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# NEVADA JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW AND SALE

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## **INTRODUCTION**

The Nevada Junior Livestock Show is held under the supervision of the Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board in accordance with the Nevada Revised Statutes. Throughout the rules, "Board" refers to the Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board, and "Show" includes the Nevada Junior Livestock Show and Sale. The Board makes and enforces all rules for the Show. NRS 563.010 through NRS 563.130.

The purpose of the Nevada Junior Livestock Show is to provide an opportunity for National FFA Organization (FFA), 4-H, Grange, and/or Independent members to exhibit their livestock projects before the public, thus promoting and providing the incentive for achieving excellence in livestock production, skills, and practices. Such achievement and participation in the Show encourages sportsmanship, leadership, citizenship, and responsibility of the highest order in the members.

Through the judging and placing of entries, modern livestock market standards are outlined, and the education of members, leaders/advisors, and parents/guardians regarding livestock industry trends is made possible.

As a part of the Show, the Board offers a livestock sale for market animals.

DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON NJLSB DESIGNATED SHOW GROUNDS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SERVICE ANIMALS OR SERVICE ANIMALS IN TRAINING, AS THOSE TERMS ARE DEFINED IN NRS 426.097 AND NRS 426.099.

### <u>GENERAL RULES</u> APPLICABLE TO ALL EXHIBITORS

#### Interpretation and Enforcement:

The Board and Show Management reserve the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or connected with, or incident to, the Show. Counties may have additional eligibility requirements recognized and supported by the Board provided there is no conflict with Show Rules. An exhibitor who violates any Show rule will be subject to expulsion from the Show and loss of any awards. Future participation in the Show will be at the discretion of the Board. Any adult who violates any Show rule will be subject to expulsion form the Show and loss of the Board. Any dispute or question about decisions of Show Management must be presented to the Grievance Committee as outlined in the Grievance Committee process on page 12.

#### Rule Review/Development:

The Board will review Show rules annually in the fall. The Board will solicit rule suggestions from the public after every Show. A Committee formed by the Board will evaluate these suggestions and forward recommended changes to the Board. The Board, at its fall meeting, will review, modify, and vote on the changes. Changes approved by the Board will be effective November 15.

#### Liability:

All entries are accepted with the understanding that each exhibitor shall be solely responsible for any loss, injury, or damage done to or occasioned by him/her or arising from any animal or article exhibited by him/her. Exhibitors and parents agree to hold blameless the State of Nevada; Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board; Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board Representatives; Reno-Sparks Livestock Events Center (RSLEC); and other Show Management sites (facilities); Nevada Department of Agriculture; Board of Regents, Nevada System of Higher Education; University of Nevada, Reno; University of Nevada Reno Extension; Extension personnel; FFA Advisors, 4-H Leaders, Grange Advisors and other persons involved in the Show in case of accident or injury of any nature to the exhibitor or any loss or damage occurring to their property or livestock.

#### **Conduct and Supervision of Exhibitors:**

Exhibitors are representatives of their FFA, 4-H, or Grange organizations and are expected to act in an appropriate manner. Independent exhibitors and supervisors must abide by all rules. Misconduct of an exhibitor, such as to reflect discredit on him/her, his/her chapter or club, or the Show, will be cause for disqualification and result in the exhibitor and his/her exhibit being *expelled from the Show*. The conduct must consider safety for all in attendance. Conduct jeopardizing the safety of animals or people will subject the exhibitor to disqualification. Malicious damage to the Reno-Sparks Livestock Events Center will also be considered a cause for the expulsion of an exhibitor and exhibit. In such cases, all awards will be withheld, and future participation in the Nevada Junior Livestock Show will be at the discretion of the Board. Adults are expected to act in an appropriate manner. Misconduct of any parent, guardian, advisor, or spectator that exhibits inappropriate behavior or distracts any exhibitor, NJLS staff, Judge, or any other person in attendance from the purpose of the Show can/will be excused (asked to leave) from the Show area. Such conduct may be reviewed by the Board to bar persons from future participation and attendance. Any dispute or question with regard to decisions of Show Management must be presented to the Grievance Committee in the appropriate manner.

Items that can create a hazard on the grounds, including bicycles, skateboards, roller skates, in-line skates, scooters (including electric), golf carts (excluding show management), and remote-controlled or mechanical toy devices (including drones), are not allowed at the show.

Any use or possession of alcohol or illegal drugs is grounds for immediate disqualification and expulsion from the Show and Sale. Exhibits, exhibitors, and adults will be expelled and forfeit all rights to any awards, prizes, or the sale of their animal.

WHILE AT THE SHOW, ALL EXHIBITORS MUST BE RESPONSIBLE TO AND CHAPERONED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE ADVISORS, LEADERS, AND/OR PARENTS. ALL EXHIBITORS MUST BE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF AN ADULT CHAPERONE AT ALL TIMES AND NOT LEFT IN THE CARE OF SHOW OFFICIALS. Exhibitors will comply with all reasonable requests made by Show Management. For families who want to camp at the Reno-Sparks Livestock Events Center Grounds, please refer to this link for reservations and all grounds requirements;

https://book.rvspots.com/Reno-SparksLivestockEventsCenter

## **ELIGIBILITY**

### Mandatory Requirement: QUALITY ASSURANCE

As a requirement for entry, all exhibitors will be required to attend quality assurance training. This training must be taken each year. The Youth for the Quality Care of Animals link can be found on the NJLSB website. Exhibitors must use their age level category (9/10) (11/12/13) (14 to 19). Exhibitors will be required to include their YQCA certificate number on their entry each year; you may attach a copy to the NJLSB entry. If an internet portal is being used, the YQCA number will be required to be on the entry form portal. All exhibitors are encouraged to coordinate with their county about options to complete their YQCA online or in person.

#### **EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY:**

All Nevada and all designated California County's FFA, 4-H, Grange, and Independent exhibitors in good standing meeting county eligibility requirements are eligible. FFA, 4-H, Grange, and Independent exhibitors of Alpine, El Dorado, Inyo, Lassen, Modoc, Mono, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, and Sierra Counties, California, will be allowed to exhibit and sell at the Show.

All youth exhibitors must designate their organizational affiliation (4-H, FFA, Grange, or independent) and own their own market animal at the time of the designated ownership weigh-in and tagging date (Dec. 1/March 1). An exhibitor may not switch to an Independent exhibitor after the weigh-in date. Independent exhibitors will abide by all rules in the rulebook. With their entry form, they will include a signed Show Ring Code of Ethics and, at the weigh-in, provide a record book of the project animal (Available on the NJLSB website). All independent exhibitors will acknowledge and recognize the code of ethics when entering the Nevada Junior Livestock Show and Sale through the online entry system.

### Any exhibitor disqualified from any other youth livestock show is ineligible to show at the Show for the period of ineligibility.

#### AGE ELIGIBILITY:

Age is determined on January 1<sup>st</sup>; all exhibitors must be 9 years of age on January 1 to show.

- <u>Senior Division</u>: Includes any exhibitor 14 years or older as of January 1st of the year exhibiting. Exhibitors must not be older than19 years of age on January 1<sup>st</sup>. FFA members are eligible until December 31<sup>st</sup>, following the year of graduation from High School.
- Intermediate Division: Includes any exhibitor 11, 12, or 13 years of age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year exhibiting.

- Junior Division:Includes any exhibitor 9 or 10 years of age as of January 1st of the year<br/>exhibiting.Novice Division:Junior, Intermediate, or Senior exhibitors of any age who have never<br/>shown any species in any organized show, with the exception of the<br/>current year. Novice exhibitors will not move to their respective age
- <u>Pee Wee Division</u> includes any youth aged 5-8 as of January 1 of the show's year. Pee Wee youth can only enter age-appropriate contests designed specifically for their developmental level.

divisions or Round Robin competitions.

<u>Note to Parents / Guardian / Extension Personnel / Advisors:</u> By signing the Entry Form and/or the official entry portal, each parent/guardian / Extension personnel/ advisor acknowledges that:

- 1. He/she has read and agrees to the Show rules and regulations.
- 2. The exhibitor has owned, fed and cared for the market animal throughout the required ownership period. He/she has supervised the exhibitor and the animal/s have not had any drugs, chemicals, feed additives, pharmaceuticals or other substances used on them except pursuant to the label specifications, or unless under the direction and supervision of a licensed veterinarian for the therapeutic and medical purposes. In instances where drugs, chemicals, feed additives or other substances for which the required withdrawal period has not elapsed prior to arrival at NJLS, that animal will not be allowed to sell or show in a market class.
- 3. He/she has supervised the exhibitor and the animals have not been tampered with in any way, including but not limited to, unethical fitting or any method altering the natural conformation of any part of the animal's body.
- 4. He/she understands the penalties for violating these general, and show specific, rules and regulations.

## **HEALTH AND PHARMACEUTICALS**

#### Health and Brand Inspection of Animals:

A veterinarian may do a visual inspection of all animals at the gate. The veterinarian, vet technician, and trained/educated individual can administer a more complete examination of the animal to determine health issues and can exclude the animal from the Show if necessary.

Only properly labeled feed and feed supplements may be fed to any livestock showing at the Show. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hooves or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

Every exhibitor in consideration of his/her entry being accepted by the Show, specifically represents that the exhibitor's animal's natural conformation and structure has not been altered in any way. This alteration is also known as "unethical fitting".

Unethical fitting includes but is not limited to: injection of gas, air, oil or other foreign substances; cutting/tearing of the hide/underneath the hide or removal of tissue in any attempt to alter the physical appearance of the animal; numbing or "deadening" an animal's tail; cutting tendons of an animal; using foreign substances to build or cosmetically re-shape feet; as well as "twining" which includes The attachment of hair or hair substances (i.e. baling twine, cloth, fiber, etc.).

Any animal found to have surgical alterations other than dehorning, castration or docking may be disqualified. Unethical fitting also includes attempts to disrupt or change normal dental development. The act of artificially filling animals internally and/or hydrating by esophagus, is prohibited for all species. The use of stomach pumps and drench tubes is not allowed. Oral drenching for the health and hydration of an animal is not against the rules. The use of oral drench guns and oral syringes is allowed, for the health of the animal.

No injection sites may be found in marketable areas such as top, rounds, hips, etc.

Out of State exhibitors must present a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection for all Animals issued within 30 days of the Show prior to unloading and admission to the Show grounds. This Certificate must be in compliance with all current Nevada Department of Agriculture Health requirements, the State of Nevada Swine Pseudorabies Eradication Program and State of Nevada/National Scrapie Eradication Program. This has been waived for all in state exhibitors.

To be admitted to the grounds, animals must show evidence of good health; no animal with communicable disease to humans or unsightly condition will be accepted. No animal showing signs of a prolapse will be allowed to show, (determined by the Show veterinarian, vet technician, trained/educated individual). Animals with soremouth, fungus or skin conditions will not be allowed at the Show.

Turkeys will be inspected and will be excused if there is evidence of parasites or disease.

Show management reserves the right to require health inspections and diagnostic tests to be made before or after animals are admitted to Show grounds.

Brand Inspections are required for all animals crossing a state brand inspection district boundary line in accordance with Nevada Department of Agriculture Brand Inspection Laws.

The Board and Show Management will follow all Federal and State programs related to the transmission of zoonotic diseases, viruses, or other maladies.

#### USE of PHARMACEUTICALS, BIOLOGICS, and/or CHEMICALS:

Any violation of the PHARMACEUTICALS, BIOLOGICS, and CHEMICALS rule will result in the forfeiture of all participation in the Show. All animals exhibited must be cared for and fed during and after the Show at the exhibitor's expense until released by Show Management, even if the animal cannot show. The exhibitor, adults, and animals may be excused from the Show.

Only properly labeled feed and feed supplements may be fed to any livestock showing at the Show. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hooves or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

No injection sites may be found in marketable areas such as top, rounds, hips, etc. During the Show, a licensed veterinarian and Show Management shall be notified of <u>any animal</u> on <u>any part</u> of the Show Grounds of the RSLEC facility or designated Show grounds/site requiring treatment or medication. Treatment must be by a veterinarian at the expense of the exhibitor.

Entry into the Show signifies compliance with all pharmaceutical, biological, and chemical withdrawal regulations. Before administering any products before and during the Show, consult with a veterinarian and follow label directions. **A written prescription from the veterinarian must be supplied.** 

The United States Department of Agriculture Wholesome Meat Act applies to the sale of Market livestock sold during the Nevada Junior Livestock Show and Sale as follows:

- a. The use by non-veterinarians of animal drugs or other substances in any manner other than in accordance with the labeling approved by the FDA is a violation of Federal law.
- b. Any food animal must not exceed FDA/EPA/USDA/FSIS established tolerance for any foreign substance including drugs, pesticides, feed additives, or other chemicals.
- c. Violative results of residue testing are subject to investigation by USDA and FDA for prosecution.
- d. Any misrepresentation of a food animal that can potentially affect the acceptability of the carcass or milk will be considered fraud.
- e. Any Pharmaceutical not intended/labeled for animal use will not be allowed to be used.

Show Management reserves the right to conduct or require a test on any animal for illegal substances or substances exceeding established tolerances. If an animal or carcass is found to have contained illegal substances or substances exceeding established tolerances, the Board and Show Management have the right to impose appropriate penalties including, but not limited to, denial of monetary awards and recognition for Show-associated contests or classes.

If a carcass is condemned for any of the above reasons, the exhibitor forfeits all rights to the sale proceeds, the carcass, and any awards.

If a carcass is condemned for any other reason, the exhibitor must pay back to the buyer the resale value of the animal, if requested.

### **ENTRIES**

#### MARKET ANIMALS - EAR TAGGING:

All large market animals must be ear-tagged within two weeks before their **ownership date**. The Board will provide ear tags for each county's exhibitors upon request. **All ear tags must be pre-paid**. There is a \$20.00 per tag fee. This fee covers the class entry fees for that animal. Market animals will no longer have a separate entry fee. No refunds will be issued for any unused tags. All unused tags need to be returned to the Show.

### The Board Office must be notified immediately if an ear tag is lost. Replacement tags are free of charge.

There will be no limit on the number of animals tagged. See Market Show Entries for further information. Regardless of species, market animals may be selected for ear tagging (per individual exhibitor). One animal may be tagged as a family backup for all exhibitors in the family. The purpose of a family backup animal is to allow a family to have one backup animal if each youth does not wish to have a backup animal of his/her own. At the Show weigh-in, a single exhibitor will declare which family member will be showing the backup animal if the family backup is being shown.

An ownership record (eligibility form) for each Market animal tagged must be submitted by the FFA Advisor, Extension Personnel, Grange Advisor, or approved Independent exhibitor responsible adult to the Board office by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month (December, March). This ownership record will list each exhibitor or family backup, ear tag number for each animal, sex of the animal, breed of the animal, birth date of the animal, weight of the animal if it is homegrown, and the exhibitors' birthday.

#### Limitation of Entries:

Show Management reserves the right to limit entries to the capacity of the facilities available.

#### Making Entries:

All Entries must be submitted through the current NJLSB entry portal. NO paper entry forms will be accepted. Digital entries for Market Animals (except rabbits) and all breeding and feeder animals must be postmarked by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

A non-refundable entry fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) per class for all Breeding Show animals is due at time of entry and by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Any Breeding Show entry not accompanied by entry fees will not be processed and will be subject to a late fee.

#### Late Entry Policy: THERE WILL BE NO LATE ENTRIES

All entries will be digitally submitted through the designated online entry portal. <mark>No paper entries will be accepted.</mark>

#### Market Show Entries:

An exhibitor will enter all tagged animals on their entry form. An exhibitor may choose one club/chapter/group to show in the Market and another club/chapter/group for Breeding, providing they are members in good standing of the club/chapter/group. An exhibitor may not show a market animal in one club/chapter/group and a second market animal in another club/chapter/group. Exhibitors must declare their market animal club/chapter/group on their entry form. All animals weighed in will be shown in their Market classes, and one animal of each species may be shown in showmanship. A total of four large and four small market animals per exhibitor may be weighed in, with a limit of two per species. One large and one small animal may be sold. The Blue ribbon animal must sell. If both animals are blue (red), or the exhibitor has two species, then the exhibitor has until one hour after the last market class to declare which animal is to go to the sale. If no animal is declared, the Show office will choose. **The exhibitor may make no changes when the sale order has gone to print.** Each exhibitor must show and sell his/her own Market animal. Another youth exhibitor may show additional animals if the animals are in the same weight class. All Supreme Champion and Supreme\_Reserve Champion animals of each species must be sold at the NJLSB Market Sale.

Market animals that do not make weight on the scale may enter that species' Feeder Show; the \$20.00 ear tag fee covers the Feeder Show entry fee. See <u>Feeder Show Entries in the General Rules.</u>

All animals must be shown in accordance with the Show Schedule. An exhibitor may be disqualified for failure to bring an animal into the ring at the appropriate time.

#### **Breeding Show Entries:**

The Breeding Show is open to breeding animals as listed in the class offerings. The same animal **<u>cannot</u>** be shown in both Breeding and Market classes. (Except where noted in class lists).

Registered and unregistered Breeding animals can be exhibited in listed classes. Breeding animal entries must include breed, individual identification number, name of animal, and birth date, including the scrapie tag number for sheep and goats. The exhibitor must also list the registry number if the animal is registered. Individual identification number for Breeding animals is required as acceptable per breed association. Exhibitors may show more than one species in the Breeding show. Each exhibitor is responsible for having a handler for each animal.

Exhibitors of all registered animals shall submit a copy of the certificate of registration from the respective breed association. The certificate of registration for the animal shall stand in the name of the individual unless accompanied by appropriate lease agreements. Pending registrations-send a copy of the registration request with the entry form.

No animal substitutions are allowed.

#### **Show Administrative Fee**

All exhibitors will be charged a \$10.00 Administrative fee.

Counties, groups, or Clubs will fill out a stall request form and send it to the office by May 1.

### <u>ARRIVAL / CHECK-IN /</u> CARE / SCHEDULE & RELEASE <u>OF ENTRIES</u>

#### Arrival and Weighing-In of Entries:

#### If an animal is deemed unsafe to all participants at the Show by the superintendent and two Board members at the time of weigh-in, that animal will be disqualified.

All entries must arrive within the time limits listed on the Show Schedule. Late arrivals will be disqualified unless Show Management accepts proof of an extenuating circumstance. Out-of-state exhibitors must present a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection for all animals, issued within 30 days before the Show, before unloading and admission to the Grounds. This certificate must follow all current Nevada Department of Agriculture Health Requirements, the State of Nevada Swine Pseudorabies Eradication Program, and the State of Nevada/National Scrapie Eradication Program. An official on the premises will verify each Certificate of Veterinary Inspection as animal(s) enter the Grounds. A veterinarian, vet technician, and trained/educated individual will visually inspect all animals at the gate. **Animal(s)** must be in the weigh-in line within 30 minutes of this inspection.

Blankets will not be allowed on Market animals during the weigh-in. Show Management will make every effort to achieve accurate weights. A State Division of Weights and Measures representative inspects scales officially within two weeks of the Show. Exhibitors or their representatives are encouraged to watch carefully when their animals are weighed and the weights recorded. If questions arise over an animal's weight, it will be taken off the scale, the scale checked and balanced, and reweighed immediately.

The animal in question **CANNOT** leave the scale area until the dispute is settled. The scale weight is considered official if an exhibitor leaves the scale area without registering a protest.

All market animals must weigh more than their recorded tagging weight of Dec.1(steers) and March 1 (sheep, swine, and market goats) when they weigh in at the designated weigh-in times for the NJLS Show.

Market animals that do not meet weight requirements at weigh-in may not compete in Market classes; the exhibitor may use them in Showmanship, Feeder, or Breeding classes where they are eligible. See <u>Market Show Entries / Feeder Show Entries / Breeding Show Entries</u>.

#### Check-In Procedures:

After weigh-in, all exhibitors need to check in at the show office. Exhibitors will need to bring their weight slips, health certificates (for out-of-state exhibitors), and brand inspection (for out-of-district exhibitors). All Market animal exhibitors and a responsible adult must acknowledge the HACCP form

<mark>through the online entry system.</mark> The Exhibitor's animal will not be allowed to show <mark>if the HACCP form</mark> <mark>is not acknowledged.</mark>

#### Care of Entries - During the Show:

All animals exhibited must be cared for and fed by 8:00 a.m. each day (excluding poultry) during and after the Show at the expense of the exhibitor until released by Show Management, even if the animal is not able to show. No animal will be released prior to 10:00 A.M. on Sunday.

All livestock, pens, and stall areas must be cleaned by youth exhibitors by 8:00 a.m. and must be kept clean and neat for exhibit to the public until 6:00 p.m. each day of the Show. Water **may not** be dumped in high-traffic areas. Each **exhibitor** must properly feed, fit, care for, exhibit and sell his/her own animal. Show Management reserves the right to excuse an exhibitor in an emergency situation or for reasons of impaired health.

There will be no blocking off of the public view of any stalls on the premises.

The washing of animals will be in designated areas only.

Per Reno-Sparks Livestock Events Center rules, straw is not allowed on RSLEC Grounds.

To enter the Show, animals must be properly cleaned, fitted, and trained to be quiet and tractable in the ring. Animals not meeting these requirements may be disqualified and will not receive awards.

All animals must be exhibited in the designated show ring in order to be judged.

This Show is for the youth exhibitor. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals.

Humane treatment of animals is mandatory. Any abuse of an animal is grounds for immediate disqualification, expulsion from the Show, and forfeiture of all awards.

#### Show Schedule Conflicts (Market, Breeding and Feeder Classes):

All animals must be shown in accordance with the Show Schedule. An exhibitor may be disqualified for failure to bring an animal into the ring at the appropriate time. If schedule conflicts arise, an exhibitor may make arrangements for another FFA, 4-H, Grange, or Independent exhibitor to assist him/her in showing Breeding animals and Market animals; when both are in the same class, the ring clerk must be notified of the conflict and the substitution. All youth must be in appropriate uniforms for the show ring.

#### Release of Entries:

All live release animals must have a live release form issued by the Livestock Show office at **9:00 a.m. Sunday.** Show Management will specify the release time for each species. An animal may not be withdrawn from competition without the consent of Show Management. Animals may not leave prior to the specified release time. Live-release animals include all species of breeding, feeder, and market animals.

All animals exhibited must be cared for and fed during and after the Show at the expense of the exhibitor until released by Show Management, <u>even if the animal is not able to show.</u> No animal will be released prior to 10:00 A.M. on Sunday.

Exceptions:

Milk production dairy cattle can be released on the day of the Show for milking. See Show Office.

Sale Rabbits and Turkeys may leave after the sale on Saturday after payment has been made. See Show Office.

### **GRIEVANCE**

#### Grievance Committee:

The Grievance Committee will consist of three Board Members. Its purpose is to review grievances and render a final decision. Members must recuse themselves if they are personally associated with the grievance or people involved with the grievance. In this case, an alternate member will serve in their place.

#### **Grievance Process:**

Only contestants are eligible to grieve.

All grievances will first go to Show Management, who will convene the Grievance Committee.

All grievances must be made on the official Grievance Form available at the Show Office, an extension office, State FFA Office, or on the NJLSB web page and accompanied by a deposit of \$50, which will be forfeited if the grievance is not sustained.

Grievances must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal, with the specific charges and description of the facts and the rule violated.

All witnesses and their contact information must be provided with the grievance.

Committee rulings will be effective and binding through the

remainder of the Show and until the next scheduled Board meeting.

Grievances and decisions made during the Show will be reviewed at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Any dispute or question regarding rules and Show Management decisions must be in the form of a written grievance signed by the exhibitor and presented to Show Management within **two hours** of the time of the action or questioned incident. The grievance must include the resolution desired by the offended party.

## JUDGES AND JUDGING

#### <u>Judges:</u>

Judges are selected for each species of livestock with the utmost care and, whenever possible, from persons of wide reputation. Judges are encouraged to give their reasons for decisions rendered. The

object is to assist in the education of livestock producers concerning what constitutes a high-quality animal. In order to familiarize Judges with Show rules, the Rule Book is available on the NJLS web site. Individuals judging the NJLS Show cannot officiate at county qualifying shows, clinics or demonstrations the same year. Recommendations for Judges can be made to the Board/Show Management at any time and will be kept for future reference.

#### Behavior - Toward Judges and Judging:

No person shall be allowed, under any circumstances, to interfere with the Judges during their adjudication or to offer any criticism of any exhibit. Any person, who attempts to interfere with the Judges in any such manner, whether verbally or otherwise, shall be excluded immediately from the judging area/ring and/or from competition. If it is ascertained that a person or an exhibitor has in any impolite and public manner taken exception to the finding of the Judge, the Board shall cancel all awards to said exhibitor and exclude him/her from further participation in the Show. Show Management reserves the right to remove any and all exhibits of such an exhibitor without being liable for any compensation.

If the judge requests it, an exhibitor may be required to explain the merits of his/her own display, exhibit, or animal during the examination.

The Judge's decision is final and cannot be protested.

### LIVESTOCK SALE RULES

The Sale is for Market animals ONLY.

All market animals entered in the Show must be sold through the Nevada Junior Livestock Show Sale, provided they are of blue or red ribbon quality. Exhibitors may sell <u>one</u> large market animal and <u>one</u> small market animal unless more than one entry is Supreme Grand Champion/Supreme Reserve Grand Champion. All live pick-up market animals must be paid for in full at the time of sale.

Any animal entering the auction ring must have been entered, shown, judged, and placed in the specified market class. No animals not judged in a specified species class cannot enter the sale ring. The only exception is for scholarship animals. Scholarship animals not entered for judgment are excluded from the showing requirement.

The official identification of market animals (including ear tag number) must match on all entry forms, buyer sale invoices/contracts and destination reports for processing plants. Ear tags will be verified before entering the sale ring.

#### Livestock Sale:

Although not required to do so by statute, the Board/Show Management sponsors a sale of exhibited Market livestock to the public as part of the Show. Sale rules are made and enforced by the Board/Show Management as part of the Show rules. This part of the Show aims to help exhibitors bring their projects to a financially successful close.

Exhibitors are encouraged to contact potential buyers and invite them to the Sale or to provide bids for their animals.

The Auctioneer's decision or update from the block/podium is final. The auctioneer will decide any arguments or changes and the bid announced from the block/podium will be final.

No exhibitor may exhibit an animal in a market class once it has been sold at another Junior Livestock Market Auction or Fair and sold as a market animal, regardless of ownership change. These animals may be shown as breeding animals, providing they meet all ownership requirements of the show/fair they are entering. Pre-sale activities for NJLS are exempt.

Market animals will be sorted and marked for live release and/or harvest. Marking could include painting. Beef, poultry, and rabbits are excluded.

The Packers and Stockyard Act will govern the Sale.

#### **Obligation to Sell and Harvest:**

All qualifying and healthy Market animals entered in the Show must be sold in the Nevada Junior Livestock Show Sale. All Market animals (Beef, Sheep, Swine, and Goats) sold and not being picked up live must be harvested at a designated harvest plant and entered in the Carcass of Merit Recognition Contest. An animal not entering the Sale ring in compliance with the Sale Order will be fined \$25.00 unless excused by the Show Management. It is the <u>exhibitor's responsibility</u> to be prepared to enter the Sale ring on time. Private Treaty sales are <u>not</u> allowed through NJLS.

Exceptions to the requirement to show and sell their own animal can be granted to exhibitors who have a conflict with the time of the sale. These exceptions require exhibitors to arrange to have another exhibitor walk the animal through the ring at sale time. The exhibitor must have a prearranged contract for the purchase of the animal. The exceptions will be given on a case-by-case basis, and exhibitors must apply for the exception in writing, and it will be voted on at the next Board Meeting. Exceptions will only be entertained from exhibitors who have a conflict with another school-sanctioned event or medical issue. At the Show, the Board will review family emergency exceptions.

#### Live Release:

Buyers must declare that they are making a live purchase, on the sale purchase invoice, No animal may be released until it is paid for. All live release animals must be paid for in full, by the designated load out, if not paid for, it will be sent to harvest, and the buyer will pay the harvest fee.

No live release of live sale animals prior to 10 A.M. on Sunday following the Sale on Saturday night. All other live sale animals will be in the care of NJLSB after the conclusion of the sale until released/transport by 8 A.M. Sunday. Market animals will be sorted and marked for live release and/or harvest. Marking could include painting. Excluding-beef/poultry/rabbit.

#### Payment to Youth Exhibitor:

No check will be issued to the exhibitor until payment is received and has cleared the bank. Add-on recipients will receive their add-on with payment for sale of their animal.

#### Commission:

A commission of seven (7) percent of the sale price of each market animal (Market Goat, Meat Rabbit, Sheep, Swine and Poultry) sold may be deducted and retained to cover expenses of the Board for the purpose of partially defraying the cost of operating the Show and Sale. A commission of six (6) percent of the sale price of each Market animal (Beef) sold may be deducted and retained to cover expenses of the Board for the purpose of partially defraying the cost of operating the cost of operating the Show and Sale. A commission of six (6) percent of the Board for the purpose of partially defraying the cost of operating the Show and retained to cover expenses of the Board for the purpose of partially defraying the cost of operating the Show and Sale. A commission of one and one half (1.5) percent of the sale price of each Market animal (Market Goat, Sheep and Swine) sold may be deducted and retained for the Carcass of Merit Recognition award fund. A commission of one (1) percent of the sale price of each Market animal (Beef) sold may be deducted and retained for the Carcass of Merit Recognition award fund.

#### Necropsy Policy:

At the harvest facilities for the NJLS Sale, regarding any pre-slaughter condemnation or accidental death of sale animals, the following shall apply. Because animals that die prior to harvest or are removed from the harvest process due to ante-mortem inspection are not routinely necropsied by USDA, no cause of death is available to the Board. The State Veterinarian's Office has offered to provide necropsy services should such an event occur. The Board will make any necessary arrangements with the State Veterinarian for necropsy and disposal. Prior to harvest a list of phone numbers of Board Officers will be provided. We hope this will help to simplify any problems that may arise.

#### **Eligibility to Sell:**

To be eligible for the Sale, Market animals must have qualified under all show rules, including weight limits, and must have been exhibited in a Market class of the Show.

Animals awarded a white ribbon or sifted for other reasons prior to the Sale will not be sold.

#### Sale Order:

Show Management will determine the order of the Sale. In general, blue ribbon Market animals will be sold starting with those placing highest in the Show, followed by those placing progressively lower.

#### **Carcass Information:**

All Market Beef, Market Goat, Market Sheep, and Market Swine will be eligible for Carcass of Merit Recognition. Carcass evaluation will be conducted according to Carcass of Merit Recognition standards. Carcass of Merit Recognition information will be available to the public after Carcass of Merit Recognition results have been calculated. Carcass of Merit Recognition is contingent on the ability to collect data. Data will be collected based on access to carcasses.

#### **Registration of Buyers:**

In order to ensure proper and current information is obtained, buyers and potential buyers <u>must</u> register for a buyer's number at the Sale. A number will be assigned to each individual purchaser/or potential purchaser regardless of the number of animals or partial animals bought. Buyers must notify the Show if they will be purchasing an animal for live release.

#### Payment for Animals Purchased:

Buyers are encouraged to pay for their animals at the Sale. Invoices will be mailed to buyers who are not able to pay at the Sale. **Payment is due 30 days from the date of Sale.** Use of credit cards will be provided for buyers' convenience. Any invoice not paid 60 days after the date of the Sale shall be charged a finance charge of 1.5% monthly until the account is satisfied. All legal options will be reserved to collect on delinquent accounts. Any attorney's fees and costs associated with collection are awardable. Animals bought for live release must be paid for by the designated load out, or animal will be sent to harvest. If payment of animal is delayed by 60 days or longer the commission fee MAY be forfeited by the Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board.

There is an added service charge for credit card use.

#### Add-Ons:

The minimum add-on for beef, market goat, sheep, and swine is **\$25.00**.

The minimum add-on for rabbit and turkey is **\$10.00**.

All add-ons must be between a registered buyer (who has a buyer's number) and a Sale participant on a signed and properly filled out Purchase Order or Sale Add-On Agreement (available at the Board Office, Show Office, or on the website). A buyer only needs one buyer's number to bid during the Sale and add-on. Purchase Orders/Sale Add-On Agreement will be available before and during the Show up to sixty minutes after the Sale. Purchase Orders/Sale Add-On Agreements completed before the Sale are strongly encouraged.

The Board and Show Management will make every effort to post add-ons completed before the Sale at the start of bidding on each exhibitor's animal.

There will be a separate add-on table at the Sale. Individuals/business wishing to add-on during (except as indicated) or after the Sale <u>must</u> go to Add-on table. Add-On Agreement will be available at the add-on table. Add-ons made during (except as indicated) or after the Sale will not be **announced during the Sale**, the Board and Show Management will make every effort to display them. Add-ons will be accepted at the Show Office up to sixty minutes after the Sale. All add-ons must be paid within one hour of the close of the Sale, at the Show Office. Only exception is those add-ons authorized and approved by the show office for billing. The Show Office is the only entity that can approve exceptions. Add-ons will not be processed without a properly filled out Add-On Agreement.

If you have any questions about add-ons ask Show Management, Species Superintendents, Asst. Superintendents or Show staff. You are encouraged to ask questions before the Sale. It is the individual's/business's/buyer's responsibility to understand Add-On Rules.

## AWARD SYSTEM

Market Show:

All Market species are placed using the Danish System of judging. According to the Judges' decisions, in all classes, groups 1A or 1B will receive blue ribbons; those placed in groups 2A or 2B will receive red ribbons; and group 3 will receive white ribbons. (See Beef, Market Goat, Meat Rabbit, Sheep, Swine, and Poultry Rules for factors used in placing.) White ribbon animals will not be allowed to be sold.

In addition, all animals will be placed in the American system of judging. First and second-place winners will be chosen in each class. The top two animals from each weight division will then be selected. From the division champions and reserves, a Supreme Champion, Supreme Reserve Champion, and placings to fifth place will be chosen. All Supreme Champion and Supreme Reserve Champion animals, steer, Market Goat, Meat Rabbit, Sheep, Swine, and Poultry, must be sold at the NJLSB Market Sale.

All market animals need to be clean of manure and excessive dirt to enter the sale arena.

#### Feeder Show:

All feeder shows will use the American System of judging. Eight (8) places will receive ribbons.

#### Breeding Show:

The American System of judging will be used for Breeding Show classes. Ribbons will be awarded to eight (8) places. Animals will be judged against breed standards and merits within the breed.

All animals, including pairs, must be brought to the show ring to be judged.

Animals chosen first and second in their individual classes are eligible to compete for Champion and Reserve Champion.

Breed awards may be given for each species for the best animal of a given breed that receives a blue ribbon if donors have requested and sponsored the award.

#### Showmanship Contest:

Showmanship classes will be placed using the Danish System of judging. In addition to the Danish System, the American System of judging will be utilized for the top eight exhibitors.

## **SHOWMANSHIP**

#### Dress Requirements:

Show Board/Show Management will work with the youth organizations to fulfill minimum dress requirements.

To enter the Show, exhibitors must be neat, clean and dressed in the minimum requirement of the official uniform according to the exhibitor's state organization. (Refer to the state/national manual of the organization).

Boots or firm-toed shoes are mandatory for showing beef and dairy cattle and recommended for meat goats, sheep, and swine for safety reasons. If an exhibitor does not meet the minimum dress requirements, that exhibitor may not enter the show ring. (Example-no distressed jeans)

Minimum requirements for Independent exhibitors are collared, long sleeved white shirt and clean neat trousers. Dark blue or black tie is optional.

#### Showmanship Entries:

There is no fee for showmanship. Showmanship is optional.

An exhibitor enters Showmanship by listing the appropriate class on the Entry Form. The exhibitor may enter only one animal per species in Showmanship. Only Market, Feeder or female Breeding animals **owned** and fitted by the exhibitor may be entered in Showmanship. Also, Market animals not making minimum show weight or those over the maximum show weight may show in Showmanship. No uncastrated male animals are allowed in Showmanship classes. Except for Meat Rabbits and Poultry. Halters on sheep in Showmanship is discouraged but will be at the discretion of the Judge. With written permission, at the time of entry, of an FFA Advisor, Extension personnel, or Grange Advisor, an exhibitor may show in the next advanced Showmanship class because of experience. This advancement cannot be changed after the entry form is submitted.

Exhibitors showing livestock for the first time may enter Novice Showmanship. The class will be placed thru eighth place.

Pee Wee showman will not be allowed to bring their own animals. All Pee Wee showman will use other exhibitors market /breeding animals, already on the grounds, **DO NOT** pre enter, they will enter at the time of the show.

#### **Showmanship Placing:**

Since all Showmanship requirements are approximately the same, the following is printed as a guide. It must be emphasized this is only a guide, and all Judges will not put the same emphasis on each area. Judges will vary the emphasis depending on the class, competition, etc.

Fitting: Condition, quality, firmness, and uniformity of finish	10%
Grooming: Clean, trimmed, brushed, blocked, feet trimmed, etc.	20%
Knowledge of project: specie and industry-related questions	10%
Showmanship:	<u>60%</u>
•	100%

#### Round Robin/Master Showmanship:

Round Robin Showmanship will be made up of the champion and reserve champion showman in each age group in each species. A youth, awarded champion or reserve champion showman in their Showmanship class, must confirm with the clerk upon receiving their placing their intent to participate in Round Robin Showmanship. If neither of the two exhibitors in each of the age groups per species elects to participate in Round Robin, there will be no representation in that age division or species.

The competitor is responsible for bringing an animal from the species they qualified into the ring for the Round Robin competition. If they do not provide an animal, they forfeit participation in the contest.

Scoring policy: The individual with the lowest score will be the best placed. For written tests, the highest score will be given 1 point.

Exhibitors will not show their own animals in the round-robin competition. Dairy Cattle and Turkeys will have a written test. The Board reserves the right to add written tests to any other species that do not have enough entries.

## **BEEF SHOW RULES**

#### Safety:

### If an animal is deemed unsafe at the Show by the superintendent and two Board members that animal will be disqualified and removed.

#### Proper Training of Animals Required:

All beef animals must be halter broken. The Judge or Show Management may disqualify animals not sufficiently gentle to be shown safely. Nose leads will not be used in steer or heifer classes.

Both neck ropes and halters are required for all beef animals while tied in stalls.

#### **Ownership Dates: Market Animals:**

#### All market beef must be younger than 30 months of age.

Members are encouraged to select their projects early under the direction and recommendation of their advisors or leaders.

Beef: December 1<sup>st</sup> of the year preceding the Show.

Entry must be in the online portal by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Castration:

All beef market animals exhibited must be properly castrated (<u>both testicles removed</u>) by the official ownership date. This means there is no evidence of remaining testicles. The sack must have fallen off if the animal was cut with a knife. If the animal was banded, the testicles must be completely atrophied. Castration by burdizzo is not allowed.

#### Homegrown Market Steer:

Open to all exhibitors who fed and raised a home-produced market beef for the Market Show. To be considered homegrown the exhibitor must own the dam at the time of birth of the offspring. Certification must be by a local advisor, leader and/or parents/guardians who are in the best position

to know the situation. The Judge of the Show chooses the winner. All homegrown animals must show in their weight division class to be eligible to show in the Homegrown Class.

#### Feeder Show Entries:

The Feeder Show is open to Beef Feeder animals as noted under the weight qualifications per species. Only Market animals that do not make minimum show weight at the scale may enter that species' Feeder Show. The animal will automatically be placed into the Feeder class, the animal is no longer a market animal and may NOT be shown in the Homegrown Market Class. There is no sale provision for animals in Feeder classes.

#### **Breeding Animals:**

Joint ownership is not allowed.

Exhibitors cannot combine breeding animal entries to create group class entries (except where noted (for example- Ewe with lamb, Does with kids).

Exhibitors will fill out all information on the Entry Form in the online portal appropriate for the beef being shown.

Appropriate lease agreements must specify that the exhibitor is solely responsible for the animal's care by March 1 of the current year, and the animal is genuinely the exhibitor's project. Classes may be combined or divided as the numbers warrant at the discretion of the Judge and/or Show Management. A separate class must be held with a minimum of five (5) head. At least three exhibitors must be entered to make a separate division.

Females 24 months of age or over must be certified bred or have calved in the last 12 months.

No animal substitutions are allowed.

#### Dehorning:

Market:	No horns permitted. Steers must be properly dehorned or naturally polled to enter the
	Show.
Breeding:	Horned Breeding animals must have horns properly trained for health and safety

- purposes.
- Feeder: Steers must be properly dehorned or naturally polled to enter the Show.

#### Fitting:

Any product administered internally or used externally to alter the conformation of an animal for exhibition is prohibited. This includes the use of any artificial coloring or substance added to the animal's body, as well as any grooming material that allows color to come off the animal. (Artificial color is acceptable on knees and below.) Any false tail switches, tail fins or false polls will not be allowed.

#### Market Steer Weight Limits:

Market Animal	Minimum Show	Maximum Pay	Maximum Show
	Weight	Weight	Weight
Beef	1000	1350	

To qualify for entry in the Show, steers must have a minimum weight of 1000 pounds. Steers may exceed the pay weight of 1350 pounds, but will be sold at the 1350 pound weight. <u>Exhibitors will donate any extra poundage above the 1350 pound weight to the buyer.</u>

All steers must be weighed on a certified scale by a designated county official, certified and eartagged between **November 15th** and **December 1st** of the year preceding the Show with an adjustment factor of 2.5 lbs. per day to equate the weight to December 1st. There will be no pencil shrink. The FFA Advisor, Extension personnel and/or Grange Advisor will determine official weigh-in day.

Animals not meeting this minimum weight show weight will not be allowed in Market classes or to sell; however, that animal may be used by the exhibitor in Showmanship and moved to the Feeder class if under the minimum show weight (see Feeder Show Entries). If the animal is under the minimum show weight, it may be shown in an appropriate Breeding class if eligible (see Breeding Show Entries).

The intention of allowing entry of animals exceeding the maximum pay weight is not to encourage overweight animals; rather, the purpose is to accommodate fast-growing animals as it may be detrimental to the animal if held back.

#### Market Steer Class Breaks:

Weight classes will be based on the scale weight of the animal. The weights for each of the breaks will be set at the discretion of Show Management.

#### Placing of Beef:

Placing of steers will be based upon the Danish System of judging as follows:

- Group 1. (Blue Ribbon)
  - a. Animals grading USDA Low Choice or better, having above average conformation and showing indications of yield grades 3 or better.
  - b. Young animals grading USDA High Select with superior conformation.
- Group 2. (Red Ribbon)
  - a. Animals grading Average Select or better with average or below conformation.
  - b. Animals with average or above conformation and showing indications of yield grade 4 or better.
- Group 3. (White Ribbon)
  - a. Animals grading USDA Low Select or less.
  - b. Animals in over fat condition indicating yield grade 5 with average or below average conformation.

White ribbon animals will not sell through the Sale.

### **BEEF CLASSES**

#### **Beef Showmanship:**

- Class 1 Novice Beef Showmanship
- Class 2 Senior Beef Showmanship
- Class 3 Intermediate Beef Showmanship
- Class 4 Junior Beef Showmanship

#### Feeder Steer:

- Class 5 Feeder Steer: 600 1049 lbs.(Only tagged market animals not making weight)
- Class 6 Champion and Reserve Champion Feeder Steer

#### Market Steer:

- Class 7 Market Steers
- Class 8 Champion and Reserve Champion Steer
- Class 9 Homegrown Market Steer (Must first enter Market Steers, Class 7)

#### Club/Chapter/County Market Group:

**Class 10** - The Group is composed of five Market animals from one FFA Chapter, one 4-H Club, one Grange club or one county (FFA, 4-H, Grange and Independent exhibitor combined.) The Contest will be held after the Homegrown Market Steer Class. The Club/Chapter/County Market Group must be identified by an FFA Advisor, 4-H Leader or Grange Advisor to the Beef Show Clerk after completion of the Homegrown Market Steer Class.

#### **Registered Bulls:**

- Class 11 Registered Bull Calf-calved on or after 01/01/24
- Class 12 Registered Bull Calf-09/01/23 thru 12/31/23
- Class 13 Champion and Reserve Champion Registered Bull Calf

#### **Registered Females:**

- Class 14 Registered Heifer Calf-calved on or after 01/01/24
- Class 15 Registered Heifer Calf-06/01/23 thru 12/31/23
- Class 16 Registered Yearling Heifer-01/01/23 thru 05/31/23
- Class 17 Registered Yearling Heifer-06/01/22 thru 12/31/22
- Class 18 Registered Two-Year-Old-06/01/21 thru 05/31/22
- Class 19 Registered Cow-born before 06/01/21

- Class 20 Registered Cow with Calf-(current year's calf) Cow and Calf must be registered
- Class 21 Registered Pair of Females-must first enter in individual Breeding class

Class 22 - Champion and Reserve Champion Registered Female

#### Unregistered Females:

- Class 23 Unregistered Heifer Calf-calved on or after 01/01/24
- Class 24 Unregistered Heifer Calf-06/01/23 thru 12/31/23
- Class 25 Unregistered Yearling Heifer-01/01/23 thru 05/31/23
- Class 26 Unregistered Yearling Heifer-06/01/22 thru 12/31/22
- Class 27 Unregistered Two-Year-Old-06/01/21 thru 05/31/22
- Class 28 Unregistered Cow-born before 06/01/21
- Class 29 Unregistered Cow with Calf-(current year's calf)
- Class 30 Unregistered Pair of Females-must first enter in individual Breeding class

#### Class 31 - Champion and Reserve Champion Unregistered Female

**Class 32** – Best Bred & Owned Beef Breeding Animal: One animal, male or female shown in an individual breeding class, must be bred and owned by exhibitor, to be entered in this class. To qualify as a bred and owned animal, the exhibitor must own the dam at time of breeding. Entries must show proof of ownership at time of breeding. One entry per exhibitor may be registered or unregistered.

## **DAIRY CATTLE SHOW RULES**

#### Safety:

### If the superintendent and two Board members deem an animal unsafe at the show, it will be disqualified and removed.

#### Ownership Dates:

Entry must be in the online portal by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Dairy Cattle: March 1<sup>st</sup> of the year exhibiting.

Joint ownership is not allowed.

Exhibitors cannot combine breeding animal entries to create group class entries (except where noted (for example- Ewe with lamb, Does with kids).

Exhibitors will fill out all information in the online portal appropriate for the dairy cattle being shown.

Appropriate lease agreements must specify the exhibitor is solely responsible for the care of the animal by March 1 of the current year and the animal is genuinely the exhibitor's project.

Classes may be combined or divided as numbers warrant at the discretion of the Judge and/or Show Management. A minimum of five (5) head is required for a separate class to be held. At least three exhibitors must be entered to make a separate division.

No animal substitutions are allowed.

The dairy cattle have some exceptions to the entry and release times. All cattle that can be in place at the same time, as all other species, must be. The only exceptions are those cows in milk production that need to be milked daily. These animals may be brought to the Show the day they show and can be released after the Show. All animals not in production will be held to the same rules as all other species. Exceptions can be made for dairy animals coming from outlying counties in the same trailer as milking cows. Release forms must be obtained at the Show Office before release.

### **DAIRY CATTLE CLASSES**

#### Dairy Showmanship:

Class 33 - Novice Dairy Showmanship

Class 34 - Senior Dairy Showmanship

Class 35 - Intermediate Dairy Showmanship

Class 36 - Junior Dairy Showmanship

Class 37 - FFA Dairy Cattle Handler

Month(s) calculated from date of birth to the NJLS Show date.

#### **Registered/Unregistered Female Dairy Cattle:**

Class 38 – Junior Heifer Calf- 1 month to 7 months
Class 39 – Senior Heifer Calf- 8 months to less than 12 months
Class 40 – Junior Yearling Heifer- 12 months to17 months
Class 41 – Senior Yearling Heifer- 18 months to less than 24 months

**Class 42** - Junior Champion and Junior Reserve Champion Registered/Unregistered Female Dairy Cattle

Class 43 - 2-Year-Old Cow- 24-36 months Class 44 – Cows – 3-years and older Class 45 - Dry Cow

**Class 46** - Senior Champion and Senior Reserve Champion Registered/Unregistered Female Dairy Cattle

Class 47 - Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Overall Female Dairy Cattle

**Class 48** - Best Bred & Owned Dairy Cattle Animal: One animal shown in an individual breeding class, must be bred and owned by an exhibitor to be entered in this class. To qualify as a bred and owned animal, the exhibitor must own the dam at the time of breeding. Entries must show proof of ownership at the time of breeding.

(Class 59 & 60) must list the dam on the Entry Form. Do not enter the offspring; it goes along with the Dam. Enter only the Dam and list the offspring on her entry line.)

Class 49 - Progeny Class Dam & one offspring of either sex Class 50 - Produce of Dam Two offspring from the same dam

## **DAIRY GOAT RULES**

#### Safety:

### If the superintendent and two Board members deem an animal unsafe at the show, it will be disqualified and removed.

#### Ownership Dates:

Entry must be in the online portal by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Dairy Goat: March 1<sup>st</sup> of the year exhibiting.

Joint ownership is not allowed.

Exhibitors cannot combine breeding animal entries to create group class entries (except where noted (for example- Ewe with lamb, Does with kids).

Exhibitors will fill out all information on the Entry Form in the online portal appropriate for the dairy goat being shown.

Appropriate lease agreements must specify that the exhibitor is solely responsible for the animal's care by March 1 of the current year, and the animal is genuinely the exhibitor's project.

No animal substitutions are allowed.

#### Doe/Kid Age Requirement:

<u>No does with kids under 30 days of age will be allowed to participate in the Show.</u> <u>Born Before April 8, 2025.</u>

Females entering the Dry Yearling Class MUST NEVER HAVE BEEN IN MILK to enter the class. Females entering the Senior Doe classes MUST BE IN MILK, which will be verified at the beginning of each class. All Goats must be in compliance with the Nevada/National Scrapie Eradication Program, possessing the proper ear tags or tattoos.

All dairy-type goats of any breed or cross-breed, including miniature goats, will be eligible to compete. All classes will be open to registered and unregistered animals. Registered animals must be tattooed and tattoo must match the registration certificate. If the breed registry allows for the microchipping of registered animals, the owner must indicate that the animal is microchipped and must provide the microchip reader to the officials at check-in. The microchip must match the registration certificate.

Animals must be entered in an individual class to enter into a group class.

Classes may be combined or divided as numbers warrant at the discretion of the Judge and/or Show Management. A minimum of five (5) head is required for a separate class to be held. At least three exhibitors must be entered to make a separate division.

#### Dairy Goats / Horns:

No horns permitted. Dairy Goats must be properly dehorned or disbudded with scurs not to be over two inches long.

#### Clipping:

Goats should have long hair clipped, cleaned, and dried before (the official check-in date of) the Show.

### **DAIRY GOAT CLASSES**

#### **Dairy Goat Showmanship:**

- Class 51 Novice Dairy Goat Showmanship
- Class 52 Senior Dairy Goat Showmanship
- Class 53 Intermediate Dairy Goat Showmanship
- Class 54 Junior Dairy Goat Showmanship
- Month(s) calculated from date of birth to the NJLS Show date.

#### Standard Does:

Month(s) calculated from date of birth to the NJLS Show date.

**Class 55 -** Doe - Yearling Milker – under 12 months IN MILK **Class 56 -** Doe -12 months to less than 24 months (I year to less than 2 years) IN MILK **Class 57 -** Doe - 24 months to less than 36 months (2 years to less than 3 years) IN MILK **Class 58 -** Doe - 36 months to less than 48 months (3 years to less than 4 years) IN MILK Class 59 - Doe 48 months and older (4 years and older) IN MILK

Class 60 - Champion and Reserve Champion Senior Doe

Class 61 - Junior Doe - over 30 days to less than 3 months

Class 62 - Intermediate Doe - 3 months to less than 6 months

**Class 63 -** Senior Doe – 6 months to less than 12 months

Class 64 - Dry Yearling - 12 months to less than 24 months - NEVER BEEN IN MILK

Class 65 - Champion and Reserve Champion Junior Doe

#### Mini Does:

Class 66 - Doe - Yearling Milker – under 12 months IN MILK

Class 67 - Doe -12 months to less than 24 months (I year to less than 2 years) IN MILK

Class 68 - Doe - 24 months to less than 36 months (2 years to less than 3 years) IN MILK

Class 69 - Doe - 36 months to less than 48 months (3 years to less than 4 years) IN MILK

Class 70 - Doe 48 months and older (4 years and older) IN MILK

Class 71 - Champion and Reserve Champion Senior Doe

Class 72 - Junior Doe - over 30 days to less than 3 months

Class 73 - Intermediate Doe - 3 months to less than 6 months

Class 74 - Senior Doe – 6 months to less than 12 months

Class 75 - Dry Yearling - 12 months to less than 24 months - NEVER BEEN IN MILK

Class 76 - Champion and Reserve Champion Junior Doe

Class 77 - Overall Champion Doe and Overall Reserve Champion Doe

#### Standard Bucks:

- Class 78 Junior Buck over 30 days to less than 3 months
- Class 79 Intermediate Buck 3 months to less than 6 months
- **Class 80** Senior Buck 6 months to less than 12 months
- Class 81 Yearling Buck 12 months to less than 24 months

Class 82 - Champion and Reserve Champion Buck

#### Mini Bucks:

- Class 83 Junior Buck over 30 days to less than 3 months
- Class 84 Intermediate Buck 3 months to less than 6 months
- Class 85 Senior Buck 6 months to less than 12 months

**Class 86 -** Yearling Buck – 12 months to less than 24 months

Class 87 - Champion and Reserve Champion Buck

Class 88 - Best Udder

Class 89 - Dam & Daughter Pair, any ages, no cross entries

#### Club/Chapter/County Group:

**Class 91 -** The Group is composed of five animals from one FFA Chapter, one 4-H Club, one Grange Club, or one county (FFA, 4-H, Grange, and Independent Exhibitor combined). The Contest will be held after the Champion Buck Dairy Goat class. The Club/Chapter/County Group must be identified by an FFA Advisor, 4-H Leader, or Grange Advisor to the Dairy Goat Show Clerk after completion of the Champion Buck Dairy Goat Class.

### **MEAT GOAT SHOW RULES**

#### Safety:

### If the superintendent and two Board members deem an animal unsafe at the show, it will be disqualified and removed.

#### Ownership Dates:

Entry must be in the online portal by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Market Animals:

Members are encouraged to select their projects early under their advisors' or leaders' direction and recommendation.

Market Goat: March 1<sup>st</sup> of the year exhibiting.

All Market goats will be wethers or does under one year of age. All Market and Feeder goats must be weaned.

All Market Goats must be in compliance with the Nevada/National Scrapie Eradication Program, possessing the proper ear tags or tattoos.

#### Castration:

All meat goat market animals exhibited must be properly castrated (<u>both testicles removed</u>) by the official show date and weigh-in. This means there is no evidence of remaining testicles. The sack must have fallen off if the animal was cut with a knife. If the animal was banded, the testicles must be completely atrophied. Castration by burdizzo is not allowed.

All Market goats will be wethers or does under one year of age. All Market and Feeder goats must be weaned.

#### Homegrown Meat Goat:

Open to all exhibitors who fed and raised a home-produced market meat goat for the Market Show. To be considered homegrown, the exhibitor must own the dam at the time of the offspring's birth. Certification must be by a local advisor, leader, and/or parents/guardians who are in the best position to know the situation. The Judge of the Show chooses the winner. All homegrown animals must show in their weight division class to be eligible to show in the Homegrown Class.

#### Feeder Show Entries:

The Show is open to Meat Goat Feeder animals as noted under the weight qualifications per species. Only Market animals that do not make minimum show weight at the scale may enter that species' Feeder Show. The animal will automatically be placed into the Feeder class; the animal is no longer a market animal and may NOT be shown in the Homegrown Market Class; if the exhibitor wishes to place the animal in a Breeding class, they must come to the Show office immediately after the animal is weighed. There is no sale provision for animals in Feeder classes.

#### **Dehorning Feeder and Market Goats:**

No horns permitted. Market Goats must be properly dehorned or disbudded with scurs not to be over two inches long.

#### **Breeding Animals:**

Joint ownership is not allowed.

Enter only one division Registered/Unregistered OR Wether division - NO CROSS ENTRIES.

Exhibitors cannot combine breeding animal entries to create group class entries (except where noted (for example- Ewe with lamb, Does with kids).

Exhibitors will fill out all information on the Entry Form or online portal appropriate for the meat goat being shown.

All classes will be open to registered and unregistered animals. Registered animals must be tattooed, and the tattoo must match the registration certificate. If the breed registry allows for microchipping registered animals, the owner must indicate that the animal is microchipped and provide the microchip reader to the officials at check-in. The microchip must match the registration certificate. Appropriate lease agreements must specify that the exhibitor is solely responsible for the animal's care by March 1 of the current year, and the animal is genuinely the exhibitor's project.

Classes may be combined or divided as the numbers warrant at the discretion of the Judge and/or Show Management. A separate class must have a minimum of five (5) head. At least three exhibitors must be entered to make a separate division.

No animal substitutions are allowed.

#### Doe/Kid Age Requirement:

<u>No does with kids under 30 days of age will be allowed to participate in the Show.</u> <u>Born Before April 8, 2025.</u>

#### Breeding Market Goats / Horns:

Horns are accepted. The animal must be either scrapie-tagged or tattooed. Animals tattooed must have their registration papers with them.

#### Clipping:

Goats should be clipped, dried, and cleaned before the official weigh-in date of the Show.

#### Meat Goat Weight Limits:

Market Animal	Minimum Show	Maximum Pay	Maximum Show
	Weight	Weight	Weight
Market Goats	70	120	

To qualify for entry in the Show, Market goats must have a minimum weight of 70 pounds. Market Goats may exceed the pay weight of 120 pounds but will be sold at the 120-pound weight. **Exhibitors will donate any extra poundage above the 120 pound limit to the buyer.** 

All Market goats must be weighed on a certified scale by a designated county official, certified and ear-tagged between **February 15<sup>th</sup>** and **March 1<sup>st</sup>** of the year of the Show with an adjustment factor of 0.3 lb. per day to equate the weight to March 1<sup>st</sup>. There will be no pencil shrink. The FFA Advisor, Extension personnel, and/or Grange Advisor will determine the official weigh-in day.

Animals not meeting this minimum weight show weight will not be allowed in Market classes or to sell; however, that animal may be used by the exhibitor in Showmanship and moved to the Feeder class if under the minimum show weight (see Feeder Show Entries). If the animal is under the minimum show weight, it may be shown in an appropriate Breeding class if eligible (see Breeding Show Entries).

The intention of allowing entry of animals exceeding the maximum pay weight is not to encourage overweight animals; rather, the purpose is to accommodate fast-growing animals as it may be detrimental to the animal if held back.

#### Meat Goat Class Breaks:

Weight classes will be based on the animal's scale weight. The weights for each of the breaks will be set at the discretion of the Show Management.

#### Placing of Meat Goats:

Placing of Market Goats will be based upon the Danish System of judging as follows:

- Group 1. (Blue Ribbon):
  - a. Animals grading USDA Low Choice or better, having above average conformation and showing indications of yielding a high percentage of lean to fat.

Group 2. (Red Ribbon):

- a. Animals grading USDA Choice, having average or below conformation
- b. Animals grading USDA Choice but having either more or less than the desirable finish.

Group 3. (White Ribbon):

- a. Animals grading USDA Good.
- b. Over-fat animals are indicating a yield grade of 5.

White ribbon animals will not sell through the Sale.

### MEAT GOAT CLASSES

#### Meat Goat Showmanship:

- Class 92 Novice Meat Goat Showmanship
- Class 93 Senior Meat Goat Showmanship
- Class 94 Intermediate Meat Goat Showmanship
- Class 95 Junior Meat Goat Showmanship

#### Feeder Goat:

- **Class 96** Feeder Meat Goat: 25 74 lbs. (Only market animals not making weight)
- Class 97 Champion and Reserve Champion Feeder Meat Goat

#### Market Meat Goat:

Class 98 - Market Meat Goat

Class 99 - Champion and Reserve Champion Market Meat Goat

Class 100 - Homegrown Market Meat Goat (Must first be properly tagged and entered in Market Goats, Class 108)

#### Club/Chapter/County Market Group:

**Class 101 -** The Group is composed of five Market animals from one FFA Chapter, one 4-H Club, one Grange club, or one county (FFA, 4-H, Grange, and Independent exhibitor combined). The Contest will be held after the Homegrown Market Goat Class. The Club/Chapter/County Market Group must be identified by an FFA Advisor, 4-H Leader, or Grange Advisor to the Goat Show Clerk after completion of the Homegrown Market Goat Class.

Month(s) calculated from date of birth to the NJLS Show date.

#### Registered and Unregistered Bucks:

**Class 102** - Junior Buck - over 30 days to less than 3 months **Class 103** - Intermediate Buck - 3 months to less than 6 months **Class 104** - Senior Buck - 6 months to less than 12 months **Class 105** - Yearling Buck - 12 months to less than 24 months

Class 106 - Champion and Reserve Meat Goat Buck

#### Registered and Unregistered Does:

Class 107 -Kid Doe - 1 month to less than 6 monthsClass 108 -Junior Doe - 6 months to less than 12 monthsClass 109 -Yearling Doe - 12 months to less than 24 monthsClass 110 -Mature Doe - 24 months and older

Class 111 - Division-Registered/Unregistered Meat Goat Champion and Reserve Champion

#### Wether Bred Meat Goats:

#### Class 112 - Does- 1 month to less than 24 months May only enter in one division All animals to be weighed- breaks will be posted

Class 113 - Division-Wether Bred Goat Champion and Reserve Champion

Class 114 - Overall Champion and Reserve Champion Meat Goat Doe

**Class 115** - Doe with Kid(s) (must be current year's progeny)

(must enter doe in individual class first)

May bring in Market animals if appropriate for this class.

**Class 116** - Best Bred & Owned Meat Goat Breeding Animal: To be entered in this class, one animal, male or female, shown in an individual breeding class must be bred and owned by the exhibitor. To qualify as a bred and owned animal, the exhibitor must own the dam at the time of breeding. Entries must show proof of ownership at the time of breeding. One entry per exhibitor may be registered or unregistered.

## **POULTRY SHOW RULES**

#### Safety:

If the superintendent and two Board members deem an animal unsafe at the show, it will be disqualified and removed.

DATES: Broilers must not be hatched before February 28, 2025

#### DATES: Turkeys must not be hatched before January 4, 2025

Ownership Date – March 15, 2025 Entry Form Due – April 1, 2025

Entry must be in the online portal by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Market Animals:

A limit of 50 Turkeys, with one turkey per exhibitor, will be allowed to show.

Broilers must provide their own appropriate cage.

Members are encouraged to select their projects early under their advisors' or leaders' direction and recommendation.

#### Castration:

All male market animals exhibited must be properly castrated (<u>both testicles removed</u>) by the official ownership date for each species, with the exception of Meat Rabbits and Poultry.

#### Homegrown Market Poultry:

Open to all exhibitors who fed and raised a home-produced market poultry for the Market Show. Poultry eggs must be laid by the exhibitor's project hen and incubation must be under the control of the exhibitor. Certification must be by a local advisor, leader and/or parents/guardians who are in the best position to know the situation. The Judge of the Show chooses the winner. All homegrown animals must show in their weight division class to be eligible to show in the homegrown class.

Exhibitors will fill out all information on the Entry Form in the online portal appropriate for the poultry being shown.

#### Feeder Show Entries:

The Show is open to Poultry Feeder animals, as noted under the weight qualifications per species. Only Market animals that do not make the minimum show weight at the scale may enter that species' Feeder Show. The animal will automatically be placed into the Feeder class; it is no longer a market animal and may NOT be shown in the Homegrown Market Class. There is no sale provision for animals in Feeder classes.

All broilers and turkeys that qualify for the auction will be released live to buyers. Buyers will be responsible for the harvesting of the animal. Exhibitors are required to help their buyers make arrangements after the sale.

Exhibitors MUST follow all general rules.

Entry fee is \$20.00 for each entry. Each exhibitor is allowed four small market animals. E.g. two individual turkeys and/or two broiler pens and/or two rabbits, (or two and one and one).

#### Broilers must be hatched on or after 70 days before the first day of the current year's show.

Turkeys must be hatched on or after 125 days before the first day of the current year's show. All Poultry entered must have a leg band to be eligible to be shown. This leg band must be placed on the poultry during check-in. The entry form must also include the hatch date(s) and breed. Any entry form not COMPLETE and accompanied by an entry fee will not be processed and will be subject to a late fee.

Poultry will be disqualified at the judge's discretion. The official weight shall be the weight established at the show weigh-in.

#### Market Broilers:

This class allows crossbred poultry. Meat pens shall consist of three (3) broilers. A meat pen does not necessarily have to come from the same hatching. Individual poultry cannot weigh under 3.5 pounds or over 6 pounds. If one poultry is underweight or overweight, the entire pen becomes disqualified.

#### Market Turkeys:

This class allows crossbred turkeys. Toms must weigh 18 pounds or more, and hens must weigh 12 pounds or more.

#### Market Weight Qualifications:

Market Animal	Minimum Show Weight	Maximum Show Weight
Broiler Meat Pen	3.5 -5.5 (each)	6 (each)
Turkey - Tom	18	
Turkey - Hen	12	

To be eligible to show, the weights of market animals must meet the specified minimum weight requirements and not exceed the maximum show weight. Animals not meeting this minimum weight and exceeding the maximum show weight will not be allowed in Market classes or to sell; however, that animal may be used by the exhibitor in Showmanship and moved to the Feeder class if under the minimum show weight (see Feeder Show Entries).

#### Market Poultry Class Breaks:

Weight classes will be based on the animal's scale weight. The weights for each of the breaks will be set at the discretion of the Show Management.

#### Placing of Market Poultry:

The placing of Market Poultry will be based upon the Danish System of judging as follows:

- Group 1. (Blue Ribbon)
  - a. Animals have an average conformation and above average flesh and feather condition.

Group 2. (Red Ribbon)

a. Animals having below-average conformation and above-average condition of flesh and feather condition.

Group 3. (White Ribbon)

- a. Animals have below-average conformation and below-average flesh and feather condition.
- b. Animals showing disqualification.

White ribbon animals will not sell through the Sale.

#### Scorecard:

Meat Type	50 points
Condition of Flesh	40 points
Feathers	<u>10 points</u>
TOTAL	100 points

### **BROILER CLASSES**

#### **Broiler Showmanship:**

- Class 117 Novice Broiler Showmanship
- Class 118 Senior Broiler Showmanship
- Class 119 Intermediate Broiler Showmanship
- Class 120 Junior Broiler Showmanship

#### Feeder Broilers:

- Class 121 Feeder Broilers (Only market animals not making weight)
- Class 122 Champion and Reserve Champion Feeder Broilers

#### Market Show:

- Class 123 Broiler Meat Pen
- Class 124 Champion and Reserve Champion Broiler Meat Pen

**Class 125** - Homegrown Broiler Meat Pen (Must first be entered in Broiler Meat Pen Class 123)

#### Club/Chapter/County Market Group:

**Class 126** - The Group is composed of five market pens from one FFA Chapter, one 4-H Club, one Grange Club, or one county (FFA, 4-H, Grange, and Independent Exhibitor combined). The Contest will be held after the Homegrown Broiler Meat Pen Class. After completing the Homegrown Broiler Meat Pen Class, an FFA Advisor, 4-H Leader, or Grange Advisor must identify the Club/Chapter/County Market Group to the Poultry Show Clerk.

# **TURKEY CLASSES**

## Turkey Showmanship:

- Class 127 Novice Turkey Showmanship
- Class 128 Senior Turkey Showmanship
- Class 129 Intermediate Turkey Showmanship
- Class 130 Junior Turkey Showmanship

## Feeder Turkey:

- Class 131 Feeder Turkey (Only market animals not making weight)
- Class 132 Champion and Reserve Champion Feeder Turkey

### Market Show:

- Class 133 Market Turkey
- Class 134 Champion and Reserve Champion Turkey
- Class 135 Homegrown Market Turkey (Must first be entered in the Market Turkey Class 143)

### Club/Chapter/County Market Group:

Class 136 - The Group is composed of five market animals from one FFA Chapter, one 4-H Club, one Grange club, or one county (FFA, 4-H, Grange, and Independent exhibitor combined). The Contest will be held after the Homegrown Market Turkey Class. After completing the Homegrown Market Turkey Class, an FFA advisor, 4-H leader, or Grange advisor must identify the club/chapter/county market group to the poultry show clerk.

# **RABBIT SHOW RULES**

# Safety:

# If the superintendent and two Board members deem an animal unsafe at the show, it will be disqualified and removed.

DATES: Rabbits must not be born before February 29, 2025

**Ownership Dates-** April 8, 2025 Entry Form Due – April 15, 2025 Ownership is one month before the first weigh-in date for the current year's NJLS Show. Entry must be in the online portal by April 15.

#### Market Animals:

Members are encouraged to select their projects early under their advisors' or leaders' direction and recommendation.

Exhibitors will fill out all information on the Entry Form or online portal appropriate for the rabbit being shown.

All single fryers that qualify for the auction will be released live to buyers. Buyers will be responsible for the harvesting of the animal. Exhibitors are required to help their buyers make arrangements after the sale.

Entry fee is \$20.00 for each entry. Each exhibitor is allowed four small market animals. E.g. two individual birds and two rabbits.

All rabbits must be born on or after 70 days before the first day of the current year's show. All rabbits entered must be tattooed to be eligible to be shown. This tattoo must be entered on the entry form and verified during check in. The entry must also include the birth date(s), breed and status of homegrown. All homegrown animals must have additional ownership verification. Any entry form not COMPLETE and accompanied by an entry fee, with the additional paperwork as necessary, will not be processed and subject to a late fee.

Rabbits will be disqualified at the judge's discretion. Official weight shall be the weight established, at show weigh-in.

### Single Fryer:

This class allows crossbred rabbits.

Single Fryer consists of one rabbit, minimum weight of 3.5 pounds and a maximum weight of 6 pounds.

### Castration:

All male market animals exhibited must be properly castrated (<u>both testicles removed</u>) by the official ownership date for each species, with the exception of Meat Rabbits and Poultry.

#### Homegrown Meat Rabbit:

Open to all exhibitors who fed and raised a home-produced market rabbit for the Market Show. To be considered homegrown the exhibitor must own the dam at the time of birth of the offspring. Certification must be by a local advisor, leader and/or parents/guardians who are in the best position to know the situation. The Judge of the Show chooses the winner. All homegrown animals must show in their weight division class to be eligible to show in the homegrown class.

#### Feeder Show Entries:

The Show is open to Meat Rabbit Feeder animals as noted under the weight qualifications per species. Only Market animals that do not make minimum show weight at the scale may enter that species' Feeder Show. The animal will automatically be placed into the Feeder class, the animal is no longer a market animal and may NOT be shown in the Homegrown Market Class. There is no sale provision for animals in Feeder classes.

#### Market Weight Qualifications:

Market Animal	Minimum Show Weight	Maximum Show Weight
Pen of 3	3.5	6

To be eligible to show, the weights of market animals must meet the specified minimum weight requirements and not exceed the maximum show weight. Animals not meeting this minimum weight and exceeding the maximum show weight will not be allowed in Market classes or to sell; however, that animal may be used by the exhibitor in Showmanship and moved to the Feeder class if under the minimum show weight (see Feeder Show Entries).

### Market Class Breaks:

Weight classes will be based on the animal's scale weight. The weights for each of the breaks will be set at the discretion of the Show Management.

#### Placing of Meat Rabbits:

Placing of Market Rabbits will be based upon the Danish System of judging as follows:

Group 1. (Blue Ribbon)

a. Animals having above average conformation and above average condition of flesh and fur condition.

#### Group 2. (Red Ribbon)

a. Animals having average conformation and average condition of flesh and fur condition.

Group 3. (White Ribbon)

- a. Animals have below average conformation and below average
- b. flesh and fur condition conditions
- c. Animals showing disqualifications.

White ribbon animals will not sell through the Sale.

Scorecard:

Meat Type Condition of Flesh Fur TOTAL

45 points 35 points 20 points 100 points

# RABBIT CLASSES

# Rabbit Showmanship:

- Class 137 Novice Rabbit Showmanship
- Class 138 Senior Rabbit Showmanship
- Class 139 Intermediate Rabbit Showmanship
- Class 140 Junior Rabbit Showmanship

## Feeder Rabbit:

- Class 141 Feeder Rabbit (Only market animals not making weight)
- Class 142 Champion and Reserve Champion Feeder Rabbit

## Market Rabbit:

- Class 143 Pen of three
- Class 144 Champion and Reserve Champion Market Rabbit Pen
- Class 145 Homegrown Market Rabbit Pen

# Club/Chapter/County Market Group:

Class 146 - The Group is composed of five market animals from one FFA Chapter, one 4-H Club, one Grange club, or one county (FFA, 4-H, Grange, and Independent exhibitor combined). The Contest will be held after the Homegrown Market Rabbit Class. After completing the Homegrown Market Rabbit Class, the club/chapter/county market group must be identified by an FFA advisor, 4-H leader, or Grange advisor to the rabbit show clerk.

# SHEEP SHOW RULES

# Safety:

If the superintendent and two Board members deem an animal unsafe at the show, it will be disqualified and removed.

#### **Ownership Dates:**

Entry must be in the online portal by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Sheep: March 1st of the year exhibiting.

#### Market Animals:

#### All Market lambs must be under one year of age.

Members are encouraged to select their projects early under their advisors' or leaders' direction and recommendation.

#### **Castration:**

All male sheep market animals exhibited must be properly castrated (<u>both testicles removed</u>) by the official ownership date. This means there is no evidence of remaining testicles. The sack must have fallen off if the animal was cut with a knife. If the animal was banded, the testicles must be completely atrophied. Castration by burdizzo is not allowed.

#### Homegrown Market Lamb:

Open to all exhibitors who fed and raised a home-produced market lamb for the Market Show. To be considered homegrown, the exhibitor must own the dam at the time of the offspring's birth. Certification must be by a local advisor, leader, and/or parents/guardians who are in the best position to know the situation. The Judge of the Show chooses the winner. All homegrown animals must show in their weight division class to be eligible to show in the Homegrown Class.

#### Feeder Show Entries:

The Show is open to Sheep Feeder animals as noted under the weight qualifications per species. Only Market animals that do not make minimum show weight at the scale may enter that species' Feeder Show. The animal will automatically be placed into the Feeder class, the animal is no longer a market animal and may NOT be shown in the Homegrown Market Class, if the exhibitor wishes to place the animal in a Breeding class they must come to the Show office immediately after the animal is weighed. There is no sale provision for animals in Feeder classes.

#### **Breeding Animals:**

Joint ownership is not allowed.

Exhibitors cannot combine breeding animal entries to create group class entries (except where noted (for example- Ewe with lamb, Does with kids).

Exhibitors will fill out all information on the Entry Form in the online portal appropriate for the sheep being shown.

Appropriate lease agreements must specify that the exhibitor is solely responsible for the animal's care by March 1 of the current year and the animal is genuinely the exhibitor's project.

Classes may be combined or divided as the numbers warrant at the discretion of the Judge and/or Show Management. A separate class must be held with a minimum of five (5) head. At least three exhibitors must be entered to make a separate division.

No animal substitutions are allowed.

### Ewe/Lamb Age Requirement:

<u>No ewes with lambs under 30 days of age will be allowed to participate in the Show</u> <u>Born Before April 8, 2025.</u>

All sheep must be in compliance with the Nevada/National Scrapie Eradication Program, possessing the proper ear tags.

Females 24 months of age or over must have lambed within the past 12 months.

## Wool Length:

All Market lambs must be slick shorn from the knee and hock up before the official weigh-in date of the Show. Fleece not to exceed 0.25 inch stretched wool length. Fleece must be uniform over entire body. Wool will be measured prior to weighing; lambs with excess wool will not be weighed or accepted into the Show until shorn to meet the satisfaction of Show Management. There is no fleece requirement for Breeding sheep. Fleece on Breeding sheep should be at a length appropriate for its breed.

### Market Lamb Weight Limits:

Market Animal	Minimum Show	Maximum Pay	Maximum Show
	Weight	Weight	Weight
Sheep	105	150	

Lambs must weigh a minimum of 105 pounds to qualify for entry in the Show. They may exceed the pay weight of 150 pounds, but they will be sold at that weight. Exhibitors will donate any extra poundage above the 150-pound **limit to the buyer**.

All lambs must be weighed on a certified scale by a designated county official, certified and eartagged between **February 15th** and **March 1st** of the year of the Show with an adjustment factor of 0.7 lb. per day to equate the weight to March 1st. There will be no pencil shrink. The FFA Advisor, Extension personnel, and/or Grange Advisor will determine the official weigh-in day.

Animals not meeting this minimum weight will not be allowed in Market classes or to sell; however, that animal may be used by the exhibitor in Showmanship and moved to the Feeder class if under the minimum show weight (see Feeder Show Entries). If the animal is under the minimum show weight, it may be shown in an appropriate Breeding class if eligible (see Breeding Show Entries).

The intention of allowing entry of animals exceeding the maximum pay weight is not to encourage overweight animals; rather, the purpose is to accommodate fast-growing animals as it may be detrimental to the animal if held back.

#### Market Lamb Class Breaks:

Weight classes will be based on the scale weight of the animal. The weights for each of the breaks will be set at the discretion of the Show Management.

#### Placing of Market Sheep:

Placing of lambs will be based upon the Danish System of judging as follows:

- Group 1. (Blue Ribbon):
  - a. Animals grading USDA Low Choice or better, having above average conformation and showing indications of yielding a high percentage of lean to fat.
- Group 2. (Red Ribbon);
  - a. Animals grading USDA Choice, having average or below conformation.
  - b. Animals grading USDA Choice, but having either more or less than desirable finish.
- Group 3. (White Ribbon):
  - a. Animals grading USDA Good.
  - b. Over-fat animals are indicating a yield grade of 5.

White ribbon animals will not sell through the Sale.

# SHEEP CLASSES

#### Sheep Showmanship:

- Class 147 Novice Sheep Showmanship
- Class 148 Senior Sheep Showmanship
- Class 149 Intermediate Sheep Showmanship
- Class 150 Junior Sheep Showmanship

#### Feeder Lambs:

- **Class 151-** Feeder Lambs (Only market animals not making weight)
- Class 152 Champion and Reserve Champion Feeder Lamb

#### Market Lambs:

Class 153 - All Other Breeds Market Lambs

Class 154 - Crossbred Market Lambs

(There must be a minimum of 10 lambs entered and eligible to show that are classified as "hair sheep" or purebred "registered" (papered) animals.

Class 155 - Champion and Reserve Champion Market Lamb

**Class 156** - Homegrown Market Lamb (Must first be tagged and properly entered in a Market Class)

### Club/Chapter/County Market Group:

**Class 157 -** The Group is composed of five market animals from one FFA Chapter, one 4-H Club, one Grange Club, or one county (FFA, 4-H, Grange, and Independent Exhibitor combined). The Contest will be held after the Homegrown Market Lamb Class. The Club/Chapter/County Market Group must be identified by an FFA Advisor, 4-H Leader, or Grange Advisor to the Sheep Show Clerk after completion of the Homegrown Market Lamb Class.

#### **Registered Rams:**

- Class 158 Registered Ram Lamb-02/01/25 thru 03/31/25
- Class 159 Registered Ram Lamb-12/01/24 thru 01/31/25
- **Class 160** Registered Ram Lamb-06/01/24 thru 11/31/24
- Class 161 Registered Yearling Ram-06/01/23 thru 05/31/24

Class 162 - Champion and Reserve Champion Registered Ram

#### Registered Ewes:

- Class 163 Registered Ewe Lamb-02/01/25 thru 03/31/25
- Class 164 Registered Ewe Lamb-12/01/24 thru 01/31/24
- Class 165 Registered Ewe Lamb-06/01/24 thru 11/31/24
- Class 166 Registered Yearling Ewe-06/01/23 thru 05/31/24
- Class 167 Champion and Reserve Champion Registered Ewe

#### Unregistered Wether Sire and Dam:

- Class 168 WS&D Ram Lamb-02/01/25 thru 03/31/25
- Class 169 WS&D Ram Lamb-12/01/24 thru 01/31/25
- Class 170 WS&D Ram Lamb-06/01/24 thru 11/31/24
- Class 171 WS&D Yearling Ram-06/01/23 thru 05/31/24

Class 172 - Champion and Reserve Champion Unregistered Wether Sire

#### **Unregistered Wether Sire and Dam:**

#### Class 173 – WS&D Ewes- 1 month to less than 24 months All animals to be weighed- breaks will be posted

Class 174 - Champion and Reserve Champion Unregistered Wether Sire and Dam

#### All Sheep Divisions:

- Class 175- Pair of Ram Lambs
- Class 176 Pair of Ewe Lambs
- Class 177 Pair of Yearling Ewes
- Class 178 Aged Ewe born before 06/01/23
- **Class 179** Ewe with Lamb(s) (must be current year's progeny) May bring in Market animal if appropriate for this class.
- Class 180 Young Flock (One ram lamb and two ewe lambs)
- **Class 181** Flock (One ram lamb or yearling ram and two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs-Five animals in total)

**Class 182** - Best Bred & Owned Sheep Breeding Animal: One animal, male or female shown in an individual breeding class, must be bred and owned by exhibitor, to be entered in this class. To qualify as a bred and owned animal, the exhibitor must own the dam at time of breeding. Entries must show proof of ownership at time of breeding. One entry per exhibitor may be registered or unregistered.

**Class 183** - Overall Supreme Champion Ram (The Champion Rams from each division)

Overall Supreme Champion Ewe (The Champion Ewes from each division)

# **SWINE SHOW RULES**

#### Safety:

# If the superintendent and two Board members deem an animal unsafe at the show, it will be disqualified and removed.

#### Ownership Dates:

Entry must be in the online portal by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Market Animals:

Members are encouraged to select their projects early under their advisors' or leaders' direction and recommendation.

Swine: March 1st of the year exhibiting.

#### **Castration:**

All male swine market animals exhibited must be properly castrated (<u>both testicles removed</u>) by the official ownership date. This means there is no evidence of remaining testicles. The sack must have

fallen off if the animal was cut with a knife. If the animal was banded, the testicles must be completely atrophied. Castration by burdizzo is not allowed.

#### Homegrown Market Swine:

Open to all exhibitors who fed and raised a home-produced market swine for the Market Show. To be considered homegrown, the exhibitor must own the dam at the time of the offspring's birth. Certification must be by a local advisor, leader, and/or parents/guardians who are in the best position to know the situation. The Judge of the Show chooses the winner. All homegrown animals must show in their weight division class to be eligible to show in the Homegrown Class.

#### Feeder Show Entries:

The Show is open to Swine Feeder animals as noted under the weight qualifications per species. Only Market animals that do not make minimum show weight at the scale may enter that species' Feeder Show. The animal will automatically be placed into the Feeder class; the animal is no longer a market animal and may NOT be shown in the Homegrown Market Class. There is no sale provision for animals in Feeder classes.

#### Garbage-Fed Hogs Excluded:

Nevada Livestock Sanitary Regulations require no garbage-fed hogs to be allowed in livestock shows.

#### Market Swine Weight Limits:

Market Animal	Minimum Show	Maximum Pay	Maximum Show
	Weight	Weight	Weight
Swine	210	285	300

To qualify for entry in the Show, hogs must have a minimum weight of 210 pounds. Swine have an upper weight limit of 300 pounds; <u>swine exceeding the upper weight limit may not show in the Market class</u>. Animals not meeting this minimum weight and exceeding the maximum show weight will not be allowed in Market classes or to sell; however, that animal may be used by the exhibitor in Showmanship and moved to the Feeder class if under the minimum show weight (see Feeder Show Entries). If the swine is over 300 pounds, it may be shown in an appropriate Breeding class if eligible (see Breeding Show Entries).

All hogs must be weighed on a certified scale by a designated county official, certified and ear-tagged between **February 15th** and **March 1st** of the year of the Show with an adjustment factor of 1.5 lbs. per day to equate the weight to March 1st. There will be no pencil shrink. The FFA Advisor, Extension personnel, and/or Grange Advisor will determine the official weigh-in day.

#### Market Swine Class Breaks:

Weight classes will be based on the scale weight of the animal. The weights for each of the breaks will be set at the discretion of the Show Management.

#### Placing of Market Swine:

Placing of swine will be on the Danish System of judging using a combination of finish (backfat), conformation, and muscling as follows:

Group 1. (Blue Ribbon):

a. U.S. No. 1 Hogs with above-average conformation, quality, and balance indicate a high yield from the four lean cuts.

Group 2. (Red Ribbon):

- a. U.S. No. 1 Hogs with average or below average conformation and quality.
- b. U.S. No. 2 Hogs with above average conformation.

Group 3. (White Ribbon):

- a. U.S. No. 2 Hogs with below average conformation.
- b. U.S. No. 3 Hogs, U.S. No. 4 Hogs and Utility grades.

White ribbon animals will not sell through the Sale.

Backfat Classification:

U.S. No. 1 - Less than 1 inch U.S. No. 3 - 1.25" to 1.49" U.S. No. 2 - 1.00" to 1.24" U.S. No. 4 - 1.50" and over

# **SWINE CLASSES**

#### Swine Showmanship:

- Class 184 Novice Swine Showmanship
- Class 185 Senior Swine Showmanship
- Class 186 Intermediate Swine Showmanship
- Class 187 Junior Swine Showmanship

#### Feeder Swine:

Class 188 - Feeder Swine: 50 - 209 pounds (Only market animals not making weight)

Class 189 - Champion and Reserve Champion Feeder Swine

#### Market Swine:

Class 190 - Market Swine

Class 191 - Champion and Reserve Champion Market Swine

**Class 192** - Homegrown Market Swine (Must first be properly tagged and ented Market Swine, Class 190)

#### Club/Chapter/County Market Group:

**Class 193** - The Group is composed of five Market animals from one FFA Chapter, one 4-H Club, one Grange club or one county (FFA, 4-H, Grange and Independent exhibitor combined). The Contest will be held after the Homegrown Market Swine Class. The Club/Chapter/County Market Group must be identified by a FFA Advisor, 4-H Leader or Grange Advisor to the Swine Show Clerk after completion of the Homegrown Market Swine Class.

# SWINE BREEDING SHOW

The first breeding gilt show will be 2025. Swine breeding cycles may not be able to be adjusted. Due to the allowance of independent exhibitors, there is no way to notify all potential independent exhibitors, there is no way to notify all potential independent exhibitors by November 2024.

Open to all breeding gilts 12 months and younger. The classes will be determined by weight and the number of entries prior to the start of the breeding gilt show. Proof of ownership must be submitted to the NJLS office 60 days before the start of the Nevada Junior Livestock Show and Sale. Maximum weight for breeding gilts is 375 pounds.

Class 194 – Breeding Gilts 12 months and younger

Class 195 – Champion and Reserve Champion Breeding Gilt

# **CONTESTS**

# **HERDSMANSHIP**

Board/Show Management automatically enters FFA Chapters, 4-H Clubs, Grange Clubs and Individual exhibitors in Herdsmanship.

An award will be presented for each species to the county or group deemed the top herdsmen by the Herdsmanship Judges. The Judges will utilize a herdsmanship scorecard with guidelines for judging. Exhibits will be evaluated at various times during the Show to determine winners.

All exhibitors are required to keep the area occupied by their exhibits and surrounding areas neat and attractive in appearance. The stalls, pens and exhibition places must be cleaned before 8:00 a.m. and monitored until 6:00 p.m. each day of the Show and all refuse disposed of properly in the Show dumpsters.

<ol> <li>PREPARATION AND CARE OF EXHIBIT         <ul> <li>a. Club and individual exhibitors clearly and neatly identified</li> <li>b. Animals clean, groomed, fed, watered &amp; properly secured.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	10
	15
Equipment clean and safe (no sharp edges, loose wires, etc.)	10 15
e. Adequate bedding, clean, neat, dry & properly packed	15
	10
c. Exhibitors doing own work (no parents cleaning stalls, grooming	10 <u>15</u>
TOTAL POINTS	100
Class 196- Beef Herdsmanship	
Class 197- Dairy Cattle Herdsmanship	

- Class 198- Dairy Goat Herdsmanship
- Class 199- Meat Goat Herdsmanship

### Class 200- Poultry Herdsmanship

### Class 201- Rabbit Herdsmanship

### Class 202- Sheep Herdsmanship

### Class 203- Swine Herdsmanship

# AGRICULTURE EDUCATION DISPLAY CONTEST:

This contest is designed to encourage the education of those attending the Show and Sale. Competition is open to all FFA Chapters, 4-H Clubs, Grange Clubs and Independent exhibitors exhibiting animals at the Show. The individual youth or the group entering shall do all the work on the display. Requirements for the Contest include:

Display board not to exceed 30 inches wide by 24 inches deep by 30 inches high.

The display must utilize only one (1) side of the display board. The display will be available to aid in the overall education of those attending the Show.

Displays must be the current years' work.

Entries are required. The following information should be submitted on the Entry Form, with the display, at check-in.

- a) Individual, Club or Chapter name.
- b) County.
- c) Leader/Advisor name.

#### Score Card for Judging Agriculture Educational Displays:

Educational Value Attention given to information that is accurate, current, concise and informative.	50%
Presentation: Proper size, format, workmanship, and overall general appearance.	30%
Creativity Artistic manner and enhancing.	10%
Target Audience Non-agriculture, general public and children.	10%
	100%

Class 210 - Educational Display - Individual/Team of Two

- Educational Display - Group

# ACHIEVEMENT IN RECORD KEEPING CONTEST

Class 204 - Junior Record Book Contest

Class 205 - Intermediate Record Book Contest

Class 206 - Senior Record Book Contest

Must pre-enter. Entry must be postmarked or in the online portal by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

This contest is designed to teach FFA, 4-H, Grange and Independent exhibitors the value of complete and accurate records of their projects.

The record book must be submitted to the Show Office by 12:00 p.m. Thursday of the Show.

Winners will be awarded a ribbon.

The Contest is open to exhibitors participating in the Show. Contestants must be entered in current year's Show. The record book submitted must be for the animal/s entered in the Show.

<u>Selection Criteria:</u> If the record book submitted does not comply with these criteria, it will not be eligible for judging. A Table of Contents must be included. An index tab must identify each section.

#### 75% Completeness and Neatness of Records

#### Budget

To be developed at the beginning of the project as an estimate of project income and expenses

# Market Animals

#### Weight and Gain Information

Actual gain record of the animal and estimated final Show weight. Including average daily gain from at least the initial weigh in date. May include gain from birth or actual ownership date.

#### OR

### **Breeding Animals**

Use appropriate records from your breeding specie project. Milk production records, breeding and production records, show records and any other information about your animal.

#### Feed Information

Including ration formulation, amounts fed and feed conversion

#### **Health Record**

All health practices and treatments including pertinent withdrawal information, method of administration and costs

#### Inventory of Supplies, Facilities and Equipment

**Beginning and Ending Inventories** 

#### Labor

Hours spent on this project animal

### Statement of Profit or Loss (Income & Expense)

May use estimated final weight and sale price information.

Six pictures are required with a brief description or caption for each photo.

# LEEANNA HENRY MEMORIAL RATE OF GAIN CONTEST

This contest is designed to enhance the educational value of the program and encourage production standards that would be a positive learning experience for the young people. Rate of gain is a very important measurement in the industry of livestock production. Participants in this program should understand how rate of gain is measured and why it is important.

Contest Outline:

Market Beef, Market Goat, Market Lamb and Market Swine will be eligible. Monetary awards will be presented for each species based on award donations.

Any participants in the Nevada Junior Livestock Show who provide the necessary information will be included in this Contest. Necessary information that must be provided on the species eligibility form:

Birth date Date of Certification Initial weight

Beef must be weighed between Nov. 15 and Dec. 1 with an adjustment factor of 2.5 lbs. per day to equate the weight to Dec. 1.

C)

Market Goats must be weighed between Feb. 15 and March 1 with an adjustment factor of 0.3 lb. per day to equate the weight to March 1. D)

Sheep must be weighed between Feb. 15 and March 1 with an adjustment factor of 0.7 lb. per day to equate the weight to March 1.

Swine must be weighed between Feb. 15 and March 1 with an adjustment factor of 1.5 lb. per day to equate the weight to March 1.

The beginning certification weight is the adjusted weight at ear tagging and the final weight is at show weigh-in.

All white ribbon animals are ineligible.

Weight per day of age will be used as a tiebreaker.

The FFA Advisor, Extension Personnel and/or Grange Advisor will determine official weigh-in day.

Class 206 – Beef Class 208 – Market Goat Class 209 – Sheep Class 210 – Swine

# **LEADERSHIP**

# **Class 211 - YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL**

The Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board established a Youth Advisory Council (YAC) in 1990. The council is comprised of exhibitors entered in and showing at the current Show. Past councils have provided valuable input incorporated into the planning of future Shows. The intent of the Board is this Council will be of and for youth involved in the Show. The youth will be the determining factors as to the direction and functions of the Council. The YAC is to provide a written report to the Board following the Show and Sale.

Council members must be willing and able to meet on a daily basis during the Show and if possible prior to the Show.

The Board has two main objectives in forming this Council. They are:

To provide leadership opportunities for youth

To obtain pertinent input from Show participants

Responsibilities of the Council include:

Actively assisting with Show and Sale operations

Meeting on a daily basis during the Show

(Lunch/Dinner) and refreshment hosts and servers

Awards Ceremony (must be in uniform)

Serving as representatives of all exhibitors

Serving as a liaison for exhibitors, the Board, and other interested parties

Developing a written report for the Board to be turned in before the next Board Meeting

Public Relations – The Youth Advisory Council will provide and display a QR Code for exhibitors, participants, families, and the general public throughout the Show Grounds to provide feedback regarding the Show.

# Requirements for application are as follows:

Must have entered the current year's Show

Must have exhibited in at least one previous Nevada Junior Livestock Show

Council members will serve a one-year term

Submit a photo of the applicant with the application

Must have completed all YAC responsibilities from the previous year to be eligible for the current year

Refer to the website for an application or contact the Board Office. Application Due Date: April 1 of the current year to the NJLSB office.

# <u>Class 212 - ETHAN MCKINNEY</u> AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP

As FFA, 4-H, Grange, and Independent exhibitors are the leaders of tomorrow, the Show Board seeks to recognize excellence in the Show exhibitors. An excellent leader may be exuberant or a quiet, steady presence.

The Award of Excellence in Leadership must be applied for using the official Application from the Board Office (upon request) or from its website. All scholarship applicants will automatically be entered in the Award of Excellence in Leadership.

Applications will illustrate qualities and activities demonstrated through participation in school, FFA, 4-H, Grange, NJLS, and/or community service/citizenship efforts at the community, county, state, and national levels.

All interested exhibitors may apply.

### RULES:

1. Applicants should submit one (1) copy of the application (with summary responses). Materials should be submitted to the Board (Physical Address: 1350A Wells Avenue, Reno, Nevada 89512; Nevada Department of Agriculture: 405 South 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Sparks, NV 89432; Mailing Address: P.O. Box 8026, Reno, NV 89507) Postmarked by April 1.

2. Award of Excellence in Leadership applications will be judged on a combination of leadership, showmanship, and quality/condition of animal(s) shown at the current Show.

3. The Selection Committee will use materials presented by the applicant, conduct at the Show and participation in its judging. Input from Board Members, Board Staff, and/or Youth Advisory Council advisors may be sought.

SELECTION COMMITTEE JUDGING:

- 50% Application
  - 10% Summaries
     40% Overall Application Quality (Neatness / Presentation / Experience / Appropriate Depth of Response)
- 20% Conduct / Participation / Leadership at NJLS
- 10% Showmanship
- 20% Quality / Condition of Animal/s at the Show

# Class 213 - NEVADA JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHOLARSHIP

All Scholarships must be accepted digitally by April 11 by 11:59 P.M. to nilsb@agri.nv.gov

#### Application Requirements:

All Scholarship applications must be submitted digitally by April 11<sup>th</sup> by 11:59 p.m. to nilsb@agri.nv.gov of the current application year.

The Official Application is embedded on the NJLSB website at: <u>www.agri.nv.gov/ADMINISTRATION/NJLSB</u> The application is listed under <u>forms</u>.

Any extenuating circumstances or exceptions to the application process shall be determined by the NJLS Board.

Applicants must be a senior in high school at the time of the application. Applicants must currently be exhibiting at the Show and have participated in the Show previously for at least one year.

Applicants must provide a transcript of grades having a minimum unweighted Grade Point Average of 2.5 on a scale of 4.0 (4.0 =A). ACT and /or SAT scores may be considered, therefore scores should be provided by the applicant.

To apply for Scholarships the following must be sent via email to the NJLSB email address, NJLSB@agri.nv.gov

- 1. An Official Nevada Junior Livestock Show Scholarship Application
- ACT and/or SAT scores
- 3. A one to two-page resume with a small personal photo (small snapshot or school photo.
- 4. Transcripts from all high schools attending having a minimum unweighted Grade Point Average of 2.5 on a scale of 4.0 (4.0=A).
- A 1–2-page essay including a summary of leadership activities, volunteer community service, citizenship activities, school activities, NJLS awards, achievements and other awards.
- 6. One letter of recommendation from a non-relative.

#### <u>Review Process:</u>

A list of applicants being reviewed will be presented to the NJLS Board for approval.

Some, but not necessarily all, applicants will be interviewed for scholarships prior to the Show. It is possible that not all applicants interviewed will receive a scholarship. Any extenuating circumstances or exceptions shall be decided by the NJLS Board.

All applicants will be evaluated with the same rubric to ensure equitability in scoring.

#### Funding of Scholarships:

The list of awards will be presented to the NJLS Board for approval.

The amount and number of Scholarships to be awarded are based on funds available. Each scholarship is a one-time award, a minimum of \$500. Distribution of funds will be sent to the postgraduate school at the completion of the first term and /or second term provided the following criteria are met.

- Students must sign the Memo of Agreement outlining funding of the scholarship prior to the funds being dispersed.
- 2. Award recipients must enroll within the year awarded (by the Fall/Winter Term).
- Awards of over \$1000.00 will be distributed in each of two successive terms upon receipt of transcripts and/or proof of grades, Transcripts must include the student's name and student I.D. number from the previous grading term showing full-time, paid enrollment, (12 credits) and a minimum of 2.5 GPA
- 4. Awards of \$1000.00 or less will be made in one payment upon receipt of transcripts and/or proof of grades, from the previous grading term showing full-time, paid enrollment, (12 credits) and a minimum of 2.5 GPA. Transcripts must include the student's name and Student I.D. number.
- 5. If a student does not meet the grade and/or credit requirements in the first term, they will forfeit ½ of the award (if amount is over \$1000.) and have one more consecutive term to reach eligibility. If they fail to meet the criteria for the second term the award is forfeited.

Any incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant who will have the option of resubmitting the official application form for consideration. Corrected forms must be submitted within five days from the return date.

# Class 214 - NEVADA STATE EWE LAMB FUTURITY

Beginning in 2024, the Nevada Junior Livestock Show and Sale will host the long-standing Nevada State Ewe Lamb Futurity. The points accumulated in the past shows will still be part of the Futurity. If you have any questions, please contact the office or the managers of the Ewe Lamb Futurity.

The Ewe Lamb Futurity was initiated to encourage Nevada Youth to strive for excellence with their sheep breeding projects and management programs. All youth between the ages of 9 and 19 as of January 1st of the year, exhibiting are eligible, providing they are Nevada residents.

# ENTRY FEES: \$10.00 per animal, Lamb Verification Form. This must be done to show in Ewe Lamb Futurity.

#### Classes:

- 01. Ewe/Lamb Pair Ewes tattooed in 2023 (3rd year of Futurity)
- 02. Yearling Ewes Ewes tattooed in 2024 (2nd year of Futurity).
- **03**. Ewe lamb Ewe tattooed in 2025 (1st year of Futurity).

Lamb will be permanently identified directly after class.

**Futurity Champion**: – After three full years of competition, the overall winner will be awarded \$200.00 and an NJLS Trophy Buckle. Cash awards will be paid to the overall winner at the end of a three-year competition.

• Quality placing by the Danish System for point system (no premiums). Class placing by American System to determine 1<sup>st</sup> place (no premiums).

# YEAR #1

1. The exhibitor must own all ewe lambs at the time of entry. Proof of ownership may be required.

2. Lambs officially entered into the futurity program will be assigned an ear tattoo number, which will be applied at a designated time of the show.

3. Senior members who begin with an ewe lamb will be eligible to compete for three consecutive years.

Senior members may transfer entries only to another immediate family member.

4. A numerical score will be assigned to ribbon placing, and totals will be accumulated for a threeyear period (see section on scoring).

# YEAR #2

1. The second year of competition will feature a class designated for Yearling Futurity Ewes, which have been previously shown and identified with tattoos as ewe lambs.

2. Points will be given for lambs out of yearling ewes. Lambs do not show with ewe.

3. Lambs tattooed in 2023 and offspring in 2024 (2nd year of futurity) will count under these conditions. Ewe lamb must be 150 lbs. or 9 months of age or older at the time of breeding. Ewe lamb must be well supervised by a Parent/Leader or Advisor.

# YEAR #3

1. In the third year of competition, the ewe will be shown **with** the offspring from that year. The ewe and her offspring will be evaluated as a unit for quality placing. (The ewe should be bred to lamb in order for the lamb(s) to be of marketable age and weight upon evaluation at the NJLS Show).

2. Lambs shown in this class with the ewes are also eligible for other market or breeding classes in the show. Ewes can also be shown in regular classes. Ewe lambs are eligible to enter in first year futurity competition.

3. Entry Fee of \$10.00 paid for the Ewe only; no additional animal" fee for lambs.

# SCORING

A numerical value will be assigned to ribbon placing as follows: Red Ribbon = 2 points; Blue Ribbon = 3 points,1st Place in class = 4 points

Points for lamb produced by ewe in futurity will be added to ribbon placing points. One-half point (.5) for each lamb weaned by ewes and tattooed in 2023 as a 2-year-old and Yearling Ewes tattooed in 2024. The Leader, Advisor or County 4-H professional in the county where the youth resides will certify lambs weaned. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to have verification made. Signed lamb verification sheets must be presented at the time of entry for earned points to be added to the final score. **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Verification sheets may be obtained from the NJLs Office.

EXAMPLE OF SCORING SYSTEM: 2023, 2024, 2025 TOTAL Ribbon Award Blue (3.0) Red (2.0) Blue (3.0) = 8.0 Lambs Produced 2 (.05) = 1.0 Total Score: 9.0

A record of each ewe lamb entered in the futurity will be retained in the NJLS Office. Numerical scores will be added together to obtain a cumulative score at the end of each year. At the end of the three years of competition, the scores will be compared and the ewe with the highest overall score will be declared the winner.

**TIE BREAKER**: If ties result after the final competition, the lamb(s) of the ewes involved will be reevaluated. The official judge will determine the winner on the basis of the quality of lamb(s) the ewe has produced.

# **EWE LAMB FUTURITY OFFSPRING VERIFICATION**

This form is to be submitted ONLY if the ewe had lambs in the current year.

Division Number	Class Number	
Verification of lamb(s) weaned by yearlin Futurity.	ng ewe entered in the	(year showing) Ewe Lamb
Year Originally Tattooed	Ewe Tattoo Num	ber
Breed of Ewe	Ewe Flock ID	
Ewe Birth Date		
Exhibitor's Name		
Address		
CityState		
Number of Lambs Weaned		
Lamb Flock Tag Number(s)		
Date of Birth of Lambs		
Date		
Leader, Advisor, or County 4-H Professi	onal (Please Print)	

Signature of Leader, Advisor, or County 4-H Professional

Application to be sent to the NJLS Office with NJLS Entry Form. If you have any questions, please contact the NJLS Office.

Applications must be complete and signed by the Leader, Advisor, or County 4-H Professional, or ewe will not receive credit for offspring weaned!