

2016 Wayne County Junior Fair Rule Changes

Beef:

- If an exhibitor has a steer/heifer that dies and they receive a payout of the dead steer/heifer fund, that member is in-eligible to show any other beef project within that same class in Section 510.
- All steers/heifers will have a DNA sample taken at tag in. The samples will be overseen by and kept at the Extension Office. These sample will not be used unless a protest is filed. A protest must adhere to all proceedings as outlined in general rule 27. Once the protest is made, a current DNA sample will be taken and submitted along with the sample taken at tag-in to a DNA testing facility at the choice of the Liaison Committee or Sr. Fair board.
- Market and Dairy Beef will no longer have divisions that go for Grand and Reserve. They will have an overall top 10 for beef steers and a top 5 for Dairy steers.

Dairy:

- Modified Jr. Fair rule number 1 to state that all Dairy classes shall be placed 1 through 10. Ayrshire & Guernseys were previously only placed 1 through 5.
- Check-in time will now be Friday 5:00 – 10:00 pm. Previously check-in went until 11 pm, this makes it consistent with open class check-in time.

Dog:

- Added “general unsoundness” to Jr. Fair Dog Show rules 3 and 11 as a reason for which dogs can be dismissed from the show and fairgrounds.
- Added “boots” to the list of inappropriate clothing for the show ring.
- Permission to Participate form will be due August 1st with all other Dog forms. However, if a youth chooses to participate in any of the summer clinics, the form will be due at the beginning of the clinic before they’re allowed to participate.

Horse:

- Opening Ceremony is scheduled to start at 1 pm instead of 2 pm on Saturday September 10th
- Added a new rule that says “no person shall alter, in any way change, or attempt to hide the natural markings of a horse by surgery, dye, or in any other manner. The horse entered, stalled and shown at the Wayne County Fair must match, identically in appearance, the horse pictured and described on the horse ID paperwork turned into the Extension Office June 1st of that year. The use of hoof dressing, including dressings that change the color of the feet, is optional and not considered in judging.”
- Removed rule 27 that required a veterinarian or doctor’s excuse for those who scratch more than 3 classes.
- Added a new rule that says “Any horse left unattended, stall door must be closed.”
- Replaced Hunter Hack and Western Horsemanship events in the Versatility Class with English Equitation and Reining events.
- Changed eligibility for championship classes from top 3 of each class vying for that particular championship to top 2 and judges discretion to add additional.
- Moved Breakaway Dummy Roping classes back to Monday and Tuesday from Saturday.
- Committee will again hold 2 informational meetings for all Horse Youth, Parents, and Advisors. One will be May 16th to go over reminders and help people prepare for Summer Fun Shows and paperwork due June 1st. The second meeting will be August 29th to go over reminders and preparations for Fair.
- Horse Special Requests will be Due May 2nd this year.

Goat:

- Modified Jr. Fair rule number 9 to add an upper weight limit of 120 pounds on market goats eligible to show and sell. To be eligible for Jr. Fair show and sale, Meat Goats must weigh between 50 and 120 pounds.
- Market Goats will now be sold by the head instead of pound.
- Clarified that section 558 Mother & Daughter classes includes all breeds except Pygmy. Also clarified that in the Mother & Daughter class 19 – both animals must be shown in another class (excluding showmanship) by the same exhibitor.
- Clarified that in Pack classes – the goat must complete the course within 5 minutes – not just start the course within 5 minutes.
- Does can now be exhibited, showed, and sold as a market goat.

Poultry:

- ODA has lifted the ban on poultry exhibitions so we are planning to be back to normal for poultry shows and sale. However, ODA has advised that if an outbreak of Avian Influenza occurs there is a possibility the ban would be reinstated. All youth that choose to take a poultry project are advised to also take another livestock project.
- NEW for 2016: ABSOLUTELY NO decorations or tack are to be torn down or removed from the barn before 9:30 p.m. Thursday.
- Chickens in the meat pen should be of the same sex and as close as possible to identical weight, but not under 3 pounds or over 8 pounds per bird.

Rabbits:

- ABSOLUTELY NO decorations or tack are to be torn down or removed from the barn before 9:30 p.m. Thursday
- All Rabbits, excluding market, must have an identification tattoo in their left ear before the time of check in at the fair. All market rabbits will receive a tattoo at check in at the fair. The committee will provide tattooing at the clinics. If you are unable to be at a clinic, the Extension office will give you contacts to get your rabbits tattooed
- Five or more entries are required to have a rabbit breeding section. If there are not five entries after combining junior and senior, rabbit will be shown in the fancy or commercial other classes
- Meat rabbits under 3.5 lbs. will be sent home. Rabbits over 5.5 pounds may show, but are not eligible for Champion or Reserve Champion.

Sheep:

- Both Monday and Tuesday Sheep Shows will start no earlier than 3pm and immediately following the Swine Shows.
- Registration papers on purebred breeding sheep must be available during the fair. (Change being the committee will not check unless there are questions!)

Swine:

- Monday & Tuesday Swine Shows will start at 8am in the morning! The Sheep show will follow the swine show both days!
- ABSOLUTELY NO decorations or tack are to be torn down or removed from the barn before 6:00 p.m. Thursday. If tack or decorations are removed before the 6:00 p.m. Thursday release-time the entire club/chapter will lose their premiums for their swine projects.