

Livestock Rules and Regulations 4-H

All animal entries must comply with 2017 Health Rules and Regulations set forth by Maryland Dept. of Agriculture. Health papers will be checked upon unloading of animals. Any one not having approved health papers will not be permitted to unload. Swine MUST be individually identified by an official ear tag. Ear notches or tattoos will not be accepted for official identification. Official tags include metal "brite" tags which can be applied by a veterinarian or official USDA approved swine premise ID tags. Premise information is required for entry in the 4H and Open Swine Shows.

All 4-H/FFA livestock must be entered between 7am-4pm on Monday August 7, 2017. Open livestock entries see specific shows for entering times.

Purebred animals must have breed association registration papers issued in the name of the exhibitor. Commercial breeding animals must have appropriate 4-H tag & copies of livestock registration paper work. 4-H/FFA animals must be owned by July 1, 2017. Anyone not having registration papers will not be permitted to show.

All displays and farm signs must be kept at or in your individual stall area. No commercial or advertising signs are allowed at the fair unless you have a booth at the fair.

All stalls must be cleaned before leaving the fairground or premiums will be withheld! Do not leave bedding in the middle of the barns. It must be removed from the barns and put in the manure dumping area.

4-H AND FFA Animal Show General Rules

1. The prescribed show attire is required for all Fitting & Showing, Showmanship, Breed Shows, Market Shows and the Livestock Sale.
2. No farm name or other identification shall appear on show uniforms.
3. Safe appropriate attire, including foot-wear is required at all times.
4. Show Attire: **Dairy cattle and dairy goats 4-H Boys** - white slacks with white shirt. Neck pieces optional but encouraged. **4-H Girls** – white slacks or skirt with white shirt. Neck pieces optional, but encouraged. **Livestock (sheep, swine, beef, and market goats): 4-H Boys** - tan or green slacks; tan or white shirt, with green or black tie. **4-H Girls** - green or tan skirt or slacks, white or tan shirt with green or black neck piece. **FFA Boys** - tan or black slacks, tan or white shirt, with blue or black tie. **FFA Girls** - white, tan or black skirt or slacks, tan or white shirt, with blue or black neck piece. **Horses:** Boys and Girls – appropriate riding clothes, ASTM-SEI approved head gear and shoes for the division as defined in 4-H 266 - Maryland 4-H Horse and Pony rule book.
5. Under garments must not be visible. Hats or caps are not permitted in the show ring except for horse show exhibits.
6. Ages for 4-H members: Juniors -must be 8 years old by January 1, 2017
Intermediates- must be 11 years old by January 1, 2017
Seniors-must be 14 years old by January 1, 2017 and not have past their 19th birthday by January 1.
7. Ages for FFA members: FFA Members must have completed the 9th grade during the current year and not have past their 19th birthday as of January 1, 2017.
8. Queen Anne's County FFA members may only participate the following departments: *beef, dairy, dairy goats, dog, poultry, rabbits, cavy, sheep, small pets, swine and livestock sale.*
9. **Exhibitors must have continuous ownership of their animals from July 1, 2017 until the day of the show.**