

GENERAL RULES - READ CAREFULLY

1. **ALL EXHIBITORS AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CLINTON COUNTY FAIR.**
2. The Clinton County Fair Committee will not be responsible or liable for any accident to any person, property or loss by fire, theft or storm or from any other cause. Entries will be accepted on these terms only. However, precautions will be taken to prevent such occurrences.
3. Centre, Lycoming & Clinton County residents are invited to participate in agriculture and home economics Open Show classes. Residents of Clinton, Lycoming and Centre are invited to participate in Dairy Open Show Classes.
4. Entries will be accepted only for the classes listed in the 2017 Premium List. Exhibits previously displayed are not eligible for re-entry.
5. It shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor to make known the **proper name** of the article, or breed of livestock he is entering. **Any item entered improperly will be disqualified** to receive a prize, but the judges will mark the correct name on the entry tag for the benefit of the owner so the same mistake need not be made the second time.
6. **All entries must be grown, produced or made since the 2016 Fair.** Entries must be the personal work of the exhibitor and owned by the exhibitor at the time of entry. All protests regarding judging must be made in writing, and must plainly state the cause of the complaint or appeal. Such protests must be filed at the Fair Office within 24 hours of the occurrence.
7. No exhibitor may enter more than **one exhibit** in each section of a class and no article can compete for more than one award. Any exhibitor may be required to prove ability to reproduce entry in any department in the presence of a qualified person.
8. No premium or ribbon shall be awarded in any case unless the exhibit is worthy. In case of no competition the judge may award a lower prize than first place at his or her discretion.
9. The superintendent of any department reserves the right to refuse any entry.
10. The Exhibitor's name is not permitted on any exhibit except livestock until judging has been completed.
11. An entry fee of 50 cents will be charged for each exhibit entered in the agriculture and home economics Open Show Class, excluding livestock, dairy, horse, rabbit, poultry & goats.
12. Commercial products will not be accepted for judging.
13. Exhibits may be entered on Friday, July 28, from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM or Saturday, July 29, from 6:30 AM until 9:30 AM. Please enter perishable items on Saturday to insure freshness for judging. No food or drinks permitted in Open Show Exhibit Building.
14. During judging and display set-up, buildings, except livestock areas, are to be closed to everyone except fair officials, judges and necessary attendants. No exhibitor or his agent shall communicate with the judge during the time of determining the awards except to answer questions proposed by the judges. Any exhibitor interfering with the judges while making awards shall forfeit any premium to which he would otherwise be entitled. Department Superintendents may enter exhibits in their own departments, but neither they nor any other exhibitor may communicate with the judges during the time of determining the awards, except to answer questions proposed by the judges.
15. Exhibits may be removed after **9:00 PM** on Saturday, August 5th. No exhibits may be removed **before** the time stated.

16. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed on the fair grounds. Violators will be barred from exhibiting and all minors and others will be dealt with according to law.
17. Authorized camping at the Fair will be charged a fee.
18. All exhibitors must use an exhibitor registration number this is good for all week for all events.

SUGGESTIONS TO EXHIBITORS

1. Our exhibitors of previous years are again invited to exhibit at the Clinton County Fair. We hope the former exhibitors will be with us again and that they will interest others of the county in entering exhibits this year. We take this opportunity to thank the public for its wonderful cooperation.
2. Please read the Open Show General Rules carefully.
3. Bring exhibits early, please.
4. **Be sure to enter your exhibit in its proper class.** Show committee members may not classify any entry.
5. Study the premium list carefully and make your entries according to the classifications listed.
6. Select products that are uniform in size and color and prepare exhibit as attractively as possible.
7. No smoking in any building.
8. No pets permitted on grounds except for exhibits.

Livestock exhibit entries will be accepted Friday, July 28, 2017, from 7:00 AM until 12:00 Noon for all animals except dairy. Dairy calves, heifers and dry cows will be accepted on Monday, July 31, 2017, from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

4-H Check-In Times

Friday, July 28, 2017

Livestock Animal Weigh In:	7:00am-12:00 Noon @ Barns
Livestock Book Check & Passes Received:	4:00pm-6:00pm @ 4-H Building
General 4-H Face to Face Judging, Book Collection & Passes Received:	4:00pm-6:00pm @ 4-H Building
Horse Book Check and Passes Received:	6:00pm-7:00pm @ Horse Barn

HEALTH RULES FOR HORSES

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2017, is required. Equine Infections Anemia (EIA) test results and date of the test must be included on the CVI.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.
3. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) form must accompany each animal and must be presented upon arrival at the exhibition.
4. All equine animals must have tested negative for EIA by an official test within the 12 months prior to the opening date of the exhibition. A copy of the official test results must accompany each animal. Foals less than 6 months of age accompanied by a dam which meets the above requirements are exempt from EIA testing requirements. If the foal is not accompanied by the dam, a copy of the dam's test results must accompany the foal.
5. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is required for animals 3 months of age and older. All animals must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the CVI. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.

HEALTH RULES FOR DAIRY AND BEEF CATTLE

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2017, is required.
2. All animals must be free of infections and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.
3. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) form must accompany each animal and must be presented upon arrival at the exhibition.
4. Individual official animal identification is required. Official ID includes:
 - A USDA issued metal ear tag; or
 - A breed registration tattoo if the tattoo is legible and the animal is accompanied by a copy of the registration certificate; or
 - A breed registration ear tag if the animal is accompanied by a copy of the registration certificate; or
 - An ISO-compliant 15 digit ear tag (including RFID)
5. A Current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is required for animals 3 months of age and older (market cattle are exempt from this vaccination requirement.) All animals must be accompanied by a

- rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the CVI. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable
6. It is recommended that all cattle be immunized against IBR, P13, BRSV and BVD.
 7. Cattle consigned for slaughter immediately following the show shall not receive any treatment with drugs or biologics within the withdrawal time prior to slaughter. Withdrawal times for drugs and biologics are all stated in the directions for use. Label directions must be followed at all times. If upon slaughter the recent use of drugs, biologics or any chemical from fitting products is the cause of condemnation of a carcass, the loss of the carcass will be borne by the exhibitor.
 8. All show animals should be held in isolation for at least 30 days after return to the herd of origin.

HEALTH RULES FOR SHEEP

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2017, is required.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CV. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.
3. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) form must accompany each animal and must be presented upon arrival at the exhibition.
4. Individual official USDA scrapie animal identification is required. Official scrapie ID includes
 - An official USDA scrapie ear tag; or
 - A USDA approved custom scrapie ear tag; or
 - A USDA approved scrapie tattoo with individual animal ID (tattoo); or
 - An ISO-compliant 15 digit ear tag (including RFID)
5. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is required for animals 3 months of age and older (market sheep are exempt from this vaccination requirement.) All animals must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the CVI. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.
6. Sheep consigned for slaughter immediately following the show shall not receive any treatment with drugs or biologics within the withdrawal time prior to slaughter. Withdrawal times for drugs and biologics are all stated in the directions for use. Label directions must be followed at all times. If upon slaughter the recent use of drugs, biologics or any chemical from fitting products is the cause of condemnation of a carcass, the loss of the carcass will be borne by the exhibitor.
7. All show animals should be held in isolation for at least 30 days after return to the flock of origin.

HEALTH RULES FOR SWINE

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2017, is required.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.
3. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) form must accompany each animal and must be presented upon arrival at the exhibition.
4. Individual animal ID is required. ID options include the following:
 - A form of official ID including: a herd tattoo in combination with an ear notch; or a USDA issued metal ear tag; or an ISO-compliant 15 digit ear tag (including RFID); or
 - A plastic stamped ear tag.
5. Swine consigned for slaughter immediately following the show shall not receive any treatment with drugs or biologics within the withdrawal time prior to slaughter. Withdrawal times for drugs and biologics are all stated in the directions for use. Label directions must be followed at all times. If upon slaughter the recent use of drugs, biologics or any chemical from fitting products is the cause of condemnation of a carcass, the loss of the carcass will be borne by the exhibitor.
6. All show animals should be held in isolation for at least 30 days after return to the herd of origin.

HEALTH RULES FOR GOATS

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2017, is required.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.
3. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) form must accompany each animal and must be presented upon arrival at the exhibition.
4. Individual official animal identification is required. Official ID includes:
 - An official USDA scrapie ear tag; or
 - An ISO-compliant 15 digit ear tag (including FID); or
 - A USDA approved custom scrapie ear tag; or
 - A USDA approved scrapie tattoo. Goats with an official scrapie tattoo must also have a unique individual animal ID (tattoo) to meet the scrapie ID requirements; or
 - Goats having a breed registration tattoo and accompanied by a registration certificate are exempt from the scrapie ID requirement if the tattoo is legible and a registration certificate (copy acceptable) or a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection which lists the tattoo and registry accompanies the animal at all times.
5. Goats consigned for slaughter immediately following the show shall not receive any treatment with drugs or biologics within the withdrawal time prior to

slaughter. Withdrawal times for drugs and biologics are all stated in the directions for use. Label directions must be followed at all times. If upon slaughter the recent use of drugs, biologics, or any chemical from fitting products is the cause of condemnation of a carcass, the loss of the carcass will be borne by the exhibitor.

6. All show animals should be held in isolation for at least 30 days after return to the herd of origin.

HEALTH RULES FOR POULTRY

1. All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds and pigeons must bear a unique individual identification leg band (Official state-issued leg bands are not required.)
2. An owner-endorsed health certificate must accompany all poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, ratites and pigeons and must include the following:
 - Name and location of the exhibition; and
 - Name, address and telephone number of the owner; and
 - A statement that their entries and their flock of origin are free of evidence of contagious diseases; and
 - Owner signature and date of that signature; and
 - Verification of testing for AI and Pullorum.
3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.
4. Avian Influenza Clean Testing and Verification (all samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician of an Accredited Veterinarian):
 - All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds and ratites, (pigeons excluded) must originate from a flock in good standing in the Pennsylvania Avian Influenza Monitored Flock Program, or from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Avian Influenza Clean Program and must be accompanied by the most recent negative test report (copy acceptable):

Or
 - The birds must originate from a flock in which a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks or age or older, were tested negative for avian influenza within 6 months prior to opening date of the exhibition and the birds are accompanied by the test report (copy acceptable). If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds. For waterfowl, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs must be tested using virus isolation techniques.
5. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Testing and Verification (pigeons and waterfowl excluded.) (All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian.):
 - All poultry, upland game birds and ratites, (pigeons and waterfowl excluded) must originate from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Program, or from a flock in good standing in the PA Pullorum Equivalent Program and must be accompanied by the most recent negative test report (copy acceptable);

Or

- Individual birds (pigeons and waterfowl excluded) must have a negative Pullorum-Typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening of the exhibition and must be accompanied by the negative test report (copy acceptable) The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards:
 1. Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
 2. Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.
 3. Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.
 4. Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.
 5. All birds not meeting these age restrictions are exempt from Pullorum testing requirements.
- 6. Poultry consigned for slaughter immediately following the show shall not receive any treatment with drugs or biologics within the withdrawal time prior to slaughter. Withdrawal times for drugs and biologics are all stated in the directions for use. Label directions must be followed at all times. If upon slaughter the recent use of drugs, biologics or any chemical from fitting products is the cause of condemnation of a carcass, the loss of the carcass will be borne by the exhibitor.
- 7. All show animals should be held in isolation for at least 30 days after return to the flock of origin.

HEALTH RULES FOR RABBITS

1. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) form must accompany each animal and must be presented upon arrival at the exhibition.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.
3. Rabbits will be screened on arrival for health and show condition.
4. Rabbits consigned for slaughter immediately following the show shall not receive any treatment with drugs or biologics within the withdrawal time prior to slaughter. Withdrawal times for drugs and biologics are all stated in the directions for use. Label directions must be followed at all times. If upon slaughter the recent use of drugs, biologics or any chemical from fitting products is the cause of condemnation of a carcass, the loss of the carcass will be borne by the exhibitor.
5. All show animals should be held in isolation for at least 30 days after return to the herd of origin.

CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

The State Farm Products Show Commission has developed a Code of Show Ring Ethics to curtail unethical, deceptive and fraudulent show ring practices. The Code adopted by the Clinton County 4-H, Sugar Valley FFA and the Clinton County Fair is as follows:

Exhibitors of animals at the Clinton County Fair shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to Junior as well as Open Class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at the livestock show.

All Youth leaders working with junior exhibitors under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and absolutely responsible persons who violate the Code of Ethics will forfeit premiums, awards, and auction proceeds and may be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the Clinton County 4-H, Sugar Valley FFA, and the Clinton County Fair. Exhibitors who violate this Code of Ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition in all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and livestock in competitive events:

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
2. Owner, exhibitors, fitters, trainers or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarian upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while on the grounds.
4. Animals shall be presented to Show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable Federal and State statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with Federal, State and Provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood or other substance tested by approved laboratory, to which it is sent, is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise.

At any time after the animal arrives on the Clinton County Fair premises, all treatments; involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials, before, during or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this Code of Ethics or knowingly contribute to cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this Code of Ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.
9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this Code of Ethics.

10. The act of entering an animal in the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the Clinton County Fair for violation of the Code of Show Ring Ethics. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the Clinton County Fair may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Exposition and any special notices to members.

11. The act of entering an animal in the fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of any penalties provided for actions prohibited by the Code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of Federal and State statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.