

January 1, 2018

La Paz County Fair

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La Paz Youth Livestock Committee Rules and Regulations

ALL ENTRIES ARE SUBJECT TO THE GENERAL RULES AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LA PAZ COUNTY FAIR IN ADDITION TO THE FOLLOWING:

1. Members must meet and abide by the club members guidelines and be a member in good standing in order to exhibit an animal at the La Paz County Fair members defined as either 4-H or FFA members. Exhibitors must be actively enrolled in a La Paz County (Parker Dam) School K-12 or be receiving an equivalent K-12 education.
2. Prior to purchase of a project animal, each member and his or her parents should read and be familiar with the Youth Livestock Rules and Regulation. Arrangements should be considered for feed, housing, transportation, and insurance if deemed necessary.
3. Prior to exhibiting in the La Paz County Fair Youth Livestock Show, a 4-H/FFA member must have their animal ear-tagged by a representative designated by Youth Livestock Committee and have signed and completed all required documentation. Any rabbit entries must include a copy of its pedigree. Documentation will also include Ownership Form submitted by 1st Saturday in December. and a coinciding Livestock Fair Entry Form submitted by 2nd Friday in February. Both forms will be provided by the Extension Office or FFA Advisor. The member will be given one copy of the form, the leader will retain one copy and one copy will be filed with the Youth Livestock Committee.
4. Livestock projects must be owned and ear-tagged according to 4-H/FFA rules and regulations or the animal will not be allowed at Fair. The 4-H/FFA leader will be responsible for enforcement of ear-tag ownership and deadline dates. In the event that an animal dies due to accident or illness during time between ownership deadline and 60 days before Fair, an exhibitor can get a replacement animal upon filing and acceptance of a certification form. Forms are available at the Extension Office and they must be completed and turned in to a Youth Livestock Committee member within 5 days of the loss of the animal. The La Paz Youth Livestock Committee will have the final discretion on allowing hardship replacements.
5. Gabe's Rules – If within 60 days prior to the La Paz County Fair a youth's animal dies that youth will still be able to show another exhibitor's animal in showmanship. The youth must notify Youth Livestock Committee that they would like to show another exhibitor's animal in showmanship prior to the La Paz County Fair for approval. Youth Livestock Committee must be presented five (5) names of youth that will allow the use of their animal. All names will be placed in a hat and the one drawn will be the animal used by the youth for showmanship. Animal used has to be in a different class and not a call back. Youth Livestock has the discretion to make changes as needed.
6. Rules are subject to interpretation by **Youth Livestock Committee** and **ITS DECISION WILL BE FINAL**. Willful violation will be subject to disciplinary action including refusing entries or removing

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entries at this or subsequent fairs.

7. **THE YOUTH LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT** to reject entrance of any person for future years who does not adhere to the rules and regulation of the Youth Livestock Committee, Fair Board, and the La Paz County Fair Premium List Book, or does not exhibit conduct befitting members and adults.
8. **THE YOUTH LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE WILL TAKE REASONABLE PRECAUTION TO INSURE SECURITY OF EXHIBITS**, however, the owner themselves are responsible for exhibiting and must assume responsibility for loss, damage, or personal injury of any character to any animal, article or person incurred while the exhibit is on the Fairgrounds. **Barn hours are from 6 am - 8 pm only.**

After an animal has been weighed and assigned a pen, that animals is required to stay in livestock area for the duration of the fair. The animals must remain in their pen other than to go show or go to the wash rack area. No animals can be in the show ring prior to the show.

9. **Payment may be held up to 60 days after the release of checks to exhibitors whose animals have been sold through the La Paz Youth Livestock Auction until all debts to the Youth livestock Committee incurred by immediate family members, i.e., spouse, father, mother, sister(s), brother(s), uncle(s), Aunt(s), and grandparent(s) have paid in full. (If no payment is received after 60 days of regular payments date, the La Paz County Livestock Committee will take immediate appropriate legal action.)**
10. No Pregnant animals will be allowed in the market class.
11. The La Paz County Fair endorses the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and expects exhibitors to adhere to them.
12. No unhealthy animals will be allowed to be sold or stay on the fairgrounds. All animals will be healthy, sound and free of external parasites. If a question arises as to the health of the animal, a veterinarian will be summoned at the expense of the exhibitor. This includes deformed and injured animals.
13. The USDA Wholesome Meat Act applies to all slaughter animals at the show. The act requires the following:
 - a. DES, antibiotics, and sulfonamides have required withdrawal periods.
 - b. Drug label direction must be followed.
 - c. If drugs or chemical residues are found in the carcass tissue, **the entire carcass may be condemned.**
 - d. Exhibitors with any animal treated with drugs within 30 days prior to the Fair must notify Youth Livestock upon check in.**All exhibitors must complete Quality Assurance training.**
14. The use of tranquilizers, sedatives, or depressants, which alter the physical or physiological state of the animal, is not allowed. **The use of calf calm, pig calm or similar products is permitted only with the prior written consent of a veterinary and must be submitted at time of animal entry.** Any such drugs must be approved by the Food and Drug Administration for use in meat animals.
15. In the event that any allegation of illegal or unethical livestock procedures is made, the accusing party will be responsible for all cost incurred in the sampling, evaluation, and reporting of such procedure. If the accused party found to be guilty of illicit procedures, the accused party will be liable for all cost.
16. Automatic waterers will be allowed at the La Paz County Fair, and are required for all swine projects. The exhibitor will be responsible for keeping waterer filled and properly functioning. After one verbal warning from the superintendent, a \$25 fine will be assessed to the exhibitor if he/she does not maintain their animal and the waterer. The fine will be taken from the auction sale price. Warning and Fines can only be given by voting-eligible members of the La Paz County Livestock Committee.
17. **GENERATORS** – Generators must be placed in a designated area. This area will be approximately 100 feet from the barn next to the fence with the exhaust facing away from the barn. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to bring extension cords as needed. Exhibitor's must also cover cords so they are not a tripping / health hazard to other persons or animals.

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Purchasing a livestock project does not guarantee that project will be eligible to exhibit at the fair. To exhibit at the fair does not guarantee that the animal will be sold at the auction. Selling an animal in the Youth Livestock Auction does not guarantee that a profit will be made.

AUCTION

1. **Auction Sale Regulations:** Youth will only be allowed to sell two (2) animals at the Youth Livestock Auction Sale. GRAND and RESERVE must be sold at the Youth Livestock Auction Sale. **In the event an exhibitor has more than two (2) GRAND or RESERVE animals only two (2) will be allowed to sell in the auction. Any exhibitor which has more than two (2) animals will have 30 minutes after their final class to notify Youth Livestock Committee overall superintendent as to which two (2) animals they will be selling.** Youth Livestock will make the decision which animals will be sold if they are not notified. All market animals that have received a PURPLE OR BLUE RIBBON in their respective market class are eligible to be sold as individuals items at the Youth Livestock Auction Sale. RED AND WHITE RIBBON animals may be sold as individuals or in pen lots. This will be determined on the basis of the total number of animals that are offered for sale. Final policy and determination will be established just prior to the auction sale. Any animals that does not receive a market class ribbon is ineligible to be sold at auction.

Re-auctioned animals can only be sold one time and only toward a non-profit organizations. ALL resale animals will go back through for re-auction with a per head price.

The Youth Livestock Committee must be notified within one (1) hour after completion of the Meat Class judging of those animals receiving ribbons that will not be sold at auction.

2. CONSIGNMENT OF ANIMAL TO THE AUCTION IS FINAL. An exhibitor will not be eligible to consign an animal to the auction unless he or she has participated in the SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST. Exhibitors owning animals to be sold must present the animal PERSONALLY or be authorized by the Youth Livestock Committee to have a substitute members present the animal instead. THERE WILL BE NO EXCUSE FOR MISSING YOUR PLACE IN ORDER OF SALE AND THOSE MISSING THEIR PLACE WILL NOT SELL. Consignment of an animal the price received in the ring must be accepted. Consigned animals will be sold to the highest bidder and that sale will be final. Acceptance of consignment of an animal for auction does not imply or guarantee the sale of that animal for more than the floor price.
3. AUCTION FLOOR PRICE; Will be announced immediately prior to the sale, as established by the packer buyers.
4. SELLING COMMISSION: A selling commission of 7 ½% will be deducted from the sale of animals to meet auction expenses. A minimum of \$10.00 will be deducted from all sales.
5. ALL BARN SALES: (ANIMALS NOT SOLD THROUGH THE AUCTION RING) All arrangements made for barn sales other than the auction are the sole responsibility of the seller and buyer. They must insure all processing, pick-ups, and inspections through the state livestock inspector are completed, as well. Youth Livestock has no liability or responsibility for any animals not sold through the livestock auction.
6. No animals that have gone through auction may be resold by the original owner during fair.
7. LIVESTOCK WILL BE RELEASED: On Sunday, beginning at 7:00 a.m., shipping to packing house will be done prior to individual pick up. Individual pick up will begin at approximately 9:00 a.m. Individual animals will be picked up between 8:00 a.m. and 10 a.m. Any animal left after 10:00 a.m. WILL NOT BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE YOUTH LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE.

***If you are feeding on Sunday, you can only feed from 6:30-6:45 am. All youth must then be out of the barn area until animals are loaded. Clean-up of the pens will not begin until 10:00 am. Any youth in the barn prior to that will be asked to leave until the large livestock has been loaded.**

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8. AUCTION LIMIT FOR SMALL STOCK ANIMALS.
 - a. Grand and Reserve Small Stock Animals are open for unlimited bidding
 - b. Purple Ribbon Animals cannot exceed \$250.00 for each animal.
 - c. Blue Ribbon Animals cannot exceed \$200.00 for each animal.
 - d. Red ribbon animals cannot exceed \$150.00 for each animal.
 - e. White ribbon animals cannot exceed \$50.00 if allowed to sell individually. If placed in a pen lot of no more than 3 animals, they will not be sold for more than \$50.00 per animal.

EXHIBITOR RESPONSIBILITY AT THE FAIR

1. CARE OF ANIMALS: It shall be the **INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH EXHIBITOR** to feed, water, and attend to his or her own animal before, during and after the show and sale, and at all times while on the fairgrounds. Exhibit must be kept well groomed, cleaned, and in show condition at all time. Any animal found to be willfully neglected in this respect will be removed from the fairground and from the sale.
2. EXHIBITOR NUMBERS: Each exhibitor shall be issued a numbered exhibitor card for each entry. The appropriate exhibitor number (corresponding with the animal) must be worn and displayed (front & back) in a number halter prior to entering the show ring.
2. SHOWING ANIMALS: Each exhibitor in this division must exhibit, show, and care for his or her own animal unless the safety of the child or the animal is at risk. **NO ADULT MAY ASSIST IN THE FITTING OR**

SHOWING OF ANY ANIMAL UNLESS APPROVED IN WRITING FROM THE LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE.

Youth Livestock Committee **will enforce the 4-H & FFA Standard of Attire** for exhibitors in market, showmanship, classes, and auction sale upon the direction of the 4-H & FFA advisors or superintendents before exhibitors enter the show ring.

ADULTS

Adult volunteers from each club will be appointed to assist in the handling and transporting of animals (i.e. hauling pig carts, lifting buckets) once the animal is on the fair grounds. Only volunteers with required name badge will be allowed in livestock areas. A list of designated volunteers must be submitted to Youth Livestock by Wednesday morning. No adults or any person not entered as an exhibitor in the livestock show will assist in the cleaning of the pen, feeding, watering, grooming and showing of the animal except in an emergency or with the committee's consent until after 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. A \$25.00 fine will occur against exhibitor for each offense. **Fines will be listed daily. The first fine is for the youth only, each consequent fine will be administered to both the you and the club that they represent at \$25.00 each.**

HERDSMANSHIP

Each club project exhibiting livestock shall name one member or more, if necessary, to be on duty at all times during the day. This herdsman's duty will be to assist in keeping all livestock exhibits of their club neatly displayed at all times, also to answer questions and to extend courtesy to the public. This is to insure proper care for animal as well as train members to handle and care for more than one animal. SCORE CARDS FOR JUDGING HERSMANSHIP WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

CLUB MEMBER	20
Appearance (clean, neat, suitably dressed)	5
Cooperation (between members and with Leaders, fairground management and other club)	5
Courtesy, conduct, friendliness	5
Work done by club members	5
ANIMALS	40
Clean and comfortable	20
Regularly fed and cared for	10
Securely and safely tied or penned	10

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BARNs (clean and orderly)	40
Alleys, stall, pens (cleaned regularly)	20
Feed and equipment (securely and safely stored)	10
Stall Cards (neat and complete)	10

Youth Livestock will present and overall herdsman's award, based on average score over total projects entered for each club. Herdsman's award will not be judged during market or showmanship classes but it may be checked at any time after 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. during the day, Thursday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. **Pen selection for the next year will be determined by Herdsman's placement.**

SHOWMANSHIP

Animals must be raised as a project in the division. Individual awards for showmanship will be based on the following:

- a. APPEARANCE OF ANIMAL
 - a. Condition, Grooming & Clipping, Cleanliness
2. APPEARANCE OF EXHIBITOR
 - a. Neatness and Cleanliness
3. SHOWING IN THE RING
 - a. Moving or Leading
 - b. Showing Animal to Best Advantage
 - c. Poise, Alertness and attitude

Showmanship class for livestock are as follows (Age as of January 1st)

Junior (age 9-11) Intermediate (age 12-13) Senior (age 14-19)

All Grand Showmen, Reserve Showmen, and 1st Purple in each age division will be returning for the final drive.

Grand Champion and Reserved Grand Champion will be eligible for Round Robin Showmanship. In some circumstances the first purple ribbon winner may also be permitted to participate in round Robin.

MARKET CLASS

MARKET CLASS JUDGING: Market animals will be judged on a modified Danish judging system. Market Class of equal size will be made up of animals belonging to members by selecting representative numbers from each weight group into each market class. The market judge will then select blue, red, and white ribbon animals and specify their rank in each market class. Call back for Final Drive in Small Stock will be determined by the judge from each table. Large livestock - All Top in Weight Class animals will return for final drive with 2nd in class on standby to come in if that class "Top" wins Grand Champion. The 2nd in class will then enter to compete against the other "Top" in weight class for Reserve Grand Champion.

Final Drive for Small Stock will begin at 4:00 pm. Final Drive for Large stock will begin at 6:00 pm.

JUDGES AND JUDGING

1. Judges are responsible for reading and understanding all general and special rules within each department, division, or class in which they are to serve.
2. All evaluations are initially made based on the Danish System of judging. All comments to exhibitors should be made in a constructive manner as possible.
3. Judges shall report to the superintendent any exhibitor, leader, parent, or other person who has physically/ verbally abused them or tried to bribe them in any way. Youth Livestock has the option of demanding a formal apology from the offender directly to the judge and/or excluding the exhibitor or offending person from further participation in the fair.
4. The decision of the judge shall be final except in the event of fraud or misrepresentation not discovered at the time of award. In case of fraud or misrepresentation, the offending exhibit will be removed from competition.

Round Robin Showmanship Contest

This contest is open to the Grand and Reserve Champion Showmanship winners of the Beef, Lamb, Swine, Goat, Rabbit and Poultry Divisions.

If an individual should be the Grand Champion or Reserve Champion in more than one division then they have 30 minutes after their final contest to notify appropriate 4-H Personnel which animal they will be showing. If the time frame is not met 4-H

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Leader will choose animal for them. If you have Grand Champion in one species and Reserve in another, you must show the Grand Champion animal.

If Grand Champion or Reserve Champion Showmanship winners do not wish to participate they must notify the appropriate 4-H Personnel within 30 minutes after the completion of the division showmanship show.

Round Robin participants will show in the 4-H/FFA Standard of Attire.

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**IAFE NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS:
The La Paz County Fair endorses the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics.
Exhibitors are expected to read and adhere to the Code of Ethics.**

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics," La Paz County Fair and La Paz County Youth Livestock Committee may have additional rules and regulations which they impose on the La Paz County Fair.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and shall be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered.

Misrepresentation of ownership, age or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.

Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.

Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.

Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues.

The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event, which culminates with the animal entering the food chain, shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally.

It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and

accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

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, confirmation, or appearance, except external application of substances to the hoofs 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. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.

Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.

The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.

The act of entering an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

4-H & FFA

Overall Large Animal Superintendent: William Alcaida, Brad Makrdichian

BEEF: Fernando Baldenegro, Chad Elliott, Debbie Pettigrew

SWINE: John Nelson, Justin Carmona, Dawn McGuire

GOAT/LAMB: Pam Brady, Lori Baldenegro, Brenda Palma

SMALL STOCK: Kim Casanova, Sandra Cruz, Emmanuel Munoz

SUPERINTENDENTS

1. It is the responsibility of the superintendent(s) of each department to inform the judge(s) of specific departmental rules and regulations concerning the issuing of awards.
2. It is the responsibility of the superintendent(s) of each department to see that all awards are properly entered and distributed.
3. Each superintendent will have the final right of determination as to the disposal of exhibits not claimed by exhibitor.
4. A superintendent may recommend to the Youth livestock Committee dismissal of any entry he or she feels is unworthy of competition, or poses a health or safety threat to any persons, property, or livestock.
5. All superintendents are to be afforded the respect to which they are entitled. Any superintendent, WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE DIRECTLY AFFILIATED WITH A PARTICULAR DEPARTMENT, has the authority to enforce all rules at such time as they see fit.

DEPARTMENT "A" LARGE LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS ANIMAL PROJECT INFORMATION

DIVISION 1 ~ BEEF

DIVISION 2 ~ LAMB

DIVISION 3 ~ SWINE

DIVISION 4 ~ GOAT

EXHIBITOR MUST BE ENROLLED IN 4-H BY NOVEMBER 1ST OF THE CURRENT 4-H YEARS TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LA PAZ COUNTY FAIR.

ENTRY

ALL LIVESTOCK ENTRIES/EXHIBITS MUST be at the fairgrounds on Wednesday between 9:00 a.m. and 2 p.m. for sifting and weigh-in. Animals must remain in vehicles they have arrived in until their turn to be weighed in. Weigh in is first come first serve.

RULES AND REGULATION

1. Only one (1) animal per species may be presented for tagging.
2. No bulls, boars, rams, or bucks (goats) will be allowed in the market classes. Horns must be trimmed approximately 2 in. from the front base of the horn and deemed safe by the sifting committee.
3. All livestock exhibitors must comply with Local and State Regulations concerning health certificates and brand inspection papers and **bring required copies of paperwork to show, including 2 copies of seasonal pass.**
4. Exhibitors can have no more than a total of three (3) animals' entries. No more than two (2) large species may be entered .
5. A maximum of two (2) animals of different species may be sold. Species include SWINE, LAMB, BEEF, GOAT, RABBIT, POULTRY, PIGEON, TURKEY, AND WATERFOWL. All exhibitors must have participated in the showmanship contest for each species, in order to sell at auction. For additional explanation see Youth Livestock Rules and Regulation.

SIFTING AND WEIGH – IN

1. Sifting will be done by an unbiased committee of knowledgeable persons appointed by the Youth Livestock Committee. The purpose of this Committee will be to disqualify and reject any livestock which does not meet the minimum requirements which are set down, or are in some regards unsuitable for exhibit in the Youth Livestock Show. The determination of this committee concerning the animals is to be made upon arrival on

the grounds and during the weigh-in period. All animals must meet standards and requirements set forth in the Fair Book and pass inspection of this Committee. **SIFTED ANIMALS MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE FAIRGROUNDS WITHIN ONE (1) HOUR.**

- **All animals will only get ONE weigh-in.** Minimum and maximum weights at official weigh-in times must be met.
 - **If for any reason an exhibitor's animal is sifted, they must be removed from the fairgrounds within 1 hour.**
 - **Any animal that meets all requirements of the La Paz Livestock Committee will need to be taken to assigned pen immediately.**
 - **All animals need to stay in designated livestock area**
2. The owner/exhibitor only and alone will handle his or her animal during sifting and until excused by the Sifting Committee. Once an animal is in the sifting area, **NO ALTERATIONS OR FITTING WILL BE DONE.**
 3. All decision of the sifting committee are final and cannot be disputed with any member of the sifting Committee, Fair Board, or Youth Livestock Committee. All adults contact or consultation with the sifting committee is prohibited until sifting is complete and decisions are made unless requested by a member of the sifting committee. In this situation only unbiased non-parent Youth Livestock Committee Members may be consulted as deemed qualified by the Youth livestock Committee. Violations may result in disqualification of the violator's children. Any Youth Livestock member who has a child (exhibitor/exhibit) in question may not participate in any decisions that directly affect his or her child.
 4. ONLY Youth Livestock Committee Members and the Sifting Committee will be allowed in the designated Sifting area during the sifting process, unless otherwise approved prior to the sifting process (i.e. Board men Scale operators) by Youth Livestock Committee.

DIVISION 1: BEEF

Market Beef

1. Acceptable condition – Quality and finish in good health, groomed properly, clean, halter broke, gentle, feet trimmed, and finished suitable for show. **BEEF WILL BE SECURED BY HALTER AND NECK ROPE.** The following must be done before steers arrive at the fairgrounds: animals must be clipped in an acceptance show style and hooves trimmed. The exhibitor must be able to handle the steer alone and with one lead rope to the satisfaction of the sifting committee. Sifting and removal from fairgrounds will be required upon arrival and unloading if the Sifting Committee or the Youth Livestock Committee feels the animal is so unruly that it creates a safety hazard or is obviously unfit to remain in any other way. Sifting for animal behavior is in no way confined to the parameters of the show ring or other designated sifting areas. If the exhibitor cannot enter the show ring within 5 minutes of the first call for sifting purpose, the exhibitor will be disqualified as determined by the Sifting Committee.
2. Project must be ear-tagged by Livestock Committee Member with number recorded on applicable paperwork.

3. Suggested starting weight is 800 pounds. Suggested finish weight is approximately 1200 pounds.
4. Minimum weight is 1000 pounds. Maximum age is 24 months on Fair date, and must be owned a minimum of 150 days. Ideal age at Fair is 15-16 months of age. Beef ear-tag date is 1st Saturday of October.
5. Steers must weigh 1000 pounds gross weight or more to be eligible for sale. They may be left on feed and water from the time of arrival until weigh in. Sale weight: 1300 pounds.
6. SHOW/AUCTION: Show halters with neck chain, must be worn in the show ring at all times.

Production Steer

1. All production steers will be purchased from a feed lot prior to tag day. Steers will be castrated prior to selection.
2. Acceptable condition – Quality and finish, in good health, groomed properly, clean, halter broke, gentle, feet trimmed and finished suitable for show. BEEF WILL BE SECURED BY HALTER AND NECK ROPES. The following must be done before steers arrive at the fairgrounds: all body hair will have been slick sheared and the tail switch must be properly clipped and hooves trimmed. The exhibitor must be able to handle the steer alone and with one lead rope to the satisfaction of the sifting committee. Sifting and removal from the fairgrounds will be required upon arrival and unloading if the Sifting Committee or the Youth Livestock Committee feels the animal is so unruly that it creates a safety hazard or is obviously unfit to remain in any other way. Sifting for animal behavior is in no way confined to the parameters of the show ring or other designated areas. If the exhibitor cannot enter the show ring within 5 minutes of the first call for sifting, the exhibitor will be disqualified as determined by the sifting committee.
3. Project must be ear tagged by Livestock Committee Member with number recorded on applicable paperwork.
4. Minimum weight is 1000 lbs. Maximum age is 24 months on Fair date, and must be owned a minimum of 150 Days. Beef ear tag date is the 1st Saturday in October. Sale weight 1300 pounds.
5. Show/Auction: Show halters with neck chain, must be worn in the show ring at all time.

CLASS 1: MARKET BEEF CLASS (limit 1 entry per exhibitor)

Lot:

1. Light Weights
2. Intermediate
3. Heavy

CLASS 2: PRODUCTION BEEF CLASS (limit 1 entry per exhibitor)

Lot:

4. Light Weights
5. Intermediate
6. Heavy

Market classes determined as directed by the Youth Livestock Committee after weigh – in.

CLASS 3: SHOWMANSHIP (Limit 1 entry per exhibitor)

Lot:

- 7. Junior**
- 8. Intermediate**
- 9. Senior**

DIVISION 2: LAMB

1. Acceptable condition – Quality and finish in good health, with a degree of muscling, groomed properly, clean, feet trimmed, free of parasites and finished suitable for show. The following must be done before arrival at the fairground: pads must be trimmed and hooves trimmed to no more than 1/6 inch of growth at entry, wool clean, dry with no more than ¼ inch of fleece on any part of the body, excluding the head. All lambs must have been slick shorn from the knee and hock up.
2. Project must be ear-tagged by Youth Livestock Member with numbered recorded on applicable paperwork. Ear-tag date is the 1st Saturday in December. Lambs must have been owned a minimum of 100 days and not to exceed 365 days prior to the Fair, with the exception of hardship cases.
3. WEIGHT LIMITS: All breeds will have a minimum weight of 100 pounds and no maximum weight. Although there is no maximum weight limit, exhibitor will be paid only for a maximum weight of 150 pounds on market lambs. LAMBS NOT MEETING WEIGHT WILL BE SIFTED.
4. ONCE ANY PART OF A YEARLING TOOTH IS VISIBLE, THE ANIMALS WILL NO LONGER BE CONSIDERED A LAMB, AND WILL BE SIFTED.

CLASS 4: LAMB CLASS (limit 1 entry per exhibitor)

Lot:

- 10. Light Weights**
- 11. Intermediate**
- 12. Heavy**

Market classes determined as directed by the Youth Livestock Committee after weigh-in

CLASS 5: SHOWMANSHIP (limit 1 entry per exhibitor)

Lot:

- 13. Junior**
- 14. Intermediate**
- 15. Senior**

DIVISION 3: SWINE

1. Acceptable condition – Quality and finish in good health, groomed properly, clean, feet trimmed, and finished suitable for show. Swine not show ring groomed and clean will be sifted. Hogs must not be scaly or excessively sunburned. Swine showing a soft and wasty finish, light hammed, lacking meatiness, wasty jowl and/or middle, no more

than one (1) inch of back fat at the 12th rib eye will be sifted. Swine must be free of parasites and /or eggs and must be free of lameness while walking or standing. Ears must be trimmed. Short tails must be trimmed completely and long tails must be left with a switch. All long hair on the underline must be trimmed. Any hog weighing over 285 pounds will be sifted. HOGS NOT MEETING THE REQUIRED 210-285 POUND WEIGHT LIMIT WILL BE SIFTED. OUT OF STATE HOGS MUST HAVE A HEALTH CERTIFICATE. Suggest weight is 250 pounds with a minimum weight of 210 pounds.

2. Project must be ear-tagged by a Livestock Member with the number recorded on applicable paperwork.
3. Swine must have been owned a minimum of 100 days and not to exceed 365 days prior to the Fair, with the exception of hardship cases. Ear tag date is the 1st Saturday in December.
4. Automatic waters are required for all swine projects.

CLASS 6: SWINE CLASS (limit 1 entry per exhibitor)

Lot:

- 16. Light Weight**
- 17. Intermediate**
- 18. Heavy**

Market classes determined as directed by Youth Livestock Committee after weigh - in.

CLASS 7: SHOWMANSHIP (Limit 1 entry per exhibitor)

Lot:

- 19. Junior**
- 20. Intermediate**
- 21. Senior**

DIVISION 4: GOAT

1. Acceptable Condition – Goats in classes need not be purebred. Open to wether or doe kids under one year of age. They must be dehorned and sheared with no more than 3/8 inch of hair growth upon arrival and spurs cannot exceed 2 inches above the skull. All goats must be in good health and free of any evidence of a communicable disease; i.e. abscess pinkeye. If diseased, the goat will be sifted.

2. Project must be ear-tagged by a Livestock Member with the number recorded on applicable paperwork.
3. Weight Limits: A minimum weight of 60 pounds and no maximum weight.
4. Goats must have been owned a minimum of 100 days and not to exceed 365 days prior to the Fair, with the exception of hardship cases. Ear tag date will be the 1st Saturday in December.

Class 8: GOAT CLASS (Limit 1 entry per exhibitor)

Lot:

- 22. Light Weight**
- 23. Intermediate**

24. Heavy

Market classes determined as directed by Youth Livestock Committee after weigh - in.

CLASS 9: SHOWMANSHIP (Limit 1 entry per exhibitor) Lot:

25. Junior

26. Intermediate

27. Senior

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Small Stock check in will start at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday. Check in will be done by the Small Animal Superintendent. All animals must be show groomed and toenails clipped. Quick release locks must be on all cages. Responsibility of exhibitor animal and equipment lay solely with the exhibitor. Stock showing symptoms of disease or illness upon arrival will be excluded from exhibit and be removed from the fairgrounds.
2. Awards will be on the Danish system of judging. Judging will be according to the latest rules and regulations of the A.R.B.A. and the A.P.B.A. Grand and Reserve Champion of Small Animals will be named for rabbit, poultry, pigeon, waterfowl and turkey in showmanship and meat classes.
3. Ownership Deadlines: All Small Stock rabbit exhibits must be owned by December of previous year (3 months). All exhibits must be banded or tattooed with its number or tattoo listed on registration form. A complete ANIMAL REGISTRATION FORM must be turned into the Youth Livestock Committee. Poultry banding will be the last Saturday of January.
4. Showmanship animals must be good representatives of their breed.
5. Rabbit, Poultry, Waterfowl, Pigeon, Turkey meat exhibit must be used as the showmanship choice.
6. All breeds accepted by the American Rabbit Breeders Association and the American Poultry Association, as stated in the Standard of Perfection, may be exhibited in meat class by Small Stock exhibitors.

DIVISION 5: POULTRY, OTHER BIRDS DIVISION RULES

1. Classes will be set according to lot.
2. Birds will be examined at check in for external parasites and signs of illnesses.

CLASS 10: PIGEON SHOWMANSHIP

LOT:

27. Senior
28. Intermediate
29. Junior

CLASS 11: PIGEON MEAT CLASS

LOT:

30. Pigeon Meat Class

CLASS 12: POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

LOT:

- 31. Senior
- 32. Intermediate
- 33. Junior

CLASS 13: POULTRY MEAT CLASS

LOT:

- 34. Poultry Fryer: (Individual 3 lbs. and over)
- Grand and Reserve Champions and two Purple awards will be awarded at Judge's discretion.

CLASS 14: WATERFOWL SHOWMANSHIP

LOT:

- 35. Senior
- 36. Intermediate
- 37. Junior

CLASS 15: WATERFOWL MEAT

LOT:

- 38. Geese
- 39. Duck

CLASS 16: TURKEY SHOWMANSHIP

LOT:

- 40. Senior
- 41. Intermediate
- 42. Junior

CLASS 17: TURKEY MEAT

LOT:

- 43. Old Cock (Between 1 year and 18 months)
- 44. Old Hen (Between 1 year and 18 months)
- 45. Young Cock (under 1 year)
- 46. Young Hen (under 1 year)

DIVISION 6: RABBITS
DIVISION RULES

1. Rabbits that have been shown at previous fairs are not eligible for market showmanship class.

CLASS 18: RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

Top Two (2) blue ribbon rabbits to be selected from each lot to come back for Grand and Reserve Showmanship Champions and purple awards.

LOT:

47. Senior
48. Intermediate
49. Junior

CLASS 19: RABBIT MARKET MEAT

Rabbits will be deemed eligible for auction based on the ARBA guidelines for each breed. Rabbits older than 1 year are not eligible for auction. Rabbits will compete for top two (2) blue ribbon awards in each lot. These eight(8) will come back to compete for Grand and Reserve Champions and purple awards. (Auction animal choice must be designated on fair entry form)

LOT:

50. Roaster- One rabbit, less than six (6) months of age and minimum weight over five (5) lbs. and maximum weight of seven and a half (7.5) lbs. Only commercial type (Class D) rabbits as defined by the A.R.B.A. will be accepted.
51. Stewer- One Rabbit six (6) months of age or over, weighing over seven and a half (7.5) lbs. Only commercial type (Class D) rabbits as defined by the A.R.B.A. will be accepted.