

2020 Llamas & Alpacas

Ohio State University Extension
Erie County 4-H
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Project Numbers	Interview	Show
132-Llama & Alpaca	July 23 rd 5-8 pm - EHOVE	Thursday, August 13 th - 8:30 a.m.

Llama/Alpaca Committee

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Book and Interview Requirements

Project	Required Book(s)
132-Llama & Alpaca	#132 Llama and Alpaca Project and Record Book and #132R Llama and Alpaca Resource Handbook

***Book # 132R** only needs to be ordered once and can be used for several years. It contains essential subject matter information for members taking a llama and alpaca project.

Interview Requirements

All exhibitors must be interviewed, have up-to-date records, and a complete project book in order to show and sell their animal at the fair. NO EXCEPTIONS! Interview date, time and location is listed above. If the exhibitor cannot attend interview judging on July 23rd, he/she must contact the Extension Office to schedule on one of the three alternative interview dates (listed in the 4-H calendar), which all occur PRIOR to the July 23rd interview judging.

Llama/Alpaca Skillathon Stations: Feet/leg structure; parasites; skeleton; book check/questions

Exhibit Rules and Requirements

- Every exhibitor of a market, dairy, or breeding animal MUST attend a Quality Assurance program with his/her parent or legal guardian to be eligible to bring the animal(s) to fair to exhibit, show, or sell. There are no exceptions. **This Quality Assurance program must be completed after October 1, 2019 and by June 27, 2020 (45 days prior to the start of the Erie County Fair).**
- All livestock trailers must be removed from the fairgrounds after animals are unloaded. No trailers are to be left on the fairgrounds.
- A premier Llama exhibitor(s) will be named based on skillathon, live placing, and showmanship. Individuals not attending the livestock interview judging on July 23rd will NOT be eligible for premier exhibitor.
- Exhibitors must have a complete project book with up-to-date records at interview judging. Books will be checked by key leaders and any exhibitor without a complete book will not be permitted to show at fair.
- Date of birth of the animal(s) is required at interview judging.
- All project animals must be in the exhibitor's possession by May 1st.
- No intact male animals over 12 months of age are permitted.
- Animals must be healthy and free from diseases. Animals will be checked by the fair veterinarian upon arrival. Those that fail to meet health standards will be sent home.
- Unruly or unmanageable animals that present a nuisance/danger to other animals or people will not be permitted. This decision will be made by the Llama/Alpaca committee with the support of the Senior Fair Board. If the animal is removed, the exhibitor will be given credit for a completed project.

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11. Only project animals are permitted at the fair. Companion animals are not permitted. The only exception is a nursing cria.
12. Exhibitors may not bring any tack, bedding, equipment, etc. to the fairgrounds until 8 a.m. the Saturday before the fair.
13. Exhibitors are required to furnish their own bedding. Straw is not permitted.
14. Pens will be assigned by the Llama/Alpaca committee.
15. Each exhibitor is responsible for keeping pens, aisles, and tack clean and orderly the entire week of Fair.
16. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to provide care and groom his/her animal(s) for the duration of the fair. Exhibitors are expected to provide food and water to animals on a regular basis and keep livestock pens clean and neat. If an animal is not being taken care of or a pen is found to be unacceptable by the appropriate livestock committee, a notice will be posted on the pen. Failure to comply within 24 hours will result in the animal being sent home forfeiting the exhibitor's ability to show or sell.
17. Adding any substance to externally build up, change, or alter the shape or conformation of the livestock, including but not limited to rope, false hair, graphite, hemp, and powders (Ohio Livestock Tampering Exhibition Rule 901-19-33). This includes anything with pigment to change or enhance the color of the animal, including but not limited to paint and baby powder.
18. Grooming of animals during the Erie County Fair is limited to the Junior Fair exhibitor, exhibitor's immediate family, 4-H Advisor, FFA Advisor, or livestock species committee members. Immediate family is defined as members of the exhibitor's household limited to parents, step-parents, or legal guardian, brothers and sisters. Exhibitors must be present and actively engaged during the grooming of their project animal(s).
19. Each exhibitor is responsible for helping with barn clean-up and tear down on Sunday evening of Fair.
20. Stall decorations must be securely fastened and not present harm to animals or people. The current fire codes must be followed. No balloons are permitted.
21. Exhibitors must dress appropriately for interviews and the show. Exhibitors' appearance should be neat and clean. Proper show attire is long black pants, a white collared dress shirt or blouse, (tucked in at the waist) and footwear that covers the entire foot. Boots are suggested. Clothing should be comfortable and fit appropriately to allow for unrestricted movement. No tennis shoes, open toed shoes or sandals are permitted. Long hair should be pulled back.
22. All exhibitors must compete in showmanship. Exhibitors must show their own animal in showmanship. Exhibitors must also compete in all appropriate classes and the obstacle course. Please note any animal shown in showmanship must also compete in his/her respective class.
23. Exhibitors will be limited to only two entries in the obstacle course class.
24. The exhibitor must show his or her own project animal(s) unless an exception is permitted by the committee. In this case, the animal(s) must be shown by another Erie County Fair Junior exhibitor.
25. The Llama/Alpaca Committee decisions on classifications, rules, and complaints will be final. Grievances will be handled in accordance with the grievance policy which can be found at <http://eriefair.com/>

Classes

Showmanship:

Senior - 15 years and older
 Junior - 14 years and younger
 Beginner – First year in project

Halter:

Juvenile - 5-11 months
 Yearling - 12 - 23 months
 2 Year - 24-35 months
 Adults - 36 months and older

Obstacle Course

Every exhibitor is to participate.
 Each exhibitor may have up to two entries.

*Junior Fair projects may not be sold on the fairgrounds except through the fair project auctions.
 For sale signs may not be posted on projects.

These rules are reviewed and adopted annually by the Erie County Senior Fair Board and apply to all Junior Fair exhibitors.