

Livestock Rules and Regulations

All animal entries must comply with 2023 Health Rules and Regulations set forth by Maryland Dept. of Agriculture. Health papers (Certificate of Vet Inspection CVI) will be checked upon unloading of animals. Any one not having approved health papers and completed self-check form will not be permitted to unload. Cattle and Swine must have RFID tags. Sheep and Goats must have Scrapies Tags.

All **4-H/FFA livestock** must be entered between 5am-4pm on Monday, August 7, 2023. For Open Livestock entries see specific shows for entering times.

Purebred animals must have breed association registration papers issued in the name of the exhibitor. Commercial breeding animals must have appropriate 4-H tag & copies of livestock registration paperwork. 4-H/FFA breeding animals must be owned by July 1, 2023. Anyone not having registration papers will not be permitted to show.

All displays and farm signs must be kept at or in your individual stall area. No commercial or advertising signs are allowed at the fair unless you have a booth at the fair.

Animals are not permitted to leave the grounds at all unless the Fair Chairman or the Veterinarian approves. If caught, you will not be allowed back the following year.

All stalls must be cleaned before leaving the fairground or premiums will be withheld! This includes stall decorations. Do not leave bedding in the middle of the barns. It must be removed from the barns and put in the manure dumping area. All bedding & manure must be placed in dumpsters. If dumpster is full, bedding & manure must be placed outside in area of dumpster.

4-H and FFA Animal Show General Rules

1. The prescribed show attire is required for all Fitting & Showing, Showmanship, Breed Shows, Market Shows and the Livestock Sale.
2. No farm name or other identification shall appear on show uniforms.
3. Safe appropriate attire, including footwear is required at all times.
4. Show Attire:
 - Dairy cattle and dairy goats 4-H Boys** – white slacks with white shirt. Neck pieces optional but encouraged.
 - 4-H Girls** – white slacks or skirt with white shirt. Neck pieces optional but encouraged.
 - Livestock (sheep, swine, beef, and market goats): 4-H Boys** – tan or green slacks; tan or white shirt, with green or black tie.
 - 4-H Girls** – green or tan skirt or slacks, white or tan shirt with green or black neck piece. FFA Boys-tan or black slacks, tan or white shirt, with blue or black tie.
 - FFA Girls** – white, tan or black skirt or slacks, tan or white shirt, with blue or black neck piece.
 - Horses: Boys and Girls** – appropriate riding clothes. **Western:** any color button down shirt OR white polo shirt. Jeans or khaki pants and boots with heels. **English:** white polo shirt, breeches or jodhpurs and boots. ASTM-SEI approved head gear and shoes for the division as defined in 4-H 266 - Maryland 4-H Horse and Pony rule book.
5. Under garments must not be visible. Hats or caps are not permitted in the show ring except for horse show exhibits.
6. Ages for 4-H members:
 - Juniors** – must be 8 years old by January 1, 2023
 - Intermediates** – must be 11 years old by January 1, 2023
 - Seniors** – must be 14 years old by January 1, 2023 and not have past their 19th birthday.

7. Ages for FFA members: FFA Members must have completed the 9th grade during the current year and not have past their 19th birthday as of January 1, 2023.
8. Queen Anne's County FFA members may only participate in the following departments: ***Beef, Dairy, Dairy Goats, Dog, Meat Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Cavy, Sheep, Small Pets, Swine and Livestock Sale.***
9. Exhibitors must have continuous ownership of their animals from the project registration deadline until the day of the show.