

COUNTY FAIR BEST OF SHOW

2019 COMPETITION GUIDE

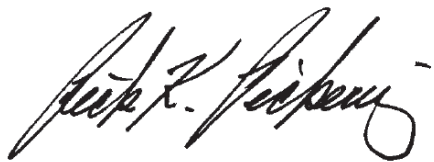
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For more than 160 years the California State Fair has been a constant showcase of the talents and achievements of the people of California. Entering into the California State Fair's 2019 Competitive Exhibits Program allows you the opportunity to showcase your abilities, and revel in your accomplishments!

The California State Fair's friendly competitions are designed to recognize the best of the Golden State. Our Competitive Programs inspire talented Californians, as well as highlight the latest advances in technology, agriculture, and industry.

More than 750,000 visitors are expected at the State Fair this summer. Your work is an integral part of the State's celebration, and we look forward to placing your talent on display at the State Fair from July 12-28. We encourage you to enter today and begin making lasting memories for yourself, and for the hundreds of thousands of State Fair patrons!

Sincerely,



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO KNOW

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Entry Dates:

June 21	Horse Show Entries Close Online at 11:59 PM
June 26	Horse Show Entries: Detailed Receipt Due
June 28	All Other Entries Close Online at 11:59 PM
July 1	All Other Entries: Detailed Receipt Due
July 6-7	County Fair Best of Show Horse Show
July 7	Equine Champion Challenge: Written Exam 8:00-11:30 AM , Mandatory Meeting 3:00 PM
July 13	County Fair Best of Show Sheep Lead
July 15	County Fair Best of Show Large Animal Master Showmanship
July 20	County Fair Best of Show Small Animal Master Showmanship

The California State Fair July 12-28, 2019

The California State Fair has always been the awe-inspiring showcase of the state's finest, and ever since the first fair in 1854, California has upheld this tradition. People come from all over to witness the competition and innovation that our exhibitors produce. We continue to add new and exciting competitions to our competitive programs to showcase California's very best!

Why enter the Competition?

The County Fair Best of Show competition provides the opportunity to not only compete, but meet with like minded exhibitors. You will see the best of the best representing their county, citrus and district fairs competing to be the very best! This competition allows you to learn while having a great time.

COMPETITION OVERVIEW



This competition provides the opportunity to not only compete, but to meet with like-minded exhibitors. See the best of the best representing their county, citrus and district fairs competing to be the very best!

Who Can Enter & Entry Fees

Entry in the California State Fair County Fair Best of Show competition is open to California residents only. **Entry fees are NOT refundable.**

\$10.00 - Large & Small Animal Master Showmanship, Junior Sheep Lead

\$12.00 - Equestrian Show Entry Fee

\$5.00 one time drug fee per horse

\$20.00 per night - Stable Fee (optional stabling available on the Fairgrounds)
Fee MUST be paid in advance with entry fee.

\$10.00 - Equine Champion Challenge for any youth in California not exhibiting in the State Fair Horse Show. (Must also qualify through Written Exam on July 7.)

How to Enter

1. Go to **CAStateFair.org/competitions** and click on the **Best of Show** icon under the competitions page and follow the instructions. Use a Visa or Mastercard to pay entry fees. Upon completion of entry, **mail Detailed Receipt with all required signatures** to Livestock Office. Entries are not accepted until Detailed Receipt is received.
 - a. When registering, please consider how you input your information. It is a direct source for the publishing of names and titles for Award Recognition & Publications. Please pay special attention and use proper spelling, capitalization, full names of cities/counties, no abbreviations and correct contact and mailing outlets.

2. **Horse entries** must be submitted online prior to **11:59 PM on June 21**. Horse Show Entries **Detailed Receipts** are due by **June 26**. **All other entries** must be submitted online prior to **11:59 pm on June 28**. All other entries Detailed Receipts are due **July 1** in our office.

Detailed Receipts may be mailed, hand-delivered or scanned and emailed to **entryoffice@calexpo.com**.

Deliver to:

Administration Building
California State Fair Entry Office
1600 Exposition Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95815

or Mail to:

Junior Livestock
California State Fair
P.O. Box 15649
Sacramento, CA 95852

3. Take a moment to look through this Competition Guide to see which competition your entry is eligible to compete in. Note that sessions expire after 20 minutes of inactivity, so “save to cart” if you plan on leaving the computer for more than 20 minutes. Everyone must register as a new exhibitor when logging in for the first time in any given year. If you entered last year, you would still enter as a first-time exhibitor.
4. Submission of entry implies acceptance of all rules and conditions as stated in this competition guide. Contact the California State Fair Entry Office with any questions concerning entry policies or procedures.
5. If you have any Equine questions, please contact **Nancy Easton (Equine): (209) 484-1580**

California State Fair

Best of Show Competition

P.O. Box 15649, Sacramento, California 95852

Phone: (209) 484-1580 & E-mail: NHERanch@aol.com

For livestock questions contact the **Livestock Entry Office:**

Phone: (916) 263-3149 & E-mail: entryoffice@calexpo.com

6. This Competition Guide is posted in advance and is subject to any action that may cause revision or curtailment of classes, divisions, sections, awards, premiums, or regulations as listed.

Credential Admission Pass Policy

Each Livestock, Small Animal, and Sheep Lead Class exhibitor will receive 2 credential admission passes and one parking pass. No Exceptions. Lost or stolen passes will not be replaced.

BEST OF SHOW SCHEDULE

(schedule subject to change)

The California State Fair would like to accommodate all exhibitors; however, due to the nature of the County Fair Best of Show program and the close proximity of entry deadlines to the opening of the State Fair, entry deadlines must be adhered to. If you have any questions, please call our Entry Office at (916) 263-3149 prior to traveling a great distance to deliver entries.

Friday, June 21

Horse Show entry forms and fees must be submitted online.

Wednesday, June 26

Detailed Receipt due for Horse Show entries.

Friday, June 28

All Large Animal Master Showmanship, Small Animal Master Showmanship, and Sheep Lead entry forms and fees must be submitted online.

Monday, July 1

Detailed Receipt is due for all Large Animal Master Showmanship, Small Animal Master Showmanship, and Sheep Lead entries.

Saturday, July 6

7:00 AM Check-in and Sign up for California State Fair Best of Show Horse Show Queen contest. Application and rules available at check in table.

8:00 AM Youth Horse Show: English and Gymkhana (Cavalcade Arena)

8:00 AM Equine Champion Challenge (Cavalcade Arena)

Sunday, July 7

8:00 AM Youth Horse Show: Showmanship, Western (Cavalcade Arena)

8:00 AM Equine Champion Challenge (Cavalcade Arena)

12:00 PM Youth Horse Show: Trail (Cavalcade Arena)

Lunch Queen Contest Interviews

Saturday, July 13

4:00 PM Entrants in the Junior Sheep Lead Class Competition must check-in at the Livestock Office no later than 4:00 pm on this date.

5:00 PM Judge Junior Sheep Lead Class Competition (L2)

Monday, July 15

8:00 AM Entrants in the Large Animal Master Showmanship Competition must check-in at the Livestock Office no later than 8:00 am.

10:00 AM Judge Large Animal Master Showmanship Competition (L1)

Saturday, July 20

5:30 PM Entrants in the County Fair Best of Show Small Animal Master Showmanship Competition must check-in at the L1 Show Ring before 5:30 pm on this date.

6:00 PM Judge County Fair Best of Show Small Animal Master Showmanship Competition (Livestock Barn L1)



RULES & REQUIREMENTS

1. This competition is open to the “Best of Show” winners from throughout the California Fair industry. Only exhibitors winning a Best of Show at their county, district, citrus fair or other approved events are eligible to compete. (See Entry Requirements for each competition.)
For clarification, only those fairs under the auspices of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Division of Fairs and Expositions will be recognized for entry.
2. It is not necessary to be entered in any other California State Fair Competition to be eligible for entry into the County Fair Best of Show Competitions.
3. Unless specifically stated otherwise in this Competition Guide, exhibitors must be the bona fide owner of any entry they exhibit in the California State Fair. The Fair management may demand such proof of ownership as it deems necessary in each case.
4. Detailed Receipts must be endorsed with an authorized signature from the local County, District or Citrus Fair Manager or County Resource Horse Leader if the entrant qualified at an approved County 4-H Horse Show. (See specific competitions for any other required signatures.) The Detailed Receipt must obtain all required signatures and return the signed form to our office by the required deadline, **July 1, 2019**. Entries are not accepted until the Detailed Receipt is received by our office. Equine detailed receipts due **June 26**.
5. All signatures and information necessary to determine that an entry is eligible must be on the entry form. It shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor to correct all deficiencies in connection with entries or exhibiting which are required of them by the rules printed in this Competition Guide. All deficiencies must be corrected by the entry delivery date. Awards will not be made for entries on which deficiencies have not been corrected. No entry will be judged if fees and or forms are outstanding on that entry.
6. Sheep lead is open to all junior exhibitors. If exhibitor did not win at their county fair, the fair manager’s signature is not required.
7. Any and all decisions of the judges shall be final. The judge’s decision on awards cannot be protested. Protests will be considered only if there has been a violation of California State Fair rules. No exhibitor shall be allowed, under any circumstances, to interfere with the judge or judges, during their adjudication, or with the Fair’s staff and management.

LARGE & SMALL ANIMAL MASTER SHOWMANSHIP

Entry Requirements

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 per class, Entry fees are nonrefundable.

This competition will not replace the regular State Fair 4-H Master Showmanship or FFA Round Robin Showmanship.

Show Dates

Large Animal: Monday, July 15

Small Animal: Saturday, July 20

Livestock Representative

Jay Carlson

(916) 263-3149

entryoffice@calexpo.com

Small Animal Livestock Representative

Eunita "Nita" Boatman

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eboatman@calexpo.com

Master Showmanship Awards

The following Awards of Excellence will be awarded in each designated County Fair Best of Show Master Showmanship Class. Awards will be selected based on the American System of Judging.

First Award.....State Fair Rosette & Large Golden Bear Trophy

Second Award..... State Fair Rosette

Third Award..... State Fair Rosette

Fourth Award..... State Fair Rosette

Fifth Award..... State Fair Rosette

Master Showmanship Divisions & Classes

DIVISION 69 - LARGE ANIMAL MASTER SHOWMANSHIP

Only exhibitors winning senior level Master Showmanship or senior level Round Robin Showmanship in livestock competitions (beef, sheep, swine, horse, dairy cattle or all goats (dairy and meat) excluding pygmy goats) at their county, district or citrus fair, between **June 29, 2018**, and **June 28, 2019** are eligible to compete. Fairs occurring after June 28, 2019 shall be eligible for entry in the 2020 California State Fair Master Showmanship Competition.

1. 4-H Master Showmanship - Class shall include beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, market goats and dairy goats.
2. FFA Master Showmanship - Class shall include beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, market goats and dairy goats.

DIVISION 72 - SMALL ANIMAL MASTER SHOWMANSHIP

Only exhibitors winning senior level Master Showmanship or Round Robin Showmanship in Small Animal Competitions (poultry, rabbit, cavy, pygmy goat and dog) at their county, district or citrus fair, between June 29, 2018, and June 28, 2019, are eligible to compete. Fairs occurring after June 28, 2019, shall be eligible for entry in the 2020 California State Fair Master Showmanship Competition.

1. 4-H Master Showmanship - entrants shall compete together. Exhibitors must have won first place in the Senior Master Small Animal Showmanship competition at the local fair (Class shall include rabbits, pygmy goats, poultry, cavies, and dogs)
2. FFA Master Showmanship - entrants shall compete together. Exhibitors must have won first place in the Senior Master Small Animal Showmanship competition at the local fair (Class shall include rabbits, pygmy goats, poultry, cavies, and dogs)

Note: Independent Juniors and Grange must pick Class 1 or 2 although exhibitors under 13 years must enter Class 1.

Only exhibitors qualifying in composite livestock or Small Animal Showmanship competition such as Master Showmanship or Round Robin Showmanship shall compete. Second place winners, alternates or Reserve Champion Showmanship winners are not eligible.

Exhibitors winning novice, junior or intermediate Master Showmanship or Round Robin Showmanship at their county, district or citrus fair are not eligible to compete in the County Fair Best of Show Showmanship Competition.

An exhibitor can represent only one fair. If an exhibitor qualifies to represent more than one fair the exhibitor must choose which fair to represent. Exhibitors may only qualify for one class. Entrants who have won both 4-H and FFA Master Showmanship and/or Open Junior Master Showmanship competitions at the local fair, are eligible to enter under only one class in this competition.

Grange and Independent Junior exhibitors must have competed and won in a competition with a minimum of three (3) exhibitors competing and representing a minimum of three (3) species (i.e., beef, sheep, swine; horse, beef, meat goat, dairy goat; etc.). This rule applies to large and small animals.

It is not necessary to be entered in any other State Fair competition to be eligible for this competition.

All exhibitors competing in this event must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, adult, 4-H leader or FFA advisor while on the fairgrounds.

All 4-H exhibitors must wear the official State Fair 4-H uniform at the time of judging. All FFA exhibitors must wear the official State Fair FFA uniform at the time of judging. All Grange exhibitors must wear the official Grange uniform at the time of judging. Independent Juniors Exhibitors must wear whites.

The State Fair shall provide all animals for these competitions. The State Fair shall provide all show equipment such as: halters, show sticks, canes, etc., for these competitions.

Entrant Check-in Procedure

Large Animal

Large Animal Master Showmanship participants must check in at the Livestock Office by **8:00 a.m. Monday, July 15, 2019**. Judging of the Large Animal Master Showmanship Competition will be held in the Livestock Pavilion, L1, on Monday, **July 15, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.**

Small Animal

Exhibitors must check-in at the L1 Show Ring by 5:30 p.m., July 20, 2019. Judging of the Small Animal Master Showmanship competition will be held in the Livestock Pavilion, L1, on July 20, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

American System of Judging

Each entry in a Class is judged in comparison to the other entries in the Class. Entries are placed first, second, third, etc., according to relative merit. There will be no more than one first, second, third, etc., per class.



JUNIOR SHEEP LEAD CLASS

Entry Requirements

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 per class, Entry fees are nonrefundable.

Deadline Entry: June 28, 2019 & Detailed Receipts: July 1, 2019

Any 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent exhibitor is eligible to compete in the Junior Sheep Lead Competition.

All exhibitors shall compete together (boys, girls, 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent).

This competition will be held in place of the County Fair Best of Show Junior Sheep Lead Class.

Livestock Representative

Jay Carlson
(916) 263-3149

Awards

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

The following Awards of Excellence will be awarded in each designated Junior Sheep Lead Class. Awards will be selected based on the American System of Judging.

- First Award of Excellence Special Award & State Fair Rosette
- Second Award..... State Fair Rosette
- Third Award..... State Fair Rosette

No monetary premiums are awarded in this program by the California State Fair.

Commentary

Entrants must provide their commentary sheet based on the qualifying event, if applicable. The commentary must be typed double-spaced on one side of an 8 ½" x 11" sheet of paper and written in "Third Person." The commentary must be included with the Detailed Receipt due on July 1, 2019. A copy of the commentary must also be available upon arrival if requested by Fair Management.

Age Requirements

Exhibitor age requirements for this competition are the same as for those of 4-H, FFA and Grange membership.

Juniors and Seniors will compete together in one class.

All exhibitors competing in this event must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, 4-H leader, FFA advisor or Grange leader while on the fairgrounds.

It is not necessary to be entered in any other State Fair competition to be eligible for this competition.

Sheep Requirements

Each entrant shall be responsible for providing their own sheep (any age ewe or wether, no rams), or arrange to borrow one from a 2019 California State Fair Junior Sheep exhibitor. It shall be the sole responsibility of said entrant to make any and all arrangements pertaining to borrowing an animal from a junior exhibitor entered and competed in the 2019 California State Fair Junior Sheep Show. Each participant must designate at the time of entry, whether they will be bringing their own animal or borrowing one from another exhibitor.

If the entrant chooses to provide their own animal, a veterinarian provided by the Fair shall check all animals upon arrival and before unloading for proper health certificates, signs of communicable disease, external parasites, any unsightly disease condition and any wounds, open or closed, that may be contagious. Any animal found to be in an unsafe or unsightly condition will be quarantined in a designated area and then dismissed from the grounds as soon as possible. The State Fair veterinarian's decision shall be final. Please refer to "Animal Health Rules" and "Animal Care Rules" in the Junior Livestock Guide.

Entrant Responsibilities

Sheep must be conditioned, fitted and trained to show at halter. All grooming preparation for the show must be done by the entrant.

Equipment

All other necessary equipment must be supplied by the entrant.

Garment Requirements

All necessary garments must be supplied by the entrant. Entries will be judged on the mode of dress selected, which must be appropriate, attractive and lend elegance to the Class. Entrants must furnish their own outfit, which must be made of either 100% wool or a minimum of 70% wool and no more than 30% synthetic fiber.

Outfits do not have to be made by the entrant.

Garments worn in this competition are not eligible for any Clothing Class at the California State Fair. If qualified at the county, district or citrus fair, the exhibitor must wear the same outfit.

Entrant Check-in Procedure

All Junior Sheep Lead participants must check-in at the Livestock Office by 4:00 pm on Saturday, July 13, 2019. Judging of the Sheep Lead Competition will be held in the Livestock Pavilions, L2, on Saturday, July 13, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Those exhibitors choosing to provide their own animal and are not entered in the regular State Fair beef, sheep, swine and market goat classes must arrive by Saturday, July 13, 2019 by 8:00 a.m.

For those exhibitors that are not already entered in regular State Fair Livestock Competitions, please contact the Livestock Office by July 1, to confirm the arrival of animal and stalling request.

Lead Class Criteria

Junior Lead Class will be judged according to the following criteria:

General Appearance

- Coordination of ensemble (use of wool)
- Suitability of style
- Presentation of garment
- Coordination of outfit with sheep
- Eye appeal

Showmanship

- Ability to lead
- Handling of sheep
- Appearance of animal

Personal Presentation

- Poise Gracefulness

Class Offered

DIVISION 78 - JUNIOR SHEEP LEAD CLASS

Class

1. Junior & Senior Exhibitors

Sheep Lead Sponsors

California Wool Growers Association

Erica Sanko, Executive Director
25 Cadillac dr, Suite 214
Sacramento, CA 95825

Will provide a wool pelt to the winner of the Sheep Lead Class.

Paul, Stacy & Matthew Gorajewski

918 John Murray Wy
Folsom, CA 95630

Will provide a jacket to the winner of the Sheep Lead Class.

EQUESTRIAN SHOW

Entry Requirements

ENTRY FEE: \$12.00 per class & DRUG FEE: \$5.00 per horse

Deadline Entry: Friday, June 21, 2019 & Detailed Receipts: June 26, 2019

Drug fee is required per horse entered and must be included with online entries. Exhibitors will not be eligible to complete until these fees are paid in advance. Entry fees are nonrefundable except with veterinary certificate.

Show Dates

Saturday, July 6 - English & Gymkhana
Sunday, July 7 - Western, Trail

Show Location

Cal Expo Cavalcade Arena
California State Fairgrounds

Show Schedule details will be announced after the close of entries:

Horse Show Office

Nancy Easton: (209) 484-1580
Marilyn Silva: (209) 401-9608

Stall Information

There will be stabling available on the Fairgrounds. To reserve stabling, we recommend that you call:

Nancy Easton
(209) 484-1580

Horses will be released from the California State Fairgrounds when they have completed showing. **Stable Fee: \$20 per night. Paid in advance with entries. No late payment accepted.**

Awards

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

The following Awards will be awarded in each designated Class. Awards will be selected based on the American System of Judging.

First - Fifth..... State Fair Rosette

1. No monetary premiums are awarded in this program by the California State Fair.
2. American System of Judging: Each entry in a Class is judged in comparison to the other entries in the Class. Entries are placed first - fifth according to relative merit.

3. The awards presentation for all entrants (including Class winners) will take place at the conclusion of each class.
4. Division winners will receive a high point buckle.
5. Any and all decisions of the judges shall be final. The judge's decision on awards cannot be protested. Protests will be considered only if there has been a violation of California State Fair rules. No exhibitor shall be allowed, under any circumstances, to interfere with the judge or judges, during their adjudication, or with the Fair's staff and management.
6. High point scores are calculated based on: 5 points for 1st place, 4 points for 2nd place, 3 points for 3rd place, 2 points for 4th place, and 1 point for 5th place. High points are calculated per 1 horse & 1 rider. In the case of a tie, the exhibitor has the greatest number of first places shall be declared the winner.



ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS

4-H Horse Show

This special competition is open to 4-H “Best of Show” class winners and Reserve Place Winners from throughout the California Fair industry and designated approved 4-H County Horse Shows. Only 4-H exhibitors winning a Class or placing 2nd (listed in this Horse Show Section) at their County, District or Citrus Fair, or designated, approved County 4-H Horse Show between June 29, 2018 and June 21, 2019 are eligible to compete. For clarification, only those 4-H Horse Shows approved by the local County 4-H Office and State Fair officials will be recognized for entry and only those fairs (with an approved show) under the auspices of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Division of Fairs and Expositions will be recognized for entry. An official listing of sanctioned shows is available by contacting the California State Fair 4-H Horse Show Office. Final approval of any show shall only be given by the California State Fair.

Qualifying 4-H Shows

All qualifying shows should be exclusively 4-H Horse Shows with 4-H Classes offered. Shows offering Classes in which 4-H members compete against other non 4-H entrants can be used to qualify if and only if:

1. The show is held in conjunction with the Fair.
2. One of the competing 4-H members was named first or second place in the Class. For clarification, if the Class is an Open Class, the only way a 4-H member can qualify is if he/she wins first or second place in the Class.

Qualifying 4-H Classes

Qualifying Classes at the County, District, Citrus Fair or sanctioned 4-H Horse Show must be of Senior or Junior Level. No restricted Classes will qualify for this special competition. (i.e. Novice, “Green”, Maiden Beginner, Preliminary or Intermediate Classes defined by USEF)

4-H members winning a class or 2nd place at any approved qualifying show are only eligible to show in the 4-H Horse Show. No cross entering between 4-H or FFA, Grange and Independent Divisions will be permitted.

FFA, Grange, Independent Horse Show

This special competition is open to the FFA, Grange, and Independent “Best of Show” Class Winners and Reserve Place Winners from throughout the

California Fair industry. Only exhibitors winning a Class or 2nd place (listed in this Horse Show Section) at their County, District or Citrus Fair between June 29, 2018 and June 21, 2019 are eligible to compete. For clarification, only those Horse Shows approved by the California State Fair officials will be recognized for entry, and only those fairs (with an approved show) under the auspices of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Division of Fairs and Expositions will be recognized for entry. An official listing of sanctioned shows is available by contacting the California State Fair Horse Show office. Final approval of any shows shall only be given by the California State Fair.

Qualifying FFA, Grange, and Independent Shows

All qualifying shows must be exclusively County, District, or Citrus Fair Horse Shows with FFA, Grange, or Independent Classes offered. The FFA, Grange, or Independent must be named first in the Class or 2nd place.

Qualifying FFA, Grange, and Independent Classes

Qualifying classes at the County, District, Citrus Fair Horse Show must be of Senior or Junior Level. No restricted Classes will qualify for this special competition. (i.e., Novice, "Green," Maiden Beginner, Preliminary or Intermediate Classes as defined by USEF) FFA, Grange, and Independent exhibitors winning a Class at any approved qualifying show are only eligible to show in the FFA, Grange, and Independent Horse Show. No cross entering between 4-H or FFA, Grange and Independent Divisions will be permitted. No cross entering with those listed and Pony or Walk Jog.

Pony Requirements

Entries in pony Classes must be 14-2 hands or under with 1/4" allowance for shoes. USA Equestrian Pony cards will be accepted. Ponies may be measured prior to start of show. Ponies are to be shown in pony Classes only.

Entry Limits

Each exhibitor shall be limited to entering the Classes for which they qualify with the horse they qualified on and two additional Classes of their choice for each Class in which they qualify. (The only exception will be if the exhibitor has a signed veterinary note stating the horse is not allowed to be shown at this time. This must be stated in a written request made to and approved by the California State Fair.) For example, if the exhibitor wins Showmanship or takes 2nd place at the County Fair, they may enter Showmanship and two other Classes of their choice at the State Fair. If they win Showmanship and Western Horsemanship, the exhibitor may enter Showmanship, Western Horsemanship

and four other Classes of their choice at the State Fair. Entries may be limited after the close of entries based on space and time availability.

Membership Requirement

All 4-H entrants must be official, current members of a California 4-H Club. All FFA entrant must be official, current members of a California FFA Chapter. All Grange Entrants must be official, current members of a California Grange. Independent Junior entrants are not required to be members of or affiliated with any club or organization.

4-H Age Requirement

Exhibitors shall show in their respective Divisions based upon their age at any particular qualifying show. Juniors will be defined as 13 years of age or under. Seniors will be defined at 14 years or older as of December 31, 2018. The division you qualify at the county level is the division you show at the state level. General Rules concerning age applies.

FFA, Grange, and Independent Age Requirement

Exhibitors shall show in their respective Divisions based upon their age as of January 1, 2019 regardless of their age at any particular qualifying show. General Rules concerning age applies. The division you qualify at County level is the division you show at the state level.

It is not necessary to be entered in any other State Fair competition to be eligible for entry into these special competitions.

4-H Uniform Requirements

1. Appropriate attire and tack for the Western, English, and Gymkhana Classes must be used. Please note: all USEF rules will be followed. All juniors riding in the Jumpers, Hunter Hack, Equitation Over Fences and the Hunters must wear protective headgear passing testing standards while riding in the designated schooling area, the show ring and while jumping anywhere on the grounds. The harness must be secured, and if said headgear has a brim, it must be flexible or semiflexible. Any rider violating this rule at any time will immediately be prohibited from further riding until his/her headgear is properly in place.
2. A hard hat is defined as a hunt cap or a riding hat with a hard shell.
3. The 4-H uniform must be worn during Showmanship and Halter Classes. Uniform for the girls consists of white or off-white pants, a white blouse with an official 4-H green collar or a white shirt with a green 4-H tie. Uniform for the boys consists of white or off-white trousers, white shirt,

and a green 4-H tie. All exhibitors must wear boots, a belt, and a 4-H cap or a white or off-white Western straw hat. Advertising of any form on the 4-H uniform is not permitted.

4. An approved helmet will be required for all riding events. **No exceptions.**

FFA, Grange, and Independent Uniform Requirements

1. Appropriate attire and tack for Western, English and Gymkhana Classes must be used. Please note: USEF rules will be followed. All juniors riding in the Jumpers, Hunter Hack, Equitation Over Fences and the Hunters must wear protective headgear passing testing standards while riding in the designated schooling area, the show ring and while jumping anywhere on the grounds. The harness must be secured and if said headgear has a brim, it must be flexible or semi-flexible. Any rider violating this rule at any time will immediately be prohibited from further riding until his/her headgear is properly in place.
2. A hard hat is defined as a hunt cap or a riding hat with a hard shell.
3. FFA and Grange entrants must wear their official FFA or Grange uniform during Showmanship. Independent Juniors uniform for the girls consists of white or off-white pants and a white blouse. The independent Junior uniform for the boys consists of white or off-white trousers and a white shirt. All exhibitors must wear boots, a belt, and a white or off-white Western straw hat. Advertising of any form on the uniform or clothing is not permitted.
4. An approved helmet will be required for all riding events. **No exceptions.**

Entrant Check-in Procedure

Exhibitor must check-in at the Horse Show Office at least one hour prior to judging of class(es) that he/she is qualified to ride in.

Youth Horse Show Special Rules

1. The horse shown must be the exhibitor's project at least 120 consecutive days prior to the show but need not be owned by or registered to the exhibitor (i.e., leasing of horses to youth is acceptable). Please bring lease papers. They may be required or requested. Horses owned as a joint project may only be shown by one designated exhibitor at an individual show. Any questions as to the eligibility of a project shall be determined by the exhibitors' leader. (Independents with questions as to the eligibility of a project shall contact the State Fair Show Office.

2. All exhibitors competing in this event must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian and or adult club or chapter leader while on the fairgrounds.
3. Each entrant will provide all necessary equipment and horse or pony to compete in this competition.
4. Any changes in the Horse Show schedule will be announced at the Horse Show Arena on the day of the show. Such announcements shall be deemed sufficient notice to exhibitors.
5. If any person leaves the arena for any reason, he/she cannot come back into the Class.
6. Exhibitors are not eligible if they or their horses have trained under the judge within 90 days of the show date.
7. Exhibitors of horses will comply with provision of the Horse Protection Act of 1970 (P.O. 91540) and all rules adopted by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture to carry out all of its provisions.
8. Exhibitors must declare any medications given to their horses when they check-in at the Horse Show Office.
9. Substitutions are permitted only in case of illness or injury of an animal with a Veterinarian's Certificate. The substitute must be member's project animals.
10. Exhibitors are required to care for, prepare for showing and show their own animals. A horse or pony may be shown by one exhibitor only. Adult help (including parents/trainers) in grooming, exercising and preparing for the show, or showing of the animals at this Horse Show may cause the member and/or animal to be disqualified. (Disqualification consists of withholding ribbons or awards, elimination from further competitions and removal from the fairgrounds.)
11. State Fair Management is not responsible for finding errors in entries.
12. Members of 4-H, FFA, or Grange must be in good standing with their organization and projects entered as such must have been conducted under the supervision of that organization.
13. The Fair shall not be responsible for exhibits remaining on Fairgrounds after designated release time.
14. The judge may disqualify any animal that is not sufficiently gentle to be shown with safety. The judge may not make any awards to any animal which shows visible evidence of disease, deformity or lameness. No award

will be made to entries eliminated under this rule. All animals in the Horse Show must be serviceably sound.

15. No animal shall be admitted or remain on the grounds that show any evidence of any communicable disease or any unsightly disease conditions. No animal shall be admitted to the Fairgrounds from any premises under quarantine for rabies or any other disease. The management reserves the right to require health inspections and diagnostic tests to be made before or after animals are on the fairgrounds or to inaugurate disease control procedures which may be necessary for emergencies.
16. Unless other rules are specified, rules and definitions for conducting each judged Class as contained in the USEF Rule Book, and for each Gymkhana Class as contained in the California Gymkhana Rule Book will apply to this horse show. Decisions of the Horse Show management will be final. 4-H rules do not govern this show.
17. The State Fair management reserves the right to return entries and cancel any Division or Class which, in its judgment, the entries are insufficient to assure adequate competition.
18. Horses will be released from the California State Fairgrounds when they have completed showing.

Definitions

General Rules concerning ages applies.

Junior: An exhibitor who is 13 years of age or under as of December 31, 2018 for 4-H and January 1, 2019 for Independent.

Senior: An exhibitor who is 14 years of age or older as of December 31, 2018 for 4-H and January 1, 2019 for Independent.

Pony: Pony and mixed pony breeds, 14-2 hands and under.

Walk/Jog: Any age.

YOUTH HORSE SHOW DIVISIONS & CLASSES

Divisions Offered

81 - 4-H Juniors: Exhibitors are 13 years of age and under as of Dec. 31, 2018.

84 - 4-H Seniors: Exhibitors are 14 years of age and older as of Dec. 31, 2018.

85 - Walk/Jog Division (See rules page 35)

87 - Ponies: 14-2 hands and under for pony or pony mixed breeds. Ponies are to be shown in pony Classes only.

90 - FFA, Grange, and Independent

91 - Miniature Horse

DIVISION 81 - 4-H JUNIORS

1. Showmanship
2. English Equitation
3. English Pleasure
4. Hunter Hack (2'3" jumps)
5. Equitation Over Fences (to 2'6" jumps)
6. Working Hunters (to 2'6" jumps)
7. Jumpers (to 2'6" jumps)
8. Bareback Equitation
9. Western Horsemanship
10. Western Pleasure
11. Trail
12. Single Stake Race
13. California Pole Bending
14. California Speed Barrels
15. Cloverleaf Barrels
16. Bi-rangle Stake Race

DIVISION 84 - 4-H SENIORS

1. Showmanship
2. English Equitation
3. English Pleasure
4. Hunter Hack (2'6" jumps)
5. Equitation Over Fences (to 2'6" jumps)
6. Working Hunters (to 2'6" jumps)

7. Jumpers (to 2'9" jumps)
8. Bareback Equitation
9. Western Horsemanship
10. Western Pleasure
11. Trail
12. Single Stake Race
13. California Pole Bending
14. California Speed Barrels
15. Cloverleaf Barrels
16. Bi-rangle Stake Race

DIVISION 85 - WALK/JOG

1. Walk/Jog Showmanship - Western or English
2. Walk/Jog Bareback Equitation - Western or English
3. Walk/Jog Western Pleasure
4. Walk/Jog Western Equitation (Horsemanship)
5. Walk/Jog Hunter Hack
6. Walk/Jog English Pleasure
7. Walk/Jog English Equitation
8. Walk/Jog Trail

Rules for Division 85

1. Exhibitors will be eligible to compete in Walk/Jog Division for 1 year only.
2. Exhibitors may be any age within the 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent divisions.
3. Exhibitors may not have qualified or shown at the County Fair Best of Show Youth Horse Show prior to 2019.
4. Exhibitors must have qualified at their California State Fair approved horse show in the Walk/Jog Open Division.
5. Exhibitors must have qualified on an approved project horse.
6. Exhibitors may choose **two** Walk/Jog classes for each class they qualified in. They must not be qualified in any classes in any other division.
7. Please note: The Walk/Jog exhibitors may have qualified for Walk/Jog Equitation in either Walk/Jog Western Equitation or Walk/Jog Western Horsemanship at their County fair shows. There will not be a pattern in this class.
8. Walk/Jog novice at County Shows will **not** count - must be Walk/Jog

Open

DIVISION 87 - PONY CLASSES

1. Showmanship
2. English Equitation
3. English Pleasure
4. Hunter Hack (2'0" jumps)
5. Equitation Over Fences (to 2'0" jumps)
6. Working Hunters (to 2'0" jumps)
7. Jumpers (to 2'3" jumps)
8. Bareback Equitation
9. Western Horsemanship
10. Western Pleasure
11. Trail
12. Single Stake Race
13. California Pole Bending
14. California Speed Barrels
15. Cloverleaf Barrels
16. Bi-rangle Stake Race

Classes may also be adjusted based on safety concerns.

DIVISION 90 - FFA, GRANGE, AND INDEPENDENT HORSE SHOW

Open to any FFA, Grange, or Independent.

1. Showmanship
2. English Equitation
3. English Pleasure
4. Hunter Hack (2'0" jumps)
5. Equitation Over Fences (to 2'3" jumps)
6. Working Hunters (to 2'6" jumps)
7. Jumpers (to 2'9" jumps)
8. Bareback Equitation
9. Western Horsemanship
10. Western Pleasure
11. Trail
12. Single Stake Race
13. California Pole Bending
14. California Speed Barrels

15. Cloverleaf Barrels
16. Bi-rangle Stake Race

Classes may also be adjusted based on safety concerns.

DIVISION 91 - MINIATURE HORSE

1. Showmanship
2. Horsemanship
3. Trail
4. Jumper
5. Single Stake
6. California Pole Bending
7. Bi-Rangle

Rules for Division 91

1. Exhibitors may be of any age within the 4-H, FFA, Grange, and Independent divisions.
2. Exhibitors DO NOT have to qualify at their county fair horse shows.
3. Exhibitor must exhibit an approved project horse.
4. Exhibitor may NOT enter in any other division.
5. All classes will be held on Saturday, July 6.

HORSE SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 6, 8:00 am

Showmanship - Miniature Horse
Horsemanship - Miniature Horse
Trail - Miniature Horse
Jumpers - Miniature Horse
English Equitation - Walk/Jog
English Equitation - Pony
English Equitation - Junior
English Equitation - Senior
English Equitation - FFA/Grange/Independent
English Pleasure - Walk/Jog
English Pleasure - Pony
English Pleasure - Junior
English Pleasure - Senior
English Pleasure - FFA/Grange/Independent
Hunter Hack - Walk/Jog
Hunter Hack - Pony
Hunter Hack - Junior
Hunter Hack - Senior
Hunter Hack - FFA/Grange/Independent
Equitation over Fences - Pony
Working Hunters - Pony
Equitation over Fences - Junior
Working Hunters - Junior
Equitation over Fences - FFA/Grange/Independent
Working Hunters - FFA/Grange/Independent
Equitation over Fences - Senior
Working Hunters - Senior
Jumpers - Pony
Jumpers - Junior
Jumpers - FFA/Grange/Independent
Jumpers - Senior

Saturday, July 6 (after lunch)

Single Stake Race - Miniature Horse
California Pole Bending - Miniature Horse
Bi-Rangle Stake Race - Miniature Horse
Single Stake Race - Pony
Single Stake Race - Junior
Single Stake Race - Senior
Single Stake Race - FFA/Grange/Independent
California Pole Bending - Pony
California Pole Bending - Junior
California Pole Bending - Senior
California Pole Bending - FFA/Grange/Independent
Cloverleaf Barrels - Pony
Cloverleaf Barrels - Junior
Cloverleaf Barrels - Senior
Cloverleaf Barrels- FFA/Grange/Independent
California Speed Barrels - Pony
California Speed Barrels - Junior
California Speed Barrels - Senior
California Speed Barrels - FFA/Grange/Independent
Bi-rangle Stake Race - Pony
Bi-rangle Stake Race - Junior
Bi-rangle Stake Race - Senior
Bi-rangle Stake Race - FFA/Grange/Independent

Sunday, July 7, 8:00 am

Showmanship - Walk/Jog
Showmanship - Pony
Showmanship - Junior
Showmanship - Senior
Showmanship - FFA/Grange/Independent
Bareback Equitation -Walk/Jog Western or English
Bareback Equitation - Pony
Bareback Equitation - Junior
Bareback Equitation - Senior
Bareback Equitation - FFA/Grange/Independent

Western Equitation - Walk/Jog
Western Horsemanship - Pony
Western Horsemanship - Junior
Western Horsemanship - Senior
Western Horsemanship - FFA/Grange/Independent
Western Pleasure - Walk/Jog
Western Pleasure - Pony
Western Pleasure - Junior
Western Pleasure - Senior
Western Pleasure - FFA/Grange/Independent
Trail - Walk/Jog
Trail - Pony
Trail - Junior
Trail - Senior
Trail - FFA/Grange/Independent
The trail will be set up in the East End of the Arena.



EQUINE CHAMPION CHALLENGE: DIVISION 86

Schedule of Events

(subject to change)

Written Exam - Sunday, July 7, 8:00-11:30 am

Mandatory Meeting - July 7, 3:00 pm

Round 1 - July 7, followed by Round 2

Final Interview - July 7, following Round 2

Awards Presentation - July 7

Supreme Champion will be awarded one time only.

Mission

The Mission of the Equine Champion Challenge is to expand and enhance the education element of the youth equine program and to reward those outstanding exhibitors who possess the skills and knowledge essential for the efficient and humane care and management of horses in California.

Objectives

1. Evaluate the youth participant's knowledge and skills of his/her project and related industry.
2. Expand on the exhibitor's communication skills.
3. Provide a learning laboratory which will enhance the exhibitor's knowledge of their equine project and related industry.
4. Develop the youth's problem solving and critical thinking skills.
5. Recognize outstanding youth exhibitors who possess the skills and knowledge essential for the efficient and humane care and management of horses within the California equine industry.
6. Promote additional educational opportunities through the awarding of college scholarships and/or savings bonds to event champions.
7. Emphasize the exhibitor's involvement and success in the educational program and focus on the youth exhibitor rather than the animal.

Requirements for Exhibitors

This competition will take place on **Sunday, July 7, 2019**. All Champions of the divisions of the Best of Show Horse Show will be **REQUIRED** to compete in this competition. Other California State Fair Exhibitors may compete by taking the exam. All other youth in California may enter by taking the exam

after paying an entry fee of **\$10.00**. The exam will take place between **8 - 11:30 am on Sunday, July 7, 2019**. The staff will work around your class schedule to allow anyone who wishes to take the exam. The following exhibitors will be eligible to compete in the Equine Champion Challenge.

1. Champion and Reserve Champion of the following divisions in the County Fair Best of Show Youth Horse Show:
 - a. 4-H Juniors, 4-H Seniors, Pony, FFA/Grange/Independent, and Walk/Jog
2. 2019 State Fair Exhibitors not qualifying by winning a division belt buckle who have qualified by testing.
3. Any youth in California not exhibiting at the State Fair Horse Show by paying \$10.00 entry fee and qualifying through the Champion Challenge Exam.

Areas evaluating performance in practical exercises and exams:

1. Conformation and physiology
2. Equine health management
3. Nutrition
4. Breeds and breed characteristics
5. Disciplines and horsemanship skill
6. Tack and proper usage
7. Reproduction practices

Awards

Supreme Champion Equine Exhibitor	\$1,000
Reserve Supreme Champion Equine Exhibitor.....	\$500
Champion 4-H Junior Exhibitor.....	\$125
Champion 4-H Senior Exhibitor.....	\$125
Champion Pony Exhibitor	\$125
Champion FFA/Grange/Independent.....	\$125
Champion Walk/Jog Exhibitor	\$125

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The Ironstone Concours Foundation will provide funding for the Equine Champion Challenge Supreme Champion Exhibitor \$1,000 Award.

BEST OF SHOW HORSE SHOW QUEEN CONTEST

Date: Sunday July 7, 2019

Entry Fee: \$10.00 (Fee is waived if you are a County Fair Queen contest winner)

Who Can Enter: Horse show exhibitors 14 – 19 years of age as of January 1, 2019 (Entrants must be in high school to enter)

How to Enter: Applications will be available at the Best of Show Horse Show check-in table at 7am – 8:30am

Judges: A panel of judges will interview at lunchtime. Please check in at the Log Cabin (at the west end of the Barbara Worth barn).

Rules:

1. Application must be filled out and returned to check-in table by 9:00am July 7, 2019. (Applications can be found at the check-in table)
2. During the lunch break contestants will be called into an oral interview with a panel of judges.
3. We will invite the winner and runner up to the following appearances:
 - a. 2019 California State Fair Opening Ceremony
 - b. Either one of the two Kids Day's during the 2019 Fair (July 12 or July 28)
 - c. National Day of the Cowboy at the 2019 Fair July 27
 - d. 2020 State Fair Gala (TBD mid-June)
 - e. 2020 Ag Day at the Capital (TBD March)

Winner: The winner will be selected by the panel of judges at the end of the show day. Their decisions are final.

Awards:

First Place..... Title of “Queen”, Custom Crown, & Sash
Second Place Title of “Princess”, Princess Crown, & Sash

Criteria: Judging will be based on, but not limited to the following:

- Judges will observe all showmanship classes
- Involvement in the horse community
- Community outreach
- Future goals

2019 GENERAL RULES

California Exposition & State Fair

General Rules are subject to any action that may cause revision or curtailment at any time before each competition or judging. Upon submission of online entry and signature on detailed receipt if applicable, the exhibitor acknowledges that they have read and understood these rules and all others of the competition in which they enter and are further responsible for viewing, reading and understanding all revisions or curtailments on the State Fair's website before the competition. Exhibitors may request an additional copy of the most current rules by contacting the entry office:

***email:* entryoffice@calexpo.com.**

Exhibitors Entry Responsibilities

STILL EXHIBITS

1. All submissions and information necessary to determine that the exhibit is eligible must be submitted online, uploaded if necessary, and entry fees paid by Visa or MasterCard by the entry deadline.

It shall be the responsibility of the exhibitors to correct all deficiencies in connection with entries or exhibiting which are required of them by the rules printed in the Competition Guide.

Entries will not be judged if deficiencies have not been cleared or fees paid.

LIVESTOCK & AG MECHANICS

2. All signatures and information necessary to determine that the exhibit is eligible must be submitted online for Junior Livestock, Open Livestock, Ag Mechanics, Best of Show and Small Animals.

All Livestock, Small Animal, Best of Show and Ag Mechanics exhibitors will be required to submit a Detailed Receipt with all required signatures within one week of the entry deadline.

It shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor to correct all deficiencies in connection with entries or exhibiting which are required of them by the rules printed in the Competition Guide.

A deficiency penalty of \$20 per entry must be paid for any deficiency or fees which have not been paid by June 25 for Livestock and Small Animals, this includes not returning the detailed receipt by the due date.

Entries will not be judged if the detailed receipt is not received.

This rule shall apply to all equine shows with a requirement for their fees, forms, and signatures being submitted by the entry deadline date within each equine section of any competition guide.

ENTRY LIMIT

3. The State Fair management shall reserve the right to limit entries displayed and/or exhibited to facilities available and may limit the number of entries made by an exhibitor.

Entries may also be limited or not displayed based on size, content, subject material, or for any reason determined not in the best interest of the California State Fair.

Any return of entries under this rule will be done at the sole discretion of the State Fair management.

OWNERSHIP OF ENTRY

4. Unless specific provisions are otherwise made in the Competition Guide (printed or on the web), exhibitors must be the bonafide owner of their entries.

The management may demand such proof of ownership as it deems necessary in each case.

EXHIBITOR LIABILITY

5. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury or damage done to, or occasioned by, or arising from, any animal or article exhibited by him/her.

Exhibitor agrees to indemnify, and hold harmless, the State of California, California Exposition & State Fair and all officers, agents, and employees thereof from all claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses, or liability costs suits or actions of every name, kind and description, brought forth from or on account of, injuries to death of any person including but not limited to workers, and the public, or damage to property resulting from the performance of the exhibitor or entries.

Neither party shall request apportionment of liability by a jury.

NO GUARANTEE

6. The State Fair cannot guarantee that all exhibition requirements of an entry can be provided (i.e., electricity, a showcase, a pedestal, special lighting, special location, total space requirements, water source, computer services, or any other special requirements).

DIVISION/CLASS CANCELLATION

7. The State Fair management reserves the right to return entries and cancel any division or class in which, in its judgment, the entries are insufficient to secure adequate competition.

ENTRY ERRORS

8. State Fair management is not responsible for finding errors in entries.
9. Exhibitors are responsible for any and all errors which were submitted online.
10. No exhibitor shall be entitled to an award which has been disallowed as the result of his own error.
11. The State Fair management shall withhold the payment of awards for exhibits that are ineligible and may recover awards that have been paid for ineligible entries that are disclosed during post audits of State Fair records. However, exhibitors with a cause are entitled to question the validity of any disallowance. Such exhibitors should inform the State Fair management immediately, in writing, giving their name, address, complete description of the entry and the reason for requesting reconsideration. Requests will not be considered later than ninety (90) days after receiving notice of disallowance.

SUBSTITUTION

12. Substitutions may be made in still exhibits only in the same division of the original entry of the original exhibitor, and may be made only if completed by the entry delivery date.
13. Substitutions for livestock must be in the same division of the original entry by the original exhibitor.
14. Substitutions must be made at the time of check-in to avoid penalty.
15. Fees may apply for substitutions in excess of two per division.

16. The State Fair or the judge may disqualify or transfer to the correct class any entry which is not a true representative of the division or class in which it is entered.

PREVIOUSLY ENTERED ENTRY

17. Any non-animal (still exhibit) entry that has been exhibited at a previous California State Fair is not eligible for entry in the 2019 California State Fair.

VERIFICATION

18. Online submissions will receive a confirmation once entries are submitted.

RESPONSIBILITY

19. The State Fair shall not be responsible for exhibits remaining on the fairgrounds after designated release times.
20. All Still Exhibits or display elements remaining on the fairgrounds after designated release time will be treated as abandoned property and will be disposed of on or before September 1 of the same year.

REMOVAL OF ENTRIES

21. An exhibitor may not remove his or her entry from the California State Fair once it has been accepted.
22. **Judged or Accepted:** Entries must be on exhibit at the official opening of the State Fair or at any other time specified in the Competition Guide and shall not be removed from the fairgrounds prior to the release date printed in the guide, except (at the discretion of the State Fair management) in cases of positive evidence of sickness, accident and/or death, or other circumstances that are in the best interests of the State Fair.

DISHONORED CHECKS

23. A penalty of \$25.00 per dishonored check must be paid if a check for payment of entry fees or other applicable fees is refused by the bank. Only cash, certified check or money orders are acceptable for the penalty payment.

ENTRY FEES

24. Entry Fees are NON-REFUNDABLE.

LATE ENTRIES

25. Late Entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the California State Fair under the following conditions:
- a. Late Entries will **NOT be accepted** for **California Crafts, Fine Art, Student Showcase, Photography, California Baking & Canning and Youth Baking & Canning.**
 - b. If the department accepts late entries, the completed entry form(s) and other completed required forms, signatures and full payment for all required fees must arrive at the California State Fair Entry Office (by Certified Mail, Hand Delivery or Electronically) no later than five calendar days after the official entry deadline requirement of the competition.

For example, if the Official Entry Deadline is June 12, the last day and time a late entry may be eligible would be June 17 at 4:00 pm. If late entries arrive after 4:00 pm on that fifth day, they will NOT be considered.
 - c. Open **Livestock Late Entries** will be accepted until July 1, 2019, with **an additional \$100 per entry.** Payment must be received no later than 5 pm on July 1, 2019.
 - d. All late entries must be accompanied with the entry fee as listed within the program in addition to a **late fee of \$20 per entry for all Junior Livestock, Open Livestock and Best of Show Horse** entries and **a late fee of \$10 per entry** for **non-livestock competitions and small animals** (Fur and Feathers and dogs). Acceptable forms of payment are Visa, Master Card, check or money order.
 - e. No entries will be accepted beyond the capacity of the facility.
 - f. All other entry requirements as well as any rules, regulations and schedules shall apply.
 - g. No entry is a guarantee of acceptance and it is the exhibitor's responsibility to confirm that the State Fair has accepted any and all entries.
 - h. The California State Fair expressly reserves the right to reject any and all entry forms for any reason whatsoever.

DESIGN

26. The California State Fair assumes total design control over the presentation of the exhibits.
27. Entries designed for hanging and not so equipped will be hung in a manner deemed appropriate by the State Fair.

28. No exhibit changes will be made once the entries have been displayed.
29. Once an entry has been received by the State Fair, no further handling of entry by exhibitor shall be permitted.
30. Relocation and final placement shall be accomplished by State Fair personnel.
31. Entries requiring assembly/disassembly must include detailed instructions and sketches for assembly/disassembly.
32. Instructions should indicate lifting points, unsecured parts and any other information required for such handling. Where necessary bank pins will be utilized to attach exhibits for display.

JUNIORS ENTERING SENIOR DEPARTMENT

33. All divisions and classes within Junior Departments are intended for Juniors exclusively. Entry into the Junior Department is regulated by age and youth organization requirements as outlined in this competition guide. In no case may a person, group or organization outside of these age requirements (younger or older) be allowed to enter and compete in the Junior department.
34. However, Juniors may elect to enter, exhibit and compete (animal or non-animal) in the Senior Department when the rules of that department, division or class allow for such. Such entries shall be restricted to:
 - a. A class for the exhibit that is not provided in the Junior Department.
 - b. Junior Livestock Exhibitors that officially enter and show in the Junior Livestock Show are eligible to compete in the Open Show as long as the same exhibit/animal is entered and shown in the Junior Show and the same exhibit/animal is entered and meets all Open Division entry deadlines and guidelines.
 - c. Open classes or divisions that allows for the participation of Juniors due to the open competition being a specialty, feature, regional or national show sanctioned by the State Fair and/or recognized organization. In this case, the Junior exhibitor must also enter and compete (with the same exhibit) in the current year's Junior department, division, class offered for the exhibit. This provision must be printed specifically within the rules of the feature show within this guide.
35. Anyone under the age of 18 who meets the California State Fair age requirements and is planning to exhibit in a Senior department must have their parent or legal guardian sign their detailed receipt.

36. If the exhibitor is required to be on the fairgrounds, the Junior must be supervised by their parent or legal guardian while at the State Fair.
37. Exhibit animals owned in partnership between Seniors and Juniors shall not affect Junior's eligibility when the Senior partner is the exhibitor.

STATE FAIR EMPLOYEE PARTICIPATION

38. No employee of the State Fair will be permitted to enter an exhibit for competition. No person shall be an exhibitor or sign an entry form as an agent in any Division or Department in which the exhibitor is a department head, judge, or paid employee.

Disqualification

ENTRY DISQUALIFICATIONS/TRANSFERS

39. A complete exhibit eligible in more than one Division and/or Class shall be entered and judged only in the Division and/or Class for which it best qualifies.
40. The State Fair or the judge may disqualify or transfer to the correct Class (at his/her discretion) any exhibit which is not a true representative of the Division or Class in which it is entered.

It is not, however, the responsibility of the State Fair or judges to transfer an entry to the correct Division and/or Class.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

41. The State Fair management shall reserve the right to vacate, declare ineligible for competition, and/or order the removal of any entry which is not in the best interest of the State Fair, is unsightly, unhealthy, injured, lame, unsound, endangers public safety, violates the State Fair's Animal Welfare Policies, or has been entered in violation of these rules and regulations.
42. In the event, an entry or an exhibitor is disqualified for any rule or policy violation (including but not limited to practices or procedures that are unethical, those in violation of the State Fair's Residue Avoidance Program, DNA Testing Program and those not adhering to the State Fair's schedule for the program), any or all of the following actions may take place:
 - a. The entry or exhibitor that is disqualified will be declared ineligible and will not receive awards, premium money and/or any sale proceeds.

Further, the exhibitor shall be responsible for payment of any fees, fines due or costs incurred by the State as a result of disqualification.

- b. The owner/exhibitor and members of his/her immediate family will not be eligible to compete in subsequent California State Fair Programs. The extent and degree of future eligibility shall be determined by State Fair Management.
- c. State Fair Management reserves the right (but does not guarantee) to move entries up in placing after judging has taken place when an award void is created by a disqualification.
 - This process of moving up judged entries shall only take place, however, when it is clear what the judge's placing would have been had the disqualified entry not been in competition.
 - For example, when a Champion is disqualified, the Reserve shall move up and be named the Champion; however, no other changes shall take place below the Reserve Champion. The same shall apply in the case of a class, section or division winner when a 2nd place has been clearly indicated by the judge.
 - If it is not possible to clearly determine a new placing, no change shall take place.
 - When a placing change does take place the entry moving up will receive all the awards, appropriate titles and all premiums of the disqualified entry but will not receive any of the original placing awards or premiums won in the second category. In other words, 2nd place will now receive 1st money and "no" entry will receive 2nd money.

COOPERATION

43. Exhibitors, their immediate family, leaders, advisors and agents thereof, not cooperating with security personnel or any other State Fair officials in all matters of policy, including but not limited to parking, stall/pen/space assignments and appearance, judging and/or animal care will have their entries cancelled and will be ordered to remove their exhibit from the grounds immediately and forfeit all awards, premium monies, and sale proceeds. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in being banned from the State Fair.

PUBLIC DISTURBANCES

44. Exhibitors causing public disturbances, those who are uncooperative and/or unsportsmanlike, those not following good animal welfare practices as determined by management, or those found in violation of rules or in practices unethical or inimical with the State Fair program and/or policies/procedures shall be penalized by forfeiture of premiums awarded, any and all awards, payments of fines and/or damages to State Property, privileges, and/or disqualification at this or subsequent State Fairs as may be deemed appropriate by the State Fair Management and/or the Board of Directors.

Further, if the exhibitor and/or exhibitor's adult supervisor, parent or family member's actions are deemed to be illegal, inhumane or unethical to livestock; the proper authorities will be notified for further investigation by those agencies for possible prosecution and/or civil penalties.

PROBATION

45. Any exhibitor found in violation of any rule may be placed on probation for one year or longer if State Fair management deems appropriate.

Judging

JUDGING

46. The judge(s) shall award first, second or third place, etc., according to merit and if without merit the judge shall make no award under any circumstances. This rule applies whether there are one or more entries in the class.

JUDGE/EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

47. No person shall act as a judge in any Division in which he/she or a member of his/her immediate family is an exhibitor, is in charge of an exhibit or division, in charge of a group of exhibitors, or is a member of a group of exhibitors.

JUDGE/FRATERNIZATION/CRITICISM

48. Judges should avoid unnecessary fraternization with exhibitors. No person shall be allowed, under any circumstances, to interfere with the judge, or judges, during their adjudications, or with the State Fair's staff, or to offer any criticism of any exhibit of another.

Violators of this rule shall be excluded immediately from the judging area and competition and be subject to such additional penalties, including cancellations of awards, as the State Fair management shall consider appropriate.

49. No exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any one class. For this rule only, a husband, wife, and unmarried children (including foster children) under 18 years of age shall be considered as being one exhibitor, except that brothers and/or sisters shall be considered as being separate exhibitors in Junior Department classes.

This rule shall have no bearing on consideration in the placing of entries by judges. Ribbons shall be presented in the order of placing by the judges.

The management shall, however, pay third money to the fourth winner, etc., when the third winner is prohibited from receiving third cash award under the provisions of this rule. (Any entry or exhibit in which one or more members of the family described above has a financial interest shall be included in the limitation of not more than two cash awards per class.)

50. Management reserves the right to combine or to divide classes in a manner it deems necessary in order to assure adequate competition.

In the event of a show change, as a result of this rule, or where classes are established after the close of entries, premiums and awards will be distributed, divided or eliminated in a manner as deemed necessary by State Fair Management.

JUDGE'S DECISION

51. The judge's decision is final.
52. The judge's decision cannot be protested.

CHIEF JUDGE POLICY

53. A Chief Judge will be assigned by the State Fair, for still exhibits only, to mediate in the event there is a conflict during the judging process. All decisions of the Chief Judge shall be final and may not be protested.

PROTESTS

54. **For still exhibits and horse only** - Any protest must be submitted in writing and given to the State Fair's staff member responsible for the Competitive Program in question within 24 hours of the time of the cause of the protest.

Protests must be based on a violation of rules, and you must reference the rule in your protest. The judge's decisions on awards cannot be protested.

No protest shall be considered by the management unless accompanied by a deposit of \$300.00 (Cash, money order or certified check).

The deposit shall be forfeited if the protest is not upheld.

Protests shall be adjudicated by State Fair management.

State Fair management will consult with a member of the California State Fair Board of Directors who shall be designated by the Chairman of the Board.

The decision of State Fair Management shall be final and unappealable. See special livestock rules for protests in the Livestock Program.

55. Under no circumstances will any entry which has been previously judged be "rejudged" due to the disqualification or removal or another entry.

Awards

SPECIAL AWARDS

56. Special Awards contributed by businesses or individuals are offered in some California State Fair Competitive Programs.

These Special Awards are the obligation of the contributor/donor.

The California State Fair is not responsible for redemption of these awards.

TAX LAWS

57. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to investigate and adhere to State and Federal tax laws/regulations regarding premiums paid, and awards received.

As an out-of-state payee who earns \$1500 or more, Cal Expo must withhold 7.5% for State taxes.

You may request an exemption or a reduction of this withholding by filling out and submitting the Nonresident Withholding Waiver Request, California Form 588.

PREMIUM AWARDS

58. Awards, ribbons, tags or cards have no value as payment. Premiums are paid only from the records of the judges' sheets.
59. Premium checks will be issued as soon as auditing, drug testing, if applicable, and processing can be completed. If checks are not received by November 15, please phone or write the State Fair.
60. Checks must be **cashed within six months** of the date of issue.
61. Exhibitors have until December 31 of the same year, to claim checks returned to the State Fair. Checks will not be reissued after this date.

Age Requirements

JUNIOR EXHIBITORS MEMBERSHIP AGE AND AFFILIATION REQUIREMENTS

62. Organization affiliation requirements: If a Junior (youth) exhibitor has been a member of a junior organization for 60 days immediately prior to the opening date of the State Fair (July 12, 2019), and their project or entry was produced or conducted at any time during the year of 2019 under the supervision of the organization, the Junior must enter the divisions or classes designated for that organization.

If, however, the project or entry was not produced or conducted under the supervision of the organization, the Junior must enter as an Independent Junior for that project or entry.

Example: If a 4-H member wishes to enter a Market Steer competition and Junior Sheep competition, in a situation where they are only enrolled in a 4-H Beef project, the entry is as follows: Enter 4-H for the Market Steer competition and Independent Junior for the Junior Sheep competition (even though the exhibitor is a 4-H member, the baked goods project was not produced or conducted under the supervision of the organization).

63. Non-designated "Junior" shows or divisions: If a show or division offered is not specified as 4-H or FFA, Junior exhibitors who are enrolled in a 4-H or FFA project relating to that show or division must still enter as members of their respective organizations and follow all applicable rules and regulations of the department.
64. All 4-H exhibitors must be 9 years old by December 31, 2018, and not be older than 19 years old as of December 31, 2018. Exhibitors must also meet age and membership requirements of their organizations when entering as a member of an organization. Exhibitors must also meet the ownership and all other requirements of the competition to be eligible for entry.

65. California Grange: California Grange youth shall be considered Independent Juniors for Livestock, Dairy, Small Animal and Still Exhibits.

INDEPENDENT JUNIOR AND GRANGE AGE REQUIREMENTS

(Rules 66-69 apply to Indoor non-animal Exhibits only.)

66. Independent Junior and Grange exhibitors may enter California State Fair classes and divisions in indoor (Still Exhibit) competitions if they are 5 years old as of January 1, 2019.
67. Independent exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 18 years of age.
68. Grange exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age. Exhibitors must meet the ownership and all other requirements of the competition to be eligible for entry.
69. Independent Still Exhibit Exhibitors: Persons, who are “not” 4-H, FFA or Grange members may enter the Junior competitions provided they meet age requirements for youth exhibitors in the competition they are entering. These Juniors are considered Independent Juniors and must enter Independent Junior classes or divisions when the classes or divisions are designated as such in the Indoor (Still Exhibits) Competitions. Exhibitors who enter Independent of an organization must not be older than 18 years old as of January 1, 2019.

FFA AGE REQUIREMENTS

70. The first year of eligibility will be determined by the FFA advisor; however, the exhibitor must have graduated from the 8th grade as of July 1, 2019. FFA requirements allow exhibitors to enter FFA classes through the year following the year in which they graduate from high school.

INDEPENDENT AND GRANGE ANIMAL EXHIBITORS

71. Persons who are “not” 4-H or FFA members may enter the Junior Livestock Show provided they meet age requirements for animal exhibitors at the State Fair. These Independent and Grange exhibitors shall enter 4-H or FFA classes as follows:
- a. Independent and Grange Junior exhibitors who are 13 years of age or under (as of show day) shall compete in the appropriate 4-H divisions only.

- b. Independent and Grange Junior exhibitors who are 14 years of age (as of show day) or are incoming freshmen in high school shall be placed by State Fair Management in either 4-H or FFA divisions.
- c. Independent and Grange Junior exhibitors are eligible to enter 4-H or FFA Showmanship. Independent Juniors are not eligible for County or Chapter Groups or Outstanding Exhibitor.
- d. Independent and Grange Junior Exhibitors are not eligible to compete for Outstanding Exhibitor.

MEMBER STANDING AND OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- 72. Juniors who are members of 4-H, FFA or Grange must be in good standing with their organization and projects entered as such must have been conducted under the supervision of the organization and must be owned by the exhibitor (unless otherwise stated).

ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONS

- 73. Any questions as to the eligibility of an entry shall be determined by the exhibitor's advisor (for 4-H, FFA or Grange), instructor (for Student Showcase) or parent or guardian (for Independent Juniors). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the State Fair shall make the final determination of eligibility in all cases.

4-H AGE REQUIREMENTS

- 74. The levels of membership for 4-H are aged based. Each level is defined as follows:
 - a. **Primary Level:** Must be 5 years old as of December 31, 2018. Primary membership ends when members qualify as junior members. Exhibitors who are under nine years of age on or before December 31, 2018, are not eligible to compete in animal competitions at the California State Fair.
 - b. **Junior, Intermediate & Senior:** Must be 9 years old by December 31, 2018. Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.
 - c. **Home Schooled Children:** Age criteria, as listed in 1 and 2, only will apply to homeschooled children. A grade level will not be a consideration. (Exhibitors who are under 9 years of age as of December 31, 2018, are not eligible to compete in animal competitions at the California State Fair.)

INDEPENDENT JUNIOR AND GRANGE AGE REQUIREMENTS

(This rule applies to Animal Exhibitors)

75. Independent Junior and Grange animal exhibitors must be 9 years old as of January 1, 2019, and are eligible to compete through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age. Independent Juniors and Grange exhibitors shall enter 4-H or FFA animal classes.

NO DUAL AFFILIATION IN COMPETITION

76. Under no circumstances may an exhibitor show the same species or project in more than one Division of the Junior Department.

ADULT SUPERVISION REQUIREMENT

77. All Junior exhibitors, required to be on the State Fairgrounds, must be accompanied and supervised by an adult while on the State Fairgrounds. Instructors, advisors, leaders and other adults in charge of Junior exhibitors shall be responsible for their conduct at all times.

FFA SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS

78. All FFA exhibitors entered as such must be supervised by their agricultural instructor.

Any deviation from this rule must be taken up with the State Agriculture Education unit representative in charge.

The CATA Curricular Activities Code shall govern the conduct and eligibility of FFA exhibitors and their projects.

UNIFORMS

79. Uniform requirements for Independent youth shall be the same as required for 4-H and FFA members excluding insignia.

The official show uniform for animal exhibitors at the California State Fair will be white pants, trousers or dress and a white blouse or shirt.
80. No exhibit owned by a chapter or club, or conducted, as a joint project by two or more individuals is eligible in the Junior Department unless the division/class specifically states.

FREE SPEECH ACTIVITIES GUIDELINE

81. The California Exposition & State Fair (Cal Expo) hereby finds that these guidelines are intended to set forth in writing Cal Expo's long-standing policy governing the conduct of Cal Expo employees and exhibitors, as well as members of the public, under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article I of the California Constitution, on Cal Expo's grounds.

These guidelines are not intended to enlarge upon nor create any rights guaranteed by existing law nor waive any defense or rights available to Cal Expo, nor do they represent any admission that the facilities of Cal Expo are open as a public forum.

It is the policy of Cal Expo to allow within the parameters set forth herein, reasonable access to its grounds and designated free speech expression zones for demonstrations for free speech activity as allowed by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article I to the California Constitution.

For further information regarding Free Speech Activities at the California Exposition & State Fair please write to:

Chief of Police, California Exposition & State Fair
P.O. Box 15649, Sacramento, CA 95852.

82. Should contractors, associations, clubs or individuals desire to arrange for beverages and food service, all such arrangements must be coordinated through Spectra, the State's Master Food & Beverage Contractor. **No exceptions.**

Contractor shall be responsible for expenses related to these services if any.

Alcoholic beverage service areas/facilities will only be allowed in designated locations.

Only persons 21 years or older will be allowed to consume alcoholic beverages.

Further, no alcoholic beverages may be brought onto the grounds.

These products may only be acquired at Spectra locations on the grounds. Individuals that endanger themselves or others will be reported to authorities.

DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply to this guide

American System of Judging: Each entry in a class is judged in comparison to the other entries in the class. Entries are placed first, second, third, etc. according to relative merit. There will be no more than one first, second, third, etc. per class.

Danish System of Judging: Each entry in a class is judged on its own merit. Entries are placed first, second, third, etc., depending on points received based on the score card. There may be more than one first, second, third, etc. per class.

Senior Departments: California Fine Art, California Crafts, California Baking & Canning, Student Showcase, Photography, Commercial Wine, Commercial Craft Brew, Home Brew, California Cheese, California Olive Oil, Open Livestock by species and Open Small Animals by species.

Junior Departments: Youth Arts, California Youth Baking & Canning, Student Showcase, Photography Junior Livestock by species and Junior Small Animals by species.

Senior/Open Exhibitor: An exhibitor who is no longer eligible to be a Junior Exhibitor or enter a Junior Department.

Junior Exhibitor: An exhibitor who is a member of 4-H, FFA, Grange, or an Independent Youth Exhibitor who meets the requirements of Independent Junior divisions offered. See the specific show and General Rules for exceptions to this definition.

Entry Office: The California State Fair Entry Office is located at 1600 Exposition Blvd., Sacramento. Contact may be made by phone, mail, email or personal contact. Questions regarding competitions may also be directed to the Entry Office. (916) 263-3149 - entryoffice@calexpo.com.

Still Exhibits: All competitive exhibits which are typically indoor and not involving animals, such as art, quilts, foods, crafts, sewing, metalwork, jewelry, graphics, drafting, sciences, etc.

Livestock & Small Animals: All competitive exhibits which animals are the entry; such as beef, sheep, dairy cattle, goats, llamas, cavies, rabbits, poultry, dogs, etc.

Online Entry: Commitment to enter and abide by rules.

Detailed Receipt: An official form used in submitting an entry/exhibit in the California State Fair. The Detailed Receipt is only required for Open and Junior Livestock, Fur & Feathers, Best of Show and Ag Mechanic exhibitors.

Entry Fees: A fee charged to enter a competition. All entry fees must be paid online when entries are submitted.

Entry/Exhibit: Terms used to define the item entered in the competition or contest.

Entrant/Exhibitor: Terms used to define the person entering the competition.

Premium: A cash award is given to winners of the competition.

Department: Competition you wish to enter, i.e. California Crafts, Student Showcase, Photography, Fine Art, etc. which is comprised of similar shows.

Shows: Generalized sections of the competition.

Division: Categories within a show.

Class: Specific categories within a division.

Competition Guide: a printed or electronic (web) book, prospectus, or flyer which contains information for entry into the California State Fair competitions. Competition Guides can be a printed document or as an electronic document found on the California Exposition & State Fair website CAStateFair.org.

Bonafide Ownership of Exhibit - ownership is the state or fact of exclusive rights and control over property considered an entry or exhibit. This definition includes livestock, small animals, and horses although not limited to that type of property. Objects/products created or produced are also included as well as intellectual property. Proof of such ownership may be required by management.