

## 2024 Appanoose County Fair Changes – Approved by Extension Council

### Fair Changes Approved at the January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, Extension Council Meeting:

#### Department 1 – Beef

- Division 2 – Market Beef: Amend Rule F “All market beef steer classes must have at least 2 animals for the class to be held. If there are less than 2 animals, the member will select another class in which the steer is eligible to compete. Exceptions: One animal will constitute as a class for Produce of Dam and Miniature Classes.”
  - Change to: **“All breed steers will show in their designated breed class even if there is only 1 entry for the class.”**

#### Department 2 – Dairy Goat

- White Pants Guidance needs to be clarified and specifically listed under the species rule.
  - Add Rule: **There will be no penalties to exhibitors that do not follow the Dairy Association Standards of white pants.**

#### Department 3 – Sheep

- **Allow substitution of lambs (breeding and market) at County Fair Check-In as long as the animals have been properly identified and weighed in by the May 15<sup>th</sup> Deadline.**
  - *Will need to be listed under both Division 1 – Purebred Sheep and Division 2 – Market Lambs.*

#### Department 4 – Swine

- **Remove DOB requirement of Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 20XX for market hogs.**
- Amend Rule B (pg. 42) “An exhibitor may show two pens of 3 and 4 individuals, regardless of weight, for a total of 6 hogs. No additional pigs may be brought to the fairgrounds.”
  - Change to: **“An exhibitor may show two pens of 3 and 4 individuals under Division 1 – Market Hogs, regardless of weight, for a total of 6 market hogs. In addition, an exhibitor may show 1 Breeding Gilt. No additional pigs may be brought to the fairgrounds.”**
- **Division 1 – Market Hogs: Add Class - Purebred Individual Market Hogs (must provide registration papers)**
  - *All shown together unless there is a need to break the class due to number of head per class.*
- **Division 1 – Market Hogs: Change Class - Individual Market Hogs to Crossbred Individual Market Hogs**
  - *Continue to show by weight.*
- **Division 1 – Market Hogs: Add Class – Family Farm Born & Raised Individual Market Hogs**
  - *All shown together unless there is a need to break the class due to number of head per class.*

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### Department 5 - Horse

- Edit Rule T (pg.44)
  - “All horse showmanship, halter, and performance classes will take place at the conclusion of each show.”
  - Should read: “All horse showmanship, halter, and performance classes will take place **during the Friday portion of the Horse Show.**”
- Remove Class F – Mule Jumping (In Hand)

### Department 6 – Dairy Goats

- Amend Rule F (pg. 46) “Exhibitor is limited to a total of 6 head of goats (including dairy & meat).
  - Change to: “Exhibitor is limited to a total of 6 head of **dairy** goats.”
  - *Separate Dairy and Meat Goat # of head requirement. Should be treated as a separate specie.*
- White Pants Guidance needs to be clarified and specifically listed under the species rule.
  - Add Rule: **There will be no penalties to exhibitors that do not follow the Dairy Association Standards of white pants.**

### Department 7 – Meat Goats

- Amend Rule F (pg. 47) “County Fair market wethers will be weighed in on XXXday, July XX. State Fair Meat Goats will be required to be weighed on XXXday, May XX. Exhibitor is limited to a total of 6 head of goats (including dairy & meat).
  - Change to: “County Fair market wethers will be weighed in on XXXday, July XX. State Fair Meat Goats will be required to be weighed on XXXday, May XX. Exhibitor is limited to a total of 6 head of **meat** goats.”
  - *Separate Dairy and Meat Goat # of head requirement. Should be treated as a separate specie.*
- Division 2 – Market Meat Goats: Add Class – Family Farm Born & Raised Market Wether or Doe
  - *All shown together unless there is a need to break the class due to number of head per class.*
- Division 3 – Novelty Goats: Add Class – Novelty Wether (*castrated male*)
  - Same lots as Class A. Novelty Doe.
- Division 3 – Novelty Goats: Select a Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Novelty Goat

### Department 9 – Poultry & Fowl

- Limit number of poultry shown to 8 head. (Previously was 12 head.)

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### **Other Changes/Suggestions**

- It is the Judge's Discretion if they would like to select a Top 5 in each species, however additional awards/trophies will not be guaranteed for that selection. Awards for Top 3 through 5 in each species will only be given if they have specifically been donated by a donor.
- Move the Communications Event and Clothing Event to be held in the same day instead of two different days during the week to prior to county fair. (Will be held on the Thursday before Fair.)

### **Fair Changes Voted Against at the January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, Extension Council Meeting:**

#### **Department 5 – Horse**

- **NOT APPROVED:** Update Rule G (pg.44) to match Iowa State Fair rule:
  - Current Rule reads: "Appropriate 4-H and FFA clothing is mandatory to include long-sleeved white shirt or blouse with 4-H or FFA armband (not provided)."

After much consideration over the past several years between the Appanoose County Adult Committee and Extension Council, the Appanoose County Extension Council voted to leave the required dress code in place for the Horse Show. The reasoning to not adapt the Iowa State Fair Horse Show Dress Code was to maintain uniformity of exhibitor appearance in the show ring by both the 4-H and FFA members as well as not deter away from the visual identity of the 4-H and FFA armbands. By keeping the current rule in effect, it corresponds with the general exhibitor dress code in effect for all exhibitors of the Appanoose County Fair. "EXHIBITOR DRESS CODE: Exhibitors must wear official 4-H or FFA shirts and emblems, (the official Appanoose County 4-H exhibitor shirt is the white shirt with 4-H emblem, which comes from the Extension Office), while in the show ring, long pants or skirts and closed-toe shoes or boots."

## **2024 Appanoose County Fair Changes – Approved by Extension Council**

### **Fair Changes Approved at the February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Extension Council Meeting:**

#### **Junior Livestock Auction**

- All 4-H and FFA members desiring to sell livestock through the Junior Livestock Auction must notify and draw for sale order by **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024**; there will be NO EXCEPTIONS for late entries into the auction.
  - Sale Draw will be open Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. in the Fair Office following each specie's show. You will not be able to draw for the auction until after the completion of each show.
- **Sale weigh-ins will take place on Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.** All animals going through the auction will be required to be weighed during the sale weigh-ins except for bucket bottle calves, rabbits, and poultry.
- The total number of animals allowed to be sold per exhibitor will be determined by the total number of eligible species that is exhibited. An exhibitor is not allowed to sell more than 4 head per specie with the exception of only 2 beef exhibits.
  - An exhibitor that has exhibited 2 eligible species is allowed to sell a total of 6 animals, with no more than 4 individuals per specie.
  - An exhibitor that has exhibited 3 eligible species is allowed to sell a total of 7 animals, with no more than 4 individuals per specie.
  - An exhibitor that has exhibited 4 or more eligible species is allowed to sell a total of 8 animals, with no more than 4 individuals per specie.
- Animals invited to the South Central Iowa Showdown (Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion, if applicable) are not eligible to sell in the Junior Livestock Auction. However, those exhibits will be allowed to enter the auction for premium donation with no change of ownership of the animals. Additionally, if any animal that goes through the auction is given back to the exhibitor it will be considered sold for premium (as no change of ownership has taken place).
  - Exhibitors are not granted the choice of selling for premium only, unless they are invited as a Showdown participant.
    - The following exhibits that are eligible to sell as premium only, as a result of being invited to the South Central Iowa Showdown, are the Grand Champion (market and breeding) beef, goat, sheep, and swine. Exception: Reserve Grand Champion can sell for premium only if the Grand Champion elects to not participate in the Showdown.
  - **Each exhibitor may only sell 3 individual animals for premium.** If an animal is sold for premium, it will be counted towards the total number of animals sold per exhibitor. (NO EXCEPTIONS)

This year, the Appanoose County Extension Council spent a lot of time working on revamping the Junior Livestock Auction for the Appanoose County Fair. All decisions made to revamp the Junior Livestock Auction were not taken lightly; changes were made with both the exhibitors and buyers' best interests in mind. Lots of research went into making the decision concerning the total number of animals allowed to be sold per exhibitor to ensure that we weren't taking advantage of our generous livestock buyers that continue to support our members year after year. Through making their final decision, the Council compared several surrounding counties rules regarding their auction to help guide them in making a fair decision.