**OFFICIAL CAROLINE/DORCHESTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK AUCTION RULES**

**(Held in conjunction with the Caroline/Dorchester County Fair) This sale is open to all enrolled and approved members of Caroline/Dorchester County 4-H and FFA.**

**(1) MARKET ANIMALS: All market animals must be owned and in the possession of the 4-H/FFA member by the dates listed below for each species. All market animals must be tagged by the Extension Office on a set day/time soon after the ownership deadline. The members may have as many as six (6) of each species tagged. Proof of ownership will be shown when the animals are tagged.**

**Beef Steers........................... ........January 1, of current year\***   **Dairy Steer….................................January 1, of current year\* Lambs………………………………...........May 1, of current year\***

**Market Goats……………………………..May 1, of current year\* Swine………………….........................May 1, of current year\***

**Poultry/Rabbits………………………….July 1, of current year\***

**\* These are ownership dates only; animals should be well started to reach desired sale weight.**

**(2) All enrolled and approved Caroline/Dorchester County 4-H/FFA members desiring to sell at the Caroline/Dorchester County Auction must show animals at Caroline/Dorchester County Fair prior to the sale. The animals must be displayed at the auction by the 4-H/FFA member. If the member has a valid reason why he/she is unable to be present at the auction, the animal may be displayed by a fellow member. A member’s valid absence must be approved by the Livestock Auction Committee.**

**(3) All members must follow health regulations for livestock exhibited in Maryland. Please see the Fair catalog for current year’s animal health regulations.**

**(4) 4-H'ERS MAY SELL ANIMALS ONLY IF DEEMED FINISHED BY THE LIVESTOCK AUCTION COMMITTEE. Acceptable weight ranges include: Dairy Steers---------------------------------------------------Minimum 1,000 lbs.**  **Beef Steers----------------------------------------------------Minimum 1,000 lbs. to Maximum 1,300 lbs. Swine-----------------------------------------------------------Minimum 205 to Maximum 315 lbs. Lambs----------------------------------------------------------Minimum 80 to Maximum 165 lbs. Market Goats------------------------------------------------Minimum 40 to Maximum 110 lbs.**

**\*Animals will be weighed prior to sale. \*\*All animals will be granted a 5-pound tolerance.**

**(5) A nominal entry fee will be charged for each animal sold at sale to cover costs, i.e. buyers "Thank You" plaques, auction pictures and developing, postage, and incidentals. All sales will be assessed 2% for steers and 4% for all other animals (sheep, swine, goats, rabbits, and poultry).**

**(6) Each member may sell up to 2 animals (lambs, goats, and swine), but in no case more than one steer at the Caroline/Dorchester County Auction.**

**(7) The Auction Committee welcomes the sale of market pens of rabbits (limit 1 pen/member - 3 rabbits), poultry (limit 1 pen/member - 2 chickens or 1 turkey). 4-H'er must be enrolled in these projects by June 1 of current year.**

**(8) We will have a ONE TIME SALE ONLY – no resales! All animals donated back will be sold at market by the Friends of 4-H with all revenues placed in the Livestock Auction Scholarship Fund. As we use a state certified scale, all animals will be sold by the pound. The Fair “weigh-in” will be the sale weight used. It is the committee’s hope that these changes will streamline sales and that the price of the animals will increase.**

**(9) All 4-H/FFA sellers must remain in barn next to their animal until sale is over. The barn will be closed during the auction, only 4-H/FFA members selling animals will be allowed in the barn. 4-H/FFA members are asked to stay in their 4-H/FFA attire until after the buyer’s dinner is over.**

**(10) Sale checks will not be mailed to 4-H/FFA members; there will be an auction check pickup night at the fair office. Everyone that sells will receive an email of the date and time to bring a copy of their thank you letter to the buyer of their animal. 4-H/FFA members will receive payment after the buyer has paid in full. The board will contact buyers 90 days from sale date, if payment is not received.**

**(11) Written grievances received within one week of the sale will be addressed by the Auction Committee (Mailed to: 9194 Legion Road, Suite 4, Denton, MD 21629).**

**(12) Payment by the buyers will be made to Caroline County Livestock Auction within 90 days of the sale and sales of all animals are final. The processing costs are at the expense of the buyer. Ownership passes to the buyer or his/her representative at the time of purchase, but the 4-H/FFA member is required to arrange for removal of the sale animals from the fairgrounds upon conclusion of the fair.**

**(13) All 4-H/FFA members are responsible to notify Livestock Auction Committee Member(s) of the animal/animals to be sold.**

**Signature of:**

**4-H/FFA Member\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**4-H Educator/FFA Advisor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**4-H members exhibiting livestock and horses**

**To all 4-H members exhibiting livestock and horses:**

**A MANDATORY meeting for all livestock, horse exhibitors (regardless if your horse is staying in the barn) and rabbit market pen exhibitors will be held on the second Tuesday night in June of the current year at 7pm at the 4-H Park. This meeting is MANDATORY for each livestock, horse exhibitor, and rabbit/poultry market pen exhibitors to attend. At least one parent/guardian must attend as well. You will be reminded of this meeting and requirements.**

**Fitting and Showing Attire for 4-H**

**The following prescribed show attire is required for all Exhibitors in Fitting & Showmanship, breed classes, market classes and Livestock Sale and must be worn throughout the entire show. Exhibitors not adhering to the show attire requirements will be excused from the show ring (See appropriate attire listed below).**

* **Dairy Cattle, Dairy Steers & Dairy Goats: 4-H/FFA: white slacks with white shirt. Neckpiece optional.**
* **Beef, Meat Goats, Sheep & Swine: 4-H: green or tan slacks, white shirt with green or black neckpiece. FFA: tan or black slacks, tan or white shirt, with blue or black neckpiece.**
* **Horses: appropriate riding clothes and headgear as defined in the MD 4-H Horse & Pony Rule Book:**

**English - All riders are required to wear ASTM-and SEI-approved helmet with harness secured and hard soled shoes with heels. Traditional attire and conventional 4-H uniforms are equally acceptable. Traditional apparel includes breeches or jodhpurs, boots, jacket, suitable shirt, tie or choker. Spurs (un-rowelled, not to exceed 1 inch in length), and a crop or bat (not greater than 30 inches in length) are optional.**

**Western - All riders must wear ASTM-and SEI-approved headgear when mounted. Traditional attire and conventional 4-H uniforms are equally acceptable in all classes. Traditional attire includes Western boots, a long-sleeved shirt with a collar (including standup, tuxedo, oxford, button-down, and turtleneck), and long pants must be worn. If the pants have belt loops, a belt must be worn. No whips or crops may be carried. Gloves, spurs, and chaps are optional. If spurs are used, the rowels must be blunt and turn freely.**

**Please note additional dress requirements:**

**\* No farm names or other identification shall appear on show uniforms \* Safe, appropriate attire including footwear is required at all times \* Shirts must have collars \* No spaghetti straps, tank tops, or exposed midriffs. \* Shirts must be tucked in and no undergarments may be showing. \* No shorts will be allowed. \* Caps or other headwear shall not be worn in the show ring, except for protective headgear in the Horse Division.**

**\* Girls may choose to wear a skirt of an appropriate length, instead of slacks. They must be in the appropriate color.**

**4-H, FFA & OPEN LIVESTOCK SHOW EXHIBITORS Rules and Regulations**

**“We are not limited by the lack of a rule.”**

**4-H/FFA Shows will be restricted to Caroline/Dorchester County youth members only. All Caroline/Dorchester County 4-H and FFA animals (beef, dairy, sheep, swine, and goats) must arrive on the grounds between 3:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. on Monday of current year during the week of the Fair.**

**The 4-H/FFA Shows will be on Tuesday of the current year during the week of the Fair.**

1. **9:00 am will be 4-H/FFA ONLY Sheep Show**
2. **11:00 am will be 4-H/FFA ONLY Meat Goat Show**
3. **1:30 pm will be 4-H/FFA Only Beef Show**
4. **4:00 pm will be 4-H/FFA Only Swine Show**

**All processing of 4-H/FFA livestock will be done by the Livestock Superintendents on the Monday of current year during the week of the Fair. For the open exhibitors, the processing of livestock will start one hour prior to their individual shows.**

* **Open Dairy Goat – Wednesday, current year during the week of the Fair, 9:00 am; Open exhibitors must be on fairgrounds by 8:00 am.**
* **Open Sheep Show – Wednesday, current year during the week of the Fair, 1:00 pm; Open exhibitors must be on the fairgrounds by 12 pm**
* **NO Dairy Cow Show THIS YEAR!**

* **Open Meat Goat Show - Thursday, current year during the week of the Fair, 10:00 am; Open exhibitors must be on the fairgrounds by 9:00 a.m.**

* **Open Swine Show – Thursday, current year during the week of the Fair, 6:00 p.m.; Open exhibitors must be on the fairgrounds by 4:00 p.m.**

* **Open Beef Show - Friday, current year during the week of the Fair, 10:00 a.m.; Open exhibitors must be on the fairgrounds by 8:00 a.m.**
* **Livestock Auction – Saturday, current year during the week of the Fair, 6:00 pm**

**Livestock Committee Members:**

**Ryan Spiering, Charlotte Brown, Barb Carrow, Beth MacDonald, Janet & Rick Kinnamon, Dale & Becky Brown, Rodney & Nicole Simmons, Jim Smith, Brett & Jeanne Meyers, Danny Saathoff, Lindsey Brown**

**1. All 4-H and FFA youth may participate in showmanship classes according to the class divisions (i.e., Novice - 1st year showing a particular species; Juniors - 8 to 10 years of age as of January of current Year; Intermediates – 11 to 13 years of age as of January of current year; Seniors - 14 to 18 years of age as of January of current year. 4-H Clovers (ages 5-7 years old, as of January of current year) may bring their animals to the fair but will not be permitted to show in the 4-H show. Each Clover exhibit will receive a participation ribbon. Clovers may exhibit in the Open Class with parent supervision in the ring.**

**2.** **All Entries must be submitted online by the Caroline/Dorchester County Fair’s deadline; there are NO Paper Entries!**

**3. All BEEF, SHEEP, GOAT, AND SWINE exhibitors please be aware that ALL 4-H shows will be unfitted. This means washed and blown out with NO ADDITIVES OF ANY KIND!!! (i.e. aerosols, color touch up, show sheen, etc.). Animals may be subject to being wiped with a white towel, cloth, etc.**

**4. Showmanship classes are based upon performance of the animal and exhibitor in the show ring, knowledge of exhibitor, and personal appearance.**

**5. ALL 4-H/FFA animals will be cared for and groomed by the 4-H/FFA exhibitor ONLY. Any assistance needed by exhibiting 4-H/FFA with the care of and grooming of any/all animals may be provided by a LOCAL IN-COUNTY 4-H/FFA member ONLY. This is to ensure that ALL animals are cared for and groomed by YOUTH exhibitors. If this rule is broken or ignored the animal(s) will be disqualified from the show.**

**6. Premier Show person class will consist of the Champion Caroline/Dorchester 4-H Show person from each of the following species - beef, sheep, swine, goat, and dairy. Each Champion Show person will compete in showmanship of each species on animals listed above (provided there are enough animals), and the judge will then pick a Premier Show person. This class will take place at the conclusion of the beef show on Friday.**

**7. Health papers must comply with State of Maryland Health Requirements. Health papers must be checked upon arrival by a state approved veterinarian. All animals are subject to inspection and the show committee decisions shall be final. The state of Maryland Health Requirements can be found in this book.**

* **All Beef and Swine need the RFID tag in their ear before going to a show.**
* **All Sheep and Goats need a scrapie tag in their ear before going to a show.**

**8. It is highly recommended by the Livestock Committee that all animals receive shipping fever shots and update all general health care shots 15 days prior to entering the fair.**

**9. Exhibitors are expected to always keep their animals under control. No uncontrollable animals will be allowed in the ring. Any uncontrollable animals may be asked to leave the ring or fairgrounds at any time during the fair. All reasonable precautions will be taken for the safety of the people while on the property, but the Caroline County 4-H Park and the Caroline/Dorchester County Fair Board shall not be responsible for injury to any person.**

**10. Bedding for 4-H and FFA for beef cattle will be in the form of tan bark. No straw will be provided. Exhibitors may bring straw or other forms of bedding if they want.**

**11. All dirty bedding/manure will be thrown away in a roll off dumpster or designated spot. No straw or bedding shall be thrown behind the barn or in an unauthorized spot. Subjects caught leaving bedding in unauthorized areas will lose their premiums.**

**12. All 4-H/FFA and Open exhibitors are responsible for cleaning out their pens during the Fair and before leaving the 4-H Park.**

**13. Exhibitors will show their own animals unless two animals are shown in the same class that they own; at that time another 4-H/FFA member in the same age division or younger must be the other Show person in the 4-H and FFA Show.**

**14. Beef, dairy, sheep, swine, and goats that are breeding animals will consist of purebred registered animals that will be asked to show registration papers at check in and will be shown in designated breed classes. All crossbred/commercial livestock will be shown under their designated class title. All exhibitors will note on their online entries what breed class their animal is (i.e., Suffolk, Polled Hereford, Holstein, or Crossbred/Commercial).**

**15. Appropriate 4-H and FFA attire must be worn throughout the entire show and sale of the livestock.**

**16. There will be no artificial coloring of any livestock exhibited in the shows.**

**17. No one exhibitor can take more than 2 premiums per class.**

**18. The Caroline/Dorchester County Fair will pay premiums in all classes except for showmanship classes, champion and reserve champion classes, and group classes.**

**19. All breeding stock must be registered in the exhibitor’s name no later than July 1 of the current year. All crossbred/commercial breeding stock must be owned no later than July 1 of the current year. (a receipt of purchase if not born on your farm can be proof of ownership time).**

**20. Due to the lack of space all open exhibitors (including out of Caroline/Dorchester County 4-H and FFA exhibitors) will arrive on these dates and times - Wednesday, current year of Fair – Dairy Goat Show exhibitors will arrive by 8:00 am; Wednesday, current year of Fair – Sheep Show exhibitors will arrive by 12:00 pm.; Thursday, current year of Fair – Meat Goat Show exhibitors will arrive by 9:00 am, Thursday, current year of Fair - Swine Show exhibitors will arrive by 4:00 pm; Friday, current year of Fair - Beef Show/Dairy Steer exhibitors will arrive by 8:00 am.**

**21. Early dismissal WILL NOT be permitted. All animals must remain until conclusion of their show. All Caroline/Dorchester County 4-H and FFA exhibitors will not leave until the conclusion of the fair on Sunday of the Fair at 8:00 am. Leaving early will cause you to forfeit your premium money.**

**22. The Livestock Chairman shall designate a beef tie out area. Tie outs of beef cattle will be permitted after 9:00 pm. All cattle shall be in the barns by 9:00 am the following morning. All tie out bedding will be provided by the exhibitors and cleaned up by the exhibitors.**

**23. Classes may be combined at the discretion of the judge and Livestock Committee.**

**24. Herdsman Awards: All areas of livestock will be inspected by a chosen group appointed by the Livestock Committee. Each Caroline/Dorchester County 4-H or FFA exhibitor will be judged for neatness, decorations, cleanliness, ability to communicate to the public, general care, and husbandry of their livestock. An award will be given in each species of animal (i.e., beef, dairy, sheep, goat, swine, and horse).**

**25. Caroline/Dorchester County 4-H/FFA entry fees for beef, sheep, swine, dairy, and goat will be $1.00 per animal. Entry fees for open beef, sheep, swine, dairy and goat will be $4.00 per animal.**

**26. All fitting, clipping, etc. of livestock prior to or during the show shall be done within a 50' radius of the livestock barns or tents. There shall be no fitting, clipping, etc. of animals at your trailer or along the woods or undesignated areas at any time during the fair. Only the livestock chairman can appoint a designated area for fitting. If found in an undesignated area, you will be asked to take your animals home.**

**27. Showmanship Classes are only open to youth enrolled in the 4-H or FFA projects in accordance with Maryland State Fair rules and regulations.**

**28. Premium awards are provided by the Maryland Agricultural Fair Board and will be based on ribbon placing and availability of funds. The Caroline/Dorchester County Fair will make every attempt to pay full premiums, however, due to possible budget cuts, premiums may not be paid in full.**

**29. All dairy steers must be 100% dairy, proof may be required. Final decision is at the discretion of the Livestock Committee.**

**30. 4-H/FFA members may keep a yearling bull on the premises during the fair if the animal is kept under control. Any 2-year-old bulls brought for the open show must go home that day.**

**31. All beef animals must have neck ropes.**

**32. Please note: Mandatory barn meetings may be called at any time, if necessary.**

**33. If you show in a Market Class and your animal is registered you cannot show in Breed Class.**

**34. As of 2021, compliance with the Maryland 4-H Tail Docking Policy is VOLUNTARY. Lamb tails (docks) will not be officially measured at Maryland 4-H activities. No lambs will be disqualified from showing due to tail length, unless the short dock results in a rectal prolapse. Any sheep or lamb that exhibits a rectal prolapse at a 4-H activity will be ineligible for the activity and sent home by the Livestock Superintendent, or other appropriately deemed individual. The following will be used as a guideline to determine occurrence of a rectal prolapse: “A rectal prolapse is defined as an inversion of the rectum that protrudes 4cm (1.6 inches) or more outside the body and remains exterior to the body while the animal is standing.” If a lamb is observed with a rectal prolapse (by one of the above people) and in the future is not observed with a rectal prolapse, it is still classified as having a rectal prolapse.**

**35. Scrapie Tag Requirements: (Sheep & Goats): All market and breeding (males & females) sheep and goats are required to have an official scrapie ear tag in place to exhibit at the Fair. The only exception is registered breeding sheep and goats that are tattooed and accompanied by registration papers.**

**Open Sheep Show Only:**

**36. Limiting open entry sheep to 5 per exhibitor per breed.**

**37. Open Sheep classes must have 2 or 3 exhibitors of same breed to warrant classes for that breed. If not, all those breeds go into “other” category to be judged.**

**Dairy Show Only:**

**38. Ownership – All animals exhibited must be owned and registered in the Exhibitor's name only by July 1 of the current year. Entries received with papers pending will not be accepted.**

**A. Dairy animals in the Maryland 4-H Dairy Cattle Leasing Program must be assigned to the Exhibitor by June 1 of the current year. The Exhibitor must comply with the rules stated in the Maryland 4-H Dairy Cattle Leasing Agreement.**

**B. A dairy animal must have been owned by the Exhibitor before the animal is 2 years of age to be eligible** **for exhibition in the cow classes. Cows in the MD 4-H Dairy Cattle Leasing Program must be assigned to the Exhibitor before the animal is 2 years of age.**

**C. Registration certificates for each animal must be furnished and available at any time during the fair. They will be checked prior to show day. If certificates are not in order the animal cannot be shown. Faxes or photocopies will not be accepted.**

**39. Exhibitors are permitted to substitute one animal for another either in the same class or in a different class (additions are not allowed).**  **Rules for Feeder calves:** **Feeder calves must be born after January 1 of current year and must be owned no later than May 1 of current year. Calves must weigh no more than 700 lbs. to be eligible. The animal may be a heifer or a castrated bull calf to be eligible.**

**4-H/FFA CAVY SHOW**

**Rules:**

* **Contestants must comply with the MD 4-H/FFA Code of Ethics and also the latest ARBA/ACBA rules.**
* **Cavies must be in place by 8:30 am Saturday current year of the Fair. Judging begins at 9am.**
* **All Entries must be submitted online by the Caroline/Dorchester County Fair’s deadline; there are NO Paper Entries!**
* **Entry fee is $1.00 per cavy.**
* **All exhibits must be a breed recognized by ARBA/ACBA.**
* **Exhibitors are limited to a total of 6 entries in the breed classes and one in the pet class. The same animal cannot be exhibited in the breed class and in the pet class. Substitutions will be allowed in the same group, variety, age, and sex on the day of the show.**
* **Cavies must have numbered ear tags unless otherwise approved by the Chairperson of the show.**
* **Showmanship guidelines can be obtained from your County Extension Office.**
* **Any cavy displaying signs of disease or in poor fleshing condition will be refused entry and entry fees will be forfeited. The decision of the chairperson is final.**
* **All cavies must be owned by the exhibitor.**
* **All exhibitors are responsible for presentation of animals for judging. If a conflict exists with another project at show time, the owner should get another project member to present the project to the judge.**
* **No dogs will be allowed in the show area.**
* **The completion of the online entry form indicates acceptance of these rules.**

**4-H/FFA DAIRY SHOW No Dairy Cow Show This Year  All milking cows showing in 4-H, FFA, and the Open Show will be allowed to come on the fairgrounds, Wednesday, by 12 noon and may leave the show grounds after the conclusion of the Dairy Show. In order to have a grade show there needs to be at least two animals; otherwise, they will compete with the registered animals. The judge or committee will make the final decision, if there is a problem. A copy of lease papers needs to be present with each cow.**

**Market Goat Show Rules:**

**• All Market Goats must be body clipped.**

* **Sick or underweight animals will not be allowed to unload. (All decisions of the committee will be final.)**
* **The order of the show will be: showmanship, market goats and breed shows.**
* **Maryland State Health rules must be followed.**
* **All goats must wear a collar.**
* **PRONG/PINCH COLLARS ARE NOT PERMITTED FOR 4-H/FFA exhibitors and are strongly discouraged for open exhibitors.**
* **All bucklings must be born in the current year EXCEPT Senior Bucklings (class #6).**
* **All market goats must be less than 1 year of age and have their milk teeth to be eligible to show.**
* **All horned goats must have the horn tips blunted/tipped.**
* **Purebred and Fullblood goats (ex: Boer, Kiko, Spanish) must have registration papers on hand or they will be shown as a crossbred/percentage. All breeds will compete together in their respective divisions.**
* **You cannot enter a goat in market and breeding classes. You must choose one or the other.**
* **BRACING OF ANIMALS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED. Goat’s front legs/feet must be on the ground during judging and the judge’s evaluation. Exhibitors may lift feet off the ground for a period not to exceed 10 seconds when posing the goat.**

**\*There will be a special award given for 4-H Rate of Gain Champion. \***

**Youth Carry Cage Rabbit Show Rules:**

**Special Rules:**

* **Contestants must comply with general rules.**
* **Rabbits must in place by 8:30 am Saturday the week of the current year’s Fair. Judging begins at 9 am. This is a one-day carry cage show.**
* **All Entries must be submitted online by the Caroline/Dorchester County Fair’s deadline; there are NO Paper Entries! Entry fees are as follows: Breed Class $1/animal; Market Pen Class - $2/pen.**
* **Members are limited to a total of ten rabbits in breed classes, and one exhibit in market pen classes. Substitutions within the same breed, color, variety, sex and age are permitted at time of entry.**
* **Rabbit must be permanently tattooed in left ear prior to the day of the show. The tattoo must be legible.**
* **Any rabbit showing signs of disease or poor condition will be refused entry and entry fees will be forfeited. The judge and committee will not be responsible for the presentation of animals. If there is a conflict with another project at show time, the owner should get another project member to present the project to the judge.**
* **Rabbit carrying cages must have solid bottoms. Exhibitors are expected to clean their area before leaving.**
* **Rabbits over two weeks pregnant not accepted. Rabbits in breed must be a minimum of 12 weeks old to be shown.**
* **Premiums will not be prorated.**
* **No dogs will be allowed in the rabbit show area.**
* **Completion of an entry form indicates acceptance of these rules and regulations.**
* **Rabbits must be the property of the owner prior to July 1 of the current year in order to entered and shown.**
* **Must be placed on table by owner for each class unless a conflict in show schedule is discussed and approved by show chairperson prior to show.**
* **Market Pen: Three rabbits, same breed and variety: no mixed breeds. Age limit: not over 69 days: weight limit: not over 5 pounds per rabbit. All breeds are competing together. \*Exhibitor must own Dam of Market Pen**

**Poultry/Waterfowl Show Rules:**

**1. All birds must be on the grounds by 8:30 am on Saturday during the week of Fair in the current year.**

**2. Contestants must comply with General Rules and Regulations.**

**3. Any bird showing signs of disease will be refused entry.**

**4. Birds not originating for the U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean or equivalent flocks are required to have a negative pullorum-thyroid test within 90 days of movement to an exhibition. All birds must have a negative avian influenza test within 21 days prior to entry. 5. Members are limited to entering a total of fifteen (15) BIRDS. There may be more than one (1) entry per class. 6. Ribbons will be given for each class section and an award for Best of Show. 7. All exhibitors will be responsible for feeding, watering and cleaning pens. Animals should be checked every 2 hours. If an exhibitor is unable to care for their animal, they must make arrangements with someone who will be able to do so. 8. Exhibitors must furnish all bedding.**

**Dairy Goat Show Rules:**

1. **Teeth Requirements: Kids – all milk teeth must be present; Yearlings – goat may not have more than 2 permanent teeth showing at time of show; Aged Does – goat should have 4 or more permanent teeth.**
2. **Dairy goats must have a collar. Prong/pinch collars are not permitted for use.**
3. **During the show, goats must have all four feet firmly placed on the ground when being braced. The front legs may not be lifted off the ground to set the animal.**
4. **No Bucks or Wethers**
5. **No HORNS**

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| |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | **4-H/Open Small Pets, Poultry, Rabbiits** | | |  | |  | **Placing** | | |  | | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | | **1** | **2.00** |  |  |  | | **2** | **3.00** | **2.00** |  |  | | **3** | **4.00** | **3.00** | **2.00** |  | | **4** | **5.00** | **4.00** | **3.00** | **2.00** | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | **4-H Club Booth Awa** | **rds** | | **Champion** | **$22** | | **Reserve Champion** | **$20** | | **Participation** | **$10** | |
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| |  | | --- | | **4-H Clovers (5-7 years old)** | | **Participation Ribbons Only.** | |
| |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | **In-County 4-H Horse** | | |  | |  | **Placing** | | |  | | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | | **1** | **7.00** |  |  |  | | **2** | **8.00** | **7.00** |  |  | | **3** | **9.00** | **8.00** | **7.00** |  | | **4** | **10.00** | **9.00** | **8.00** | **7.00** | |

**Official Premium Charts**

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| **Livestock Auction**  Saturday, August 9, 2025 at 6:00pm |
| * **Buyers can choose to donate their purchase back to the Auction scholarship fund, eliminating the need to make arrangements for the removal of the animal from the fair.**      * **There will be a Buyer’s Dinner following the auction.**      * **Arrive at 5pm to receive your buyer’s packet.**      * **For more information call the Caroline County Extension office at 410-479-4030.**      * **Your purchase can be used as a tax-deductible donation.**      * **We would like to thank all buyers for their generous support!**   Livestock |
| **Join us to support your local 4-H/FFA Livestock members!** |