

General 4-H/FFA Exhibit Rules

1. -All exhibits must be in place by 11:00a.m. on Thursday, with the exception of horses, dogs, and lactation dairy cows. See divisions for specific ruling.
2. NO EARLY CHECK INS WILL BE ALLOWED. Beef, Bucket calves, Dairy Cattle, and Swine may be in place after 5:00p.m. the previous evening. **This is due to required disease inspections, as well as security of facilities.
3. NO ITEMS CAN BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO WEDNESDAY AT 5:00p.m. ITEMS IN PLACE PRIOR MAYBE REMOVED AND/OR DISPOSED OF.
4. Stalls and Pens are available for first come/first right. "Reserving" or "Marking" of stalls and pens is acceptable. This can be done starting the Saturday prior to the fair. Marking should be legible and state: Participant's Name / Club, number of animals using area, and current year.
5. Any eligible 4-Her (age 7-19) and qualified FFA members residing in the State of Kansas will be eligible to exhibit to exhibit. Proof of 4-H or FFA membership will be required upon request.
6. Clover Bud 4-H'ers (ages 5-7) will be allowed to exhibit crafts, hand pets, foods and nutrition, and Exploring 4-H. Entries should be made in the Clover -Bud Class in the miscellaneous division. Ribbons will be awarded, but nor premiums paid for this Class.
7. **EXHIBITS CANNOT BE REMOVED prior to check out from the fair grounds for any reason until after the presentation of Round Robin Awards on Saturday.** The exception to this rule are horses, dogs, and lactating cows. These may be entered immediately prior to showing and released following completion of the Divisions respectfully. Those removing prior to check out time will Saturday will forfeit all premium monies. THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. All exhibits should be claimed by 4:00p.m. Exhibitors or their representatives may clam entries. The Fair management assumes absolutely no responsibility for exhibits left after the close of the Fair.
8. **ALL LIVESTOCK entered at the fair is subject to use in the livestock judging contest.** Livestock will be selected at the discretion of the Division Superintendents and Local County Extension Agents. Failure to comply will result in the forfeiture of ribbons and premium money. This rule will be strictly enforced.
9. **Exhibitors must be present to exhibit their own livestock entries.** All livestock must be exhibited in the designated locations and cannot be shown in pens. **In case an exhibitor has more than a single entry in the same class, he/she may have another 4-H or FFA member who is exhibiting same species at the fair show the secondary entries.** This must be approved by the Division Superintendent prior to showing. In some divisions, it is preferable, and in some cases required, the 4-H'er be present for the judging.
10. The exhibits of each youth must be the work of the 4-H or FFA member. Each exhibit must be a result of the current year's project work. THIS RULE WILL BE RGIDILY ENFORCED.
11. Each exhibitor must fill out an entry card PROPERLY with all blanks filled. Division name and class member must be on the exhibit card for premium money to be paid.
12. Each livestock exhibitor must groom his or her own animal, but may be assisted by other family members or another 4-H or FFA member who is exhibiting same species at the fair. **Violators will be disqualified after a first warning by fair officials.**

13. Spectators must remain at least ten feet away while any livestock is being judged.
14. All market livestock shall be weighed and identified with an official 4-H or FFA tag recorded in the exhibitors county. The Superintendent reserves the right to check county FFA identification lists.
15. The giving or oral or injected diuretic, growth promoting, or other medication not approved for any domestic animal constitutes an unethical practice. Proof of this will result in disqualification and loss of all premium and ribbons in respected Division.
16. The use of tranquilizers in show animals falls under the category of extra label use and requires a veterinary-client relationship. Any extra label use by laypeople is illegal, and the exhibitor will be disqualified. The use of tranquilizers simply to excitable food production show animals is unethical.
17. Exhibitors who abuse an animal may be barred from showing and will forfeit any premium, ribbon, and prize won. Abuse may include: beating, slapping, using an electric prod, forcing an animal into a solid object in an attempt to make the animal brace more firmly. Bracing of animal with the front feet off the ground also constitutes abuse.
18. Superintendents and Fair Officials may determine that any exhibitor who has tampered with or who inhumanely abuses an animal may be barred from showing and will forfeit any premium, ribbon, or prizes won.
19. **Livestock Trailers/Truck Parking: All livestock trailers/trucks MUST be parked on the West side of the road, North of the Tennis courts. Parking CAN NOT impede or block the daily operations of the City of Herington's staff and facilities. NO parking south of the hog barns, in pedestrian areas, or any other area of general use of the fair is permitted. (Please speak with Division Superintendents for more assistance or guidance)**
20. 4-H exhibitors (individual or group) should have using copyrighted and/or trade-marked materials. Copyrighted and/or trademarked materials used in banners, displays, demonstrations, posters, or other activities for endorsement or promotion instead of educational purposes will be disqualified and will not be displayed or receive ribbons or premium.
21. Under special circumstances, 4-H/FFA exhibits entered at the Tri-County Free Fair may be released early to enter another competition. Written requests must be submitted to the Fair office two (2) weeks prior to the Fair's start date to be considered for early release.
22. Fair officials and Division Superintendents have the right to refuse entries of questionable content.
23. Dogs are not allowed to roam at-large on the fair grounds at any time. **No dogs allowed in the livestock area.**
24. **RULES AND GUIDELINES IN PLACE WILL BE SUPERCEDED BY THE CURRENT YEARS STATE FAIR RULES. THEY CAN BE FOUND AT <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansasstate-fair/index.html>. HOWEVER THE FAIR BOARD RESERVES RIGHTS TO OVER-RIDE, ENFORCE OR INTERPRET RULES AND GUIDELINES AS THEY AS A COMMITTEE SEE FIT.**