

2010 LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR HANDBOOK  
JUNIOR & OPEN LIVESTOCK SHOW  
GENERAL INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES



*See you at the Fair for some  
Blue Ribbon Fun!*

October 8 - 17



## JUNIOR & OPEN LIVESTOCK SHOW GENERAL INFORMATION AND RULES

### The following rules apply to both Open & Junior Shows

The Arkansas State Fair "ASF" and the Arkansas Livestock Show Association "ALSA" are committed to the humane treatment of all animals exhibited. Every possible precaution is taken to insure the animal's safety and well-being. The production practices in the livestock industry are based on good principles of animal husbandry. No one has a greater economic stake in the welfare of animals than the livestock producers and organizations involved in the promotion of agriculture. The welfare of all animals exhibited is under the guidance of the State Veterinarian.

The requirement of DNA samples for Market Animals is in no way related to the National Animal Identification System .

**When sending paper entries and other items to the State Fair via U.S. Mail, Exhibitors, County Agents and Vo-Ag Instructors should mail entries via Certified Mail — Return Receipt Requested. The Arkansas State Fair cannot be held responsible for errors made by the U.S. Postal Service. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to enter online at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net) and request confirmation of the timeliness of their entry.**

### **WHEN ENTERING ONLINE – PRINT AND KEEP YOUR RECEIPT BRING YOUR RECEIPT TO THE FAIR!**

**You may be required to present it to verify entry.**

#### **STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK CENTRAL OFFICE**

is located in Cattle barn #3 for our exhibitor's convenience.  
Livestock Show Management operates from this office during the State Fair.

#### **THE LIVESTOCK SALES OFFICE**

is located in Cattle barn #4.  
Fair Passes, Substitutions, Chute Fees and all other commerce will take place in this office.

*Thank you for your interest in the Arkansas State Fair Livestock Exhibition Program.  
Contact our office at 501-372-8341 or e-mail us at [livestock@asfg.net](mailto:livestock@asfg.net) for further information!*

**SECTION 1 - EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY**

**OPEN COMPETITIONS: REQUIREMENTS** - Competitions in the Open Department are open to the world. An Open Exhibitor Signature Form is required for all Open Exhibitors unless a Junior Exhibitor Form is already on file for the individual. Signature Forms can be found on the Arkansas State Fair website. Read Open Exhibitor Rules for more specific information on Open Competitions.

**JUNIOR COMPETITIONS: FFA & 4-H MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS** - All contestants in this show must be bona fide Arkansas 4-H Club members enrolled in projects they are exhibiting or FFA Members in the State of Arkansas for the current School year, as certified by their County Agent or Agricultural Education Advisor. Contestants are to be members in good standing and have received an overview of the ASF rules. A Junior Exhibitor Signature Form must be on file with the ASF Livestock Office for eligibility in any competition.

**AGE REQUIREMENTS** - This division is limited to Arkansas students only, who are bona fide members of an Arkansas FFA Chapter or 4-H Club in good standing. Only youth who are at least 9 years of age and have not reached their 20th birthday on or before the first day of the current year Arkansas State Fair (October 8, 2010) are eligible. Additionally, exhibitors may exhibit in this show no later than the fall after graduating from high school or having received a GED certificate or its equivalent, regardless of age. Read Junior Exhibitor Rules for more specific information on Junior Competitions.

**SECTION 2 - ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

**LIVESTOCK ONLINE ENTRY: NOT AVAILABLE FOR POULTRY & RABBITS.** Livestock exhibitors who enter online ([www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net)) will have discounted entry fees but must do so by Midnight, September 1. After September 1 entries are subject to late fees and all livestock entries close on September 9. Once online entries are closed, exhibitors must print entry forms and mail them to the Livestock Office (see below for deadlines). Credit or debit cards are accepted as method of payment.

**PAPER ENTRY BY MAIL, FAX OR HAND DELIVERY: ENTRY METHOD FOR POULTRY, RABBITS & LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS WHO DO NOT WANT TO ENTER ONLINE.** Please use the current year entry form. Exhibitors choosing to use printed entry forms to submit by mail, fax or other delivery method will pay the regular entry fee amount. Late entries must include additional fees. All entries submitted with the US Postal Department postmark on or between September 2 and September 9 will be subject to late fees except poultry and rabbits. Credit or debit cards, checks, or money orders are accepted as method of payment. ASF not responsible for cash. ASF will assess a \$25 fee for returned checks.

**POULTRY AND RABBIT ENTRIES:** All poultry and rabbit entries must be submitted on paper with a US Postmark of September 17 or prior. No late deadline is available for poultry and rabbit entries.

**LIVESTOCK ENTRY FEES**

OPEN DEPARTMENT				JUNIOR DEPARTMENT			
SPECIES	ONLINE	PAPER	PAPER	SPECIES	ONLINE	PAPER	PAPER
	Midnight Sept. 1	Postmarked Before Sept. 1	LATE Post. Sept 2-9		Midnight Sept. 1	Postmarked Before Sept. 1	LATE Postmarked Sept. 2-9
Beef & Dairy Cattle	\$22.00	\$32.00	\$44.00	Beef & Dairy Cattle	\$12.00	\$17.00	\$22.00
Sheep	\$8.00	\$11.00	\$14.00	Sheep	\$5.00	\$7.00	\$8.00
Swine	\$8.00	\$11.00	\$14.00	*Swine	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$14.00
Dairy Goats	\$8.00	\$11.00	\$14.00	Dairy Goats	\$5.00	\$7.00	\$8.00
Boer Goats	\$17.00	\$22.00	\$27.00	Boer Goats	\$12.00	\$17.00	\$22.00

\*Includes entry into both Junior & Open Shows

**RABBIT & POULTRY ENTRY FEES**

**OPEN DEPARTMENT  
MUST BE SUBMITTED ON PAPER BY SEPTEMBER 17**

Breeding Rabbits	\$3.00
Fur Rabbit Classes	\$1.50
Single Poultry	\$1.00
Trio Poultry	\$3.00

**JUNIOR DEPARTMENT  
MUST BE SUBMITTED ON PAPER BY SEPTEMBER 17**

Breeding Rabbits	\$3.00
Fur Rabbit Classes	\$1.50
Meat Pen Rabbits	\$5.00
Single Fryer Rabbits	\$5.00
*Single Poultry	\$1.50 - *Entry in Open & Junior
*Trio Poultry	\$4.00 - *Entry in Open & Junior

**APPLICATION FOR ENTRY:** All applications for entries in the Open and Junior Departments must be made either online or on forms provided by the State Fair for this purpose, and in accordance with instructions on same. Send completed paper forms to:

**ARKANSAS STATE FAIR  
LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT  
2600 HOWARD STREET  
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72206**

Entry forms are furnished by the Livestock Department and can be found online at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net).

**SIGNATURE FORM:** A Livestock Exhibitor Signature Form is required for all exhibitors who show at any Livestock Show held under the direction of the ALSA during the current Show Season. This form must be submitted one time to the State Fair Livestock Office for the entire show season. Complete this form and mail it to: 2600 Howard Street, Little Rock, AR 72206 no later than September 30 in order to participate in the Arkansas State Fair. No exhibitor will be allowed to show at any show held under the direction of the Arkansas Livestock Show Association without this completed form. Submission of a Junior Form allows the exhibitor to show in Open Classes as well.

**CORRECTIONS:** Any entry form received that is incomplete or inaccurate will be returned and may be assessed correction fee. Failure to complete the incomplete or inaccurate information by determined deadline could result in ineligibility to participate.

**ACCEPTED ENTRIES:** In all cases, the management reserves the right to accept, reject or accept conditionally, any entry as it is intended that only such animals shall be entered and shown as have merit, and will be a credit to both the exhibitor and this exposition. Entries which do not meet eligibility criteria will be disqualified.

**CHECK-IN OF ANIMALS:** All exhibitors must have animals' registration papers checked in with clerk at designated time(s). Animals must be checked in by the appointed time or they will be scratched from the judging books. The original registration certificate must be provided unless otherwise noted in division rules. Copies are not allowed. It is the complete responsibility of the exhibitor to be sure all animals are checked in during the required times. Failure to do so will result in ineligibility to compete.

**SUBSTITUTION REQUIREMENTS:** Substitutions may be made within the same breed and gender. There is a **\$15.00** charge for each substitution in the Open and Junior Departments. Dairy Cattle & Dairy Goat exhibitors are allowed two free substitutions for each exhibitor. This must be completed during check-in of animals. No substitution will be accepted until payment is verified in Livestock Sales Office. Exhibits that have been erroneously entered may be transferred to the proper class. If such classes have been judged then they will not be reopened.

**GROUPS OF ANIMALS:** There is no limit to the number of entries an exhibitor enters in group classes (unless otherwise noted in the Premium Classes for that species/breed). Animals to compose a competitive group need not be named in application for entry, but exhibitors must indicate, on entry, each group class in which they expect to compete. Animals shown in group classes must have been entered and shown in individual classes. Each exhibitor will only be paid for up to 2 places in any class. NO county groups will be allowed in any class for any species.

**REGISTRATION OF ANIMALS:** Animals in all breeding classes (except Commercial Shows) must have registration number at time of entry. No pending registrations will be accepted. No copies of registration papers will be accepted at check in. All animals in breeding classes except Commercial Shows must be recorded or accepted for record in the recognized book of record for their respective breeds. Registration papers will be checked by Department clerk before judging. Exhibitor must give, in his application for entry, the breed, date of birth, registration number and name of animal(s). Exhibitors must have registration certificate available with exhibit at all times. Tattoo numbers and ear marks are subject to being checked at any time. When required by breed association – a legible well healed tattoo or ear mark must be in place. Middle ear rib tattoos are recommended.

**BREEDER (DEFINED):** The breeder of an animal is the owner of the dam at the time of service and shall be so considered in all classes that require animals to be bred by exhibitors. When a breeder, prior to close of entries, disposes of his herd to a corporation, wherein he is a stockholder, or manager, animals may be exhibited as bred by said corporation.

**ANIMAL INSPECTIONS:** As a condition for participation in the Show, every exhibitor must agree to submit any animal entered by exhibitor to inspection by a veterinarian appointed by the management, FDA, USDA/FSIS, and/or Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission and agrees to have such animal submitted to any tests as may be designated and requested by Veterinarian or Fair Official. Animals exhibiting signs of warts will not be allowed to show or remain on the Fairgrounds. The ASF specifically reserves the right to have hair, tissue, blood or urine laboratory analysis made on any animal entered for competition. The conclusions reached by the veterinarian, as to whether such animal has been administered or given a substance or drug in violation of the rules or has not been properly withdrawn from approved drugs shall be final, without recourse against the ASF or any of its officers. In addition, during the Fair, every exhibitor agrees to allow ASF officials to collect hair follicles, and/or perform a retinal scan. These hair follicles or retinal scan may be used to perform analyses to verify identification of an entry in the show using the DNA sample or retinal scan collected at the time of enrollment. Any and all samples collected are the property of the ASF and may be compared with samples collected by other fairs or livestock shows in order to confirm entry identification.

**PREMIUMS:** Premiums will be paid on a dollar basis in the Open Department and in the Junior Department. There is no limit to the number of entries an exhibitor enters in any given class, but **NO EXHIBITOR IS PERMITTED TO RECEIVE PREMIUMS FOR MORE THAN TWO PLACES IN ANY ONE CLASS.** Premiums will be mailed to the exhibitor after December 1 of the current year to the address given on the entry form. Errors in premium payments will not be considered after 30 days from check date.

### SECTION 3 – ARKANSAS STATE FAIR COMPLEX USE

**ARRIVAL/RELEASE OF LIVESTOCK:** Refer to Livestock Show Schedule for arrival and release times of animals. Non compliance with show schedule may result in forfeiture of premiums earned.

**TRUCK & TRAILER REGULATIONS:** All trucks with livestock will enter through Gate 12 at 34<sup>th</sup> and Battery Streets. All trucks and trailers must be removed after unloading to the designated area. Most Livestock Trailers will be parked at an off site location near the Fairgrounds at no charge to the exhibitor. Directions to the lot will be given upon arrival to the Fairgrounds. The trailer parking lot will be monitored 24 hours per day by ASF Security. Trucks will be permitted in the area near the barns only between 6 & 9 AM, with the exception of the Swine Barn on Market Hog Move-In & Move-Out Days. No vehicle will be allowed to park in the streets after 9 AM daily.

**STALL RESERVATIONS:** Stall assignments will be made by the ASF Livestock Department. Exhibitors are required to comply with stalling assignments. Any special requests regarding stalling will be considered but are not guaranteed. Special stalling requests must be submitted an e-mail to [allison@asfg.net](mailto:allison@asfg.net) no later than September 25<sup>th</sup>. **NO STALL SPACE IS GUARANTEED & THE ASF MANAGEMENT DECISION ON STALL ASSIGNMENTS IS FINAL.**

**CARE AND CUSTODY:** Each exhibitor is responsible for the care, showing and selling of his or her own animals until the fair management has issued a release. If livestock is not properly cared for, labor, feed requirements and other necessary items will be supplied, with all costs thereof charged against such exhibitor. Any and all premium or sale money won by such exhibitor will be withheld under such circumstances to apply toward any expenses incurred. All owners of property, or livestock or other persons having same in charge, shall care for, guard, protect and preserve same so as not to cause injury or damage to any member of the general public, any other exhibitor, or any ASF Management personnel. As the Arkansas State Fair & Livestock Show does not undertake to do so, it shall not be held responsible for any loss or damage to said property or the owners, handlers, or trainers thereof. The Arkansas State Fair, its insurance carriers, and the state of Arkansas are not liable or responsible for and expressly disclaim any liability or responsibility for the acts, failure to act, misconduct, or negligence of any third party relative thereto.

**SMOKING IN BARN:** Smoking is prohibited in all barns by order of the Little Rock Fire Marshall.

**GROOMING CHUTES:** Grooming chutes must be used ONLY in the Grooming Areas. All exhibitors must purchase a permit at the Livestock Sales Office in Cattle Barn #4 for a Chute Permit. Permits are \$25.00 for each chute. Chutes without permits or in an area not designated for grooming will be confiscated and may be picked up at the Security Office at Gate 11 for a nonrefundable fee of \$50.

**FEEDING AND BEDDING:** Exhibitors are responsible for their own bedding. Any unauthorized sale or delivery of any feed, hay or bedding materials is strictly prohibited. Only bagged or baled shavings or wood chips and baled straw, in very limited quantities will be permitted on the grounds. Feed and bedding of all kinds will be available from the FFA Feed Store on the grounds at reasonable prices. Proceeds from the FFA Feed Store are retained by Arkansas FFA. The Feed Store will not deliver to your stall inside the Barns.

**ANIMAL MOVEMENT & HOUSING:** All animals are not to be moved from their assigned pen, stall or tie out space between the hours of 11 PM and 4 AM. Exhibitor access to animals during this time will be permitted. Animals must be on display in the barns during required times. Failure to comply will result in disqualification. Animals are not allowed to be housed inside livestock trailers except when being transported at appropriate time. At no time shall an animal enter a barn where different species are to be or are currently housed. For Example: Swine shall be limited to the swine barn and are not allowed in any other barn.

**DOGS:** Dogs are strictly prohibited on Fairgrounds; particularly in Livestock Exhibition areas. The only exception is seeing-eye dogs. ASF Security handles all issues regarding dogs on the Arkansas State Fairgrounds.

**LIABILITY:** All livestock exhibitors, livestock handlers, livestock trainers, etc. and their livestock will be under the control, supervision, and direction of ASF management, but it is agreed as a condition to exhibiting, handling, or training all livestock that the ASF will in no event and under no circumstances be responsible or liable for any loss, injury, or damage that may occur to livestock exhibitors, livestock handlers, livestock trainers, their livestock, their property, and/or the general public. Each exhibitor, handler, or trainer 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 or her or representing parties of him or her and for its description as given in the General Information, Rules and Regulations. He or she shall indemnify and hold harmless the ASF, its members, agents, servants, employees, officers, directors, and board of governors from and against all loss, claims, judgments, damages, actions, or causes of action or other proceedings of and brought by third parties including without limitation any member of the general public in regard to and arising out of the exhibition or sale of any animals or their transportation to or from the ASF Fairgrounds, or other matters or events related thereto, including damage or injury occurring or manifesting itself at any time to any other such person or his or her property, caused directly or indirectly by the exhibitor, his or her agents, his or her independent contractors, or any of the animals exhibited by him or her, arising out of or in any way connected with such exhibition, transportation, or sale or the activities or conduct of any of the animals so exhibited.

**NEW RULE - OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER:** An official livestock photographer will be present on the grounds during the Show. An official backdrop will be provided for use by the official photographer only. Exhibitors are not allowed to use backdrop for personal photos. The Management of the ASF reserves the right to use any photograph for publicity or advertising purposes without the permission or consent of the owner of the livestock. Exhibitors winning Grand or Reserve Champion awards are required to have official photographs made in order to receive premiums.

**SIGNS:** Livestock exhibitors are permitted to display a sign over each exhibit advertising their own herd, to be arranged or placed where they will, but must in no way, obstruct view and must meet the approval of the Management of the ASF and be in good taste. Commercial signs (such as feeds, minerals, medicines, etc.) will not be permitted. No signs or banners may be nailed to walls or fences.

**IN CASE OF ANIMAL DEATH:** In the event an animal expires on the Fairgrounds, the owner or exhibitor of the animal must immediately report the death to the ASF Livestock Department and arrangements will be made for disposal. Do not remove the animal from the exhibit area before notifying and receiving direction from the ASF Livestock Department. Exhibitors are responsible for any costs related to disposal of the animal.

**MAIL SERVICE:** Mail should be addressed to: Arkansas State Fair – Livestock Department, Attention: Exhibitor's Name, 2600 Howard Street, Little Rock, AR 72206. Mail and parcels addressed to exhibitors should be called for at the Livestock Office in Cattle Barn #3 or the Administration Office at Gate 5. The ASF is not responsible for loss or damage to any package or the non-receipt of mail. Mail is delivered to the Arkansas State Fair Administration Office.

**PASSES:** An Exhibitor, whether showing in the Junior and/or Open Department, will be issued one (1) complimentary SEASON PASS, which admits one person and one vehicle and is valid for the entire fair. Additional passes must be purchased. To purchase additional passes in advance visit the State Fair Website at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net). GREAT savings are available when tickets are purchased in advance. The complimentary SEASON PASS will be mailed after receipt of entries (approximately three weeks before opening day of the Fair). No passes will be issued until entry fees are paid. After the Fair begins, additional passes may be purchased at the Livestock Sales Office in Cattle Barn #4. Junior Exhibitor passes will be mailed to the County Extension Agent or Vo-Ag Instructor on record for the Exhibitor.

**CAMPING FACILITIES:** Camping facilities are available for Livestock Exhibitors on the Arkansas State Fairgrounds. Refer to the Special Section "Camping" in the online Livestock Exhibitor Handbook at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net) for details.

**LODGING AND MEALS:** Dormitories are available for Junior Livestock Exhibitors and ASF approved chaperones during the State Fair. Refer to the Special Section "Dormitories" in the online Livestock Exhibitor Handbook at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net) for details.

**FIRST AID:** Emergency medical services (MEMS) will be on the State Fairgrounds with headquarters located in the North Lot beside Barton Coliseum. In the event of an emergency, dial 911.

#### **SECTION 4 – SHOW RULES**

**DECISION OF JUDGES:** Judges are selected by the ASF Show management, and in every case the judge is selected with the utmost care, and as far as possible, will be of national reputation. The decisions of the judges are final in all cases, except where mistake, fraud, misrepresentation or collusion, not discovered at the time of the award, is proven. In such cases, the management or such referee as it may appoint, will make the final decision.

**INTERFERENCE WITH JUDGES:** If an exhibitor in any way, whether in person or by agent, or servant, interferes with the judges during their adjudication, or shows any disrespect to them, the ASF or the ALSA event in which he or she is participating, the ASF Livestock Show Management may demand a proper apology from such exhibitor, and such action will exclude him or her from competition and from the ring and may also withhold from such exhibitors any premiums that may have been awarded.

**CONTROL OF ANIMALS:** All open and junior exhibitors must have complete control of their animals in the show ring at all times. If, in the opinion of the Show official, an animal is unruly to the point of endangering other exhibitors or animals, that animal will be excused from the ring and disqualified. All breeding cattle and steers for exhibition must be shown with halters and be sufficiently gentle to be properly handled by one attendant on foot. All Bulls, 6 months old or older, must be shown with nose ring or nose clip and lead.

**TIME OF JUDGING:** The Livestock Schedule, as published in the online Livestock Exhibitor Handbook, will be followed as closely as possible. Exhibitors should ascertain as to what time their exhibits would be judged. Any exhibit not presented promptly on schedule will be ruled out and barred from competition in the class called. No complaint or protest on the ground that the judge overlooked exhibits will be considered. Paging for shows is provided as a courtesy by the Arkansas State Fair, but it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to maintain the required schedule.

**ANIMALS DISQUALIFIED:** Should any animal awarded a prize be disqualified, the animals gaining the lower prizes should graduate up into the higher positions next in order above them. If a Champion or Reserve Champion is disqualified after the show, a Reserve Champion will not be named.

**SHOWING FOR ADJUDICATION:** All exhibitors must bring into the arena for adjudication any animal or animals properly entered in any show class as eligible for competition. No animal will be awarded a prize unless removed from its stall or pen and properly exhibited before the judge in the show ring.

**PROTESTS:** All protests must be in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$100.00, cash or certified check, which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the management of the ASF within two hours after the occasion for such protest. Any protest as to the eligibility on account of age of breeding of animals must be filed with the ASF Management prior to the day on which they are to be judged. In this case – the decision of the Breed Association of Record for the animal(s) in question will stand in accordance with the conclusion of Arkansas State Fair Management. Protest must be submitted either prior to judging or immediately after the conclusion of CLASS judging. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation; and depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until a thorough investigation is completed. In addition to the right to protest herein granted to exhibitor, the Arkansas State Fair reserves the right to take cognizance of fraud consummated or attempted in connection with an exhibit, and take such action as may be deemed just and proper, and as may be warranted in these premises. No protest or appeal based upon the statement that the judge or judges are incompetent will be considered by the ASF Management. All questions in dispute or difference not covered by these rules will be referred to the ASF Management, whose decision shall be final. The decision of Classifiers, Weigh Masters, Judges and Veterinarians shall not be subject to protest or appeal.

**INTERPRETATIONS AND VIOLATIONS OF RULES:** The Arkansas State Fair reserves to its Management the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with, or incident to the Arkansas State Fair; and the right to amend, interpret or add to these rules as its judgment may determine. An exhibitor who violates any of the rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums and be subject to such penalty as the management may order.

**ATTESTING OF AWARDS:** The judges, superintendent and a clerk must sign the award book with awards entered after each show. The judge and superintendent should use special care to see that each award is properly entered in the award book.

**DISCOURTESY / DISOBEDIENCE:** Any act of discourtesy or disobedience to Arkansas State Fair officials on the part of the exhibitor, parents or sponsors will disqualify exhibitor from the contest, and the owner shall forfeit their entrance and other fees. Any exhibitor, parent or sponsor who shall attempt to interfere with judges in the performance of their duties, or who shall make any false statement in regard to any animal exhibited or shall interfere with clerks' and judges' books shall be excluded from the competition and may be subject to other disciplinary actions.

**DELINQUENT ACTS:** If an exhibitor is caught having any involvement in any delinquent act or being involved with a disqualified entry, they may be removed from the grounds forfeiting any further competition, awards, premiums, sale slots and/or proceeds. Fees will not be reimbursed and the exhibitor may be barred from future competition at the Arkansas State Fair or any ALSA event. Delinquent Acts include but are not limited to vandalism, use of alcohol or drugs, and aggressive or violent behavior.

### **PROHIBITED ACTS**

- The injection, use, or administration of any drug to the animal that is prohibited by Federal, State, or Local Law or any drug that is used in a manner prohibited by Federal, State or Local Law.
- The injection or internal or external administration of any product or material, whether gas, solid, or liquid, to an animal for the purpose of deception, including concealing, enhancing, or transforming the true conformation, configuration, color, breed, condition or age or by making the animal appear more sound than would otherwise appear.
- Being found in possession of stomach pumping equipment, drench tubes, or any other device that can be used to administer any substance to an animal per os (by esophagus). Treatment of severely sick or dehydrated animals must be pre-approved by ASF Personnel and administered by an ASF approved veterinarian.
- The administration, use or application of any drug or feed additive affecting the central nervous system.
- The administration of diuretics for cosmetic purposes, tissue manipulation, removal, surgical attachment or otherwise to change, conceal, enhance, or transform the true conformation or configuration of the animal. Attaching to the hide foreign objects including hair or hair substitutes, cloth or fiber for the purpose of deception.

**PROHIBITED ACTS (CONTINUED)**

- Any physical or physiological attempt to alter the natural musculature or weight by use of injections or ingested material not conducive to the continued health or marketability of bovine, sheep, swine or goat for deception.
- Violations of the Wholesome Meat Act. (Available at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net))
- Violations of the International Association of Fairs & Expositions National Code of Show Ring Ethics. (Available at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net))
- Violations of the Arkansas State Fair Ownership requirements or Care and Custody rules listed in this premium book. This includes the manipulation of documents or providing false statement as to affect ownership of an animal and its eligibility to be exhibited at Arkansas State Fair.

**EXHIBITOR RESPONSIBILITY:** It is the sole responsibility of the Exhibitor to follow all the rules contained herein. Extent of knowledge on the part of the Exhibitor with regard to the animal being subject to any prohibited act is not relevant to any issue, and it shall not be a defense that a person or persons unknown subjected the animal to any prohibited act.

**PENALTIES:** An Exhibitor who violates any of the rules contained herein, or whose animal has been found to be in violation of the rules is subject to:

- such animal being barred from competition at the Arkansas State Fair or any ALSA event.
- the exhibitor being barred from entering and/or participating at the Arkansas State Fair or any ALSA event.
- the exhibitor; the exhibitor's family; representative or agents of the exhibitor; or all of them being barred from any further participation in the Arkansas State Fair.
- violator's name and address being reported to the National Association of Livestock Show & Rodeo Managers' Association Rule Infraction Database. Being reported in this database may result in disqualification from any national livestock show. If you are listed in this database – you may not be allowed to participate in any event held at the Arkansas State Fair or any ALSA event.
- awards and premiums being withheld. In the event any awards or premiums shall have been given by the Arkansas State Fair to animal in violation of these rules, the Exhibitor will, upon demand by the Arkansas State Fair, immediately return all awards and premiums given to such animal.
- all money earned at the Arkansas State Fair Junior Livestock Sale being withheld.
- exhibitor being liable to the Arkansas State Fair and shall indemnify and hold the Arkansas State Fair harmless from all damages, including but not limited to all expenses and costs for blood, tissue, urine, hide and/or carcass sampling and testing, State Fair management labor and expenses, consultant legal and court costs incurred as a result of violations of Arkansas State Fair rules and regulations.

**PERSONS INVOLVED IN PROHIBITED ACT:** Any person that in any way performs any prohibited act, with or without the owner's permission, may be forever barred from showing at the Arkansas State Fair. In addition the case will be turned over to appropriate authority. Any sponsoring Agent, Advisor or Person associated with the sponsoring Agent, Advisor, Leader, Parent or Guardians who are found to be involved with the encouragement of prohibited acts may be barred from future participation at the Arkansas State Fair.

**RIGHT OF DECISION REVIEW:** If an Exhibitor is subject to any penalty or violation under these rules, the Exhibitor has the right to have the decision reviewed by the Arkansas State Fair. Exhibitors must contact the Livestock Office to obtain the procedure for review. Please note there are specific time deadlines and notification requirements that are strictly adhered to.

**EXHIBITOR CONTACT INFORMATION**

Exhibitors should be sure that their home mailing address is filled out completely on the entry information along with any other pertinent contact information such as phone number, e-mail address, etc. This information is to aid in the delivery of premiums and future communications between the Livestock Department and the exhibitor throughout the year.

When your contact information changes, please notify the Livestock Office at [Allison@asfg.net](mailto:Allison@asfg.net) or [Tammy@asfg.net](mailto:Tammy@asfg.net). Be sure to sign up for the Arkansas State Fair newsletter at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net) to keep current on State Fair activities.

**SPECIFIC RULES APPLY FOR INDIVIDUAL SHOWS. REFER TO OTHER SECTIONS OF THE ONLINE EXHIBITOR HANDBOOK FOR GUIDELINES.**