1. Entries for all animal exhibits must be done online at cecilcountyfair.org by July 1.

2. 4-H animals staying for the week must be on the grounds by Saturday, July 20 at 4 p.m. The only exception to this is dairy.

3. Animals may not be removed from the grounds until 11:00 p.m. Saturday, July 27. Herdsman must not be taken down before 11:00 p.m. Saturday, July 27. Premium money will be withheld from exhibitors not complying or if asked to leave by officials because of health problems.

4. NO ADMISSION PASSES WILL BE FURNISHED. Exhibitors will be permitted to enter during official entry times; however, anyone accompanying exhibitor will be required to pay appropriate admission charges. Livestock exhibitor vehicle hangtags only allow the vehicle to be parked, it does not furnish entry of people in vehicle.

5. All animals exhibited must comply with the regulation of the Maryland Department of Agriculture - Animal Health Section. For information contact the MDA Animal Health Section (410) 841-5810. Health Regulation papers will be checked before the show by an appropriate, certified representative. All decisions made by the representative will be final.

6. Horses and livestock must be removed from the grounds by 2 p.m. Sunday, July 28.

7. All manure and bedding is to be piled in designated areas. Contestants who fail to comply with this rule will forfeit their premiums.

8. Clovers may not enter in any 4-H Livestock or Horse and Pony Classes.

9. 4-H animals may be used in judging practices throughout the week, with your cooperation.

10. All 4-H exhibitors must show their own animal, unless they have two animals in the same class. If two animals are in the same class, the exhibitor must show one of the animals and a person of their age or younger must show the other animal. In the case of illness or emergency, barn chairs for sections A-E will determine if a substitute show person is allowed. If a 4-H exhibitor does not show their own animal (unless one of the special exceptions stated apply) the exhibitor will not receive 4-H premiums and will not be allowed to sell in the 4-H Livestock Sale.

General Livestock Rules

4-H Livestock Exhibitor Information

Division 3: LIVESTOCK

Department A – dairy cattle & dairy steers
Department B – beef
Department C – dairy goats & meat goats
Department D – sheep
Department E – swine
Department F – horse

ALL LIVESTOCK ENTRIES MUST BE DONE ONLINE, INCLUDING HERDSMAN ENTRIES. SEE DIRECTIONS EARLIER IN THE BOOK.

4-H Animal Exhibitor Orientations/Livestock Sale Meetings:
AGAIN IN 2019: Cecil County Fair Mandatory Animal Exhibitor Meetings

The Cecil County Fair in partnership with the Cecil County 4-H program will be holding MANDATORY Animal Exhibitor meetings for ALL 4-H youth exhibitors and their parent/guardian that will be keeping animal projects at the Cecil County Fair. Following the animal exhibitor meeting will be the Livestock Sale Meeting. All new sellers and all youth who did not attend a sale meeting in 2018 along with a parent/guardian are required to attend a meeting in 2019, if they would like to sell an animal in the Cecil County Fair 4-H Livestock Sale. The Horse Herdsman exhibitor orientations will be held separately on other dates. The meetings are scheduled for the following evenings:

• Wednesday, May 29 - 4-H Animal Exhibitor Orientation with the Livestock Sale Meeting following, Cecil County Administrative Building Elk Room, Elkton, 7 PM
• Monday, June 10 - 4-H Animal Exhibitor Orientation with the Livestock Sale Meeting following, Calvert Grange, Calvert, 7 PM
• Wednesday, June 12 - 4-H Horse Herdsman Exhibitor Orientation, Cecil County Extension Office, Elkton, 7 PM
• Monday, June 17 - 4-H Horse Herdsman Exhibitor Orientation, Calvert Grange, Calvert, 7 PM
• Monday, June 24 - 4-H Animal Exhibitor Orientation with the Livestock Sale Meeting following, Elkton, 7 PM
• Wednesday, June 26 - 4-H Animal Exhibitor Orientation with the Livestock Sale Meeting following, Elkton, 7 PM

4-H Livestock Exhibitor Set Up:
Tuesday, July 16 at 6 PM
Entry Times:
No animals may arrive on Friday, July 19. All 4-H Market and Breeding Beef, Sheep, Swine and Meat Goats; Dairy Steers; Dairy Goats and Rabbits staying the week must arrive between 7-11 AM & 2-4 PM on Saturday, July 20 (2-3:30 PM for Poultry).

All 4-H dairy heifers can arrive on Saturday, July 20 between 7-11 AM & 2-4 PM or on Monday, July 22 between 7-10 AM or 2-4 PM.

Animals coming in for the day of the show are:

• Poultry: Saturday, July 20 from 1-2:30 PM
• Rabbit: Sunday, July 21 from 7-8 AM
• Dairy Goat: Sunday, July 21 from 3-4:30 PM
• Meat Goats: Monday, July 22 from 7-8:30 AM
• Beef: Wednesday, July 24 from 7-9 AM
• Dairy Cattle: Thursday, July 25 from 6 AM-9 AM
• Small and Large Pets/Pygmy Goats: Friday, July 26 from 8:45-9:15 AM
• Pretty Animal: Saturday, July 27 from 2-2:30 PM

Horse participating in Herdsman - Need to be in by 7 PM on Sunday, July 21.

Cecil County Fair “Online Entry 101”
The Cecil County 4-H program will be offering a Cecil County Fair “Online Entry 101” open session to help understand online entry and answer any fair related questions on Thursday, June 13 from 6-7:30 PM and Tuesday, June 18 from 7:00-8:30 PM in the Cecil County Extension Office.
Show Attire Regulations for Exhibitors

The following prescribed show attire is required for all exhibitors in fitting and showing, breed classes, and market classes.

1. No farm names or other identification shall appear on show uniforms.
2. Safe appropriate attire, including footwear, is required at all times. No open-toed shoes.
3. No spaghetti straps, tank tops, or exposed midriffs.
4. Shirts must be tucked in and no undergarments may be showing. No shorts will be allowed.
5. Caps or other headwear shall not be worn in the show ring, except for protective headgear in the Horse Division.
6. Cell phone or other electronic use by exhibitors is prohibited while exhibiting during their show time.

NOTE: Exhibitors not adhering to the show attire requirement will forfeit their premiums.

Please note that neckpieces include: neck tie, bolo tie, or a tied bandana. Jewelry does not qualify as a neckpiece - no exceptions. (Loose necklaces are not to be worn in the show ring).

Girls may choose to wear a skirt of an appropriate length, instead of slacks. They must be in the appropriate color.

Dairy Cattle, Dairy Steers & Dairy Goats - White slacks with white shirt; neckpieces are optional.

Beef, Meat Goats, Sheep & Swine - Green or tan slacks, white or tan shirt with green or black necklace optional. Green, tan, or black suspenders also optional.

Horses - Appropriate riding clothes and headgear as defined in the MD 4-H Horse & Pony Rule Book, including helmets (a must).

Dogs - Attire that is suitable for showing a dog - Boys: slacks, shirt and tie; Girls: skirt or slacks and blouse or shirt.

Rabbit and Cavy - No open-toed shoes; plain polo, and school appropriate khaki shorts, skirt, shorts, pants, or capris. Show apron optional.

Poultry, Small and Large Pets - No open-toed shoes; any appropriate shirt, jeans or slacks, skirt, or shorts accepted.

Pretty Animal - No open-toed shoes. Any appropriate attire or costumes.

OPEN LIVESTOCK SHOW

Rules & regulations

1. The Open Livestock Show is open to anyone in and outside of Cecil County.
2. All animals must meet state health regulations and must be accompanied by official health certificates. Any animal showing symptoms of any contagious or infectious disease, including ringworm, warts or pink eye must be removed from the fair at the time of inspection. The self-certification form (mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Pages/Fairs-Show.asp) must be completed for each animal coming to the fairgrounds prior to check-in with Animal Health Committee.
3. Stalls and pens will be allocated on a space available basis and exhibitors must provide bedding for their animals and clean stalls. Space is not guaranteed in the barns. Stalls not cleaned will not receive premiums.
4. Exhibitors are expected to keep their animals clean and under control at all times.
5. The show committee of each species will make decisions regarding the conduct of the specific show and these decisions will be final.
6. Trimming, blocking or squeeze chutes may only be used in areas designated by the Livestock Chairpersons. No other areas may be used.
7. All animals must be registered in the name of the exhibitor 30 days prior to the Cecil County Fair Show. Certificates or bill of sale will be checked prior to show day. Breeding animals must have their association tags in their ears.
8. Classes may be combined or separated at the discretion of the department chairperson.
9. Refer to species section for arrival times.
10. Exhibitors must comply with these rules and any other rules listed in the appropriate section.
11. Please see general rules for appropriate show attire.
12. Please read specific animal departments, as they also apply.

4-H LIVESTOCK SHOW

Rules & regulations

1. There are no entry fees for Cecil County 4-Hers entering an exhibit in the 4-H Livestock Classes.
2. Fitting & Showing may be entered with either a breeding or market animal.
3. Each exhibitor is limited to 2 entries per breeding livestock class. All animals must meet state health regulations and must be accompanied by official health certificates.
4. All 4-H Livestock animals must arrive on the grounds 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. or 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 20 and will be released Saturday, July 27 at 11:00 p.m.
5. Breeding classes are for breeding animals only, not market animals. All breeding animals must be registered in exhibitors name and have their association tags or tattoos in their ears. The 4-H ownership deadline is June 1 for breeding animals.
6. All 4-H market animals must be tagged with Maryland 4-H Livestock Tags. Market animal weights: Market Goats 55-135 lbs, Market Lambs 90-155 lbs, Market Hog 220-290 lbs, Market Steers over 1000 lbs. Animals under or over weight can only be shown in Fitting & Showing and exhibition classes with no premiums. They cannot be sold in the sale. The 4-H market ownership deadline is May 17.
7. Exhibitor must comply with these rules and any other rules listed in their appropriate section.
8. All 4-H exhibitors must show their own animal, unless they have two animals in the same class. If two animals are in the same class, the exhibitor must show one of the animals and a person of their 4-H age or younger must show the other animal. In the case of illness or emergency, a group of at least 3 livestock sale committee members determine if a substitute show person is allowed. If a 4-H exhibitor does not show their own animal (unless one of the special exceptions stated apply) the exhibitor will not receive 4-H premiums and will not be allowed to sell in the 4-H Livestock sale.
9. Please see general rules for appropriate show attire.
10. Please read specific animal departments, as they also apply.
Rules and Regulations:

1. All exhibitors must comply with the General Rules stated previously in this book.
2. Entry fees must be submitted with your online entry by July 1. Open Swine entry fee is $3.00 per entry.
3. All breeding swine must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and registered in the exhibitor’s name only by June 1 of the current year. Entries received with “papers pending” will not be accepted. Registration papers will be checked by the show chair. A bill of sale is not acceptable.
4. All 4-H market hogs must be properly identified with a Maryland 4-H swine ear tag on the date designated by the Cecil County Extension Office and born after 1/1/19.
5. There will be an exhibition class for hogs that are underweight or overweight for the purpose of practice. No premiums will be awarded for these classes. These animals are not eligible to be sold in the Livestock Sale.
6. Gilts may be entered in market hog classes, but any gilt entered in breeding classes will not be eligible for market hog classes.
7. All breeds and cross breeds will show together in all classes. Classes will not be broken up by breed.
8. All shavings or straw must be disposed of properly in specified areas. Anyone not disposing of waste properly will forfeit premiums.
9. All animals will be weighed and divided into classes of approximately equal number at the discretion of the show chairperson.
10. For champion selection, the first place animals in each class will be brought into the ring. It will be the judge’s discretion if a second place animal will be brought in for reserve champion consideration.
11. All 4-H swine must arrive on grounds 7 a.m to 11 a.m. or 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 20, and may leave after 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 27. Open swine must arrive on Fairgrounds between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 24, and will be released immediately after the show. If these times are not strictly adhered to animals will not be allowed on the grounds and/or premium money could be forfeited.
12. Please read all General Rules and General 4-H rules. These apply as well.
13. Lil Britches Showmanship is open to children ages 5-7 (as of January 1, 2019). It will take place Tuesday, July 23 at 6 p.m. prior to Fitting & Showing. Exhibitors must arrange with a 4-Her to show a pig on the grounds. This class is for fun; no premiums will be paid.

Section 1 - All Swine Show Classes

4-H FITTING & SHOWING

CLASSES 4E001 - 4E011 AWARDS

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
$15 $13 $11 $10 $9
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4E001 Senior Fitting & Showing, Age 14-18
4E003 Intermediate Fitting & Showing, Age 11-13
4E005 Junior Fitting & Showing, Age 8-10
4E011 Novice Fitting & Showing, 1st year Exhibitor
4E012 Lil Britches Showmanship

(For showmanship will take place on Tuesday, July 23 at 6:00 p.m.)

OPEN BREEDING SWINE

RULES AND REGULATIONS

May be any registered purebred.
CLASSES E0025 - E0028 AWARDS

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
E0025 Late Spring Gilt, born 4/1/19 - 4/30/19
E0026 Spring Gilt, born 3/1/19 - 3/31/19
E0027 Late Winter Gilt, born 2/1/19 - 2/28/19
E0028 Winter Gilt, born 1/1/19 - 1/31/19

4-H BREEDING SWINE

RULES AND REGULATIONS

May be any registered purebred.
CLASSES 4E025 - 4E028 AWARDS

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
$15 $13 $11 $10 $9
4E025 Late Spring Gilt, born 4/1/19 - 4/30/19
4E026 Spring Gilt, born 3/1/19 - 3/31/19
4E027 Late Winter Gilt, born 2/1/19 - 2/28/19
4E028 Winter Gilt, born 1/1/19 - 1/31/19

4-H MARKET SWINE

RULES AND REGULATIONS

No cross entering between breeding & market classes. Weight 220-290 lbs.

CLASS E0035 AWARDS

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
$15 $13 $11 $10 $9

OPEN 4-H

4E034 4-H State Fair Market Hogs, under 200 lbs.
Not eligible for Champion Class
4E035 Market Hogs (Classes will be divided when animals are weighed at the fair.)

All Livestock Entries Must Be Done Online, Including Herdsmen Entries. See Directions Earlier in the Book.