

OPEN CLASS LIVESTOCK RULES

1. All open class livestock entries should be submitted on an **OPEN CLASS ENTRY FORM by Friday, JULY 7^h** to Stafford County Extension Office, P.O. Box 398, St. John, KS 67576
2. All animals are subject to examination by the exhibition staff or their representatives, and shall be free of clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease. Animals with lesions of ringworm, warts, infested with mange or any other infectious or contagious disease, as determined by exhibition staff or their representatives, will not be permitted to exhibit.
3. Non Stafford Co. Open Class livestock will work out of trailers. Non Stafford Co. Open Class livestock will be released after their respective shows. **No stall fee is required, but trailer area MUST be cleaned prior to checkout.**
4. No exhibitor may be awarded more than two prizes in any one class.
5. Any animal exhibited must be owned by the exhibitor since May of 2017.
6. The management will not be responsible in case of fire, escape, or disease of any kind.
7. Every effort will be made to select competent persons for judging exhibits. No person should act as judge in any class in which he is an exhibitor.
8. Judges will make awards on merit of exhibits and may refuse to award first, second or any other prizes, regardless of number of exhibits in that class.
9. No exhibitor or other persons shall in any manner interfere with the judges on duty, under penalty of forfeiture of premium award.
10. An exhibitor who shall tear off or cause to be torn off any permit, card or ribbon in the presence of the judges, or otherwise insult them shall be excluded from further competition and his said premium that may have been awarded him shall by such an act be deemed forfeited and the association shall be under no obligation to pay the same.
11. The management reserves the right to reassign any stall, pen, coop or concession space at any time. No exhibitor, or concessionaire will be allowed to sublet or sell any space, privilege, stall, or pen without written permission of the management.
12. The management reserves the right to remove from the grounds any exhibit, animal, stand or show that may be falsely entered or may be deemed unsuitable or objectionable, without assigning a reason therefore, and if necessary to return any money already paid for spaces, concessions, or stalls, which shall exonerate the management from any claim whatsoever on the part of the exhibitor or purchaser.
13. Livestock shown in Open Class Division will not be eligible to sell in the premium auction.
14. **CATTLE:** All cattle must be free of tuberculosis.
15. All cattle admitted to the Fairgrounds must meet one of the following classifications if originating from other states. Kansas cattle require no test:
 - Originate from a "brucellosis-free" state
 - Originate in and constitute part of a certified brucellosis-free herd. Herd certification number must be entered on the health certificate
 - Present evidence on the health certificate that the animal has been tested negative for brucellosis by an approved state/federal laboratory within 30 days of the exhibition date
 - All heifers including official calfhood vaccinates that are springers (expected to calve within two weeks) or have calved are test eligible regardless of age
 - Cattle and bison, except steers, not originating from a tuberculosis-free state shall be tested negative for tuberculosis within 90 days prior to the exhibition date.
16. **SHEEP:** All sheep must be free of 'sore mouth' and active fungal infection (ringworm), including club lamb fungus. Those animals showing signs of disease will be asked to leave the fairgrounds.
17. Any lamb shown in the market class cannot be shown in the Breeding Classes and vice versa.
18. **All sheep including wethers MUST be identified with an official USDA premise ID tag.**
19. **GOATS :** All goats shall meet the general requirements. Goats determined by exhibition staff to have sore mouth, lesions or ringworm, warts or infested with mange will not be permitted to exhibit.
20. **All Goats MUST be identified with an official USDA premise ID tag.**
21. **SWINE:** Swine originating in Kansas must meet the general requirements. Kansas has obtained Stage V status in the National Pseudo rabies Program and the state is classified free of swine brucellosis. **A negative Pseudo rabies and brucellosis test are NOT required for Kansas origin swine.**
22. **SWINE:** The Stafford County Fair is a Ractopamine Hydrochloride (PAYLEAN) free show. Any pigs found to have been fed Ractopamine Hydrochloride will be automatically disqualified and will forfeit any awards and/or premium money.