

**EASTERN COLORADO ROUNDUP  
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Please read the following rules and regulations

**1. LIABILITY**

- a. The Eastern Colorado Roundup is presented by Washington County under the direction and management of the Board of County Commissioners. All possible diligence and care will be used to prevent loss/injury of any animal or article on exhibit; but management will not, in any way, be responsible for loss/injury to any entry/person. Washington County, the Fair board, the superintendents and/or the CSU Extension will not be liable for any loss, death, injury or contraction of disease to any livestock brought into the Washington County Fairgrounds for any reason. If you bring livestock into the fairgrounds, it is at your own risk.

**2. PROTOCOL**

- a. The Eastern Colorado Roundup Fair Board reserves the right to override or change any item or rule in the fair book if the board finds the item or rule in error or not consistent with the objectives of the Eastern Colorado Roundup Fair.
- b. All rules laid down by the board must be strictly adhered to and any exception will be made only when respectfully presented to the board with sufficient evidence that it is to the best interest of both the board and exhibitor(s) affected.
- c. Superintendents will be in charge of each department. Inquiries should be addressed to the superintendent of department. All complaints must be handed to superintendent of department in writing, and signed by the person(s) making the complaint. The superintendent will then present the claim to the board for consideration and final ruling the following morning at 7:30a.m., south room of Event Center at the Fairgrounds. Fair Board members, a representative of Extension personnel, superintendents and general public may attend.

- d. Management reserves the right to reject any unworthy exhibits of any kind, by refusing space, stall, pens or admission to the grounds.

**3. EXHIBITOR REQUIREMENTS**

- a. Junior exhibitors include only those boys and girls who are actively enrolled and in good standing in Washington County 4-H/FFA projects. 4-H and FFA exhibitors may show in open class provided there are open class entries in the class. Junior exhibitors are required to participate in showmanship in any species they plan to sell in the junior livestock sale with the exception of Dogs and Rabbits where it is required of all participants.
- b. Cloverbud 4-H members (youth 5 to 7 years of age ) are enrolled members in the Washington County 4-H program, limited to one or two entries (items, drawings or posters) in the 4-H building representing their 4-H work this year as an individual or Cloverbud group project or activity. Cloverbud members are non-competitive Junior Division exhibitors, and will receive participation ribbons only. Project records are required as part of the projects. Cloverbud members are not allowed to exhibit animals.
- c. Open division exhibitors are eligible to exhibit at the Eastern Colorado Roundup if they have a legal voting residence in Washington County and must have resided in Washington County for 60 days prior to the current year fair.
- d. The showing of unethically fitted livestock is prohibited. Unethical fitting will be deemed to consist of any method, which alters the natural confirmation of any part of the animal's body. Any animal having been operated upon or tampered with, for the purpose of concealing faults or with intent to deceive will be disqualified. However, surgical removal of horns is permitted.
- e. All livestock must be fitted in public view within designated areas according to species exhibited.
- f. The Fair management reserves the right to screen or test any market animal for drug residue of any nature and take any action deemed

appropriate if test results show any positive residues above naturally occurring levels.

- g. The Fair Management reserves the right to have blood or urine laboratory analysis made on any market animal entered for competition.
- h. Require that exhibitors and parent/guardian sign agreement to permit market animals to be tested for drugs, chemicals and feed additives. Signatures to be made on entry form.
- i. Require that animals positive to a drug test be disqualified and that ranking of animals in the show remain unchanged (i.e., reserve grand champion would not be moved to grand champion should the grand champion be disqualified because of a positive drug test).
- j. Animals fed or injected with any substance designed to alter the animal's appearance or behavior will be automatically barred from the show, except for substances with no withdrawal time assigned to calm animal, such as "Calf Calm".
- k. 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, confirmation, or appearance, except the external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which; affect appearance only and except for surgical procedure performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
- l. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical or mechanical device, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited. Cold, wet towels will be allowed. Ice packs and alcohol will NOT be allowed
- m. County only Tiny Tots are youth 5-7 years of age and may exhibit in the following specific livestock/animal classes: bucket calf, swine, rabbits, lamb, horse, poultry, dog and goat.

#### 4. EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS

- a. All exhibits must be owned by the exhibitor; except 4-H horse exhibits, with a written lease

on file in the Extension Office.

- b. All exhibits must be entered by entry deadline.
- c. 4-H exhibitors must be enrolled in the project they are exhibiting.
- d. FFA Exhibitors can exhibit only their projects, which are a part of their Supervised Agricultural Experience Program.
- e. Junior exhibitors cannot change ownership or transfer market projects from one program to another during development of project. NO EXCEPTIONS
- f. All articles and animals on exhibit must remain on the grounds until the Department is released, at which time all entries and exhibits may be withdrawn. Removal of any article before designated time will be deemed a forfeiture of any/all premiums.

#### 5. PREMIUMS and AWARDS

- a. Premiums will be paid in cash or check from the Department Superintendents or fair office.
- b. Exhibitors pickup their premium monies by Saturday.
- c. Thank You cards (for awards received) must be written and given to superintendent before the exhibitor will receive the award. The exhibitor will provide postage.
- d. Where classes do not fill, entries will receive the premium they warrant in the opinion of the judge.
- e. Failure to comply with rules forfeits premiums.
- f. The single judge system is the policy of this show (except Round Robin) and, in every case; the judge is selected with the utmost care and, as nearly as possible, is of state or national reputation. The judge shall award premiums, and his/her decision shall be final. No appeal of his/her decision will be considered.
- g. Purple ribbon denotes champion; lavender ribbon-reserve champion; blue ribbon-1st place; red ribbon-2nd place; white ribbon-3rd place; yellow ribbon-4th place; and green ribbon-5th place.

#### 6. LIVESTOCK

- a. Fair Management reserves the right to exclude any animal suspected of showing effects

- of fraudulent practices; or contagious, infectious or communicable diseases. Please do not bring sick animals to show.
- b. An entry fee of \$1.00/animal (\$.50 for rabbits and poultry) must be paid to department superintendent when entering.
  - c. Exhibitors are expected at all times to give necessary attention to their animals or articles they have on exhibit and, at close of Roundup, to take care of such exhibits.
  - d. All stalls, pens and alleys must be cleaned daily by 9:00 a.m.; and must be completely cleaned before checking out of barn on Saturday.
  - e. Animals will not be allowed to run loose on the grounds; must be securely tied, fed and cared for while on the fairgrounds.
  - f. No animal may be tied or fed in the show ring.
  - g. It is required by the Fair Board that all champion and reserve champion livestock be entered in the Livestock Parade of Champions, which will be held Friday, according to the schedule. These animals will be displayed and placed in their proper order at the discretion of the superintendent.
  - h. Junior exhibitors who cannot show their own stock in any class may get another Washington County junior exhibitor to show for them (except in showmanship classes), after receiving permission from the superintendent.
  - i. All animals entered in the livestock departments must have been owned (except for leased project horses per Colorado 4-H rules and Poultry and Rabbits are 30 days) and personally cared for by the exhibitor 60 consecutive days prior to date of entry. All exhibitors making such entries must show, on request, a certificate showing said animal or animals have been owned by exhibitor the required 60 days (exceptions: market classes must be owned by preliminary weigh-ins or tag dates). Documentation of ownership maybe required.
  - j. Mandatory weigh-in in the spring is required of all market sheep, market goats and market beef. Market swine projects must be ear tagged and a completed identification form turned into the Extension office by May 1st.

- See special rules under each category of livestock for weigh-in dates. Fees may be charged to cover tag expenses.
- k. Record books for ALL animals (all livestock departments) must be turned in to the Extension Office Tuesday prior to fair.
  - l. Sale of stock may take place any day of the Roundup, but stock must not be removed from grounds before noon on the last day of the Roundup. Early release may be granted for animals on Saturday morning to go to Brush Livestock Sale. Animals must be listed as a take home on sale form.
  - m. Notice of the USDA Wholesome Meat Act: The Eastern Colorado Roundup endorses and supports the USDA Wholesome Meat Act and insists exhibitors are in compliance. Exhibitors of all market animal entries must certify their compliance with manufacturer's pre-market withdrawal periods specified for any and all medications, drugs, pesticides or feed additives administered. Use of any non approved chemical or improper use of approved chemicals is strictly prohibited. Certification will be required upon arrival or weigh-in at the show necessary for sale of animal at the fair.

The USDA Wholesome Meat Act applies to sale of market livestock sold during Eastern Colorado Roundup as follows:

- i. Animals must be in good health and carcasses free of drug or chemical residues. (Antibiotics and sulfonamide have required withdrawal periods.)
- ii. Strictly follow drug label directions for use and withdrawal periods.
- iii. If drug or other chemical residues are found in tissue of carcasses, entire carcass may be condemned. If drug or other chemical residues are found in tissue of carcasses of animals sold through sales connected with Roundup, said show will in no way be liable or responsible for condition of carcass or sale price of animal. Exhibitor forfeits all rights to sale price. (Sale monies will be returned to buyer.) Before administering antibiot-

- ics and/or sulfonamide, consult a licensed practicing veterinarian, or follow label directions of the drug.
- iv. All 4-H/FFA members with livestock projects (human food producing species) are required to participate in Meat Quality Assurance (MQA & PQA) provided by CSU Extension in first year of participation and again after exhibitors turn 14 years of age.
- v. Junior Exhibitors must sign and submit a form certifying their animals have not been exposed to ruminant animal proteins in their feed.

**ANY VIOLATION OF THE FOLLOWING RULES WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION:**

- n. All intact breeding sheep and goats must have scrapie premise tags as required by Federal and State of Colorado law.
- o. The use of any grooming material on animal, when rubbed with a cloth or glove which show evidence of artificial color; artificial tail head, tail fin; poll; use of hair-like substance; cloth or fiber; ineligible age; illegal substitution of animal (s); violates these rules and will result in immediate disqualification with no recourse. The natural color of a steer cannot be altered using any artificial coloring. However, products that match the steer's natural color maybe used in the fitting process from the knees and hocks down and on the switch only. For example, black products may be used on a blacklegged steer. But under no circumstances can color be used to cover a steer's natural leg color.

**7. STALLS**

- a. Wood shavings/chips are required for livestock, with the exception of the beef barn, which has sand. Horse Barn- all persons stalling horses will be charged a \$10 deposit for stall. Deposit will be returned after superintendent checks person out and stall is clean. If stall is not clean persons forfeits deposit. Exhibitors must provide their own wood shavings or chips. Straw is not permitted.

- b. Stall Fees in the horse barn - all 4-H/FFA members will pay \$1.00 per stall; all non-project horses will pay \$5.00 plus deposit.
- c. All 4 H clubs and FFA Chapters should have their group stall reservations for all livestock departments turned in to the Extension Office by the Tuesday prior to Fair.
- d. Exhibitors must clean out their stalls before checking out their livestock the last day of fair.

**8. RV INFORMATION**

- a. RV Parking - Washington County Commissioners – Permit REQUIRED Permits may be found on the county website, <https://www.colorado.gov/washingtoncounty>
- b. Mail or deliver to: 150 Ash Avenue, Akron, Colorado 80720 or call 970-345-2701
- c. Spaces are available on a first come, first serve basis.
- d. All stock trailers need to be parked in designated areas and must enter thru designated north gate.

**9. TICKET INFORMATION**

- [www.ecroundup.com](http://www.ecroundup.com)
- a. NSPA Sled Pulling Grandstand /Arena
  - b. Night Show in Grandstands – General Admission, Reserved, and Standing Room available
  - c. Age 6 & under free to all events without seat.