Georgia National Junior Preview Steer Show

Judge: ..... Jim Bloomberg of IL
Superintendent: ..... Christa Steinkamp
Phone: ..... (706) 542-3679
Co-Superintendent ..... Jason Duggin
Barn Manager ..... Timmy White

Arrival & Check-in Time
Thurs., Oct. 6, 8 am - 8 pm
(*No animals allowed on grounds (including tie-outs) before 8 am on Thurs.)*
Must be in barn by *Thurs., Oct. 6, 8 pm*

Release Time
Sun., Oct. 9 following show

Show Time
Show: *Sun., Oct. 9, 9 am*

Arena
Sutherland Arena

Weigh-in: All steers will be weighed by show officials on Thurs., Oct. 6, *5-8 pm*

1. Junior Show exhibitors must abide by all General Rules and Regulations printed in the beginning of this book.
2. **HEALTH CERTIFICATES**: Health Certificates meeting requirements set forth under Health Regulations printed in this Premium List and current Georgia Department of Agriculture regulations are required on all animals.
3. **ELIGIBILITY**: Exhibitors are eligible from the State of Georgia only. Classes open only to 4-H and FFA members 4th grade through 12th grade in school (and at least nine years old by entry deadline). No exhibitor who has graduated from high school is eligible to show in regular classes or in showmanship.
4. **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS** will be required for premium checks in the amount of $600 or more. Checks in this amount will not be issued without exhibitor's number.
5. **ENTRY DEADLINE**: **All livestock entries will be ONLINE ONLY. Entry deadline remains September 1st. All entries will be paid for through the online process, using a credit/debit card. There is a processing fee of $1.50 per exhibitor. The Livestock show information can be found at www.georgianationalfair.com - Animals - Livestock Competitions.**
Please Note: Livestock Office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8 am to 5pm, the office is closed on Saturday & Sunday. If the entry deadline of September 1, falls on the weekend or a Holiday there will be no one in the office to assist you. The deadline will not be extended.
6. **REFUNDS**: There will be no refunds for amounts less than $10.00 and no refunds of any amount after ***September 15, 2016***.
7. **SIGNATURES**: The online entry process has a place that you have to agree to the rules, by marking the check box will serve as required signature. There is an Advisors form that all 4H/FFA advisors are required to send in for their counties/clubs.
8. **NUMBER OF ENTRIES**: No more than four (4) junior beef cattle, steer &/or heifer combinations, can be entered by any one exhibitor.
9. **OWNERSHIP**: Steers must have been owned by the exhibitor since September 1, 2016. A description of the calf, including breed, birth date and tattoo number, must be listed. This is a feeder steer calf show and it is suggested that all calves be born on or after August 1, 2015. The Show Committee reserves the right to mouth all steers. The exhibitor must maintain continuous full ownership, possession and provide daily care for the steer(s) from September 1, 2016 to show time.
10. **IDENTIFICATION**: All Steers and Commercial Heifers must have a STATE ear tag number listed on the entry. The ear tag number in the animals ear must match ear tag number on entry form when the animal is weighed in (tattoo numbers are not accepted for ear tag number on entry form). Only one (1) tag per animal. Steer and Commercial Heifers will require STATE ear tags purchased through your Agriculture Education Teacher or County Agent, no other tags will be accepted. If a animal loses a tag, notify the GNFA Livestock office, no later than 7 days after tag is lost.
11. The GNF steer show will be structured so that divisions will be separated into breeds which will further be divided into classes based on weight.

The Divisions will be composed of:

A. **Crossbred Division**. This division will consist of calves of varying percentages of British and Continental breeds.

B. **Breed Divisions**. Any breed with a minimum of seven steers after check-in and classification will be considered a breed division. If a breed division does not make for 2 consecutive years they will show in All Other Breeds.

C. **All Other Breeds Division**. Any breed division (including Brahman derivative) with less than seven steers will show in the All Other Breeds (AOB) division.

E. **Steer Classifications Guidelines:**

Continental Breeds: Steers must show a predominance of characteristics indicating that the animal is approximately 50% or more of the breed entered. Continental breeds include (but are not limited to) Charolais, Chi-Influenced, Gelbvieh, Limousin, Maine-

Anjou and Simmental.

*__British Breeds__: **Angus:** Must show all the characteristics of the Angus breed; black in color with no white above the underline, or on leg, foot, or tail (white is allowed in front of the navel.) Smooth polled, nor scurs.

Hereford: Hereford steer should exhibit typical Hereford color markings, breed character, and phenotypic expression of frame size, muscle and structure (Freckles, dark eye pigmentation and small ticks will be included.) Horned and Polled Herefords are eligible (horned steers must be dehorned).

Shorthorn: Must show all characteristics of the Shorthorn breed. Color typically should be red, white or red/white roan. No black or blue/white roans allowed.

Red Angus: Must show all characteristics of the Red Angus breed. Smooth polled, no scurs.

**Exhibitors will declare Division/Breed on the entry form based on the breed characteristics of their steer.*

**A committee of three classifiers will evaluate the animal, if two or more disagree with the breed declared on the entry form, the entry will automatically be moved to the Crossbred Division.* Their decision will be final and no appeals will be allowed. Registration papers will not be considered in the classification process of entries.

12. **WEIGH-IN:** All steers will be weighed by show officials on Thursday, Oct. 6, between 5 and 8 pm. No reweighs after steers leave the scales. Class winners will not be reweighed.

13. **CHAMPIONSHIP**: The first place steer in each division will show for the Grand and Reserve Champion. The second place steer from the division from which Grand Champion of the show is picked will compete for Reserve Champion.

14. **SUBSTITUTE SHOWMEN**: Animal must be shown by owner. Substitute showman will be allowed when exhibitor has more than one animal in a class. The substitue showman must be a 4-H or FFA member and must be approved by the show superintendent.

If an exhibitor is unable to show his/her animal due to a disability, a substitute showman will be allowed to show for that exhibitor. The exhibitor with the disability must be present at the show-ring when the substitute showman and animal enter the ring. The substitute in all cases must be a 4-H or FFA member and the substitute must be approved by the show superintendent at the time of animal check-in. No adults other than officials of the show will be allowed in the show-ring.

No substitute showman will be allowed to show in showmanship

15. **CONTROL:** All steers must be halter broken. Animals that are unruly can be dismissed from the show-ring at the discretion of the judge or the show superintendent. Any steer that breaks loose from the exhibitor three (3) times while in the show-ring will be disqualified.

16. **FILLING OF STEERS** with any substance is prohibited. False tailheads and false switches will not be permitted. All steers must be shown in their natural conformation and structure without alteration by modification except for the grooming and treatment of the hair and trimming of the hooves.

17. **ALL STEERS MUST BE DEHORNED**. Any regrowth of horns should be rasped and made presentable for the show.

18. No hair, cotton twine, etc. may be applied to the animal.

19. No nose tongs can be used in exhibiting cattle.

20. **STALLING: All counties must stall 4H/FFA together. Stalling will be the responsibility of the barn manager, changes may be made at their discretion.**

21. **BEDDING**: A wood chip bedding will be provided for the first bedding. No straw, sand or other material will be allowed in the beef barn complex.

22. **TACK AREAS** will be assigned on an available basis depending on the number of animals *actually checked in*.

23. **NECK ROPES** must be used for tying steers and provided by the participant.

24. Exhibitors must keep the part of the building occupied by them neat and attractive in appearance. Ribbons won at this and other shows may be used to decorate the area. Paint or any other substance that will mar or deface the stalls WILL NOT be tolerated.

25. **NO BLOCKING CHUTES** will be allowed in the arena area.

26. **NO BUTT FANS ALLOWED**. No fans allowed in alleyways. All fans must be attached to tie panel in stalling area and cannot be attached by extension to hang beyond 42 inches from the tie panel.

27. **TIE-OUTS**: Outside tie space is available on a "first come, first served" basis. Cattle only allowed in tie-out areas. Exhibitors are permitted to use any type bedding they so desire (natural products only) in the designated tie-out area. No equipment of any kind allowed, fans, generators, pens, tents, etc. Vehicles permitted for delivery of bedding and feed only. Vehicles must not be left unattended and are not allowed to park in the tie-out area.

28. **PASSES:** Complimentary passes must be picked up at the Livestock Credentials Office at the East Gate of the Fairgrounds upon arrival.

PROTEST

29. **PROTEST**: Any protests against eligibility or adherence to the rules and regulations for each show must be filed as a legibly written, signed statement with the Agriculture and Youth Director accompanied by a $20.00 cash only deposit. The Protest must be filed before the end of check-in. Protest will be accepted from 4-H and FFA exhibitors only. The Protest will be heard by a grievance committee made up of three (3) people from 4-H and FFA. This committee will be chaired by the show Superintendent or Co-Superintendent. This committee will meet in private at the convenience of the committee. If the protest is not sustained by the greivance committee the deposit shall be forfeited to the 4-H and FFA Foundation. Protest decision by the Three Member Committee will be final. No other protest will be considered by the Protest Committee, Agriculture and Youth Director, or the Georgia National Fair.

New

Division # - Breed		Division # - Breed	
8	Maine-Anjou	**3**	Charolais
10	Shorthorn	**4**	Chi-Influence
11	Simmental	**6**	Hereford
9	All Other Breeds	**7**	Limousin
1	Angus	**5**	Crossbred

Note: Any breed with a minimum of seven steers after check-in and classification will be considered a breed division

Junior Preview Steer Show Premium Schedule
Shown by Breed

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11-20th
$50	$45	$40	$35	$30	$25	$20	$15	$15	$15	$10

BREED CHAMPIONS 1st - $100 & Award, 2nd - $75 & Award
OVERALL GRAND CHAMPION - $250 & Award
OVERALL RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION - $175 & Award
OVERALL TOP FIVE 3rd through 5th - Award only

Health Requirements

Georgia Department of Agriculture
Agriculture Building Capitol Square
Atlanta Georgia 30334-2001 USA
(404) 656-3667 FAX (404) 656-9380

General Requirements

All livestock exhibitions must apply to the Georgia Department of Agriculture for an exhibition permit. The management of the exhibition is responsible for obtaining the permit. For information call (404) 656-3667. **Equine exhibitions/shows are exempt from obtaining an exhibition permit; however, equine on the premise must comply with equine health requirements.

No livestock will be allowed entry onto the show grounds without the proper health records and tests required.

A veterinarian, Georgia Department of Agriculture personnel or other qualified person may be present to examine all livestock prior to exhibition.

An official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection must show proof of the requirements for the appropriate species.

No livestock will be allowed entry onto the show grounds with visible warts or visible ringworm lesions.

Livestock may be inspected at the show facility for infectious and contagious diseases and those suspected of having disease will be removed from the show facility. If suspected animals are not removed from or return to the show facility, all of the exhibitors entries will be disqualified.

Certificate of Veterinary Inspection Requirements

All animals being exhibited in any type of livestock show (local, county, area, district, or state) must have an official certificate of veterinary inspection (health certificate). The certificate of veterinary inspection must be issued within 30 days of the exhibition with the following exceptions:

Certificate of Veterinary Inspection exceptions will be the following:

1. For Georgia cattle, swine, goats and exotic animals exhibiting in Georgia 4-H and FFA shows, the certificate of veterinary inspection and required tests shall be valid for 4 months (unless specified otherwise by show management).
2. For Georgia sheep exhibiting in Georgia 4-H and FFA shows, a certificate of veterinary inspection must be issued by a veterinarian and must be updated and signed every 30 days during the show season (up to 4 months) by a veterinarian, county extension agent or vocational agriculture teacher. The examiner must sign and record the following statement on the certificate: "to the best of my knowledge, the animals being exhibited are free from any clinical signs consistent with those of footrot, scabies, contagious ecthyma (soremouth), cutaneous fungal lesions, scrapie or any other infectious or contagious disease."
3. **Market swine and market cattle will not require a certificate of veterinary inspection or any testing **provided no breeding livestock are on the exhibition premises (see ** note below)**. Market lambs and market goats will require a certificate of veterinary inspection and individual identification as outlined in the section below entitled "Farm Animal Livestock Requirements". Sheep and goat wethers of any age are not required to be individually identified for exhibition. In addition, all market animals must either be consigned directly to slaughter with no animals from the show ground returning to a farm, or be consigned to another market show with confinement at the original show facility until movement. If market animals will be returning to a farm or if show management requires such, all animals on the show grounds must have proper certificates of veterinary inspection and must satisfy the appropriate test and identification requirements described below in the section "Farm Animal Livestock Requirements".
4. Georgia equine participating in Georgia Equine Shows will not require a certificate of veterinary inspection. (See complete Equine Requirements)

***** Certificate of veterinary inspection is required on all market hogs at the Georgia National Fair as there will be breeding hogs on the premises. No livestock will be allowed entry onto the show grounds without the proper health records and test required.***

A veterinarian or other qualified person may be present to examine all livestock prior to exhibition.

Farm Animal Livestock Requirements

I. CATTLE

A. Brucellosis

1. Georgia cattle have no brucellosis test requirements.

2. Out-of-state cattle must satisfy Georgia import requirements for Brucellosis. (Regulations are contingent on state of origin - call (404) 656-3667 for current regulations).

B. Tuberculosis

1. DAIRY CATTLE - All dairy cattle six (6) months of age and older must have a negative TB test within sixty (60) days of shipment - REGARDLESS OF THE STATUS OF THE STATE OF ORIGIN (This does not apply to Georgia Cattle).

2. BEEF CATTLE - Beef cattle originating from a TB free state do not require a TB test. Beef cattle from the following states will require a negative TB test if six (6) months of age or older within sixty (60) days of shipment: California, Michigan, New Mexico, Minnesota.

II. SWINE

A. Georgia swine:

1. All breeding swine 4 months of age and over must have a negative Brucellosis and a negative Pseudorabies test within 30 days of exhibition except:

a. Swine originating from a validated Brucellosis free herd and a qualified Pseudorabies free herd. Validation and qualification numbers and date of last test conducted must be recorded on the certificate of veterinary inspection.

2. Market swine:

a. Gilts must have a negative brucellosis and a negative pseudorabies test within 30 days of exhibition unless originating from a validated brucellosis free herd and a qualified pseudorabies free herd. Validation and qualification numbers and date of the last herd test must be recorded on the certificate of veterinary inspection.

b. Barrows must have a negative pseudorabies test within 30 days of exhibition unless originating from a qualified pseudorabies free herd. Qualification number and date of the last herd test must be recorded on the certificate of veterinary inspection.

c. Slaughter swine may be exempt from the certificate of veterinary inspection and the test requirements if they qualify under the "Certificate of Veterinary Inspection Exceptions" section described above.

B. Out-of-state swine must enter on a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 30 days of entry with the entry permit number and individual identification recorded. Test requirements for breeding swine and market swine are the same as "Georgia swine" requirements above.

NOTE: Swine purchased and/or removed from the farm of a validated/qualified herd loses validated/qualified status at the time of transfer and will require the appropriate tests prior to exhibition.

C. Any exhibition of out-of-state swine must have an entry permit number from the Dept. of Agriculture. (Call (404) 656-3667 Monday through Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm).

III. SHEEP

A. Georgia and out-of-state sheep must enter on a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 30 days of the exhibition. All sheep, except wethers, must be identified with USDA approved individual animal identification to the flock of origin. Those sheep born after 1/1/02 must be identified to the flock of birth and flock of origin if different. This information must be recorded on the certificate of veterinary inspection. The following statement must be recorded on the certificate of veterinary inspection for all sheep including wethers: "To the best of my knowledge, the animals being exhibited are free from any clinical signs consistent with those of footrot, scabies, contagious ecthyma (soremouth), cutaneous fungal lesions, scrapie or any other infectious or contagious disease."

B. For Georgia 4-H and FFA sheep, see CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS above.

C. ***Sheep may be inspected at the show facility for infections and contagious diseases and those suspected of having disease will be removed from the show facility.***

IV. GOATS

A. Georgia and out-of-state goats must enter on a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 30 days of the exhibition. All goats, except wethers, must be identified with USDA approved individual animal identification to the flock of origin. Those goats born after 1/1/02 must be identified to the flock of birth and flock of origin if different. This information must be recorded on the certificate of veterinary inspection. The following statement must be recorded on the certificate of veterinary inspection for all goats including wethers: "To the best of my knowledge, the animals being exhibited are free from any clinical signs consistent with those of footrot, scabies, contagious ecthyma (soremouth), cutaneous fungal lesions, scrapie or any other infectious or contagious disease."

B. For Georgia 4-H and FFA goats, see CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS above.

C. Goats may be inspected at the show facility for infectious and contagious diseases and those suspected of having disease will be removed from the show facility.

V. EXOTIC ANIMALS

A. All exotic animals and all non-traditional livestock entering Georgia must be accompanied by an official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection identifying each animal with unique permanent individual identification.

B. All llamas, alpacas and camels entering Georgia must be identified by a USDA approved metal ear tag, unique and individual tattoo, notarized photograph, or an electronic identification device (microchip). If electronic identification is used, the consignee is responsible for providing the appropriate reading device for verification. Castrated males are exempt from the individual identification requirements.

An official certificate of veterinary inspection must show proof of the above requirements for the appropriate species.
Revised March 5, 2005 - For complete & current regulations, call (404) 656-3667.

General Rules and Regulations

NOTICE: *All exhibitors are cautioned to read carefully the following rules and regulations, as they will be enforced strictly.*

The Georgia National Fair (GNF) will be held on the Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter, Perry, October 6-16, 2016, unless postponed, or extended by the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority (GAEA), all of which they hereby claim and reserve the right to do from any cause whatsoever which they may deem necessary for the general good of all concerned.

Administration of Rules and Regulations

The GNF reserves to the GAEA the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to the Show, and the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine. An exhibitor who violates any of the following rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums and be subject to such penalty as the GAEA may order.

Statement of Liability

1. All livestock exhibits will be under the direction of the GAEA, but the GAEA will in no case be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury or damage done to, or occasioned by, or arising from, any animal or article exhibited by him/her and for its description as given in the catalog, and shall indemnify the GAEA against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto, as well as damage or injury to any other person or property, caused by the exhibitor, or any of the animals exhibited by him/her, or arising out of, or in any way connected with such exhibition of any of the animals so exhibited.
2. The management reserves the right to remove from the grounds any exhibit, animal or fowl that may be falsely entered or may be deemed unsuitable or objectionable, without assigning a reason therefore, and if necessary, to return any money already paid for space or stalls, which shall exonerate them from any claim whatsoever on the part of the exhibitor or purchaser.

Testing and Responsibility

3. **DRUGS & DIURETICS**: Administration of any drug of any kind or description internally or externally is prohibited, except for treating a recognized disease or injury as prescribed by a licensed veterinarian. For the purpose of these rules, the term "drug" shall mean: the sale, possession or use of any substance which is controlled by license under federal, state or local laws or regulations and any substance commonly used by the medical or veterinary professions which affect the circulatory, respiratory, or central nervous systems of an animal.

The use of any diuretic, *tranquilizers or anti-inflammatory drugs* for any purpose whatsoever on any animal in the show is prohibited. Show management reserves the right to take blood, tissue, milk and/or urine samples for analysis. Any animal entered is subject to testing.

The administration of any drug of any kind or description internally or externally for the treatment of a disease or injury must be done in accordance with regulations established by the United States Food and Drug Administration.

4. **EXHIBITOR RESPONSIBILITY:** The exhibitor shall be the absolute insurer of and shall be responsible for the condition of an animal exhibited at the Georgia National Fair Livestock competitions, regardless of the acts of a third party. Extent of knowledge on the part of the exhibitor with regards to the drugs or substance found in an animal is not relevant to any issue, and it shall not be a defense that person or persons unknown introduced the prescribed substance into the animal prior to, or at arrival, or after arrival on the Georgia National Fairgrounds property.

Any animal exhibited in any 4H/FFA Junior show being treated with a prescription or over-the-counter medication (the use of any diuretic, tranquilizers or anti-inflammatory drugs for any purpose whatsoever on any animal in the show is prohibited) that has not completed its recommended withdrawal time must be accompanied by an original, complete veterinary prescription. This prescription must be provided to management upon request at any time during the show and will be required at the time of residue testing if that animal is selected. The prescribed medication(s) must be approved for the use on the treated animal.

Should testing and inspection procedures used by the GNF evidence the presence of a foreign substance or any drug not medically necessary or not approved for such use by the Food and Drug Administration or United States Department of Agriculture, the exhibitor, a member of the exhibitor's immediate family or any other person shown to have had care, custody or attendance of the animal in any way, at the discretion of the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority, may be subjected to the penalties provided for in these rules.

New *Look for the "new" logo throughout this book. It is used to indicate changes or additions to rules, schedules, etc.*

5. **PENALTIES:** An exhibitor determined to have violated these rules or whose animal has been found to contain evidence of drugs as described in these rules may be subject to the following penalties at the discretion of the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority;

a. Forfeiture of prize money;
b. Forfeiture of sale money;
c. *Forfeiture of titles, trophies, and awards;*
d. *Banned from future livestock competition at the Georgia National Fair and the Georgia National Junior Livestock Show.*

i. The exhibitor will be banned from competing at future livestock competitions for all species at the Georgia National Junior Livestock Show and the Georgia National Fair for twelve (12) months or one complete show year (whichever is greater) from rule infraction. After the twelve (12) months or one complete show year (whichever is greater) suspension has been completed, the exhibitor will then be placed on probation for twenty-four (24) months or two show years (whichever is greater).

During this probation period, management reserves the right to residue test any/all entries of the individual on probation that are entered at the Georgia National Junior Livestock Show and/or the Georgia National Fair. The exhibitor is responsible for full payment of costs incurred for any positive samples. Residue tests will be sent to a laboratory of show management's choice.

ii. If, at any time following the first ban, any ***Junior 4H/FFA animal*** *shown by that exhibitor tests positive for any unapproved drugs, prohibited drugs, or drugs that are not under the prescription of a licensed veterinarian, the exhibitor will be banned from the Georgia National Junior Livestock Show and the Georgia National Fair for the exhibitor's junior show career.*

e. Subject to investigation by federal, state and local authorities for criminal prosecution.
f. *Violation of these rules may result in disqualification from other 4-H and/or FFA activities.*

Refusal to submit animals for testing or to cooperate in completion of minimum testing requirements will result in disqualification and subject the exhibitor to the same penalties provided for exhibitors whose animals test positive for drugs.

Eligibility for Entry

6. Competition is open to the world unless otherwise stated in the special rules governing a particular department.
7. **CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION**: All animals in the breeding classes must be recorded in recognized books of record for their respective breeds. Exhibitors must produce certificates of registry at the request of the superintendent in charge.
8. **OWNERSHIP**: Exhibitors entering an animal in any name other than the name of the bona fide owner or owners, or showing an animal in a class for which it is not eligible, may, at the discretion of the management, be barred from further showing, and any or all premiums previously awarded may be forfeited. Entries that have been erroneously entered will be transferred to their proper classes prior to judging. Animals owned in partnership may be entered in proper classes in one owner's name, but must appear under this ownership in all classes entered.
9. **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS**: Health Certificates meeting requirements set forth under Health Regulations printed in the Premium List are required on all animals. Diseased animals are barred entry (at all times) into the Fairgrounds area. Superintendents are instructed and authorized to refuse unloading privileges to animals showing any signs or characteristics of disease. Inspectors will check health papers upon arrival.
10. **BREEDER AFFIDAVIT**: Barren animals will not be eligible for breeding classes; an affidavit that the animal is a breeder must be furnished on request.
11. If an exhibitor has been disqualified from competition in a major show or has had a premium withheld or withdrawn on the grounds of rule violation, misrepresentation, fraud or deception, he/she will not be allowed to compete at the Georgia National Fair. In cooperation with the member shows of the North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers Association and the Rule Infraction Database, the Georgia National Fair reserves the right to refuse entry to any exhibitor.
12. To be eligible for entry, exhibitors and their livestock must meet and adhere to the requirements of Special Rules listed under the appropriate department or departments (in subsequent pages of this premium list).

Entries

13. **ENTRIES AND ENTRY DEADLINE**: **All livestock entries will be ONLINE ONLY. Entry deadline remains September 1st. All entries will be paid for through the online process, using a credit/debit card. There is a processing fee of $1.50 per exhibitor. The Livestock show information can be found at www.georgianationalfair.com - Livestock/Horseshow tab - Livestock Competitions.** ***Please Note: Livestock Office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8 am to 5pm, the office is closed on Saturday & Sunday. If the entry deadline of September 1, falls on the weekend or a Holiday, there will be no one in the office to assist you. The deadline will not be extended.***
14. **ACCEPTANCE**: In all cases, the management reserves the right to reject, accept or accept conditionally, an application for entry, and does not guarantee space in the exhibition buildings.
15. **SIGNATURES**: By completeing the online entry the exhibitor and parent/guardian acknowledges that he/she understands and will abide by the liability requirements and rules and regulations of the Georgia National Fair.
16. **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER MAY BE REQUIRED**: Social Security number required for premiums paid in the amount of $600 or more. Premium payment will not be made without correct social security numbers provided as requested.

17. **ENTRY FEES**:

	Open Shows	Jr. Shows
Beef & Dairy Cattle	$18.00	$12.00
Steer		$16.00
Jr. Sheep		$ 7.00
Jr. Swine		$ 7.00
Goats	$10.00	

Entry fee includes the original bedding which will be in the stalls upon arrival of livestock.

18. **CANCELLATIONS** or changes must be made no later than ***September 15***.

19. **REFUNDS**: There will be no refunds for amounts less than $10.00 and no refunds of any amount after ***September 15, 2016***.

20. **TACK SPACE**: An additional fee equal to the entry fee must be paid to reserve space for tack & trimming in open shows. Tack space for junior shows will be assigned at no charge, based on available space in the barn. Because of space limitations, no tack pens will be assigned or allowed in the barn for all swine shows.

21. **SUBSTITUTE SHOWMEN:** Animal must be shown by owner. Substitute showman will be allowed when exhibitor has more than one animal in a class. The substitue showman must be a 4-H or FFA member and must be approved by the show superintendent.

If an exhibitor is unable to show his/her animal due to a disability, a substitute showman will be allowed to show for that exhibitor. The exhibitor with the disability must be present at the show-ring when the substitute showman and animal enter the ring. The substitute in all cases must be a 4-H or FFA member and the substitute must be approved by the show superintendent at the time of animal check-in. No adults other than officials of the show will be allowed in the show-ring.

No substitute showman will be allowed to show in showmanship

22. **SUBSTITUTIONS** (**Open Shows ONLY**): Substitutions of animals will be allowed within the same breed and class and for the same exhibitor. In addition, one open substitution (out of class) will be allowed per exhibitor. Substitutions can be made only in the name of the original exhibitor. Exhibitors in breed shows without defined classes can substitute only an animal of the same sex with a birth date within 90 days of the entry being substituted. Exhibitors in these shows will also be allowed one open substitution (not the same sex and DOB not within 90 days).

23. **GROUP CLASSES**: All entries for group classes must be shown in their respective single classes. Animals to comprise a competitive group need not be named in application for entry, but exhibitors must indicate in which group class they expect to compete.

24. **JUNIOR & OPEN SHOW EXHIBITORS**: All animals shown in the Junior Show are eligible to show in the Open Show if applicable classes are available. If the Junior Exhibitor elects to show in the Open Show, he/she must abide by all the Open Show rules, including entry deadline, and must apply and pay entry fees for both shows.

Exception: Heifers showing in the Comm. Dairy Heifer Show are not eligible to be shown in the Purebred Show of the Georgia National Fair during the same year

25. Exhibits that have been erroneously entered may be transferred to their proper classes prior to judging. However, the management will determine each matter upon its merits.

26. **SHOW NUMBER**: Each entry in the Fair will be assigned a show number. This number will identify animals in the show and will correspond with the Official Livestock Catalog number and must be displayed properly when the entries are being judged.

Passes and Parking

27. **JUNIOR EXHIBITORS**

Complimentary passes are provided for exhibitors along with two passes for parents/guardians of each exhibiting family. (Example: If family has one child exhibiting, they receive three passes. If family has two children exhibiting, they receive four passes, etc.) One (1) complimentary vehicle pass per family will also be provided. Additional passes must be purchased.

4-H and FFA chapters with junior entries will receive two complimentary passes and two complimentary vehicle passes for Agents or Advisors. Any additional passes must be purchased.

All passes will be **punched** each day at gate. A handstamp will allow you to leave and reenter the Fairgrounds on the same day.

All complimentary passes must be picked up at Livestock Credentials Office at the Livestock entrance to the Fairgrounds upon arrival.

Additional passes (quantities limited) may be purchased at the Livestock Credentials office.

Every vehicle and every person must have a pass to enter the gate. There will be no Vehicle or Trailer parking inside the gates. All vehicles with vehicle passes will be parked in a designated area outside the Livestock Entrance of the Fair. Vehicle Passes good only for parking vehicle in designated areas, not for entrance of driver or passengers. Parking spaces are limited and vehicle pass does not guarantee space.

Livestock trailers may be dropped in designated areas without a vehicle pass. Any vehicle other than trailers must have a vehicle pass to enter and to park in designated areas.

28. **OPEN SHOW EXHIBITORS**

Complimentary passes are issued depending on number of entries.

No. of entries	Passes
1	1
2-3	2
4-5	3
6 or more	4

One complimentary vehicle pass will be issued per exhibitor.

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Open and Junior Show Exhibitors - Exhibitors showing in both junior and open shows, when those shows are held within the same three-day period of time, will receive complimentary passes for the junior show only, not for both shows. When the junior and open shows are not held within the same three-day period of time, the exhibitor will receive passes for both shows.

29. No parking is permitted on the asphalt next to the barns.

30. **NONCOMPLIANCE**: Exhibitors not cooperating with security personnel or officials of the Show in all matters of policy, including parking, will have their entries canceled and will be ordered to remove their exhibit from the grounds immediately

31. **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS**: On heavy attendance days the Georgia State Patrol will designate all gates on the Fairgrounds as exits only from approximately 9 pm until 11 pm. It is strongly suggested that you plan your entrance and exit times wisely with this information in mind.

Judges and Judging Procedure

32. Policies of selecting judges and of determining judging systems rest solely with the management.

33. Judges will be familiar with all rules, regulations and procedures of the Georgia National Fair.

34. The decision of the judges shall be final in all cases and no appeal will be considered except in cases of written protest. In cases where fraud, misrepresentation, error or collusion is discovered after awards have been given, the Georgia National Fair management or such referee as may be appointed may make a decision regarding final placement. Such cases may be appealed in writing to the Livestock Committee from whose decision there will be no appeal.

35. If any exhibitor or his/her representative interferes in any way with the judges or shows disrespect to them, or to the Show, the management may withhold from such exhibitor any premium monies that may have been awarded, or take any other steps deemed desirable.

36. Judging will not be delayed for animals entering the arena late. Any exhibit not presented promptly at the scheduled time is barred from competition in the class. Protests that the judges overlooked exhibits will not be considered.

37. No one will be allowed to act as judge in the ring or class in which he/she exhibits or in which he/she may hold an interest.

38. Judges must not award a prize to an unworthy exhibit. It is the intent of the Ag Expo Authority that no premium or distinction of any kind be given any animal that is not deserving. In cases where only one animal is being exhibited in a class, the judge shall make his/her award in accordance with the merits of the animal being exhibited which may be either first, second, third, etc. Only first prize winning animals are eligible to compete for championship honors.

Protests

39. Protest against an award and/or eligibility must be made in writing to the Agricultural/Youth Director of the Georgia National Fairgrounds and accompanied by an affidavit and a deposit of $50.00 within twenty (24) hours following the designation of such award. Any animal being protested must have been entered in the appropriate show and qualified to show before the protest will be accepted. In case the protest shall not be sustained, the deposit will be forfeited to the Georgia National Fair. The Livestock Superintendent will notify the exhibitor of the protested animal or article, of such protest, and both parties shall then have ten (10) days in which to bring testimony in the case to be submitted to the Livestock Commitee. The protested award will be held in abeyance until final action of the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority.

40. No other protest will be considered by the Livestock Committee.

Care of Animals, Stalls and Pens

41. **ANIMAL WELL-BEING**: Management reserves the right to remove any exhibitor from the grounds who is deemed to be mistreating any animal.

42. **CONTROL:** All animals exhibited at the Georgia National Fair must be halter broke.

43. **BEDDING**: The official bedding of the Georgia National Fair is wood shavings. All beef entries in the Junior and Open shows will be required to use wood shavings in the barn. The first bedding is provided and additional chips can be purchased on site. Absolutely NO exceptions to this rule. Violators will forfeit all premiums won. Junior and Open Dairy and Llama exhibitors will be allowed to use straw on top of the existing wood shavings. Wood shavings must not be removed from stalls.

44. **BEDDING SALES**: Shavings and straw will be available on the Fairgrounds at reasonable prices. Straw will be allowed in the outside tie-outs only, except where otherwise specified. Hours and location for purchase of bedding will be posted.

45. **TIE-OUTS**: Cattle may be tied out after 8:00 pm each evening in areas designated by management. Outside tie space is available on a "first come, first served" basis. Cattle only allowed in tie-out areas. Exhibitors are permitted to use any type bedding they so desire (natural products only) in the designated tie-out area. No equipment of any kind allowed, fans, generators, pens, tents, etc. Vehicles permitted for delivery of bedding and feed only. Vehicles must not be left unattended and are not allowed to park in the tie-out area.

46. **SIGNS**: Livestock exhibitors are permitted to display a sign or banner over their exhibit advertising their own herd or farm. This sign or banner shall be of a reasonable size so as not to obstruct the view of other exhibitors signs or exhibits of livestock. Signs not to exceed 22 X 28 inches may be used to advertise individual animals within an individual exhibit. The management reserves the right to have objectionable signs removed.

47. Posting of signs is not allowed outside the barns or in any area inside the barns other than in the exhibitors assigned spaces.

48. All owners and those in charge of property or livestock shall care for, guard, protect and preserve the same. The Georgia National Fair will not be responsible for any loss or damage.

Composite Rules and Regulations

49. **NO DOGS** are allowed on the Georgia National Fairgrounds during the Fair except guide dogs and dogs participating in demonstrations and/or competitions.

50. All articles and animals for exhibition must be in their places, with all rubbish and waste cleared away by 9:00 am each morning.

51. **ARRIVAL TIME**: All animals must be in the barn by the time and date specified in this book under individual shows. **Open Shows Only** - Early arrivals allowed only with prior approval of barn manager and will be required to spend the night in the tie-outs.

52. **DEPARTURE TIME**: All animals must be out of the barn by 9:00 pm on the date of their release as specified in this book under individual shows. They may spend that night in the tie-outs, but must be off the grounds by noon the following day.

53. **EARLY DEPARTURE**: Any animal on exhibition may not be removed from the grounds prior to its release time without a special order given by the Livestock Department. Any violation of this rule will cause forfeiture of all premiums earned by exhibitor.

54. ANY EQUIPMENT BROUGHT IN TO BE USED IN YOUR STALL OR SPACE MUST COMPLY WITH AND BE USED IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL FEDERAL, STATE AND MUNICIPAL OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REGULATIONS.

55. **NO BUTT FANS ALLOWED**: No fans allowed in alleyways. All fans must be attached to tie panel in stalling area and cannot be attached by extension to hang beyond 42 inches from tie panel.

56. **PORTABLE SCALES:** Exhibitors will not be allowed to bring portable scales into the building.

57. No demonstrators, trophies, decorations, portals, fountains, signs, banners (except as allowed in rule # 41), advertising matter or exhibits of any kind or character will be allowed in the aisles or public passageways or attached to the Show buildings' walls, posts, or doors.

58. **TRIMMING CHUTES:** NO chutes allowed in center aisle of cattle barn. **Open Shows Only -** The permit fee is included in the fee for "space for tack & trimming."

59. **BREED SHOWS**: Where breed shows are offered, breeds that do not meet the minimum requirements for that show for two consecutive years will no longer be offered a breed show. See individual show rules.

Photographs

60. Exhibitors of Champion and Grand Champion winners must make themselves and their animals available for the taking of official photographs and must remain at the Show until animals are released; those photographs are to become the property of the Georgia National Fair with copies made available on site for purchase by the exhibitors.

Failure to comply may result in premium monies being withheld.

Only the photographers displaying the badge of "Official Photographer" are authorized to take photos for resale on the Fairgrounds.

Premiums & Awards

61. Premium checks will be mailed by the Georgia National Fair (except where otherwise stated) as soon after the Show as possible.

62. All premium checks issued by the Georgia National Fair are good for up to six (6) months after the date of the last day of the Fair. Checks not cashed by that time will not be reissued. In the event that a premium check is lost in the mail, request must be made before this six month period has lapsed to have the premium check reissued.

Notice to Exhibitors

63. Exhibitors may spend the night inside the barns only to tend to lactating animals and must do so within their assigned stalling area or purchase additional stalling space, if available. No other camping is allowed in or around the barn areas.

64. In order to create a good public image and add to the attractiveness of the livestock area, all beds, cots, bedding, etc., should be stored out of sight by 8 a.m. each morning.

65. No cooking is allowed inside or around the outside of the barns to comply with local fire codes. *Coolers are allowed.*

66. No Unauthorized ATVs, Golf Carts, Motorcycles or Bicycles allowed on grounds.

New **The following are prohibited on the property known as the Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter: Skateboards, Scooters, Roller Skates, Hover Boards, Roller Blades, and other similar mechanical equipment.**