

**Ox Hill Community Fair Association**  
**Livestock**  
Rules, Regulations and Information

**Livestock Entry Deadline**

1. Entry Deadline for the current fair year is August 25th
2. All entry fees must accompany the Entry Form at time of entry.
3. Make checks payable to Ox Hill Community Fair or O.H.C.A.F.
4. Entry Tags: Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with your entry form. Any return envelopes without the proper postage **will** be sent C.O.D. to the addressee.

**Livestock Entry Fees**

10% of the First-Place Premium, unless otherwise stated.

**Livestock Exhibitors**

1. Are expected to provide a W-9 form for all awards more than \$600.00
2. Are expected to provide the proper name of the breed of livestock being entered.
3. Are expected to have all livestock on the grounds no later than 3:00pm on the opening Sunday of the Fair.
4. Are expected to show their animals as directed by the Superintendent.
5. Livestock exhibitors are limited to two (2) entries in each class except where stated otherwise.

**Livestock Exhibit Entry Times and Dates**

1. Equine/Donkeys/Cattle  
On grounds and stalled by 3:00 pm, opening Sunday of the Fair.
2. Livestock/YMG  
On grounds, weighed, stalled/penned by 4:00 pm, opening Sunday of the Fair.

**General Livestock Rules** (Rules adopted by PA Farm Show & Dept. of Agriculture)

1. **Stall/Pen** space will be provided until they are exhausted.
2. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to keep the space they occupy in a clean and sanitary condition. Stalls and pens are to be cleaned daily. There will be a stall cleaning fee that will be applied to any premium winnings if the exhibitor does not properly clean their assigned stalls before leaving the fairgrounds. A \$50.00 fee will be applied.

3. **Feed and Water:** Animals should be well fed and have access to clean water regularly. Realizing that many market animals must have restricted amounts of feed to maintain the proper weight, animals must be fed adequate amounts of feed to meet the animal's basic requirements. Animals not allowed reasonable access to feed and water will be disqualified from the show.
4. **RESTRAINING ANIMALS:** Animals should be tied or penned in a manner that will not hurt the animal or restrict its breathing in any way.  
Animals should be tied so that all four feet are firmly on the ground and they have enough room to stand comfortably and lie down.  
Animals should be tied so that they are not able to injure animals tied near them.  
Animals unaccustomed to each other should not be penned together.  
Animals may **NOT** be muzzled at any time.
5. **Market Animals:** Animals consigned for slaughter during or immediately following the show shall not receive any treatment with drugs or biologics within the withdrawal time prior to slaughter. Withdrawal times for drugs and biologics are all stated on the directions for use. Label directions must be followed at all times. A Drug Certification and Disclosure Statement must be submitted at weigh-in.
6. The use of inhumane fitting, showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited
7. Any exhibitor, parent of an exhibitor or family member that cannot follow the Code of Show Ring Ethics, Health Rules for Livestock or General Livestock Rules will be dismissed from the fair and the exhibitor will forfeit any award, ribbon, premiums or sale proceeds.
8. Department 10 4-H/Vocational and Department 11 Youth Under 19 entries will use Department 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 9 for Livestock Sections, Divisions, Breeds, Classes, Fees and Premiums. Please use Department 10 or 11 on the entry form, followed by the corresponding Section, Division, Breeds and Classes in the forementioned Departments.
9. **ALL YOUTH MARKET GROUP EXHIBITORS WILL USE DEPARTMENT 11** and the corresponding Sections, Division, Breed, Classes, Fees and Premiums. **YOUTH MARKET GROUP EXHIBITORS in a 4-H Club, please choose Department 10.**
10. Each livestock exhibitor limited to two (2) species.
11. The weigh-in weights of sheep, goats, swine and rabbits are official.  
Any complaints must be made at the time of weighing.
12. Equine Shows will be held in the Horse Arena, unless otherwise stated.  
Youth Market Show and Sale will be held in the Livestock Barn Arena.

### **Health Rules for Livestock**

Please see all Animal Health Requirements and Recommendations for Animal Exhibition, including Commercial Exhibition, found at the PA Dept. of Agriculture website.  
All animals admitted to Ox Hill Community Fair or Show shall be identified by a unique and permanent ear tag, tattoo, brand or records of unique physical attributes.

Animals known to be infected with or exposed to any contagious, infectious or external parasitic disease or restricted by quarantine may not be assembled for show purposes.

All animals must comply with applicable State 7 PA Code or Federal 9 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) rules. Comply with the current Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Animal Health Requirements and Recommendations for Animal Exhibition, including Commercial Exhibition. (Revised 01/05/2025).

Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI). This is an official document issued by a federal, state, tribal, or accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals identified on the document have been inspected and were found to satisfy the regulations pertaining to their intended movement—within the same state, between states, or internationally.

- (a) CVIs are required for all swine, both from out-of-state and from in-state, and out-of-state camelids, cattle, cervids, equines, goats, sheep, and rabbits. For in-state camelids, cattle, cervids, equines, goats, sheep, and rabbits, these guidelines list a CVI as recommended. A CVI serves as verification of animal ID, an attestation of health, an attestation of a veterinarian-client-patient-relationship (VCPR), and documentation of applicable vaccination and testing.

Verification of Veterinarian-client-patient-relationship (VCPR): The Animal Exhibition Sanitation Law requires attestation that a VCPR exists for all animals to be exhibited. Please see each livestock department for more Health Rules.

Email [oxhillfair@gmail.com](mailto:oxhillfair@gmail.com) for all out-of-state livestock health regulations or visit: PA Dept. of Agriculture; Animal Health Requirements and Recommendations for Animal Exhibition.

### **Out-of-State Livestock Regulations**

Contact the Fair Secretary for all regulations at [oxhillfair@gmail.com](mailto:oxhillfair@gmail.com)

### **Ox Hill Community Fair Code of Show Ring Ethics**

The National Code of Show Ring Ethics has been developed by the International Association of Fairs and Expositions. The Pennsylvania Farm Show has incorporated these rules and developed a Code of Show Ring Ethics to curtail unethical, deceptive, and fraudulent show ring practices. The Ox Hill Community Fair has adopted these such ethics and will abide by them. The Code is as follows: Exhibitors of animals at the Ox Hill Community Fair shall at all times conduct themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at any livestock show. All youth leaders and superintendents working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards, and auction proceeds and may be prohibited from future exhibition at Ox Hill Community Fair. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

Youth leaders and superintendents who demean the integrity of the fair will be released immediately by the Fair Board. The following is a list of GUIDELINES for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events.