

Open Livestock Rules

General Rules

1. Only registered animals that are purebred or pureblood livestock (one purebred parent), with papers, can be entered except for commercial beef classes and grade dairy heifers.
2. Animals must be registered in the name of the exhibitor and have been owned by him or her for at least 60 days prior to the fair.
3. Original registration papers and other information requested by the superintendent must be presented for entry in the show.
4. Exhibitors shall show their animals at such times and places as directed.
5. In Beef only Champion and Reserve Championships, 1st and 2nd place animals can be shown in both Open and Junior Division where there is competition.
6. All pens must be cleaned by 10:00am each day and refuse disposed as directed by the superintendents.
7. All space will be assigned by the superintendent who has the right to move animals in the best interest of the show.
8. All Livestock, Poultry, and Rabbit exhibitors must pre-register their exhibits and showmanship entries online through by <https://washcoar.fairwire.com> by July 15th.
9. Grooming Chutes allowed in areas designated by the Barn Superintendent
10. All livestock must enter through gate no. 2 (Livestock Gate) For checking of health papers.
11. Junior breeding stock placing 1st or 2nd in their class may show in the Open Division, if there is competition, for 1/2 the premium.
12. Duties of a Ring Steward
13. To keep animals in order by weight or age to aid the judge in evaluation.
14. To assist exhibitors with unruly or immobile animals to insure a safe, orderly show.
15. To see that the judge(s)' instructions are followed by the exhibitors. To assist exhibitor in catching and regaining control of an animal.
16. To assist the judge if he decides an animal should be tied to the rail or excused from the ring.
17. The Washington County Fair Board will not furnish material to bed animals.
18. No straw will be furnished by the Fair Association. Straw can only be used in tie out areas, except for wet dairy cattle.
19. Must pre-register livestock to receive car pass. See rules. Care of Exhibits - Animals: All Stalls, pens and exhibition places must be cleaned before 10:00am each day and refuse disposed of as directed by show management.
20. If exhibitor refuses to keep their stalls, pens and/or exhibits clean and neat, management reserves the right to have animals removed from the grounds or opt to have the stalls/pens properly cleaned with the cost charged to exhibitor. All cattle must be brought from tie out areas to barns before 10:00am each day. All animals must be properly fed and watered and looked after by the exhibitors. If management sees that animals are being neglected or left unattended for long periods of time during the day, they reserve the right to remove the animals from the grounds.
21. Livestock Entry & Exit Plan:
Livestock Gate: Coming in from McConnell Ave Hours of Operation:
Sunday, Aug 16th – Monday, Aug 17th - Open All Day for Livestock Entry, Closing at 10pm
Tuesday, Aug 18th – Saturday, Aug 22nd - Open 5am – 10am
Sunday, Aug 23rd – Open at 5am for Livestock Exit

Livestock Entry- Livestock, defined as ANY and ALL ANIMALS exhibited at the Fair, may enter the fairgrounds starting Sunday, August 20th and must be in place by Monday, August 21st.

The livestock gate will close at 10pm on Monday, August 21st and will remain closed until Tuesday, August 22nd at 5am. Beginning on Tuesday, August 22nd at 5am the Livestock gate will be open for you to haul in necessary items to take care of your animals.

You MUST have an EXHIBITOR PASS to access entry through this gate. If you DO NOT have an EXHIBITOR PASS you WILL NOT be permitted through this gate. At 10am each day this gate will be closed and locked with no entry permitted until the following day at 5am.

After 10am each day, WITH an EXHIBITOR PASS you will be able to park in the trailer parking area and enter through the walk-in gate. There will be security checking for EXHIBITOR PASSES at this gate. If you DO NOT have an EXHIBITOR PASS you will not be permitted to park there and will have to pay for entry through the Main Entry gate.

Livestock Exit - Livestock WILL NOT be allowed to LEAVE the fairgrounds until 5am on SUNDAY, August 23rd. If ANY Livestock LEAVE the fairgrounds prior to Sunday, at 5am the Exhibitor(s) will FORFEIT ALL PREMIUMS (Ribbon Money & Sale Premiums). If there are extenuating circumstances, you can submit a request in writing to the fair board for review. This can be turned into the Fair Office.