

Welcome to the 106th Annual Inter-Mountain Fair!

Please read all rules, regulations, and guidelines carefully. If rules are not complied with, premiums may be withheld.

Exhibitor handbook and entry forms are available in the Inter-Mountain Fair (IMF) office and online at www.inter-mountainfair.com.

All Local & State Rules, Health Rules, and Score Cards for Judging, as prescribed by the Division of Fairs and Expositions (available online) apply to all entries at IMF. State Rule Booklets are available for viewing in the Inter-Mountain Fair Office and online at www.cdfa.ca.gov/fe.

Inter-Mountain Fair LOCAL RULES

ENTRY INFORMATION

1. **Entry closing date and entry fees are due in the fair office by 5:00pm on Friday, August 2, 2024. No late entries will be accepted.**
2. Entry fees must be included with entry form. *See exhibit handbook for applicable fees.* Fees varies for each class/division. Entry fees are non-refundable.
3. *Please see exhibit schedules for submission of entries due dates and times.*
4. A separate entry form should be filled out for each department (i.e., beef, sheep, photography, etc.)
5. Entry form must bear the exhibitor's signature. Exhibitors signature on the entry form signifies their acceptance of the rules and regulations governing the IMF as printed. **4-H Note:** *The Farm Advisor Signature requirement for "out -of county" entries has been waived. Project or Community Leader signature will be required on all 4-H entry forms*
6. All entries in the still exhibits must have been made/collected/grown/prepared within 1 year of the opening date of the fair, except otherwise noted in the exhibit handbook.
7. Premium checks must be cashed/deposited within 90 days of issuance. Checks will be voided after 90 days. Voided checks will not be reissued.

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY:

- a. **Open Horse Show:** Open to the world (excluding 4-H Classes).
- b. **Other Senior Divisions:** Open to the world
- c. **Junior Divisions:** Limited to residents of Shasta, Lassen, Plumas, Modoc, Tehama, Trinity, & Siskiyou counties (excluding market animals).
- d. **Junior Market Animals and Master Showmanship:** Limited to juniors residing in the Fall River and Big Valley School Districts. One market animal per exhibitor. *Please see Junior Livestock Sale Contract for additional rules and information.*

JUDGING: All classes will be judged on the AMERICAN SYSTEM except when the Danish System is specified at the class/division in the exhibitor handbook.

ADEQUATE COMPETITION: Fair Management has the right to limit entries, return entries, transfer entries or combine divisions/classes, and/or cancel any division/class in which, in its judgment, the entries are insufficient to secure adequate competition. Any return or entries under this rule must be done generally and without discrimination.

REMOVAL OF EXHIBITS: No exhibit shall be removed from the fair prior to 3:00pm on Monday, September 2, 2024 with only the following exceptions: Horses, 4-H Rabbits, 4-H Poultry, and Open Cattle (all released after the judging of their class) and sifted animals (must be removed by Sunday of fair by 8:00am).

Exhibitors of Market animals are responsible for their animal until the animal is loaded on the truck for processing.

Fair staff and management reserve the right to reject or remove any entries found offensive or distasteful.

ANIMAL EXHIBITOR GUIDELINES

1. ANIMALS THAT ARE NOT ENTERED IN THE FAIR ARE NOT ALLOWED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS.
2. YOUTH QUALITY CARE ASSURANCE: Junior Exhibitors (except primary exhibitors) that enter Livestock into the 2024 IMF must have a youth quality assurance (YQCA) certificate. The certificate must accompany the entry form. Entries will not be accepted without YQCA certificate.
3. In order to be eligible for resale, market swine entry forms must have Prop 12 certification attached.
4. OWNERSHIP OF EXHIBIT: Exhibitors must be the bonafide owner of all entries. In addition, livestock must be owned prior to the opening date of the fair for: a) 30 days for Jr. Dept. Small Animals and b) 120 days for Market Beef, c) 60 days for all other Junior Department exhibitors and d) 120 days for Horse Projects.
5. WEIGHING OF ANIMALS: All animals for which weights are required must be weighed on the Inter-Mountain Fair county-certified scales on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, from 3:00-7:00pm for swine and sheep and 3:00-5:00pm for beef.
 - A. Animals will be assigned to classes by management. If weight is disputed, the animal is immediately taken off of the scale, the scale is checked for balance and the animal is immediately re-weighed. At no time can the animal leave the scale area. Jr. Market Animals will be divided by weight into classes.
 - B. All Lambs must be shorn and have a fleece no longer than ¼ inch stretched fleece before entering scale. Wet Lambs will not be weighed. *Pre weighing of animals may only be done prior to 5:00pm, Tuesday, August 27, 2024. Scales will be locked until weigh-in.*
6. ANIMAL CARE: Exhibitors must provide and bed their animals with shavings, pellets, or wood chips. Rubber mats may be used under shavings, pellets, or wood chips. No Straw is allowed.
 - A. Livestock exhibitors must keep pens and stalls clean and well bedded. Animals are to be cared for by 8:00am and 7:00pm daily.
 - B. Exhibitor must check in at 8:00am and 7:00pm daily with their respective leader, Independents will check in with an assigned adult. Leaders may set times in which caring for the animal can occur to make sure exhibitor is in the barn. Each Leader is responsible for their own exhibitors. Violation of this rule results in the first offence being a warning and Second offense results in exhibitor and animal removal from Jr. Livestock Sale.
 - C. East Gate will be open prior to 8:00am for the purpose of bringing in feed and bedding.
7. HEALTH CHECK: Management reserves the right to dismiss any animal that has a health issue. Animal health decisions will be made in the best interest of the animal and for the other animals at the fair as determined by the Fair Management in consultation with the Fair veterinarian.
8. All sheep must have Scrapie tags or tattoos.
9. SHOWMANSHIP: Only animals owned, fitted, and shown by the exhibitor in the Junior Department Livestock Classes are eligible for showmanship classes. Sifted animals are eligible.
 - A. Entries in Showmanship must be made on original entry form at the time Livestock and/or Horse Show entries are made. Leader's Signature required. NOTE:
 - B. All exhibitors are required to wear the official show uniform of the organization they represent. Independent exhibitors must follow dress code as stated in the local rules.

10. SUBSTITUTIONS: (includes horses) Substitutions must be completed at least 24 hours before judging is scheduled to begin.
11. Fair Management reserves the right to revoke the privilege to sell at the Junior Livestock Auction.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. Checks can be made payable to Inter-Mountain Fair or IMF.
2. If the Bank refuses the check, a penalty of \$35.00 per check must be paid prior to the judging of the entries. If the check is returned after the judging, any/all premiums won will be withheld until the fees and penalty are paid. Only cash, certified check, or money orders are acceptable for a payment following a returned check.
3. **All Premiums awarded to Exhibitors and all Jr. Sale checks must be cashed within 90 days of date of issue or may be void. Thank you letters to Jr. Livestock buyers must be completed before receiving Jr. Livestock Sale check(s).** There will be a \$30.00 fee for Stop Payment, if a replacement check is issued. Premiums are paid only in accordance with the results recorded on judge's sheets. Tags, ribbons, etc., have no value as to payment of awards.
4. **No dogs, with the exception of service dogs, are allowed on the fairgrounds.** This applies to all fair attendees. Exceptions include dogs entered in a show (which are to be removed immediately following the conclusion of the show) and service dogs that are properly identified/with paperwork.
5. Horse stalls are available for \$15.00/stall. Stall fees must accompany entries and will be assigned on first come basis. Stalls must be cleaned by occupant upon vacancy.
6. All Animal Exhibitors, Commercial Exhibitors, Concessionaires, Fair Campers and public will be able to purchase Fair passes when submitting entry forms and contracts. **Market Animal Entry Fees include one weekly admission pass. Passes are \$18. Daily Admission is \$7. Admission passes are available until the opening of fair on Thursday, August 29, 2024.**
7. All livestock and other entries are shown at the owner's risk and management shall not be responsible for loss or damage by fire, theft or otherwise. Management shall provide watchmen during the fair.
8. State Rules, Animal Health Rules, Horse Rules, Horse Health Rules, USDA Canning Rules, and the Score Cards for judging, as prescribed by the Division of Fairs and Exposition, apply to all entries at the IMF. *A copy of the State Rules is available in the IMF Office.*
9. The Inter-Mountain Fair will not allow gang clothing or clothing affiliated with a gang, which promotes, intimidates, or influences actions that will disrupt the fair policy of promoting a family atmosphere thus interfering with the business within the fairgrounds.
10. IMF Management reserves the final and absolute right to interpret all local rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regards thereto, and also reserves the right to amend and add to the local rules. State Rule interpretation is solely at the discretion of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Division of Fairs & Expositions. The IMF will enforce state rules as written.
11. Address correspondence to,
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Inter-Mountain Fair and Events Center
P.O. Box 10
McArthur, CA 96056
Phone: (530) 336-5695
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CAMPING POLICY

1. All Campers must pay admission to the Fair. Admission is NOT INCLUDED in the price of the camping spot.
2. East Lawn spaces are only available to LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS. Exception only to 4-H Club trailers and fair staff. If you had an east lawn space last year but are not exhibiting livestock this year, you will be moved to another available camping space.
3. Tents are allowed if they remain in your assigned 12-foot-wide space.
4. Trailers along the Beef Barn may not plug into the barn for power. You may bring a generator for your power supply.
5. All lawn trailers must be in place no earlier than 3 PM Sunday, August 25 and no later than 6 PM Tuesday, August 27. The fair camping rate includes August 25 – September 2. There are no nightly rates.
6. A trailer or tent must occupy your camping space.
7. Reservation and camping fees must be paid in full (with accompanying livestock entry forms for east lawn) by Friday, August 2, 2024. All unpaid spaces will be considered available and assigned to a new camper from the waiting list.
8. Management designates all camping spaces. Spaces are Subject to Change. Prior year campers may have priority. After previous campers have paid for their camp space and have met the requirements to camp, management will fill empty campsites with people from the waiting list. Waiting list rolls over from year to year. Spaces cannot be handed down from one person to another.
9. No Vehicles will be allowed to be “camped in” on the grounds. Vehicles not removed by 8 AM will be towed at owner’s expense.
10. NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS! This applies to all fair attendees. Exceptions include dogs entered in a show (which are to be removed immediately following the conclusion of the show) and service dogs that are properly identified/with paperwork.
11. All outside food and beverage must stay in camping area.
12. Adult supervision is required in East Lawn camping area.
13. Campers must put trash in provided trash cans.
14. A space with a power pedestal does not guarantee full use of trailer amenities (example A/C).

Junior Department Rules

Limited to Juniors located in Shasta, Siskiyou, Modoc, Lassen, Plumas, Tehama, and Trinity Counties, except as noted at class headings. State Rules and Health Rules applicable to the Senior Department apply also to the Junior Department.

ELIGIBILITY AND AGE REQUIREMENTS

1. For age requirement classes, the age of an individual shall be as of January 1, 2024.
2. 4-H Primary members may participate if they are at least 5 years but not over 8 years old by Jan. 1, 2024. A Primary member may not enroll in a large animal project, but they may enroll in a small animal project. Primary members receive ribbons only and no premiums. Upon conclusion of judging each species, primary exhibitors are allowed to participate in a discussion typesetting with the judge.
3. To sell a 4-H project animal at fair, the 4-H member must have enrolled in 4-H, in the appropriate 4-H project(s), and be **at least 9 years old by Jan. 1, 2024**. All other membership and project requirements must also be satisfied prior to selling a 4-H project animal.
4. All entries must have been made, collected, grown or prepared and entered by exhibitor enrolled in those 4-H Youth Program projects within one year of the opening date of the fair, unless otherwise noted.

- All entries must have been made, collected or prepared by the exhibitor in accordance with the requirements or recommendations of that project program. Entries that require packaging and labeling, such as food preservation and entomology, must be done in accordance with directions and recipes in project manuals and outlines. Carefully check the recommendations for kind and size of container, and method of labeling. Only standard containers, specifically designed for the purpose will be accepted.

Uniform for Livestock Showing

- 4-H members must have 4-H Hat and Green Collar or Tie
- FFA members must have FFA Jacket and FFA Scarf or Tie
- White Collared Shirt, tucked in
- White or Dark Blue Jeans – No skinny jeans and must not be faded or have holes
- Footwear should be cleaned and polished (no sandals)
- Boots must be on inside of jeans

4-H Uniform for Horse Showmanship

- 4-H Hat, Western Hat or helmet (*See helmet policy in State Rules*)
- Green Collar, tie, or western tie
- White Collared long-sleeved shirt, tucked in
- White or Dark Blue Jeans – No skinny jeans and must not be faded or have holes
- Boots are mandatory. Must be clean, polished, and worn on inside of jeans
- Belt should be worn on pants with belt loops

INDEPENDENT JUNIOR EXHIBITOR: Those persons who are not FFA, 4-H or Grange project members may enter the Junior Livestock show provided they meet the following criteria:

1. The exhibitor must be at least 9 years and not older than 18 years of age as of January 1, 2024.
2. The exhibitor must not have been enrolled in an animal project with FFA, 4-H or Grange after January 1, 2024.
3. The exhibitor must be a resident of the Fall River or Big Valley School Districts to participate in the Jr. Livestock Sale.
4. The exhibitor must sign and turn in a Jr. Livestock Sales Contract by May 1, 2024 for steers and July 1, 2024 for hogs and lambs
5. The exhibitor must provide fair management with a completed Jr. Livestock Independent Exhibitor packet that can be obtain in the fair office.
6. The exhibitor must have Liability Insurance through a homeowner/ranch or with California Fair Service Authority (CFSA). CFSA Insurance can be purchased through the IMF. Pricing for large animals is \$35.00/event or per family.
7. The exhibitors must have “on ground” supervision by a responsible adult.
8. The exhibitor will be assigned an adult to check in with for animal care times and requirements.

Independent Uniform for Showing

- White Collared Shirt, tucked in
- White or Dark Blue Jeans – No skinny jeans and must not be faded or have holes
- Footwear should be closed-toe, cleaned, and polished
- Boots must be worn on inside of jeans

INTER - MOUNTAIN JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION

1. Sale will be held on Monday, September 2, beginning at 9:00am
2. Sale is limited to Juniors residing in the Fall River and Big Valley School Districts at the end of the school year.
3. Eligibility to sell ends 12 months after separation from high school or when married.
4. No exhibitor may sell at this sale who has sold at another Junior Livestock Sale in the current calendar year except for state-wide shows.
5. **The Inter-Mountain Jr. Livestock Auction is a terminal sale. Once an animal has qualified for the Junior Livestock Auction, as determined by the judge, the animal cannot be removed from the sale program or the fairgrounds. All market ready animals, including champions, must sell.**
6. Each exhibitor will be allowed to enter one market animal.
7. Minimum weight for steers is 1,100 lbs.
8. Minimum weight on lambs is 110 lbs.
9. Minimum weight for hogs is 210 lbs.
10. Market animals may start arriving at the fairgrounds at 3:00pm. Wednesday, August 28, 2024 and will be weighed off the trailer. This weight shall be the sale weight.
11. Sale Commission is 8%.
12. Exhibitors must show their own animal in the sale ring and wear the official uniform required by the IMF unless they have written permission from the Management.
13. Sifted Market Animals must be removed from the Fairgrounds by 8:00 a.m. Sunday, September 1, 2024.
14. No private treaty sales allowed.
15. **The Brand Inspection Slip or Bill of Sale issued at time of purchase must accompany the entry form for all Beef Animals. The State of California blue/yellow transportation form, fully filled out, must accompany the cattle to the Fairgrounds. It is to be delivered to the Beef Scale upon arrival. This form is required by the Brand Inspectors before the animal is weighed.**
16. The Jr. Sale Committee assumes no responsibility whatsoever and does not guarantee the sale of any animal nor guarantee any prices.
17. All animals will be sold in accordance with the order of sale as determined by the Management. In the event of an animal being donated to a charitable organization and is to be resold, such sale will be held at the conclusion of the sale order.
18. Exhibitors are responsible for drug residue, tissue damage from injectables, or any carcass damage resulting in being condemned at time of processing; the exhibitor will refund the total purchase price of the animal.
19. Any exhibitor found committing fraudulent acts to his/her exhibit: i.e. changing or removing ear tags; will be ineligible to sell at the Junior Livestock Auction and all future auctions.
20. Memorial fund animals will be sold following the regular sale animals.
21. The IMF sets the policy for the Jr. Livestock Sale and reserves the right to revoke privileges to sell at the Junior Livestock Sale for any reason.
22. **All sales are final. Buyers shall make checks payable to the Inter-Mountain Fair.**
23. All Jr. Exhibitors must participate in a livestock event of your project species within the 2024 Project Year in order to sell in the Inter-Mountain Jr. Livestock Sale.
24. All rules on the Junior Livestock Sales Contract will be adhered to.
25. Market Hogs will be tattooed Sunday evening. **While hogs are being tattooed no exhibitors will be allowed in hog barn. No Exceptions!**
26. Exhibitors are responsible for their market animal until that animal is loaded on the truck for processing.