



Fair Tips for Showing Livestock



Don't forget to register your exhibits in Fair Entry by July 1st! Help sheets can be found online.

Arrive at the fairgrounds

- Unload tack using pen & stall assignments*
- Bring your animals during the Animal Arrival times or have a veterinarian health inspection paper and bring at your convenience*
- Attend respective animal check-in times
- Stay calm. If you are calm, your animal will be calm. Remember, this is a new environment for them

During the fair

- Keep stalls, walkways, and animals clean
- Get your animal acclimated to the show arena by walking them in the arena when it is not in use
- Talk to the public about your animal & what you learned

Preparing for judging

- Make sure your animal is clean before judging. Utilize wash racks to help with this
- Make sure 4-H'ers clothes are clean

You are done!

- You **MUST** wait until the assigned release times to remove your animal/tack from the fairgrounds*

**Watch your email before fair for dates and times of when everything can come to fair*

Packing Checklist

- Any paperwork - purebred registrations, health paperwork
- Animal feed
- Water from home
- Fans to keep animals cool
- Animal shampoo
- Water hose
- Mud boots/extra shoes
- Clean clothes for showing (Closed toed shoes)
- Exhibitor shirt(s)
- Shovels/pitch forks
- Bedding
- Pans/buckets/cups for feed and water
- Halters
- Show stick
- Animal cleaning brushes/cloths

Auction

- To sell your animal in the auction, you **must** sign up at the 4-H Fair Office by 5 pm on Friday, July 28th
- Please have species, tag number & 4-H'er name ready when you come to the office to sign up
- If you put your animals into the auction, they are not eligible to be shown at another FFA or 4-H event (this includes the Iowa State Fair)
- You can scratch animals from the auction much easier than add them!

If you have any questions or need to request accommodations, please email Samantha Jamison at jamison1@iastate.edu or call/text 319-201-0102

