore, the Exhibitor and parent/guardian certify that this entry is free and clear of ALL drug and chemical residue withdrawal and elimination time periods.

B. FEED AND BEDDING

- 1. Only wood shavings, pellets or chips will be allowed for bedding. NO STRAW. Except noted in Department specific Rules.
- 2. All manure/bedding must be removed to designated areas.
- 3. All bedding, feed and equipment will be furnished by the Exhibitor. Stalls and cages will be provided by Douglas County Fair.
- 4. Feeding of the livestock will be allowed only in the assigned livestock barns and areas approved by Superintendents.

C. OWNERSHIP

- 1. Unless otherwise specified in the individual Department, Exhibitors in this competition must have owned and personally cared for their livestock and not changed ownership or be

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transferred from one program to another on or after the Official Identification Dates as identified in the individual departments. Rules regarding declaration of a Family Animal can be found in the Eligibility sections of the Beef and Swine Departments.

2. Every livestock entry must be owned and in the continuous possession of the Exhibitor to and through the competition. Any market animal that has been sold at a county sale, district sale, or premium sale after the specified ownership date – is not eligible for competition at the current year DCFR. That sale is considered consummated when the animal is sold at auction, regardless of disposition, payment or delivery of the animal.
3. At any time during the year, each Exhibitor agrees to provide for inspection by DCFR Management, or its designated representative, their exhibits and evidence of ownership, primary care and location.

D. OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION DATES

1. All Exhibitors are required to comply with all applicable deadlines established by DCFR as the official deadlines for participation in the Fair. These deadlines, along with any additional Fair-specific deadlines, are published in the official DCFR schedule, available online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division
2. All market animals must be identified with a DCFR ear tag, ear notches and/or tattoo they received on their identification day. Check the specific department of each species for the ownership deadline and documentation specifics. Should an animal lose their ear tag the superintendent and the Douglas County Extension Office must be contacted immediately. The ear tag will then be replaced after the animal's identification is verified. All breeding animals must have been identified in accordance with the established ID process for each species. If market animals or breeding animals arrive without an ear tag or prior identification, without prior notification, the animal may be disqualified at the discretion of DCFR Management.
 - a. Market animals are not eligible for entries in any breeding show unless acceptable as identified in the individual departments.
 - b. All male market animals must be neutered by the appropriate species identification day, excluding rabbits and poultry. See specific department's rules.

E. LIVESTOCK ENTRY LIMITATIONS

1. An Exhibitor may enter for competition as many livestock as he or she wishes within the entry limitations of each individual livestock department.

F. ENTRY AND ENTRY PAYMENT

1. A complete DCFR entry must be submitted. Each entry shall include the following:
 - a. One completed entry for each department.
 - b. Payment of all fees.
 - c. Exhibitors are responsible for checking individual departments for any special or additional documents required, such as copies of Registration Papers, Brand Inspections, or a Bill of Sale.
 - d. No substitutions or late entries will be allowed.

G. ERRONEOUS ENTRY

1. Participants are responsible for their own errors in preparation of entries. Entry forms must be completely filled out in accordance with instructions and signed by appropriate parties. By submitting application for entry, participant acknowledges he or she has read and agrees to abide by the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo General Competition Rules Sections 1, 2 and 2B, Junior Livestock Sale Rules and any special Division or Department Competition Rules; the IAFE National Show Ring Code of Ethics and agrees to abide by these Rules.

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H. ANIMAL CHECK-IN

1. No animal will be penned or caged until a health inspection is made by the Department Superintendent(s) or qualified veterinarian designated by DCFR Management at check-in. Please refer to the current year Junior Division schedule online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division for specific livestock department check-in times. Animals that have not passed health inspection or have not been entered for competition will be excused from the fairgrounds and will not be eligible for any competitions.
2. No livestock will be permitted to reload onto stock trailers or trucks or otherwise leave the Fairgrounds following check-in unless excused or released by DCFR Management.

I. POSSESSION, CARE AND SHOWING: Exhibitors must accompany their livestock to the show, care for, and exhibit their animal(s). Only the Exhibitor is allowed in the DCFR show ring during official judging.

1. This show is NOT a terminal Market Show except for the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Livestock.
2. Superintendents may add, delete and combine classes as necessary including dividing the classes by weight. This also includes re-classification of breeds as necessary.
3. Exhibitor numbers must be worn in each class.
4. Exhibitors are expected to keep the exhibit areas clean and attractive. All animals should be kept clean and in a presentable condition at all times. While at DCFR, all livestock must be cared for by the Exhibitor. This care includes feeding, watering, pen cleaning and exercising animals appropriately. These responsibilities must be completed by or before 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. daily. Exhibitors giving inadequate care to their animal(s) may be subject to discipline as set forth in Section 1, VIII of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules.
5. For safety of guests and Exhibitors, all walkways and barn alley ways must be free from shavings, manure, electrical cords and hoses at all times. Exhibitors are responsible for areas adjacent to their pens and tack stalls. Unless otherwise approved by the Department Superintendent.
6. All Exhibitors are responsible for the full care and feeding of their own animals until the animal has been released by DCFR Management on the final Sunday of Fair. It is expected that the livestock exhibited in any class in any of the Junior Livestock Departments be trained, fitted, and dressed for show competition by the Exhibitor.
7. Exhibitors may receive assistance from immediate family members or other Exhibitors in good standing in Douglas County. An immediate family member is defined as the Junior Exhibitor's siblings, parents and/or legal guardian.
8. The Exhibitor must show their own animal. If the Exhibitor has multiple animals in same class another Exhibitor who is a Member in Good Standing in the Douglas County 4-H/FFA Program may show the animal(s) with the superintendent's approval.
9. Only Douglas County Exhibitors are allowed in the show ring and those individuals designated by the superintendent and assisting in the show.
10. Exhibitors must use their own animal except in hardship cases that have been approved, in writing, by the Superintendent and Douglas County 4-H Agent/FFA Program Leader. Hardship cases could include animals that are sick, lame or deceased.
11. Any livestock deemed hazardous by DCFR Management may be excused from the show ring and/or the fairgrounds depending on the severity of the situation.

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12. Overweight animals will be shown in overweight classes if the Department makes these classes available.
 13. Underweight animals will be shown in prospect or feeder classes if the Department makes these classes available.
 14. Overweight or underweight animals may be shown in showmanship classes.
 15. At the conclusion of the show, all exhibitors will be required to assist with show ring breakdown/setup and clean up if necessary.
 16. All placings are final.
- J. **JUNIOR DIVISION EXHIBITOR SUBSTITUTION FOR EMERGENCY OR SICKNESS:** In case of sickness of the Exhibitor or other emergency, an animal may be shown by a substitute Exhibitor, provided the substitute is a bona fide Douglas County 4-H/FFA Member in Good Standing and that Exhibitor has been granted permission from the Department Superintendent. If an Exhibitor named on the entry form does not exhibit their animal and does not receive permission from the Department Superintendent, that Exhibitor and animal will be disqualified from the show, forfeiting all awards and premium money.
- K. **UNETHICALLY FITTED LIVESTOCK:** Refer to the species department for more specific fitting regulations. The following are deemed unethical practices and may result in disciplinary action:
1. Doctoring, doping, tubing or injecting show animals for body “fill-ins” or the alteration, changing, defacing or any modification of the markings of show animals and the anatomical structure of an animal, the removal, alteration, changing or purposely damaging ear tags; any type of injection where oils, glycerin or like substances are used for body “fill-in”, external applications of such things as liniments and blistering agents that would cause an edematous condition; use of ice packs or other refrigerants to alter the quality of the finish of an animal are not allowed.
 2. No animal may be decorated with any unnecessary paraphernalia during judging.
 3. The showing of livestock of any ineligible age or showing of unethically fitted livestock is prohibited.
 4. Unethical fitting will be deemed to consist of any artificial substance which alters the natural conformation and/or color of any part of the animal’s body.
 5. No altering structure of hair or wool coat except for trimming and blocking will be allowed.
 6. Any entry adding an artificial tail head or tail fin, artificial poll, or adding any hair or hair-like substance will be disqualified.
 7. Any ear tag tampering or removals other than by a DCFR Management official or licensed veterinarian will be subject to discipline. Notify the Program Leader and Superintendent if there are any problems with the official ear tag prior to the Fair.
- L. **FITTING OF ANIMALS:** All Exhibitors named as owner will accept and acknowledge responsibility for the custody, care, and feeding of their animal(s) until the release of livestock on the final Sunday. Exhibitors are expected to have prepared their own project animal for exhibition. While on DCFR grounds, it is expected that animals exhibited in any Junior Division show be handled, fitted, dressed, washed, groomed and shown for show competition by the Exhibitor. Exhibitors are solely responsible for the fitting of their own animals. Exhibitors may receive assistance (as defined in I.7 above), provided they are in attendance and are actively engaged when assistance is given. If the exhibitor is not present all fitting will cease. Experienced Exhibitors are encouraged to provide support, assistance and instruction for inexperienced Exhibitors.
- M. Any Exhibitor committing any fitting violation, or any other practice deemed unethical by DCFR Management, will be subject to discipline.

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- N. Should multiple exhibit and/or multiple species conflicts occur, prohibiting the Exhibitor from being present for a period of time, it is the responsibility of the Exhibitor to notify the Superintendent of the conflict, prior to the occurrence.
- O. **MEAT QUALITY ASSURANCE / PORK QUALITY ASSURANCE (MQA/PQA):** Except for horse, llama and dog Exhibitors, all Junior Division Breeding and Market Livestock Exhibitors must successfully complete an MQA/PQA course per the program rules they are enrolled in.
- P. **STALLS, TACK STALLS, PENS AND TIE OUTS:** Tack stalls may be requested from DCFR Management or Superintendent. There is no guarantee the request can or will be honored.
1. Exhibitors will be assigned stalls, pens, or tie outs for use during DCFR. Livestock in stalls, pens or tie outs not assigned to the Exhibitor may be removed by DCFR Management. The Exhibitor could be subject to discipline as set forth in Section 1, VIII in the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules.
 2. Tampering with other Exhibitors' stall, pen or tie out assignments, any misuse of stalls and aisle way will subject the Exhibitor to discipline.
 3. All stalls and tie-outs must be cleaned daily before 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. DCFR is not responsible for any animals in the stalls, pens or tie-out area at any time day or night.
 4. Audio devices in any animal handling area may be used at the discretion of the department superintendent as long as there are no complaints about such use.
 5. All electrical cords must have a ground plug.
- Q. **BARN SECURITY & RESTRICTED AREA:** For security reasons, all rabbit, poultry, swine, sheep, goat and beef barns will be locked at 9:00 p.m. every night and remain locked until 6:00 a.m. the following morning. Exhibitors must confine their animals within their designated stall or pen assignment and wash rack not to wander in general public areas.
- R. **WATER:** A water container, with water, must be visible and available for watering on a regular basis in each penned/stalled area at all times. DCFR Management reserves the right at its discretion, to determine if water should be given.
- S. For animal health and wellness, drenching for hydration purposes and delivery of nutrients and medications, as provided in these rules in Section 2B, will be allowed, using manually operated drench guns which allow the animal to swallow. The use of tubes or stomach pumps is strictly prohibited unless an animal is bloated, and the Superintendent approves, or it is determined necessary by a licensed veterinarian.
- T. **WEIGHING:** Market Beef, Lambs, Hogs, Goats, Rabbits and Poultry will be weighed under the supervision of DCFR Management. This will be the qualifying and official weight. Scales used are certified by the State of Colorado annually. Scale tolerances will not be considered for the official weight.
1. Re-weigh requests will only be accepted by the Exhibitor who is the owner and physically present; and must be before the animal leaves the scale.
 - a. In the case of a re-weigh the animal will be taken off the scale, the scale will be zeroed, and the animal will be put immediately back on the scale to be re-weighed.
 - 1) No artificial weight alterations of any kind will be allowed, including giving the animal any water or feed.
 - b. Re-weigh animals will not be permitted to leave the weigh area.
 - c. Over and underweight animals will be taken off the scale, the scale will be zeroed, and the animal will be put immediately back on the scale to double check its weight.
 - d. The second weight will be the official weight in all cases.

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2. Overweight and underweight animals are not eligible for premium money or the Junior Livestock Sale.
3. Over and underweight animals may be used for showmanship classes.

U. **PARTICIPANT WARRANTIES OF SALE ANIMALS:**

All qualified sale participants warrant:

1. That the carcass of animal complies with the United States Department of Agriculture guidelines and is fit for human consumption.
2. That the carcass of such animal contains no trace or residue of any illegal drug, or any other substance not approved for administration to such animal under applicable laws or Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules.
3. That the carcass of such animal reveals no evidence of any unethical fitting practice, as defined in the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules.
4. That there exist no unusual circumstances or condition of the carcass of such animal that would materially diminish the value of such carcass.

V. **TESTING AND FEES:** The DCFR Management reserves the right to administer random testing, to include DNA, urine, tissue, blood, and retinal scanning, for any foreign substances on any animal at any time. Charges for all testing may be deducted from premiums and/or gross sale proceeds acquired.

W. **ANIMAL CARCASS:** DCFR Management reserves the right, at its discretion, to take immediate control and possession of any livestock that dies while on the Fairgrounds and determine method of disposal.

X. **JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE PARTICIPATION RULE INFRACTION:** Junior Division Market Exhibitors who qualify for and elect to participate in the Sale will be responsible for the care, control, custody, and feeding of their animals until released or loaded for slaughter.

Y. **RELEASE OF LIVESTOCK:** The release time for all livestock on the final Sunday of DCFR will be designated in the official Fair Schedule. Any Exhibitor who leaves early could be subject to discipline.

1. All Junior Livestock Division Exhibitors are required to be in the barns on the final Sunday of the Fair and no Exhibitor will be permitted to leave prior to the designated time listed in the official Fair Schedule to facilitate cleanup of the facility even though their animals may have already been removed.
2. Exhibitor needs to fill out an official form provided by the Fair Office for any animal being released and/or removed from Douglas County Fairgrounds prior to the designated official release time listed in the official Fair Schedule. This form needs to be signed by the exhibitor, Superintendent, and person removing animal from the fairgrounds.
3. Breeding Beef and Breeding Sheep may be removed after their show or no later than noon on Friday, with proper documentation and approval by Fair & Rodeo Management. If not removed at this time, they will not be released until Sunday.

Z. **Coaching:**

1. Coaching of the Exhibitor that is distracting or disturbing during the animal show is not allowed or acceptable and is subject to discipline as defined in Section 1, VII of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo General Competition Rules.

AA. **Judges:**

1. Judge names will not be released prior to the start of the applicable show.

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE
WHITMAN-LOWELL PAVILION

I. INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

- A. The Junior Livestock Sale ("Sale") consists of the Livestock Auction that allows Exhibitors to sell a qualifying and selected market animal and a Scholarship Sale that sells animals that have been donated to the Douglas County 4-H Council Scholarship fund.
- B. The following Rules are specific to the Junior Livestock Sale at DCFR. These Rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules, Junior Division Additional Rules, and Livestock Rules in Sections 1, 2 and 2B.
- C. Exhibitors must be a Member in Good Standing with their respective program at the time they enter the Sale ring with their exhibit.

II. GENERAL

- A. All exhibits in the Sale will be offered for sale as a unit. Exhibits WILL NOT be sold by the head. This includes all Pen of 3 entries or any entry that includes more than one animal in the exhibit.
- B. The Sale is a terminal sale for all Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market animals. The Sale is NOT a terminal sale for all other market animals.
- C. No special announcements or statements will be made during the Sale if an Exhibitor is donating all or a portion of his or her proceeds to a special cause, organization or charity.
- D. DCFR Management may organize a special or separate Sale and proceeds would benefit a special cause, organization or charity determined before the Fair.
- E. Participants and Exhibitors are expected to perform and conduct themselves with the highest respect for the Sale, its coordinators, the buyers, the other Exhibitors, and the livestock involved.
- F. An animal on the Sale List WILL NOT be allowed to leave DCFR premises until it is released by DCFR Management.
- G. Exhibitors who qualify for and have elected to participate in the Sale will be responsible for the care, control, custody, and feeding of their animals through and to the point the animals are released or loaded for the packing plant.
 - 1. Poultry and Rabbits sold at the Junior Livestock Sale will be released for transport to the processor Saturday Morning following the sale at 8:00am.
- H. DCFR Management may appoint personnel at the Exhibitor's expense to tend to the livestock that are not receiving appropriate care.
- I. DCFR Management has the authority to perform examinations or additional testing upon any livestock that has been selected for the Sale.
- J. The Exhibitor and the Exhibitor's parents or legal guardians agree that they are the persons absolutely responsible for the care and custody of their animal(s) in preparation for and while at DCFR.
- K. Exhibitors whose animals test positive for any drug or foreign substance in violation of these terms and conditions must be disqualified and forfeit all entry and other fees and all premiums, and awards from the department in which the violation occurred.

III. PRE-SALE PROVISIONS

- A. The Junior Livestock Sale Committee reserves the right to set the final number of animals to be selected and sold.
- B. Exhibitors who have livestock properly nominated and plan to show at the Colorado State Fair may substitute animals that are eligible for sale at the Douglas County Junior Livestock Sale as follows:

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1. Provide a hardcopy printout of the State Fair Entry Acceptance Form for the animal that is being substituted for which shall be submitted with the written request identified in Step 3 below.
 2. Animals eligible to be the substitute must have class placing in the top three (3) of the species and be eligible for sale.
 3. The Exhibitor must notify the Department Superintendent in writing BEFORE the Sale Selection Committee meeting. It is the sole responsibility of the Exhibitor to locate and notify the Department Superintendent before the Sale Selection Committee meeting.
 4. Once the Exhibitor has designated a substitution, if the chosen animal is not selected for the Junior Livestock Sale, another substitution cannot be made.
 5. An animal that is selected for the Junior Livestock Sale will be placed in the sale order in the normal class placing order.
 6. Grand Champions and Reserve Grand Champions are not eligible to be substituted.
- C. The Sale order is determined by the market/meat class placing and weight of the animal. Heavier animals of the same species and class placing will be sold before lighter animals of the same species and class placing. The species rotation order of the Sale is determined by the Junior Livestock Sale Committee.
1. In the event that all equivalent placing within the species cannot be selected for the Sale, preference will be given to heavier animals.
- D. The Official Weight as defined in the Livestock Rules Section 2B will be used as the sale weight.
- E. DCFR Management reserves the right to mark sale animals before and after the Sale in any manner.
- F. In the event that any animal is disqualified after having been selected for the Sale, the remaining animals will stay in the same sale order.
- G. All Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market animals must be entered in the Sale. All other qualifying Exhibitors will be limited to entering one (1) market animal in the Sale. If an Exhibitor qualifies with more than one of the Grand or Reserve Grand Champion animals, then the seller will sell all his or her Grand and Reserve Grand Champion qualifying animals in the Sale.
- H. Exhibitors who qualify with more than one species must choose only one of the species to enter in the Sale and notify the Sale Selection Committee prior to the Sale Selection Committee Meeting.
- I. Exhibitors who wish not to participate in the Livestock Sale are obligated to notify the Sale Selection Committee prior to the Sale Selection Meeting that they are pulling their animal from the sale. This does not apply to the sale of the Grand and Reserve Champion animals as these animals must be sold in the sale.
- J. Livestock Educational Grant Program animals are not automatically qualified for the Junior Livestock Sale.
- K. A qualifying and eligible Livestock Educational Grant Program animal must be entered into the Sale providing the Exhibitor does not have a Grand or Reserve Champion animal.
- L. The qualifying and eligible Livestock Educational Grant Program animal will take priority for sale selection over any other qualifying and eligible animal the Exhibitor may have that qualified for the Junior Livestock Sale.
- M. If the Exhibitor has a Grand or Reserve Champion animal, that animal will be selected for the sale and the Livestock Educational Grant Program animal will not be eligible for the sale.
- N. There will be a MANDATORY Exhibitor's Pre-Sale Meeting for all Exhibitors qualifying to participate in the Sale. Parents are encouraged to attend this meeting. Exhibitors who do not attend this meeting will be disqualified from the Sale.

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- O. Sale Photographs will be taken by a professional photographer of all animals selected for the Junior Livestock Sale. All Market Beef animals will have pictures taken after they are judged and leave the show ring.
- P. Exhibitors must be present with the animal at the designated species photograph time and location.

IV. SALE PROVISIONS

- A. Exhibitors are required to exhibit their selected animal in the Sale.
- B. In the event of illness that prevents an Exhibitor from showing his or her livestock, and which the illness is documented by a note from a licensed physician, said Exhibitor may petition the Junior Livestock Sale Committee to request that a substitute Exhibitor stand in for him or her during the Sale.
 - 1. Any such petition must be in writing and must identify the name of the proposed substitute. Any substitute must be a current bona fide Douglas County 4-H/FFA Member in Good Standing.
- C. In the event an Exhibitor becomes ill or injured on the afternoon of the Junior Livestock Sale and is unable to show their animal, the Exhibitor or their parent/guardian must immediately notify both the Species Superintendent and a Director of the Junior Livestock Sale Committee. Upon notification, the Superintendent and Jr. Livestock Sale Committee will review the situation and determine appropriate options for the selected animal.
 - 1. If the Exhibitor is physically able, they may remain seated or standing in the sale ring while another DCFR Exhibitor in good standing shows the animal.
 - 2. If the Exhibitor is unable to appear in the sale ring, the animal may be shown by a substitute DCFR Exhibitor in good standing. Substitute Exhibitors must be approved by both the Superintendent and the Sale Committee.
- D. Animals donated to the Douglas County 4-H Council Scholarship Fund will be resold immediately after the Junior Livestock Sale in the Scholarship Sale.
- E. Exhibitors are required to exhibit their selected animal in the Scholarship Sale.
- F. All sales are final. Once sold NO animals can be substituted or exchanged.
- G. Exhibitors will be expected to move or transport their livestock to and from the Sale Ring. They will also be expected to move or transport their livestock, at the direction of DCFR Management, to the trucks for transportation to the slaughtering facilities.
- H. Grooming and Alteration to Livestock
 - 1. All Junior Livestock Sale animals must only be groomed with accepted grooming practices prior to entering the sale ring.
 - 2. MINIMAL DECORATIONS of any type will be permitted on any animal entering the sale ring.
 - 3. Show awards that have been won at DCFR are permitted inside the sale ring only for Exhibitors selling Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion animals. To assist the Sale Qualified Exhibitor during the sale, one DCFR Exhibitor in good standing may be designated to stand in front of the auction block and display the Exhibitor's DCFR show awards.
- I. Lameness, Diseased, or Sick Livestock
 - 1. No animal that is lame, sick, or diseased may sell in the Sale.
 - 2. Determination of whether an animal may enter into the Sale ring shall be at the discretion of DCFR Management.
 - 3. Should any animal be excluded from the Sale for reasons of lameness, disease, or sickness, the Livestock Sale Committee will decide if the Exhibitor will be permitted to show any other animal in place of the excluded animal in the Sale.
- J. Grooming and Dress of Exhibitors

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1. All Junior Livestock Division Exhibitors are required to wear appropriate show attire during the Sale. Recommended dress is as follows: long- or short-sleeved, button down shirt or blouse, clean jeans or slacks with belt. Hard-soled, closed-toe shoes or boots are recommended to protect the feet.
2. Shorts, tank tops, low-cut shirts, shear blouses, flip flops, t-shirts, shirts with inappropriate messages or logos, ball caps, or bare midriffs are not acceptable attire and may not be worn during the Sale. Cowboy hats of standard, professional western style are permitted in the Livestock Sale Ring. Hats must maintain a traditional appearance and not be modified with any excessive embellishments, decorations, or costume-like elements. Fair Management reserves the right to restrict or prohibit hats and/or direct the removal of any hat or embellishments at their discretion.
3. Rabbit and Poultry: jeans or slacks and long-sleeved shirts are preferred for safety.
4. DCFR Management may refuse anyone improperly dressed entry into the Sale ring until said Exhibitor is properly dressed.

K. Sale Photographs

1. Should a buyer want a photograph taken with an animal, the Exhibitor will present himself or herself along with the animal at the official photography area.

L. ADD-ONS

1. Add-ons are another way to support the Junior Livestock Sale. They can be added on to the Exhibitors in the sale during the auction or at the salesclerks' desk at the time of sale.
2. Add-on donations shall only be accepted on animals that are in the current year Junior Livestock Sale and up to sale completion.

M. Sale Completion

1. Sale completion is defined as the time when the sale records for the current year's sale are closed and occurs once the final animal is sold at the Junior Livestock Sale.

V. POST-SALE PROVISIONS

A. Animal Disposition

1. All Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion sale animals will be hauled to packing houses as designated by the Junior Livestock Committee and selected by the Buyer per Committee's packing plant selections.
2. Animals to be processed will be sent only to a packing plant designated by the Junior Livestock Committee.
3. The Junior Livestock Committee will not transport any animal to any other individual packer or packing plant.
4. The Junior Livestock Committee is responsible for delivery of sale animals to the designated packing plant.
5. Only animals sold at the Junior Livestock Sale will be hauled to selected packing plants.
6. Buyers selecting the BUYER HOLD disposition option are responsible for arranging transportation of the animal off the fairgrounds when it is released by DCFR Management at the scheduled livestock release time on the last day of the Fair.

B. Payment

1. Buyers' payment will be made to the Douglas County Fair Foundation immediately following the sale.
2. A commission charge of six percent (6%) of the gross sales price will be levied against all animals sold in the Sale, the Scholarship Sale and to all Add-On donations.

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C. Thank You Notes and Issuance of Sale Checks

1. Exhibitors who sold animals in the Sale must write thank you notes for all Sale Buyers, Add-On Buyers and Buy Back Sale Buyers ("Buyers").
2. Exhibitors will be provided with Buyers' names and addresses shortly after the conclusion of the Fair, and within approximately 30 days of the Sale. Please contact the Douglas County Fairgrounds Office for this information.
3. A copy of the Exhibitor's thank-you note for each Buyer must be received in the Douglas County Fairgrounds Fair Office by October 1 of the current year.
4. Submit a photo of each completed Thank You Note along with the addressed envelope as shown in the example below. Photos may include multiple notes and envelopes, provided the total number of completed notes and envelopes can be clearly verified in the image(s). You may submit multiple photos as needed to show all required Thank You Notes.

The diagram shows a rectangular assembly representing a Thank You Note and its envelope. The top portion is a white rectangular area representing the envelope, which is divided into two sections. The top-left section is for the seller's information, and the bottom-right section is for the buyer's information. The bottom portion of the assembly is a white rectangular area representing the Thank You Note, which contains handwritten text.

Seller name
Seller Address
City, State Zip

Buyer Name
Buyer Address
City, State Zip

Dear Buyer,
Handwritten Thank-you message visible here
Signed,
Seller

5. Sale Checks will be issued in the Exhibitor's name as identified in Fair Entry and mailed to the address listed in Fair Entry. In-person pickup of checks will not be permitted under any circumstances.
6. Sale Checks will be issued in the Exhibitor's name as identified in Fair Entry and will be mailed to the address as identified in Fair Entry.
7. All sale checks must be cashed within 90 days of the date on the check. Any check not cashed will be void. No replacement checks shall be issued after 90 days. Uncashed sale checks will be forfeited after 90 days of the date on the check. Forfeited funds will be returned to the general funds of DCFR.

VI. DISCIPLINE

- A. Failure to Show in Sale is a violation of the Rules and will invoke disciplinary action as stated in Section 1, VII of the Rules, unless otherwise provided in these Rules.

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- B. Failure to provide thank-you notes by the October 1 deadline is a violation of the Rules and will invoke disciplinary action as stated in Section 1, VII of the Rules.

June 1, 2026

**JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK
POULTRY
DEPARTMENT 13**

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- B. ALL POULTRY MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE BEFORE THEY MAY ENTER THE BARN. All poultry will be inspected for general health. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases (including lice or mites), will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds.
- C. Poultry Health Requirements and Examination: All poultry entered in DCFR will be tested for Pullorum/Typhoid (a Salmonella bacterial disease) and avian influenza. Samples will be collected for testing from all non-tested poultry. Veterinarians and veterinary students from Colorado State University and participants of the Colorado Poultry Health Board will be on site at the Douglas County Fairgrounds during poultry check-in to test any non-tested poultry.
- D. Exhibitors are limited to a MAXIMUM of ten (10) entries for the entire Junior Poultry Department. An entry may consist of an individual, pair or trio.
- E. Birds entered as singles will not be allowed to compete in pair or trio classes.
- F. In classes with only one entry the award will be based on merit
- G. **Poultry for Sale:** Only poultry that have been properly entered and are eligible to compete at the current DCFR may be sold on the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
 - 1. Poultry can be posted "For Sale" on Friday after the Poultry Show.
 - 2. Poultry sold private treaty may be picked up after animals are released on Sunday by DCFR Management.
- H. **Poultry Show Standards:** All poultry will be judged by the American Poultry Association standards in accordance with the American Standards of Perfection 44th Addition, copyrighted by the A.P.A., Inc. All Non-Standard breeds will be judged by comparison. All birds must be purebred with exceptions for Meat Pen and Egg Production Classes, which can be pure or hybrid breeds and are judged by market condition and finish, or condition of lay. A copy of the Standards of Perfection is available at the CSU Extension Office in Douglas County or www.amerpoultryassn.com
- I. **Dress Code:** Jeans or slacks and long-sleeved shirts are preferred for safety.
- J. **Exhibitor Number:** Each exhibitor will be given a number. The Coop Tags will have the exhibitor's number on them with no other reference to ownership of the bird. All birds MUST HAVE a numbered leg band prior to cooping at DCFR and the number entered on the Coop Tag. If a band number change is made prior to judging, the exhibitor is responsible to notify DCFR Management. Bands must be on bird at time of judging.
- K. **Handling Birds:** No one will be allowed to handle any bird except the Owner, Judge, or DCFR Management.
- L. **Judging:** Class placings made will be at the discretion of the judge with merit of the bird the determining factor. The aisle will be closed while judging is in progress. No one except judges, clerks, attendants and DCFR Management will be allowed in the aisle during judging.

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II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Poultry entered in DCFR must have been previously checked in at the official Identification Day. At that time, poultry will be identified with a numbered leg band.
- B. All poultry exhibits must be owned by the Exhibitor 120 days before the Fair Check-In date with the following exceptions:
 - 1. Meat Pen Chickens entered in the Meat Pen Classes are recommended to be at least 6 weeks old.
 - 2. Market Turkeys must have been hatched after January 1 of current year and before April 1 of the current year, to be eligible for the Market Turkey class.
 - 3. Market Ducks must be at least 16 weeks old on show day.
- C. Birds entered in the Breed Show are not eligible for the Market Poultry classes.
- D. Birds entered in the Market Poultry classes are not eligible for the Breed Show.

III. ANIMAL FITTING AND CARE

- A. All Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their own animals until the animal has been released by DCFR Management. If animals are not taken care of premiums may be forfeited.
 - 1. Feed and water cups are available for each Exhibitor at check-in and must be returned when poultry are released by DCFR Management. Styrofoam cups are not allowed.
 - a. Turkeys, Ducks, Geese, Game Birds and Market Chickens must be provided with large, secured feed and water containers that hold at least a half (1/2) gallon.

IV. POULTRY SHOW

- A. The Poultry Barn will be closed to the public during judging.
 - 1. Birds may be removed from the cage for Showmanship only with the permission of the Superintendent.
 - 2. All judges' decisions are final.

V. CAGES AND EQUIPMENT

- A. Bedding must be removed to designated areas daily and at the end of Fair.
- B. Feed, bedding or equipment storage in the Poultry barn will be at the discretion and permission of the Superintendent.
- C. Cages are provided by the Douglas County Fair Board.
- D. Only wood shavings will be allowed for bedding. Cedar shavings and paper shavings are toxic to poultry and are prohibited.

VI. JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE

- A. If an Exhibitor qualifies for the Junior Livestock Sale, that Exhibitor and his/her family must be familiar with, and comply with, all Junior Livestock Sale Rules.
- B. Sale selection will be determined by class placing and judge's choice.
- C. It is the responsibility of the Exhibitor to have their photograph taken as identified in the Livestock Sale Rules.

VII. DIVISIONS

LARGE FOWL DIVISIONS

- A. Exhibitors will be limited to two (2) single entries and a trio per variety up to the maximum entries allowed for the Junior Poultry Department.
- B. DESCRIPTION OF BIRDS

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1. Cock - A male bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 2. Cockerel - A male bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
 3. Hen - A female bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 4. Pullet - A female bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
- C. A trio consists of one cock and two hens (old trio) OR one cockerel and two pullets (young trio) of the same breed and variety.
- D. The Overall Grand Champion exhibit will be determined from the champions of each Breed Division. The Judge will consider these entries on their number and quality.

BANTAM DIVISIONS

- A. Exhibitors will be limited to two (2) single entries and a trio per variety up to the maximum entries allowed for the Junior Poultry Department.
- B. DESCRIPTION OF BIRDS
1. Cock - A male bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 2. Cockerel - A male bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
 3. Hen - A female bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 4. Pullet - A female bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
- C. A trio consists of one cock and two hens (old trio) OR one cockerel and two pullets (young trio) of the same breed and variety.
- D. The Overall Grand Champion exhibit will be determined from the champions of each Breed Division. The Judge will consider these entries on their number and quality.

WATERFOWL DIVISIONS

- A. Exhibitors will be limited to two (2) single entries and a pair per variety up to the maximum entries allowed for the Junior Poultry Department.
- B. DESCRIPTION OF BIRDS
1. Old Drake and Old Gander - A male bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 2. Young Drake and Young Gander - A male bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
 3. Old Duck and Old Goose - A female bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 4. Young Duck and Young Goose - A female bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
- C. A pair consists of one Drake and one Duck that are either "Old" OR "Young" of the same breed and variety.
- D. The Overall Grand Champion exhibit will be determined from the champions of each species. The Judge will consider these entries on their number and quality.

GAME BIRD DIVISION

- A. Exhibitors will be limited to two (2) single entries and either a pair or trio per breed. This is above the 10-entry maximum for all other poultry entries.
- B. DESCRIPTION OF BIRDS
1. Cock - A male bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 2. Cockerel - A male bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
 3. Hen - A female bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 4. Pullet - A female bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
- C. A pair consists of one Cock and one Hen that are either "Old" OR "Young" of the same breed and variety.

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- D. A trio consists of one Cock and two Hens that are either "Old" OR "Young" of the same breed and variety.
- E. The Overall Grand Champion exhibit will be determined from the champions of each category. The Judge will consider these entries on their number and quality.

TURKEY DIVISION

- A. Exhibitors will be limited to two (2) Heritage Turkey entries per variety, up to the maximum entries allowed for the Junior Poultry Department.
- B. DESCRIPTION OF BIRDS
 - 1. Old Tom - A male bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 - 2. Young Tom - A male bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
 - 3. Old Hen - A female bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 - 4. Young Hen - A female bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
- C. The Overall Grand Champion exhibit will be determined from the champions of each category. The Judge will consider these entries on their number and quality.

PRODUCTION POULTRY DIVISION

- A. PRODUCTION CHICKENS
 - 1. A Laying/Standard Trio shall consist of three (3) hens or three (3) pullets of the same breed and variety or hybrid.
 - 2. A Production Chicken Trio consists of one cock and two hens (old trio) OR one cockerel and two pullets (young trio) of the same breed and variety or hybrid.
 - 3. Exhibitors will be limited to two (2) single entries and a trio in the Production Chicken classes up to the maximum entries allowed for the Junior Poultry Department.
- B. DESCRIPTION OF BIRDS
 - 1. Cock - A male bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 - 2. Cockerel - A male bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
 - 3. Hen - A female bird one (1) year old or older as of show day.
 - 4. Pullet - A female bird less than one (1) year old as of show day.
- C. The Overall Grand Champion exhibit will be determined from the champions of each category. The Judge will consider these entries on their number and quality.

MARKET POULTRY DIVISION

- A. Market Pen Chickens
 - 1. Exhibitors will be limited to two (2) Meat Pen of 3 Chicken entries, one (1) per weight class.
 - 2. Each chicken in the meat pen must be of the same Breed or Variety and recommended to be the same gender.
 - 3. If an Exhibitor has two (2) Meat Pen of 3 Chickens entries classified for the same weight class, only one (1) entry will be eligible to compete.
 - 4. Fryer Chickens: The ideal weight is 6lbs. at live weight and cannot be over 8 weeks of age at weigh-in.
 - 5. Broiler Chickens: The ideal weight is 8lbs. at live weight and cannot be over 20 weeks of age at weigh-in.
 - 6. Exhibitors for Market Chickens must be present to bring their birds to the table to weigh-in. Weights will be recorded by Superintendent.

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7. Meat Pen of 3 Chickens will be judged on:
 - a. Confirmation
 - b. Fleshing
 - c. Finish
 - d. Uniformity of birds within the pen. Recommend that all be the same sex.
 - e. Absence of defects (NOTE: If one bird has a physical defect, the entire pen will be disqualified).
 - f. Judge's decision is final.
- B. Market Turkeys
 1. Exhibitors will be limited to a combined MAXIMUM of four (4) Market Turkey entries.
 2. Market Turkeys will be weighed at check-in by Exhibitor.
 3. Market Turkeys will be judged on market condition and quality on the day of the show.
 4. Market Turkeys that display splay legging at check-in will be disqualified and must be removed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
 5. Market Turkeys will be judged on:
 - a. Confirmation
 - b. Fleshing
 - c. Finish
 - d. Absence of defects
- C. Poultry will be weighed at the scheduled time. A signed individual "Notice of USDA Wholesome Meat Act" paper must be presented at this time. Any animal not tagged properly, or any exhibitor with incomplete paperwork, will not be allowed to show. NO EXCEPTIONS!

MARKET DUCK DIVISION

- A. Maximum entry will be one Market Hen and one Market Drake.
- B. The ideal weight for Ducks is 8 lbs. and the ideal weight for Drakes is 9 lbs.
- C. Market ducks will be judged on market condition and quality on the day of the show.
- D. Market ducks that display anomalies at check-in will be disqualified and must be removed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- E. Market ducks will be judged on:
 1. Confirmation
 2. Fleshing
 3. Finish
 4. Absence of defects

POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

Class	Class Name	Age
001	Senior Showmanship	14-18 Years Old
002	Intermediate Showmanship	11-13 Years Old
003	Junior Showmanship	8-10 Years Old

- A. Showmanship participation during the scheduled applicable showmanship division class is mandatory for all Exhibitors to be eligible to participate in the Junior Livestock Sale.
- B. Exhibitors must show their own animal. A bird disqualified for any reason except weight may not be used for showmanship. Exceptions may be granted for extraordinary circumstances with prior approval from DCFR Management.

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- C. The Judge will consider appearance of the bird, showmanship ability of the exhibitor, and the exhibitor's appearance, courtesy and knowledge.
- D. Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.

POULTRY BARN MANAGER AWARD

To be eligible for this award the Exhibitor must participate in set-up day.

- A. This award will be given to the Exhibitor group who demonstrate a willingness to help keep the Poultry barn in order; keep their own stall and tack in order; be a positive representative to the general public of 4-H and the poultry industry and be helpful and considerate to other Exhibitors, Superintendents and DCFR Management and staff.
- B. Poultry Barn Manager Award is determined by points awarded each day by a judge appointed by the Superintendent who tours the barn daily during Fair. The group with the highest points will be awarded the Barn Manager Award.

JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK

RABBIT

DEPARTMENT 14

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- B. ALL RABBITS MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT OR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT BEFORE PLACING RABBITS INTO CAGES. All rabbits will be inspected for general health. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious, or communicable diseases will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds.
- C. **Dress Code:** Jeans or slacks and long-sleeved shirts are preferred for safety.
- D. Exhibitors will be limited to 15 rabbit entries. (Meat pens are considered to be one entry.)
 - 1. Exhibitors are limited to two (2) entries in the Meat Pen class.
 - 2. Exhibitors are limited to two (2) entries for each breed class, fur class, single fryer class, stewer class, and roaster class.
 - 3. Exhibitors are limited to two (2) entries in the Pet Quality class.
 - a. The Pet Quality class is for mixed breed or non-showable rabbits ONLY.
 - b. Rabbits entered in the Pet Quality class are not eligible to compete in the fur, roaster, single fryer, meat pen, or stewer classes.
 - 4. Exhibitors are limited to two (2) entries in the single fryer class.
- E. All rabbits shown in the fur classes must be entered in their breed classes.
- F. The Rabbit breed standards from the 2021-2025 American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) Standard of Perfection book will be followed to define breed standards with the exception of the pet quality class.
 - 1. The ARBA Standard of Perfection book is available at the Douglas County Extension Office or online at arba.net/breeds.htm.
- G. Once judging begins for a class, rabbit entries that are not at the judging table will automatically be disqualified and ineligible to compete in that class.
 - 1. The Superintendent will determine if an entry is late to the judging table.
- H. In classes with only one entry the award will be based on merit.
- I. Rabbits can be posted "For Sale" on Friday after the Rabbit Show. Rabbits sold private treaty may be picked up after animals are released by DCFR Management, on Sunday between 4:30pm and 5:00pm.
 - 1. Signs may be posted in the rabbit barn for rabbits available for sale that are not entered in the Junior Rabbit Show. However, these rabbits cannot be brought onto the Douglas County Fairgrounds during DCFR.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Rabbits entered in DCFR must have been previously checked in at the official Identification Day. Rabbits must have proof of ownership in the Exhibitor's name by April 30 of the current year.
 - 1. Valid proof of ownership may be a bill of sale or Pedigree papers.
 - 2. Rabbit ownership cannot be shared with another person, including other family members.
 - 3. Rabbits in the Meat Pen of 3 must be owned solely by the Exhibitor.
 - 4. The doe(s) must be owned 100 days prior to judging day.

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5. The Exhibitor must also own the Doe(s) of Meat Pen of 3 rabbits by April 1 of the current year.
 6. Any Junior Division rabbits must be born by April 1.
 7. You may use a buck service sire for your Meat Pen rabbits.
 8. DCFR Management may verify proof of ownership at any time.
- B. All rabbits must have a permanent tattoo in their left ear on or before Identification Day.
1. Any rabbit not permanently tattooed by Identification Day will be tattooed by DCFR Management at Identification Day free of charge.
- C. Entry forms for Rabbits will be supplied and filled out for you on Identification Day.

III. ANIMAL GROOMING AND CARE

- A. Any rabbit that is lame, diseased, or sick may be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds at the Superintendent's discretion.
- B. Proper feed and water dishes must be furnished by the Exhibitor.
1. Proper feed and water dishes are durable and spill proof.
 2. The showing of rabbits of any ineligible age or showing unethically groomed rabbits is prohibited.
 3. Unethical grooming will be deemed to consist of any artificial substance which alters the natural conformation and/or color of any part of the animal's body including any dyeing, plucking, trimming, clipping of fur or coloring of toenails.
 4. Any tattoo tampering other than by a DCFR Management official will be subject to discipline as set forth in the Competitions Rules Section 1. Notify the Program Leader or Superintendent if there are any problems with the official tattoo prior to the Fair.

IV. SHOW TABLE

- A. Exhibitors must be able to handle their own rabbit.
- B. Exhibitors must show their own rabbits at the judging table.
1. Another Exhibitor may show your rabbit if you have a conflict with another Junior Division show or competition with written permission from the Superintendent prior to the start of the Rabbit Show. The alternate Exhibitor must be a Douglas County 4-H Member in Good Standing.
- C. Exhibitors may substitute a rabbit before judging begins provided that:
1. The substitute rabbit is the same breed, variety, sex and class, and must have been checked in at the official Identification Day.
- D. NO feeding or watering of livestock at the show table.

V. CAGES AND EQUIPMENT

- A. Bedding must be removed to designated areas daily and at the end of Fair.
- B. Feed, bedding or carrying cage storage in the rabbit barn will be at the discretion and permission of the Superintendent.
- C. Any items such as feed, carrying cages, grooming tables, etc. placed in the Rabbit Barn without the Superintendent's permission will be removed without warning. Check with Superintendent regarding the availability of space for equipment placement.
- D. Rabbit exhibitors may not use rubber mats, netting, carpet, etc. for bedding. Only wood or paper shavings will be allowed.
- E. Cages can only be secured with wire or tie-wraps. No locks.

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VI. JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE

- A. If an Exhibitor qualifies for the Junior Livestock Sale, that Exhibitor and his/her family must be familiar with, and comply with, all Junior Livestock Sale Rules.
- B. Roaster, Stewer and Fryer Rabbits are not eligible to be entered in the Junior Livestock Sale.
- C. Sale selection will be determined by class placing of Meat Pen of 3 Rabbit entries.
- D. It is the responsibility of the Exhibitor to have their photograph taken as identified in the Livestock Sale Rules.
- E. Rabbits that qualify for sale may be changed to immediately terminal and not be allowed to participate in sale if current cases of RHDV2 or any other disease deem participation to be unsafe. Youth participation without an animal will be determined by the current Fair Board/Livestock Sale Committee.

VII. DIVISIONS

PRODUCTION RABBITS DIVISION

Division	Class	Class Name
1482	001	Roaster
1483	001	Stewer
1480	001	Meat Pen of 3 Rabbits
1481	001	Single Fryer

- A. Meat Pen of 3 Rabbits Eligibility Requirements:
 - 1. Each rabbit must be no more than 69 days old and weaned from the doe.
 - 2. Each rabbit must weigh between 3.5 pounds and 5.5 pounds.
 - 3. All 3 rabbits must be the same breed and color.
 - 4. The rabbits can be either gender.
 - 5. Rabbits must be purebred.
 - 6. Rabbit Breed must be a Meat/Commercial Breed.
- B. Roaster Rabbit Eligibility:
 - 1. Rabbit must be 6 months old or younger.
 - 2. Rabbit must be purebred.
 - 3. Rabbit breed may only be Meat/Commercial Breeds.
- C. Stewer Rabbit Eligibility:
 - 1. Rabbit must be over 6 months old.
 - 2. Rabbit must be purebred.
 - 3. Rabbit breed may only be Meat/Commercial Breeds.
- D. Single Fryer Class
 - 1. Rabbits cannot be over 10 weeks of age.
 - 2. Rabbit must be purebred.
 - 3. Rabbit breed may only be Meat / Commercial breed.
 - 4. Rabbit minimum weight of 3.5 pounds.
 - 5. Rabbit maximum weight of 5.5 pounds.
 - 6. Rabbits are judged on meat type, condition of flesh and the fur condition.
- E. Underweight or overweight Meat Pen of 3 Rabbits will not be judged in the Meat Pen of 3 Rabbits class but can be used for showmanship.
- F. Rabbits entered in the Meat Pen Class are not eligible to be entered separately in another Junior Rabbit Department class.

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- G. If at the time of official weigh-in, an animal fails to meet the minimum weight one re-weigh will be offered as defined in Livestock Rules Section 2B.

BREED SHOW RABBITS DIVISION

- A. All breed show rabbits should be groomed according to breed standards.
- B. Rabbits entered in the Production Classes are not eligible to show in the Breed Show Classes
- C. Superintendent will classify Rabbit Breeds and can change entries to the correct class.
Superintendent's breed classification is final with no recourse.
- D. Breed Show rabbits will be judged on breed characteristics, conformation, structure, fur/wool, per the ARBA book of standards.
- E. All Commercial/Meat Rabbit Breeds have 6 classes, 3 for each Gender.
1. Junior - Bucks or Does that are over 3 months and under 6 months old.
 2. Intermediate - Bucks or Does that are 6 months and under 8 months old.
 3. Senior - Bucks or Does that are over 8 months old.
- F. All Fancy Rabbit Breeds have 4 classes, 2 for each Gender.
1. Junior - Bucks or Does that are over 3 months and under 6 months old.
 2. Senior - Bucks or Does that are over 6 months old.
- G. Neutered or altered rabbits are not eligible for the Rabbit Breed Classes. They can only be shown as a pet quality rabbit.

PET QUALITY CLASSES

Division	Class	Breed Class
1470	001	Pet Quality – Under 6 months old
1470	002	Pet Quality – Over 6 months old

FUR CLASSES

Normal White Fur
Normal Colored Fur
Breed Wool/Fur
Satin Fur
Rex Fur

- A. All Breed Show Rabbits should be groomed according to breed standards.
- B. Rabbits entered in the Production Classes are not eligible to show in the Fur Classes.
- C. Superintendent will classify Rabbit Fur and can change entries to the correct class.
- D. Fur classification is final with no recourse.

RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

Class	Class Name	Age
001	Senior Showmanship	14-18 Years Old
002	Intermediate Showmanship	11-13 Years Old
003	Junior Showmanship	8-10 Years Old

- A. Showmanship participation during the scheduled applicable showmanship division class is mandatory for all Exhibitors to be eligible to participate in the Junior Livestock Sale.
- B. Exhibitors must show their own animal. Exceptions may be granted for extraordinary circumstances with prior approval from DCFR Management.

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- C. The Judge will consider appearance of the animal, showmanship ability of the exhibitor and the exhibitor's appearance, courtesy and knowledge.
- D. Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.

RABBIT BARN MANAGER AWARD

- A. To be eligible for this award the Junior Division Exhibitor must participate in set-up day.
- B. This award is to the Junior Division Exhibitor who demonstrates a willingness to help keep the rabbit barn in order; keep their own cages and tack in order; be a positive representative to the general public of 4-H and the rabbit industry and be helpful and considerate to other Exhibitors, Superintendents and DCFR Management and staff.
- C. This award will be determined by the Rabbit Superintendents.

**JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK
HORSE
DEPARTMENT 15**

WARNING: Under Colorado Law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to Section 13-21-119, Colorado Revised Statutes.

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, 2B, and the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book") most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), available at the Douglas County Extension Office or online at <http://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/horse-resources/horse-show-resources/>.
1. All rules in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book") most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), will apply to the Junior Horse Department unless otherwise noted.
 2. It is the responsibility of the Junior Division Exhibitor to obtain and read the appropriate rules in the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book as appropriate for the required competitions.
 3. All references to 4-H and 4-H Exhibitor in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book") most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), will be the same as Junior Division and Junior Division Exhibitor in the current Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rule book and the 4-H Horse Project Rules and Guidelines.
- B. Horses may be inspected at any time for general health by DCFR Management. Any horse showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds.
- C. Exhibitors may only show one horse per riding discipline.
- D. Stallions of any age may not be shown or ridden in any Junior Horse Department class.
1. Sexually intact male horses will be ineligible and immediately dismissed from the fairgrounds.
- E. **PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR:** A certified equestrian helmet with safety harness fastened in place is REQUIRED in English classes, over fences classes, gymkhana events, activities and practice sessions (i.e. timed events not involving livestock). Protective headgear is recommended for Western classes. It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian of the Junior Division Exhibitor to see that the headgear worn complies with such standards and is in good condition. DCFR Management encourages the use of ASTM certified/SEI approved safety helmets in all equine events. Protective headgear may be used in all classes and shall not be discriminated against.
- F. A horse with a history of kicking must be identified by a red ribbon on its tail while on the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- G. Any horse that cannot be adequately controlled by the Junior Division Exhibitor will be excused from the show ring and/or the Fairgrounds. Safety and courtesy to all riders in the class is to be stressed. A horse is considered as being sufficiently out of control at any time the Junior Division

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Exhibitor is unable to manage the animal in the required class routine after a reasonable corrective action or time.

H. Riding bareback, riding in a halter and lead rope, and riding double is strictly prohibited.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Junior Division Exhibitor Classification: Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
 - 1. JUNIOR: 8–10 years old
 - 2. INTERMEDIATE: 11-13 years old
 - 3. SENIOR: 14–18 years old
 - 4. WALK-TROT: Ages 8-18. Walk-Trot classification is reserved for exhibitors who have passed their 4-H Horse Safety Certificate but have NOT passed their discipline-specific 4-H Horse Level 1 Riding Test. Walk-Trot exhibitors may not cross over to another age classification and may only show in Walk-Trot classes. Eligibility to show in Walk-Trot is limited to one year.
- B. Horses entered in DCFR must have been previously identified on the horse identification form by the Identification Date of the current year. Exhibitors are encouraged to ID more than one horse, if applicable.
 - 1. Exhibitors with a horse that is lame or that has behavior issues may use a substitute horse that has not been identified with written permission of DCFR Management. Exhibitors using a substitute horse will only be eligible for the Showmanship class.
- C. Only Exhibitors are permitted to ride or school the Identified Horse on the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
 - 1. Anyone not listed as the Junior Division Exhibitor on the entry form must receive prior written permission from DCFR Management to ride a horse other than their own on the Douglas County Fairgrounds. Permission must be granted immediately prior to any riding or schooling.
- D. Sharing a project horse with more than one (1) Junior Division Exhibitor is permissible provided that:
 - 1. No more than two (2) siblings share the project horse, and;
 - 2. Siblings must be entered into different age groups or levels or disciplines, and;
 - 3. The management and care of the project horse while on the Douglas County Fairgrounds is shared by the two (2) siblings.
 - 4. A horse may be ID'd/shared as a project horse by no more than two unrelated 4-H members, if both provide half of the care and management of the animal. One member must be no higher than Level 1.
- E. A Junior Division Exhibitor who makes any entry changes on show day will be ineligible for any Highpoint Awards for that riding discipline.

III. ANIMAL FITTING AND CARE

- A. **DRUGS AND MEDICATION:** No horse or pony may be shown in any class at DCFR if it has been administered, in any manner, a foreign substance. A forbidden substance is any stimulant, depressant or local anesthetic which might affect the performance of a horse (stimulants and depressants are defined as medications which stimulate or depress the circulatory, respiratory or central nervous systems). Also prohibited are any drugs, regardless of how harmless or innocuous they might be, which by their very nature might mask or screen the presence of the aforementioned prohibited drugs or prevent or delay testing procedures. The use of these drugs is considered physical abuse. Any violation of this Drug and Medication regulation will automatically

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result in disqualification of the Junior Division Exhibitor with no recourse. The full use of modern therapeutic measures including phenylbutazone for the improvement and protection of the health of the horse is permitted, unless the treatment may also stimulate or depress the circulatory, respiratory or central nervous systems. It is the Junior Division Exhibitor's responsibility to declare, in written form, any veterinarian prescribed medication to DCFR Management prior to show's start.

IV. SHOW RING

- A. The show ring will be under the absolute control of DCFR Management. Only authorized persons will be allowed in the ring during judging.
- B. PERSONAL ATTIRE: All Exhibitors must wear boots. Each Junior Division Exhibitor must wear clothing appropriate for the riding discipline as defined by the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book") most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book").
 - 1. Long hair must be pulled back from the Junior Division Exhibitor's face in all classes.
- C. EQUIPMENT: All tack must be correct for each riding discipline as defined by the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"). Rule Books are available at the CSU Extension Office.
- D. No ropes attached to a saddle except in specified Roping or Ranch Horse classes as designated by DCFR Management and Department Superintendents. (This is in reference to rule in the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book LA1500K page 21, D1.)
- E. Judges and Superintendents will have discretion to enforce disqualification.

V. STALLS AND TACK

- A. Stalls may be made available at the discretion of DCFR Management. Availability, process for assignment and related information will be provided in the Exhibitor Pack distributed prior to the Fair.
- B. Horses and Tack must be removed and the stall area, inside and outside, must be cleaned by the Junior Division Exhibitor as specified on the schedule found online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division, unless previous arrangements have been made with DCFR Management.

VI. GENERAL SHOWMANSHIP

- A. Showmanship is mandatory for all Exhibitors entered in the Junior Horse Department.
 - 1. Failure to participate in the Junior Division Horse General Showmanship class will make the Junior Division Exhibitor ineligible to participate in any additional classes.
 - 2. Members may complete showmanship at any open show or other event with their Program Leader for program completion rules only.
 - 3. In cases of hardship the members' situation must be presented to the CSU Extension office in writing by entry deadline (if possible) to be reviewed by show management and the Extension Agent.
- B. Showmanship Division Rules of the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), apply to the Junior Division Horse General Showmanship Classes.
- C. Exhibitors must show their own animal. A horse disqualified for any reason may not be used for showmanship. Exceptions may be granted for extraordinary circumstances with prior approval of the 4-H Program Leader and Superintendent.

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- D. The Judge will consider appearance of the animal, showmanship ability of the Junior Division Exhibitor and the Junior Division Exhibitor's appearance, courtesy and knowledge.
- E. Age divisions are offered with Junior Division Exhibitor age considered as of December 31st of the previous year.

VII. HIGH POINT

- A. All classes will be placed 1st through 6th place.
- B. Class placing will be assigned a point value regardless of the number of entries per class, as follows:
 - 1. First Place: 6 points
 - 2. Second Place: 5 points
 - 3. Third Place: 4 points
 - 4. Fourth Place: 3 points
 - 5. Fifth Place: 2 points
 - 6. Sixth Place: 1 point
- C. The Highpoint Award is selected for the following riding disciplines:
 - 1. English
 - 2. Western
 - 3. Gymkhana
 - 4. Ranch Horse
- D. The Highpoint Award is determined by a composite score earned on:
 - 1. Written Test
 - 2. Equitation/Horsemanship
 - 3. Any other classes the Junior Division Exhibitor is eligible for in the riding discipline.
- E. To be eligible for the Highpoint Award in any riding discipline the Junior Division Exhibitor must compete in the Written Test, and Equitation/Horsemanship in that riding discipline.
- F. In the event of a tie in any riding discipline, scores from the Written Test will be used to break all ties. In the event a tie still exists, the Showmanship placings of the tied exhibitor will be used to break the tie.

GENERAL SHOWMANSHIP

- A. Showmanship Division section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this class.
- B. Only one General Showmanship class will be offered during DCFR Horse Show. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to enter and compete in this class to fulfill the showmanship class requirement.

GENERAL SHOWMANSHIP CLASS

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
1540	004	General Showmanship	Senior
1540	003	General Showmanship	Intermediate
1540	002	General Showmanship	Junior
1540	001	General Showmanship Walk/Trot	8-18

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HORSE MASTER SHOWMANSHIP QUALIFIER CLASS

Division	Class	Class Name	Age	Location
1560	004	Horse Master Showmanship Qualifier	Senior	Indoor Arena
1560	005	Horse Master Showmanship Qualifier	Junior	Indoor Arena

C. Showmanship Division section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this class.

Age Classification for this class determined as of December 31st of previous year:

JUNIOR – 8–13 years old.

SENIOR – 14–18 years old.

The Champion and Reserve Champion of each age division MUST return to the fairgrounds with the horse they qualified with.

Other Exhibitors that do not win Grand or Reserve may be asked to bring a horse back for the Master Showmanship competition.

Horses may not be shared by siblings of any age in this class.

This class DOES NOT count towards any High Point award.

Any Junior Division Exhibitor who qualifies for the Master Showmanship competition and fails to participate with their horse at the Master Showmanship competition will be subject to discipline as set forth in the Section 1 Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules. This Junior Division Exhibitor may also be ineligible to enter the Junior Horse Master Showmanship contest at next year's DCFR. You will forfeit any award you may have received for this qualifying class. Awards for this class will not be given until after the regular Master Showmanship Contest.

RANCH HORSE SHOW

A. All Junior Horse Department Competition Rules also apply to this show.

B. Ranch Horse Show Exhibitors are required to have passed the Introductory Ranch/Cow Horse Competency Test or above to be eligible for this show.

C. Junior Division Exhibitor Classification: Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.

1. JUNIOR: 8–13 years old

2. SENIOR: 14–18 years old

D. Exhibitors must compete in all four (4) classes of the Ranch Horse Show at the appropriate age classification. (We will not be using the Ranch Cattle Sorting Class in Douglas County).

1. Ranch Cutting

2. Working Cow Work

3. Ranch Trail

4. Ranch Horsemanship/Ranch Riding

E. **TACK AND ATTIRE:** Refer to Ranch Horse Division section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book").

F. Any horse with open sores or bleeding apparently caused by tack, equipment or rough handling shall be disqualified from competition and will not be placed.

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RANCH CUTTING CLASS/PENNING CLASS

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
1552	001	Ranch Cutting/Penning	Senior
1552	002	Ranch Cutting/Penning	Junior

- A. Ranch Cutting/Penning Division section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this class.
- B. DCFR Management shall supply two (2) turnback riders who are objective and not affiliated with any Exhibitor.
- C. Exhibitors may elect to use two (2) currently entered Ranch Horse Exhibitors who are Members in Good Standing as two (2) corner riders.
- D. Cattle may or may not be numbered, at the discretion of the Judge or Show Management.
- E. Assigned turnback riders are required to adhere to all stated guidelines as set forth in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H.

INDIVIDUAL COW WORK CLASS

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
1552	003	Individual Cow Horse	Senior
1552	004	Individual Cow Horse	Junior

- A. This Class may be combined with the Ranch horsemanship class.
- B. Individual Cow Work section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to the individual cow work portion of this class.
- C. To be eligible for the Ranch Horse Division, exhibitors are required to have passed their Beginner/Intro Ranch Horse Competency or a higher Ranch Horse Competency. Exhibitors shall only be asked to box and take their cow down one side of the arena to the ½ point and stop their horse square.

RANCH TRAIL CLASS

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
1552	005	Ranch Trail	Senior
1552	006	Ranch Trail	Junior

- A. Ranch Trail section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this class.

RANCH RIDING CLASS

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
1552	007	Ranch Riding	Senior
1552	008	Ranch Riding	Junior

- A. Ranch Horsemanship/Ranch Riding section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book") applies to this class.

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WESTERN HORSE SHOW DIVISION

- A. All Junior Horse Department Competition Rules also apply to this show.
- B. Western Division section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this show.
- C. Junior Division Exhibitor Classification: Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
 - 1. JUNIOR: 8–10 years old
 - 2. INTERMEDIATE: 11-13 years old
 - 3. SENIOR: 14–18 years old
 - 4. WALK-TROT: Ages 8-18. Walk-Trot classification is reserved for exhibitors who have passed the discipline-specific 4-H Horse Safety Certificate but have NOT passed the discipline-specific 4-H Horse Level 1 Riding Test. Walk-Trot exhibitors may not cross-over to another age classification and may only show in Walk-Trot classes. Eligibility to show in Walk-Trot is limited to one year.

WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP ON THE RAIL (NO PATTERN) CLASS:

Class	Sub-Class	Sub-Class Name	Age
1543	001	Western Equitation on the Rail Walk/Trot	8-18

- A. Western Horsemanship section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this class.

WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP CLASS

Class	Sub-Class	Sub-Class Name	Age
1544	004	Western Horsemanship Senior	14-18
1544	003	Western Horsemanship Intermediate	11-13
1544	002	Western Horsemanship Junior	8-10
1544	001	Western Horsemanship Walk/Trot	8-18

- A. Western Horsemanship section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this class.

WESTERN RIDING CLASS

Class	Sub-Class	Sub-Class Name	Age
1545	003	Western Riding Senior	14-18
1545	002	Western Riding Intermediate	11-13
1545	001	Western Riding Junior	8-10

- A. Western Riding section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this class.

WESTERN REINING CLASS

Class	Sub-Class	Sub-Class Name	Age
1546	003	Western Reining Senior	14-18
1546	002	Western Reining Intermediate	11-13
1546	001	Western Reining Junior	8-10

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- A. Reining section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this class.

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WESTERN TRAIL

Warm-up ARENA -OR- Outdoor Arena

This competition will be judged on the performance of the horse over obstacles, with emphasis on manners, response to the rider and quality of movement. Credit will be given to horses negotiating the obstacles with style and promptness providing correctness is not sacrificed. Horses should receive credit for showing attentiveness to the obstacles cleanly, smoothly and alertly with prompt and willing responses to the rider's cues.

Class	Sub-Class	Sub-Class Name	Age
1547	004	Western Trail Senior	14-18
1547	003	Western Trail Intermediate	11-13
1547	002	Western Trail Junior	8-10
1547	001	Western Trail Walk/Trot	8-18

- A. Western Riding section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this competition.

ENGLISH HORSE SHOW

INDOOR ARENA

- A. All Junior Horse Department Competition Rules also apply to this show.
- B. English Division section in the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this show.
- C. Junior Division Exhibitor Classification: Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
1. JUNIOR: 8–10 years old
 2. INTERMEDIATE: 11-13 years old
 3. SENIOR: 14–18 years old
 4. WALK-TROT: Ages 8-18. Walk-Trot classification is reserved for exhibitors who have passed the English 4-H Horse Safety Certificate but have NOT passed the discipline-specific 4-H Horse Level 1 Riding Test. Walk-Trot exhibitors may not cross-over to another age classification and may only show in Walk-Trot classes. Eligibility to show in Walk-Trot is limited to one year.
- D. English Exhibitors may show in a plain leather or nylon halter, or in a bridle. If showing with a bridle and using reins to lead the horse, the buckle must be undone. The exhibitor may choose to use a lead shank attached to the bit or a cavesson with the reins safely draped over the horse's withers. Silver western halters are not permitted when dressed in English attire.

ENGLISH EQUITATION CLASS

Class	Sub-Class	Sub-Class Name	Age
1512	004	English Equitation Senior	14-18
1512	003	English Equitation Intermediate	11-13
1512	002	English Equitation Junior	8-10
1512	001	English Equitation Walk/Trot	8-18

ENGLISH EQUITATION ON THE RAIL CLASS (NO PATTERN)

Class	Sub-Class	Sub-Class Name	Age
1513	001	English Equitation on the Rail Walk/Trot	8-18

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ENGLISH CONTROL CLASS

Class	Sub-Class	Sub-Class Name	Age
1514	003	English Control Senior	14-18
1514	002	English Control Intermediate	11-13
1514	001	English Control Junior	8-10

ENGLISH SHOW HACK CLASS

Class	Sub-Class	Sub-Class Name	Age
1515	003	English Show Hack Senior	14-18
1515	002	English Show Hack Intermediate	11-13
1515	001	English Show Hack Junior	8-10
1515	004	English Show Hack Walk/Trot	8-18

HUNTER HACK CLASS

Class	Sub-Class	Sub-Class Name	Age
1516	003	Hunter Hack Senior	14-18
1516	002	Hunter Hack Intermediate	11-13
1516	001	Hunter Hack Junior	8-10

The purpose of the Hunter Hack Class is to give horses an opportunity to show their expertise over low fences and on the flat. Horses will individually jump two fences. Following the individual fence portion of the class, all exhibitors will be judged on flatwork on the rail. Additional information on class rules and requirements can be found on page 155 of the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book").

- A. Exhibitor/horse combination in this class are required to have passed their Beginner Over Fences Competency, or a higher Over Fences Competency.
- B. Jump distances and heights will be determined by Show Management and will be provided when horse show patterns are distributed prior to the show.

GYMKHANA HORSE COMPETITION

INDOOR ARENA/OUTDOOR ARENA

- A. All Junior Horse Department Competition Rules also apply to this competition.
- B. Gymkhana Division section of the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), applies to this show.
- C. To be eligible for the Gymkhana Horse Show Junior Division, exhibitors/horse combination are required to have passed their Gymkhana Competency.
- D. Junior Division Exhibitor Classification: Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
 - 1. JUNIOR: 8–13 years old
 - 2. SENIOR: 14–18 years old
- E. If Junior Exhibitor's horse balks at in gate:
 - 1. A volunteer may lead the Junior Division Exhibitor's horse to the gate, but not through.
 - 2. Another Junior Division Exhibitor rider and horse may pony the Junior Division Exhibitor's horse to gate, but not through.

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3. Junior Division Exhibitor must walk through in-gate while mounted.
4. Immobility or lack of forward progression that exceeds 30 seconds is considered a disqualification. This means that once the gate is open and the arena is cleared of obstructions, the Junior Division Exhibitor has 30 seconds to cross the start line.

GYMKHANA CLASSES

Division	Sub Class	Class Name	Age
1522	001	Barrel Racing	Senior
1522	002	Barrel Racing	Junior
1522	003	Flag Race	Senior
1522	004	Flag Race	Junior
1522	005	Pole Bending	Senior
1522	006	Pole Bending	Junior
1522	007	Keyhole Race	Senior
1522	008	Keyhole Race	Junior

**JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK
MINIATURE EQUINE
DEPARTMENT 31**

WARNING: Under Colorado Law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to Section 13–21–119, Colorado Revised Statutes.

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, 2B, and the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), available at the Douglas County Extension Office or online at <http://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/horse-resources/horse-show-resources/>.
 - 1. All rules in the Miniature Equine Rule Book adapted by the Colorado State Fair will apply to the Junior Miniature Equine Department unless otherwise noted.
 - 2. It is the responsibility of the Junior Division Exhibitor to obtain and read the appropriate rules in the Miniature Equine Rule Book as appropriate for the required competitions.
 - 3. All references to 4-H and 4-H Exhibitor in the Miniature Equine Rule Book will be the same as Junior Division and Junior Division Exhibitor in the current Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rule book and the Douglas County 4-H Miniature Equine Project Rules and Guidelines.
- B. Equine may be inspected at any time for general health by DCFR Management. Any equine showing evidence of infectious, contagious, or communicable diseases will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds.
- C. Exhibitors may only show one miniature equine per discipline.
- D. Stallions of any age may not be shown or ridden in any Miniature Equine Department class.
 - 1. Sexually intact male equine will be ineligible and immediately dismissed from the fairgrounds.
- E. Any equine with a history of kicking must be identified by a red ribbon on its tail while on the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- F. Any equine that cannot be adequately controlled by the Junior Division Exhibitor will be excused from the show ring and/or the Fairgrounds. Safety and courtesy to all Exhibitors in the class are to be stressed. An equine is considered as being sufficiently out of control at any time the Junior Division Exhibitor is unable to manage the animal in the required class routine after a reasonable corrective action or time.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Junior Division Exhibitor Classification: Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
 - 1. JUNIOR: 8–13 years old
 - 2. SENIOR: 14–18 years old
- B. Equines entered in DCFR must have been previously identified on the equine identification form by the Identification Date of the current year. Exhibitors are encouraged to ID more than one horse, if applicable.

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1. Exhibitors with equine that is lame or that has behavior issues may use a substitute equine that has not been identified with written permission of DCFR Management. Exhibitors using a substitute equine will only be eligible for the Showmanship class.
- C. Only Exhibitors are permitted to handle the Identified equine on the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
 1. Anyone not listed as the Junior Division Exhibitor on the entry form must receive prior written permission from DCFR Management to exhibit equine other than their own on the Douglas County Fairgrounds. Permission must be granted immediately prior to showing or schooling.
- D. Sharing a project equine by more than one (1) Junior Division Exhibitor is permissible provided that:
 1. No more than two (2) siblings share the project equine, and;
 2. Siblings must be entered into different age groups or levels or disciplines, and;
 3. The management and care of the project equine while on the Douglas County Fairgrounds is shared by the two (2) siblings.
 4. An equine may be ID'd/shared as a project equine by no more than two unrelated 4-H members, if both provide half of the care and management of the animal.

III. ANIMAL FITTING AND CARE

- A. **DRUGS AND MEDICATION:** No equine may be shown in any class at DCFR if it has been administered, in any manner, a foreign substance. A forbidden substance is any stimulant, depressant or local anesthetic which might affect the performance of a horse (stimulants and depressants are defined as medications which stimulate or depress the circulatory, respiratory or central nervous systems). Also prohibited are any drugs, regardless of how harmless or innocuous they might be, which by their very nature might mask or screen the presence of the aforementioned prohibited drugs or prevent or delay testing procedures. The use of these drugs is considered physical abuse. Any violation of this Drug and Medication regulation will automatically result in disqualification of the Junior Division Exhibitor with no recourse. Full use of modern therapeutic measures including phenylbutazone for the improvement and protection of the health of the equine is permitted, unless the treatment may also stimulate or depress the circulatory, respiratory, or central nervous systems. It is the Junior Division Exhibitor's responsibility to declare, in written form, any veterinarian prescribed medication to DCFR Management prior to show's start.

IV. SHOW RING

- A. The show ring will be under the absolute control of DCFR Management. Only authorized persons will be allowed in the ring during judging.
- B. **PERSONAL ATTIRE:** All Exhibitors must wear boots. Each Junior Division Exhibitor must wear proper attire in all equine show classes.
 1. Proper attire includes a long-sleeved shirt (must be tucked in), long pants, and boots with a heel.
 2. Dress: It is the tradition of the show ring that handlers and drivers are correctly attired for their classes. T-shirts, shorts, clothes with logos or monograms are not correct attire and will not be allowed in the show ring. Equine and handler must look their best. No farm, individual, or equine's name may be displayed on exhibitor.
- C. **EQUIPMENT:** All tack must be correct for each riding discipline as defined by the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"). Rule Books are available at the CSU Extension Office.
- D. No ropes attached to a saddle except in specified classes as designated by DCFR Management and Department Superintendents. (This is in reference to rule in the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book LA1500K page 21, D1.)

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- E. Judges and Superintendents will have discretion to enforce disqualification.
- F. Any exhibitor may wear protective headgear (Certified ASTM/SEI Equine Helmet) in any division or class without penalty from the judges(s).
- G. Equine must be handled and shown through an entire class by the same person. Should an additional handler be required due to physical limitation or emergency, approval must be obtained from the Show Superintendent.
- H. Disqualifications: Height more than 38 inches, dwarfism, and unsoundness.
- I. All animals must be a year old by October of the current 4-H year for show purposes only. Some classes will have higher age limits.
- J. Equine must be shown in a halter, or bridle, with an appropriate lead, chain on lead permitted under the chin of the horse.
- K. Whips are not allowed to be carried.

V. STALLS AND TACK

- A. Stalls may be made available at the discretion of DCFR Management. Availability, process for assignment and related information will be provided in the Exhibitor Pack distributed prior to the Fair.
- B. Equine and Tack must be removed and the stall area, inside and outside, must be cleaned by the Junior Division Exhibitor as specified on the schedule found online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division, unless previous arrangements have been made with DCFR Management.

VI. SHOWMANSHIP

- A. Showmanship is mandatory for all Exhibitors entered in the Miniature Equine Department.
 - 1. Failure to participate in the showmanship class will make the Junior Division Exhibitor ineligible to participate in any additional classes.
 - 2. Exhibitors may complete showmanship at any open show or other event with their Program Leader for program completion rules only.
 - 3. In cases of hardship the members' situation must be presented to the Superintendent in writing by entry deadline (if possible) to be reviewed by Show Management and the Extension Agent.
- B. Showmanship Division Rules of the most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book") most current edition of the Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book, as published by Colorado State 4-H. ("Horse Show Rule Book"), apply to all Showmanship classes.
- C. Exhibitors must show their own animal or lease. Equine disqualified for any reason may not be used for showmanship. Exceptions may be granted for extraordinary circumstances with prior approval of the 4-H Program Leader and Superintendent.
- D. The Judge will consider appearance of the animal, showmanship ability of the Junior Division Exhibitor and the Junior Division Exhibitor's appearance, courtesy, and knowledge.
- E. Age divisions are offered with Junior Division Exhibitor age considered as of December 31st of the previous year.
- F. Class Procedures – All exhibitors may enter the ring and then work individually, or each exhibitor may be worked from the gate individually (show and go).

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VII. HIGH POINT

- A. All classes will be placed 1st through 6th place.
- B. Class placing will be assigned a point value regardless of the number of entries per class, as follows:
 1. First Place: 6 points
 2. Second Place: 5 points
 3. Third Place: 4 points
 4. Fourth Place: 3 points
 5. Fifth Place: 2 points
 6. Sixth Place: 1 point
- C. The Highpoint Award is selected for the following divisions:
 1. Halter
 2. Obstacle
 3. Hunter in Hand
 4. Gymkhana
- D. The Highpoint Award is determined by a composite score earned on:
 1. Written Test
 2. Showmanship
 3. Any other classes the Junior Division Exhibitor is eligible for in the riding discipline.
- E. In the event of a tie in any division, scores from the Written Test will be used to break all ties. In the event a tie still exists, the Showmanship placings of the tied exhibitor will be used to break the tie.

IN HAND WORKING PERFORMANCE DIVISION

- A. All Miniature Equine Department Competition Rules also apply to this show.
- F. Junior Division Exhibitor Classification: Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
 1. JUNIOR: 8–13 years old
 2. SENIOR: 14–18 years old

SHOWMANSHIP CLASS

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
3101	001	Showmanship Junior	8-13
3101	002	Showmanship Senior	14-18

OBSTACLE COURSE

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
3102	001	Halter Obstacle Junior	8-13
3102	002	Halter Obstacle Senior	14-18

HUNTER IN HAND

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
3103	001	Hunter in Hand Junior	8-13
3103	002	Hunter in Hand Senior	14-18

- G. Hunter Division:
 - a. May show with braided manes and tails if desired when showing in the Hunter Division.
 - b. Exhibitors are not permitted to go over jumps.
 - c. Whip may not be carried.

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- d. Jump standards may not be taller than 40" and must be at least 5 feet wide.
- e. There will be a minimum of four fences in the Hunter Division

GYMKHANA

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
3104	001	In-Hand Barrel Racing Junior	8-13
3104	002	In-Hand Barrel Racing Senior	14-18
3104	003	In-Hand Pole Bending Junior	8-13
3104	004	In-Hand Pole Bending Senior	14-18

H. Gymkhana Division:

- a. All events will be timed.
- b. Equine must be at least 1 year old.
- c. Equines may trot, canter, or gallop for in-hand events.
- d. Disqualifications:
 - 1. Running through the chute or gate to enter the arena.
 - 2. Failure to begin the course within 1 minute after the ready signal is given.
 - 3. A stop or willful refusal to move forward (loss of forward motion).
 - 4. Off course, which includes negotiating obstacles other than in specified order.

COSTUME CLASS

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
3105	001	Junior Costume Class	8-13
3105	002	Senior Costume Class	14-18

- I. Costumes must be considered safe.
- J. Costume classes are to be judged 75% on originality of costume and 25% on presentation.
- K. To be shown at a walk both ways of the arena and lined up in the middle of the arena for final judging.

JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK

BEEF

DEPARTMENT 16

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- B. ALL BEEF MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT OR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT BEFORE UNLOADING. All beef will be inspected for general health. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds.
- C. Exhibitors must have their animal under control at all times. Exhibitors must demonstrate their ability to control the animal at the superintendent's request. Any animal the Junior Division Exhibitor cannot adequately control to the superintendent's satisfaction may be disqualified and must be immediately removed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- D. Sexually intact male cattle will be ineligible and immediately dismissed from the fairgrounds unless they are eligible for and entered in the Cow/calf class.
- E. Neck ropes and rope halters are required for ALL cattle. The Junior Division Exhibitor must demonstrate the proper use of neck ropes to the superintendent's satisfaction.
- F. Fans (up to 36") or Self-Contained swamp coolers with no external hoses up to 40 inches tall, 20 inches wide and no bigger than an 8-gallon tank are permitted.
 - 1. Exhibitors may bring either a Fan or a swamp cooler as noted above, but not both.
 - 2. Fans and Swamp Coolers must blow towards the south side of the barn.
 - 3. No individual misters or swamp coolers allowed in beef barn.
- G. Fans must have proper safety-approved shrouds and power cords must be in good condition with grounds intact.
- H. Turn off and unplug all fans when fitting to minimize overloading electrical circuits.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Beef entered in DCFR must have been previously checked in at the official Identification Day. Market animals must have original brand papers in the exhibitor's name by March 1st of the current year or tag in date. Original registration papers, if applicable, must also be solely in the Junior Division Exhibitor's name. Breeding beef may utilize breed registration papers in member's name or brand papers in member's name as official identification and are to be completed by May 1st. Breeding beef will be identified and registration tattoos, if applicable, will be verified. All market beef will be tagged with an official Douglas County ear tag. Any sexually intact male or cryptorchid animal is ineligible for show and will not be tagged.
- B. Family Animal
 - 1. Each family may only declare one "family" animal at beef weigh-in.
 - a. A Family Animal is an animal that can be tagged in under more than one member's name. Example: The Jones Family has five kids that are all participating in the market beef project. Each kid, at spring tag in, tags one market beef under their own name and then the Family tags in a 6th market beef and labels it the Family Animal. This gives the Family a backup animal in case something happens to one of their kids' market beef.

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- b. The Family Animal will need to be ID'd to one member of the family in Fair Entry by the June deadline who will show the animal at fair as well as be a 4-H ID'd animal.
 - c. If an animal is not declared to one member by the June deadline The animal is not to be shown at the Douglas County Fair.
- C. For breeding beef animals that are previous year fall born (September, October, November, December) or spring calves that are not weaned, a separate identification form will be required to be completed by May 1st of each current year.
- D. All market animals must be polled or dehorned. Scur regrowth after initial dehorning is acceptable.
- E. Animals will be weighed at the designated scheduled time; all original brand inspection certificates and signed individual Wholesome Meat Act papers will be presented at this time.
- F. Cattle Age Classifications:
 - 1. Market Beef – born on/or after January 1 of the previous year.
 - 2. Ranch Raised Calf – born on/or after January 1 of the previous year.
 - 3. Junior Calf – born on/or after January 1 of the current year.
 - 4. Senior Calf – born on/or after September 1 through December 31 of the previous year.
 - 5. Summer Yearling – born on/or after May 1 through August 31 of the previous year.
 - 6. Junior Yearling – born on/or after January 1 through April 30 of the previous year.
 - 7. Senior Yearling – born on/or after September 1 through December 31 two (2) years prior.

III. ANIMAL FITTING AND CARE

- A. All Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their own animals until the animal has been released by DCFR Management.
- B. Breeding and Market shows will be Blow and Go only. NO SHOW PRODUCTS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED. Fly spray will ONLY be administered by the superintendent or assistant superintendents Tuesday and Wednesday of Fair. Following Wednesday, the Exhibitor may administer their own fly spray.
 - 1. Absolutely no fitting products may be used on the day of their show.
 - 2. Animals can only be washed, dried and groomed with no products for their show.
 - 3. Show conditioner will be allowed for skin care but must be washed out day of show. All animals must be washed on the day of show.
- C. Showmanship is a fitted optional show. Exhibitors are allowed to choose to fit for this show or make it a Blow and Go. Products are allowed for Showmanship ONLY.
 - 1. Refer to Section 2B General Livestock Division Rules, subsections K through N.
 - 2. Any exhibitor in violation of any fitting rule will be disqualified and unable to complete their project.
 - (i) All exhibitors must complete showmanship to complete their project.
 - 3. Products are allowed for this show ONLY.
 - 4. All products must be washed out **immediately** following the show.
- D. Animals are allowed to be fitted out for the Livestock Sale. Products are allowed for the Junior Livestock Sale.
 - 1. All products must be washed out following the Sale.

IV. SHOW RING

- A. The Exhibitor must be able to control his/her animal. The Judge or Superintendent may excuse an animal from the show ring for safety reasons.

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- B. The only people allowed to lead animals to the show ring will be exhibitors and parents. If approved prior to the show, superintendent, assistant superintendent, and designated show ring help can assist.

V. STALLS AND TACK

- A. Bedding must be removed to designated areas daily and at the end of Fair.
- B. Straw bales cannot be used for bedding. Only wood shavings and/or wood pellets will be allowed.
- C. Feed or bedding storage in the Beef barn will be at the discretion and permission of the Superintendent.
- D. No tack pens will be available until all Beef have been stalled. Any items such as feed, show boxes, etc. placed in pens not assigned to the exhibitor will be removed without warning. Check with Superintendent for availability of space for tack placement.
- E. All cattle must be in the barn for lockdown as specified in the Livestock Rules Section 2B. Neck ropes are required for night tie up and required for ALL cattle.
- F. To guarantee animal comfort and to ensure that their structural integrity is upheld DCFR Management requires a minimum 4-inch base of shavings per animal tie up area. The area must be cleaned, and additional shavings must be added each day to maintain the 4-inch base.

VI. JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE

- A. If the Junior Division Exhibitor qualifies for the Junior Livestock Sale, that Junior Division Exhibitor and his/her family must be familiar and comply with all Junior Livestock Sale Rules.
- B. It is the responsibility of the Junior Division Exhibitor to have their photograph taken as identified in the Livestock Sale Rules.

VII. DIVISIONS

MARKET BEEF DIVISION 1606

Division	Class	Class Name
1606	001	Market Beef

- A. Market Beef Show is a Blow 'n Go competition
 - 1. Absolutely no fitting products of any kind may be used.
 - 2. Animals can only be washed, dried and groomed.
 - 3. Animals must be fully washed on the day of show.
- B. Purebred or crossbred steers or heifers are eligible for the Market Beef Classes.
- C. Once the market animal enters the show ring to be judged for its initial weight class, that animal is not permitted to be scratched from its class and all remaining market classes including the final champion drive class.
- D. Weight Restrictions
 - 1. All market beef must weigh a minimum of 1100 pounds at weigh-in.
 - 2. Underweight market beef WILL NOT be eligible for the Market Classes.
 - 3. If at the time of official weigh-in, an animal fails to meet the minimum weight one re-weigh will be offered as defined in Livestock Rules Section 2B.
 - 4. Animals will be weighed at the scheduled time. A signed individual "Notice of USDA Wholesome Meat Act" form and proper Brand papers must be presented at this time. Any animal not tagged properly, or any exhibitor with incomplete paperwork, will not be allowed to enter the show ring. NO EXCEPTIONS! Animals failing to meet the market show weights will be ineligible to show in Market Beef classes.

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5. Underweight Market Beef will not be judged in the Market Beef classes but can be used for showmanship.
6. Cattle in the Ranch Raised Calf class must have been born in Colorado and from a herd owned by the Exhibitor's immediate family (legal parent or guardian).
 - a. This calf must also be eligible for and entered in a Market Beef Class.

RANCH RAISED MARKET BEEF DIVISION 1608

Division	Class	Class Name
1608	001	Ranch Raised Market Beef

E. Ranch Raised Beef Eligibility Requirements

1. The animal must be a current or prospective Market Steer born no later than March 31 of the current year.
2. The calf must have been born in Colorado and come from a herd owned by the Exhibitor's immediate family.
3. There is no minimum weight requirement.
4. Ranch Raised Beef shall not be used for determining eligibility of an animal for the Junior Livestock Sale. A Ranch Raised Beef Animal may be eligible for the Junior Livestock Sale if:
 - a. The animal qualifies for and participates in a Market Beef Class **and**;
 - b. The animal is selected for the Livestock Sale based on its placing in the Market Beef Class.
 - c. For the avoidance of doubt, placings including Grand Reserve and Grand Champion in this division do not qualify for the Junior Livestock Sale.

F. Beef entered in the Breeding Classes are not eligible to show in the Market Classes.

BREEDING BEEF DIVISION 1602

Division	Class	Class Name
1602	001	Breeding Heifers – Junior Calves, calved on or after Jan, 1 of the current year
1602	002	Breeding Heifers – Senior Calves, calved Sept-Dec, of the prior year
1602	003	Breeding Heifers – Summer Yearling, calved May-Aug, of the prior year
1602	004	Breeding Heifers – Junior Yearling, calved Jan- April, of the prior year
1602	005	Breeding Heifers – Senior Yearling, calved Sept- Dec, two years prior of current year
1602	006	Beef Production – Cow w/current year's offspring
1602	007	Milk Production – Breed Cattle
1602	008	Dairy Cow 2 years & Under 3 Milking
1602	009	Dairy Cow 3 years & Under 5 Milking
1602	010	Dairy Cow 5 years & Over Milking
1602	011	Dairy Cow Junior Calf Born May 1 or later of the current year
1602	012	Dairy Cow Dry Junior Yearling
1602	013	Dairy Cow Dry Senior

- A. All breeding beef will be exhibited in the same area as all the other beef animals. Breeding beef animals will not be assigned individual stalls unless a cow/calf pair is exhibited.

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- B. All breeding beef should be fitted according to breed standards, and the slick shearing of breeding animals is highly discouraged.
- C. All Breeding Beef will be identified by a breeding beef identification form (non-market cattle), photos, and brand papers in members name are due to the CSU Extension Office prior to May 1. Those animals born after identification day must be identified on a breeding beef identification form turned into the CSU Extension Office by May 1 each year. Breeding animals must be brand inspected in the Exhibitor's name by the identification deadlines according to age listed above. All members enrolled in the beef and breeding beef project must be enrolled by the Extension office deadline in Feb/March of each year. Contact the Extension office each year for this deadline.
- D. Classes will be divided by age at the Superintendent's discretion.
- E. Beef entered in the Market Classes are not eligible to show in the Breeding Beef Classes.
- F. The Cow/Calf Class is one (1) cow of any age and any breed with current year's offspring born on or after January 1st of current year that are eligible for and entered into DCFR Junior Beef Department.
- G. Milk production class consists of only Dairy Cattle breeds that are producing milk.
- H. Breeding beef will be judged on breed characteristics, conformation, structure, and breeding capacity.

BEEF SHOWMANSHIP DIVISION 1600

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
1600	001	Senior Showmanship	14-18 Years Old
1600	002	Intermediate Showmanship	11-13 Years Old
1600	003	Junior Showmanship	8-10 Years Old
1600	004	Beef Master Showmanship Qualifier Class Senior	14-18 Years Old
1600	005	Beef Master Showmanship Qualifier Class Juniors	8-13 Years Old

- A. Showmanship participation during the scheduled applicable showmanship division class is mandatory for Exhibitors to be eligible for the Junior Livestock Sale.
- B. Showmanship is a fitted optional show.
- C. Exhibitors must show their own animal. An animal disqualified for any reason except weight may not be used for showmanship. Animal substitutions will only be permitted with prior approval from DCFR Management.
- D. The Judge will consider cleanliness of the animal, showmanship ability of the Junior Division Exhibitor, the Junior Division Exhibitor's appearance, courtesy and knowledge.
- E. Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
- F. Exhibitors will qualify for the Master Showmanship Competition through a separate Showmanship Qualifier Class after their species showmanship classes. The Junior Division Exhibitor must first compete in their regular species Showmanship classes to be eligible. The Master Showmanship Qualifier class will be divided into different age divisions than the Showmanship Division. Placement in Showmanship will not be a factor in the separate qualifier class. Exhibitors must pre-enter for the Master Showmanship qualifier class on their online fair entries.
- G. No cow/calf combo may be used for showmanship.
- H. Optional showmanship assessment will be given to exhibitors if DCFR Management determines legitimate safety concerns exist.
 - 1. The assessment must be completed during the Fair and on the Fairgrounds.
 - 2. The assessment must be completed by the Beef Superintendent and 4-H Animal Specialist. One additional member of DCFR Management must also be present during the assessment.

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3. Assessment documentation will include Exhibitor Name, date assessment is performed, Superintendent and witness signature.
4. Successful completion of this optional assessment will enable the Exhibitor to preserve eligibility for the Livestock Sale.

MARKET BEEF ULTRASOUND CARCASS EVALUATION CONTEST

- A. Underweight animals will not be eligible for the Ultrasound Carcass Evaluation Contest.
- B. Only one market beef ultrasound carcass evaluation per Junior Division Exhibitor will be paid for by the Douglas County Fair Board for the contest. Other market beef may be entered in the contest by the Exhibitor paying the ultrasound carcass evaluation entry fee(s) at the time of entry declaration.
- C. The ultrasound carcass evaluation will be conducted based on available scheduling.
- D. Ultrasound carcass evaluation and judging will be conducted by an organization designated by DCFR Management.
- E. Classes:
 1. Industry Standard Class: (1200 pounds and above live weight); Champion and Reserve Champion, Ribbons will be awarded in 3rd through 6th place only.
 2. All others (1199 pounds and below live weight); Ribbons will be awarded in 1st through 6th place only.

SUPREME BEEF EXHIBITOR DIVISION

- A. Please refer to Department 30 for Supreme Beef Exhibitor Competition Rules.
- B. All entries must comply with all Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules Sections 1, 2 and 2B, Livestock Sale Rules, and any special Division or Department Competition Rules.
- C. Underweight animals do not qualify for the Supreme Contest.

BEEF RELAY CONTEST 3000

THIS CONTEST WILL BE HELD IN THE BEEF BARN

- A. For this contest a team of three will compete in a relay event that will test the knowledge and speed of the 4-H/FFA member
 1. The team must consist of one junior member, age 8 to 13
- B. Event rules and sections will be explained during the barn meeting.
 1. The rules will be posted in the barn

BEEF BARN MANAGER AWARD

- A. To be eligible for this award the Junior Division Exhibitor must participate in set-up day.
- B. This award will be given to the Junior Division Exhibitor who demonstrates a willingness to help keep the beef barn in order; keep their own stall and tack in order; be a positive representative to the general public of 4-H and the beef industry and be helpful and considerate to other Exhibitors, Superintendents and DCFR Management and staff.
- C. This award will be determined by the Beef Superintendents and will be awarded at the Junior Livestock Sale or the Junior Livestock Sale Meeting.

**JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK
SHEEP
DEPARTMENT 17**

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- B. ALL SHEEP MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT OR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT BEFORE UNLOADING. All sheep will be inspected for general health. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases or visible prolapse will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds.
- C. Superintendent will classify Sheep Breeds and can change entries to the correct class. Superintendent's breed classification is final with no recourse.
- D. No more than 12 head of sheep per Junior Division Exhibitor.
- E. Ram Lambs may only be shown in the production class as long as they are not bedded at the Fairgrounds. Ram Lambs may be brought to the Fairgrounds the day of the show left in trailer until production class is shown and then removed from the Fairgrounds. Superintendent shall be notified by the exhibitor that a ram lamb will be brought in for the Production Class.
 - 1. Other sexually intact male sheep will be ineligible and immediately dismissed from the fairgrounds.
- F. Fans are allowed for the Sheep Department subject to the requirements as determined by DCFR Management.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. All Breeding Sheep entering DCFR must be uploaded into 4-H Online by the official Identification Day established in the 4-H Blast. At that time, all breeding sheep will be identified and the USDA Scrapie tag recorded. Market sheep entered in DCFR must have been previously checked in at the official identification day. Home Raised Market Lambs, both ewes and wethers, must arrive with the USDA Scrapie number of the flock owned by the Exhibitor's immediate family (legal parent or guardian). All market lambs will also be tagged with an official DCFR ear tag. Any sexually intact male or cryptorchid animal is ineligible for show and will not be tagged.
- B. Sheep entered in the Junior Sheep Department must have their tails docked and be fully healed before being tagged at the official identification day. Any lambs with tails WILL NOT BE TAGGED with an official Douglas County ear tag. Lambs with open, raw docking wounds must be examined by the Superintendent who has the discretion to disqualify the lamb.
- C. Sheep entered in the Junior Sheep Department shall show no evidence of surgical docking to enhance the profile, prolapse, purse strings, etc. If any of these are evident in any sheep, that animal will be disqualified and dismissed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.

III. ANIMAL FITTING AND CARE

- A. All Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their own animals until the animal has been released by DCFR Management.
- B. At any point, changing the color of hair, spot or area on the animal's body or any grooming material that allows color to be rubbed off from any animal will result in disqualification.
 - 1. The natural color of any animal cannot be altered using any artificial coloring.

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IV. SHOW RING

- A. In all sheep classes, the front feet of the sheep must remain on the show ring floor while being shown. Exhibitor may lift to set. Judges and Superintendents will have discretion to enforce disqualification.
- B. If a Junior Division Exhibitor is not in the holding area for their class, their name will be called three times. If they do not arrive after the third page, the class will enter the ring, the gate will close, and no late exhibitors will be allowed to enter and compete in the class. Arrangements for exhibitors with multiple entries in a class and/or in back-to-back classes need to be made by the Junior Division Exhibitor prior to the start of the show.

V. STALLS AND TACK

- A. Bedding must be removed to designated areas daily and at the end of Fair.
- B. Feed or bedding storage in the Sheep barn will be at the discretion and permission of the Superintendent.
- C. No tack pens will be available until all Sheep have been stalled. Any items such as feed, show boxes, etc. placed in pens not assigned to the Junior Division Exhibitor will be removed without warning. Check with Superintendent for availability of space for tack placement.
- D. Water may be removed at 8:00 a.m. on the day of show, but any lamb deemed dehydrated by the Superintendents will not be allowed to show.
- E. Junior Sheep Division Exhibitors may not use rubber mats, netting, carpet, etc. for bedding. Only wood shavings will be allowed.
- F. Junior Sheep Division Exhibitors may use meshed or plastic muzzles at DCFR. The muzzle style must allow the lamb to drink water.

VI. JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE

- A. If a Junior Division Exhibitor qualifies for the Junior Livestock Sale, that Junior Division Exhibitor and his/her family must be familiar with, and comply with, all Junior Livestock Sale Rules.
- B. It is the responsibility of the Junior Division Exhibitor to have their photograph taken as identified in the Livestock Sale Rules.

VII. DIVISIONS

MARKET LAMBS DIVISION 1701 & 1702

Division	Class	Class Name
1702	001	Market Lamb
1701	001	Ranch Raised Market Lamb

- A. Purebred, grade or crossbred wether or ewe lambs are eligible for the Market Lamb Classes.
- B. Once the market animal enters the show ring to be judged for its initial weight class, that animal is not permitted to be scratched from its class and all remaining market classes including the final champion drive class.
- C. All Market Lambs must be shown uniformly slick shorn with a maximum of 1/4" wool from the knees and hocks up. No patterns allowed. Wool foretops, wool ear tufts, and boots may be left on the lamb.
- D. Ewe lambs entered in the Breeding Classes are not eligible to show in the Market Classes.
- E. Male animals having one or both testicles contained in the body cavity are not eligible to show.

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F. Weight Restrictions

1. All market lambs must weigh a minimum of 95 pounds at weigh-in.
- G. Animals will be weighed at the scheduled time. A signed individual "Notice of USDA Wholesome Meat Act" form must be presented at this time. Any animal not tagged properly, or any Junior Division Exhibitor with incomplete paperwork, will not be allowed to show. NO EXCEPTIONS! Animals failing to meet the market show weights will be ineligible to show in Market Lamb classes.
- H. If at the time of official weigh-in, an animal fails to meet the minimum weight one (1) reweigh will be offered as defined in Livestock Rules Section 2B.
- I. Underweight Market Lambs will not be judged in the Market Lamb classes but can be used for showmanship. No premiums will be awarded for the underweight class.
- J. Age: Market Lambs must have milk teeth; baby teeth must be intact at time of weigh-in. No evidence of any permanent teeth.
- K. Market lambs in the Home Raised Market Lamb class must have been born in Colorado and from a flock owned by the Exhibitor's immediate family (legal parent or guardian). Home Raised Market lambs, both ewes and wethers, must be tagged with the USDA Scrapie number of the flock owned by the Exhibitor's immediate family (legal guardian or parent).
 1. These lambs must also be eligible for and entered in a Market Lamb Class and have been previously tagged with a DCFR ear tag.

BREEDING SHEEP DIVISION 1703

Division	Class	Class Name
1703	001	Hampshire Yearling Ewes
1703	002	Hampshire Ewe Lambs
1703	003	Suffolk Yearling Ewes
1703	004	Suffolk Ewe Lambs
1703	005	All Other Breeds Yearling Ewes
1703	006	All Other Breeds Ewe Lambs
1703	007	Crossbred Yearling Ewes/wether dams
1703	008	Crossbred Ewe Lambs/wether dams
1703	009	Aged Ewes/wether dams All Breeds
1703	010	Sheep Production

- A. All sheep (except the Crossbred Ewe and Production classes) must be purebred. Crossbred ewes are to be shown in the Crossbred classes.
- B. All breeding sheep should be fitted according to breed standards and crossbred wether dams may be shown slick shorn.
- C. Ewe Lambs entered in the Market Classes are not eligible to show in the Breeding Sheep Classes, except as offspring in the Production class.
- D. The Sheep Production Class is one (1) ewe of any age and any breed with current year's offspring. All offspring must have been previously checked in at the official identification day.
- E. All breeding ewes must be classified at Fair at the scheduled classification time. At that time the Superintendent will verify all breeding ewe classifications and can change entries to the correct breeding class. All entered breeding ewes must attend the mandatory classification to be eligible to show in the breeding ewe show. All classifications done at that time are final and no changes or additions may be made to the breeding ewe classes after the end of the classification.
- F. Champion Breeding Ewe will be from all Classes in Division 1703.

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SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP DIVISION 1700

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
1700	001	Senior Showmanship	14-18 Years Old
1700	002	Intermediate Showmanship	11-13 Years Old
1700	003	Junior Showmanship	8-10 Years Old
1700	004	Market Lamb Master Showmanship Qualifier Class Seniors	14-18 Years Old
1700	005	Market Lamb Master Showmanship Qualifier Class Juniors	8-13 Years Old

- A. Showmanship participation during the scheduled showmanship division class is mandatory for all Exhibitors to be eligible to participate in the Junior Livestock Sale.
- B. Exhibitors must show their own animal. An animal disqualified for any reason except weight may not be used for showmanship. Animal substitutions will only be permitted with prior approval from DCFR Management.
- C. The Judge will consider appearance of the animal, showmanship ability of the Junior Division Exhibitor and the Junior Division Exhibitor's appearance, courtesy and knowledge.
- D. Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
- E. Exhibitors will qualify for the Master Showmanship Competition through a separate Showmanship Qualifier Class after their species showmanship classes. The Junior Division Exhibitor must first compete in their regular species Showmanship classes to be eligible. The Master Showmanship Qualifier class will be divided into different age divisions than the Showmanship Division. Placement in Showmanship will not be a factor in the separate qualifier class. Exhibitors must pre-enter for the Master Showmanship qualifier class on their online fair entries.

MARKET LAMB ULTRASOUND CARCASS EVALUATION CONTEST

Division	Class	Class Name
3000	016	Market Lamb Ultrasound Evaluation

- A. Underweight animals will not be eligible for the Ultrasound Carcass Evaluation Contest.
- B. Only one market lamb ultrasound carcass evaluation per Exhibitor will be paid for by the Douglas County Fair Board for the contest. Other market lambs may be entered in the contest by the Exhibitor paying the ultrasound carcass evaluation entry fee(s) at the time of declaration.
- C. The ultrasound carcass evaluation will be conducted based on available scheduling.
- D. Ultrasound carcass evaluation and judging will be conducted by an organization designated by DCFR Management.
- E. Classes:
 - 1. Industry Standard Class: (135 pounds and above live weight); Champion and Reserve Champion, Ribbons will be awarded in 3rd through 6th place only.
 - 2. All others (134 pounds and below live weight); Ribbons will be awarded in 1st through 6th place only.

SUPREME SHEEP EXHIBITOR

- A. Please refer to Department 30 for Supreme Sheep Exhibitor Rules.
- B. All entries must comply with all Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules Sections 1, 2 and 2B, Livestock Sale Rules, and any special Division or Department Competition Rules and the USDA Wholesome Meat Act.
- C. Underweight animals do not qualify for the Supreme Sheep Exhibitor contest.

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SHEEP BARN MANAGER AWARD

- A. To be eligible for this award the Junior Division Exhibitor must participate in set-up day. This award will be given to the Junior Division Exhibitor who demonstrates a willingness to help keep the sheep barn in order; keep their own pen and tack in order; be a positive representative to the general public of 4-H and the sheep industry and be helpful and considerate to other Exhibitors, Superintendents and DCFR Management and staff.
- B. This award will be determined by the Sheep Superintendents and will be awarded at the Junior Livestock Sale or the Junior Livestock Sale Meeting.

**JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK
SWINE
DEPARTMENT 18**

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- B. ALL SWINE MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT OR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT BEFORE UNLOADING. All swine will be inspected for general health. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds.
 - 1. All ear tags must be clean and legible. Any swine with unreadable ear tags will not be unloaded until ear tags are cleaned.
 - 2. Ear tag, ear notches, photographs and ID forms must match exactly with the live hog. See Section Junior Swine II, B, Eligibility for ID procedures. Any discrepancies with the ear tag, ear notches, photograph or ID form will result in ineligibility of the entry.
- C. No more than 4 hogs per Junior Division Exhibitor.
- D. The Exhibitor Meeting is MANDATORY.
- E. Swine barn will be closed to the public during showmanship and market shows. Parents may volunteer to assist superintendents with show preparations.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Swine entered in DCFR must have been previously tagged and the Swine ID form and photographs are submitted to the CSU Extension Office by May 1 or deadline specified on the schedule found online at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division
 - 1. This is a self-tagging procedure. The exhibitor will obtain ear tags and ID forms from the Extension office beginning April 1.
 - 2. Market swine will be identified by sex, coat color and ear notches (all swine entered and tagged into the project must have ear notches according to the Universal Swine Ear Notching System) and will be tagged with an official Douglas County Fair ear tag. All information will be entered on the Swine ID form.
 - a. Any sexually intact male or cryptorchid animal is ineligible for show and will not be tagged.
- B. Family Animal
 - 1. Each family may only declare **one** "family" animal at swine tag in.
 - a. A Family Animal is an animal that can be tagged in under more than one member's name. Example: The Brown Family has three kids that are all participating in the market swine project. Each kid, at spring tag in, tags one market swine under their own name and then the Family tags in a 4th market swine and labels it the Family Animal. This gives the Family a backup animal in case something happens to one of their kids' market swine
 - b. The Family Animal will need to be ID'd to each member of the family in Fair Entry who might show the animal at fair as well as be a 4-H ID'd animal.
 - c. At fair during weigh-in, prior to when the Family Animal is on the scale, the Family will need to designate who will be showing the Family Animal at fair and change the name on the Family Animal to a member's name.

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- d. Family animal shall not be used to exceed an exhibitor's 4 hog limit.
- C. Four photographs will also be submitted showing the front, back and both sides of each tagged swine. The exhibitor must be present in at least one of the photographs and the legible ear tag must also be visible in at least one photograph.
- D. Only market barrows and gilts are eligible for this show.

III. ANIMAL FITTING AND CARE

- A. All Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their own animals until the animal has been released by DCFR Management.
- B. Only family members may assist in driving hogs to wash racks.
- C. Family members may provide instruction but only minimal help in pre-show fitting and driving. Superintendents and designated helpers will provide assistance in driving hogs to the show ring.
- D. All Market Swine must have at least 1/2" of hair on the body to enter the show ring. The head, jowls, belly and tail may be clipped close.

IV. SHOW RING

- A. All exhibitors must follow Superintendent Instructions.
- B. Specific Show Ring instructions will be discussed at the mandatory exhibitor meeting and become part of the Junior Swine Department Rules.

V. STALLS AND TACK

- A. Pens must have clean shavings each day. Bedding must be removed to designated areas daily and at the end of Fair.
- B. A water container, with water, must be visible and available for watering on a regular basis in each pen/stall area at all times.
- C. Feed or bedding storage in the Swine barn will be at the discretion and permission of the Superintendent.
 - 1. Feed stored in sealed metal or plastic containers is acceptable.
- D. No personal fans are allowed.
- E. No tack pens will be available until all Swine have been stalled. Any items such as feed, show boxes, etc. placed in pens not assigned to the exhibitor will be removed without warning. Check with Superintendent for availability of space for tack placement.
- F. Swine exhibitors may use rubber mats for under bedding, if removed daily for cleaning. Only wood shavings, and/or pellets will be allowed.
- G. All electrical equipment and cords must be kept away from the hogs at all times.
- H. Feed pans must be clean and free from feed immediately after feedings or removed from pen and stored.

VI. JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE

- A. If a Junior Division Exhibitor qualifies for the Junior Livestock Sale, that Junior Division Exhibitor and his/her family must be familiar with, and comply with, all Junior Livestock Sale Rules.
- B. It is the responsibility of the Junior Division Exhibitor to have their photograph taken as identified in the Livestock Sale Rules.

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VII. DIVISIONS

MARKET SWINE DIVISION 1802

Division	Class	Class Name
1802	Market	Swine Classes

- A. Purebred or crossbred hogs are eligible for the Market Swine Classes.
- B. Once the market animal has entered the show ring to be judged for its initial weight class, that animal is not permitted to be scratched from its class and all remaining market classes including the final champion drive class.
- C. Male animals having one or both testicles contained in the body cavity are not eligible to show.
- D. All Market Swine must weigh a minimum of 230 pounds and a maximum of 290 pounds at weigh-in
- E. Animals will be weighed at the scheduled time. A signed individual "Notice of USDA Wholesome Meat Act" card must be presented at this time. Any animal not tagged properly, or any exhibitor with incomplete paperwork, will not be allowed to show. NO EXCEPTIONS! Animals failing to meet the market show weights will be ineligible to show in Market Swine classes.
- F. If at the time of official Weigh-in, an animal fails to meet the weight requirements one re-weigh will be offered as defined in Livestock Rules Section 2B.
- G. Market Swine classes will be divided by weight as deemed appropriate by the Superintendent.
 - 1. The Market Swine classes will be grouped into Middle Weight and Heavy Weight divisions as deemed appropriate by the Superintendent. The first place and second place market hogs from each class will compete for the respective division Champion and Reserve Champion market hog. These division Champion and Reserve Champion market hogs will compete for the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market swine.
- H. Underweight/Overweight Market Swine will not be judged in the Market Swine classes but can be used for showmanship. No premiums will be awarded for the underweight/overweight class.

SWINE SHOWMANSHIP DIVISION 1800

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
1800	001	Senior Showmanship	14-18 Years Old
1800	002	Intermediate Showmanship	11-13 Years Old
1800	003	Junior Showmanship	8-10 Years Old
1800	004	Swine Master Showmanship Qualifier Class Seniors	14-18 Years Old
1800	005	Swine Master Showmanship Qualifier Class Juniors	8-13 Years Old

- A. Showmanship participation during the scheduled applicable showmanship division class is mandatory for all Exhibitors to be eligible to participate in the Junior Livestock Sale.
- B. Exhibitors must show their own animal. An animal disqualified for any reason except weight may not be used for showmanship. Animal substitutions will only be permitted with prior approval from DCFR Management.
 - 1. If a member does not have an animal entered at the Douglas County Fair, they must be allowed to use another member's animal for showmanship only. Prior approval from the other member must be arranged and the Junior Exhibitors cannot be in the same class.
- C. The Judge will consider appearance of the animal, showmanship ability of the exhibitor and the exhibitor's appearance, courtesy and knowledge.

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- D. Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
- E. Exhibitors will qualify for the Master Showmanship Competition through a separate Showmanship Qualifier Class after their species showmanship classes. The Junior Division Exhibitor must first compete in their regular species Showmanship classes to be eligible. The Master Showmanship Qualifier class will be divided into different age divisions than the Showmanship Division. Placement in Showmanship will not be a factor in the separate qualifier class. Exhibitors must pre-enter for the Master Showmanship qualifier class on their online fair entries.

MARKET SWINE ULTRASOUND CARCASS EVALUATION CONTEST

- A. Overweight/Underweight animals will not be eligible for the Ultrasound Carcass Contest.
- B. Only one market hog ultrasound carcass evaluation per Junior Division Exhibitor will be paid for by the Douglas County Fair Board for the contest. Other market hogs may be entered in the contest by the Exhibitor paying the ultrasound carcass evaluation entry fee(s) at the time of entry declaration.
- C. The ultrasound carcass evaluation will be conducted based on available scheduling.
- D. Ultrasound carcass evaluation and judging will be conducted by an organization designated by DCFR Management.
- E. Classes:
 - 1. Industry Standard Class: (260 pounds and above live weight); Champion and Reserve Champion, Ribbons will be awarded in 3rd through 6th place only.
 - 2. All others (259 pounds and below live weight); Ribbons will be awarded in 1st through 6th place only.

SUPREME SWINE EXHIBITOR

- A. Please refer to Department 30 for Supreme Swine Exhibitor Rules.
- B. All entries must comply with all Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules Sections 1, 2 and 2B, Livestock Sale Rules, and any special Division or Department Competition Rules and the USDA Wholesome Meat Act.
- C. Underweight / Overweight animals do not qualify for the Supreme Swine Exhibitor contest.

SWINE BARN MANAGER AWARD

- A. To be eligible for this award the Junior Division Exhibitor must participate in set-up day.
- B. This award will be given to the Junior Division Exhibitor who demonstrates a willingness to help keep the swine barn in order; keep their own pen and tack in order; be a positive representative to the general public of 4-H and the swine industry and be helpful and considerate to other Exhibitors, Superintendents and DCFR Management and staff.
- C. This award will be determined by the Swine Superintendents and will be awarded at the Junior Livestock Sale or the Junior Livestock Sale Meeting.

**JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK
MARKET GOAT
DEPARTMENT 20**

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- B. ALL GOATS MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT OR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT BEFORE UNLOADING. All Goats will be inspected for general health. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases or visible prolapse will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds. Animals with active ringworm or ringworm like lesions with resulting hair loss or multiple warts easily visible will be ineligible and immediately excused from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- C. All Market Goats must be dehorned or disbudded or have horns blunt tipped, with no sharp points. Scur regrowth after initial disbudding is acceptable. Boer/Meat-type breeding goats are allowed to have horns to adhere to breed standards. All goats will be expected to adhere to breed standards.
- D. Superintendent will classify Goat Breeds and can change entries to the correct class. Superintendent's breed classification is final with no recourse.
- E. No more than 12 Goat Department entries per Junior Division Exhibitor.
- F. Entries may be scratched on the day of competition, but MAY NOT be changed to a different class.
- G. All goats must be shown with a collar. No pinch-type collars are allowed. Leather and chain show halters are allowed.
- H. Bucks of any age may not be shown in any Junior Goat Department class.
- I. Sexually intact male goats will be ineligible and immediately dismissed from the fairgrounds.
- J. Pregnant goats are not permitted on grounds.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Goats entered in DCFR must have been previously checked in at the official Identification Day. Any sexually intact male or cryptorchid animal is ineligible for show and will not be tagged.
- B. All female goats will be required to have a USDA Scrapie ID tag or registration papers with tattoos. Do not cut out any Scrapie identification tags that are in market goats.
- C. The Junior Division Exhibitor's meeting is mandatory for all Exhibitors.
- D. Goats entered in the Junior Goat Department shall show no evidence of prolapse, purse strings, etc. If any of these are evident in any Goat, that animal will be disqualified and dismissed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.

III. ANIMAL FITTING AND CARE

- A. All market goats should be fitted to breed standards by the Junior Division Exhibitor.
- B. Any entry adding an artificial tail head or tail fin, artificial poll, or adding any hair or hair-like substance will be disqualified.
- C. At any point, changing the color of hair, spot or area on the animal's body or any grooming material that allows color to be rubbed off from any animal will result in disqualification.
 - 1. The natural color of any animal cannot be altered using any artificial coloring.

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IV. SHOW RING

- A. In all goat classes, the front feet of the goat must remain on the show ring floor while being shown. Market goat exhibitors may lift to set. Judges and Superintendents will have discretion to enforce disqualification.

V. STALLS AND TACK

- A. Bedding must be removed to designated areas daily and at the end of Fair.
- B. Feed or bedding storage in the Goat barn will be at the discretion and permission of the Superintendent.
- C. No tack pens will be available until all Goats have been stalled. Any items such as feed, show boxes, etc. placed in pens not assigned to the Junior Division Exhibitor will be removed without warning. Check with Superintendent for availability of space for tack placement.
- D. No goats are to be tied up and left unattended in their pens. Unattended, goats that are tied up in their pens will be untied by a Superintendent.
- E. Water may be removed at 8:00 a.m. on the day of show, but any goat deemed dehydrated by the Superintendents will not be allowed to show.
- F. Junior Goat Division Exhibitors may not use rubber mats, netting, etc. for bedding. Only wood shavings will be allowed.
- G. Fiber goat exhibits may use carpet or bedding that allows for clean fiber maintenance.
- H. Junior Goat Division Exhibitors may use meshed or plastic muzzles at DCFR. The muzzle style must allow the goat to drink water.

VI. JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE

- A. If a Junior Division Exhibitor qualifies for the Junior Livestock Sale, that Junior Division Exhibitor and his/her family must be familiar with, and comply with, all Junior Livestock Sale Rules.
- B. It is the responsibility of the junior division exhibitor to have their photograph taken as identified in the livestock sale rules.

VII. DIVISIONS

MARKET GOAT DIVISION 2005 & 2006

Division	Class	Class Name
2005	001	Market Goats
2006	001	Ranch Raised Market Goat

- A. Market goats entering DCFR must have been previously checked in at the official Identification Day.
- B. Once the market animal enters the show ring to be judged for its initial weight class, that animal is not permitted to be scratched from its class and all remaining market classes including the final champion drive class.
- C. Animals will be weighed at the scheduled time. A signed individual "Notice of USDA Wholesome Meat Act" card must be presented at this time. Any animal not tagged properly, or any Junior Division Exhibitor with incomplete paperwork, will not be allowed to show. NO EXCEPTIONS! Animals failing to meet the market show weight restrictions will be ineligible to show in the Market Goat classes.
- D. If at the time of official Weigh-in, an animal fails to meet the weight restrictions one (1) re-weigh will be offered as defined in Livestock Section 2B.
- E. All market goats must weigh a minimum of 55 pounds and a maximum of 120 pounds at weigh-in.
- F. Purebred, grade or crossbred wether or doe goats are eligible for the Market Goat Classes.

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- G. Market Goats must have been born after December 1st of the previous year.
- H. Both does and wethers are eligible to be shown in the Market Goat Show.
- I. Market does may also be entered and shown in the Breeding Goat classes.
 - 1. Market does also entered into a Breeding Goat class must also meet all eligibility rules of that Breeding Goat Division.
- J. All Market Goats must be slick shorn to the skin above the knee and hock joints, excluding the tail switch.
- K. Male animals having one or both testicles contained in the body cavity are not eligible to show.
- L. Underweight/Overweight Market Goats will not be eligible for the Market Goat classes but can be used for showmanship. An underweight class may be utilized as determined by the Superintendent. No premiums will be awarded for the underweight class.
- M. Ranch Raised Market Goats must have been born in Colorado and from a flock owned by the Exhibitor's immediate family (legal parent or guardian). Ranch Raised Market Goats, both does and wethers, must be tagged with the USDA Scrapie number of the flock owned by the Exhibitor's immediate family (legal guardian or parent).
 - 1. Ranch Raised goats must also be eligible for and entered in a Market Goat Class and have been previously tagged with a DCFR ear tag.

BOER/MEAT-TYPE BREEDING DOE DIVISION 2001

Division	Class	Class Name
2001	001	Boer or Meat Breed Doe Under 1 Year of Age
2001	002	Boer or Meat Breed Doe Over 1 Year of Age
2001	003	Boer or Meat Breed Production

- A. Boer/Meat-Type Breeding Goats entering DCFR must have been previously checked in at the official Identification Day. At that time Boer/Meat-Type Breeding Goats will be identified and the USDA Scrapie tag recorded.
- B. All Boer/Meat-type breeding Goats should be fitted by the Junior Division Exhibitor according to breed standards.
- C. Breeding does will be divided into classes by age:
 - 1. Does Under 1 Year of age as of the date of the Boer/Meat-Type Breeding Goat Show.
 - 2. Does Over 1 Year of age as of the date of the Boer/Meat-Type Breeding Goat Show.
- D. The Production Class will consist of one (1) doe of any age with current year's offspring.
- E. Boer/Meat-Type Breeding Goats will be judged on breed characteristics, conformation, structure, and breeding capacity.

MARKET GOAT SHOWMANSHIP DIVISION 2000

Division	Class	Class Name	Age
2000	001	Senior Showmanship	14-18 Years Old
2000	002	Intermediate Showmanship	11-13 Years Old
2000	003	Junior Showmanship	8-10 Years Old
2000	004	Market Goat Master Showmanship Qualifier Class Senior	14-18-Years Old
2000	005	Market Goat Master Showmanship Qualifier Class Junior	8-13 Years Old

- A. Showmanship participation during the scheduled applicable showmanship division class is mandatory for all Exhibitors to be eligible to participate in the Junior Livestock Sale.

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- B. Exhibitors must show their own animal. An animal disqualified for any reason except weight may not be used for showmanship. Animal Substitutions will only be permitted with prior approval from DCFR Management.
- C. The Judge will consider appearance of the animal, showmanship ability of the Junior Division Exhibitor and the Junior Division Exhibitor's appearance, courtesy and knowledge.
- D. Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
- E. Exhibitors will qualify for the Master Showmanship Competition through a separate Showmanship Qualifier Class after their species showmanship classes. The Junior Division Exhibitor must first compete in their regular species Showmanship classes to be eligible. The Master Showmanship Qualifier class will be divided into different age divisions than the Showmanship Division. Placement in Showmanship will not be a factor in the separate qualifier class. Exhibitors must pre-enter for the Master Showmanship qualifier class on their online fair entries.

MARKET GOAT ULTRASOUND CARCASS EVALUATION CONTEST

- A. Overweight and Underweight animals will not be eligible for the Ultrasound Carcass Contest.
- B. Only one market goat ultrasound carcass evaluation per Junior Division Exhibitor will be paid for by the Douglas County Fair Board for the contest. Other market goats may be entered in the contest by the Exhibitor paying the carcass ultrasound evaluation entry fee(s) at the time of declaration.
- C. The ultrasound carcass evaluation will be conducted based on available scheduling.
- D. Ultrasound carcass evaluation and judging will be conducted by an organization designated by DCFR Management.
- E. Classes:
 - 1. Industry Standard Class: (75 pounds and above live weight); Champion and Reserve Champion, Ribbons will be awarded in 3rd through 6th place only.
 - 2. All others (74 pounds and below live weight).

SUPREME GOAT EXHIBITOR

- A. Only Exhibitors with entries in the Market Goat Division are eligible for the Supreme Goat Exhibitor.
- B. Please refer to Department 30 for Supreme Goat Exhibitor Rules.
- C. All entries must comply with all Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules Sections 1, 2 and 2B, Livestock Sale Rules, and any special Division or Department Competition Rules and the USDA Wholesome Meat Act.
- D. Underweight / Overweight animals do not qualify for the Supreme Goat Exhibitor.

MARKET GOAT BARN MANAGER AWARD

- A. To be eligible for this award the Junior Division Exhibitor must participate in set-up day.
- B. This award will be given to the Junior Division Exhibitor who demonstrates a willingness to help keep the goat barn in order; keep their own pen and tack in order; be a positive representative to the general public of 4-H and the goat industry and be helpful and considerate to other Exhibitors, Superintendents and DCFR Management and staff.
- C. This award will be determined by the Goat Superintendents and will be awarded at the Junior Livestock Sale Meeting.

**JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK
NON-MARKET GOAT
DEPARTMENT 19**

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- B. ALL GOATS MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT OR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT BEFORE UNLOADING. All Goats will be inspected for general health. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases or visible prolapse will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds. Animals with active ringworm or ringworm like lesions with resulting hair or fiber loss or multiple warts easily visible will be ineligible and immediately excused from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- C. All Dairy and Utility goats must be dehorned or disbudded or have horns blunt tipped, with no sharp points. Scur regrowth after initial disbudding is acceptable. Fiber goats are allowed to have horns to adhere to breed standards. All goats will be expected to adhere to breed standards.
- D. Superintendent will classify Goat Breeds and can change entries to the correct class. Superintendent's breed classification is final with no recourse.
- E. No more than 12 Non-Market Goat Department entries per Junior Division Exhibitor.
- F. All Non-Market Goats entering DCFR must be uploaded into 4-H Online by May 1st or the official Identification Day established in the 4-H Blast. At that time all Goats will be identified, and the USDA Scrapie tag recorded. All Goats must upload valid registration papers and tattoo OR enter a USDA Scrapie tag OR a breeder tag.
- G. Entries may be scratched on the day of competition, but MAY NOT be changed to a different class.
- H. All goats must be shown with a collar. No pinch-type collars are allowed.
- I. Bucks of any age may not be shown in any Junior Goat Department class. Any sexually intact male or Cryptorchid animal is ineligible to show and will not be tagged.
- J. Pregnant goats are not permitted on grounds.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. All goats will be required to have a USDA Scrapie ID tag or registration papers and tattoo.
- B. The Junior Division Exhibitor's meeting is mandatory for all Exhibitors.
- C. Goats entered in the Junior Goat Department shall show no evidence of prolapse, purse strings, etc. If any of these are evident in any Goat, that animal will be disqualified from the show.
- D. Goat Age Classifications:

Kid	Dry	Milking
Junior Kid Born May of current year or Later	August 1, 2024 – August 1, 2025	Does Under 2 Years in Milk Born on or after August 1, 2025
Intermediate Kid Born March – April of current year	Dry Senior Does that are 2 Years and Older Not in Milk Born before August 2024	Does 2 Years and Under 3 Milking Born August 1, 2023– July 31, 2024
Senior Kid Born January - February of current year		Does 3 Years and under 5 Milking Born August 1, 2022 – July 31, 2023

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		Does 5 Years and Over Milking Born on or before August 1, 2021
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III. ANIMAL FITTING AND CARE

- A. All goats must be clipped to breed standards by the Junior Division Exhibitor.
- B. At any point, changing the color of hair, spot or area on the animal's body or any grooming material that allows color to be rubbed off from any animal will result in disqualification.
 - 1. The natural color of any animal cannot be altered using any artificial coloring.

IV. SHOW RING

- A. In all goat classes the goats should be shown to their breed standards. Goat's feet must remain on the show ring floor while being shown. It is permissible to lift to set. Judges and Superintendents will have discretion to enforce disqualification.

V. STALLS AND TACK

- A. Bedding must be removed to designated areas daily and at the end of Fair.
- B. Feed or bedding storage in the Goat barn will be at the discretion and permission of the Superintendent.
- C. No tack pens will be available in department stalls until all Goats have been stalled. Any items such as feed, show boxes, etc. placed in pens not assigned to the Junior Division Exhibitor will be removed without warning. Check with Superintendent for availability of space for tack placement.
- D. No goats are to be tied up and left unattended in their pens. Unattended, goats that are tied up in their pens will be untied by a Superintendent.
- E. Non-Market Goats must have water at all times.
- F. Junior Goat Department Exhibitors may not use rubber mats, netting, etc. for bedding. Only wood shavings will be allowed.
- G. Fiber goat exhibits may use carpet or bedding that allows for clean fiber maintenance.

VI. DIVISIONS

FIBER GOAT DIVISION 1901

Division	Class	Class Name
1901	004	Fiber Goats Under 1 Year of Age
1901	005	Fiber Goats Over 1 Year of Age

- A. Fiber Goats should be fitted according to breed standards.
- B. Fiber Goats will be divided into classes by age:
 - 1. Fiber Goats Under 1 Year of Age as of the date of the Fiber Goat Show.
 - 2. Fiber Goats Over 1 Year of Age as of the date of the Fiber Goat Show.
- C. Fiber Goats will be judged on breed characteristics, conformation, structure, and fiber quality.
- D. Exhibitor dress code is white long-sleeved shirt and black pants.

PYGMY GOAT DIVISION 1903

Division	Class	Class Name
1903	006	Pygmy Goats Under Year of Age
1903	007	Pygmy Goats Over 1 Year of Age

- A. All Pygmy goats should be fitted according to breed standards.

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- B. Pygmy Goats will be divided into classes by age:
- C. Pygmy Goats Under 1 Year of Age as of the date of the Pygmy Goat Show.
- D. Pygmy Goats Over 1 Year of Age as of the date of the Pygmy Goat Show.
- E. Pygmy Goats will be judged on breed characteristics, conformation, and structure.
- F. Exhibitor dress code is western attire.

DAIRY GOAT DIVISION 1902

Division	Class	Class Name
1902	001	Nigerian Dwarf/Dwarf Breeds Doe 1 year & Under 2 Milking
1902	002	Nigerian Dwarf/Dwarf Breeds Doe 2 years & Under 3 Milking
1902	003	Nigerian Dwarf/Dwarf Breeds Doe 3 years & Under 5 Milking
1902	004	Nigerian Dwarf/Dwarf Breeds Doe 5 years & Over Milking
1902	005	Nigerian Dwarf/Dwarf Breeds Doe Junior Kid Born May 1 or later of current year
1902	006	Nigerian Dwarf/Dwarf Breeds Doe Intermediate Kid
1902	007	Nigerian Dwarf/Dwarf Breeds Doe Senior Kid
1902	008	Nigerian Dwarf/Dwarf Breeds Doe Dry Junior Yearling
1902	010	Nigerian Dwarf/Dwarf Breeds Doe Dry Senior
1902	011	All Large Breed Types Doe 1 Year & Under 2 Milking
1902	012	All Large Breed Types Doe 2 Years & Under 3 Milking
1902	013	All Large Breed Types Doe 3 Years & Under 5 Milking
1902	014	All Large Breed Types Doe 5 Years & Over Milking
1902	015	All Large Breed Types Doe Junior Kid
1902	016	All Large Breed Types Doe Intermediate Kid
1902	017	All Large Breed Types Doe Senior Kid
1902	018	All Large Breed Types Doe Dry Junior Yearling
1902	020	All Large Breed Types Doe Dry Senior Doe

- A. Nursing kids born after the official Identification Day are exempt from being checked in at the official Identification Day. However, they must be declared, in writing, to the Superintendent and 4-H office before arrival at the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- B. Any Dairy Goat not identified on the official Identification Day or declared in writing to the Superintendent and 4-H office prior to arriving at the Douglas County Fairgrounds will be ineligible and dismissed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- C. Dairy Goats should be fitted according to breed standards.
- D. Only breeding stock is to be shown in dairy classes (does/doeling). Weathers can be shown in Showmanship and Utility.
- E. Junior Dairy Division Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to wear white shirts and pants during competition. Western wear is permitted.
- F. There will be no pre-show milk-out.
- G. Classifications:
 - 1. Nubian/Lamancha Type: Lamanchas show as Nubian type. Nubian/Lamancha Type: Goats with drooping ears or goffer/elf ears.
 - 2. Swiss type: Nigerian Dwarf, all Swiss breed goats with erect ears.

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UTILITY GOAT DIVISION 1906

Division	Class	Class Name
1906	001	Utility Goat Confirmation 6 months to under 1 year
1906	002	Utility Goat Confirmation Over 1 year
1906	003	Utility Goat –Goat 6 months to under 1 year
1906	004	Utility Goat – Goat over 1 year
1906	005	Utility Goat Baby Obedience Goats under 6 months old

- A. All goat breeds – Wethers and does 6 months old and older are eligible to show in Utility Course Goat Class. Exhibitors must be enrolled in a 4H or FFA Utility Goat Project. No bucks allowed to be shown.
- B. Any wether or doe may exhibit as a Utility Goat, but only goats over 6 months of age may be entered in the obstacle course/utility.
 - a. Utility Goats may also be entered and shown in other Goat Divisions.
 - b. Utility Goats also entered into other Goat Divisions must also meet all eligibility rules of that Goat Division. For example, a Utility Goat that is also entered as a Market Goat must have an official Douglas County ear tag from the official Identification Day.
 - c. Any and all goats in milk will not be allowed to run the course.
 - d. All goats over 1 year of age are required to wear a pack during utility competition. Pygmy and Nigerian Dwarfs are the only two breeds that do not have to wear a pack due to their size. All goats under 1 year of age are not required to wear a pack during the competition.
 - e. Exhibitors are not limited to number of goat entries as long as they were checked in at official identification day.
 - f. There will be a maximum of three tries per obstacle. If the exhibitor has three refusals on an obstacle they must move on. A point will be deducted for every obstacle missed.
 - g. The Utility Goat Division will be divided by the age of the goat. There will be a conformation class before the obstacle course is run.
 - h. Goats younger than 6 months participate in a baby obedience class in place of the obstacle course class.
 - i. Judge will consider the conformation of the goat in terms of breed standards and how they would serve as a successful pack or cart animal. Utility Goats should be strong and agile, suitable for hiking, packing and driving.
 - j. Summary of the Course: The Utility Goat class is an obstacle course that is designed and set up to have the exhibitor demonstrate their ability to take the goat through the obstacles. The Obstacle course mimics things you would encounter if the goat were taken on a hike. Each obstacle will be challenging, but safe. Goats will be judged on how well the exhibitor and the animal work together on the course and the length of time to complete the course. Exhibitors should wear clothing they don't mind getting dirty since it is possible they may be crawling through obstacles with their goat. Before the course portion begins, the judge and exhibitors will walk through the course. At this time, exhibitors will be able to ask questions about the course. During the course, the goat should not be handled with excessive pulling or jerking. and will result in the Exhibitor being disqualified.
- C. Utility Goat Baby Obedience (Goats Under 6 months old.)
 - a. Any breed of goat under 6 months of age may enter this class.

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- b. Goats are expected to be able to lead quietly without being dragged or carried, to stand for inspection and to trot from point A to point B without being dragged.
- c. This is the only class were buck kids 8 weeks and younger may participate.

NON-MARKET GOAT SHOWMANSHIP DIVISION

Division	Class	Class Name
1900	001	Senior Goat Showmanship 14-18 Years Old
1900	002	Intermediate Goat Showmanship 11-13 Years Old
1900	003	Junior Goat Showmanship 8-10 Years Old

- A. Showmanship is mandatory for all Exhibitors to remain eligible to participate in the Junior Livestock Sale (if applicable) and to compete in their respective program.
- B. Exhibitors must show their own animal. A goat disqualified for any reason except weight may not be used for showmanship. Exceptions may be granted for extraordinary circumstances with prior approval of the Program Leader and Superintendent.
- C. The Judge will consider appearance of the animal, showmanship ability of the Junior Division Exhibitor and the Junior Division Exhibitor's appearance, courtesy and knowledge.
- D. Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.

GOAT QUICK DRAW MILKOUT CONTEST

- A. This contest is open to all Exhibitors and Cloverbuds who have entries in the Junior Division of the current year's DCFR that have not been disqualified. A Junior Division Exhibitor who does not have an entry in the Junior Goat Department is required to find a sponsor Junior Division Exhibitor with goat currently entered in the Junior Goat Department they can use.
- B. Eligible Goats for the Goat Quick Draw Milkout Contest are goats that are entered in the Junior Goat Department and have not been disqualified for any reason.
- C. Each contestant may appoint one Junior Division Exhibitor as an assistant to hold the doe and control her movements. The assistant may not assist in the milking in any way.
- D. All equipment must be provided by the Junior Division Exhibitor.
- E. The Goat Quick-Draw Milkout Contest is a one (1) minute timed competition. The winner will have produced the most total weight of milk.

GOAT COSTUME CONTEST

- A. This contest is open to all Exhibitors and Cloverbuds who have entries in the Junior Division of the current year's DCFR that have not been disqualified. A Junior Division Exhibitor who does not have an entry in the Junior Goat Department is required to find a sponsor Junior Division Exhibitor with goat currently entered in the Junior Goat Department they can use.
- B. The Goat and Junior Division Exhibitor must be in costume, with all materials provided by the Junior Division Exhibitor.
- C. The Junior Division Exhibitor is to provide a brief description of costume theme and/or story to be told during presentation.
- D. The Goat Costume Contest is judged by audience participation.

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GOAT BARN MANAGER AWARD

- A. To be eligible for this award the Junior Division Exhibitor must participate in set-up day.
- B. This award will be given to the Junior Division Exhibitor who demonstrates a willingness to help keep the goat barn in order; keep their own pen and tack in order; be a positive representative to the general public of 4-H and the goat industry and be helpful and considerate to other Exhibitors, Superintendents and DCFR Management and staff.
- C. This award will be determined by the NON-Market Goat Superintendents and will be awarded before barn clean up.

**JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK
DOG
DEPARTMENT 22**

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- B. ALL DOGS MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT OR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT. All dogs will be inspected for general health at check-in. Any animal showing evidence of major injuries, infectious, contagious or communicable diseases or displays obvious pain will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds.
- C. Superintendents can classify Dog and Junior Division Exhibitor's Rally, Obedience and Showmanship training level and can change entries to the correct class. Superintendent's level classification is final with no recourse.
- D. No bitch in heat, obviously pregnant or lactating will be allowed to compete in any classes at DCFR and must be removed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- E. Dogs which are deemed to be a danger to people or other dogs as determined by DCFR Management or Superintendents will be disqualified and removed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- F. No flexible or retractable leads allowed on the show grounds. Dogs must be on a leash at all times except when competing off leash in the ring or warming up in the warmup arena.
- G. Exhibitors will follow the Colorado 4-H Dress Code along with appropriate Showmanship dress attire. Exhibitors, who are not in compliance, will be asked by their Club Leader to correct the issue in a timely manner. If the Junior Division Exhibitor/s do not comply, the Junior Division Exhibitor/s may be disqualified as determined by the Superintendents.
- H. Confrontation with judges on the Fairgrounds from any individual or committing any other practice deemed unethical by DCFR Management may be subject to discipline as set forth in Sections 1, 2 and 2B of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo competition Rules. A Junior Division Exhibitor may approach the judge for information only, not to dispute a placing or points, and only after the judging is completed. Video cameras may be used for personal use but may not be used to dispute a judge's decision or score. All judge decisions are final.
- I. Good sportsmanship applies to dog owners, Exhibitors, Junior Division Exhibitor's family members/friends, and 4-H leaders at all times. Being pleasant and respectful of others is as important in the grooming area and at the ring side as it is in the ring. A positive attitude will be transmitted to the dog, judge and spectators. Poor manners or ill temper is not appropriate at the show. Exhibitors should have a winning attitude regardless of placement in the class. Learning and participation are important parts of 4-H eligibility. Any individual who does not comply with, or commits any practice deemed unethical by DCFR Management may be subject to discipline as set forth in Sections 1, 2 and 2B of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules.
- J. When an individual is assisting with a 4-H show, no one should interrupt or interfere in any manner. Protests may be filled in accordance with the rules laid out in Sections 1, 2 and 2B of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules.
- K. A judge's decision, representing his or her individual preference, cannot be protested and all decisions are final.

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- L. If the Colorado 4-H State Dog Trial makes changes to rules, regulations, or classes in any discipline prior to County Fair, those changes will be reviewed and there may or may not be additional amendments to the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules, Dog, Department 22 as determined by the Dog Superintendent.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Each dog entered in DCFR is required to complete the State Dog Identification on 4HOnline and have it on file with the Extension Office by May 1 of the current year. Dogs who do not have a complete Dog ID in 4HOnline by May 1 will not be allowed to compete. Dates of approved currently effective vaccination of the dog for rabies (provided by a licensed veterinarian), parvo, and canine distemper must be on file with the Extension Office and current through the date of the show. Bordetella vaccine is strongly encouraged.
- B. Each Junior Division Exhibitor can handle multiple 4-H registered dogs for their dog project, but a registered 4-H dog can have only one handler at Showmanship, Obedience, and Rally with the exception of Round Robin (refer to Dog Showmanship Round Robin class description).
- C. If a dog is injured at the show, that dog will be excused from the ring. A Douglas County Fair Board approved veterinarian or qualified veterinarian technician's decision on doubtful cases will be final with no recourse.
- D. All Exhibitors must have continuous ownership and primary care of their animal. If a properly 4-H identified dog has been injured or is in season or has died or is unable to show due to unforeseen circumstances beyond the exhibitor's control before DCFR Dog competition, a replacement 4-H identified dog may replace the dog. The exhibitor may participate in the Fair but will not place nor receive a qualified score.
- E. Exhibitors must complete five practices per dog with a 4-H dog project leader to be eligible to compete in the Dog Trials at County Fair. This card will be due to the Extension Office by the date published in the 4-H Blast.
- F. Exhibitors must show at DCFR Dog Trials for each class to be considered eligible for that class at State with the exception of Obedience veteran dogs and Master Showmanship (see Showmanship and Obedience Division for specifics). Exhibitors are eligible for State when earning at DCFR Dog Trials qualifying scores in each class which take precedent over any other Junior Division Exhibitor's qualifying scores earned at 4-H Dog Trial throughout the current 4-H season. Other qualifying scores earned at a 4-H Dog Trial throughout the present 4-H season may be approved for State eligibility by the County Dog Superintendents only if the Junior Division Exhibitor participating at County Fair did not qualify.
- G. If planning to cross over jumps, Dogs entered in DCFR must have the wither heights recorded for the current year utilizing the Colorado 4-H Dog Health Certificate. This certificate must be on file at the Douglas County Extension Office including an image of the dog's Jump Height Card for each dog 2+ years old in Obedient Novice Division or higher, Rally Advance A/B or higher and Agility Foundation or higher.
- H. The Jump Height Card must be provided to the Douglas County CSU Extension Office for dogs entered in DCFR prior to the opening of Fair entry. If Exhibitors register their dog's height incorrectly versus height recorded on the Jump Height Card or, measured by unacceptable individuals or are jumping at a lower height than the defined class height requirements, the exhibitor may participate at Fair but will not place nor receive a qualifying score. (See Appendix E)
- I. In all cases not covered by these rules, the ruling of the County Dog Superintendents of the department will apply.

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- J. Any infractions mentioned above may be subject to discipline as set forth in Sections 1, 2 and 2B of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules.
- K. Exhibitors must be a member in good standing with their dog project at the time they enter the ring.
- L. All dogs must be at least 6 months of age on the day of the event to register in Showmanship, Obedience and Rally.
- M. Exhibitors must compete in Showmanship at County Fair to be eligible to compete in Agility, Obedience or Rally.

III. ANIMAL CARE

- A. All Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their own animals until the animal has been released by DCFR Management.
- B. All Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dogs. Failure to do so may be subject to discipline as set forth in Section 1 of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules.
- C. Any Junior Division Exhibitor mistreating any dog or committing any other practice deemed unethical by DCFR Management, may be subject to discipline as set forth in Section 1 of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Rules.

IV. SHOW RING AND SHOW AREA

- A. No dog tags can be on the dog when showing in the ring including name tags, rabies tags, or anything else that hangs from the dog's collar. It is very important that your dog wear tags or a collar with identification at all times, except when in the show ring.
- B. Double handling is not allowed. Assistance, interference, or attempts to control a dog from outside the ring is not permitted. A judge who is aware of such double handling or interference must substantially penalize the exhibitor or may choose to dismiss and disqualify exhibitor from the ring. Coaching contestants while they are in the ring is not allowed.
- C. The Ring Stewards will let the next 3 classes and/or Exhibitors know who is "up" (about to compete), "on deck" (next to compete) and "in the hole" (second in line to compete). If a Junior Division Exhibitor's name is called three times to compete in the ring and the Junior Division Exhibitor does not show that Junior Division Exhibitor is marked absent and unable to compete for that class.
- D. Show area is defined as the area encompassing the show rings, ring steward tables, waiting area, score tables, warm-up area or assistant area.
- E. A waiting area will be set up outside each ring with chairs for Exhibitors to sit with their dogs. The waiting area holds Exhibitors assigned to a group for the class active in a specified ring or classes up next in the ring. Only Exhibitors and those individuals allowed in the show area in the arena will be allowed in this area.
- F. Only Exhibitors and dogs will be allowed in the Show area along with County Dog Superintendents, Fair Board Directors, Fairgrounds Staff, and volunteers approved by County Dog Superintendents.
- G. All Exhibitors are required to assist with setup and take down of the Dog Show arena.

V. PENS AND EQUIPMENT

- A. Exhibitors must provide their own crates, equipment and feed.
- B. It is preferred that you leave your dogs in an x-pen or crate when not in the ring. Dogs cannot be tied up unsupervised. If a dog is found tied up unsupervised, the dog will be untied by the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent and the Exhibitor will be called to collect their dog.

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VI. DIVISIONS DOG OBEDIENCE DIVISION 2200

	Class # Class Name	Class Registration Eligibility	Class Registration Requirements
Puppy or Pre-Beginner Novice	509 Puppy Class	<u>For puppies or dogs which are not ready for regular obedience classes. The purpose of this class will be to introduce obedience commands to a puppy/dog without the stress of perfection seen in regular obedience classes. This class will introduce the puppy/dog to dog shows in a positive manner, thus setting the puppy/dog up for a lifetime of enjoyment in the show ring. This class does not provide a qualifying score, placement nor awards.</u>	After one year of showing in the Puppy Obedience Class: If the Exhibitor was in their 1st year of obedience training, the team moves into Beginner Novice A Obedience, if the Exhibitor was in their 2nd year or higher of obedience training, the team moves to Beginner Novice C-1st Obedience.
Beginner Novice Division	510 Pre-Beginner Novice A	This class is open to first-year project exhibitors with an experienced/trained/titled dog OR an experienced handler with new dog.	ALL Beginner Novice C-1 exhibitors can move with the same dog to the Beginner Novice C-2 class in their 2nd year or Novice A
	511 Pre-Beginner Novice B	This class is open only to second or higher year of Beginner Novice training and must be the same exhibitor and dog team that showed at Beginner Novice C-1 or Beginner Novice C-2 the previous year.	Exhibitor and Dog teams may stay at this level until they receive a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials. Once a dog has received a qualifying score, they MUST move to Novice A.
	512 Beginner Novice A	This class is open only to exhibitors and their dogs in their first year of dog Obedience training.	ALL Beginner Novice A exhibitors MUST move with the same dog to the Beginner Novice B class in their 2nd year or Novice A.
	513 Beginner Novice B	This class is open only to second or higher year of Beginner Novice training and must be the same exhibitor and dog team that showed in Beginner Novice A or Beginner Novice B the previous year.	Exhibitor and dog teams may stay in this class until they receive a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials. Once a dog has received a qualifying score, they MUST move to Novice A.

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Novice Division	514 Novice A	This class is open to exhibitors in their 1st year of Novice training with no prior experience in Novice Obedience Dog training. Exhibitor and dog teams are encouraged to enter this class after successful completion of the Beginner Novice Division OR with approval of County Dog Superintendents.	Exhibitor and dog teams can only stay in this class for 1 year. Once the team earns a qualifying score at the Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials they MUST move to Pre-Graduate Novice A class (or higher level with approval of County Dog Superintendent). If the team does not earn a qualifying score, the team MUST move to Novice B.
	515 Novice B	This class is open to experienced exhibitor and dog teams in their second year or above of Novice Obedience training who did not earn a qualifying score in Novice A Obedience.	Exhibitor and dog team can only stay in this class until they receive a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials. Once a qualifying score is earned, exhibitor and dog team MUST move to Pre-Graduate Novice A (or higher level with approval of their County Dog Superintendent).
Graduate Novice Division	516 Pre-Grad Novice A	This class is open to exhibitors in their first year of Pre-Graduate Obedience training with no prior experience in Pre-Graduate Obedience training. Exhibitor and dog teams are encouraged to enter this class after successful completion of the Novice Division OR with approval of their County Dog Superintendents.	Exhibitor and dog teams can only stay in this class for 1 year. Once the team earns a qualifying score at the Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials they MUST move to Graduate Novice A (or higher level with approval of their County Dog Superintendent). If the team does not earn a qualifying score, they MUST move to Pre-Graduate Novice B to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials the following year.
	517 Pre-Grad Novice B	This class is open to experienced exhibitor and dog teams in their second year or above of Pre-Grad Obedience training who did not earn a qualifying score in Pre-Grad Novice-A Obedience.	Exhibitor and dog teams can only stay in this class until they receive a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials. Once a qualifying score is earned exhibitor and dog team MUST move to Graduate Novice A (or higher level with approval of their County Dog Superintendent).
	518 Graduate Novice A	This class is open to exhibitors in their 1st year of Graduate Novice Obedience training with no prior experience in Graduate Novice Obedience training. Exhibitor and dog teams are encouraged to enter after successful completion of the Pre-Grad Novice Classes or receive approval of their County Dog Superintendents.	Exhibitor and dog teams can only stay in this class for 1 year. After their first year the team MUST move to Graduate Novice B or higher.
	519 Graduate Novice B	This class is open to experienced exhibitor and dog teams in their second year or above of Graduate Novice Obedience training OR those who did not earn a qualifying score in Graduate Novice A.	Exhibitor and dog teams may stay in this class until ready to move up to Open Obedience regardless of whether a qualifying score is earned in Graduate Novice B.
Advanced** Division	520 Open A	This class is open to exhibitors in their 1st year of Open Obedience training with no prior experience in Open Obedience training.	Exhibitor and dog teams can only stay in this class for 1 year. After their first year the team MUST move to Open B or higher.

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521 Open B	This class is open to experienced exhibitor and dog teams in their second year or above of Open Obedience training OR those who did not earn a qualifying score in Open A.	Exhibitor and dog teams may stay in this class until ready to move up to Graduate Open A Obedience regardless of whether a qualifying score is earned in Open B at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials.
522 Graduate Open A	This class is open to exhibitors in their 1st year of Graduate Open Obedience training with no prior experience in Graduate Open Obedience training. Exhibitor and dog teams enter this class after successful completion of the Open Classes or receive approval of their County Dog Superintendent	Exhibitor and dog teams can only stay in this class for 1 year. After their first year the team MUST move to Graduate Open B or higher.
523 Graduate Open B	This class is open to experienced exhibitor and dog teams in their second year or above of Graduate Open Obedience training OR those who did not earn a qualifying score in Graduate Open A.	Exhibitor and dog teams may stay in this class until ready to move up to Utility A Obedience regardless of whether a qualifying score is earned in Graduate Open B.
524 Utility A	This class is open to exhibitors in their 1st year of Utility Obedience training with no prior experience in Utility Obedience training. Exhibitor and dog teams enter this class after successful completion of the Graduate Open Classes or receive approval of their County Dog Superintendents.	Exhibitor and dog teams can only stay in this class for 1 year. After their first year the team MUST move to Utility B to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials.
525 Utility B	This class is open to experienced exhibitor and dog teams in their second year or above of Utility Obedience training OR those who did not earn a qualifying score in Utility A.	Exhibitor and dog teams can stay in this level for the remainder of years in the 4-H dog project.

****If exhibitor and dog team win Grand or Reserve Grand champion at Douglas County Fair while exhibiting in the Advanced Division at DCFR, the exhibitor and dog team MUST move up to the next class level the following year.**

The table above identifies class eligibility or future requirements needed to register in Obedience classes for current and next 4-H year. However, if Exhibitor wants and is capable of moving to a higher class than what is shown in the table this year only, please contact County Dog Superintendents for an evaluation and possible adjustment to appropriate class prior to Fair registration deadline.

- A. All 4-H Obedience classes will be patterned after the latest AKC Obedience guidelines whenever possible, except that dog registry with AKC is not required. Some exercises and rules may have been adapted from AKC to better serve the 4-H youth in this program.
- B. In all Obedience classes, up to 15 points will be deducted for the following: strong correcting or disciplining, excessive barking, leaving the ring, rules violation or showing fear
- C. In all Obedience classes, fouling the ring will be a 15-point deduction. The exhibitor will be allowed to finish their run.
- D. For the safety of all, a dog that snaps, bites, or attempts to bite will be excused from the ring.
- E. Handlers entered in B classes will be judged at a higher skill level (handler errors) than handlers entered in A classes.

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- F. Allowed collars in Obedience classes include: flat or rolled leather with buckle or snap closure; flat or rolled nylon collars with buckle or snap closure; metal choke chain. No haltis, gentle leaders, harnesses, or pinch collars will be allowed in the show ring. Collars and leads must be two separate pieces. Slip leads are not allowed.
 - G. The length of your Obedience leash should be six feet for Beginner Novice & Novice classes.
 - H. No dog tags can be on the dog when showing in the ring. This includes name tags, rabies tags, or anything else that hangs from the dog's collar. It is very important that your dog wear tags always, except when in the show ring. See dog project manual "Dog Resource Handbook" from The Ohio State University. (Please note the difference between training equipment and show equipment.)
 - I. If an exhibitor has two dogs in the same class, they must choose one dog for the group exercises. The other dog must be handled by a currently enrolled 4-H exhibitor for the group sits and downs.
 - J. If an exhibitor qualifies in two classes with the same dog, they need to show at the highest level they qualified.
 - K. Each county may qualify exhibitors for State 4-H Dog Trials Obedience classes by a selection procedure most appropriate to its own county program in compliance with the Dog Level Progression Chart and eligibility requirements. Qualification at this 'County Level' could require a qualifying score at County Fair or, if allowed by the county, earning a qualifying score at a 4-H Dog Show.
 - L. The best way to check what is expected in the various classes is to check out the score sheet posted on the Colorado State 4-H website: <http://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/state-fair-information/contest-scoresheets/>.
 - M. A Junior Division Exhibitor can identify their dog as a Veteran to exhibit during registration if their dog is 7 years old or older for Obedience class only prior to the Trial. This will allow the dog to jump at HALF, the required jump height which allows the Exhibitor to compete for a qualifying score for state qualifications but is ineligible for County's Grand/Reserve champion award and placement awards. If Exhibitor is unable to jump HALF the required jump height, the exhibitor may drop to non-jumping Obedience class which will allow the Exhibitor to compete for a qualifying score for state qualifications but is ineligible for County's Grand/Reserve champion award and placement awards.
 - N. To qualify for State 4-H Dog Trial, dog and handler must receive a minimum score of 170 points out of a possible perfect score of 200.
 - O. Dog Obedience EXERCISES AND SCORING refer to Appendix B
 - P. Ties in Scoring. Ties will be broken as follows:
 - 1. Beginner Novice Division and Novice Division: When two or more exhibitors have the same overall scores, the scores in the first exercise will be compared. The exhibitor with the highest score in the first exercise will receive the highest placing, and so forth. If all exhibitors have the same score in the first exercise, the scores in the second exercise will be compared, and so forth until ties are broken. If scoring is identical throughout the exercises, then the ties will be broken by the exhibitors and their dogs performing a heeling pattern specified by the judge.
 - 2. Graduate Novice Division & above Levels of Obedience: Ties will be broken by the exhibitors and their dogs performing an exercise specified by the judge.
 - 3. In the event a tie still exists, an official flip of the coin will be used to break the tie.
- Calculating score for High in Trial
- 1. Beginner Novice A, B, C1, C2: Judges' score
 - 2. Novice: Judge's score plus 1 point
 - 3. Pre-Graduate Novice: Judge's score plus 3 points

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4. Graduate Novice: Judge's score plus 6 points
5. Open: Judge's score plus 9 points
6. Graduate Open: Judge's score plus 12 points
7. Utility: Judge's score plus 15 points

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Class # Class Name	Class Registration Eligibility	Class Registration Requirements
500 Junior Novice	Exhibitor age 8-10 and no prior dog showmanship experience with any entity (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.)	Exhibitor can only stay in this class for 1 year.
501 Junior Open	Exhibitor age 8-10 and at least one year of showmanship experience with any entity (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.)	Exhibitor can stay in this class until age changes.
502 Intermediate Novice	Exhibitor age 11-13 and no prior dog showmanship experience with any entity (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.)	Exhibitor can only stay in this class for 1 year so the next class would be Open. However, if Exhibitor wins the Overall Intermediate class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State Fair, Exhibitor MUST move up to the Master Showman Class for State registration but for Douglas County Fair Exhibitor registers in Advanced the following year. **
503 Intermediate Open	Exhibitor age 11-13 and at least one-year showmanship experience with any entity (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.)	Exhibitor can stay in this class until age changes EXCEPT if exhibitor places 1st – 10th (1st-5th for 2020) in this class at State 4-H Dog Trials the exhibitor MUST move to the Intermediate Advanced class to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials. If exhibitor wins the Overall Intermediate class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trials, the exhibitor MUST qualify the following year at Douglas County Fair in Advanced Showmanship class in order to register at State 4-H Dog Trial in the Master Showman Class.**
504 Intermediate Advanced***	Exhibitor age 11-13 register for this class only if Exhibitor and dog have placed 1 st -10 th (1 st -5 th for 2020) in this class at State 4-H Dog Trials.	Exhibitor can stay in this class until they age out. If exhibitor wins the Overall Intermediate class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trials, the exhibitor MUST qualify the following year at Douglas County Fair in Advanced Showmanship class in order to register at State 4-H Dog Trial in the Master Showman Class.** If exhibitor has a new dog, exhibitor and new dog can stay here or move to Open.

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505 Senior Novice	Exhibitor age 14-18, no prior dog showmanship experience with any entity (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.)	Exhibitor can only stay in this class for 1 year so next class would be Open. If exhibitor wins the Overall Senior class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trial, the exhibitor MUST qualify the following year at Douglas County Fair in Advanced Showmanship class in order to register at State 4-H Dog Trial in the Master Showman Class. **
506 Senior Open	Exhibitor age 14-18 and at least one-year showmanship experience with any entity (4-H, AKC, UKC, etc.)	Exhibitor can stay in this class until age changes EXCEPT if exhibitor places 1st – 10th (1st-5th for 2020) in this class at State 4-H Dog Trials this year the exhibitor MUST move up to the Senior Advanced class to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials the following year. If exhibitor wins the Overall Senior class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trial, the exhibitor MUST qualify the following year at Douglas County Fair in Advanced Showmanship class in order to register at State 4-H Dog Trial in the Master Showman Class. **.
507 Senior Advanced***	Exhibitor age 14-18 register for this class only if Exhibitor and dog have placed 1st – 10th (1st-5th for 2020) in this class at State 4-H Dog Trials.	Exhibitor can stay in this class until age out unless exhibitor wins the Overall Senior class Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion at State 4-H Dog Trials, the exhibitor MUST qualify the following year at Douglas County Fair in Advanced Showmanship class in order to register at State 4-H Dog Trial in the Master Showman Class. **If exhibitor has a new dog, exhibitor and new dog can stay here or move to Open.
Master (State 4-H Dog Class Only)	There is no Master class in DCFR. This is a State 4-H Dog Trial class in which Intermediate or Senior (no Juniors) Exhibitors placed as Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Showman at any previous State 4-H Dog Trial. For those who have shown in Master class at state in previous years, the Exhibitor will remain enrolled in Senior/Intermediate Advanced for DCFR. The exhibitor must qualify at Douglas County Senior/Intermediate Advanced class in order to enroll for Masters for state. There is no distinction between Intermediate and Seniors in this class.	Any exhibitor who has qualified to show in the Master Showman class at State Fair will compete with the Senior/Intermediate Advanced class at the Douglas County Fair to receive a qualifying score in order to enroll in Masters class for State.

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Overall Grand/Reserve Showman	Overall Grand/Reserve Showman classes will commence after the conclusion of the Regular Showmanship classes. The top two placements for each class (Junior/Intermediate/Senior Novice, Junior/Intermediate/Senior Open, Intermediate/Senior Advanced) will compete within the age group for Grand Champion Showman and Reserve Grand Champion Showman.	No restrictions or registration required.
Junior Round Robin	All enrolled Exhibitors will compete with their 4-H dog project. Please NOTE: ONLY enter this class if the HANDLER is willing to handle livestock. First and Second Place advances to Round Robin. An advanced Exhibitor to Round Robin can choose to use their dog or any registered 4-H dog volunteered by a 4-H Exhibitor. This class is for Exhibitors who are 8 – 10 years old. Open to exhibitor who is interested in competing in Round Robin.	If Exhibitor's dog is unable to perform with other handlers, the Exhibitor is required to find another 4H identified dog within the Douglas County program.
Intermediate Round Robin	All enrolled Exhibitors will compete with their 4-H dog project. Please NOTE: ONLY enter this class if the HANDLER is willing to handle livestock. First and Second Place advances to Round Robin. An advanced Exhibitor to Round Robin can choose to use their dog or any registered 4-H dog volunteered by a 4-H Exhibitor. This class is for Exhibitors who are 11 – 13 years old. Open to exhibitor who is interested in competing in Round Robin.	If Exhibitor's dog is unable to perform with other handlers, the Exhibitor is required to find another 4H identified dog within the Douglas County program.
Senior Round Robin	All enrolled Exhibitors will compete with their 4-H dog project. Please NOTE: ONLY enter this class if the HANDLER is willing to handle livestock. First and Second Place advances to Round Robin. An advanced Exhibitor to Round Robin can choose to use their dog or any registered 4-H dog volunteered by a 4-H Exhibitor. This class is for Exhibitors who are 14 – 18 years old. Open to exhibitor who is interested in competing in Round Robin.	If Exhibitor's dog is unable to perform with other handlers, the Exhibitor is required to find another 4H identified dog within the Douglas County program.

**** An Intermediate/Senior Exhibitor who has received Best Junior Handler awards from any national dog club may choose to enter Advanced Showmanship.**

Exhibitors may enter Dog Showmanship classes and Round Robin classes one time.

Q. DOG SHOWMANSHIP SCORING CRITERIA refer to Appendix C.

SCORING:

1. To qualify for State 4-H Dog Trial, dog and handler must receive a minimum score of 170 points out of a possible perfect score of 200.
2. DOG SHOWMANSHIP CRITERIA refer to Appendix C.
3. Each exhibitor will be given a written test before the show starts. The Junior Division Exhibitor is responsible for taking this test during the scheduled testing time. If an exhibitor does not take the test during their assigned testing time, then that portion of the Showmanship score sheet will result in a score of zero. Questions will be taken from the State Test question study guide. The test will be put together by the County Dog Superintendent. There will be pre-selected readers selected by the County Dog Superintendent available to any exhibitor should they need help reading/understanding the test. NO person except those requested by the County Dog Superintendent will be allowed to help with the test. Questions are selected to assess the exhibitors' knowledge, not to trick the youth.
4. Ties in Scoring: Ties will be broken as follows: (1) When two or more exhibitors have the same overall scores, the scores in the Handling exercises will be compared. The exhibitor who has first highest score in the order of the Handling exercises will receive the highest placing. The order of the Handling

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exercises is as followed: Gaiting, Examination, Stacking, and Breed Presentation. (2) If all exhibitors have the same score in the Handling exercise, the scores in the Interview section will be compared, followed by the scores in the Handler Appearance & Attitude section, and the scores in the Grooming section until ties are broken. (3) If the scores are equal throughout all of the exercises, with Grooming being the last section compared, ties will be broken by the exhibitors and their dogs performing a Handling exercise as specified by the judge. Again, the exhibitor with the highest score first will receive the highest placing, and so forth.

5. In the event a tie still exists, an official flip of the coin will be used to break the tie.

RALLY DIVISION 2203

	Class # Class Name	Class Registration Eligibility	Class Registration Requirements
Novice Division	532 Rally Novice A	This class is open only to exhibitor and dog teams in their first year of Rally training*	Exhibitor and dog team can only stay in this class for 1 year. Once a qualifying score is received at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association* the Exhibitor MUST move to Rally Intermediate A class or higher Division. If the team does not earn a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials, the team MUST move to Rally Novice B.
	533 Rally Novice B	This class is open to exhibitor and dog teams in their second or more years in Rally Novice training and no qualifying score in Rally Novice A, OR an experienced handler starting a new dog*.	Exhibitor and dog team can stay in this class until receiving a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association*, then the exhibitor and dog team MUST move to Rally Intermediate A class or higher Division.
Intermediate Division	534 Rally Intermediate A	This class is open only to exhibitor and dog teams in their first year of Rally Intermediate training*.	Exhibitor and dog team can only stay in this class for 1 year. Once a qualifying score is received at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association* the Exhibitor MUST move to Rally Advanced A class or higher Division. If the team does not earn a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials, the team MUST move to Rally Intermediate B to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials.
	535 Rally Intermediate B	This class is open to exhibitor and dog teams in their second or more years in Rally Intermediate training and no qualifying score in Rally Intermediate A *.	Exhibitor and dog team can stay in this class until receiving a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association*, then the exhibitor and dog team MUST move to Rally Advanced A class or higher Division.

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Advanced Division	536 Rally Advanced A	This class is open only to exhibitor and dog teams in their first year of Rally Advanced training*. Exhibitor and dog team must have completed Rally Intermediate training or approval of their County Dog Superintendents is required.	Exhibitor and dog team can only stay in this class for 1 year. Once a qualifying score is received at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association* the Exhibitors MUST move to Rally Excellent A class or higher Division. If the team does not earn a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials, the team MUST move to Rally Advanced B to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials.
	537 Rally Advanced B	This class is open to exhibitor and dog teams in their second or more years in Rally Advanced training and no qualifying score in Rally Advanced A*. Exhibitor and dog team must have completed Rally Intermediate training or approval of their County Dog Superintendents is required.	Exhibitor and dog team can stay in this class until receiving a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association*, then the exhibitor and dog team MUST move to Rally Excellent A class or higher Division.
Excellent Division	538 Rally Excellent A	This class is open only to exhibitor and dog teams in their first year of Rally Excellent training*. Exhibitor and dog team must have completed Rally Advanced training or approval of their County Dog Superintendents is required.	Exhibitor and dog team can only stay in this class for 1 year. Once a qualifying score is received at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association* the Exhibitor MUST move to Rally Advanced/Excellent A class or higher Division. If the team does not earn a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials, the team MUST move to Rally Excellent B to be eligible for State 4-H Dog Trials.
	539 Rally Excellent B	This class is open to exhibitor and dog teams in their second or more years in Rally Excellent training and no qualifying score in Rally Excellent A*.	Exhibitor and dog team can stay in this class until receiving a qualifying score at Douglas County Fair or State 4-H Dog Trials or the dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association*, then the exhibitor and dog team MUST move to Rally Advanced/Excellent A class or higher Division.
RAE - Rally Advanced/Excellent Division	540 Rally Advanced /Excellent (RAE) A	This class is open only to exhibitor and dog teams in their first year of Rally Advanced/Excellent training*. Exhibitor and dog team must have completed Rally Excellent training or approval of their County Dog Superintendents is required.	Exhibitor and dog team can only stay in this class for 1 year. Exhibitor and dog team MUST move to RAE B or Rally Masters to be eligible to compete in Rally in subsequent years.
	541 Rally Advanced/Exc ellent (RAE) B	This class is open to exhibitor and dog teams in their second or more years in Rally Advanced/Excellent training.	Exhibitor and dog team may continue to compete in this class for the remainder of their 4-H years with the same dog regardless of whether a qualifying score is earned or an equivalent title from a national dog association is earned. Exhibitor and dog teams also have the option to move to Rally Master.

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Master Division	542 Rally Masters A 543 Rally Masters B	Optional class. This class is open only to exhibitor and dog teams in their first year of Rally Masters training. Exhibitor and dog team must have completed Rally Advanced/Excellent training or received approval from their County Dog Superintendents to enter this class.	Exhibitor and dog team can only stay in Masters 'A' class for 1 year. Once shown in Rally Masters, exhibitor and dog teams can no longer compete at any lower rally classes and MUST move to Masters B. Exhibitor and dog team may continue to compete in Masters 'B' class for the remainder of their 4-H years with the same dog.
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*If a dog being shown has received an equivalent title from a national dog association 4 months prior to Fair, the dog is no longer eligible to compete in that class with the exception of RAE and Rally Masters.

The table above identifies classes eligibility or future requirements needed to register in Rally classes for current and next 4-H year. However, if Exhibitor wants and is capable of moving to a higher class than what is shown in the table, please contact County Dog Superintendents for an evaluation and possible adjustment to appropriate class prior to Fair registration deadline.

There are no classes for veteran dogs in Rally. All dogs MUST be able to perform the required items.

- A. In all classes a 15-point deduction will be administered in the Rally classes for the following: strong correcting, disciplining, excessive barking, fouling the ring, consistently tight lead, knocking over a jump, or a sign not attempted by a handler.
- B. For the safety of all, a dog that snaps, bites, or attempts to bite will be excused from the ring.
- C. Handlers entered in B classes will be judged at a higher skill level (handler errors) than handlers entered in A classes.
- D. Allowed collars in Rally classes include: Flat or rolled leather with buckle or snap closure. Flat or rolled nylon collars with buckle or snap closure. Metal choke chain. No haltis, gentle leaders, harnesses, or pinch collars will be allowed in the show ring. Collars and leads must be 2 separate pieces. Slip leads are not allowed.
- E. No dog tags can be on the dog when showing in the ring. This includes name tags, rabies tag, or anything else that hangs from the dog's collar. It is very important that your dog always wears tags except when in the show ring.
- F. All jump heights will conform with current American Kennel Club (AKC) Rally height and broad jump recommendations.
- G. Exhibitors are responsible for knowing the height of their dog at the withers and the associated Rally jump heights as well as verifying jump height in the ring.
- H. Each exhibitor will be allowed only one run in each class with the dog who has qualified for that class.
- I. Walk-throughs will be announced. Exhibitors will not be allowed to walk through the pattern at any time other than the official walk-through time. Exceptions may be made at the judge's discretion due to scheduling conflicts.
- J. RALLY SCORING AND EXERCISE DESCRIPTION refer to Appendix C

SCORING:

1. To qualify for State 4-H Dog Trial, dog and handler must receive a minimum score of 70 points out of a possible perfect score of 100. Scoring for all levels is based on a maximum score of 100 points unless otherwise stated in these regulations.

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2. Times will be recorded but not posted. Times will be used only to break ties for placements.
3. The maximum number of points that can be deducted for any station is 10, with the exception of a non-qualifying performance.

HIGH IN TRIAL RALLY CALCULATING SCORES

- Novice: Judge's score
- Intermediate: Judge's score plus 2 points
- Advanced: Judge's score plus 3 points
- Excellent: Judge's score plus 5 points (Advanced/Excellent will use Excellent Score)
- Masters: Judge's score plus 7 points

Rally Height Requirements

The required jump heights for Rally classes are as follows:

HEIGHT OF DOG AT WITHERS	HIGH OR BAR JUMP HEIGHT TO BE JUMPED	BROAD JUMP DISTANCE TO BE JUMPED
Less than 10 inches	4 inches	8 inches (1 board)
10 inches to less than 15 inches	8 inches	16 inches (2 boards)
15 inches to less than 20 inches	12 inches	24 inches (2 boards)
20 inches and over	16 inches	32 inches (3 boards)

Overall Champion Versatility Dog Award

An Overall Champion Versatility Dog award is an award acknowledging the Exhibitor who shows the SAME dog in at least 3 out of the 4 disciplines (Obedience, Showmanship, Rally and Agility). The total of the 3 highest discipline placements with additional points from Overall Grand/Reserve Grand determines the Most Versatile Dog. Showmanship Division has two classes: Showmanship class and Round Robin class. Agility Division has two classes: Agility Standard class and Agility Jumpers class.

The class includes all disciplines (Showmanship, Obedience, Rally and Agility) plus additional points for Overall Grand/Reserve Champion.

1st place in class earns 25 points

2nd place in class earns 23 points

3rd place in class earns 20 points

4th place in class earns 18 points

5th place in class earns 15 points

6th place in class earns 12 points

Overall Grand Champion in a discipline is 3 points.

Overall Reserve Grand Champion in a discipline is 2 points.

For example, if exhibitor (Sally) with the same dog (Fido) wins the following

1st in their Obedience Division = earns 25 points

1st in their Agility Division Standard Class and 3rd in their Agility Division Jumper class = earns 45 points

1st in their Rally Division Intermediate B Class = earns 25 points

Sally and Fido placed 3rd in Showmanship class, and they did not enter Round Robin class but since it's not one of the highest points earned per division, these class points won't be used.

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Overall Grand Champion in Obedience Division earns additional 3 points

Overall Grand Champion in Agility Division earns additional 3 points

Overall Grand Champion in Rally Division earns additional 3 points

Total points for Most Versatile Dog is 104 points

The e-record book will be used to break the tie as follows:

Blue Award earns 25 points

Red Award earns 18 points

White Award earns 10 points

Incomplete - no points and not eligible for contest

If tied scores still exist, then the e-record books numerical score will be used to break the tie.

If tied scores still exist at this point, then an official flip of the coin will be used to break the tie.

Overall Champion Versatility Dog award can only be awarded once in the dog's 4-H career.

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Appendix A – Showmanship

Score Sheets

Novice, Open, Advanced and Master score sheet:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/score-sheets/Dog-Showmanship.pdf>

Appendix B – Obedience

Score Sheets

Colorado Puppy Pre-Open:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/score-sheets/ColoradoPuppyPreOpenClassEvaluation.pdf>

Pre-Beginner Novice A-B:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/score-sheets/Dog-Obedience-Pre-BeginnerNoviceA-B.pdf>

Beginner Novice A/C1:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/score-sheets/Dog-Obedience-BeginnerNoviceA.pdf>

Beginner Novice B/C2:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/score-sheets/Dog-Obedience-BeginnerNoviceB.pdf>

Novice A/B:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Dog-Scoresheet-Novice-A-B.pdf>

Pre-Graduate Novice A/B:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/score-sheets/Dog-Obedience-Pre-GraduateNoviceA-B.pdf>

Graduate Novice A/B:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Dog-Scoresheet-Graduate-NoviceA-B.pdf>

Open A/B:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Dog-Scoresheet-Open-A-B.pdf>

Graduate Open A/B:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Dog-Scoresheet-Graduate-OpenA-B.pdf>

Utility A/B:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Dog-Scoresheet-Utility-A-B.pdf>

Exercise Descriptions

Beginner Novice A/B/C1/C2 (4-H specific exercises):

https://cdn.saffire.com/files.ashx?t=fg&rid=DouglasCountyCO&f=Excercise_Sheets_Beginner_Novice_A_and_Beginner_Novice_C-1st_year.pdf

Novice A/B, Graduate Novice A/B, Open A/B, Graduate Open A/B and Utility A/B (AKC specific exercises):

AKC Obedience Regulations: Amended to January 1, 2019 <https://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RO2999.pdf>

Pre-Graduate Novice A/B (4-H specific exercises):

https://d38trduahtodj3.cloudfront.net/files.ashx?t=fg&rid=DouglasCountyCO&f=2020_Obedience_Pre-Grad_Exercise_Description.pdf

Colorado Puppy Class:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/score-sheets/ColoradoPuppyPreOpenClassEvaluation.pdf>

Appendix C – Rally

Score Sheets

Dog Rally Novice/Excellent:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/score-sheets/Dog-RallyNoviceExcellent.pdf>

Advanced/Excellent:

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/RallyAdvancedExcellentScoreSheet.pdf>

Exercise Description:

<http://cdn.akc.org/Rally/2017-rev-rally-minisignswdescriptions-1-2018.pdf>

Appendix D – Obedience Jumping Information

STANDARD JUMP HEIGHTS:	
Measured height of dog at withers	Minimum height to be jumped
Less than 7 1/2"	4 inches
7-1/2 to 9"	8 inches
Greater than 9" up to 11"	10 inches
Greater than 11" up to 13"	12 inches
Greater than 13" up to 15"	14 inches
Greater than 15" up to 17"	16 inches
Greater than 17" up to 19"	18 inches
Greater than 19" up to 21"	20 inches
Greater than 21" up to 23"	22 inches
Greater than 23" up to 25"	24 inches
Greater than 25" up to 27"	26 inches
Greater than 27" up to 29"	28 inches
Greater than 29" up to 31"	30 inches
Greater than 31" up to 33"	32 inches
Greater than 33" up to 35"	34 inches
Greater than 35" up to 37"	36 inches
Greater than 37"	36 inches

The dog must jump their required height and width for their class. For the broad jump the correct number of boards must be used for the width being jumped. Refer to the chart below for proper jump regulations.

Broad Jump Heights for Obedience

*Four boards are used for 48-72 inches

*Three boards are used for 28-44 inches

*Two boards are used for 16-24 inches

When decreasing the number of boards in the broad jump, the highest hurdle is removed first.

Appendix E: Dog Height Card

Approved Height Card	
Colorado State 4-H Official Height Card	
Member's Name:	
Dog's Name:	
Breed:	
Height at Withers:	
1.	
2.	
(Signature and Title) (Date)	

All handlers may be required to present a completed Official Height Card for their dog during check-in. Official height cards from outside agility venues will be accepted. The dog must be measured by two separate parties familiar with the procedures of measuring the height of a dog, such as a judge or show personnel prior to opening of Fair Entry. The dog must be measured on a flat, firm surface and both measurements must agree within 1 inch when measured at the withers.

JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK

DOG AGILITY

DEPARTMENT 25

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2 and 2B.
- B. ALL DOGS MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT OR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT. All dogs will be inspected for general health at check-in. Any animal showing evidence of injuries, infectious, contagious or communicable diseases will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds.
- C. No bitch in heat, obviously pregnant or lactating will be allowed to compete in any classes at DCFR and must be removed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- D. Dogs which are deemed to be a danger to people or other dogs as determined by DCFR Management or the Superintendents will be disqualified and removed from the Douglas County Fairgrounds.

General Rules:

- A. All Competitors in agility must be active in their dog project and exhibit in showmanship at DCFR, to include taking the written exam in order to compete at DCFR Agility Trial.
- B. All Competitors in agility must pass the *Introduction to Dog Agility Safety Certification*. The safety certification can be administered by a professional dog agility trainer. Professional dog agility trainers are to use the Dog Agility Safety Certification (see Appendix 2). Certification must take place prior to the opening of Fair entry.
- C. Exhibitors must complete three practices per dog with a 4-H project leader or approved Agility Facility to be eligible to compete in DCFR Dog Agility Trials. This card will be due to the Extension Office by the date published in the 4-H Blast.
- D. Dogs **must** always be on a leash except when performing exercises off leash at the warm-up area in agility.
- E. Dogs must be a minimum of 12 months old to compete in Foundation Jumpers and Foundation Standard, and a minimum age of 15 months is required for all other levels.
- F. No dog with a physical or mental condition that would significantly impair their performance may participate. Some examples of these include (but are not limited to) hip dysplasia, disc problems, severely slipped stifles, shoulder problems, overweight, or advancing age. A judge, Dog Superintendent or County 4-H dog agility trainer will have the authority to stop the performance of any dog whose soundness is in question.
- G. Dogs that show signs of aggression toward humans or other dogs will not be permitted to participate.
- H. Female dogs in season are not permitted to compete. Diapers pose a hazard as they may get caught on a piece of equipment and cause a fall or injury.
- I. A supervised warm-up area consisting of only a single jump will be provided in a specified area outside of the ring. No obstacle or jump shall be permitted elsewhere on the show grounds for training, warm-up, or other preparatory purposes.
- J. No flexible or retractable leads allowed on the show grounds. Dogs must be on leash at all times except when competing off leash in the ring or warming up in the warmup area.

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- K. For safety reasons agility competitors may not wear hanging jewelry, scarves, or anything that can catch on to an obstacle and cause an injury. Closed toe shoes are required. The Douglas County 4-H Dress Code does apply.
- L. Exhibitors are responsible for removing their dogs, crates and all supplies and equipment from the Indoor Arena and grounds immediately following takedown of the agility ring and equipment.
- M. 2-minute warning will be provided so the first handler can get their dog during the walking of the course. Course walk through will be 5-7 minutes which is done without dogs. If the exhibitor and dog are not present when it's their turn to run, the exhibitor will be scratched.

II. EQUIPMENT

- A. AKC equipment specification will be used for the Douglas County Dog Agility project. Refer to 4-H State Agility rules and regulations for obstacle descriptions.

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

DOG AGILITY DIVISION

Class	Class Name
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550	Foundation Standard Agility
551	Novice Standard Agility
553	Intermediate Standard Agility
555	Advanced Standard Agility
557	Foundation Jumpers
558	Novice Jumpers
560	Intermediate Jumpers
562	Advanced Jumpers

- A. Classes are based on height of the dog at the withers and increasing difficulty of course obstacles.
- B. Agility project leaders will classify the competition class of the exhibitor and dog team prior to entry in DCFR. Exhibitors must enter the correct competition class.
- C. Obstacle requirements reflect 4-H State Agility requirements.

Chart of Obstacle Requirements for Standard Classes

Refer to 4-H State Agility Rules and Regulations for class description and requirements.

Class	Foundation	Novice	Intermediate	Advanced	Notes
AKC Equivalence			Novice	Open	
Jump Height	Preferred	Regular	Regular	Regular	
Course Shape	Simple 'S' or 'U' Entrances should never be adjacent to one another	Challenging 'S' or 'U' Entrances should never be adjacent to one another	Simple Figure 8 Entrances should never be adjacent to one another	Challenging Figure 8 Adjacent entrances allowed	The distance between any two obstacles in sequence will be based on the anticipated path of a 20-inch-high jumping dog.
Maximum Course Time	90 seconds	90 seconds	90 seconds	90 seconds	
Total Obstacles	8-10	10-14	14-16	16-18	Maximum of 30 feet between any two obstacles in sequence
Obstacle approach	Generally not	Generally not	Generally not	Generally not exceeding	

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	exceeding 90 degrees, but must not exceed two times at 135 degrees. Exception: One 180 degree turn will be allowed.	exceeding 90 degrees, but must not exceed two times at 135 degrees. Exception: One 180 degree turn will be allowed.	exceeding 90 degrees, but must not exceed two times at 135 degrees. Exception: One 180 degree turn will be allowed.	180degrees, but must not exceed two times at 270degrees.	
Total Jumps	4-6 ²	4-8	5-10	6-13	
A-Frame	1 9' with apex 5'	1 9' with apex 5'6"	1 9' with apex 5'6"	1 9' with apex 5'6"	A 180 degree turn from the exit of an Open Tunnel to the ascent of the A-Frame is not allowed.
Pause Table	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-1	
Open Tunnel	1-3	1-3	1-3	1-3	Minimum of 15 feet to a tunnel.
12' Dog Walk	elevation of 24"	elevation of 48"	elevation of 48"	elevation of 48"	
Bar Jumps	4-6 ²	4-6	4-8	4-10	Minimum of 18 feet to a jump
Tire Jumps	0	1	1	1	Minimum of 18 feet to a jump
Double Jumps	0	0	0-1	1-2	Minimum of 21 feet to a spread jump
Weaves	0	6	6	12	
Seesaw	0	1 24" high at the pivot point	1 24" high at the pivot point	1 24" high at the pivot point	
Triple Jump	0	0	0	1	Ascending bars. Minimum of 21 feet to a spread jump
Broad Jump	0	0-1	0-1	0-1	May be arranged in either ascending order or as a hogback. Minimum of 21 feet to a spread jump

² Minimum of 3 bar jumps

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Jumpers Classes

Chart of Obstacle Requirements for Jumpers Classes

Refer to 4-H State Agility Rules and Regulations for class description and requirements.

Class	Foundation	Novice	Intermediate	Advanced	Notes
AKC Equivalence			Novice	Open	
Jump Height	Preferred	Regular	Regular	Regular	
Course Shape	Simple 'S' or 'U'	Challenging 'S' or 'U'	Simple Figure 8	Challenging Figure 8	Novice Jumpers course should not have angles between obstacles exceeding 90 degrees. Entrances to obstacles should never be adjacent to one another. The distance between any two obstacles in sequence will be based on the anticipated path of a 20 inch high jumping dog. Maximum of 30 feet between any two obstacles in sequence
Maximum Course Time	90 seconds	90 seconds	90 seconds	90 seconds	
Obstacle approach	Generally not exceeding 90 degrees, but must not exceed two times at 135 degrees. Exception: One 180 degree turn will be allowed.	Generally not exceeding 90 degrees, but must not exceed two times at 135 degrees. Exception: One 180 degree turn will be allowed.	Generally not exceeding 90 degrees, but must not exceed two times at 135 degrees. Exception: One 180 degree turn will be allowed.	Generally not exceeding 180degrees, but must not exceed two times at 270degrees.	
Total Jumps	5-9	6-12	7-14	10-17	Maximum of 30 feet between any two obstacles in sequence
Bar Jumps	5-9	6-11	7-13	9-16	Minimum of 18 feet to a jump
Tire Jumps	0	0	0-1	0-1	Minimum of 18 feet to a jump
Double Jumps	0	0	0-1 ²	1 ³	Minimum of 21 feet to a spread jump

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Triple Jump	0	0	0	1	Ascending bars. Never first obstacle
Broad Jump	0	0-1	0-1 ²	1 ³	May be arranged in either ascending order or as a hogback. Never first obstacle.
Open Tunnel	1-3	1-3	1-3	1-3	Minimum of 15 feet to a tunnel.

²Either a Broad Jump OR a Double Jump may be used in Intermediate

³Either a Broad Jump, Double Jump or both must be used in Advanced

Course Description:

- A. A ring size of 80' x 100' or larger is recommended.
- B. Obstacles on the course should be spaced approximately 18'-21' apart. In no case shall obstacles be spaced any closer than 15' apart.
- C. All courses must have clearly designated starts and finishes. All obstacles must be sequentially numbered with numbered cones or some other movable system. The numbers must be a minimum of 4" tall.
- D. The standard course time is set to 70 seconds. The Maximum Course time is 90seconds which indicates the exhibitor must leave the ring when the maximum course time is met. Exhibitor will be eliminated and lose all points if they exceed the Maximum Course Time – except the Foundation class. Foundation class exhibitors must leave the course at the sound of the Maximum Course Time buzzer. Their official time will be recorded as 90 seconds, and they will not be eliminated UNLESS they do not leave the course as directed and then they will lose all points and be eliminated.

SCORING AND EVALUATION:

- A. Dogs and their handler will be scored based on time they ran the course plus faults, divided into the course yardage plus applicable course difficulty weighted score. This will enable all dogs to be ranked fairly, as it determines which dog ran its course faster even though the course yardage between the different levels may differ. Course Difficulty Weighted Scores: Advanced: +3, Intermediate: +2, Novice: +1, Foundation: +0. Final score will be calculated as follows:
 - a. Final score= ((Time+faults)/(course yardage)) + Difficulty weighting
- B. Ties will be broken with a runoff. Course to be determined by the judge. Time starts when the dog starts the timer and finishes when crossing the final obstacle and stopping the timer.
- C. A dog receiving a qualifying score at the county show *may* advance to the next higher class the following year. The team may choose to remain in the same class but after winning Grand or Reserve Champion in either County or State, the team is no longer eligible to win Grand or Reserve Champion unless no higher classes are available to progress. Overall Grand or Reserve Champion will be based on Novice, Intermediate and Advanced classes. Qualifying scores will be determined by multiplying the first-place score of each class by 0.75 for the qualifying score threshold or qualifying scores will be given to the top 75% of the class; whichever of these two metrics (within each class) that results in more qualifying scores will be used.
- D. Competing in more than one class with the same dog is not allowed.
- E. All placings are final and at the discretion of the judge.

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- F. Dogs soiling or urinating in the ring during judging will be dismissed immediately and receive no score.
- G. Refer to Appendix 1 for deduction of points or disqualification.
- H. A dog unable to complete the course for any reason (including leaving the ring and not immediately returning in control of the handler, being out of control, or exceeding maximum course time) will receive an elimination or judge may excuse the dog as well.
- I. Handlers may not touch their dogs or obstacles while running the course. Incidental contact that does not aid the dog on the course will not be penalized. If a Foundation Level dog runs off the Foundation level Exhibitor may gently take the dog's collar and redirect back to the next obstacle in the sequence. Rough handling, yanking, dragging of dog or harsh language will be cause for immediate elimination from the ring and result in no score.
- J. Refusing a judge's command is cause for immediate dismissal from the ring and will result in no score.
- K. Dogs entered in DCFR must have the wither heights recorded for the current year using the Colorado 4-H Dog Health Certificate. This certificate must be on file at the Douglas County Extension Office including an image of the dog's Jump Height Card.
- L. The Jump Height Card must be provided to Douglas County Extension Office for dogs entered in DCFR prior to opening of Fair Entry. If Exhibitors enter their dog's height incorrectly or measured by unacceptable individuals or are jumping at a lower height than the defined class height requirements, the exhibitor may participate at Fair but will not place nor receive a qualifying score (See Appendix 3).
- M. Dogs will compete at the jump height based on the measurement at their withers. The Regular Jump Height chart is defined by 4-H State Dog Trial Rules and Regulations. Veteran dogs (7+ years old) may jump at one lower jump height (4" less than Regular Jump Height) often referred as the *Preferred* Jump Height. Additionally, dogs with minor physical disabilities (such as minor hip dysplasia) may compete at the Preferred Jump Height level with a veterinarian's approval and provided documentation. Other exceptions may be defined by CSU State 4-H Staff.
- N. All 4-H Agility handlers must possess an official Colorado State 4-H Dog Project (Agility) Height Card for the dog entered in the competition, signed by the measuring authority. Note: two separate measurements and two separate signatures are required. See Appendix 2. Official height cards from outside agility venues will also be accepted.
 - a. Jump Height
 - i. 8 inches: For dogs 11 inches and under at the withers
 - ii. 12 inches: For dogs 14 inches and under at the withers
 - iii. 16 inches: For dogs 18 inches and under at the withers
 - iv. 20 inches: For dogs 22 inches and under at the withers
 - v. 24 inches: For dogs over 22 inches at the withers
- O. Dogs will be measured for their official jump height by two separate parties familiar with the procedures of measuring the height of a dog, such as a judge Douglas County 4-H Dog Agility Leader or show personnel prior to opening of Fair Entry and will receive a height card using an approved dog agility measuring wicket. Measurements must be made prior to entry in DCFR and exhibitor must enter in the proper wither heights. The Agility Superintendent has the discretion to re-measure a dog and change the entry to the correct jump height class.
- P. The Overall Grand and Reserve Grand score is determined by weighing each class for advancing difficulty. Ties will then be broken via a runoff, course to be determined by judge. Time starts when the dog starts the timer and finishes when crossing the final obstacle and stopping the timer.

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WEIGHTED SCORING FOR CHAMPION/GRAND CHAMPION PRIZES

CALCULATING SCORES FOR BOTH STANDARD AND JUMPERS

Foundation Class: score

Novice Class: score plus 1 point

Intermediate Class: score plus 2 points

Advanced Class: score plus 3 points

SCORING

YOUR SUPPORT HELPS TO BENEFIT EXHIBITORS, SUPPORT EDUCATION, AND FACILITATE BETTER AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES THROUGH EXHIBITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS.

- A. Overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion are determined by Combining the Weighted Score from the Standard and Jumpers Courses. All ties will be broken by a runoff, course to be determined by judge.
 - a. Grand Champion/Grand Reserve is the highest total score of both Standard Agility and Jumper Agility weighted score combined.
 - b. Champion Standard Agility is the highest total score for Standard Agility.
 - c. Champion Jumper Agility is the highest total score for Jumper Agility.

Appendix 1: Agility Scoresheet (All Classes):

<https://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/score-sheets/Agility.pdf>

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Appendix 2: Dog Agility Safety Certification

Armband/Name:

Date:

Class:

Breed:

Jump Height:

Description without leash	Excellent, Good, Needs Improvement
	3 attempts at each obstacle
Walk a Plank/Drive to Target	
Walk 4 Paws Across Wobble Board or Fit Paws Rocker Board	
Open Tunnel to Target	
Pause Table for 5 second count	
Single Wrap Cone - right and left	
Figure 8 over single jump	
Drives to a Target- May use a Treat	
Lead-out with recall - 2 jump sequence	
Flat work working off of both sides of Handler	
	Total Passed
	Total Failed
Certified to safely compete at Agility Trial? Circle one	PASSED RETEST
Print Name of Tester	Signature & Date of Tester

Appendix 3: Dog Height Card

Approved Height Card	
Colorado State 4-H Official Height Card	
Member's Name:	
Dog's Name:	
Breed:	
Height at Withers:	
1.	
2.	
(Signature and Title)	(Date)

All handlers may be required to present a completed Official Height Card for their dog during check-in. Official height cards from outside agility venues will be accepted. The dog must be measured by two separate parties familiar with the procedures of measuring the height of a dog, such as a judge or show personnel prior to opening of Fair Entry. The dog must be measured on a flat, firm surface and both measurements must agree within 1 inch when measured at the withers.

**JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK
SHEEP LEAD
DEPARTMENT 24**

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- A. SHEEP NOT CURRENTLY ENTERED IN THE JUNIOR SHEEP DEPARTMENT MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT OR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT BEFORE UNLOADING. All sheep will be inspected for general health. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds.
- B. A Junior Division Exhibitor with entries in the Junior Sheep Department may sponsor another Junior Division Exhibitor for this competition.
- C. Sheep must be a Production Ewe, Yearling Ewe or Ewe Lamb that is eligible for and has been entered into the Junior Sheep Department. An Ewe that has not been entered in the Junior Sheep Department must be approved by the Superintendent before the Ewe will be allowed onto the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- D. Sheep should be appropriately groomed according to accepted breed standards.
- E. Sheep must be trained to show at halter.
- F. The Exhibitors will be judged on the mode of dress selected and the primary garment made of at least 50% wool.
- G. The outfit chosen by the Exhibitor should take into consideration their age and size. The intent is to present a stylish and attractive picture and to lend elegance to the class.
 - 1. Exhibitors must provide their own outfit, which is not required to be handmade, and may be purchased or borrowed.
- H. Exhibitors must lead production ewes, yearling ewes or ewe lambs into the show ring.
- I. Exhibitors not leading their own sheep must designate their sponsor on the entry form.
- J. The show ring will be available for practice immediately after setup.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Exhibitors are not required to have an entry in the Junior Sheep Department. Any Junior Division Exhibitor is eligible to compete in the Junior Sheep Lead Department.
- B. All female sheep will be required to have a USDA Scrapie ID tag.
- C. The Exhibitors must submit a typewritten narrative with their name, age, school, sponsor (if any), entrant's sheep background or interest, description of his/her attire.
- D. Narrative is subject to editing at the discretion of the Superintendent.
- E. Exhibitor Age Classifications: Age Classifications are determined as of December 31st of previous year.
 - 1. **MINI:** 7 years old or younger
 - b. Mini Exhibitors are not required to be enrolled in Douglas County 4-H.
 - 2. **JUNIOR:** 8–10 years old
 - 3. **INTERMEDIATE:** 11–13 years old
 - 4. **SENIOR:** 14–18 years old
- F. Previous contest winners are eligible to return for competition; however, they must exhibit a new garment.

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III. SHOW RING

- A. Only Exhibitors and escorts are allowed in the show ring.

IV. JUDGING STANDARDS

- A. The object of this class is to present sheep and handlers in an attractive manner and show the beauty and versatility of wool.
- B. The contestant awarded the highest number of total points shall be declared the winner.
- C. Bonus points will be awarded for creativity and originality.
- D. An additional one (1) point will be awarded to the Junior Division Exhibitor for a garment they have personally constructed.
- E. An additional one (1) point will be awarded to the Exhibitors for leading their own sheep.
- F. Judges may interview the contestants.
- G. There will be three primary Judges; each concerned with a separate category. Awarding of points in each category will be made on the following standards:

Sheep Judge: Available Points

General Appearance 30

Good breed character, size and scale body conformation, soundness and wool quality representative of the breed.

Fitting the Sheep 30

The ewe should be attractively fitted and groomed but not colored or in any way artificially prepared.

Leading Ability 40

The ewe should respond calmly to the halter. She should "walk out" in a deliberate and natural manner.

Contestant Judge:

General Appearance 30

Grooming, hairstyle and make-up should enhance, rather than distract from the chosen costume. The Contestant should handle themselves and their animal with poise in the show ring.

Selection of Outfit 30

The outfit should be appropriate for the age, size and type of contestant. It should be stylish and attractive and complement the contestant.

Fit of Clothes 30

Garments should fit well, and accessories included should be applied in a tasteful manner.

Personality 10

The contestants should present themselves in a pleasant, natural, sincere and unaffected manner. They should show courtesy toward other contestants.

Overall Judge:

Function of the Ewe and the Contestant 40

The contestant and animal should work together smoothly. The team of animal and contestant should be presented in a competent and confident manner and should complement each other.

Overall Effect 30

The contestant and animal should present a coordinated look. The pair should provide an attractive and realistic representation of the use of wool.

Control of the Sheep 30

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The contestant and animal should "work" together smoothly. They should exhibit poise and ease in their movement before the Judges and around the show ring.

- H. The Overall Judge's score will be the first tie breaker. Bonus Points for Originality will be the second tie breaker.

SHEEP LEAD DIVISION

Division	Class	Class Name	
2400	001	Junior Sheep Lead	8-10 Years Old
2400	002	Intermediate Sheep Lead	11-13 Years Old
2400	003	Senior Sheep Lead	14-18 Years Old

MINI OPEN SHEEP LEAD DIVISION

Division	Class	Class Name	
2401	001	Mini Open Sheep Lead	7 Years Old and Younger

**JUNIOR DIVISION LIVESTOCK
LLAMA AND ALPACA
DEPARTMENT 27**

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- B. ALL LLAMAS AND ALPACAS MUST BE INSPECTED BY A SUPERINTENDENT OR A CO-SUPERINTENDENT OR VET BEFORE UNLOADING. All Llamas and Alpacas will be inspected for general health. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases or any visible medical/health conditions will be ineligible and excused from the Fairgrounds by DCFR Management.
- C. Animals do not need to be owned by the Junior Exhibitor showing the animal.
- D. All Junior Division and Open Division Exhibitors will compete together by age brackets.
- E. Both Junior Division and Open Division shows will follow all ALSA rules, but this is NOT an ALSA Sanctioned Show. <https://alpacallamashows.com/>
- F. The handler must present a professional and safe appearance. Handlers are expected to be neat, clean, properly dressed, prompt, alert, confident, poised, and courteous. Attire must be appropriate for the class and should include:
 - 1. Closed-toe shoes
 - 2. Hair secured away from the face
 - 3. No dangling or loose jewelry

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Llamas and Alpacas entered in DCFR must have been previously checked in through entry software and/or at the official Identification Day.

III. STALLS AND TACK

- A. Bedding must be removed to designated areas during and at the end of Fair.
- B. Cleaning of the stalls, feeding and watering must be done every morning by no later than 9 am.
- C. Feed or bedding storage in the Llama/Alpaca barn will be at the discretion and permission of the Superintendent.
- D. No tack pens will be available until all Llama/Alpaca have been stalled. Any items such as feed, show boxes, etc. placed in pens not assigned to the Junior Llama/Alpaca Department Exhibitor will be removed without warning. Check with Superintendent for availability of space for tack placement.
- E. Llama/Alpaca Department Exhibitors may use the bedding of their choice.

IV. SCORING GUIDELINES

- A. A handler and llama must make at least one attempt at each obstacle, or they will be considered off course.
- B. In the Senior Division, a llama and handler who go off course may not place above any exhibitor who successfully completes the entire course.
 - 1. This placement restriction applies only to the Senior Division.

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2. In the Junior and Intermediate Divisions, going off course will result in a score of zero (0) for the specific obstacle, but exhibitors may continue through the remainder of the course.
- C. If the same fault occurs at each obstacle, points may be subtracted each occurrence.
- D. The animal with the highest total score will be declared the winner, except in the Senior Division. In the Senior Division, any animal that goes off course cannot place above an exhibitor who completed the entire course, regardless of points earned.
- E. Prior to the start of the show, the Judge shall identify two separate obstacles to be used for determining any tie-breaker results. These designated tie-breaker obstacles will be selected before the class begins and will be applied consistently to all exhibitors in the event of a tie.
- F. The Judge(s) shall audit and sign the final class placings. Upon the Judge's signature, Class results are final.
- G. If an obstacle has more than one requirement, each portion of the obstacle will be clearly defined as a specific task by the Show Superintendent and will receive a portion of the total 10 points.
- H. The Judge will score each portion of the course based on his/her evaluation of the difficulty of that part of the task.

V. DIVISIONS

JUNIOR DIVISION

- A. Llamas and Alpacas entering DCFR must have been previously checked in through entry software and/or at the official Identification Day.
- B. Llama Show will follow rules set by ALSA. Show rules available upon request.
- C. All Exhibitors will be entered in both categories of Showmanship and Obstacle and use the same score from each class they compete in.
 1. The belt buckle will be awarded to the Junior Division Exhibitor with the highest combined score from the Showmanship and Obstacle collectively.
- D. A judge can disqualify a Llama/Alpaca and/or the Junior Division Exhibitor for any reason as per the ALSA rules and/or the safety of the Junior Division Exhibitor and the patrons.
- E. Exhibitors 8 years or older may show intact males.
- F. All Llamas must be at least 6 months old.

LLAMA/ALPACA SHOWMANSHIP JUNIOR DIVISION

- A. Showmanship is mandatory for all Exhibitors.
- B. Exhibitors must show their own animal. Exceptions may be granted for extraordinary circumstances with prior approval of the Superintendent.
- C. The judge will consider appearance of the animal, Showmanship ability of the Junior Division Exhibitor as well as the Junior Division Exhibitor's appearance, courtesy and knowledge.
- D. The three age division classes for the Junior Division Exhibitor ages as of December 31st of the previous year are:

Division	Class	Class Name
2700	001	Senior Llama/Alpaca Showmanship 14-18 Years Old
2700	002	Intermediate Llama/Alpaca Showmanship 11-13 Years Old
2700	003	Junior Llama/Alpaca Showmanship 8-10 Years Old

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OBSTACLE COURSE JUNIOR DIVISION

- A. Obstacles for the Obstacle Division will be determined by the Superintendent and/or Co-Superintendent.
- B. The three age division classes for the Junior Division Exhibitor ages as of December 31st of the previous year are:

Division	Class	Class Name
2701	001	Senior Obstacle Course 14-18 Years Old
2701	002	Intermediate Obstacle Course 11-13 Years Old
2701	003	Junior Obstacle Course 8-10 Years Old

OTHER JUNIOR DIVISION CONTESTS
DEPARTMENT 30

I. DEPARTMENT PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.

SUPREME CONTEST

- B. The Supreme Contest is available to all Exhibitors who are Members in Good Standing and who have fulfilled all elements of the contest.
1. Only Exhibitors with a properly entered and eligible Market Beef, Market Swine, Market Sheep or Market Goat are eligible for the Supreme Contest.
- C. Market animals that are overweight or underweight do not qualify for the Supreme Contest.
- D. The Supreme Contest is based on four (4) areas of competition in the animal's species. Each area is worth a maximum of 25% of the total score.
1. **Market Class**
- a. Points received will be based on the highest placing market animal:
- 1st Place – 25 points
 - 2nd Place – 23 points
 - 3rd Place – 20 points
 - 4th Place – 18 points
 - 5th Place - 15 points
 - 6th Place – 12 points
 - 7th Place and lower – 10 points
2. **Showmanship**
- b. 1st Place – 25 points
- 2nd Place – 23 points
 - 3rd Place – 20 points
 - 4th Place – 18 points
 - 5th Place - 15 points
 - 6th Place– 12 points
 - 7th Place and lower – 10 points
3. **Record Book** points will be based upon the ribbon awarded
- c. 1st Place – 25 points
- 2nd Place – 23 points
 - 3rd Place – 20 points
 - 4th Place – 18 points
 - 5th Place - 15 points
 - 6th Place– 12 points
 - 7th Place and lower – 10 points
- Incomplete Record Book – no points (not eligible for contest)
4. **Skills Quiz**
- d. There are a maximum of 25 points available.

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The points received are based on the percentage of correct answers on the Skills Quiz. (i.e. 80% Skills Quiz score X 25 maximum points = 20 points awarded)

- E. Exhibitors must be eligible for and receive points in each Supreme Contest area of competition to be eligible for this contest.
- F. Bonus Points will be awarded for Market Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of each species.
 - 1. Grand Champion – 3 points
 - 2. Reserve Grand Champion – 2 points
- G. **Tie Breakers:** The order of tie breakers is listed below:
 - 1. Skills Quiz score
 - 2. Showmanship score
 - 3. Market Animal score
 - 4. Record Book score
 - 5. Douglas County Fair Board decision on merit

MASTER SHOWMANSHIP

I. COMPETITION PROVISIONS

- A. The following additional department rules apply to all Junior Division Competitions at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. These rules are in addition to and do not supersede or negate the Competition Rules in Sections 1, 2, and 2B.
- B. Each class will have a time limit of ten (10) minutes - DCFR Management may modify this time limit as needed.
- C. Junior Livestock Departments participating in the Master Showmanship Competition include:
 - 1. Beef
 - 2. Horse
 - 3. Sheep
 - 4. Swine
 - 5. Market Goats
- D. Exhibitors must attend the Check-In Meeting. Failure to attend this meeting may cause the Exhibitor to be declared ineligible for the Master Showmanship Competition. Junior Division Schedule of events can be found at www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com>Get Involved>Junior Division
- E. All Master Showmanship Exhibitors, in coordination with Superintendent, must provide an animal from the Department in which they qualified for use in the Master Showmanship Competition.
- F. Animals will be available for exhibition in all age divisions.
- G. Beef and horses must be provided with a show halter, complete with a chain under the chin.
- H. Animals must be clean and presentable. However, there will NOT be an animal fitting score.
 - I. Exhibitors must designate a handler who will be responsible for the animal provided during the Master Showmanship Competition.
- J. Handlers must have the animal available at ringside when that species is being shown.
- K. Department Superintendents will select alternate animals for use in the Master Showmanship Competition.
- L. Alternate animals may be used in any class, at any time as determined by DCFR Management, species Superintendent or Master Showmanship Superintendent.
- M. Exhibitors must be present at ringside when their class is called. Exhibitors who are late or who miss their class may be declared ineligible for this competition by the Master Showmanship Competition Superintendent.
- N. Exhibitors must bring or borrow their own show ring supplies and equipment.
 - 1. Recommend Show Ring Supplies and Equipment:
 - a. BEEF: show stick & scotch comb
 - b. SWINE: show stick & brush

II. ELIGIBILITY

Class	Class	Name
001	Senior	Master Showmanship 13-18 Years Old
002	Junior	Master Showmanship 8-12 Years Old

- A. The two age division's classes for the Junior Division Exhibitor are based on the Exhibitor's age as of December 31st of the previous year.
- B. Exhibitors will qualify for the Master Showmanship Competition through a separate Showmanship Class after their species showmanship classes. This class will aid in the combination of the age

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divisions. Previous species showmanship placement will not be a factor in the separate class.

Exhibitors must pre-enter for the Master Showmanship qualifier class on their online fair entries.

- C. A maximum of ten (10) Exhibitors are eligible to participate in each age division of the Master Showmanship Competition, two (2) from each Junior Livestock Department age division.

1. Exhibitors may qualify for the Master Showmanship Competition in only one (1) Junior Livestock Department.

- a. If a Junior Division Exhibitor qualifies in more than one (1) Junior Livestock Department the Junior Division Exhibitor must declare which Junior Livestock Department they will represent in the Master Showmanship Competition.

- (i) This declaration must be made within one (1) hour of the end of the final Junior Livestock Department Showmanship Class.

- (ii) This declaration must be made to either the Master Showmanship Competition Superintendent or the chair of the Show Management Committee.

- D. If a Junior Division Exhibitor has already qualified or is unable to compete in the Master Showmanship Competition the next highest placing Exhibitor will become eligible until two (2) Exhibitors from each participating Junior Livestock Department age division are selected for this competition.

III. COMPETITION FORMAT

- A. Species for Master Showmanship will show concurrently unless otherwise determined by DCFR Management
- B. Order of animal selection will be determined by competitor back number. Competitor back number assigned randomly. Animal selection will be done through random drawing upon ring entry.
- C. Show order for the Horse Class will also be drawn.

SWINE

- A. Class Order:

1. Junior
2. Senior

- B. Time Limit: 7 minutes per class

- C. Exhibitors are to use the animal that was selected at the Check-In Meeting unless an alternate animal has been provided at the judge's discretion.

- D. Exhibitors are placed based on showmanship skills and knowledge.

BEEF

- A. Class Order:

1. Senior
2. Junior

- B. Time Limit: 7 minutes per class.

- C. Exhibitors are to use the animal that was selected at the Check-In Meeting unless an alternate animal has been provided at the judge's discretion.

- D. Exhibitors are placed based on showmanship skills and knowledge.

SHEEP

- A. Class Order:

1. Senior

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2. Junior

- B. Time Limit: 7 minutes per class.
- C. Exhibitors are to use the animal that was selected at the Check-In Meeting unless an alternate animal has been provided at the judge's discretion.
- D. Exhibitors are placed based on showmanship skills and knowledge.

HORSE

A. Class Order:

- 1. Senior
- 2. Junior

- B. Time Limit: 7 minutes per class segment.
- C. Exhibitors will enter the show ring in the order that was selected at the Check-In Meeting unless an alternate animal has been provided at the judge's discretion.
- D. Exhibitors are to use the horse that was selected at the Check-In Meeting.
- E. Exhibitors are placed based on showmanship skills and knowledge.
- F. Must be at least Western or English Level 1

MARKET GOAT

A. Class Order:

- 1. Senior
- 2. Junior

- B. Time Limit: 7 minutes per class segment.
- C. Exhibitors will enter the show ring in the order that was selected at the Check-In Meeting.
- D. Exhibitors are to use the animal that was selected at the Check-In Meeting unless an alternate animal has been provided at the judge's discretion.
- E. Exhibitors are placed based on showmanship skills and knowledge.

IV. SHOW RING

- A. Only Exhibitors are allowed in the show ring.
- B. Exhibitors are to show the animal they selected at the ring entry or the alternate designated by Superintendent of species or Master Showmanship Superintendent.
- C. The front feet of sheep and goats must remain on the show ring floor while being shown. Judges and Superintendents will have discretion to enforce disqualification.

V. SCORING GUIDELINES

- A. Each Exhibitor will be placed 1st – 10th for each species. This placing will be the score received for each class. Judges may ask questions relating to knowledge of the species or may place the class entirely on showmanship abilities.
- B. The lowest total score wins, the best possible score being 5 points if the individual placed first in all five species.
- C. **Tie Breakers:**
 - 1. 1st Tie Breaker: Lowest combined showmanship score of contestants' 4 secondary species (i.e. the champion beef showman's tiebreaker score would be his/her combined score from sheep, swine, goats and horse).
 - 2. 2nd Tie Breaker: Showmanship score from the contestant's primary species.
 - 3. 3rd Tie Breaker: Coin flip.

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4. Additional tie breakers will be determined by DCFR Management as needed.

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SMALL ANIMAL ROUND ROBIN

I. COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS

- A. All entrants must read and be familiar with and comply with the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo General Competition Requirements and Regulations, Junior Division Competition Requirements and Regulations, Junior Livestock Division Competition Requirements and Regulations, Junior Livestock Sale Participation Requirements, any special Division or Department Competition Requirements, Regulations and Health Requirements, and the IAFE National Show Ring Code of Ethics.
- B. Superintendents may add, delete and combine classes as necessary.
- C. Each class will have a time limit of five (5) minutes. DCFR Management may modify this time limit as needed.
- D. Junior Livestock Departments participating in the Round Robin Contest include:
 - 1. Dog
 - 2. Rabbit
 - 3. Llama
 - 4. Non-Market Goat
 - 5. Poultry
 - 6. Mini Equine
- E. Contestants must attend the mandatory competitor's meeting on Saturday night before the contest. Failure to attend this meeting may cause the Contestant to be declared ineligible for the Round Robin Contest and subject to discipline as set forth in Section VII of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo General Competition Requirements and Regulations.
- F. Contestants must provide an animal from the Junior Livestock Department in which they qualified for use in the Round Robin Contest.
 - 1. Animals will be available for exhibition in all age divisions.
 - a. Dogs must be provided with a show collar and leash.
 - b. Non-Market Goats must be provided with a show collar.
 - c. Llamas must be provided with a show halter, complete with a chain under the chin.
 - d. Animals must be clean and presentable. However, there will NOT be an animal fitting score.
 - e. Contestants must designate a handler who will be responsible for the provided animal during the Round Robin Contest.
 - (1) Handlers must have the animal available at ringside when that species is being shown.
 - f. Contestants from the Poultry Department may bring the animal they qualified with to use in the Round Robin Contest.
 - g. Junior Livestock Department Superintendents will select additional and alternate animals for use in the Round Robin Contest.
- G. Exhibitors that qualify for the Round Robin Contest from the Poultry Department will exhibit a chicken in the Round Robin Contest in order to maintain consistency for all Contestants during this contest.
- H. Alternate animals may be used at any show station, at any time as determined by DCFR Management.
- I. Contestants must be present at ringside when their class is called. Contestants who are late or who miss their class may be declared ineligible for this competition by the Round Robin Contest Superintendent.
- J. Contestants must bring or borrow their own show ring supplies and equipment.

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II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Three age divisions are offered with Exhibitor age considered as of December 31st of the previous year.

Class	Class Name	Age
001	Senior Round Robin Showmanship	14-18 Years Old
002	Intermediate Round Robin Showmanship	11-13 Years Old
003	Junior Round Robin Showmanship	8-10 Years Old

- B. Exhibitors qualify for the Round Robin Contest based on their placing in the participating Junior Livestock Department Showmanship Class.
1. A maximum of ten (10) Exhibitors are eligible to participate in each age division of the Round Robin Contest, two (2) from each Junior Livestock Department age division.
 2. Exhibitors may qualify for the Round Robin Contest in only one (1) Junior Livestock Department.
 - a. If an Exhibitor qualifies in more than one (1) Junior Livestock Department the Exhibitor must declare which Junior Livestock Department they will represent in the Round Robin Contest.
 - b. This declaration must be made within one (1) hour of the end of the final participating Junior Livestock Department's Showmanship Class.
 - c. This declaration must be made to either the Round Robin Contest Superintendent or the chair of the Show Management Committee.
 3. If an Exhibitor has already qualified or is unable to compete in the Round Robin Contest the next highest placing Contestant will become eligible until a maximum of two (2) Exhibitors from each participating Junior Livestock Department age division are selected for this contest.
- C. If an Exhibitor qualifies for the Round Robin Contest with an animal that is leased, the Exhibitor and animal are eligible to participate in the Round Robin Contest.

III. COMPETITION FORMAT

All species participating in the Round Robin Contest are exhibited at the same time. One age group at a time competes in this contest. At each show station the Contestant will demonstrate their knowledge and showmanship of that species using currently acceptable showmanship techniques within the allotted time. Contestants rotate through all the species show stations demonstrating their knowledge and skills. Each Contestant is scored by the judge using a score sheet. Higher scores indicate better performance. The score sheets are totaled at the end of the contest to determine the overall winner. Highest score wins.

- A. The Order of Competition will be set by DCFR Management and may be changed as needed. The preliminary Order of Competition will be:
1. Dog
 2. Rabbit
 3. Llama
 4. Non-Market Goat
 5. Poultry
- B. Contestants' animals will be used in the showmanship portion of the contest. The judges will not be using a fitting score as a tie breaker —contestants do not need to fit their animals, but the animals should be clean and presentable.
1. Contestants must bring their own or borrow necessary supplies
 - 2.

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IV. SHOW RING

- A. Only Contestants are allowed in the show ring.
- B. Contestants are to show the animal designated by DCFR Management.
- C. Contestants are to remain at the current show station until the announcer calls for Contestants to rotate to the next show station.

V. SCORING GUIDELINES

- A. Each Contestant will be scored on knowledge and showmanship skills for each species. This score will be received for each species show station. Judges may ask questions relating to knowledge of the species or may score the Contestant entirely on showmanship abilities.
- B. The highest total score wins, the best possible score being 125 points if the Contestant shows all five species perfectly.
- C. Tie Breakers
 - 1. **1st Tie Breaker:** Highest combined score of contestant's secondary species (i.e. the champion rabbit showman's tiebreaker score would be his/her combined score from llama, non-market goat, poultry and dog).
 - 2. **2nd Tie Breaker:** Showmanship score from the contestant's primary species.
 - 3. **3rd Tie Breaker:** Coin flip.
 - 4. Additional tie breakers will be determined by DCFR Management as needed.