



Premier Livestock Classic General Show Rules

1. Youth exhibitors who have not reached their 22nd birthday on or before September 1, 2023 are eligible to participate in the Premier Livestock Classic. The Horse Show will include some adult classes, see Horse Section for details.
2. All required Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (health papers) must be inspected by the Swine Superintendents during check-in.
3. Registration papers or transfers must show ownership by the registered exhibitor. The registration papers may also include the names of immediate family members. See Horse section for horse ownership and leasing rules.
4. **Physical Abuse Statement:** The Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act prohibits physical mistreatment of animals. The use of electrical shock, manual striking of livestock, or withholding feed and water are considered direct violations of this act. The presence of any type of equipment to induce electrical shock in the exhibition area will be considered as intent to inflict electrical shock on animals under care of the person with the equipment. People found mistreating livestock will be prohibited from exhibiting, dismissed from the fairgrounds and ineligible to premiums or awards.
5. Animals that are uncontrollable or exhibiting vicious behavior will be dismissed from the showing at the discretion of the superintendent. At the Show Director's discretion, animals may be dismissed from the fairgrounds for unsafe behavior.
6. Exhibitors must wear appropriate attire when exhibiting animals. A shirt with sleeves and a collar, or a t-shirt tucked in at the waist and closed-toed shoes will constitute appropriate attire. Shorts are not considered appropriate. Failure to conform to this rule will result in dismissal from the show ring at the discretion of the Show Director.
7. All animals must be shown in the judging ring by the owner unless otherwise authorized by the Show Director. No one will be allowed in the show ring except exhibitors exhibiting, officers, superintendent or persons designated by show directors.
8. Each exhibitor must be on time in showing their animal. Classes will not be delayed because of the absence of any exhibitor.

**For Health Requirement Information:
Illinois Department of Agriculture
Bureau of Animal Health State Fairgrounds
P.O. Box 19281
Springfield, IL 62794-9281
Phone (217)782-4944**

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS These Exhibition Health Requirements apply to all livestock present at the fair including those animals that are not entered in competitive events. Exhibitors are required to familiarize themselves with all rules applicable to their exhibits.

1. All out-of-state animals shall require an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available by calling the Illinois Department of Agriculture, Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., at 217-782-4944. Permits may also be obtained online at: <http://www.agr.state.il.us/AnimalHW/animalregistry/login.php>
2. All animals, except as noted, shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) which shows that the animal meets all health requirements for the State of Illinois. CVI's shall be made available to Bureau of Animal Health Personnel on request. CVI means a legible record made on an official form from the state of origin which has been issued, signed and dated by an accredited veterinarian and which shows the name and address of the animal's owner or exhibitor and the results of all required tests or vaccinations. A CVI shall list only one animal identification per line; shall be presented on the form on which it was initially issued; and shall not be corrected, changed or altered in any manner.
3. All animals shall be officially identified. The animal(s) official identification shall be recorded on the CVI.
4. If animals are from tuberculosis accredited, brucellosis certified, pseudorabies qualified, or brucellosis validated herds, the identifying herd number(s) along with the date of the last herd test(s) shall appear on the CVI.
5. CVI for out-of-state livestock shall be void thirty (30) days after issuance.
6. CVI for Illinois-origin livestock shall be void ninety (90) days after issuance.
7. All livestock shall be subject to examination upon entry to any Illinois fair or exhibition. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases shall be immediately withdrawn and held in quarantine at the owner's risk and expense until properly treated and recovered, or until the animal is released to return to the owner's premise.

Any livestock infected with scabies, mange, active lesions of ringworm, soremouth, or multiple warts which are easily visible without close examination shall not be permitted to exhibit and are subject to quarantine or removal from the fairgrounds. Sheep and goats with caseous lymphadenitis as evidenced by draining abscesses shall not be exhibited and are subject to immediate quarantine or removal from the fairgrounds.

8. Illinois Department of Agriculture personnel or designee may collect blood, tissue, milk or urine samples from any animal being exhibited and/or raced at any Illinois fair to test for the presence of illegal drugs or banned substances. New examination techniques, such as ultrasound, may also be used at any time while the animals are on the grounds of any Illinois fair or exhibit. The Illinois Department of Agriculture or designee may collect urine, blood, tissue or other test samples from exhibition animals at the time of slaughter.
9. All exhibitors of animals at any Illinois fair or exhibition shall comply with the provisions of the Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act. If violations are observed, the animal(s) will be excused from exhibition and ordered removed from the grounds with all awards being forfeited. Any practice or deviation from normal, accepted care, including physical, medical or mechanical application, shall constitute a violation of show rules and may result in the animal(s) disqualification and removal from the fairgrounds.
10. Any Illinois cattle, bison, cervidae or goats being exhibited in non-accredited free states must be isolated from the remainder of the herd/flock upon return to Illinois and retested for tuberculosis 60-120 days post-entry



Premier Livestock Classic Sheep Show

Payouts For: Class, Breed Champions, and Grand Drive
TOTAL PAYOUTS: \$12,450

Saturday, July 29 at the McLean County Fairgrounds
1106 Interstate Drive Bloomington, IL 61705

Check-in: 6 – 9 a.m. Show time: 10 a.m.

Show Director: Brian Mohr - 309-275-3526 or Bryan Hoffman - 309-258-2621

- \$30 entry fee per head (McLean County 4-H Exhibitors will receive 50% of the registration fee back if registered in advance online by July 28 at 2 p.m.)
- Must have health papers available
- Exhibitors be 21 years of age & younger
- Lambs will be exhibited by breed
- Exhibitors will declare their own sheep weights

Identification

- Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo or official metal or plastic tag.
- A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.
- When using ear tags, the tag must indicate the premises ID and state of origin. The tag number must be assigned by a state or APHIS representative and recorded in the Scrapie Record Database.

Market Lambs - All market lambs must be slick shorn (show ring ready) before check-in so that show lamb fungus can be identified.

Illinois Sheep

1. Sheep originating from a flock that has previously been classified as either an infected or source flock can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved flock plan.
2. For any animal born after 1/1/2002, the CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

Out-of-State Sheep

All out-of-state sheep are to be accompanied by an entry permit from the Illinois Department of Agriculture. Call 217-782-4944 or online: <http://www.agr.state.il.us/AnimalHW/animalregistry/login.php>

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Sheep Show Rules

Health Requirement: It is the exhibitor's responsibility to comply with the general health and eligibility rules. Special emphasis will be placed on sore mouth, club lamb fungus, and foot rot. Any sheep, in the opinion of the superintendent, that exhibits these ailments, detected at any time before final placing in the show, will be barred from show and dismissed from the fairgrounds. Exhibitors may have a veterinarian view, at their own expense, any animal for a binding decision on any feared ailment. However, an exhibitor may not delay a show pending a veterinarian inspection. Any exhibitor, who fails to have any suspected ailment examined by a veterinarian by show time, waives any right to object to the superintendent's decision at a later time. A county veterinarian will be available during check-in

1. All market lambs must have been born on or after January 1, 2023.
2. Exhibitors will declare their own sheep weights
3. Market lambs must show ownership before June 1, 2023. A legible ear tag or tattoo is required in all lambs.
4. If a class has too many exhibitors, it may need to be split.
5. Showmanship classes will be in 4 divisions by age of exhibitor
6. The show committee reserves the right to make any final decisions on the rules and settle any disputes.
7. This will be an ICLA points show