ADDENDUM II

EXHIBIT PROGRAM
GUIDELINES
FOR
FAIR MANAGEMENT AND EXHIBIT STAFF

Fairs and Expositions Branch
1220 N Street
Sacramento, California 95814

Welcome to the Junior Department

TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR PARENTS OF YOUNGSTERS SHOWING LIVESTOCK

1. Thou shalt not feed, train, and care for the animal for thou art trying to teach the child responsibility.
2. Thou shalt forgive a child for making mistakes in the showing for thou hast made mistakes too!
3. Thou shalt not get mad when thy child forgets items in the showbox for one day thou may forget showbox.
4. Thou shalt help the show management for they are doing a job that thou would not want to do.
5. Thou shalt see that thy child is on time for all show activities for thou would not want to wait on another.
6. Thou shalt make sure thy child has animals entered and registration papers in order by the designated time.
7. Thou shalt teach the child that winning a blue ribbon is a desirable goal but making friends along the way is a more worthy goal.
8. Thou shalt not complain about the judge for it is his opinion that has been sought.
9. Thou shalt remember that livestock projects are teaching projects, not necessarily money-making projects.
10. Thou shalt remember that the livestock project is a family project that shall be enjoyed and supported by the entire family.

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RULES SHOULD ENCOURAGE RATHER THAN DISCOURAGE PARTICIPATION WHILE ENSURING EDUCTIONAL AND EQUITABLE COMPETITION.

STATE RULES ARE ADOPTED TO PROVIDE STATE-WIDE COMPETITION CONSISTENCY. LOCAL RULES MAY BE CREATED BY INDIVIDUAL FAIRS. LOCAL RULES MAY BE MORE STRICT THAN STATE RULES, BUT MAY NOT CONFLICT WITH THEM.

LOCAL RULES SHOULD BE PRINTED IN THE EXHIBITOR HANDBOOK.

1. Local Rules MUST specify protest policy and procedures.
    a. How and when and with whom protests must be filed.
    b. Who will hear and determine protests.
    c. How, when and who will respond to interested parties regarding the decision.
2. Each fair should consider the following items and determine local rules as needed:
    a. Residency requirements of exhibitors in each department.
    b. Judging system (American or Danish) to be used in each department or division.
    c. Dates for receiving entry forms and fees, receiving entries, releasing entries, etc.
    d. Any additional requirements to the “substitution” rule.
    e. Length of ownership for specific departments or divisions. NOTE: Local rules may establish longer length of ownership rules than specified in State Rules.
    f. Specify what is the minimum number of exhibits required to hold a class.
    g. Fairs may establish award limits that are more strict than State Rules in order to distribute awards further. Example: “One cash award per division” or “entries limited to one per class per exhibitor” or “market animals sold through the junior livestock auction will not receive premium money,” etc.
    h. Fairs should establish age requirements for junior divisions separate from 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent exhibitors as specified in State Rules. Fairs should work with local 4-H, FFA, Grange to coordinate consistent age requirements for participation.
    i. Fairs may require that each animal entered into a group be specified on the entry form.
    j. Fairs may establish a minimum age limit to be allowed in the show ring for open livestock competition.
    k. Fairs are encouraged to make a local rule prohibiting the buy-back by exhibitor/seller of animal(s) sold through the junior livestock auction.
    l. Establish a local rule regarding if the fair will accept and judge “papers pending” livestock exhibits.
    m. Categories for participation in special small animal and non-livestock divisions for youth under 9 years of age, see VII. Junior Department, Exhibitor Age Requirements, Rule 5.

n. Establish length of ownership for breeding and feeder animals. See VII. Junior Department, Livestock and Horse Exhibits, Ownership, Rule 1b.
o. Local rules to specify details for terminal sale. See VIII. Livestock Department, Market Animals, Rule 2.
p. Determine if post entries in the horse show will accepted and, if so, any penalty to be charged.
q. Specify description of “age of horse show exhibitor”. See XI. Horse Show Department, Exhibitors, Rule 1.
r. Determine local requirements for 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent exhibitors regarding caring for and grooming their animals while at the fair. See VII. Junior Department, Livestock & Horse Exhibits, Other, Rule 1.

INDIVIDUAL FAIRS ARE ENCOURAGED TO DISCUSS ISSUES WITH OTHER FAIRS AND OBTAIN COPIES OF EXHIBITOR HANDBOOKS FROM OTHER FAIRS TO ASSIST IN DETERMINING NECESSARY LOCAL RULES.

GENERAL INFORMATION
STATEMENT OF EXHIBIT PRINCIPLES

THE FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS BRANCH believes the mission of competitive exhibits at fairs is to ensure the competition is educational, ethical, and equitable. This will be accomplished in a manner representing the highest integrity and standards of all participants.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, exhibitors requesting disability-related accommodations need to contact their respective fair office prior to the fair event.

UPON SUBMITTAL AND SIGNATURE ON THE ENTRY FORM, exhibitors, agents, leaders, parents/guardians, acknowledge and agree to the following principles for competition:

1. Exhibitors will comply with State and Local Rules and accept all responsibility for their exhibits.
2. Exhibitors agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the fair, the county and the State of California from and against any liability, claim, loss or expense (including reasonable attorneys’ fees) arising out of any injury or damage, which is caused by, arises from or is in any way connected with participation in the program or event, excepting only that caused by the sole active negligence of the Fair. The Fair Management shall not be responsible for accidents or losses that may occur to any of the exhibitors or exhibits at the Fair. The exhibitor (or parent or guardian of a minor) is responsible for any injury or damage resulting from the exhibitor’s participation in the program or event. This includes any injury to others or to the exhibitor or to the exhibitor’s property.

3. Exhibitors must be able to prove their own eligibility and that of their exhibits according to State and Local Rules and acknowledge that misrepresentation of any kind is prohibited.
4. Junior exhibitors are expected to prepare, manage and present their own exhibits.
5. Exhibitors will conduct themselves with sportsmanship; integrity and cooperation with all participants.
6. In the case of animals:
    a. Exhibitors will exhibit healthy animals and handle them with care; and
    b. Exhibit them in their unaltered conformation except for common animal husbandry practices, and
    c. Use all pharmaceuticals, biologics and other chemicals lawfully and with notification to fair management as it specifies.

IN FULFILLMENT OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES, the Fairs and Expositions Branch and the Local Fair agrees to the following principles for competition:

1. Fairs will advocate and enforce the printed rules.
2. In the case of rules violations or in practices determined to be unethical and inappropriate with the competitive exhibit program,
    a. The fair has the right to deny entry or remove any exhibitor or exhibit that is determined ineligible, or whose presentation is deemed not in the best interest of the fair, endangers the public or has violated the rules.
    b. The fair shall discipline such exhibitors as deemed appropriate; and
    c. The fair shall submit a written report of such discipline to the appropriate governing body of the Fairs and Expositions Branch, regulatory agency, youth or breed association.
3. Fair staff will conduct themselves with integrity, professionalism and cooperation with all participants.

It is of the upmost importance to the continued integrity of the local fair and to fair industry, as a whole, that directors, managers, department supervisors, staff and any other involved persons remove themselves from the selection of, or fraternization with, judges in departments in which their own minor children are exhibiting. The appearance or assumption of influence over the judging is just as detrimental to fairs and exhibitors as if it were a fact.

Fair must avoid calling upon parents of junior exhibitors to serve as judges, clerks or other official capacities where they have or may appear to have considerable influence over the outcome of judging.

Fairs are encouraged to make a reasonable effort to enforce California Department of Food and Agriculture laws. Fairs have the right to see any described tattoos, tags or documentation to enforce these laws as they see fit.

Combining 4-H, FFA, Grange, and Independent exhibitors. The policy of fairs is to encourage meaningful competition and education. This should be the main consideration when combining any division. When entries in 4-H, FFA, Grange and/or Independent exhibitors are low, IT IS NOT MANDATORY TO COMBINE CLASSES. If the fair decides to

combine competition, great care should be taken in doing so. The combining of too broad a range of weights/ages, etc. could create a situation where competition exists only "on paper."

Which judged groups of animals to sell in Junior Livestock Auction should be determined which reflects support of the Junior Livestock Auction Committee and the local community. Example: Market Beef are judged Market Ready/Not Market Ready; whereas, veal is judged Group 1, 2 and 3. Local rules may specify only Market Ready, or only specific may sell. See XIII. Judging Standards.

Every market animal exhibitor and parent/guardian must complete the Declaration of Medication form prior to the sale of the animal through the auction. Animals will not be eligible to sell if the form is not signed.

Harvesting/Processing Regulations

a. All animals (beef, sheep, swine, rabbits, poultry, etc.) destined for harvest after the auction should be delivered only to licensed state or federal slaughter plants (California Food & Agriculture Code and Federal Code.)
b. Harvesting/Processing at **federally licensed plants is mandatory** for livestock purchased from the Junior Livestock Auction when:
    1) The carcass is intended for RESALE (including restaurants, retail meat stores, nursing/convalescent homes, fund raisers, etc.).
    2) The carcasses of animals are entered into carcass evaluations/contests.

Any person or persons who are found guilty of violating this provision are subject to imprisonment for not more than one year or a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or both.

c. STATE LICENSED PLANTS can only be used for livestock purchased from Junior Livestock Auction when it is for the sole use of the buyer.
e. Fairs having difficulties locating or making satisfactory arrangements with licensed slaughtering plants should contact:

California Department of Food and Agriculture
Animal Health and Food Safety Services: Meat, Poultry & Eggs Safety Branch
1220 N Street
Sacramento, California 95814
Telephone: (916) 900-5004
Fax: (916) 900-5334
Cdfa.mpes_feedback@cdfa.ca.gov

CLUB LAMB FUNGUS DISEASE

See the fact sheet created by California Department of Food and Agriculture, Animal Health Branch. The disease occurs most commonly in show sheep and is contagious to humans and other animals.

The fact sheet contains specific recommendations for sheep handling, sanitation, surveillance and reduction of stress on the animals. Pre-education of exhibitors is important with all exhibitors, leaders and parents understanding their responsibilities in containing this disease. If club lamb fungus disease is diagnosed in animals at your fair, the animal(s) must be disqualified and removed from the fairgrounds.

SPECIAL CATTLE REQUIREMENTS

The Bureau of Livestock Identification (BLI) is the State's brand registration and inspection program protecting cattle owners in California against loss of animals by theft, straying, or misappropriation. The inspection of cattle is required whenever cattle are sold, or ownership is transferred. There is a required fee of $1.40 per head.

California Department of Food and Agriculture
Animal Health and Food Safety Services, Bureau of Livestock Identification
1220 N Street
Sacramento, California 95814

To comply with the Beef Checkoff program, the law requires all producers selling cattle or calves, for any reason and regardless of cattle age and sex, to pay $1 per head to support beef/veal promotion, research and education.

California Beef Council
P.O. Box 340368
Sacramento, CA 95834-0368

An additional assessment of $1 per head shall be paid on each sale of any cattle. This assessment will be used to fund the California Cattle Council in order to provide additional resources to defend and promote cattle production in the state.

California Cattle Council
1111 16th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

SPECIAL SWINE REQUIREMENTS

100% Legislative Pork Checkoff Remittance. Federal law requires that $0.35 per every $100 of the sale price from hogs sold at auction be deducted from the sales price and sent to the National Pork Board. Remittance instructions and forms may be obtained through:

National Pork Board
1776 NW 114th Street
Des Moines, IA 50325
1(800) 456-7675

SPECIAL SHEEP REQUIREMENTS

By federal law, all sheep or lambs of any age, are subject to the national lamb checkoff assessment at the time of every sale. The national lamb checkoff is directed by the American Lamb Board (ALB) and requires that the live weight assessment of $0.007 per pound and the first handler assessment of $0.42 per head is deducted. The contributions help fund research, education and promotions designed to build awareness and demand for American Lamb.

American Lamb Board
6300 E. Yale Ave., Suite 110
Denver, CO 80222

LIVESTOCK WEIGHING REQUIREMENTS FOR SALE ANIMALS

A weighmaster is any person who weighs, measures or counts any commodity and issues a statement or memorandum used as the basis for either purchase or sale of that commodity or charge for service.

1. All scales must be certified annually by the local Division of Measurement Standards before weighing animals for sale.
2. Fairs are <u>not required</u> to have a <u>licensed</u> weighmaster or deputy weighmaster perform the weighing function at the fair. Any fair not using licensed weighmasters should send a notification of exemption letter to:

   Division of Measurement Standards
   6790 Florin Perkins Road, Suite 100
   Sacramento, California 95828

   If licensed weighmasters are not used, weight tags/slips cannot be represented as “certified” or as “weight certificates.”

3. Fairs that have or have the use of certifiable scales on the grounds, may become <u>licensed</u> weighmasters by application to the California State Division of Measurement Standards. The licenses are annually renewable. There is a fee for the Principal Weighmaster and a lesser fee for each person who is named a deputy. It recommended that at least one deputy weighmaster be named.
   a. If your fair decides to use licensed weighmasters and deputies, please follow all pertinent rules and regulations. Obtain current regulations contact Division of Measurement Standards at above address.

2026 ANIMAL BIRTHDATE LIST

*Insert date based upon opening date of the fair as published in the Exhibitor's Handbook.

1) Four months prior for beef, dairy cattle and swine.
2) Three months prior for sheep (use month and year only)
3) Two months prior for dairy goats and angora goats.

For example, a fair opening on July 18, 2026 will use March 17, 2026 for beef, dairy cattle and swine; May 17, 2026 for Dairy Goats. When the foregoing rule makes classes inoperative, such as for registered swine at early fairs, the rule will be applied to the last class operative. For sheep, insert the third month prior to the latest month in which your fair operates. For a July fair, insert "April; if the fair continues into August, use "May."

**If October is used, the Yearling birthdate must change to September 2024 through September 2025.

***Junior yearling and July/August fall females must have raised a litter of pigs or be in pig to be eligible for entry.

****Junior and Senior yearling dry can be combined when history or entries indicate.

HORSES

Weanling	During 2026
Yearling	During 2025
Two Years	During 2024
Three Years	During 2023
Four Years	During or before 2022

BEEF CATTLE

Junior Calf	Jan. 1, 2026 through _____*
Senior Calf	Sept. 1 through Dec. 21, 2025
Summer Yearling	May 1 through August 31, 2025
Junior Yearling	Jan. 1 through April 30, 2025
Senior Yearling	March 1 through Dec. 31, 2024

BEEF CATTLE OPTIONAL

Junior Calf	After Jan. 1, 2026
Winter Calf	Nov. 1 through Dec. 31, 2025
Senior Calf	Sept. 1 through Oct. 31, 2025

DAIRY CATTLE – BULLS

Calf	Sept. 1, 2025 through _____*
Yearling Bull	Sept. 1, 2024 through Aug. 31, 2026

OPTIONAL – DAIRY BULLS

Junior Calf	March 1, 2026 through _____*

Senior Calf	Sept. 1, 2025 through Feb. 29, 2026
Junior Yearling	March 1, 2025 through Aug. 31, 2025
Senior Yearling	Sept. 1, 2024 through Feb. 29, 2025
Two-Year-Old Bull	Sept. 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024
Aged Bull	Prior to Sept. 1, 2023

DAIRY FEMALES

Junior Calf	January 1, 2026 through _____*
Senior Calf	Sept. 1, 2025 through Dec. 31, 2025
Junior Yearling	March 1, 2025 through Aug. 31, 2025
Senior Yearling	Sept. 1, 2024 through Feb. 29, 2025
Two Years – Under Three	Sept. 1, 2023 through Aug. 31, 2024
Three Years – Under Four	Sept. 1, 2022 through Aug. 31, 2023
Four Years – Under Five	Sept. 1, 2021 through Aug. 31, 2022
Aged Cow	Prior to Sept. 1, 2021

DAIRY FEMALES – OPTIONAL

Junior Calf	March 1, 2026 through _____*
Intermediate	Dec. 1, 2025 through Feb. 29, 2026
Senior Calf	Sept. 1, 2025 through Nov. 30, 2025
Summer Yearling	June 1, 2025 through Aug. 31, 2025
Junior Yearling	March 1, 2025 through May 31, 2025
Intermediate Yearling	Dec. 1, 2024 through Feb. 29, 2025
Senior Yearling	Sept. 1, 2024 through Nov. 30, 2024
Junior Two-Year-Old	March 1, 2024 through Aug. 31, 2024
Senior Two-Year-Old	Sept. 1, 2023 through Feb. 29, 2024
Three-Year-Old	Sept. 1, 2022 through Aug. 31, 2023
Four-Year-Old	Sept. 1, 2021 through Aug. 31, 2022
Five and Six-Year-Old	Sept. 1, 2021 through Aug. 31, 2021
Aged Cow	Prior to Sept. 1, 2020
Dry Cow Three Years & Over	Born before Sept. 1, 2022

SWINE – BOARS

Boar Farrowed	April 2026
Boar Farrowed	March 2026
Boar Farrowed	February 2026
Boar Farrowed	January 2026

SWINE – FEMALES

Gilt Farrowed	April 2026
Gilt Farrowed	March 2026
Gilt Farrowed	February 2026
Gilt Farrowed	January 2026
Female, Fall	July 1 to Dec. 31, 2025
Female, Junior Yearling	Jan. 1 to June 31, 2025

SHEEP

Yearling	Sept. 2024 through Aug. 2025
Fall Lamb	Sept. 2025 through Dec. 2026
Spring Lamb	Jan 2026 through _____*

SHEEP – OPTIONAL FOR DORSETS

Early Fall	Sept. 1 through October 31, 2025
Late Fall	Nov. 1 through Dec. 31, 2025
Spring	January 1, 2026 and after

SHEEP – OPTIONAL FOR OTHER BREEDS

Fall Lamb	Sept. through Dec. 2025
Winter Lamb	Jan. through Feb. 15, 2026
Spring Lamb	Feb. 16, 2026 and after

DAIRY GOATS – FEMALES

Junior Kid	April 16, 2026 through _____*
Intermediate Kid	March 1 through April 15, 2026
Senior Kid	Jan. 1 through Feb. 29, 2026
Junior Yearling	July 1 through Dec. 31, 2025
Senior Yearling	Jan. 1 through June 30, 2025
Yearling Milker	Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2025
Two Years – Under Three	Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2024
Three Years – Under Four	Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2023
Four Years – Under Five	Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2022
Five Years and Over	Prior to Jan 1, 2021 or later

ANGORA GOATS – BUCKS

Kid	Dec.1, 2026 through June 1, 2026
Yearling	Dec. 1, 2026 through Nov. 30, 2025

ANGORA GOATS – DOES

Kid	Dec. 1, 2025 through June 1, 2026
Yearling	Dec. 1, 2024 through Nov. 30, 2025
Aged	Prior to December 1, 2024

CHEVON: MARKET GOATS

Suggest no more than seven months old at fair. Fairs may set minimum-maximum weight.

POULTRY – CHICKENS

Hen	One year or older
Pullet	Less than one year
Cock	One year or older
Cockerel	Less than one year
Meat Chickens: Suggest not over 12 weeks of age.	Three pounds or more.

POULTRY – TURKEYS

Old Hen	One year or older
Young Hen	Less than one year
Old Tom	One year or older
Young Tom	Less than one year

Market Hen: Suggest not over 14 weeks of age; 14 – 16 lbs.
Market Tom: Suggest 17 – 19 weeks of age; 25 – 32 lbs.

POULTRY – DUCKS

Old Duck (female)	One year or older
Young Duck (female)	Less than one year
Old Drake (male)	One year or older
Young Drake (male)	Less than one year

Market Duck: Suggest not over six months; three pounds and up

POULTRY – GEESE

Old Goose (female)	One year or older
Young Goose (female)	Less than one year
Old Gander (male)	One year or older
Young Gander (male)	Less than one year

Meat Goose: Suggest not over six months; five pounds and up.

PIGEONS

Old Cock	One year or older
Young Cock	Less than one year
Old Hen	One year or older
Young Hen	Less than one year

Meat Pigeons: Suggest not over six months; one pound and up.

RABBITS – LIGHTWEIGHT

ENGLISH/FRENCH ANGORA, DUTCH, HIMALAYAN, HOLLAND LOP, MINI LOP, NETHERLAND DWARF, MINI REX, REX, SILVER MARTIN

Senior Buck	Six months and older
Junior Buck	Under six months
Senior Doe	Six months and older
Junior Doe	Under six months

RABBITS – HEAVYWEIGHT

CALIFORNIAN, ENGLISH LOP, FRENCH LOP, NEW ZEALAND, SATIN, FLEMISH GIANT

Senior Buck	Eight months and older
Intermediate Buck	Six – Eight months of age

Junior Buck	Under six months
Senior Doe	Eight months and older
Intermediate Doe	Six – Eight months of age
Junior Doe	Under eight months

Meat Rabbit: Suggest not over 70 days; 3.5 pounds and up

CAVIES (GUINEA PIGS)

Senior Boar and Sow	Over six months and over 30 oz
Intermediate Boar and Sow	Four - Six months; 22 – 30 ounces
Junior Boar and Sow	Up to four months; under 22 oz

RIBBON COLOR LIST

THE FOLLOWING LIST OF RIBBON COLOR IS PROVIDED ONLY AS A REFERENCE AND NOT AS A REQUIREMENT FOR USE.

FAIRS AND LIVESTOCK SHOWS ASSOCIATION		AMERICAN HORSE SHOW
Champion	Purple	Blue, Red, Yellow
Reserve Champion	Lavender	Red, Yellow, White
1st	Blue	Blue
2nd	Red	Red
3rd	White	Yellow
4th	Pink	White
5th	Yellow	Pink
6th	Green	Green
7th	Lt. Green	Purple
8th	Brown	Brown
9th	Gray	Gray
10th	Lt. Blue	Lt. Blue
Honorable Mention	Lt. Blue or Purple	Green or next place color
Best of Breed	Purple	---
Best of Show	Purple	---