



Exhibitor Handbook

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2018 Delaware Livestock Exposition Schedule of Events

Friday, October 12

8:00 a.m. Barns Open
 Kent Building and Schabinger Building

Saturday, October 13

8:00 a.m. All Animals Must be in Place
9:00 a.m. Goat Show
12:00 p.m. Swine Show
4:00 p.m. Exhibitor Pizza Party & Corn Hole
 Tournament

Sunday, October 14

9:00 a.m. Sheep Show
9:00 a.m. Beef Show

**All animals must be in place by 8:00am on Saturday, October 13th.
PLEASE NOTE: Exhibitor Check IN times for registration papers will
be specified under each department. Please be on time for checking in
your animals. Animal release times are on Page 6 in the General Rules
and Regulations.**

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**Entries must be postmarked by September 21, 2018
LATE ENTRIES ARE DOUBLE FEES**

Livestock Code of Ethics

The Delaware Livestock Exposition subscribes to the following code of ethics with regard to all livestock shown at the exposition.

International Association of Fairs and Expositions National Code of Show Ring Ethics

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times conduct 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 all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations, which they impose, on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.

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 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 should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United State and Canada.

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

1. 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.
2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by livestock show officials.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at the livestock show.
4. 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 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.
5. 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 animals' performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns or 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.
 6. 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.
 7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, or 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 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.
 8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate the 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.
 9. 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.
 10. 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 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 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 or 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.
 11. The act of entering an animal in a 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.

General Rules and Regulations

Read department pages for rules applicable to specific livestock species.

Age: Junior Exhibitors will be for those exhibitors who are 21 years old and under as of January 1 of the current year.

Entry fee: Boer goats, sheep, and swine are \$15.00 per head. Cattle entry fee is \$25.00 per head. Entry fees after the postmark date or dropped off in person after the deadline are doubled. Goats, sheep and swine will be \$30.00 per head and Cattle \$50.00 per head.

Entry Deadline: Entries must be postmarked by September 21, 2018.

Junior exhibitors must show their own animals in the show unless they are exhibiting 2 animals in a class, then another junior exhibitor will be permitted to show the second animal. Without a minimum age limit, junior exhibitors must be physically capable of showing their own animal. Exhibitors too young to control their animals will be dismissed from the ring. In order to participate in showmanship, the exhibitor must show their own animal and that showmanship animal must be shown in an individual class. Intact males may not be used for showmanship.

Attire: Junior exhibitors will wear clean, neat, appropriate show attire while showing. Neat, clean jeans or slacks are recommended along with a clean shirt with some type of sleeve. Exhibitors are prohibited from wearing shirts with inappropriate messages and/or logos.

New Breed Divisions: Sheep & Goats: Any breed that has 3 exhibitors and 10 head entered in the show will have its own breed division for the current year. After check in, any breed that had its own division the previous year, but does not meet the criteria for the current year will be considered on probation, and will be allowed to maintain its breed division for the current year.

Beef & Swine: Any breed that has 3 exhibitors and 6 head entered in the show will have its own breed division for the current year. After check in, any breed that had its own division the previous year, but does not meet the criteria for the current year will be considered on probation, and will be allowed to maintain its breed division for the current year. The following year, the probation breed must meet the minimum requirement. If it does not meet the requirements, the breed division will be dissolved and they will be shown in the AOB division.

Arrival and Release Times: Barns will open beginning Friday, October 12th starting at 8:00 a.m. and animals **must** be in place by 8 a.m., Saturday, October 13th. Pen space is assigned and may not be changed unless approved by the show committee. Goats and Swine are permitted to leave at the conclusion of their respective shows on Saturday until 6:00 a.m. Sunday. **Animals may not leave the grounds unless during the designated times or premiums will be forfeited. ALL ANIMALS MUST BE IN THE BARN BY THE POSTED TIME.**

Ownership: Animals must have been owned and cared for by exhibitor 30 days prior to the show, with the exemption to feeder calves. The name of the exhibitor must appear, as the owner, on the registration paper. **All animals positively must be in show condition or will not be accepted.**

Registration Papers: All registered animals must have their original registration papers checked prior showing. **Animals must exhibit appropriate identification.** Care will be taken to protect the animals from injury, but the Delaware Livestock Exposition and/or the Delaware State Fair will not in any way hold themselves responsible for accidents, loss and damage by water, fire, theft or otherwise, whatever may be the cause or extent of the damage sustained. All animals are entered at the

owner's risk. The Delaware Livestock Exposition will not be liable for damage to any animals, persons, or personal property. Youth exhibitors are to be accompanied by a responsible adult.

If in the opinion of the judge, an entry does not merit a premium, then no premium shall be paid. Further he/she is empowered to limit the top award in any class to a second, third, or lower premium if in his opinion the quality of the class so merits. All decisions by the judge are final. The Delaware Livestock Exposition Committee shall have the right to disqualify any exhibitor for infringement of the rules. All decisions made by the Delaware Livestock Exposition Committee are final regarding interpretation of the rules.

Entries: Exhibitors are limited to two entries per class with the exception of group classes where exhibitors are limited to one entry per class. Substitutions are permitted within the same class provided the animal meets the same requirements. Substitutions must be made no later than check-in. Entry forms may be reproduced.

Beef Exhibitors: Mulch will be available on a first come first serve basis. Limited tie-outs will be available on first come first serve basis. You may tie out to trailers; however, you must clean up tie-out area.

Health Requirements: Please read carefully all the health requirements found on the next page, as they apply to all livestock. If there are any questions regarding health requirements, contact the State Veterinarian's Office at (302) 698-4500.

The Delaware Livestock Exposition Committee will observe the handling of all animals in and out of the show ring and will have the authority to disqualify any exhibitor for unethical practices. No animal may be muzzled at anytime during the exposition.

Delaware Bred and Owned selection process for ALL species:

Each Delaware exhibitor is invited to bring their choice of entry to the show ring to compete for Delaware Bred and Owned. Please have your registration paper ready for inspection. The exhibitor's name must be listed as breeder and owner. "Family Farm Name" alone is not acceptable, the exhibitors name must appear as a breeder. If the Supreme Champion is also Delaware Bred and Owned, they will automatically be named the Delaware Bred and Owned Champion, and no class selection will take place.

Camping Accommodations: Camper hook-ups will be available at \$40.00 per night. This is non-refundable

Directions: Please visit www.delawarestatefair.com for directions to the fairgrounds.

Premium Schedule:

There will be special awards for Champion Showman, Supreme Male and Female of Each Species and Best Delaware Bred and Owned Male and Female of Each Species.

Departments A, B, D (Goats, Swine and Sheep)

Placing	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Premium	\$35	\$28	\$21	\$14	\$10	\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$5

Department C (Beef)

Placing	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Premium	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$21	\$17	\$10	\$7

Showmanship Premium Schedule

Placing	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Premium	\$20	\$18	\$16	\$14	\$12	\$11	\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7

Health Rules and Regulations **For the Delaware Livestock Exposition**

An official health certificate from the state of origin, signed by an accredited veterinarian, shall accompany all animals from outside the state of Delaware. The health certificate shall contain the name and address of the owner, an accurate identification by ear tag, registration number, microchip, or tattoo of each animal(s) and shall indicate the health status of the animals, including results of any required tests. **Health certificates shall be void thirty (30) days after issuance. Delaware will NOT accept the state of Maryland's Intrastate Health Certificate, or self-assessment for this show provided it has been checked and signed at a Maryland show within thirty days.**

Cattle: Health certificate with animal identification.

No tests required if animals are from a Brucellosis and TB Free State or from a certified and accredited herd. Herd numbers and last test date must be included on the health certificate. All other animals, not from a free state, over six (6) months of age must have a negative brucellosis and TB test within thirty (30) days.

Swine: Health certificate with animal identification. No Brucellosis test required if animals are from a Brucellosis free state. No Pseudorabies test required if animals are from a pseudorabies free(stage V) state or from a PRV Qualified Negative Herd; herd number and last test date shall be on the health certificate. All other animals, not from a free state, over six (6) months of age shall have a negative brucellosis and pseudorabies test within thirty (30) days. Statement on health certificate stating that these swine have NOT been fed any raw garbage.

And “To the best of my knowledge, swine represented on this certificate have not originated from a premises known to be affected by Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea virus (PEDv).”

Sheep: Health certificate with animal identification

Statement on health certificate stating there has been no evidence of any infectious or contagious disease including foot rot and sore mouth and there has been no scrapie reported in this flock for the last four (4) years. All females and intact males must have official scrapie identification.

Goats: Health certificate with animal identification

No tests required if from a Brucellosis and TB free state or from a certified and accredited herd. Herd number and last test date must be included on the health certificate. All other animals, not from a free state, over six (6) months of age must have a negative brucellosis and TB test within thirty (30) days. All females and intact males must have official scrapie identification.

Department A - Goats

Saturday 9:00 a.m.

1. In addition to these special rules listed below, this department is subject to the General Rules and Regulations as stated in this exhibitor's book, starting on page 6-7.
2. This is not a sanctioned show; however, all animals must be registered by either: ABGA or USBGA. Original registration certificates are required of ALL winners, and animals must be properly identified.
3. Crossbred classes are for Boers 50% to under 93.75%.
Fullblood/Purebred classes are for Boers 93.75% and up for Does and 96.875% for Bucks.
4. In case of question, USBGA rules will be referenced and the show committee will have authority over any final decisions.
5. Exhibitor check in Friday 6p.m.-7p.m. or Saturday 7:00a.m.-8:00a.m. Please bring original registration papers and any scratches/substitutions.

Breeds

A. Percentage (Classes 6-15 only)

C. Commercial Doe

B. Fullblood and Purebred

Classes

Class 1: Showmanship 19-21

Class 2: Showmanship 16-18

Class 3: Showmanship 13-15

Class 4: Showmanship 10-12

Class 5: Showmanship 9 & under

Class 6: Doe, under 3 months

Class 7: Doe, 3 to under 6 months

Class 8: Doe, 6 to under 9 months

Class 9: Doe, 9 to under 12 months

Class 10: Doe, 12 to under 16 months

Class 11: Doe, 16 to under 20 months

Class 12: Doe, 20 to under 24 months

Class 13: Doe, 24 to under 36 months

Class 14: Doe, 36 to under 48 months

Class 15: Doe, 48 months and over

Class 16: Buck, under 3 mo.

Class 17: Buck, 3 to under 6 mo.

Class 18: Buck, 6 to under 9 mo.

Class 19: Buck, 9 to under 12 mo.

Class 20: Buck, 12 to under 18 mo.

Class 21: Buck, 18 to under 24 mo.

Class 22: Buck, 24 months and up

Group Classes:

All animals in group classes must have been shown in their respective classes. One entry per exhibitor. Class 23 and 24 will follow the Commercial show.

Class 23: Pair of Does

Class 24: Exhibitor Trio (Two does and one buck)

Department B – Swine

Saturday 12:00 p.m.

1. In addition to these special rules listed below, this department is subject to the General Rules and Regulations as stated in this exhibitor's book, starting on page 6-7.
2. Entries shown as Hampshire's, Duroc's, Yorkshires, Berkshires or as an Other Registered Breed, must be registered and have farrowed on or after January 1, 2018.
3. All Other Registered Breeds will show in the AOB classes.
4. Check In: Exhibitors must check in their swine with registration papers between 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning.
5. Automatic Hog waters will not be provided.

Breeds

- A. Hampshire
- B. Duroc
- C. Yorkshire
- D. All Other Registered Breeds (AOB)
- E. Crossbreeds
- F. Berkshires

Classes

- Class 1: Showmanship 19-21 years
- Class 2: Showmanship 16-18 years
- Class 3: Showmanship 13-15 years
- Class 4: Showmanship 10-12 years
- Class 5: Showmanship 9 years & under

Class 6: Boar, born in February

Class 7: Boar, born in March

Class 8: Boar, born in April

Class 9: Gilt, born in January

Class 10: Gilt, born in February

Class 11: Gilt, born in March

Class 12: Gilt, born in April

Department C – Beef Cattle

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

1. In addition to these special rules listed below, this department is subject to the General Rules and Regulations as stated in this exhibitors book, pg. 6-7.
2. All breed association rules will be followed for the show: American Angus Association, American Hereford Association, American Shorthorn Association.
3. Cow/Calf Pairs: Calves must still be nursing. No steer calves permitted.
Crossbreds are not eligible for this class 6-16.
4. Nurse cows will not be permitted.
5. Adhesives may be used; however, any product administered internally or used externally to alter the conformation and/or appearance of an animal for exhibition is prohibited. Any animal found to be in violation will be barred from showing. The exhibition of cattle displaying false hair will not be allowed with the exception of false tail switches; no twining.
6. Paint may only be used to enhance or highlight natural color, not to alter the color pattern of the animal.
7. Cattle Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up their tie-outs. Tie-outs available after 6pm.
8. Registration papers must be checked and crossbred heifers measured between 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 13, 2018.
9. To be eligible to show a feeder calf, animals must be born on or after January 1, 2018.
10. **No Bulls shall be used in Showmanship**

Breeds

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| A. Angus | D. Crossbred (Classes determined by hip height) |
| B. Hereford | F. Feeder Calves (Classes determined by hip height) |
| C. All Other Registered Breeds | G. Simmental Influence |
| E. Charlois | |

Classes

- Class 1: Showmanship 19-21 years
- Class 2: Showmanship 16-18 years
- Class 3: Showmanship 13-15 years
- Class 4: Showmanship 10-12 years
- Class 5: Showmanship 9 years & under
- Class 6: Junior Bull Calves, born January 1, 2018 and after
- Class 7: 2-yr old Cow/Calf Pair, calf born Jan 1, 2018 and after
- Class 7A: Aged Cow Calf Pair 3yrs or older
- Class 8: Late Junior Heifer Calf Calved Mar- May 2018
- Class 9: Early Junior Heifer Calf Calved Jan-Feb 2018
- Class 10: Winter Heifer Calf Calved Nov-Dec 2017
- Class 11: Senior Heifer Calf Calved Sept-Oct 2017

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- Class 12: Late Summer Yearling Calved July-Aug 2017
- Class 13: Early Summer Yearling Calved May-June 2017
- Class 14: Early Spring Yearling Calved Mar-Apr 2017
- Class 15: Junior Yearling Calved Jan-Feb 2017
- Class 16: Senior Yearling Calved Sept-Dec 2016
- Class 17: Crossbred Heifer
- Class 18: Feeder Calves

Department D – Sheep

Sunday 9:00 a.m. – Starting with Showmanship then Breed Show to follow

1. In addition to these special rules listed below, this department is subject to the General Rules and Regulations as stated in this exhibitor handbook, starting on page 6-7.
2. All Southdown and Shropshire breeding sheep must be sheared within ten (10) days of showing.
3. Sheep Check In: Saturday, October 13, 2018 9:00 a.m. –10:00 a.m. at the Show Office.
4. Natural Colored Rules:
 - A. Fleece length must be minimum of two inches except neck, legs and belly. These sheep may be fitted. Bellies must be shorn.
 - B. All wool grades (fine, medium, long and coarse wool) will show in the same class
 - C. Sheep must be registered with NCWGA or their breed association.
6. Owner must be at the head of the animal. One additional junior will be permitted in the ring to set legs.

Breeds

- A. Polled Dorset
- B. Hampshire
- C. All Other Registered Breeds, Meat
- D. Shropshire
- E. Southdown
- F. Suffolk
- G. All Other Registered Breeds, White Wool
- H. Natural Colored
- I. Tunis
- J. Cheviot
- K. Dorper
- L. Commercial

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Department D – Sheep

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Classes

- Class 1: Showmanship 19-21 years
- Class 2: Showmanship 16-18 years
- Class 3: Showmanship 13-15 years
- Class 4: Showmanship 10-12 years
- Class 5: Showmanship 9 years & under

All Sheep Breeds – Except Dorsets

- Class 6: Fall Ram Lamb
- Class 7: Early Spring Ram Jan 1- Feb 15th
- Class 8: Late Spring Ram Feb 15th or after
- Class 9: Yearling Ewe
- Class 10: Fall Ewe Lamb
- Class 11: Early Spring Ewe Jan 1 – Feb 15th
- Class 12: Late Spring Ewe Feb 15th or after
- Class 13: Pair of Ewe Lambs
- Class 14: Young Flock (Ram Lamb and Two Ewe Lambs)

Dorset Classes Only

- Class 15: Early Fall Ram Lamb 9/1 to 11/30
- Class 17: Winter Ram Lamb 12/1 to 1/31
- Class 18: Spring Ram Lamb 2/1 & After
- Class 19: Yearling Ewe
- Class 20: Early Fall Ewe Lamb September
- Class 21: Late Fall Ewe Lamb October
- Class 22: Winter Ewe Lamb Nov 1 – Jan 15th
- Class 23: Spring Ewe Lamb Jan 16th and after
- Class 24: Pair of Ewe Lambs
- Class 25: Young Flock (Ram Lamb and Two Ewe Lambs)

2018 Delaware Livestock Exposition Entry Form
Reproduce as necessary. Use one form per exhibitor

Print owners name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone # (Day & Evening) _____

Email _____

Date of Birth ____/____/____

Camping Accommodations

Indicate number of nights: _____ (\$40.00 per night)
 non-refundable

The undersigned proposes to exhibit at the Delaware Livestock Exposition the articles here in after named and does hereby certify that the said hereinafter mentioned articles, so proposed they be exhibited, are entered for exhibition, strictly in accordance with the Rules & Regulations contained in the Exhibitor's Handbook, and by which the undersigned hereby agrees to be governed in exhibiting the same. The undersigned exhibitor assumes all risk of damage or loss, either to person or property, from and every cause whatsoever; including fire, the elements, violation of the law, negligence either on the part of the Delaware Livestock Exposition, its officers, servants, agents or employees, or any other person or persons, and it is further expressly understood and agreed between the undersigned exhibitor and the Delaware Livestock Exposition, that the said Delaware Livestock Exposition incurs no liability or obligation to the undersigned exhibitor, other than to permit the exhibitor to use the ground or space described herein, in accordance with the terms of this agreement.

Signature of Exhibitor** _____

Parent or Guardian of the above Signator** _____

Date _____

***Must be signed regardless of exhibitor age.**

Use this form for Goat, Sheep, Swine, Beef. Entry Fees: Goat, Sheep, Swine \$15.00 per head, Cattle \$25.00 per head.

Dept. Code	Breed Code	Class Number	DOB	Description of Entry (If AOB, please note breed)	Entry Fee
Checks should be made payable to:				Entry Fee Total	
DLE					
Sorry, No Refunds!				Camping Fee	
LATE ENTRIES ARE DOUBLE Fees!				Total Enclosed	

Stall Requests: _____ Stall Requests: _____

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