

Rules & Regulations for the Three County Fair

1. The management reserves the right to amend or add to these rules at any time and reserves the sole final right to interpret all rules and regulations, and to decide all questions arising therefrom or in connection with the fair.
2. The superintendent will direct the arrangement of articles or animals in exhibitions in his or her department. He shall give such instructions to awarding judges or committees as will result in judicious action and decide all questions governing the department.
3. Each superintendent is charged with caring for and returning the entry book of his department with the awards on each article duly and properly entered and the signature of the judges in each entry book of the department which he or she places awards, as premiums cannot be paid unless this is done.
4. Any class having only one entry will receive prize money and ribbon according to the merit of the entry. When there are only two entries in any one class, both owned by the same exhibitor, ribbons and prize money will be given according to the merits of the exhibits.
5. Exhibitors may show in all classes but are limited to no more than one entry in any one - lot.
6. All entries to the Three County Livestock Show and Fair are free. See Livestock rules and regulations for details.
7. All property of every character entered for competition or display or any other purpose for being on the fairgrounds shall be subject to the control of the superintendent in charge, but in no case shall the Three County Livestock and Fair association or the secretary or any of its officers or members be held responsible for damage or injury of any character to such property while the same is on the fairgrounds, or at any other time.
8. No claim for injury of any person or property shall ever be asserted nor suit instituted or maintained against the Three County Livestock Show and Fair association, its officers, or their agents, on behalf of any person, firm or corporation, representatives, servants, or employees having license or privilege to exhibit on the fairgrounds or occupying any space thereon.
9. Any exhibit removed early (before stated date and time) will forfeit any cash premium won.
10. Exhibitors will be required to keep their space and stalls in a clean condition by removing all filth and litter and placing it in the designated places for such waste.
11. Premium checks will be issued by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Fair association.
12. Sweepstakes (Best of show) exhibits may be eligible to be entered at the Arkansas State Fair. Check with fair officials to see if your entry is eligible.
13. The Three county Livestock Show, and Fair association will rent booths or space for political purposes during the fair, but politicking is restricted to the booth space. Commercial and service booths are approximately 8' x 8'.

Important Entry Dates and Times

- All family and consumer science exhibits must be entered between the times of 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, and remain until Sunday, September 24 at 1:30 pm.
- Livestock and poultry will check in from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, and may be removed after 8:00 pm on Saturday, September 23, 2023.
- Rabbits will be entered prior to the rabbit show on Tuesday, September 19 and will be removed immediately following the show.

Livestock Rules and Regulations - Three County Fair 2023

These rules apply to all animal divisions. pre-register your entries for priority penning and to ensure space is available. all entries must comply with Arkansas health requirements.

1. All exhibitors (Junior or Open) must have owned and taken possession of their animals at least thirty (30) days prior to the opening day of the fair.
2. All exhibitors must be residents of Cross, Jackson, or Woodruff county or their immediate family operating lands in these counties, or be a member of 4-H or attend schools in these counties.
3. Junior division exhibitors may exhibit following their 9th birthday thru their 19th birthday or one time following graduation from high school, whichever occurs first. Exhibitors under 9 may enter division as open exhibitors.
4. All livestock divisions are open to any pure breeds and non- registered commercial animals.
5. Livestock may be entered in the Open or Junior show. The same animal cannot be entered in both shows. Any one animal can only be shown in one division.
6. All Junior exhibits must be shown for judging. All animals must be exhibited in the show ring or designated area to receive premium money. Open exhibits not shown will have premiums reduced by half.
7. Animals will be placed according to merit at the discretion of the judge. Animals with no competition will receive awards on the basis of individual quality and type. Breeds with less than 5 head and 2 exhibitors may show as "All Other Breeds".
8. An Exhibitor can only show two animals in any one class for premium, and not receive more than one premium in any group class.
9. Exhibitors shall care for, guard, protect and preserve their exhibits, as Three County Fair does not undertake to do so and shall not be held responsible for any loss or damages.
10. Poultry and rabbit entries will be fed and watered by the Fair. (Exhibitors may volunteer for a shift for community service and leadership credit.)

11. All exhibits and exhibitor areas must be maintained suitable for public viewing. Grooming and grooming equipment in designated areas only.
12. Fair management reserves the right to limit or refuse entries based on space availability or exhibit educational purposes.
13. The decision of the judges shall be final, with no recourse.
14. All rules and regulations herein are subject to change without notice. Classes may be added or deleted as determined by show administration.
15. Points will be doubled for junior exhibitors.
16. Pre-registration is strongly recommended. Classes with no pre-registration may not receive banners or buckles where applicable.

LIVESTOCK SCHEDULE

- Sep 9 Fair work day and poultry blood test, 9:00 am - noon
- Sep 19 Rabbit check-in by 6:30, show 7:00 pm
- Sep 19 Livestock may arrive at 5:00 pm
- Sep 20 Livestock check-in 3:00 – 7:00 pm, All livestock must be in place by 7:00 pm
- Sep 21 Livestock show begins at 6:00 pm
- Sep 23 Animals released after 8:00 pm
- Sep 24 Checks available 1:30 – 3:00 pm. All livestock must be removed by 2:00 pm

Entry and Arrival: limited pen and barn space available, with priority given to pre-registered exhibitors. Late arrivals must be cleared 48 hours in advance with the livestock superintendent. No early releases. Early departure will result in premium forfeiture. Any animals left on fairgrounds by 2 pm Sunday will be confiscated.

Champion Herdsman: Champion Herdsman competition will be open to youth exhibitors ages 9-19. Overall winner will be awarded a custom belt buckle. Judging will take place throughout the week. Points earned based on condition of animals in stall(s), identification of 4-H, FFA or other group, identification of exhibitor, cleanliness of animals, aisles and stalls, exhibitor participation, attitude of exhibitor, general appearance of stall area (tack, displays, etc). Judges will be unknown and may inspect anytime, day or night.

Showmanship: Showmanship competition will be open to youth ages 9-19. Showmanship contest will be open to any youth and any animal in the fair. The showmanship contestant does not have to be an exhibitor in this year's fair. Awards will be given in Cattle, Goat, Poultry, Sheep, Swine and Rabbit divisions. A junior and senior winner will be determined. Those winners will receive a ribbon. An overall winner in each category will be selected. This overall winner will receive a custom belt buckle. Pre-registration is strongly recommended. Classes with no pre-registration will not receive banners or buckles where applicable.

Checkout: Entries released Saturday after 8:00 pm.

Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Exhibition Health Requirements: Livestock, Poultry, Exotics

General Requirements

1. Certificates Of Veterinary Inspection and Entry Permits: “certificate of veterinary inspection” refers to a legible record (made on an official form issued from the state of origin) by an accredited veterinarian, which shows that the animals listed thereon meet health requirements of the state of destination. it must bear the identification of each animal and separate certificates must be made for each species of animal entered. entry permits are required on all swine, and on cattle (steers exempt) from class B and C states only. Permit numbers can be obtained from the state veterinarian’s office (501) 907-2400 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday
 - a). Must be available on request by animal health officials.
 - b). Individually identify all animals, showing positive identification of each animal by tattoo, ear tag, and registration number or ear notch. steers should be identified by description.
 - c). Show required tests and/or vaccination.
 - d). Show name and address of owner or exhibitor – this shall be the same name as under which animals are exhibited.
2. Any animal or poultry showing any evidence of infections or contagious disease, or of external parasitism, and animals with active ringworm, lesions (with the resulting loss of hair), multiple warts easily visible without close examination, or atrophic rhinitis will not be permitted to exhibit.
3. All animals entering the grounds, including those shown in pet zoos, children’s barnyard animals, old McDonald Farms, etc. must meet requirements of their particular species.
4. All animals originating out of areas quarantined because of other diseases (vesicular stomatitis, scabies, etc.) shall not be permitted to enter the state.
5. The Fair Board reserves the right to have a blood and urine laboratory analysis made for any animal.
6. Any exhibitor administering a drug to an animal which would render the carcass unfit for human consumption or any exhibitor of any animal producing an analysis indicating the presence of an unapproved drug that can result in quantitative or qualitative change in the characteristic of the animal will be required to return all premium money and could be banned from further competition. Their name and the lab analysis will be submitted to the USDA & FDA for further investigation and possible prosecution.
7. Disclosure: any animal receiving medication for any life threatening disease or illness must be registered at the time they are entered in the fair.

Arkansas Livestock County, Jr. District, District, State Fair Level and Other Shows

1. All animals entering the grounds, including those showing in pets zoos, children's barnyard animals, old McDonald Farms, etc. must meet the requirements of their particular species.
2. Arkansas livestock (except for Arkansas sheep, goats, horses, steers and rabbits) must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 90 days prior to exhibition, showing the following:

Arkansas Cattle

1. If Arkansas is a class Free state, Arkansas cattle are exempt from brucellosis testing. if Arkansas is not a class Free state then the following testing requirements must be met: negative brucellosis test within 90 days prior to exhibition, for females and bulls 18 months of age and over. all heifers that have calved or are bred must be tested. animals originating from a certified Brucellosis Free herd are exempt if the certified Free herd number is shown on certificate.
2. All heifers that are 4-12 months of age shall be vaccinated before entering the show.
3. Heifers that were born on or after January 1, 1985, that are over 12 months of age and are not official calf hood vaccinates will not be allowed to show (unless they are from a Brucellosis certified Free herd.) This will not apply if Arkansas continues as a Brucellosis Free state.
4. All rodeo stock exhibited at a rodeo in Arkansas must meet the out of state requirements for brucellosis and tuberculosis for 12 month and older bulls, roping and dogging steers, and heifer even if the rodeo stock originates from Arkansas. Tie down roping calves are exempt from the tuberculosis testing.

Arkansas Swine

1. As of July 1, 2001, all swine must have an official premise identification.
2. Animals 6 months old or older to be tested negative for brucellosis within 90 days of exhibition or originate directly out of a validated herd, with validation number and date of last hear test shown on certificate (barrows exempt from brucellosis testing but must be pseudorabies tested.)
3. Animals to be tested negative for pseudorabies regardless of age within 90 days of the exhibition on a test approved by the state veterinarian or originate directly out of a Qualified Pseudorabies Free herd, with Qualified herd number and date of last test shown on certificate.
4. Free of other contagious, infectious, and communicable diseases (erysipelas, atrophic rhinitis, etc.); otherwise they will no be allowed to show and will be released from fairgrounds.

Arkansas Sheep and Goats

Exhibition officials must maintain records of all sheep and goats that are exhibited for a period of five years, to include: a) Identification number; b) Flock status as defined by the voluntary Flock certification Program; c) The name, complete address and phone number of the owner. all instate sheep and goats in the state of Arkansas must be identified by an official USDA tag (scrapie tag) or for goats a legible official goat registry tattoo if accompanies by a registration certificate.

Fair personnel, veterinarians, or state-federal personnel may examine sheep on grounds. any sheep showing clinical symptoms of scrapie shall be immediately quarantined in isolation and required to undergo any approved diagnostic tests and shall be consigned to slaughter or destruction with submission of tissues to an approved diagnostic laboratory at the exhibitor's expense.

Commingling (as defined by Arkansas scrapie regulation) of sheep or goats of different flock status as defined by the voluntary Flock certification Program (vFcP) is prohibited and must be reported to the vFcP state official and state veterinarian.

No sheep or goats showing symptoms of disease, particularly foot rot, sore mouth, sheep pox, evidence of fungal infection, evidence of abscesses or with draining abscesses will be allowed to show and may be released by fair officials, veterinarians, or state- federal personnel.

Arkansas Rabbits

Rabbits will be inspected on grounds. No rabbits showing symptoms of disease will be allowed to show.

Arkansas Horses

Negative EIA test required within the past 12 months for all animals over 6 months of age.

Nursing foals under 6 months of age are exempt from testing if accompanied by negative tested dams

Photocopies of the test papers will not be accepted; carbon copies are acceptable.

Arkansas Camelids

1. Individually identified and certificate of veterinary inspection within 90 days of exhibition.

2. Registration papers when accompanied by registry photo- graphs of the animal are acceptable identification.

Arkansas Poultry

An official representing the exhibition shall notify the state veterinarian no later than 30 days prior to the exhibition, giving names, place, inclusive dates, and time of the event.

The requirements are as follows:

1. All in-state poultry, which includes domesticated game birds, quail, pheasants, peafowl, guineas, and turkeys, present at exhibition in Arkansas shall have originated from U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean or equivalent flocks or have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days of the movement to the exhibition (pullorum-typhoid testing on fairgrounds during the fair is prohibited.) This information will be documented on a NPIP form vs-9- 3, 90-day certificate, NPIP Flock certification Form or similar certificate that will accompany the poultry during exhibition.

2. All non-certified birds must be banded (leg or wing band), with a sealed band. Wrap around plastic bands are not acceptable. In-state waterfowl are exempt from pullorum-typhoid requirements.

3. Any poultry showing evidence of infectious or contagious disease or insect infestation will not be permitted to be exhibited.

4. Record keeping - The sponsor of the exhibition shall compile a list of all present at exhibition. This list shall contain the name and address of each owner, the number, the species, breed, variety, type, sex, and pullorum-typhoid status of all poultry present a copy of this shall be retained by the sponsor of the exhibition for at least 12 months.

Three County Fair Livestock Exhibition

Rabbit

(Open and Junior Competition)

Tuesday, September 19

1. Rabbits may be checked in at 6:30 pm. Show begins at 7:00 pm.
2. You must be present to show your rabbit.
3. All breeds and mixed breeds will have classes for bucks and does, under and over 1-year-old.
4. At conclusion of show all rabbits will be dismissed. Any exhibitor who wishes to leave rabbits on display for fair week may do so. Rabbits caged on Wednesday will be released on Saturday evening at 8:00 pm.
5. Ribbons awarded at show. Premium checks available for pickup Sunday 1:30-3 p.m.
6. Fryer classes for Junior exhibitors only. Class for single fryers or pen of three fryer rabbits.
7. Showmanship follows show. Overall Champion Showman awarded a belt buckle.

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	15	12	10	8	6

1. Buck under a year

2. Buck over a year

3. Does under a year

4. Does over a year

5. Best of Breed **Rosette + 10**

6. Best of Show **Rosette + 20**

Beef Cattle

(Open and Junior Competition)

Ribbons and Awards

All Breeding classes must be registered in exhibitors name and papers available for checkin. all non-registered (grade) heifer cattle will be shown as "commercial" heifers.

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Points	65	52	40	26	13	13

1. Bull Calf **(born current year)**

2. Junior Bull **(born previous year)**

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| 3. Senior Bull | (any age) |
| 4. Grand Champion bull | Rosette + 20 |
| 5. Reserve Grand Champion | Rosette + 10 |
| 6. Heifer Calf | (born current year) |
| 7. Junior Heifer | (born previous year) |
| 8. Senior Heifer | (any age) |
| 9. Grand Champion Heifer | Rosette + 20 |
| 10. Reserve Grand Champion Heifer | Rosette + 10 |
| 11. Cow-Calf pair | (Any age cow, calf may be shown in individual class) |
| 12. Cow | (any age) |
| 13. Best of Breed | Rosette + 20 |
| 14. Supreme (female) | Rosette + 20 |
| 15. Supreme (male) | Rosette + 20 |

Market Beef

(Junior Exhibitors Only)

Market steers or heifers will follow the Arkansas State Fair rule concerning baby teeth. Classes determined by weight and number of entries.

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Points	65	52	40	26	13	13

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| 1. Feeder Calf (under 650) | |
| 2. Grand Champion Feeder Calf | Rosette + 20 |
| 3. Reserve Grand Champion Feeder Calf | Rosette + 10 |
| 4. Prospect Steer (650-950) | |
| 5. Grand Champion Prospect Steer | Rosette + 20 |
| 6. Reserve Grand Champion Prospect Steer | Rosette + 10 |
| 7. Market Steer (over 950 lbs) | |
| 8. Grand Champion Market | Rosette + 20 |

9. Reserve Grand Champion Market

Rosette + 10

Dairy Cattle

(Open and Junior Competition)

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Points	65	52	40	26	13	13

1. Dairy Bull Calf (under a year)
2. Dairy Bull (over a year)
3. Champion Dairy Bull Rosette + 10
4. Heifer Calf (born current year)
5. Junior Heifer (born previous year)
6. Junior Two Year old (never freshened)
7. Junior Champion Female Rosette +10
8. Cow (any age fresh)
9. Dry Cow (Any age, must have completed one lactation)
10. Senior Champion Female Rosette +10
11. Grand Champion Female Rosette + 20
12. Reserve Champion Female Rosette +10

Swine

(Open and Junior Competition)

All swine must have a herd health tag in the swine's ear. Registration papers will be required on all breeding classes.

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	33	25	19	13	6

1. Junior Boar
2. Champion Boar Rosette + 10
3. Junior Gilt

4. Yearling Sows

5. Champion Female Rosette + 20

6. Commercial Gilt

7. Champion Commercial Rosette + 20

7. Aged Hog

Market Hog

(Junior exhibitors only)

Market hogs will be divided into classes based on weight and/or breed as determined by show officials.

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	33	25	19	13	6

1. Prospect Hog (under 200)

2. Market Hog (200-280)

3. Grand Champion Rosette + 20

4. Reserve Grand Champion Rosette + 10

Dairy Goat

(Junior and Open Competition)

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	33	25	19	13	6

Junior Doe

1. Does, under 6 month

2. Does, 6-12 months

3. Does, 13-24 months (never freshened)

4. Junior Doe Champion (by breed) Rosette + 10

5. Reserve Junior Doe Champion (by breed) Rosette + 5

Senior Doe - Any Doe that has ever freshened

6. Does under 24 months

7. Does 24 – 35 months

8. Does over 3 years

9. Senior Doe Champion (by breed)

Rosette + 10

10. Reserve Senior doe Champion (by breed)

Rosette + 5

11. Best Udder

Rosette + 10

Bucks

12. Bucks, under 6 months

13. Bucks, 6 -12

14. Bucks, 13 -24 months

15. Junior Buck Champion

Rosette + 10

16. Reserve Junior Buck Champion

Rosette + 5

Goat

(Junior and Open Competition)

(Meat Goat, Miniature Goats, Fiber Goats and Novelty Goats)

Class

Place

1st

2nd

3rd

4th

5th

Points

33

25

19

13

6

1. Does, under 6 months

2. Does, 7-12 months

3. Yearlings, 13-24 months

4. Does over 2 years

5. Champion Doe (by breed)

Rosette + 10

6. Reserve Champion Doe (by breed)

Rosette + 5

7. Bucks, under 6 months

8. Bucks, 7-12 months

9. Champion Buck (by breed)

Rosette + 10

10. Reserve Champion Buck (by breed)

Rosette + 5

Market Goat

(Junior Exhibitors only)

Both does and wethers will be allowed to show. Does shown in any other show may not be shown in the market show. Entries will be divided into classes after check in. All goats must have baby teeth. Any breed of goat or cross may be shown. Goats may be horned, but horns must be tipped for safety.

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	33	25	19	13	6

1. Prospect Goat (under 40)

2. Market Goat (40 and up)

3. Grand Champion

Rosette + 20

4. Reserve Grand Champion

Rosette + 10

Breeding Sheep

(Open and Junior Competition)

All purebred entries will be judged by breed. Commercial breeding sheep will be defined as sheep not eligible to be registered in a breed association, or which do not have registration papers. Age will be determined by teeth. All lambs must have lamb teeth. Yearlings may have four (4) teeth.

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	33	25	19	13	6

1. Aged Ram

2. Yearling Ram

3. Fall Ram Lamb (Sep 1 - dec 31)

4. Spring Ram Lamb (on or after Jan 1)

5. Pair of Ram Lambs (Class 2 or 3)

6. Aged Ewe (four teeth or over)

7. Yearling Ewes (two teeth)

8. Pair of Yearling Ewes (Class 5)

9. Fall Ewe Lamb (Sep 1 - dec 31)

10. Spring Ewe Lamb (on or after Jan. 1)

11. Pair of Ewe Lambs (Class 7 or 8)

12. Best Pair (Ram and Ewe)

13. Junior Flock (Ram Lamb & 2 Ewe Lambs)

14. Exhibitor's Flock (Ram, 2 Yearling Ewes and 2 Ewe Lambs)

Market Lamb

(Junior Exhibitors only)

Both ewes and wethers will be allowed to show. Entries will be divided into classes by weight. All market lambs must have baby teeth and be slick shorn. Market lambs will be broken into classes after weigh-in.

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	33	25	19	13	6

1. Prospect Lamb (under 90)

2. Market Lamb (90 and up)

3. Grand Champion **Rosette + 20**

4. Reserve Grand Champion **Rosette + 10**

Poultry

(Open and Junior Competition)

Entries for purebred, hybrid, or mixed breeds.

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	33	25	19	13	6

Standard and Bantam Chickens

1. Pullet (Female under 1 yr)

2. Hen (Female over 1 yr)

3. Cockerel (male under 1yr)

4. Cock (male over 1 yr)

5. Trios, (1 Cock or Cockerel & 2 hens or pullets)

6. Pen of 3 (3 pullets)

7. Best of Show (Large Fowl) Rosette + 10

8. Best of Show (Bantam) Rosette + 10

Waterfowl (Ducks or Geese)

9. Female

10. Male

11. Best of Show Rosette + 10

Exhibition (Turkeys, Guinea, PeaFowl, Quail, Pheasant, other exotics)

12. Female

13. Male

14. Best of Show Rosette + 10

Junior Poultry

(Junior Competition Only)

15. 4-H Pullet Pen (3 pullets)

16. Broiler Pens (State Fair Eligible Entries Only, 3 birds)

17. Grand Overall Rosette + 10

18. Reserve Overall Rosette + 5

Aquaculture

(Open and Junior Competition)

Must provide your own tank and aeration.

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd
Points	15	9	3

- 1. Catfish (Group of 3)**
- 2. Baitfish (Group of 5)**
- 3. Crawfish (Group of 5)**
- 4. Turtle Habitat**
- 5. Educational Exhibit**

Livestock Exhibition (Llamas, Alpacas, Donkeys, Mules, Emus, Etc)

(Open and Junior Competition)

Class

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	33	25	19	13	6

1. Female

2. Male

3. Best of Show

Rosette +20