LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT
Show Veterinarian……………………DeWitt Vet Clinic

The Decision of the Official Show Veterinarian Will Be Final
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Rules, Regulations, & Health Requirements

1. Livestock that must be identified by May 15 include: Breeding Beef, Dairy, Goats, Dog, Market Sheep, Breeding Sheep, Rabbits, Horses, Market Swine, Breeding Swine, Llama, Alpaca, and Bucket Bottle Calf. All must be identified by May 15 and must make entry in the Fair Entry online program by June 23, 2015. Livestock fair entries received after June 23, 2015 must be accompanied by a $25.00 late fee. There will be NO late fair entries accepted after Monday, July 1st. After Monday, July 1st, you may not be eligible to enter your project. This includes all animals.

2. No individual Certificates of Veterinary Inspection will be required on animals or poultry exhibited at a County Fair, 4-H and/or FFA Exhibition, but must be inspected when unloaded or shortly thereafter by an accredited veterinarian. Each show must have an official veterinarian.

3. Quarantined animals or animals from quarantined herds cannot be exhibited.

4. All exhibitors of market animals must sign an affidavit of drug withdrawal and this must be handed in at fair weigh-in. Species specific drug affidavits may be found at: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock

5. ANY EVIDENCE OF WARTS, RINGWORM, FOOT ROT, PINK EYE, DRAINING ABSCESSES, CLUB LAMB FUNGUS, OR ANY OTHER CONTAGIOUS OR INFECTIOUS CONDITION WILL ELIMINATE THE ANIMAL FROM THE SHOW.

6. No livestock or pets are allowed in the food stand area.

7. The rules established by the livestock department must be obeyed. The department requests that each animal be closely observed and brought to the fair only if no contagious or infectious diseases are evident. The exhibitor’s responsibility is to inspect the animal prior to loading it to bring to the fair. It is the department’s goal to make the fair an atmosphere of healthy fair competition.

8. All exhibitors must show their own livestock.

9. It is the intent that the 4-H or FFA member takes responsibility for caring for and grooming his/her own animals. If assistance is needed it should be aimed at helping the 4-H or FFA member to learn new skills, and be done by an immediate family member and/or another Clinton County 4-H or FFA member. For all animal exhibits, coloring agents may not be used anywhere except on hooves.

10. In the showmanship contests, members are to show their own animal.

11. Each exhibitor will be responsible for cleaning his/her stall or pens before being released. Club Leaders are responsible for overseeing the cleaning of their club’s area (both inside and outside the barn). Premium checks will not be issued to a club until all stalls are cleaned out for every member of that club. All barns must be fully cleaned of all hay, corn and manure; wood chips must be scraped to center of pens (6" from edge of pens), and trash (including straw bales) removed between barns.

12. Exhibitors MUST wear the following uniform when being judged: white shirt with 4-H or FFA emblem or a white blouse with a 4-H or FFA emblem on it with dark pants, jeans, or slacks with no holes. This rule does not apply to dairy exhibitors. Dairy exhibitors need to wear white pants and a 4-H or FFA club t-shirt. Horse, pony, and mule exhibitors should refer to rule 14 on page 35.

13. All livestock exhibitors must wear hard-soled, dark colored, closed toe shoes. Poultry, rabbit, dog and pet exhibitors may wear dark colored, closed toe shoes that do not have hard soles.

14. All fans must be inspected and approved by the grounds electrician. One fan per pen post to post. One self-contained mister will be allowed per exhibitor. Misters must be attended at all times.

15. Release time for livestock will be announced after the final livestock show is completed, between 3-4 p.m. on Sunday, July 19. The following livestock is released immediately following exhibition: horses, dairy cows, pets, and dogs. Swine release time will be announced.

16. Milking cows will be checked in on Wednesday with the rest of the dairy cows, and will be released after the Dairy Show. Milking cows must be walked off of the fairgrounds to their trailers.

17. The 4-H Youth Development Educator, in consult with Livestock Superintendents and the Fair Board President, may approve or deny written requests to release livestock early. Requests must be given to the
Extension Office or to Extension Staff prior to check-in time of the Club Show. Exceptions will be made if an animal is sick. At this time, the Club Show Veterinarian will make the decision if the animal is to be released early.

18. If exhibitors take livestock home early without written permission from the County 4-H Program Manager, they will lose all premiums, trophies, awards, and will be subject to being barred from exhibiting at the Clinton County Club Show next year.

19. Large feed bunks are not allowed.

20. Blocking chutes are not allowed in alleys of beef barns. If space permits, a club may have blocking chutes in the club’s designated stalls only.

21. Necessary changes announced at the show will take precedence over the premium book.

22. No 4-H or FFA members may remain on the grounds from midnight until 5:00 a.m.

23. In the market beef and derby lamb classes, the exhibitor and animal number with the rate of gain, which will be furnished by the Club Show, will be worn on the exhibitor’s shirt so it is visible to the judge.

24. A 4-H or FFA member who no longer attends school or has graduated from high school prior to 2014 is ineligible to exhibit livestock in the Youth Divisions at the Club Show.

25. Ribbons will be awarded in all divisions. Each exhibit will be placed in a purple, blue, or red group.

26. All livestock shown must have been identified as the member’s project prior to May 15, and entered in the Fair Entry online program by June 23, 2015. Animals must have been in the member’s care (feeding, grooming, and training) from the time the animal became the project until exhibited at the Club Show.

27. All livestock (except dogs, pets and horses) entries must be checked and confirmed on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 during the species’ designated check in time.

28. Clover Kid (Kindergarten-3rd grade) exhibitors must enter classes online using the Fair Entry Online program by June 23, 2015.

29. Clover Kids (Kindergarten-3rd grade) participating in livestock projects will not receive premiums, but will be recognized with a ribbon for participation.

30. All Clover Kids (Kindergarten-3rd grade) animal exhibit opportunities will be cooperative and not competitive.

31. Clover Kids participating in the livestock classes have the option to either house their animal(s) for the duration of the fair in a designated Clover Kid area or bring and take home their animal(s) on the day of the show. All calves staying for the duration of the fair should be identified in the Fair Entry online program before June 23, 2015.

32. No trailers are to be left on the grounds during the fair.

33. No vehicles may be parked on the south side of the barns after Wednesday night until load out time on Sunday.

34. The Clinton County 4-H program is governed by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and the County Agricultural Districts Memorandum of Understanding. All rules pertaining to the Clinton County Club Show align with Iowa 4-H Youth Development. Guidelines and rules are determined by Project Committees, 4-H Youth Committee and by County 4-H Extension Staff, which are governed by the Clinton County Extension Council. Rule enforcement is established through discussion focused on positive youth development. The Project Division Superintendents, Extension Staff, and/or the Vocational Agriculture instructors shall make final interpretation of rules and regulations as they apply to all youth divisions.

35. Contact the Clinton County Extension Office for formal Grievance Policy.

4-H State Livestock Homepage: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock