Department 4-29 Livestock Competitions

Coliseum/Livestock Areas
Livestock Superintendent:
Garrett Lambert - 612-8511

Assist. Livestock Superintendent:
Meg Kelley - 860-8432
Fairtime Phone Number: 207-474-6049

General Rules & Regulations

Email: livestock@skowheganstatefair.com

Rules subject to change without notice

Exhibits open to the New England

NO DOGS ALLOWED
in or around show rings, coliseum, midway, and/or any other areas of the fairgrounds; with the exception of the campground areas.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR DOMESTIC ANIMALS AND POULTRY.

All Livestock must have a rabies certificate

Horses:

(Equine Infections Anemia) All horses or other equidae imported into the State of Maine must show evidence of being tested and found negative to the Coggins test within six months of entry. All horses from within the state must have a negative Coggins test done within 36 months.

Cattle:

Permit required for all cattle imported into the State of Maine. All breeding bovines imported into the State of Maine must be tested within 30 days prior to date of entry for both Tuberculosis and Brucellosis (except official vaccinates under 18 months of age). No Brucellosis or Tuberculin test is required for cattle in the state if they originate directly from herds within the state, not under quarantine. Tuberculosis test required on steers and oxen imported into the state. Each exhibitor of livestock will assume full responsibility for compliance with all Maine State Health requirements. **All animals must have a RFID tag.**

Each farm will be allowed 5 entrants daily per farm of 10-12 head. Entrants may enter 10-12 head of cattle, additional cattle will be allowed upon approval. Please provide number of cattle and list of names allowed for daily entry on entry form provided.

Poultry:

All poultry shall originate from flocks that have an official pullorum-typhoid clean rating.

Quarantine:

No domestic animals or poultry originating from herds or flocks under quarantine shall be permitted on the fairgrounds. Domestic animals and poultry offered for show or exhibition and at any fair, livestock or poultry show and/or exhibition, showing evidence of external parasites, foot rot, shipping fever or other disease, may be excluded from

and ordered removed from such fair, livestock or poultry show and/or exhibition. Otherwise situations will be handles as the director of said division of animal industry may direct. All domestic animals and poultry originating outside the State of Maine must meet the same requirements to show as are required for entry into the state.

Warts: Warts will be classified as an infectious disease, with the exception of 4-H club slaughter steers with warts may show at fairs at which they are sold immediately for slaughter, providing they are stabled in an area satisfactory to the Commissioner or his agent, and that no other cattle shall be house in this area until it has been cleaned and disinfected.

GENERAL INFORMATION

All sheep & goats **MUST HAVE Scrapie Tags** - Any sheep or goat without a tag will be removed from the grounds.

Transportation of Cattle & Sheep:

In order to avoid congestion on Monday, August 17th, open show cattle and sheep must be in place by (noon) Sun-

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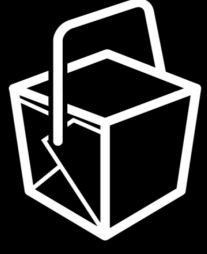

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day, August 17th, but not before Saturday. Once stalled, animals cannot be replaced. We advise you to come late Saturday night and Sunday to avoid the congestion from the Tractor Pulling.

Cattle in Barns 1 & 2 will be released on **Saturday, August 22nd at 11:00 am.**

All Sheep will be released on Saturday, August **22nd** at 11:00 am.

Manure:

Due to the new facilities, all manure must be removed by wheelbarrow.

Parking/Camping:

Off site parking available - stall fees waived for exhibitors taking advantage of this offer.

After being unloaded, Trucks, Trailers & Vans must be parked in the parking lot provided for this purpose.

Livestock exhibitor cattle trucks or trailers must park Behind Barn 2.

All Camper's, Tents or Live-in Trailers must pay a $100.00 fee for a camping space with reservation. Fee may NOT be deducted from premiums, please send payment with application. Use **Camping application** form. All campground rules apply. Send your camping form and payment along with your entry.

Trailers with living quarters or Campers must be equipped with self-contained toilets to meet the state and municipal health laws and regulations. No gray water will be allowed to run on the ground.

Electricity:

There is to be no cooking, hot plates, refrigerators or any other electrical appliances in the stalls or pens. There will be no tampering with any electrical outlets, fuse boxes or other apparatus. No more than a 200 watt bulb shall be used in any socket.

Entries:

Entries close **JULY 15**. All entries should be forwarded to **Garrett Lambert ~ PO Box 39 Skowhegan, ME 04976**, no later than the above date. Family/Farm generations will be regarded as a separate Firm/Farm. Members of the same firm or the same farm within 1 generation, will be regarded as one exhibitor and will be limited to 10 head of dairy cattle and/or 12 head of beef cattle. Livestock Superintendent reserves the right to refuse animals based on available space.

Insurance:

All Exhibitors with livestock at the Skowhegan State Fair are required to provide proof of liability insurance with a minimum of $1,000,000 coverage. Send Certificate of Insurance or copy of Maine Association of Livestock Exhibitors Membership card with your entries.

Release, Waivers & Insurance

All forms must be signed and submitted by the entry deadline to be included in event.

Care & Feeding:

Owners are responsible for overnight care & providing feed. All animals are to be washed on the wash stands only. ***In the event of a death or loss of an animal, the owner is responsible of removing the animal from the fairgrounds IMMEDIATELY.***

Weigh-Ins:

All animals required to weigh in for events, must be weighed at the designated time on the fairgrounds using certified scales provided by the fair.

Judging:

No exhibitor shall interfere with the work of the judges. ***Judging schedules can be found at the top of each department, all shows will continue until finished.*** Judges are instructed to award premiums on

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only high class animals of good breeding and type. Inferior animals are not desired and shall receive no premiums, or only such premiums as shall be deemed worthy by the management. All decisions of the judges are final, except on appeal. Exhibitors may inquire at livestock office for order of judging.

Right of Appeal:

If for any reason an exhibitor wishes to make an appeal from the decision of a judge, he/she must present the same to the livestock superintendent in writing within 5 hours of the cause of the appeal with a fee of $5.00, when such action will be taken by the management as deemed best. If it is found he/she had good cause said $5.00 will be returned to the exhibitor, otherwise it will remain in the hands of the Skowhegan State Fair.

Purebred Animals:

All cattle entered must be purebred and present at the time of entry, or on request of proper officials, a certificate, showing name, age, register number, sire & dam, issued by the association making such registration. No premiums will be paid on grade males in compliance with the State laws. Entries must be registered in owner's name. No distinction will be made between polled and horned males.

Sleeping Quarters:

Must be furnished by exhibitor. Due to lack of room, stalls, and pens must not be used for sleeping quarters or storage unless allotted a tack stall. **HORSE PULLERS -- STALLS MUST BE CLEANED BEFORE YOU LEAVE OR YOU WILL FORFEIT YOUR PREMIUMS**.

The Management: Reserves the right to accept or reject any entry made. The premium list has the approval of the board of directors and further changes or awards will not be made without their consent. The management further reserves the right to interpret any rule or statement made in the book.

Premiums:

All animals to compete for herd or group premiums must first be entered for single premiums.

Not over two premiums will be paid to an exhibitor in any group entry; and not over one in any herd or flock entry.

An animal may enter as many classes as it is eligible to according to class and age. There may be unlimited entries in single classes, but no more than two premiums will be paid.

Ownership:

Joint ownership of breeding cattle with an animal owned in partnership which partnership has been in existence 30 days prior to the date of closing entries may be shown in the name of a part owner, but the facts of the partnership must be stated at the time of entry and the animal must appear in the same part owners name through all classes wherein entered.

Ownership of all animals must have been acquired prior to JULY 15. Animals shown in any class must be the actual property of the exhibitor.

Security:

Competent security will be on the grounds 24 hours per day during the fair dates. The Skowhegan State Fair will not be responsible for any loss or damage. Every possible care will be taken to prevent loss or damage to exhibits in Exhibition Halls, but in no case will the Skowhegan State Fair assume responsibility for any loss or damage that might occur.

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SHOW RING CODE OF ETHICS

All animals must be shown in their own age group.

The following are not allowed:

Misrepresenting the age of an animal for the class in which it is shown.

Balancing the udder by any abnormal means, including the use of mechanical contrivance or the injection of fluids or drugs.

Treating or massaging the udder or its attachments with an irritant, counter-irritant. The use of common products such as fly spray, ointment, or liniment in excess to the extent that it is irritating is included as an irritant unless required to reduce edema at time of calving.

Treating or massaging any part of the body internally or externally with an irritant, counter-irritant or other substance to temporarily straighten a weak back or loin or to produce unnatural animation.

Minimizing the effects of cramping by feeding or injecting drugs, depressants or applying packs or using artificial contrivance or therapeutic treatment except normal exercise.

Blocking the nerves to the foot to prevent limping by injection drugs.

Striking the animal to cause swelling in a depressed area.

Surgery of any kind performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animals body, hide or hair. Not included is the removal of teats and horns, clipping and dressing of hair and trimming of hooves.

Insertion of foreign material under the skin.

Changing the color of the hair at any point, spot or area on the animals body, including the blackening of a gray spot.

The use of alcoholic beverages in the feed or administered as a drench.

Administration of a drug of any kind or prescription internally or externally prior to entering the show ring, except for treating a recognized disease or injury and for tranquilizing bulls 2 years old and over. For the purpose of these rules, the term "drug" shall mean - any substance, the sale, possession or use of which is controlled by license under federal, state or local laws or regulations and any substance commonly used by the medical or veterinary profes-

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sions which affect the circulatory, respiratory or central nervous system of a cow.

The use of any drug, stimulant, depressant, or medicine which might affect the natural performance of any team entered is forbidden. The association reserves the right to require any team entered in a drawing match to be subjected to the saliva test or any other test for the purpose of determining thereby the presence of any such drug, stimulant, sedative, depressant or medicine. The test may be taken at such time and for any reason which the Fair Officials, in their sole judgement, consider advisable. The test or tests required, will be taken by a qualified veterinarian, to be designated by the Fair Officials, and will be examined by a qualified laboratory or technician, also to be designated by the Fair Officials. Should any test taken by virtue of the foregoing regulation result in a positive finding of the presence of any drug, stimulant, depressant, sedative or medicine, the person or persons entering the team on which said positive test was taken will forfeit to the Fair all premiums won at the fair by said team, and will be subject to such other action with respect to future competition at the Fair as the Fair Officials may determine.

Criticizing or interfering with the judges or other exhibitors while in the show ring or other conduct detrimental to the breed or show.