# 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Worcester County 4-H Fair



July 28-July 30, 2023 Spencer Fairgrounds Spencer, MA

# Thank You Worcester County 4-H Teen Club!

The Worcester County 4-H Fair appreciates your generous donation!



# Worcester County 4-H Fair 1949-2023





This year we are celebrating our 73<sup>rd</sup> fair and we are so excited to be back for another wonderful weekend filled with fun 4-H projects, livestock shows, and impressive static exhibits. The fair began officially in 1949 and soon became a major event for 4-H members from all over Central Massachusetts.

Over the years, the fair has grown and changed and adapted as people's lives have changed. We still have many of the original types of exhibits such as cattle, cooking, horticulture and sewing, but you will also see many other types of projects such as small animals, photography, crafts, woodworking, technology, and engineering. This year the Worcester County 4-H fair has moved to the Spencer Fair Grounds to better accommodate the growth of the 4-H Program. We are welcoming in 4-H exhibitors from all over Massachusetts!

The 4-H Fair would not happen without the dedication of our volunteers, both youth and adult. They work tirelessly to organize and implement the fair each year and we appreciate all of their hard work. We are honored to dedicate the 2023 Worcester County 4-H Fair to Kim Constantine.

Kim grew up in Spencer, Massachusetts with her mother Gail, father Bruce, and siblings, Krisanne, Karl, and Kyle Hartshorn. A longtime friend of 4-H, Kim started her career as a member of the Hi-Hopes 4-H Club. Her main project was dairy and she raised and showed jerseys at many 4-H and local fairs. She represented Massachusetts 4-H Dairy at many New England 4-H Dairy Shows at the Big E.

Kim and her husband Mike built their home in Spencer and started raising their children Sadie, Clayton and William. Very quickly, the children became active in 4-H and Kim became the leader of many clubs. First, the Blackstone Valley 4-H Club focused on dairy and beef projects. Then she led the Worcester County Teen Ambassadors. Finally, she co-led a teen exchange club, the Bay State 4-H Exchange Club.

As a 4-H leader she also volunteered on many 4-H committees and as a member of the Mass 4-H Dairy Advisory she chaperoned many state shows, Big E shows, trips and other activities. Kim served on the Worcester 4-H Advisory Council and presided as the President for a term. On the Worcester County 4-H Fair Committee, Kim chaired many commodities and spent many years making the fair an awesome experience for 4-H members. Kim was often one of the first people to arrive at the fair and one of the last to leave!

For these reasons and many more we dedicate the 2023 Worcester County 4-H Fair to Kim Constantine.

# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Committee**

# Fair President

Martin Shaw

# Fair Youth Committee

Worcester County Ambassadors

# **Recording Secretary**

Allan Walker

# Show Secretary/Computer Secretary

Priscilla Walker, Bethany Wuelfing, Betty Wuelfing

# Commodity Secretary & State Report

Beth Olson

# State Bureau of Fairs Contact

Meg McDermott

# Treasurer

Beth Olson

# Exhibit Hall

Chair: Meg McDermott, Diane Samuelson, Priscilla Walker, Beth Olson, Betty Wuelfing, & Bethany Wuelfing

# **Equine Events**

Upton Hoofbeats 4-H Club

# Fair Book

Chair: Meg McDermott, Priscilla Walker, Beth Olson, Diane Samuelson, Kathleen Scalera

# **New Events:**

Ice Cream Social

Kiddie Tractor Pedal Pull

Movie Night

Beef Cook-Off Contest

Lots of new changes and additions in the fair book please read commodities carefully.

Check out the awards page to apply for the Dorothea Mahoney Award (Worcester County 4-H members only) and see the newly added Katy Walker McFee Award (Worcester County 4-H members only).

#### WHAT IS 4-H?

4-H is a National Positive Youth Development Organization that operates in each state in the United States. In Massachusetts the 4-H program is part of the University of Massachusetts Amherst Extension. 4-H is based on the concept of learning by doing. Through clubs, afterschool groups, camp, and other forums, 4-H helps youth learn leadership skills, develop self-confidence, self-esteem, utilize creative thinking, and become more productive community members.

The 4-H model, which brings kids and adult volunteers together around specific interests, gives young people the opportunity to "learn by doing" in safe and inclusive environments. A hallmark of the program is the ethos that hands on projects with intentional adult support give youth the space to learn at their own pace and acquire new skills and build confidence. Financial support for the 4-H program is provided through a combination of membership fees, volunteer fundraising and private donations and limited state and federal tax dollars. 4-H offers membership to all boys and girls, ages 5-18 years old. A traditional 4-H club consists of five or more children and screened adult volunteer leaders. Each club selects one or more projects to focus on. Many schools, neighborhood centers, and libraries also host or offer 4-H programs.

Volunteers who conduct the Worcester County 4-H Programs are supported by University of Massachusetts Amherst Extension staff: Meg McDermott, Martina Jasiewicz and Kathleen Scalera. For more information about 4-H, contact: UMass Extension 4-H, 7 Midstate Dr. Suite 102, Auburn, MA 01501, 508-831-1223 or visit <a href="https://ag.umass.edu/mass4h">https://ag.umass.edu/mass4h</a>.

# **DON'T MISS THESE GREAT EVENTS**

Ice Cream Social	Friday, July 28 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 P.M.	Spencer Fairgrounds
Opening Ceremonies	Saturday, July 29 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 A.M.	Spencer Fairgrounds
Kiddie Tractor Pedal Pull	Saturday, July 29 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 P.M.	Spencer Fairgrounds
Movie Night	Saturday, July 29 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 P.M.	Spencer Fairgrounds
Beef Cook-Off Contest	Sunday, July 30 th	12:00 P.M.	Spencer Fairgrounds
4-H Auction	Sunday, July 30 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 P.M.	Spencer Fairgrounds

# **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

(Times are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances)

# **THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023**

9:00 am - 5:00 pm General set up of Exhibit Hall, Cattle Barn including Sheep and Goat pens and Ag Building-set up for Poultry and Rabbits.

# **FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2023**

10:00 am - 2:00 pm Check- in for Beef Cattle participating in Big E Qualifying events

12:00 pm - 8:00 pm Exhibitors check-in at the Exhibit Hall, complete exhibitor cards and place exhibits in

appropriate class.

12:00 pm-8:00 pm Animal Check-in: Check in with Commodity Chair or 4-H Educator

3:00 pm Beef Judging –two classes with reasons. All youth are welcome to participate

7:00 pm Ice Cream Social

# **SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2023**

7:00 am - 8:30 am Animal check-in: Check in with Commodity Chair

8:30 am All animals in place - unless otherwise noted under commodity rules

## 9:00 am Opening Ceremony

9:30 am - 11:00 am Exhibit Hall Drop Off - All items must be in place by 11:00 am, NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED

10:30 am Start of Beef, Goat & Rabbit Shows

11:30 am Hall Judging Begins

12:00 pm - 3: 00 pm Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull

1:00 pm Cloverbud Showcase – Cattle, Goats & Rabbits

2:00 pm Visual Presentations on the Stage

2:00 pm - 4:00pm Various Activities Happening –Rocketry, Ag Olympics, Vegetable & Flower Planting Station and

Ignite Booth

4:00 pm Livestock may leave fairgrounds as long as their show is complete

5:00 pm Costume Contest

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Dinner

8:00 pm Movie Night Featuring- The Biggest Little Farm

<sup>\*</sup>Livestock may not be removed from the fairgrounds until grounds have been cleaned up and all have been dismissed by the 4-H Educator.

7:00 am - 8:30 am 8:30 am <i>9:00 am</i>	Sunday, July 30, 2023  Animal check-in: Check in with Commodity Chair  All animals in place - unless otherwise noted under commodity rules  Exhibit Hall Opens
10:00 am	Start of Dairy, Sheep, Swine, Poultry Shows & Cloverbud Showcase
12:30 pm	Beef Cook-Off Contest – <b>Must be pre-registered for this event</b>
1:30 pm	Basket Donation Drawing in front of Exhibit Hall
2:00 pm	Auction of vegetables, flowers, food, and other available items will begin at 2:00 pm providing that all livestock shows are completed.

<sup>\*</sup>Exhibits and Livestock may not be removed from fairgrounds on Sunday until after the Auction.

# **Fair Awards**

The awards listed below are given for work and projects on display at the Worcester County 4-H Fair. These awards are given to Worcester County 4-H'ers at the Annual Worcester County 4-H Awards Banquet.

## "The Boyd Award"

The Boyd Award is given in memory of Mr. Bill Boyd, one of the original organizers of the Worcester County 4-H Fair. The Bill Boyd Award is a club award that will be given to the 4-H club that displays a spirit of helpfulness and cooperation throughout the fair, by exhibiting at the fair, helping with set up, cleanup, and generally to make the fair a success. Community service projects that the club does throughout the year will also be considered. Please contact the 4-H office if you would like to nominate a club or enter your own club.

#### "Irene Brown Award"

The Irene Brown Award is given in honor of Mrs. Irene Brown by the Mendon-Uxbridge 4-H Club. Mrs. Brown was a 4-H agent for many years and feels very strongly about the value of visual presentations. This award is presented each year to the 4-H member who delivers the best visual presentation or working exhibit at the fair.

## "The Knox Trophy"

The Knox Trophy is given in memory of Wilfred C. Knox. His daughter and son-in-law, Diane & Paul Samuelson, wished to honor his memory with this trophy. The Knox Trophy will be awarded to either a junior or a senior exhibitor who displays excellence in original writing. This award can only be won once by an individual 4-H member. To nominate someone for this award, please contact the 4-H office.

## "The Fila Trophy"

The Fred Fila Trophy is given in memory of Mr. Fred Fila. His daughter & son-in-law, Emily & Russ Bancroft, wished to honor his memory with this trophy which will be presented to either a junior or a senior exhibitor for the high point total of hall exhibits other than home economics.

## "Revolving Home Economics Trophies"

A friend of 4-H gives revolving Home Economics Trophies to the top junior and senior in Home Economics projects.

This award can be won by a single exhibitor once as a junior and once as a senior.

# "Norman Mercier Vegetable Award"

The Norman Mercier Vegetable Award is given each year by Norman Mercier to recognize a 4-H member who is an outstanding exhibitor in the vegetable commodity. This award can be won by a single exhibitor only once.

# "Cindy Baird Clothing Award"

The Cindy Baird Clothing Award is given by Jim Baird in memory of his loving wife, Cindy, to recognize a 4-H member who is an outstanding exhibitor in the general sewing and clothing commodity.

#### "The Dorothea Mahoney Award"

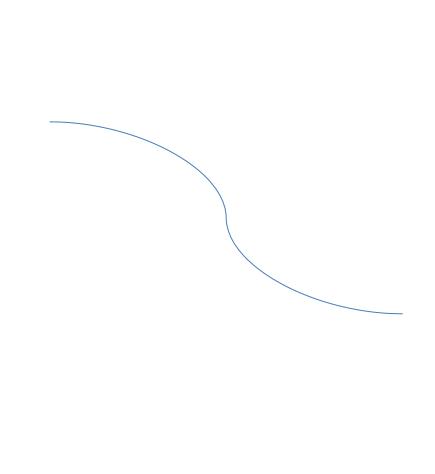
The Dorothea Mahoney Award is given in honor of Mrs. Dorothea Mahoney, a longtime 4-H agent in Worcester County. This award is to be awarded to the Worcester County 4-Her who is judged to have contributed exemplary service to the Worcester County 4-H Fair. Please email Meg McDermott by June 26<sup>th</sup> at <a href="memcdermott@umass.edu">memcdermott@umass.edu</a> to apply.

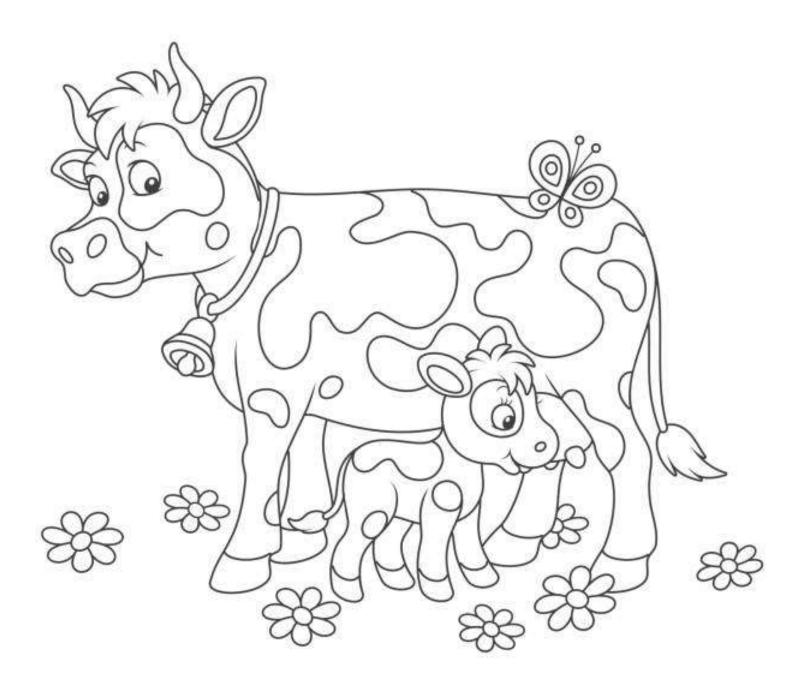
## "Katy Walker McFee Award"-

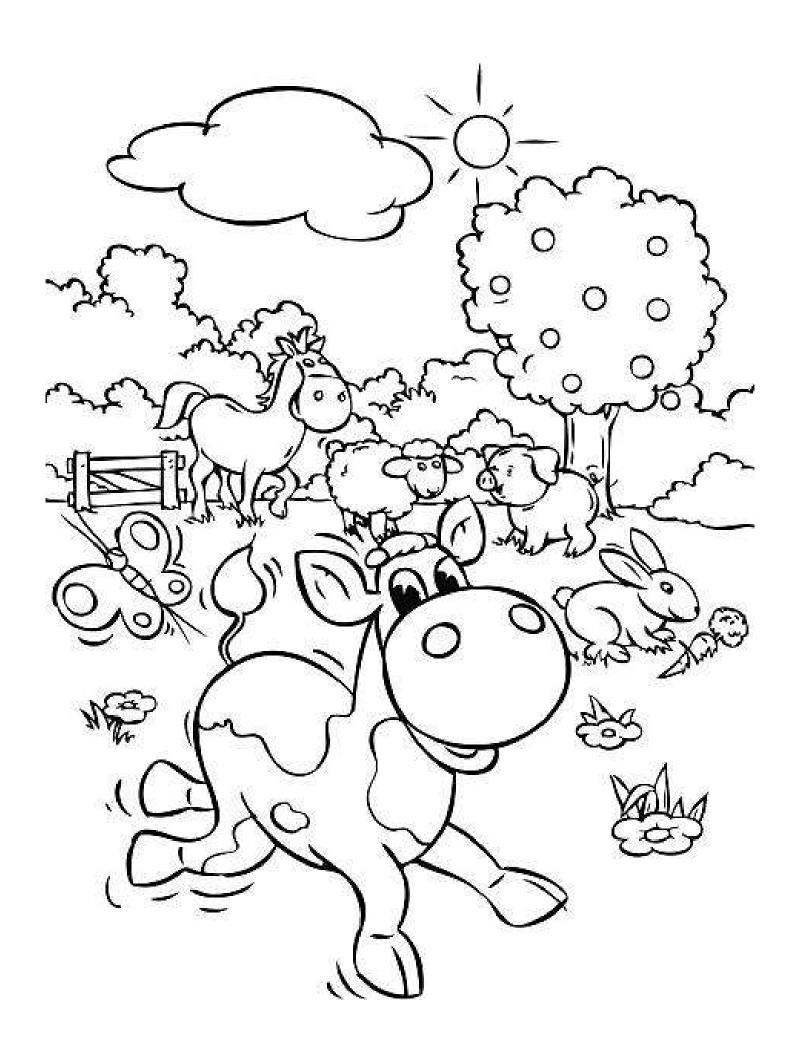
The Katy Walker McFee Award is given in memory of Katy who was a 4-H member for 13 years. She loved the 4-H Fair and also loved exhibiting especially Jersey cows. This award is presented each year to the Champion Dairy Showman and can be won once.

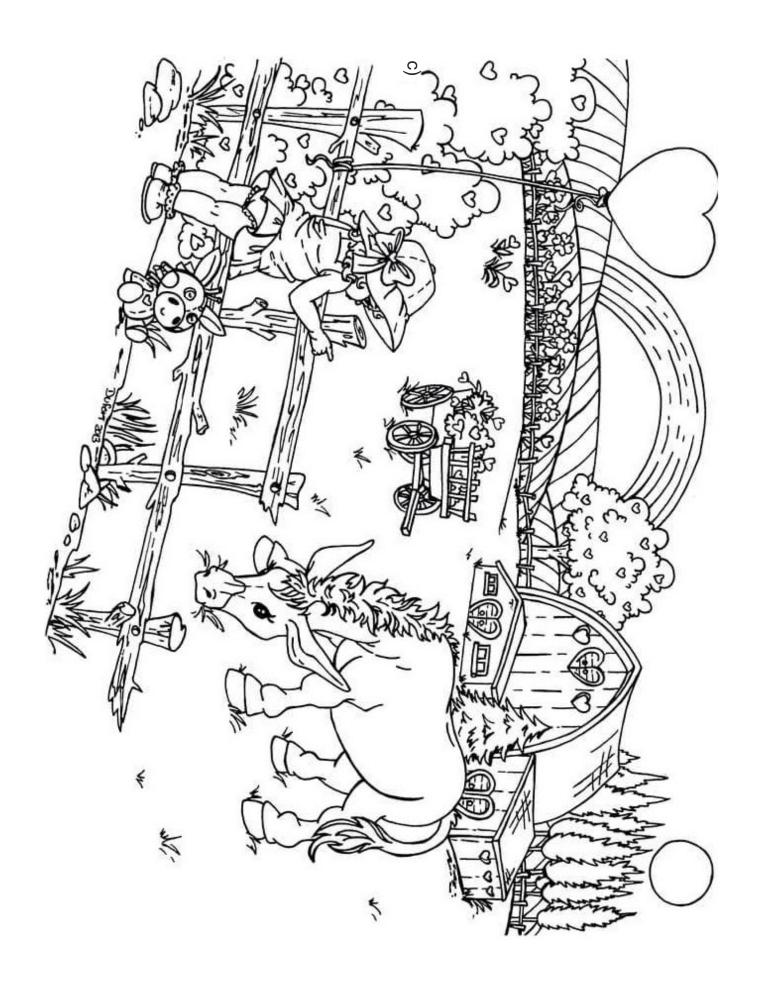
# Department 48 Challenge Classes

- 1. Egg Contest: Creatively display your largest or smallest egg by weight.
- 2. Self Portrait: Make a self-portrait using 3D or textured materials.
- **3. Coloring Page**: Always a popular choice. Any coloring medium may be used. *Coloring pages for Cloverbuds, Juniors and Seniors available as emailed attachment or in the Fair Book*.
- **4. Design a 4-H Ad:** Design a Massachusetts 4-H advertisement themed, "Why You Should Join 4-H" It must include the clover. It cannot be presented in a digital format, but can use any materials and forms of media.
- **5. Line-O-Graph:** Juniors and Cloverbuds-crayons and markers only; Seniors use only watercolors or colored pencils. Sketch is available in the Fair Book! (Be sure to make a few copies to practice)
- **6. Make a 4-H Collage:** Get creative and make a collage of all the fun you have had in 4-H over the years!
- 7. **Fair Book Cover Design:** Create a cover for the 2024 Worcester County 4-H Fair. Please include the 4-H clover in your design, 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Worcester County 4-H Fair, Spencer Fairgrounds. For questions, please contact Kathleen Scalera, kscalera@umass.edu









# **Cloverbud Participation**

Ages 5-7

**Exhibits:** Each Cloverbud will have space to exhibit whatever they have made during the year in a special area in the Exhibit Hall. Individual Cloverbud items will receive special participation ribbons, regardless of the number of projects included in their exhibit. They will also each receive a Cloverbud Ribbon for their overall displays. Adult volunteers who are particularly sensitive to children of Cloverbud age will make positive comments about each child's exhibit.

**7 Year old's:** These Cloverbuds will be able to choose to be judged on the Danish System. At this time, it is important to teach children to learn what they can from judging and not take it too seriously, making it an ideal time to transition those children from Participation Ribbons to the Danish System. The items in these Cloverbud exhibits will be rated in relation to how they compare to a "standard" for such items and not judged as they compare to any other exhibits.

**Animal Events:** Cloverbuds must follow all rules and regulations for required animals. There is no entry fee for Cloverbuds. Because of the risk and expectations of showing, 4-H divides the animals into two categories:

**Lap Animals (Rabbits & Cavies, Poultry ):** Cloverbuds may bring their animals for public exhibit though they will not be judged. Children may participate in the "Cloverbud Rabbit and Cavy Workshop" while children 7 years of age may choose to be evaluated on the Danish System.

**Large Animals**: With the help of a knowledgeable teen or adult, Cloverbuds may participate in any of the goat, sheep and costume shows. The teen or adult helper must be designated on the entry form. Additionally, Cloverbuds may take place in a special cattle handling demonstration.

# 2023 WORCESTER COUNTY 4-H FAIR T-SHIRT SPONSORSHIP FORM

To be completed by Advertiser: All ads m	nust be received	June 26	5, 2023	
Name of Advertiser:Name of Business:				
Address:	Stat	e:	Zip Code:	
Phone Number:	Email:			
T-Shirt Advertisement: \$20.00 per line Would you like to purchase a T-shirt for \$1 Please print the text to be on the t-shirt				
Please make checks payable to: Worcester	County 4-H Fair	•		
Please mail your check & order form to:				

UMass Extension Office 7 Midstate Drive, Suite 102 Auburn, MA 01501

# **WORCESTER COUNTY 4-H FAIR T-SHIRT ORDER FORM**

Name:	Email:
Club Name:	

Order Deadline June 26, 2023. Shirts with current year and sponsors will not be sold at the fair, pre-ordered only.

SIZE	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
ADULT S		\$18	
ADULT M		\$18	
ADULT L		\$18	
ADULT XL		\$18	
ADULT XXL		\$18	
ADULT 3XL		\$18	

TOTAL PRICE: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Worcester County 4-H Fair. Shirts can be picked up at the fair.

Mail to: UMass Extension Office 7 Midstate Drive, Suite 102 Auburn, MA 01501



# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Beef Entry Form**

Please use blue or black ink, so clear, dark copies can be made. Entry fee must be enclosed. Only one exhibitor's entries on each form. This entry must be postmarked by June 26, 2023. Late entries may be accepted and a late fee may be incurred. All participants must be enrolled 4-H members by June 1, 2023. Please email Meg McDermott with any questions at memcdermott@umass.edu

Please mail this form to: UMass Extension Office 7 Midstate Dr. Suite 102 Auburn, MA 01501

Exhibito	r Name		A	uburn, MA (	01501			
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Club:			Age (As of	Jan 1)	DOB	3:		
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# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Dairy Entry Form**

Please use blue or black ink, so clear, dark copies can be made. Entry fee must be enclosed. Only one exhibitor's entries on each form. This entry must be postmarked by June 26, 2023. Late entries may be accepted and a late fee may be incurred. All participants must be enrolled 4-H members by June 1, 2023. Please email Meg McDermott with any questions at memcdermott@umass.edu

Please mail this form to: UMass Extension Office 7 Midstate Dr. Suite 102 Auburn, MA 01501

Exhibito	r Name:		A	uburn, MA (	)1501			
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Club:			Age (As of	Jan 1)	DOB	:		
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Signatur	e of Parent/Gu	ardian:						

# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Goat Entry Form**

Please use blue or black ink, so clear, dark copies can be made. Entry fee must be enclosed. Only one exhibitor's entries on each form. This entry must be postmarked by June 26, 2023. Late entries may be accepted and a late fee may be incurred. All participants must be enrolled 4-H members by June 1, 2023. Please email Meg McDermott with any questions at memcdermott@umass.edu

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# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Sheep Entry Form**

Please use blue or black ink, so clear, dark copies can be made. Entry fee must be enclosed. Only one exhibitor's entries on each form. This entry must be postmarked by June 26, 2023. Late entries may be accepted and a late fee may be incurred. All participants must be enrolled 4-H members by June 1, 2023. Please email Meg McDermott with any questions at memcdermott@umass.edu

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# Worcester County 4-H Fair Rabbit / Cavy Entry Form

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# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Swine Entry Form**

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Exhibito	r Name:		A	uburn, MA			
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# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Poultry Entry Form**

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DEP	T BREED LETTER	CLASS#	Breed and Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet	Showm anship Class	\$2 Per Animal Entry

Entry form must have signatures of the Exhibitor and a Parent/Legal Guardian, otherwise it will not be accepted.

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# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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#### 2023 Animal Health Rules for Fairs and Shows

Special Note:

Due to the continuing US outbreak of High Path Avian Influenza (HPAI), Animal Health Officials from all six New England States may recommend postponing competitions, exhibitions, shows, swaps, or other in-person events encouraging the gathering or comingling of domestic fowl or poultry. If events are held, best practices for biosecurity should be implemented.

In addition to complying with all laws and regulations governing animal health issues all fairs must adopt and enforce the following rules for governance for the fair.

NO animal will be admitted to the fairgrounds unless it meets the requirements below. NO animal is to be unloaded or enter a barn or tie-out stall until the animal and its paperwork have been inspected and approved for entry.

#### A. General Rules for All Animals: See M.G.L. c. 128 §2C, 129 §2

- 1. All animals must be in proper physical condition, be properly identified and free of visual evidence of infectious, contagious or parasitic disease at time of arrival. Specific diseases and conditions which will disqualify an animal for entry are identified for each species in the following sections of the rules. Animals of any species with open or draining wounds will not be approved for entry.
- Evidence of infectious, contagious or parasitic disease or failure to produce the necessary documents for health certification, vaccination or testing will result in the animal's rejection for entry. THE INSPECTOR'S DECISION IS FINAL.
- 3. 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 animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of 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.

# 4. Official ID: See Final Rule: Summary of Traceability for Livestock Moved Interstate (Summary of general requirements by species)

All livestock must have proper official, individual ID as required and approved for the species, e.g., official metal ear tag, tattoo, scrapie tag, or microchip. Registration forms must accompany health certificates when used as part of official identification.

#### 5. Health Certificates: --

One Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) may be allowed for animals of the same species to be exhibited at fairs or shows in any of the New England states (CT, \*ME, MA, \*\*NH, RI, and \*\*\*VT) when submitted with an itinerary of the dates and locations of the events at which the listed animals are expected to be shown. Only animals that are healthy at the time of shipment may be moved. Note that \*ME, \*\*NH, and \*\*\*VT have additional requirements. Certificates of veterinary inspection in these states are valid for a shorter period of time and may have additional language, movement and permit requirements.

For the 2023 Show and Fair Season, livestock animals being exhibited in New England states must have official certificates of veterinary inspection (OCVIs) that meet the following requirements:

- a. MA, and RI: OCVIs issued on or after January 1, 2023 may be used for those animals being shown at multiple fairs and shows in CT, MA, and RI through the 2023 show/fair season ending October 31, 2023.
  - i. <u>CT and ME:</u> An importation permit for exhibition animals is also required. Contact CT Dept. of Agriculture (860-713-2504) or ME State Veterinarian's Office (207-287-3701) for permits or questions.
  - ii. MA -Note: The Big E Fairgrounds in West Springfield requires a CVI issued within the prior 30 days for all horses entering the premises for any show, fair, or exhibition.
  - iii. NH: \* NH: To qualify for the extended CVI, animals exhibited in NH must originate in a New England state and move on OCVIs issued on or after April 1, 2023 to participating NH fairs and shows from July 1 to October 31. The extended CVI is not available for animals that do not reside in New England. Contact NH State Veterinarian's Office (603) 271-2404 for details and permits.
  - iv. \*\*\*VT: Contact the VT Animal Health Office (802-828-2421) for specific import requirements that deviate from the general information in this letter and must be met for legal import of livestock.
- b. A single OCVI from the animals' home state may be completed for travel to and from the New England states in which the animals will be exhibited. MA animals being shown ONLY in MA may substitute a signed, dated latter on the letterhead of an accredited veterinarian for an OCVI if all required information is included and all additional requirements are met.
- c. Multiple animals of the same species may be listed on one health certificate with appropriate individual IDs and descriptions. Animals of different species may not be listed on the same official health certificate.
- d. An itinerary of the names and locations for each New England fair or show at which owner expects to show the listed animals and the dates when each animal is expected to be on each site, must be prepared by the owner and presented to the veterinarian at the time the OCVI is written.
  - i. A copy of this planned itinerary must be attached to the official health certificate (import and export) for it to be used for more than one fair or show.
  - **ii.** That proposed list should be signed by the veterinarian and the owner/ exhibitor and reference the relevant OCVI number(s).
- e. The name and address of the first show or fair where the listed animals will be exhibited is to be used as the "destination" on the OCVI form. In addition, "See attached list" or a similar statement directing Animal Health Officials or Fair Inspectors to the attached proposed itinerary must be included.
- f. Exhibitors must keep an accurate list of the show locations and dates when their animals were actually on the show/fairgrounds. This record must be available to fair inspectors at each inspection and check-in.
- g. Any animal listed on an OCVI that becomes sick must remain home. If the animal is refused entry to any exhibition during 2023 for health reasons it must have a new health certificate issued by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days of the next interstate movement.
- h. Any New England state may end their participation in this agreement and revert to the standard published requirements for livestock imports in the state at any time, in the event of foreign animal disease outbreak or changes to state legislation.

All petting zoos are required to have a USDA APHIS Exhibitor's License (as needed) and valid 2023 health certificates.

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH SPECIES ARE LISTED BELOW

#### B. <u>Cattle: See M.G.L. c. 129 §§2, 39 and 330 CMR 4.04(2).</u>

- 1. TB and Brucellosis testing is not required for animals from TB-Accredited and Brucellosis-Free States and in-state animals. Current brucellosis and TB status in the exhibitor's state can be obtained from the state veterinarian's office in each state. If the exhibitor's state is not TB-Accredited or Brucellosis-Free, then the exhibitor must call the Massachusetts Division of Animal Health for entry requirements (617-626-1795). All animals must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases and conditions: foot rot, mange, pinkeye, ringworm, warts, cowpox and open or draining wounds.
- 2. While not required, it is strongly recommended that all cattle be currently vaccinated for rabies.
- 3. Note: **The Big E is requiring RFID official identification tags for all cattle** entering the Big E Fairgrounds premises in 2023. Other fairs may add this requirement. Contact fair office with questions.

# C. Poultry: See M.G.L. c. §§2, 129, and 330 CMR 5.02.

- 1. No poultry will be admitted to a fairground until it has been individually inspected.
- 2. All poultry must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: infectious bronchitis, coryza, pullorum-typhoid, fowl-pox, external parasites and laryngotracheitis.
- 3. Each bird must be accompanied by written proof (ID card or test report) that the breeding flock was blood-tested negative for pullorum-typhoid within one year prior to entry date.
- 4. Birds from quarantined states will not be permitted entry.
- 5. All birds over 16 weeks of age as of January 1, 2023 shall be individually leg banded with a state leg band. This includes out of state exhibitors.
- 6. No bird vaccinated for laryngotracheitis within thirty days of the fair will be admitted.

#### D. Goats: See M.G.L. c. 129 §2, 9 CFR 79.6 and Massachusetts Emergency Order 1-AHO-06.

- 1. TB and Brucellosis testing is not required for animals from TB-Accredited and Brucellosis-Free States and in-state animals.
- 2. All goats and kids presented, regardless of age, must be individually listed and identified on the health certificate. All goats must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases and conditions: foot rot, mange, pinkeye, ringworm, warts, pox and open or draining wounds. All goats must also be free of sore mouth and scrapie exposure.
- 3. Based on the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program (FSEP), goats and sheep of any age or sex brought to show or exhibition from either out of state or within state must possess a USDA official individual identification tag or registry tattoo accompanied by current registration papers consistent with the requirements of the FSEP and the Massachusetts Emergency Order 1-AHO-06. Information is available from USDA-APHIS at 508-363-2290.

## E. Camelids (Llamas, Alpacas, etc.): See M.G.L. c. 129 §2, M.G. l. c. 131, §23, 321 CMR 9.02.

- TB and Brucellosis testing is not required for animals from TB-Accredited and Brucellosis-Free States and
  in-state animals. Current brucellosis and TB status in the exhibitor's state can be obtained from the state
  veterinarian's office in each state. If the exhibitor's state is not TB-Accredited or Brucellosis-Free, then the
  exhibitor must call the Massachusetts Division of Animal Health for entry requirements (617-626-1795).
- All Camelids originating from outside the Commonwealth are required to be tested for Blue Tongue.
   <u>Exception</u>: Animals from a USDA declared "Low Incident State" are exempt. New England and New York are low incident states.
- 3. All animals must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases and conditions: foot rot, mange, pinkeye, ringworm, warts, pox and open or draining wounds.

#### F. Swine: See M.G.L. c. 129 §14E, 330 CMR 11.04(2), 9 CFR 71.19

- 1. All swine must be identified by an official ear tag or registration.
- 2. Swine must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases and conditions: erysipelas, atrophic rhinitis, manage and open or draining wounds.
- 3. No person shall import into Massachusetts from outside the state any swine which have been pseudorabies vaccinated. M.G.L. c. 129 §14E.
- 4. No person shall import into Massachusetts swine from Stage I or Stage II Pseudorabies States.
- 5. All swine shall originate from qualified pseudorabies-free herds or monitored herds in qualified pseudorabies free States only. The pseudorabies status of the exhibitor's state can be obtained from the state veterinarian's office in each state.

#### G. Sheep: See 9 CFR 79 and Massachusetts Emergency Order 1-AHO-06.

- 1. No sheep will be allowed entry from flocks in which Scrapie has been diagnosed or in which animals are under surveillance for Scrapie during the previous eighteen months. Based on the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program (FSEP), goats and sheep of any age or sex brought to show or exhibition from either out of state or within state must possess a USDA official individual identification tag or registry tattoo accompanied by current registration papers consistent with the requirements of the FSEP and the Massachusetts Emergency Order 1-AHO-06. Information is available from USDA-APHIS at 508-363-2290.
- 2. No sheep will be permitted entry from flocks in which soremouth has existed or in which soremouth Vaccine has been administered in the previous sixty (60) days.
- 3. Sheep must be free from visual evidence of foot rot, sore mouth, pink eye, ringworm, and open and draining wounds. While not required, it is strongly recommended that sheep be currently vaccinated against rabies.

#### H. Equine: M.G.L. c. 128 §§2C, 44, 330 CMR 16.05.

- 1. All equines entering a Massachusetts fairground must have a valid health certificate.
  - Note: The Big E Fairgrounds in West Springfield requires a CVI issued within the prior 30 days for all equines entering the premises for any show, fair, or exhibition.
- 2. All equines must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases and conditions: mange, ringworm, soring, strangles, and open or draining wounds.
- 3. All equines originating from within and outside of the Commonwealth must have a negative USDA-approved EIA test (i.e., Coggins test or ELISA test) dated within twelve months of entry.
- 4. While not required, it is strongly recommended that all equines be vaccinated for rabies, tetanus, EEE and WNV within one year of the fair.

## I. Rabbits: See M.G.L. c. 129 §2

Rabbits must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: rabbit hemorrhagic Disease Virus 2 (RHDV2), snuffles, wet tail, and skin and ear infections. Microchips may be used for ID in rabbits originating in MA.

## J. Dogs and Cats: See M.G.L. c. 129 §39G

- 1. All dogs and cats must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: kennel cough, distemper, hepatitis, parvo, ringworm and mange.
- 2. All dogs and cats must be accompanied by a valid and current vaccination certificate for rabies.

Contact the Massachusetts Division of Animal Health at 617-626-1797 or 617-626-1795 for further information.

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Accredited Veterinarians

**Exhibitors and Show Inspectors** 

FROM: New England State Veterinarians

CT Dr. Jane Lewis NH Dr. Stephen K. Crawford

MA Dr. Lorraine O'Connor RI Dr. Scott Marshall ME Dr. Stephanie Bolas VT Dr. Kristin M. Haas

SUBJECT: Livestock Health Certificates for the 2023 Show Season

DATE: April 13, 2023

#### **Special Notices:**

Due to the continuing US outbreak of High Path Avian Influenza (HPAI), Animal Health Officials from all six New England States may recommend postponing competitions, exhibitions, shows, swaps, or other in-person events encouraging the gathering or co-mingling of domestic fowl or poultry. If events are held, best practices for biosecurity should be implemented.

## Contact the state where animals will be exhibited for the latest updated information.

Currently an Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) is required for each state for every animal movement across state lines. Animals crossing state lines must be properly (officially) identified per federal and state Animal Disease Traceability (ADT) requirements. Each state to which an animal travels needs to be contacted to verify that all traceability and movement permit requirements are met before shipping.

Recognizing that during the agriculture and fair and show season exhibition animals may be moving to multiple states and locations within a state, the New England state veterinarians, working through the New England States Animal Agricultural Security Alliance (NESAASA), have developed a new protocol to facilitate animal movement. The New England State Veterinarians have agreed to allow a show/fair certificate to be valid for the show season provided that they are in compliance with all federal and state ADT rules.

One Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) may be allowed for animals of the same species to be exhibited at fairs or shows in any of the New England states (CT, \*ME, MA, \*\*NH, RI, and \*\*\*VT) when submitted with an itinerary of the dates and locations of the events at which the listed animals are expected to be shown. Only animals that are healthy at the time of shipment may be moved. Note that \*ME, \*\*NH, and \*\*\*VT have additional requirements. Certificates of veterinary inspection in these states are valid for a shorter period of time and may have additional language, movement and permit requirements. See details below.

For the 2023 Show and Fair Season, livestock animals being exhibited in New England states must have official certificates of veterinary inspection (OCVIs) that meet the following requirements:

#### Requirements, Continued:

- CT, MA, ME and RI: OCVIs issued on or after **January 1, 2023** may be used for animals being shown at fairs and shows in CT, MA, ME and RI through the 2023 show/fair season ending October 31, 2023.
  - Special Note on The Big E, West Springfield, MA: All horses shown at The Big E Fairgrounds premises must have a CVI dated within the prior 30 days in 2023.
- <u>\*CT and ME:</u> An importation permit for exhibition animals is also required. Contact CT Dept. of Agriculture (860-713-2504) or ME State Veterinarian's Office (207-287-3701) for permits or questions.
- \* NH: Animals exhibited in NH must originate in a New England state and move on OCVIs issued on or after April 1, 2023 to participating NH fairs and shows from July 1 to October 31, 2023. Contact NH State Veterinarian's Office (603) 271-2404 for details and permits.
- \*\*\*VT: The fair season is defined as May 1- October 31, 2023. Contact the VT Animal Health Office (802- 828-2421) for specific import requirements and permits.
- A single OCVI from the animals' home state may be completed for travel to and from the New England states in which the animals will be exhibited.
- Multiple animals of the same species may be listed on one health certificate with appropriate individual IDs and descriptions. Animals of different species may not be listed on the same official health certificate.
- An itinerary of the names and locations for each New England fair or show at which owner expects to show the listed animals and the dates when each animal is expected to be on each site, must be prepared by the owner and presented to the veterinarian at the time the OCVI is written.
  - A copy of this planned itinerary must be attached to the official health certificate (import and export) for it to be used for more than one fair or show.
  - That proposed list should be signed by the veterinarian and the owner/ exhibitor and reference the relevant OCVI number(s).
- The name and address of the first show or fair where the listed animals will be exhibited is to be
  used as the "destination" on the OCVI form. In addition, "See attached list" or a similar statement
  directing Animal Health Officials or Fair Inspectors to the attached proposed itinerary must be
  included.
- Exhibitors must keep an accurate list of the show locations and dates when their animals were
  actually on the show/fairgrounds. This record must be available to fair inspectors at each
  inspection and check- in.
- Any animal listed on an OCVI that becomes sick must remain home. If the animal is refused entry to any exhibition during 2023 for health reasons it must have a new health certificate issued by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days of the next interstate movement.
- Any New England state may end their participation in this agreement and revert to the standard published requirements for livestock imports in the state at any time, in the event of foreign animal disease outbreak or changes to state legislation.

Remember: One certificate for shows in CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, and VT. Contact each state for specific requirements. Import permits are issued by each individual state and must be listed on the OCVI. **The list of events, with dates and locations, where the animals are expected to be shown must accompany the OCVI**. Use one certificate per species. All animals must be listed individually, with appropriate official ID numbers and physical descriptions.

# Sick animals may not be shipped anywhere.

Please contact the destination state for import/ exhibition permits or with any questions about movement requirements:

CT	860-713-2504	NH	603-271-2404
MA	857-348-3922	VT	802-828-2421
ME	207-287-3701	RI	401-222-2781, ext. 2774515

# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Rules**

Please read all rules before sending in entry forms or arriving at the fair.

- 1. Interpretation of all rules will be made by the Executive Committee of the 4-H Fair. Any complaint must be made in writing and presented to the committee. The 4-H Educator will have the final say.
- 2. The Worcester County Fair is open to all enrolled 4-H members in Massachusetts. Members must be enrolled by June 1, 2023 in order to participate.
- 3. **Age Requirements** judging will be done in each respective group: Cloverbuds: 5-7 as of January 1, 2023

Juniors: 8-13 as of January 1, 2023 Seniors: 14-18 as of January 1, 2023

## Livestock Fitting and Showmanship will be judged in each respective group:

Advanced: A 4-H member who has previously won Showmanship in a senior fitting and showmanship class.

Senior: 15-18 as of January 1, 2023

Intermediate: 13-14 as of January 1, 2023

Junior: 8-12 as of January 1, 2023

Novice: Any 4-H member age 8-18 as of January 1, 2023 who is competing in a particular commodity for the first time.

- 4. Premium money will be paid based on a point system. The amount of available prize money will be divided by total points awarded to determine point value. This amount is subject to change. Make sure the Fair has your correct address for mailing purposes. Premiums and ribbons will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place only. Additionally, some Fair Awards are based on point value assigned to ribbon placings. The awards are noted in the Fair Awards section.
- 5. **Pre-entries required for:** Livestock, Public Speaking, Visual Presentations, Costume Class, Working Exhibits, Current Technology, Table Settings, Wood working and Educational Displays. All pre-entries must be postmarked by June 26, 2023. No refunds of pre-entries if exhibitor is absent.
- 6. Livestock exhibitors must follow the livestock rules and animal health regulations prescribed by the fair.
- 7. All hall exhibits must be in place by 11:00am Saturday July 29, 2023.
- 8. An exhibitor shall make only one entry in a given class (except individual livestock classes, where two placings per class, per breed, per exhibitor are allowed).
- 9. Every Exhibit must have a 4-H entry card. Cards are available through the 4-H Office and will also be available at the fair. **Your 4-H exhibitor number must be on the card.** Exhibitor numbers are available at registration. Cloverbuds green sheet, Juniors- white card, Seniors pink card.
- 10. All entries must be marked "kit" or "not a kit" on the entry card. Any entry not specified will be judge as a "kit."
- 11. Exhibits maybe placed in the exhibit hall by the individual exhibitor or youth present in the Exhibit Hall. A parent or leader may bring exhibits to the hall for members unable to make the times available. Exceptions are noted in specific commodity rules. Please do not move the exhibits after youth have placed them. Every exhibitor is responsible for having exhibits picked up at the close of the fair.
- 12. Exhibitors may be questioned by the judges regarding their exhibit. All exhibits, except livestock, must be made during the last 12 months.
- 13. The Fair Committee is not responsible for loss or damage of exhibits or property, or injury to animals or persons.
- 14. Articles made as a school project or at camp may be exhibited at the fair.
- 15. A new class may be added to the commodity list when there are 5 or more similar entries.
- 16. "Any other" is for classes not listed in the catalog or in a new class.
- 17. Placings will be awarded on the basis of quality of exhibit. The judge's decision is final.
- 18. If only one exhibit or exhibitor is in a class, the judge will award the prize on merit of the exhibit.

- 19. Premiums will not be paid to Cloverbuds. Cloverbuds will receive special ribbons.
- 20. Rosettes MAY be given to the Best Junior and the Best Senior exhibit (or score) in each commodity at the discretion of the judge (unless stated otherwise under Special Awards).
- 21. All foods, vegetables, flowers, and herbs (with the exception of winter crops and houseplants) will be sold at Auction. This includes Rosette winners.
- 22. No exhibit may be removed before the end of the auction and awards ceremony unless stated otherwise in Commodity Rules. Exhibits removed before this time may forfeit premium money.
- 23. No animals are allowed in Exhibit Hall.
- 24. All exhibitors must supply their own water pails, grain, hay and bedding unless otherwise noted.

# **4-H Auction**

The 4-H Auction begins at 2PM on Sunday. Only vegetables, flowers, food commodity entries along with other miscellaneous items will be offered at the Auction. Process will go to the general treasury of the Fair. All are welcome!

# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Animal Health Rules**

The Worcester County 4-H Fair will follow all MDAR Animal Health rules, regulations, and requirements. NO animal will be admitted to the fairgrounds unless it meets the requirements stated. NO animal is to be unloaded or enter a tent or tie-out stall until the animal and its paperwork have been inspected and approved for entry. Any animal that arrives that does not have the correct health paperwork and/or shows signs of illness will refused from the fairgrounds and entry. Entry fees will not be returned for any animal that is refused from the fairgrounds.

- All animals must be in proper condition, be properly identified and free of visual evidence of
  infectious, contagious or parasitic disease at time of arrival. Specific diseases and conditions which
  will disqualify an animal for entry are identified for each species in the following sections of rules.
  Animals of any species with open or draining wounds will not be approved for entry.
- 2. Evidence of infections, contagious for parasitic disease or failure to produce the necessary documentation for health certification, vaccination or testing will result in the animal's rejection for entry.
- 3. 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 animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, or appearance except external applications of substances to the hoofs, or horns of 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.
- 4. All livestock must have proper ID, official metal ear tag, tattoo, scrapie tag for goats and sheep, registration or microchip. For all animals identified by microchip, readers must be available to the Inspectors.
- 5. Health Certificates All animals, entering a Massachusetts fairground must be accompanied by a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious diseases and exposure from such disease. Documents of health certification must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. In-state animals may be accompanied by a certificate of examination on a veterinarian's letterhead stationery which clearly identifies the contact information for the veterinarian signing the certification. All animals on the certificate must be individually identified. Certificates written on plain paper are not acceptable. All Health Certificates must be dated January 1, 2023 or later. These documents will be accepted for the entire fair season in Massachusetts. These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors.

#### **WORCESTER COUNTY 4-H FAIR ANIMAL COMMODITY RULES:**

Animals are to be on the fairgrounds by 8:30 a.m. Saturday or Sunday, unless otherwise noted under Commodity Rules. Beef exhibitors wanting to exhibit at the Big E must check their animals in on Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup>.

- 1. All exhibitors must include club name on entry blank.
- 2. HEALTH PAPERS and VERIFICATION FORMS WILL BE CHECKED-You will not be permitted to show or remain on the grounds if you do not have health papers and verification forms for all animals.
- 3. Health papers must be in your hands and your animals inspected BEFORE you unload. Any animal, or herd, not passing the inspections per state livestock rules must be taken off the fairgrounds immediately. This will be strictly enforced. Please do not bring sick animals to the fair. If you have any questions, please call your commodity chairperson.
- 4. Registration papers will be checked for those animals that require registration.
- 5. If a person is bitten by an animal, the animal will have to be quarantined.
- 6. Uninspected late entries will be denied fair entrance.
- 7. The show committee will not be responsible for injuries to any animal.
- 8. Exhibitors must supply their own water pails, grain, hay and bedding.
- 9. All animals at the Fair must be properly cared for or the exhibitor's premium will be forfeited.
- 10. No child under the age of 8 as of January 1st of the current year will be allowed to show in the ring with a large animal. See "Cloverbud Participation."
- 11. Fitting and Showmanship Contests are mandatory for all exhibitors.
- 12. No adult may assist with the animals after they arrive on the show grounds. This will be enforced.
- 13. Registered and grade 4-H animal projects will be exhibited together.
- 14. Animals must be shown by exhibitor or another 4-H member if primary exhibitor has two entries in one class.
- 15. Senior Yearlings in milk will show in 2-year-old class.
- 16. **Exhibitor's Uniform**: White dress shirt or tee shirt with white or khaki skirt or trousers as appropriate. A solid, durable shoe must be worn at all times. NO sandals, clogs, or bare feet or bathing attire will be allowed. No farm or club names are allowed on any clothing while in the show ring.
- 17. **DRESS CODE BEEF EXHIBITORS ONLY**: Clothing needs to be neat, clean and presentable at all times. No shorts, sneakers, farm, club or breed names in the ring. Show attire may be either white shirt/blouse with dark pants or jeans OR western shirt, belt and jeans. No holes in jeans.
- 18. The uniforms described above must be worn in all breed classes as well as fitting and showmanship classes or exhibitor will be disqualified.

#### **4-H Beef Cook-Off Contest**

Come join us for our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Beef Cook-Off Contest! 4-Hers in all project areas are invited to compete in teams of 3 to create a dish that includes a meat, a starch and a vegetable in addition to a mystery item in 45 minutes.

RULES FOR THE COMPETITION: (adapted from ESE Beef Competition)

- 1. Each team must provide their own grill.
- 2. Cooking equipment and grills cannot be shared. One adult supervisor per team must be present for safety precautions and cannot assist in preparing of food. No one under age 12 may operate the grill.
- 3. Teams will be responsible to provide recipes including any spices, garnishes, and pans, plates, cutting boards or utensils needed to complete their dishes. Team must provide a serving dish for final presentation of meal to judges
- 4. Teams will be provided with tables, table cloth, plates and gloves for food prep.
- 5. All preparation including cutting of garnishes may not be done prior to the start of the competition.
- 6. No alcoholic beverages may be used in the preparation of recipes.
- 7. Food made ahead of time i.e. pies, precooked pasta, etc. are not allowed, everything (food items) has to be made in the 45 minutes the participants are given to complete the meals.
- 8. The vegetable will be sweet corn and either a sweet or regular potato and a cut of steak and a mystery addition.
- 9. Youth must as a group present dish to judges and give explanation of their dish and be prepared to answer any questions

#### **Suggested Packing List:**

Grill
Cooking Utensils
Cutting board
Serving platter
Spices and additional ingredients
Chairs
Meat Thermometer
Extra table if needed)
Pen or pencil and recipe cards

#### **Judging Breakdown:**

The panel of judges will score teams by the following breakdown:

Creativity = possible 10 points
Teamwork = possible 25 points
Taste = possible 25 points
Presentation of food on dish = 20 points
Presentation by group to judges = possible 20 points

To participate you must Pre Register by June 26th with the pre entry sheet located in the fair book.

# Worcester County 4-H Fair Beef Cook-Off Entry Form

Please use blue or black ink, so clear, dark copies can be made. Only one exhibitor's entries on each form. This entry must be postmarked by June 26, 2023. All participants must be enrolled 4-H members by June 1, 2023. Please email Meg McDermott with any questions at memcdermott@umass.edu

Please mail this form to: UMass Extension Office 7 Midstate Dr. Suite 102 Auburn, MA 01501

Exhibitor Name: _					
Mailing Address:_		Town	ı:		
State:	Zip Code:	County:			
Club:		Age (As of Jan 1)	DOB:		
Name of Team:					
Геат Member #1					
Геат Member #2					
all rules and regula	ations of the Worce	e above program, I hereby enter t ester Country 4-H Fair and I furth h this fair for any loss or damage	er agree that I will ma	ake no claim against an	ıy organizatior
Signature of Exhibi	itor:				_
Signature of Parent	/Guardian:				_

Entry form must have signatures of the Exhibitor and a Parent/Legal Guardian, otherwise it will not be accepted.

# Worcester County 4-H Fair Overnight Housing Permission Slip

You must fill out and submit this form by 06/26/2023 if you are planning to stay overnight at the 4-H Fair.

PLEASE READ THE OVERNIGHT HOUSING RULES BEOFRE FILLING IN THIS FORM. All youth, who do not pre-register and do not have a chaperone, will have their parents called to pick them up. ALL chaperones must have 4-H volunteer paperwork completed and be CORI checked ahead of time. Information must be signed by a parent or guardian. Insurance and 4-H liability rules require that we strictly enforce these rules. You will be sent a health form to fill out. email Meg McDermott with questions memcdermott@umass.edu

4-H Fair Exhibitor Name:	Completed housing, health, payment, and registration forms must be mailed to:	
Address:		
Town: Zip Code: Phone:	UMass Extension	
Parent / Guardian		
Name:	7 Midstate Drive, Suite 102	
Phone:		
Alternate Phone Number	Auburn, MA 01501	
(Chaperone Name) their camping group. They will be staying Friday, July 28, 2023 and/or Saturd I have read and agree to all rules and regulations of the Worcester County 4-H Fair, and forganization, committee, or persons connected with this Fair for any loss or damage to pas a sealed instrument. I have read and agree to the conditions listed in the Overnight Hofor necessary examination and treatment if necessary by an attending physician.	further agree to make no claim against any persons or property. This is intended to take effect	
Camper's Signature		
Parent's / Guardian's Signature	Date	

# **OVERNIGHT HOUSING**

PRE-REGISTRAION IS REQUIRED FOR ANYONE TO STAY

OVERNIGHT AT THE FAIR
ANY ADULT WHO WILL BE STAYING OVERNIGHT MUST HAVE COMPLETED THE 4-H SCREENING,
VOLUNTEER AND CORI PAPERWORK

If you have not properly pre-registered, you will not be permitted to stay overnight. Parents will be called to come pick you up, regardless of time. No exceptions will be allowed. Any questions please contact Meg McDermott at memcdermott@umass.edu

# **Overnight Check-in Times:**

**Friday Night:** Parent or Chaperone must check in between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Friday to stay Friday night. **Saturday Night:** Parent or Chaperone must check in between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Saturday to stay Saturday night.

# **Overnight Housing Rules**

# **Family Camping Area**

- 1. An area for camping will be provided for families or members of 4-H clubs with their leaders and other chaperones. Every adult staying overnight must be CORI-checked. One adult chaperone is required per camping unit of five or less 4-Hers. There will be a \$10.00 total fee charged per tent and a \$25.00 total fee per camper. No camping unit may consist of more than five (5) 4-Hers. PLEASE NOTE: All youth campers MUST be 4-Hers who are registered exhibitors at this year's fair. The only exception to this rule is siblings of a registered exhibitor who is staying in a family unit with their own parent or guardian.
- 2. **Pre-registration is required by June 26, 2023.** Family units must fill in the family Overnight Housing Form and **every person staying overnight must be listed**.
- 3. The camping area is a field. There are water hookups and electricity for campers only. Bathrooms and showers are located on the grounds.
- 4. All campers are required to provide their own tents, sleeping bags, blankets, mattresses, etc.
- 5. The camping area must be cleaned by occupants before leaving the fair on Sunday.
- 6. If a 4-Her needs to leave the camping area for any reason during the night, he /she must be accompanied by an adult
- 7. <u>Pre-registration is mandatory.</u> EACH 4-Her staying overnight MUST fill out, and have their parents sign, the Overnight Housing Permission Slip and submit along with a complete health form before 06/26/2023.
- 8. We will hold office hours at the Auburn 4-H Office 7 Midstate Drive Auburn MA for volunteers and chaperones to file CORI paperwork on Thursday July 6<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm-7:30pm and Saturday July 15<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-1:00PM

# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Family Camping Area Registration**

Parent or Guardian Name:				
Mailing Address:				
Town:	Zip Code:	Phone:		_
What Nights are you staying overnight?	Friday	Saturday		
Names of members of your family	staying overnight – No	camping group may consis	t of more th	nan 5 4-H'ers
Name:		4-H Member?	Yes	No
Name:		4-H Member?	Yes	No
Name:		4-H Member?	Yes	No
Name:		4-H Member?	Yes	No
Name:		4-H Member?	Yes	No
I have completed our \$10.00 camping regulations of the Worcester County 4 committee or persons connected with the effect as a sealed instrument. I have reference to the committee of the committ	-H Fair, and further ag his Fair for any loss or	gree that I will make no claid damage to persons or propositions listed in the Overn	m against a erty. This is	ny organization, s intended to take
Signature of Parent or Guardian		D	ate:	

Questions? Contact Meg McDermott at <a href="memcdermott@umass.edu">memcdermott@umass.edu</a>

Please make payments out to Worcester County 4-H Fair

# All Camper forms are due by June 26, 2023 NO LATE FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED

Updated health forms will need to be brought to the Fair Completed housing, payment and registration forms must be mailed to:

UMass Extension Office 7 Midstate Drive, Suite 102 Auburn, MA 01501

# **Worcester County 4-H Fair Hall/Costume Contest Pre-Entry Form**

Please use blue or black ink, so clear, dark copies can be made. Only one exhibitor's entries on each form.

This entry must be postmarked by June 26, 2023. All participants must be enrolled 4-H members by June 1, 2023. Please email Meg McDermott at <a href="mailto:memcdermott@umass.edu">memcdermott@umass.edu</a> with any questions.

Please mail this form to: UMass Extension Office 7 Midstate Dr. Suite 102 Auburn, MA 01501

Exhibitor Nam	e:			_	
Mailing Addres	ss:	Town:			
State:	Zip Code:	County:			
Club:		Age (As of Jan 1)	DOB:		
		plays, Public Speaking, Tooits and Costume Class	able Setting, Technol		
Dept #	Class #		Description		
Signature of Ex	khibitor:				
Signature of Pa	rent/Guardian:				

Entry form must have signatures of the Exhibitor and a Parent/Legal Guardian, otherwise it will not be accepted.

# Worcester County 4-H Fair Cloverbud Tractor Pedal Pull Pre-Entry Form

Please use blue or black ink, so clear, dark copies can be made. Only one exhibitor's entries on each form. This entry must be postmarked by June 26, 2023. All participants must be enrolled 4-H members by June 1, 2023. Please email Meg McDermott at <a href="memcdermott@umass.edu">memcdermott@umass.edu</a> with any questions.

Please mail this form to: UMass Extension Office 7 Midstate Dr. Suite 102 Auburn, MA 01501

Exhibitor Na	me:			<del></del>
Mailing Addr	ress:	Town:		<del></del>
State:	Zip Code:	County:		<u> </u>
Club:		Age (As of Jan 1)	DOB:	
		overbud (ages 5-7yrs old)		- ·
	not be provided. Ea went will run betwe		ccompanied by a pa	rent or guardian during th
Signature of I	Exhibitor:			
Signature of I	Parent/Guardian:			
Entry form	must have signatures	of the Exhibitor and a Parent	/Legal Guardian, othe	rwise it will not be accepted.

# Worcester County 4-H Fair Dinner Saturday, July 29, 2023

Name:
Club Name(s):
List names of attending:
Please list any Dietary Restrictions/ Allergies:

This form must be postmarked by June 26<sup>th.</sup> Please include this form with your fair entries if you plan on attending the Welcome Dinner.

# LIVESTOCK CLASSES

# Dairy Cattle - Dept. 1

Commodity Chair: Nancy Andrews and Martin Shaw Youth Chair: Robbie Shaw

Entry fee - \$4.00 per animal. Pre-entry is required.

Shown on Sunday.

Premiums:  $1^{st} - 20$ ,  $2^{nd} - 18$ ,  $3^{rd} - 16$ 

# **RULES:**

- 1. All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, Animal Health Regulations must be followed.
- 2. Exhibitor must have owned/leased and cared for his/her animals since May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- 3. An exhibitor may enter no more than one animal in a class. Maximum 3 animals per exhibitor. Other 4-Her showing animal must also be in uniform.
- 4. All animals must be vaccinated for shipping fever and other respiratory disorders as recommended by your veterinarian.
- 5. Exhibitors must provide their own bedding.
- 6. Registered & unregistered animals will be shown together.
- No calves under 3 months at the date of the fair allowed on the fairgrounds

# **DAIRY FITTING & SHOWMANSHIP:**

**DN (Novice)** – Any boy/girl, 8-18 years of age as of Jan. 1 of current year with **no showmanship experience** prior to this year's fair season.

**DJ (Junior)** – Any boy/girl who is 8-12 as of Jan. 1

**DI (Intermediate)** – Any boy/girl who is 13-14 as of Jan 1 **DS (Senior)** - Any boy/girl who is 15-18 as of Jan 1.

**DA (Advanced)** – Any youth that has previously won any Senior division of Fitting and/or Showmanship in 4-H or Junior Shows.

Order of classes will be:

Advanced, Senior, Intermediate, Junior and Novice. Winner in each class will compete for Champion Showman. The appearance of the showman, as well as his/her ability, and the appearance and behavior of his/her animal will be considered. Classes with 12 or more contestants may be divided into 2 groups at the discretion of the judge.

# **ALL DAIRY BREED CLASSES:**

- (A) Ayrshire, (BS) Brown Swiss, (G) Guernsey,(H) Holstein, (J) Jersey, (MS) Milking Shorthorn,(K) Kerry
- 1. Spring Calf Born on 3/1/23 4/30/23
- 2. Winter Calf- Born on 12/1/22-2/28/23
- **3.** Fall Calf Born 9/1/22-11/30/22
- 4. Summer Yearling Heifer Born 6/1/22 8/31/22
- 5. Spring Yearling Heifer Born 3/1/22 5/31/22
- **6.** Winter Yearling Heifer Born 12/1/21 2/28/22
- 7. Fall Yearling Heifer- Born 9/1/21-11/30/21 (Not in milk. Yearlings that have calved will show in class #8)
- \*Junior Champion/Reserve Junior Champion HM
- 8. Junior Two-Year Old Heifer Born 3/1/21 8/31/21 (May or may not have calved at least one time)
- 9. Senior Two-Year Old Heifer Born 9/1/20 2/28/21
- **10.** Three-Year Old Cow Born 9/1/19 8/31/20
- 11. Four-Year Old Cow- Born 9/1/18-8/31/19
- 11. Aged Cow Born before 9/1/18 \*Senior Champion/Reserve Senior Champion HM
- \*Grand Champion
- 12. \*Produce of Dam
- 13. \*Best Bred & Owned
- **14.** \*Club Herds (3 animals) 4 exhibitors allowed in the ring, one for each animal, and one to set up the herd.
- \*Ribbons only

# Beef Cattle - Dept. 2

Commodity Chair: Alyissa Courville and Paul Dunn Youth Chair: Meiah Petruzzi

Entry fee - \$4.00 per animal. Pre-entry is required. *Shown on Saturday.* 

Premiums:  $1^{st} - 20$ ,  $2^{nd} - 18$ ,  $3^{rd} - 16$ 

# **RULES:**

- 1. All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, and Animal Health Regulations must be followed.
- 2. Entrant must have available, age of animal and breed of sire & dam.
- 3. Exhibitor must have owned/leased and cared for his/her animal since May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- 4. An exhibitor may enter no more than one animal in a class. Maximum 3 animals per exhibitor. Other 4-Her showing animal must also be in uniform.
- Commercial Grade is what was formerly Beef/Beef Cross
- 6. Horned females of breeds with horns are allowed to be shown. Steers must be dehorned.
- 7. All animals must be vaccinated for shipping fever and other respiratory disorders as recommended by your veterinarian.
- 8. No calves under 3 months at the date of the fair allowed on the fairgrounds
- 9. No farm or club names are allowed on any clothing while in the show ring.
- 10. Exhibitors must provide their own bedding.
- 11. See uniform requirements in Livestock Rules.
- 12. Classes/breeds to be combined if less than one steer per class.
- 13. No Bulls over 6 months.
- 14. Steers to be shown by weight, (light, medium, heavy) to be weighed or taped at the show.
- 15. Class definitions

*Novice* – Any youth with no fitting & showmanship experience prior to this year's Fair season but at least 8 years old as of Jan. 1 of current year.

*Junior* – Any youth who is at least 8-12 years of age by Jan. 1 of the current year.

*Intermediate* – Any youth who 13-14 by Jan. 1 of the current year.

**Senior** – Any youth 15-18 years of age Jan. 1 of the current year.

*Advanced-* Any youth that has previously won any senior division of showmanship in 4-H or Junior Shows.

### **BEEF FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP:**

BA (Advanced) - Any youth who has won fitting or showmanship in the senior division

**BS (Senior)** -15-18 as of Jan 1

**BI (Intermediate)** – 13-14 as of Jan 1

**BJ** (Junior) -8-12 as of Jan 1.

**BN (Novice)** – First time in fitting and showmanship 8-18 as of Jan1.

The winner in each class will compete for Champion Showman.

# **CLASSES FOR ALL BEEF BREEDS:**

(**BG**) Purebred Belted Galloway, (**H**) Purebred Hereford, (**S**) Purebred Simmental, (**CG**) Commercial Grade, (**DB**) Dairy/Beef Cross, (**A**) Purebred Angus, (**D**) Purebred Dexter, (**AO**) Any other Purebred

# **BEEF CLASSES:**

- 1. Bull Calf Not born before 3/1/23-4/30/23
- 2. Junior Calf-1/1/23-3/31/23
- 3. Senior Calf- 9/1/22-12/31/22
- 4. Summer Yearling Heifer-5/1/22-8/31/22
- 5. Spring Yearling Heifer-3/1/22-4/30/22
- 6. Junior Yearling Heifer-1/1/21-2/28/22
- 7. Senior Yearling Heifer-9/1/20-12/31/21
  - \*Junior Champion
- 9. Two-Year Old Born 9/1/20 8/30/21
- 10. Aged Cow Born before 9/1/20
  - \*Senior Champion
  - \*Grand Champion
- 11. \*Cow w/ natural Calf born by 4/30/23
- 12. Steer light
- 13. Steer medium
- 14. Steer-heavy
- 15. \*Club Herd-3 animals
- 16. \*Produce of Dam- 2 animals, same dam
- 17. \*Bred & Owned
- 18. \*Get a Sire- 3 animals, same sire

<sup>\*</sup>Ribbons only

# Cavies – Dept. 3

Commodity Chair: TBD Youth Chair: TBD

Entry fee - \$2.00 per animal. Pre-registration is required.

Shown on Saturday.

Premiums:  $1^{st} - 2$ ,  $2^{nd} - 1.5$ ,  $3^{rd} - 1$ 

### **RULES:**

- 1. All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, and Animal Health Regulations must be followed.
- 2. All animals must be handled by their owners.
- 3. All exhibitors must bring their own animals to and from the show table. Nobody else will be able to touch, care for, or otherwise come in contact with your animal.
- 4. All exhibitors are responsible for cage cleaning, watering, and feeding for their animals. Food, water, cages and containers must be furnished by the exhibitor.
- 5. All animals exhibited must be at least 3 months of age.
- 6. Entries must be pre-registered. Please use the rabbit/cavy entry form.

# Cloverbud Cavy Show:

- 1. Cloverbuds must check their cavies in between 7:00 am and 8:30 am on Saturday.
- 2. The Cloverbud workshop will be held in conjunction with the Cloverbud Rabbit Workshop at 1:00 pm on Saturday.
- 3. Cloverbud Ribbons will be awarded.
- 4. Cavies must stay in place until 4:00pm or end of show.

# Pet and pedigreed Cavy Show:

- 1. Open to all junior and senior exhibitors.
- 2. Cavies must be checked in between the hours of 7:00 am and 8:30 am on Saturday.
- 3. Pedigreed classes will be judged in accordance with the American Rabbit Breeders Association Standard of Perfection. Pet classes will be judged according to condition, cleanliness, grooming, and temperament.
- 4. All animals entered in a pedigreed class must be permanently ear-marked. This service will not be provided at the Fair. Contact the Commodity Chairperson at least 3 weeks prior to the Fair if you need an ear tag for your cavy.

- 5. Judging will be held in conjunction with the Rabbit Show at 10:00 am.
- 6. Animals must remain in place until 4:00 pm on Saturday or until end of show.
- 7. Cavy Showmanship will be combined with Rabbit Showmanship (check under Rabbit commodity rules for information on classes).

# **CLASSES:**

Pedigreed animals will be placed in classes according to the American Rabbit Breeders Association Standard of Perfection.

- 1. Pedigreed Senior Boar-Over 6 months of age, or over 32 ounces.
- 2. Pedigreed Senior Sow-Over 6 months or over 30 oz.
- 3. Pedigreed Intermediate (4-6 months) Boar 22-32 oz.
- 4. Pedigreed Intermediate (4-6 months) Sow (Under 30 ounces)
- 5. Pedigreed Junior Boar- Under 4 months
- 6. Pedigreed Junior Sow Under 4 months
- 7. Pet-Senior, Intermediate, Junior, Boar and Sow

Exhibitor may show two cavies in a class. No more than 8 cavies total per exhibitor.

The following information must be on the pre-entry form for ALL cavies entered:

- 1. Breed. If unknown, enter "pet"
- 2. Age or class of animal
- 3. Sex of animal
- 4. Color or variety of animal
- 5. Ear-number, If pedigreed



# Dairy Goats - Dept. 5

Commodity Chair: Akiko Kunst Youth Chair: Miru Kunst

Entry fee - \$4.00 per animal. Pre-entry is required.

Premiums:  $1^{st} - 10$ ,  $2^{nd} - 8$ ,  $3^{rd} - 6$ 

# **RULES:** - Shown on Saturday.

- 1. All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, and Animal Health Regulations must be followed.
- 2. No horned animals or scurs bigger than 2 inches high.
- 3. An exhibitor may enter no more than 2 animals per class. Maximum of 3 pens per exhibitor excluding tack pen.
- 4. All goats shown in group classes must also be shown in individual breed classes.
- 5. All animal ages are calculated by the date of the Fair.
- 6. All animals must be owned or leased by the exhibitor on or before June 1st of the current year.
- 7. All animals are required to stay on the fairgrounds until
- 4:00pm or end of show or forfeit premiums.
- 8. White shirt with 4-H emblem, tan or white pants, and appropriate footwear must be worn.
- 9. Exhibitors must provide their own bedding. Pens must be cleaned out before leaving the grounds or forfeit premiums.

# FITTING: (SPECIAL AWARD: Fitting Champion)

**DFA** – Advanced fitting, has won any senior division of fitting

DFS - Senior Fitting 14-18 as Jan 1

**DFJ** – Junior Fitting-8-13 as of Jan 1

**DFN** – Novice Fitting-first year fitting 8-18 as of Jane 1

**DFC** – Cloverbud Fitting-5-7 as of Jan 1

# SHOWMANSHIP: (SPECIAL AWARD: Showmanship Champion)

**DSA-** Advanced Showmanship, has won any Senior showmanship division

**DSS** – Senior Showmanship- 14-18 as of Jan 1

**DJS** – Junior Showmanship 8-13 as of Jan 1

**DNS** – Novice Showmanship-first year Showmanship 8-18 as of Jan 1

DCS – Cloverbud Showmanship 5-7 as of Jan 1

# **BREEDS CLASS:**

- (A) Alpine, (L) LaMancha, (ND) Nigerian Dwarf,
- (N) Nubian, (O) Oberhasli, (S) Saanen/Sable,
- (T) Toggenburg, (R) Recorded Grades/Grades,
- (M) Minis,

\*Order of breeds determined day of show.

- 1. Doe Kids 1-4 months
- 2. Sr. Doe Kids 4-6 months
- 3. Doelings 6-12 months
- **4.** Dry yearling, 12 months under 24 months
- 5. Jr. Milkers, 1 year to under 2 years old
- **6.** Int. Milkers, 2 years to under 4 years old
- 7. Sr. Milkers, 4 years old to under 6 years old
- **8.** Aged Milker, 6 years and older

# **GROUP CLASSES:**

Classes limited to one entry per exhibitor.

- **9.** \*Produce of Dam 3 does from the same dam
- 10. \*Dam and Daughter
- 11. \*Get of Sire- 3 does from the same sire
- 12. \*Herd 3 animals owned/leased by the same exhibitor at least one in milk.

# **SPECIALITY CLASSES:**

- **13.** Pet Wether
- **14.** Pet Doe (Any doe over 2 yrs. Old that is dry)

\*Ribbon Only

# Goat Herdsmen Contest - Dept. 6

Commodity Chair: Akiko Kunst Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup> – 8, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4

# RULES:

- 1. All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, and Animal Health Regulations must be followed.
- 2. The contest will be judged on exhibitor basis.
- 3. Judging will start at 10 am Saturday until 4 pm.
- 4. The judging is based on overall cleanliness of the area and overall appearance and attitude.
- Participants must be present all day Saturday on the day of their show.
- 6. Points are awarded for each of the following categories:
  - Clean and content animals (clean pen, clean animals, adequate food & water) 25 pts.
  - Neatness of pen and tack area (organized, free of loose trash, ease of passing by) 25 pts.
  - Displays of exhibit area (colorful, decorative, creative) 25 pts.
  - Attitude of exhibitor (courteous, friendly, helpful & polite) 25 pts.
- 7. No adult may help maintain area once animals and displays are in place or exhibitor will forfeit contest. Other 4-H members may help.

# Market Goats - Dept. 7

Commodity Chair: Akiko Kunst

Youth Chair: Miru Kunst

Entry fee - \$4.00 per animal. Shown on Saturday.

Premiums:  $1^{st} - 10$ ,  $2^{nd} - 8$ ,  $3^{rd} - 6$ 

# **RULES:** - Pre-entry is required

1. All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, and Animal Health Regulations must be followed.

- 2. No horned animals other than Boers.
- 3. An exhibitor may enter no more than 2 animals per class with a maximum of 3 pens per exhibitor excluding tack pen.
- 4. Any animal used for fitting and showmanship must be shown in regular classes.
- 5. All animals must be owned or leased by the exhibitor on or before June 1st of the current year.
- 6. Animals age is calculated by the date they are to be shown.
- 7. All animals are required to stay on the fairgrounds until 4:00 pm or end of show or forfeit premiums.
- 8. Pens must be cleaned prior to leaving grounds or forfeit premiums.
- 9. White shirt with 4-H emblem, tan or black pants, and appropriate footwear must be worn.
- 10. Exhibitors must provide their own bedding. Pens must be cleaned out before leaving the grounds or forfeit premiums.
- 11. Registered and non-registered animals that conform to breed type will be shown together.
- 12. All other purebreds include: Kinder, Kiko, Fainters...Market grades are any crosses between market breeds or market and dairy breeds.

# MARKET GOAT FITTING & SHOWMANSHIP:

MSF – Senior Fitting

**MJF** – Junior Fitting

**MNF** – Novice Fitting

MCF – Cloverbud Fitting

SPECIAL AWARDS: Best Fitter & Showman

Commodity Chair: Dominic Scalera

Youth Chair:

# **BREEDS CLASS:**

(B) Boer, (P) Pygmy, (MG) Market grades (AO) All other purebred

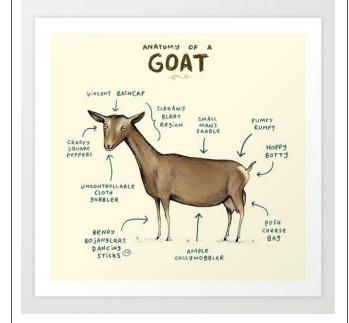
- 1. Kids 1-6 months
- 2. Kids 6-12 months
- 3. Breeding Does 1-3 years
- 4. Breeding Does 3-5 years
- 5. Breeding Does 5 years and over

# **SPECIAL AWARDS:** Best of Breed - Does

- **6.** Market Wethers 2-6 months
- 7. Market Wethers 6-12 months
- 8. Market Wethers 12 months under 24 months

<u>SPECIAL AWARDS:</u> Best of Breed – Wethers Champion Market Goat Award (All best Doe and Wether compete)

9. Herd: 3 animals, owned/leased by the same exhibitors. At least 1 doe included.



# <u> Poultry – Dept. 8</u>

Commodity Chair: Dominic Scalera Youth Chair:

Entry fee - \$2.00 per bird. Shown on Sunday.

Premiums:  $1^{st} - 3.5$ ,  $2^{nd} - 3$ ,  $3^{rd} - 2.5$ 

# RULES: - Pre-entry is required

- 1. All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, and Animal Health Regulations must be followed.
- 2. No birds can be caged before being inspected.
- 3. An exhibitor may enter 1 bird per class, per breed with a maximum of 10 birds per exhibitor.
- 4. Three entries shall constitute a class. If there are 10 or more pullets, the class will be divided.
- 5. Animals must be in place by 9:00am on Sunday.
  - Water & Food containers must be furnished by the exhibitor. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding, watering, and cleaning their own birds. Exhibitors will provide their own shavings.
- 7. All birds, with the exception of waterfowl and pigeons, must be blood tested and be Pullorum Typhoid clean as requested by the State Department of Animal Health. Arrangements for testing must be made several weeks ahead. Contact Megan Megrath at 617-626-1798 or email at Megan.megrath@mass.gov Certificates must be included with the poultry pre-entry. If your birds are less than 16 weeks old, you must include documentation from the hatchery or farm that you purchased them from documenting that their flock/facility is disease free. Certificates will be double checked before bird(s) can be cooped.
- 8. Dress code for Poultry Exhibitor Showmanship White shirt or blouse, dark pants or skirt. Dress jeans are acceptable. All exhibitors must do showmanship.
- 9. Poultry may be checked in on Sunday morning between 7:30 and 8:30 am. Poultry exhibitors can remove their birds Sunday after the Auction is over.
- 10. Entries must be pre-registered. Positively NO ENTRIES will be accepted after June 26, 2023. Please use entry form only, contained in this book.
- 11. The age of the cockerels and pullets is over 4 months and under 1 year.

Poultry showmanship is mandatory for all poultry exhibitors. If showmanship time conflicts with another commodity, please notify the commodity chair so arrangements can be made.

### CLASSES:

### ST – Standard Chickens

ST1. Cock

ST2. Hen

ST3. Cockerel

ST4. Pullet

### **B** – Bantam Chickens

B1. Cock

B2. Hen

B3. Cockerel

B4. Pullet

### P - Production Chickens

P1. Production Pullet

**P2.** Production Hen

P3. Meat Type, Female

P4. Meat Type, Male

### D – Ducks

D1. Young Duck

D2. Young Drake

D3. Old Duck

D4. Old Drake

### G – Geese

G1. Young Goose

G2. Young Gander

G3. Old Goose

G4. Old Gander

# O – Other Birds

O1. Cock

O2. Hen

O3. Cockerel

O4. Pullet

# T - Turkeys

T1. Young Hen

T2. Young Tom

T3. Old Hen

T4. Old Tom

### SH – Showmanship

**SHC** – Cloverbud – Danish Ribbons only.

**SHS** – Senior – Ages 15 and older as of Jan. 1 of current year.

SHI – Intermediate – Ages 12-14 as of Jan. 1 of current year.

SHJ - Junior – Ages 8-11 as of Jan. 1 of current Year.

**SHN** – Novice, those who have never participated in showmanship, regardless of age.

# Rabbits - Dept. 9

Commodity Chair:

Youth Chair: Elizabeth Scalera

Entry Fee: \$2.00 per animal, per class, including AF-Fur

Class. Shown on Saturday.

Premiums:  $1^{st} - 3$ ,  $2^{nd} - 2.5$ ,  $3^{rd} - 2$ 

# **RULES:** - Pre-entry is required

- 1. All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, and Animal Health Regulations must be followed.
- All animals shall be handled only by their owners.
   Exhibitors must bring their own animals to and from the show table. No one else will be allowed to touch, care for, or otherwise come in contact with your animal.
- Food and water containers must be furnished by the exhibitor.
- 4. All animals must be at least 3 months of age.
- 5. Entries must be pre-registered. Please use the rabbit entry form located in this book.
- 6. This is a carry cage show.

# **CLOVERBUD RABBIT SHOW:**

- 1. Cloverbuds must check-in their rabbits between 7:00 am 8:30 am on Saturday. The Cloverbud Workshop will begin at 1:00 pm on Saturday. The Cloverbud Rabbit Show will consist of a workshop, where 4-H leaders and older rabbit 4-Her's will work with the Cloverbuds to "judge" the Cloverbuds' rabbits. Cloverbuds will learn how to participate in Showmanship and learn what the judges are looking for when judging rabbits. This will be a hands-on participatory event.
- 2. Only Cloverbud Ribbons will be awarded.
- 3. Rabbits must stay in place until 4:00pm or end of show

# <u>PET & PEDIGREED RABBIT SHOW:</u>

- 1. Open to all Junior & Senior Exhibitors.
- 2. Rabbits must be checked-in between the hours of 7:00 and 8:30 am on Saturday.
- 3. Showmanship is mandatory for all rabbit exhibitors and pedigreed classes will be judged in accordance with the American Rabbit Breeders Association Standard of Perfection. Any rabbit disqualified per the ARBA standard will be allowed to move into the pet class.
- Pet classes will be judged according to condition, cleanliness, grooming, and temperament and will be placed down to 5<sup>th</sup> place. Classes to be set at the discretion of the Commodity Chair at the time of judging.
- 5. All animals entered in a pedigreed class must be permanently ear-marked. This service will not be provided at the fair
- Pedigreed rabbits will be judged first followed by pets.
- Animals must remain in place until 4:00 pm or end of the show.

### **CLASSES:**

- 1. Pedigreed Senior Buck
- 2. Pedigreed Senior Doe
- 3. Pedigreed Intermediate (6-8 month) Buck
- 4. Pedigreed Intermediate (6-8 month) Doe
- 5. Pedigreed Junior Buck
- **6.** Pedigreed Junior Doe
- **7.** Pet
- 8. White Normal Colored Fur
- 9. White Rex Fur, Colored Rex Fur
- 10. White Satin Fur
- 11. White Angora Fur
- 12. Colored Angora Fur
- 13. Colored Satin Fur

Exhibitor may show two rabbits in a class (no more than 8 rabbits total per exhibitor)

The following information must be on the required preentry form for ALL rabbits entered:

- 1. Breed, if unknown, enter "Pet".
- 2. Age or Class of Animal
- 3. Sex of Animal
- 4. Color or Variety of Animal
- 5. Ear-number if Pedigreed.
- 6. Place a check mark under fur class if animal is being entered in a fur class
- 7. Please note your showmanship class on the form after you have listed your rabbits.

Note: Showmanship is mandatory for all exhibitors!

# RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES:

RSS (Senior) – 15-18 years old as of Jan. 1 of the current year.

**RSI (Intermediate)**- 13-14 years old as of Jan. 1 Of the current year

**RSJ (Junior)** – 8-13 years old as of Jan. 1 of the current year.

**RSN (Novice)** – At least 8 years old as of Jan. 1 of the current year with no showmanship experience.

RSP (Pet) – This class is for Senior, Junior or Novice Exhibitors who have pet rabbits only. If you are showing a rabbit in a breed class, you cannot do pet showmanship, you must do Senior, Junior or Novice Showmanship. If you have only a pet rabbit and would like to enter in one of the other showmanship classes, you may do so instead of Pet Showmanship.

# Sheep - Dept. 10

Commodity Chair: Akiko Kunst

Youth Chair: Miru Kunst Entry Fee: \$4.00 per animal

Premiums:  $1^{st} - 10, 2^{nd} - 8, 3^{rd} - 6$ 

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, and Animal Health Regulations must be followed.
- 2. All animals must be owned/leased by the exhibitor as of June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- 3. Individual sheep may compete in no more than one class, except group classes. All sheep shown in group classes must be shown in individual classes.
- 4. Aged ewes must have raised a lamb born on or after September 1<sup>st</sup> of the previous year.
- 5. Lambs must not show yearling teeth.
- 6. Market lambs must be clean shorn or not have more than 1/4" of wool.
- 7. All animals are required to stay on the grounds until end of auction Sunday or the end of the show, whichever is later.
- 8. Stalls must be cleaned before leaving grounds or the exhibitor's premiums may be forfeited in order to cover the cost of cleaning.
- 9. All sheep shown must be washed and fitted for show.
- 10. Exhibitors must provide their own bedding.
- 11. An exhibitor may only enter 2 animal per class with a maximum of 3 pens per exhibitor.

### FITTING & SHOWMANSHIP CONTESTS:

*SFA*. **Advanced**- Has previously won senior fitting and showmanship.

**SFS. Senior** – 14-18 years old as of Jan. 1 of current year.

**SFJ. Junior** – 8-13 years old as of Jan. 1 of current year.

**SFN.** Novice -1<sup>st</sup> year showing and 8-18 years of age as of Jan. 1 of current year.

# **BREED CLASSES:** (M)- Meat Breeds, (W) – M & Wool (fleece) Breeds.

- 1. Ewe lamb (under 1 year)
- 2. Yearling Ewe (1 year and under 2)
- **3.** Aged Ewe (over 2 years)
- 4. Ram Lamb (under 1 year)
- 5. Yearling Ram (1 year and under 2)
- **6.** Flock: 1 Ram and 3 Ewes of different ages
- 7. Pair of Ewe Lambs
- 8. Pair of Ram Lambs
- 9. Pair of Yearling Ewes
- **10.** Ewe & Lamb (bred by exhibitor)

MARKET LAMBS: All lambs will be Market and cannot

be shown in Purebred Classes.

MLL - Light Weight

MLM - Medium Weight

MLH - Heavy Weight

**MLP -** Pair Market Lambs – to consist of two lambs from the same weight category.

# Swine - Dept. 11

Commodity Chair:

Youth Chair:

Entry Fee: \$4.00 per animal. *Shown on Sunday*.

Premiums:  $1^{st} - 10$ ,  $2^{nd} - 8$ ,  $3^{rd} - 6$ 

# **RULES:** - Pre-entry is required

- 1. All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, and Animal Health Regulations must be followed.
- 2. Any exhibit will be judged.
- 3. Exhibitors must provide their own bedding.
- 4. All animals must be in place by 8:30 am Sunday.

### FITTING & SHOWMANSHIP CONTESTS:

**SFS (Senior)** – 15-18 years old as of Jan.1 of the current year.

**SFI (Intermediate)** – 13-14 years old as of Jan. 1 of the current year.

**SFJ (Junior)** – 8-12 years old as of Jan. 1 of the current year.

**SFN (Novice)** – At least 8 years old as of Jan. 1 of the current year with no showmanship experience prior to this year's fair.

# **CLASSES:**

(B) – Berkshire

(D) – Duroc

(H) – Hampshire

(T) – Tamworth

(C) - Crossbreed

(AO) – Any other Purebred

- 1. Senior Fall Gilt- Farrowed on or after July 1 of preceding year
- 2. January Spring Gilt-Farrowed on or after Jan 1. Of the current year, but before Feb 1 of the current year.
- 3. February Spring Gilt Farrowed on or after Feb. 1 of the current year, but before March 1 of the current year.
- 4. Junior Spring Gilt-Farrowed on or after March 1 of the current year
- 5. Sow-Under 1 year of age
- 6. Sow-Over 1 year of age
- 7. Sow & Litter (4 or more piglets)
- 8. Gilt, over 2 months and under 1 year
- 9. Boar- One year or under

- 10. Light weight market, under 175 lbs.
- 11. Medium weight market, 175-225 lbs.
- 12. Heavy weight market, over 225 lbs.
- 13. Feeder Pig, 50 100 lbs.
- 14. Feeder Pig, 100 150 lbs.

Classes may be combined if less than 3 entries per class.

# **Exhibit Hall Fair Classes**

# Apple Pie Baking Contest - Dept. 20

Premiums: 1st-5, 2nd-4, 3rd-3

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules located at the front of this catalog must be followed.
- Pie must be a plain two-crust pie, made of homemade pie crust, not a prepared mix.
- Pie must be in an 8", 9" or 10" throw-away pie plate.
- 4. Recipe on a card must include full recipe for both crust and filling. Attach both of these recipes to outside of clear bag.
- All pies including rosette winners will become the property of the Worcester County 4-H Fair.
- Entries must be put in place by 4-H exhibitor.

# **CLASSES:**

A1-Apple Pie Baking Contest

# *Arts – Dept. 21*

Premiums: 1st-2, 2nd-1.5, 3rd-1

### **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. ART is generally defined as a creative arrangement of colors and forms that work together to accomplish a sense of beauty.
- 3. The Arts and Crafts commodity chair persons together will decide whether an exhibit should be considered an Art or a Craft.
- 4. No kits are accepted in the Art category. All work must be original.
- All items that are normally displayed by hanging must be framed or matted and in some way prepared for hanging with a hook.
- 6. Artwork should be clean and neatly presented.

# **CLASSES:**

A1 – Water Color Including Tempera

A2 - Oils

A3 – Acrylics

 $\mathbf{A4} - Ink$ 

A5 – Pencil

A6 - Colored Pencil

A7 – Pastel and Crayon

A8 - Mixed Media

A9 - Print Making

A10 - Calligraphy

A11 – Collage

A12 - Sculpture

A13 – Marker

**A14** – Finger Painting

A15 - Charcoal

**A16** – Any other not listed in other classes

# Canning - Dept. 22

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-3, 2<sup>nd</sup>-2.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-2

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in the front of this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Two jars in each class, except collections. Each Jar requires:
  - Two Labels
  - Label on front of the jar must state
    - Name of product
    - Class
    - Type of processing
    - Junior or Senior entry
  - Label on bottom of jar must state
    - o Name of exhibitor
    - o Age of exhibitor
    - Exhibitor number
- 3. The product shown must be canned in the past 12 months by the exhibitor. All products, including jam & jelly shall be sealed by processing.

- Hot Water Bath
  - o Fruits
  - o Jam
  - Jelly
  - Pickles
- Pressure
  - Vegetables
  - Meats
- Screw bands must be removed from all jars for exhibiting.
- 4. As recommended by the USDA, Parrafin, inversion method, jar rubbers are not acceptable. Only jars with screw bands and lids will be accepted.
- 5. Exhibitors should be aware of "head space" and follow according to recipe.

# **CLASSES:**

- A. Collections (collections must be set up by individual exhibitor)
  - A1 Fruits 3 pint jars, 1 jar each of 3 kinds
  - **A2** Vegetables 3 pint jars, 1 jar each of 3 kinds
  - $\boldsymbol{A3}$  Jelly and/or Jam 3 half-pint jars, 1 jar each of 3 kinds
  - A4 Pickles 3 pint jars, 1 jar each of 3 kinds
  - A5 Relish 3 pint jars, 1 jar each of 3 kinds
- B. Vegetables 2 pint jars
  - **B1** Tomatoes
  - B2 Green Beans
  - **B3** Yellow Beans
  - **B4** Beets
  - B5 Peas
  - **B6** Carrots
  - **B7** Corn
  - B8 Salsa
  - **B9** Tomato Sauce
  - B10 Mixed Vegetables
  - B11 Any other
- C. Fruits -2 pint jars
  - C1 Peaches
  - C2 Blueberries
  - C3 Pears
  - C4 Blackberries
  - C5 Raspberries
  - C6 Applesauce
  - C7 Any other
- D. Jelly 2 half-pint jars
  - D1 Apple Jelly
  - D2 Mint Jelly
  - **D3** Strawberry Jelly
  - **D4** Raspberry Jelly

D5 - Grape Jelly

**D6** - Any other Jelly

# E. Jam - 2 half-pint jars

E1 - Strawberry Jam

E2 - Raspberry Jam

E3 - Peach Jam

E4 - Blackberry Jam

E5 - Blueberry Jam

E6 - Any other Jam or Preserve

# F. Pickles – 2 pint jars

F1 - Bread and Butter Pickles

F2 - Sour Pickles

F3 - Dill Pickles

F4 - Relish

F5 - Piccalilli

F6 - Any other

# G. Growing/Canning Class

**G1** - Any canned vegetables, fruits, jelly, jam, or pickles that you grew yourself. (2 jars for each class – i.e.: jam, jelly ½ pint jar, beans 1 pint jar)

### H. Other

H1 – Any other canned item, not listed in canning classes

# Child Care - Dept. 23

Commodity Chair:

Youth Chair:

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-2, 2<sup>nd</sup>-1.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-1

### <u>RULES</u>

- All General Rules located in the front of this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Entries must be put in place by 4-H Exhibitor.

- CC1 Scrapbook for a child
- CC2 Stuffed Toy
- $\mathbf{CC3}$  Homemade Toy or Constructive Game
- CC4 Baby-sitter's "Magic" Box or Bag
- CC5 Safety Poster
- CC6 Any other not listed above in classes

# Clothing - Dept. 24

Premiums: 1st -2, 2nd-1.5, 3rd-1

# **RULES:**

- 1.) All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2.) Articles listed together must be exhibited together.
- 3.) No garment with visible name label or identifying mark will be accepted.

# **CLASSES:**

- CC1 Pajamas
- CC2 Shorts or Culottes
- CC3 Pants
- CC4 Skirt
- CC5 Pullover Blouse or Shirt
- CC6 Button Blouse or Shirt
- CC7 Dress or Jumper
- CC8 Sundress
- CC9 Formal Dress
- **CC10** Outfit 2 or more articles to be worn together
- CC11 Vest
- **CC12 -** Tote-bag or Pocketbook
- CC13 Sewn Hair Accessories
- CC14 Sewn Belt
- CC15 Costume Class
- CC16 Any other not listed in above classes

# Club Banner – Dept. 25

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-8, 2<sup>nd</sup>-7, 3<sup>rd</sup>-6

### **RULES:**

- 1. All General Rules located in the front of this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Banners are to be 3' x 6' and can be done vertically or horizontally.
- 3. Lettering should be **BOLD** and **LARGE**, and complimentary to visual objects and symbols.

- 4. 4-H Clover should be clearly visible, fit well with banner's composition, and follow guidelines for use. (ex: nothing can be placed on top or within the clover such as pictures, names, etc.)
- 5. Club name and focus of club should be portrayed within the design of the banner.
- 6. Materials must be suitable for project and can be a heavy cloth like denim, burlap, felt, etc.
- 7. Banner can have tabs or a sleeve to hold a 1" dowel.
- 8. A 1" dowel along with a 7' cord or chain for wall hanging required.

### **CLASSES:**

CB1-Club Banner

# Color and Design – Dept. 26

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-2, 2<sup>nd</sup>-1.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-1

# **RULES:**

- 1. All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Exhibits will be judged on the choice of colors, textures, designs, workmanship, appropriateness, and cleanliness.
- 3. Entries must be put in place by 4-H exhibitor.

### **CLASSES:**

**CD1 - Doll:** Make an outfit in doll-size, giving complexion and hair color of person by whom worn. It may be a replica of your own outfit or just your dream. (Should be displayed appropriately or on a doll)

**CD2 - Room:** Using cardboard or wood cartons as two or three walls, make a room no larger than 18" square. It should be wallpapered or painted, have curtains or drapes and other accessories, plus furniture in miniature. Room should be complete.

**CD3** – Fashion Sketch: Do a sketch of an outfit of your own design.

**CD4** – Any other not listed in above classes.

# Conservation - Dept. 27

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-3, 2<sup>nd</sup>-2.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-2

### **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Specimens must be dried and/or pressed when appropriate.
- 3. Any exhibit containing endangered species will be disqualified.
- Seniors must label specimens with correct common name and scientific name. Juniors must label specimens with common name and may also label with scientific name.

### **CLASSES:**

(Classes 1 – 6 MUST be mounted & named)

**CD1** - Collection of at least 5 leaves

CD2 - Collection of at least 5 insects

**CD3** - Collection of at least 5 weeds

**CD4** - Collection of at least 5 wildflowers

**CD5** - Collection of at least 5 native woods

CD6 - Collection of at least 5 seeds and/or cones

**CC7** - Water conservation or pollution control

CC8 - Nature or wildlife conservation

CC9 - Energy conservation or alternative energy source

CC10 - Marine or aquaculture

CC11 - Nature Craft

CC12 - Terrarium

CC13 - Any other not listed in above classes

# Crafts - Dept. 28

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-2, 2<sup>nd</sup>-1.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-1

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in the front of this catalog must be followed.
- 2. A craft is generally defined as a piece of handwork created by learning a special skill.
- 3. The Arts & Crafts commodity chairpersons together will decide whether an exhibit should be considered and Art or a Craft.
- 4. Every card <u>MUST</u> state whether the craft is a "kit" or "not a kit". Any card not marked in such a way will be judged "as a kit".

# **CLASSES:**

CC1 - Plastic Canvas

CC2 - Puppets

CC3 - Jewelry Making

CC4 - Candle

**CC5** - Decorative Clay Pots

CC6 - Stuffed Animals, sewn

CC7 - Ingenious use of discards (be certain to check other categories first)

CC8 - Seashell Crafts (Not sculptures)

**CC9** - Punched Tin Metalwork

CC10 - Metalwork, NOT punched Tin

CC11 - Decorated Gift Bag or Box

CC12 - Papier Mache Crafts

CC13 - Sculptured Clay

CC14 - Tie-Dyeing

CC15 - Decorative Funny Foam

CC16 - Cloth covered photo album

CC17 - Ceramics (fired piece)

**CC18** - Decorative Clothing Painting

**CC19** - Other Clothing Decorating

CC20 - Models from a kit

CC21 - Models NOT from a kit

CC22 - Christmas Decoration/Ornament

CC23 - Other Holiday Decoration

CC24 - Mod Podge and Decoupage

CC25 - Easter Decoration

CC26 - Decorative Painting (tole, wood, tin)

CC27 - Cloth Dolls that are sewn

CC28 - Any other Dolls

CC29 - Stenciling on cloth

CC30 - Stenciling NOT on cloth

CC31 - Origami

CC32 - Pictures

CC33 - Halloween Decorations

CC34 - Leather craft

CC35 - Thanksgiving Decorations

CC36 - Christmas other

CC37 - Pillow (NOT quilted)

CC38 - Bead craft from a kit

CC39 - Bead craft NOT from a kit

CC40 - Sand Art

CC41 - Patriotic

CC42 - Lego, K'nex from a kit

CC43 – Lego, K'nex NOT from a kit

CC44 - Ceramics (NOT fired)

CC45 - Basket Weaving

CC46 – Goat Soap

CC47 - Any other not listed in other classes

# Creative Stitchery - Dept. 29

Premiums: 1st-2, 2nd-1.5, 3rd-1

### **RULES:**

- 1. All General Rules in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. All entry cards must state whether from an original design, kit, stamped pattern, or copy. May be decorative or utilitarian.
- 3. Entries may be brought to the Fair and presented to the commodity chairperson or commodity member by the 4-Her's leader, parent, or other club member.

# **CLASSES:**

- CS1 Embroidery
- CS2 Crewel Work
- CS3 Needlepoint
- CS4 Quickpoint
- **CS5** Latch Hooking
- CS6 Cross Stitch
- CS7 Counted Cross Stitch
- **CS8** Loomed Weaving
- CS9 Non-loomed Weaving
- CS10 Tatting
- CS11 Smocking
- CS12 Hooked Rugs-fabric strips
- CS13 Braided Rugs
- CS14 Woven Rugs
- CS15 Needle Punch
- CS16 Hooked Picture-Fabric Strips
- CS17 Felted Picture
- CS18 Felted Figure
- $CS19- \hbox{Any other not listed in above classes} \\$

# <u>Crocheting, Knitting & Spinning –</u> Dept. 30

Premiums: 1st-2, 2nd-1.5, 3rd-1

# **RULES:**

- 1. All General Rules located in the front of this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Suitability of yarn to pattern will be considered when judging. Identify yarn used on exhibit card.
- 3. Homespun yarn must be spun by exhibitor.
- 4. Name of project on card.

# **CLASSES:**

CKS1 - Crocheting - small

CKS2 - Crocheting - large

CKS3 - Knitting - small

CKS4 - Knitting - large

CKS5 - Spun Yarn

CKS6 - Item created from yarn spun yourself

CKS7 - Knitty Knotty Chain

CKS8 - Knitted Hats

**CKS9** - Knitted Scarves

CKS10 – Any other not listed in above classes

# Educational Display - Dept. 31

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-8, 2<sup>nd</sup>-7, 3<sup>rd</sup>-6

# **RULES:**

# PRE-ENTRY IS REQUIRED!

- 1. All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Pre-entry is required.
- 3. Name of exhibit shall be written on "Description" line on entry form.
- 4. Space- will be 48" wide and 30" deep and viewed from one side. The display should consist of an educational program of any phase; arranged by the leader and members or individual.
- 5. Group entries MUST have:
  - Signs to include name of club and town
  - Judge's information (in envelope)
  - Nature of club program
  - Ages of club members
  - Number of 4-H members who helped with exhibit

# SCORE:

25% General Effect (attractiveness, neatness,

scale, color scheme)

**50%** Educational Value (Does it tell a story?)

25% Workmanship and Quality of materials used

# **CLASSES:**

### A. Individual

A1 - Animals

A2 - Communication Arts (i.e. Music, Drama)

A3 - Health & Physical Fitness

A4 - Sports & Hobbies

A5 - History

A6 - Any other not listed in above classes

# B. Club/Team (2 or more people)

**B1** - Animals

**B2** - Communication Arts (i.e. Music, Drama)

**B3** - Health & Physical Fitness

**B4** - Sports & Hobbies

**B5** - History

**B6** – Any other not listed in above classes

# <u>Eggs – Dept. 32</u>

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-3, 2<sup>nd</sup>-2.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-2

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. All eggs, including duck or geese eggs, will be judged according to USDA grades.
- 3. Eggs must be from exhibitor's own flock.
- 4. Any questionable eggs may be broken by judges.
- 5. All eggs must be clean and in an egg carton.
- 6. All eggs in any one dozen must be of uniform size.

# Suggestions to exhibitors:

- Choose a new and appropriately sized egg box.
- Check your eggs after you place them on the exhibit table; make sure they are upright.
- If you have a small flock, collect eggs and refrigerate them to get best uniformity, color, etc.
- Place eggs in box with pointed end down, the air space is in the large end and should be up.

### **CLASSES:**

- E1 1 dozen pullet or small (18 to 21 oz.)
- **E2** 1 dozen medium (21 to 24 oz.)
- **E3** 1 dozen large (24 to 26 oz.)
- E4 1 dozen extra-large (26 to 30 oz.)
- E5 1 dozen jumbo (30 oz. or more)
- E6 1 dozen duck or goose eggs
- E7 1 dozen any other eggs

# Flowers - Dept. 33

Premiums: 1st-3, 2nd-2.5, 3rd-2

### RULES:

- All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 7. All flowers, except house plants, hanging baskets, and arrangements will be auctioned at the Fair.
- 8. Flowers must be grown, selected, arranged, and set up by exhibitor.
- 9. Flowers, house plants and hanging baskets will be judged on horticultural perfection only.
- 10. Arrangements will be judged on the following scale:
  - 40% Design
  - 30% Quality of Plant Material
  - 20% Color and Textural Harmony
  - 10% Creativity
- 11. Appropriate containers are to be furnished by exhibitor and must have name of exhibitor on bottom in indelible ink. (containers are NOT auctioned off at the Fair)
- 12. Endangered species not to be used.

# NOTE:

"Bloom" means individual flower (with leaves if appropriate). "Stem" means one or more flowers on one branch (with leaves if appropriate).

# **CLASSES:**

Cut Flowers: (one vase/exhibit)

- C1 Asters 5 blooms (1 or more varieties)
- C2 Cosmos 5 stems
- C3 Calendulas
- C4 Dahlia 1 giant
- C5 Gourds at least 3 different kinds
- C6 Dahlia small 3 blooms
- **C7** Gladiolus 1 spike (labeled with name)
- **C8** Marigolds giant (African) 5 blooms
- C9 Marigolds double, small (French) 5 stems
- C10 Petunia single flowered 5 stems
- C11 Petunia double flowered 5 stems
- C12 Roses 1 bloom
- C13 Zinnias large flowered 5 blooms
- ${\bf C14 Zinnias small\ flowered 5\ stems}$
- **C15** Geraniums 1 flower cluster
- C16 Impatiens 5 stems
- C17- Sunflower 1 stem
- C18 Container grown single flower
- C19 Container grown two or more varieties
- C20 Any other named not listed in above classes 1 bloom
- C21 Any other named not listed in above classes 5 blooms

# House Plants: (grown in pots)

- H1 Flowering
- **H2** Foliage (cacti included)
- **H3** Dish Gardens 3 or more plants in a shallow container
- **H4 -** Container Garden European Style Grow a mixture of plants in a container. Flowers, vegetables, herbs are all acceptable.
- H5 Window Box 3 or more varieties.

# **Hanging Baskets:**

- **B1** Flowering
- **B2** Foliage

# **Arrangements:**

- A1 Floating plant material in a show container (no more than 3" deep)
- **A2 -** Arrangement in a container not originally intended for flowers
- **A3** Arrangement of named mixed Wildflowers arranged for effect
- **A4** Miniature arrangement made up of only miniature flowers, not over 5" in any one dimension, including container
- **A5 -** Holiday Theme arrangement specify Holiday on entry card

# Food Preparation – Dept. 34

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-3, 2<sup>nd</sup>-2.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-2

# **RULES:**

- 1. All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Foods should be exhibited on a plain white paper plate.
- 3. Food should be covered in closed plastic bags sized to entry. Classes 12 & 15 may be covered in clear plastic wrap, sealed to protect exhibit.
- 4. Recipe, hand or computer printed or typed, on a 3" x 5" card or similar sized paper attached to the bottom of plate, inside plastic bag.
- 5. All foods will be tasted including decorated cakes.
- 6. All foods exhibited will be auctioned for sale, including Rosette winners.
- 7. Foods that require refrigeration cannot be accepted.
- 8. Recipes should be made from scratch except for classes #9, #14,
- 9. Decorated cakes may be made from a mix but the frosting should be made from scratch and the recipe for entire project included.

### **CLASSES:**

- FP1 Yeast Bread
- FP2 Loaf Quick Bread
- FP3 6 Muffins
- FP4 6 Drop Cookies
- **FP5** 6 Brownies
- FP6 Bundt Cake
- **FP7** Decorated Cakes (not to exceed 18" on foil covered cardboard, covered with plastic wrap)
- FP8 Pie (not apple)
- **FP9** Creative use of a box mix
- FP10 6 Cupcakes
- FP11 6 Cookies cut out
- **FP12 -** 6 Shaped Cookies by hand or pressed
- FP13 6 Pieces of Fudge or Penuche
- **FP14** Baked Snack Mix (6 snack bags)
- FP15 Gluten Free Entry
- **FP16** Any other not listed in above classes
- FP17 6 Yeast Rolls
- FP18 6 Biscuits
- FP19 6 Scones

# **NUTRITION CLASSES:**

- N1 Healthy snacks (include nutritional content of Main ingredients with recipe card)
- N2 Packed School Lunch

# Fruits – Dept. 35

Premiums: 1st-3, 2nd-2.5, 3rd-2

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Fruit must be grown by exhibitor. Care must be given to fruit trees and plants for two growing seasons counting the bearing year.

# **CLASSES:**

- F1 Berry (1-pint box)
- **F2** Apples (5 on a plate)
- **F3** Pears (5 on a plate)
- F4 Peaches (5 on a plate)
- **F5** Grapes (3 bunches on a plate)
- **F6** Fruit growing in a container
- F7 Any other not listed in above classes (pint box or 5 on a plate as appropriate)

# Herbs – Dept. 36

Premiums: 1st -3, 2nd - 2.5, 3rd -2

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. All herbs must be grown, selected, and arranged by exhibitor.
- 3. Each kind of herb in a collection must be exhibited in its own separate appropriate container (containers are NOT auctioned at the Fair) and labeled neatly with the name of the herb.

### **CLASSES:**

- **H1 -** Collection of at least 5 varieties fresh (1 sprig each variety)
- **H2** Collection of at least 5 varieties dried (1 sprig of each variety)

- **H3** Herb Vinegar herbs used to make vinegar must be grown by the exhibitor. Please label type of vinegar.
- H4 Container Garden single herb
- **H5** Container Garden 2 or more different types of herbs.
- H6 Dried Herb Mix

# <u>Home Improvement – Dept. 37</u>

Premiums: 1st-2, 2nd-1.5, 3rd-1

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in the front of this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Exhibitors entering the table arrangement class must provide a sturdy card table.
- 3. Entries in classes H8 & H9 must be put in place by 4-H exhibitor only.

- H1 Article made for kitchen
- **H2** Article made for closet improvement
- H3 Article made for bathroom
- **H4** Table centerpiece or artificial flower arrangement
- H5 Placemats and Napkins
- H6 Bulletin board
- H7 Waste paper basket
- **H8** Holiday or Special Occasion Table Arrangement **Requires Pre-entry.** Card table (include cloth napkins for 2 place settings and centerpiece. Centerpiece must be made or arranged by exhibitor. Favors may be used, if desired.
- **H9 -** Tray Holiday or Special occasion single place setting. Tray should measure approximately 15" x 18".
- H10 Wall hanging
- H11 Article made for a door
- H12 Grapevine decoration
- H13 Wreath
- H14 Lamp shade
- H15 Article made with an agricultural product you grew yourself
- H16 Any other not listed in above classes

# Honey – Dept. 38

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-3, 2<sup>nd</sup>-2.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-2

### **RULES:**

- 3. All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 4. Two matching jars in each class, except Comb Honey and Honey Frame. Each jar requires 2 labels.
  - A label on the front of the jar stating the name of product, class, and a Junior or Senior entry.
  - A second label on the bottom of the jar stating exhibitor name, age, and exhibitor number.
- 5. The products shown must be produced in the past 12 months by the exhibitor.

# **CLASSES:**

- $\overline{\text{H1 Honey}} \text{light} 2 \text{ jars}$
- H2 Honey amber 2 jars
- H3 Honey dark 2 jars
- **H4** Comb Honey 4 inch square
- H5 Honey Frame

# Industrial Arts – Dept. 39

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-2, 2<sup>nd</sup>-1.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-1

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Any exhibit will be judged that fits in this commodity. Items may be grouped at the discretion of commodity chairperson or judge.
- 3. Working exhibits are encouraged, but demonstrations and reports are also accepted. The goal in this category is that the exhibitor demonstrates knowledge of the skills.

- **A1- Automotive** relates to any exhibit which is automotive in nature such as: How an automotive system works (ignition, fuel, brakes, steering, etc.)
- **E1 Electrical** any exhibit which is electrical in nature such as: a household circuit or electrical wiring of an appliance.
- M1 Mechanical any exhibit which is mechanical in nature and demonstrates understanding of the workings of the device such as: pump, gears or levers.
- W1 Welding any exhibit which demonstrates skill in welding such as: any object that has been welded.
- **C1 Carpentry** any exhibit showing aspects of home building such as: framing of walls, windows, doors/roofing or siding.
- **T1 Technical Drawing** any exhibit involving the skill of drafting, either creating the drawing or demonstrating the ability to understand a "blueprint".
- O1 Any Other any exhibit that you made that is not covered in the categories above such as plumbing.

# Photography - Dept. 40

Premiums: 1st-2, 2nd-1.5, 3rd-1

### RULES:

- All General Rules located in the front of this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Print size 3.5" x 3.5" minimum and 5" x 7" maximum. Prints may be cropped but minimum size will apply.
- 3. All prints must be on photographic print paper.
- 4. Prints in categories A and B may be taken by a digital or film camera. Digital prints must not be digitally altered (cropping permitted). See "Current Technology" for digitally altered print classes.
- All prints shall be matted, size not to exceed 8" x 10", except for Class #15. Prints CANNOT be in frames, prints in frames will be downgraded on place.
- All photos must have a title on the mat. Photos
  without titles will be downgraded one place. Name of
  exhibitor should be on the back of all photographs
  entered.
- 7. Exhibitors may enter only one photo per class, except in Class #15.
- 8. You cannot use the same content in multiple categories.
- 9. Photos must have been taken by the exhibitor since the last 4-H Fair.
- 10. "Any other" is NO LONGER a category. Please carefully consider your photos and be sure what you chose to enter is your best work and fits in the class you have chosen.
- 11. Entries will be judged using the following scale;
  - a. Composition 40%
  - b. Creativity 30%
  - c. Workmanship 10%
  - d. Following directions (including class choice)
  - e. Mounting 10%

# **CATEGORIES:**

- A Black and White Prints (Film or Digital Camera)
- **B** Color Prints (Film or Digital Camera)
- C Photos taken and processed by exhibitor

- 1 People Posing
- 2 People, other (showing action, candid, etc.)
- 3 Scenic with water
- 4 Scenic without water
- 5 Sunset/sunrises (with/without water)
- 6 Flowers, plants, and trees
- 7 Animals farm (cows, pigs, horses, etc.)
- 8 Animals domestic (dogs, cats, etc.)
- 9 Animals in the wild (NOT zoo animals)
- 10 Architecture
- 11 Still Life (note: a still life is composed of inanimate objects arranged for a photo.
  (Ex: Bowl of fruit, vase w/ flowers, food, etc. Be creative but stay within the class.)
- 12 4-H in action any photo of a 4-H activity, with 4-Her(s)
- 13 Friendship
- 14 Farm Implements
- 15 Sequence of prints. Must visually tell a story through 3 to 10 prints. Maximum size, including mat is 36" x 48". Title on front of mat.
- 16 Spiders or Insects in their natural environment
- 17 Textures in Nature
- 18 Night shots

# Presentations - Dept. 41

Premiums: 1st-8, 2nd-7, 3rd-6

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in the front of this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Juniors and Seniors will be judged separately.
- 3. Junior presentations must be at least 3 minutes in length and Senior presentations must be at least 7 minutes in length. No presentation may be longer than 10 minutes.
- 4. Public speeches use no posters or visual aids.
- 5. For guidelines, refer to the 4-H score card for Public Speaking and/or Visual Presentations.
- 6. Materials and equipment must be furnished by the presenter. Only a table will be provided.
- 7. A Visual Presentation may be by a single contestant or by a team of two.
- 8. **PRE-ENTRY IS REQUIRED!** Title and subject of presentation should be written on entry form on the "Other Description" line. Write in whether the presentation is a Visual Presentation or a Public Speech.
- 9. Presentation times will be scheduled by the commodity chair.

# **CLASSES:**

### J – Juniors

S-Seniors

- 1 Presentations given at County or State 4-H Contest
- 2 A problem facing youth in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century
- 3 Any environmental issue
- 4 Any plant science topic
- 5 Any animal science topic
- 6 Home economics, craft, or hobby
- 7 4-H Fair theme
- 8 The benefits of organic farming
- 9 Profitable new agribusinesses
- 10 The importance of open space
- 11 Public speaking
- 12 PowerPoint presentations any topic

# C - Cloverbuds

C1 – Cloverbuds presentation – Any topic

**SPECIAL AWARD:** The Irene Brown Trophy will be awarded to the 4-H Member with the best presentation.

# Quilting - Dept. 42

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-2, 2<sup>nd</sup>-1.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-1

### RULES:

- 1. All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Classes may be split based on level of difficulty.

### CLASSES:

- **Q1** Large Quilted quilt (single bed or larger)
- Q2 Small Quilted quilt (smaller than 50" x 70")
- Q3 Large Tied quilt (single bed or larger)
- Q4 Small Tied quilt (smaller than 50" x 70")
- Q5 Machine quilted pillow
- Q6 Hand quilted pillow
- Q7 Patchwork pillow
- **Q8** Appliqued item
- **Q9** Quilted table runner
- Q10 Any other item not listed in above classes

# Technology - Dept. 43

Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup>-5, 2<sup>nd</sup>-4, 3<sup>rd</sup>-3

WD – Webpage Design: PRE-ENTRY IS REQUIRED!

A webpage designed by the exhibitor.

# **RULES:**

- All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Somewhere on the website you must include the official 4-H insignia, along with the statement that you made the page as a 4-H project.
- 3. There must be at least one graphic on each page.
- 4. Because this is being judged, you cannot identify yourself on any of the pages. If you do identify yourself, the web page will be disqualified.

- 5. This page can be on any youth appropriate subject you want. Ideas for a website can include a site about your 4-H Club. (You can include yourself with the other members of the club but be very careful NOT to identify yourself as the designer of the site). Other ideas include a site on chickens, dairy cows, your hometown, or anything else you want!
- 6. If using information from a source, you must cite the source.
- 7. Grammar and punctuation will count.
- 8. Site must be up and available for the judge to see by July 10<sup>th</sup>. You will have to email the website URL to the <a href="mailto:kscalera@umass.edu">kscalera@umass.edu</a> by that date. Email the commodity chair if you need a place to upload your website to.
- 9. A computer will be available at the fair for the public to view your webpage.

# DP - Digitally Altered Photograph

# **RULES:**

- 1. Digitally alter a photograph using a computer program. Edits can include but are not limited to: taking a person out of a picture, changing colors adding affects, etc.
- 2. Original photograph must be taken by exhibitor.
- 3. Bring a copy of the original photograph as well as the altered photograph to the fair.

# NN – Newsletter/Newspaper

# **RULES:**

- 1. Create a newsletter for any youth group or subject of interest, i.e., 4-H Club, 4-H Camp Newsletter, Boy or Girl Scout Troop, etc.
- 2. Must be created on a computer.
- 3. Articles for the newsletter may be written by someone other than the exhibitor, but newsletter must be put together and set up on the computer by the exhibitor only. Be sure to identify authors of any articles not written by the exhibitor.

# **GD – Graphic Design**

# **RULES:**

- 1. Black and white or color graphic designed by the exhibitor. Examples may include digitally drawn pictures, logos, cartoons, website headers, or any other computer graphic.
- 2. Must be created on a computer, cannot be hand drawn.
- 3. Graphic may include parts of photographs, but the final product must be more than a digitally altered photograph.
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### V - Video

### **RULES:**

- 1. May be an individual or group project.
- 2. Must be a youth appropriate subject.
- 3. Must mention within the video that the video is a 4-H project.
- 4. Cannot be more than 10 minutes long.
- 5. A computer will be available at the fair to view the video.
- 6. Camera work and editing must be done by the 4-H individual or group.
- 7. You must include a story board.

### **R- Robotics**

### **RULES:**

- 1. Robot created by youth from kits or miscellaneous parts. Use of Legos, motors, or other kits are permitted.
- 2. Robot and full description of what it is meant to accomplish must be submitted with entry. Youth are responsible for submitting clear directions on how judges can make robot function.
- 3. Robots will be judged on;
  - Structural stability
  - Creativity
  - Functionality
  - More weight is given to projects designed by youth.
- 4. Points will be awarded by the judge using this guideline:
  - 1 Content
  - 2 Neatness
  - 3 Difficulty
- 5. Commodity Chair reserves the right to split class based upon different materials used to build robots (i.e. Lego's, mechanical parts, etc.)

# O – Any other, i.e. electricity, etc.

# Vegetables - Dept. 44

Premiums:

Plate Classes: 1<sup>st</sup>-3, 2<sup>nd</sup>-2.5, 3<sup>rd</sup>-2 Displays: 1<sup>st</sup>-8, 2<sup>nd</sup>-6, 3<sup>rd</sup>-4

# **RULES:**

- 1. All General Rules located in the front of this catalog must be followed.
- 2. All vegetables, except winter crop vegetables, packages and displays will be auctioned at the fair.
- 3. All vegetables must be grown, selected, arranged, and set up by the exhibitor. Be sure to check number of items needed on each plate.
- 4. Displays of vegetables will be judged on:
  - Quality 50%
  - Arrangement 30%
  - Utility Value 10%
  - Number of kinds 10%
- 5. Exhibit card must be placed on a white paper plate underneath vegetables. Both sides of card must be filled out.

# Hints to prepare vegetables for exhibiting:

To select a good plate of vegetables, one should have many of each from which to choose. Pick out those of each kind that are most nearly alike in type, size, shape, and color. Then choose the best ones from this group. Don't mix several varieties of one vegetable, always have just one variety on a plate.

# General suggestions for picking vegetables for exhibiting:

- Snap Beans pick when pods are full grown but seeds are still small.
- Root Crops cut off the tops, leaving about 1" of leaf stalk. Choose smooth straight specimens.
- Cabbage select heads of average size that are solid, not cracked, and free from worm injury.
- Onions exhibit dried onions with the roots and stems cut off. Take off only loose outer skins, don't peel them too close.
- Peppers should be smooth, fairly large, and thick meated, with the same number of lobes.
- Potatoes should be of medium size and free from scab and cuts.
- Tomatoes pick out firm fruits of medium size and color.
- Vine Crops leave stems on squash or pumpkins, remove from melons. Vine crops should not be over-ripe.

### **CLASSES:**

# **Plate Classes**

- **P1** 15 pods Bush Green Beans
- **P2** 15 pods Bush Yellow Beans
- **P3** 15 pods Shell Beans
- **P4** 15 pods Pole Beans (not shell)
- **P5** 5 Beets 1" stems
- P6 2 Heads Cabbage
- **P7** 5 Carrots short 1" stems
- **P8** 5 Carrots long 1" stems
- **P9** 5 Ears Sweet Corn husk on
- **P10** 2 Slicing Cucumbers
- **P11** 10 Pickling Cucumbers
- P12 5 Onions Yellow
- **P13** 5 Onions White
- P14 5 Onions Red
- P15 5 Bell Peppers
- **P16** 5 Sweet Peppers (not bell type)
- P17 5 Hot Peppers
- **P18** 5 Potatoes White
- P19 5 Potatoes Red
- **P20** 5 Potatoes any other color
- **P21** 2 Pumpkins field type
- **P22** 2 Pumpkins Sugar
- **P23** 2 Summer Squash Yellow
- **P24** 2 Summer Squash Green
- **P25** 2 Summer Squash any other
- **P26** 2 Butternut Squash
- **P27** 2 Acorn Squash
- **P28** 2 Fall Squash any other
- **P29** 5 Ripe Tomatoes stems off
- **P30** 5 Green Tomatoes stems off
- **P31** 10 Red or Ripe Cherry-type Tomatoes stems off
- P32 2 Watermelons
- **P33** 2 Cantaloupes
- **P34** 2 Eggplant with stems on
- **P35** 10 Radishes
- P36 2 Stalks Swiss Chard in water
- **P37** Any other not listed in above classes
- **P38** Container Garden single variety
- **P39** Container Garden 2 or more varieties
- **P40** Veggie Creature

### DISPLAYS

- D1 Market Package (8-12qt. appropriate container).
  Package must be filled with vegetables only.
  There must be at least 5 kinds. You must be able to pick it up by the handle without losing vegetables. Vegetable must not be tied on.
- **D2** Table display there must be at least 6 kinds of vegetables covering at least 9 square feet of table space.

- D3 Individual Horticultural Display. A 3' by 3' table display of fresh vegetables, flowers, herbs, ornamental foliage, and/or houseplants. There must be at least 10 different varieties of these items attractively arranged. Accessories (baskets for vegetables, vases for flowers, etc.) are permitted as long as they do not overwhelm the horticultural aspect of the display.
- **D4** Club Horticultural Displays. Same rules as Class A4, except exhibited by a 4-H Club.
- **D5** Plant a Garden for a specific benefit (ex: Bird, Goat, Rabbit, Human, and Medicinal). Exhibit should include:
  - a. A picture of the garden
  - b. 3-5 exhibits of the plants used (1 stem of each in a vase)
  - c. A short explanation of the benefit of the plants or why they were included in the garden on a 3" x 5" card.
  - d. A picture of the benefactors of the garden. Any combination of vegetables, herbs, flowers, or bushes can be used. Can be planted by a single exhibitor as well as a club.

# Woodworking - Dept. 45

Premiums: 1st-3, 2nd-2.5, 3rd-2

# PRE-ENTRY REQUIRED

# **RULES:**

- 1. All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. Classes may be divided according to degree of difficulty, workmanship, and size of article.

# **CLASSES:**

W1 – Miniatures

W2 – Bookends

W3 – Shoe Boxes

**W4** – Tool Box

W5 – Toys

**W6** – Picture Frames

**W7** – Mirror Frames

W8 – Stools

W9 – Shelves

W10 – Small Chests

W11 – Chairs

**W12** – Desks

W13 – Tables

W14 – Furniture refinishing (any article)

W15 - Bookshelf

W16 - Birdhouse

W17 – Birdfeeder

W18 – Any other (small article) not listed in above classes

W19 – Any other (large article) not listed in above classes

# Writing - Dept. 46

Premiums: 1st-5, 2nd-4, 3rd-3

### RULES.

- All General Rules located in this catalog must be followed.
- 2. All work must be original. Any quoted work or references must be properly cited. Plagiarized work will be disqualified automatically.
- 3. All work must be titled, the name of the exhibitor must be on the entry card ONLY.
- 4. Exhibitors may enter only one selection per class.
- 5. Entries in any classes where schoolwork is allowed must NOT show any grading or comments by the teacher. The student's name must NOT appear anywhere except on the entry card. Blacking out or otherwise covering up of such information is acceptable, but a freshly printed copy of the work is preferred.

- W1 Nature Poetry (schoolwork permitted) subject matter should be something in nature such as animals, landscapes, the Earth & sky, plants, etc.
- W2 Song Poetry/Lyrics (schoolwork permitted) poems should be lyrical and should have a rhythm to them that lends itself to being sung, not just read.
- **W3** Storytelling Poetry V (schoolwork permitted) these poems should tell a story.
- **W4** Non-fiction Essay (schoolwork permitted) proper citation of references required.
- **W5** Picture Book (schoolwork permitted) can be with or without words.
- W6 Short Story Non-Fiction (schoolwork permitted) Maximum length: 5 pages, typed, double-spaced.
- W7 Short Story Fiction (schoolwork permitted) Maximum length: 5 pages, typed, double-spaced.

W8 – 4-H Story – show off your creative writing skills by writing about 4-H. This can be about a particular experience in 4-H or about 4-H in general. The important thing is that the reader gets an understanding of what it's like to be a 4-H'er.

**W9** – 4-H Poem

W10 – 4-H Short Story

W11 – 4-H Picture Book

W12 – 4-H Marketing Brochure – create an 8.5"x 11 trifold brochure about 4-H that could be used to attract potential new 4-H'ers!

# \*\*\*\*\*SPECIALTY CLASSES\*\*\*\*\* Costume Class – Dept. 47

This is open to any youth participating in the Worcester County 4-H Fair along with an animal they are exhibiting. Youth not exhibiting an animal may also participate with another registered animal, if able to control and handle. *Preregistration is required*. Costume parade will be held at Saturday July 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm.

# **RULES:**

- 1. All youth must pre-register.
- 2. All General Rules, Livestock Division Rules, and Animal Health Regulations must be followed.
- 3. All animals must be under control at all times.
- 4. Both youth and animals must be dressed in costume.
- 5. Costumes must be appropriate for a youth fair.

# **CLASSES:**

C1-Costume Class

# <u>Challenge Projects – Dept. 48</u>

Premiums:  $1^{st} - 2$ ,  $2^{nd} - 1.5$ ,  $3^{rd} - 1$ 

# **RULES:**

- 1. Cloverbuds are welcome to participate in the challenge classes and will receive participation ribbons.
- 2. Pre-registration is required where specified. All other classes are open without pre-registration.
- 3. Challenge Class exhibits are to be placed according to the Exhibit Hall rules.
- 4. Junior & Senior exhibits will be judged based on the usual Judging system.

# **CLASSES:**

CH1-Egg Contest

CH2- Self Portrait

CH3- Coloring Page

CH4- Design a 4-H Advertisement

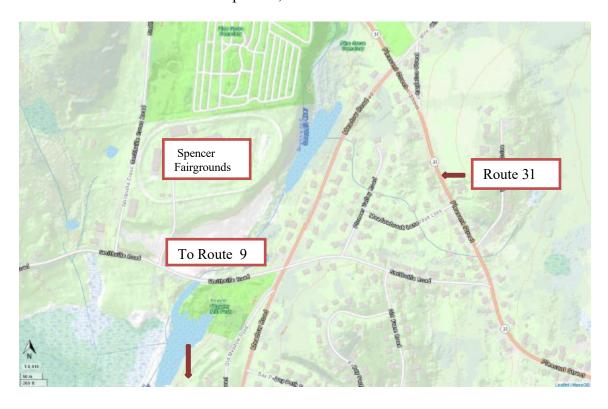
CH5- Line-O-Graph

CH6- Make a 4-H Collage

CH7 -Design a Fair Book Cover for 2024

# **Spencer Fairgrounds**

48 Smithville Rd Spencer, MA 01562



**From Worcester:** Take Route 9 West into Spencer. Take a right turn onto Route 31 Pleasant St then turn left on Meadow Rd. Take the next right onto Smithville Rd. Fairgrounds are to your right and follow the signs.

**From North:** Take Route 31South into Spencer. Take a right onto Meadow Rd then turn right onto Smithville Rd. Fairgrounds are to your right and follow the signs.

**From Sturbridge Area:** Take Route 49 North to the end. Take a right onto Route 9. Take a left at the light after Big Y Supermarket onto Meadow Rd. Turn left onto Smithville Rd. Fairgrounds are on the right and follow the signs.

**From West:** Pick up Route 9 East. About ¾ of a mile into Spencer take a left at light after Big Y Supermarket onto Meadow Rd. Take a left onto Smithville Rd. Fairgrounds are on the right and follow the signs.

# Best Wishes to All 4-Hers At the 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Worcester County 4-H Fair!



# Do your best, take pictures, have fun and build a memory!

# From, Norman J. Mercier

