

Livestock

1. Exhibitors showing registered animals must show the superintendent the registration papers on entry day.
2. Exhibitors must provide their own feed and hay and care for the animals and are responsible for the cleanliness of their stalls and the aisles adjacent to their animals until Monday at 5:00pm.
3. Exhibitors shall wear leather shoes or boots of suitable construction while in the show ring for safety reasons.
4. Exhibitors shall be dressed suitably wearing attire that is neat, clean and presentable.
5. All entries are under the supervision of superintendent and fair officials.
6. Animals are assigned stalls and may be changed around to accommodate all animals.
7. When no one is present to lead livestock out, they will remain in their stalls and no money will be awarded.
8. Exhibitors (or immediate family) must own breeding stock 30 days before the show.
9. Youth competition is open to any Dickinson county resident between the ages of 9 years through their 19th birthday.
10. Age for classes is determined by the age of exhibitor as of 1-1-2017.
11. Youth exhibitors can show animals as follows: first year-one animal, second year-two animals, third year-three animals (jr. herd).
12. Animals may be either grade or purebred, unless otherwise designated.
13. All animals must be trained to lead on rope, nylon or leather halters. Assistance from immediate family member only.
14. Animals must be identified by a diagram, picture, nose print, ear tag, and ear tattoo or branding.
15. Only exhibitors and immediate family member shall remain in barns during show.
16. Unethical and inappropriate or otherwise inhumane treatment of the animals for show preparation is not acceptable. The exhibitor and exhibit will be disqualified if a violation is determined.
17. Any violation of the following rules will automatically result in disqualification of the exhibitor and exhibit.
 - a. Any use of any drug or chemical compound that is not approved by the FDA to use in meat animals is prohibited.
 - b. Illegal administration of approved drugs and chemical compound is prohibited.
 - c. Any attempt to change the natural color of an animal, either purebred or crossbred, by changing the color or the hair, fleece, or skin at any point, spot or areas of the animal's body.
 - d. Minimizing the effect of crampiness by feeding or injection drugs, depressants or applying packs or using any artificial contrivance or therapeutic treatments except normal exercise.
 - e. Striking the animal to cause swelling in a depressed area.
 - f. Surgery of any kind performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body or hide.
 - g. Insertion of foreign material under the skin.
 - h. The use of alcoholic beverages in the feed or administered as a drench.
18. Entering livestock at the Dickinson County Fair is giving the consent by the owner, exhibitor and or absolutely responsible person for a fair staff to obtain and specimen of urine, saliva, blood or other substance from the animal to be used in testing. Tests will be done by a veterinarian and submitted to a certified lab to identify illegal substance and substances that exceed the acceptable levels established by the FDA, USDA, Food Animal Residue Avoidance Databank and the EPA. A positive test will result in disqualification.
19. Disqualification will occur if exhibitor criticizes or interferes with judge, exhibitors, sale committees, superintendent, and other show officials or other conduct detrimental to the exhibition or show.
20. Youth showmanship is determined by age. As of January 1, 2017. Juvenile 13 years and under, Junior 14-15 years of age and Senior 16-19 years of age.

Market Animal Projects

1. Preliminary entries must be made with the Dickinson County Extension on or before January 1, 2017 for steers and May 1, 2017 for hogs, sheep, and goats. Entry must include the correct mailing address and phone number of the youth exhibitor and name of breeder of animal.
2. *Youth will be required to submit a completed set of records for their animals. Incomplete records will not be eligible for premiums or awards or sale of animal.*
3. Starting date of project begins that date the animal is official tapped by fair officials.
4. *Records must be handed in to the fair office no later than 12:00 noon on Thursday.*
5. All premiums from market animal classes will be forfeited if records are not submitted in time.
6. Market animals must be housed in Dickinson County for the entire duration of the project.
7. Abide by Livestock Rules and Regulations.
8. Competition is open to Dickinson County residents between the ages of 9 and 19. Exhibitor must be 11 years old by the beginning of fair to show a market steer, 9 years of age for sheep and hogs.
9. A exhibitor is limited to 1 steer, 1 hog, 1 lamb, and 1 goat.
10. Exhibitor may enter an alternate market animal and may be used as an immediate family member.
11. Record book begin on the day of entry.
12. All animals must be identified by an ear tag.
13. Steers must be born after January 1, 2016 to be eligible.
14. Steers must be dehorned, scurs 2" allowed.
15. Market animals must meet a minimum weight to be eligible for the sale: steers-1000lbs, sheep-90lbs, goats-60lbs, and hogs-225lbs.
16. Wool covering on sheep shall not exceed 1 inch.
17. Order of sale is Grand then Reserve Champion with the rest of the exhibitor drawing for lots.
18. Exhibitors must display an official record card showing the beginning weight, finished weight and daily rate of gain.