GENERAL RULES

COMPETITION

Competition is open only to boys and girls who are enrolled as 4-H members by the last business day of March.

The New York State 4-H year runs from October 1 to September 30.

Youth who are five through seven years of age on or before January 1 of the club year should enroll as a 4-H Cloverbud member.

Youth who have reached their nineteenth birthday before January 1 of the 4-H club year may not enroll as a 4-H member. Persons considered to be mentally disabled may participate fully in 4-H programs as long as their mental age is determined to fall between five and nineteen years of age.

DORMITORIES

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the 4-H dormitories will not be available in 2022.

ENTRY FEEDS/DUE DATE

No entry fee is charged in this department.

An entry form is required for all dairy cattle, dairy goat, meat goat, beef cattle, sheep, swine, horse, rabbit, cavy, poultry and dog classes.

Entries are due JULY 27, 2022 to Cornell Cooperative Extension, 34570 State Hwy 10, Suite 2, Hamden, NY 13782.

All exhibits in this department will be governed by the same general rules and regulations that apply to all other departments.

EXHIBITS IN PLACE

All exhibits in this department must be in place by:

Youth Building Exhibits: Monday; 5 pm

Animal Exhibits: 4-H Beef Cattle: Sunday; 5 pm

All Other 4-H Animals: Monday, 5 pm

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIMES

Exhibitors removing Youth Building exhibits and/or animal exhibits prior to set release times, listed below, will forfeit all awarded premiums.

Youth Building Exhibits: Saturday; 8 pm

Animal Exhibits: 1st Release: 4-H AUCTION animals may be released FOLLOWING completion of the

4-H Livestock Auction

2nd Release: All other SWINE will be released FOLLOWING the release of the auction animals.

3rd Release: ALL OTHER ANIMALS <u>must stay in place until 8 pm</u>.

The Fair Board of Directors requires that all articles or animals exhibited at the Fair shall be kept on the grounds until released. Persons removing animals or articles from the grounds without permission of the Superintendent shall forfeit any premium that may have been awarded.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT of RISK

The Society shall take every precaution for the safekeeping of animals and goods of exhibitors but assumes no responsibility in case of loss or damage, and upon this condition only, are entries received. The Society shall not be liable for injury to any person that may occur to them while on the fairgrounds. Cornell Cooperative Extension will assume no responsibility for the loss or damage of articles chosen to represent Delaware County at the State Fair.

EXHIBITOR ACCOUNTABILITY

Any exhibitor who intentionally damages on exhibit or property of another exhibitor, or whose conduct on the grounds is undesirable, may be requested to forfeit all awards and prize money, and may be requested to remove all their property from the fairgrounds at once.

EXHIBITS

All exhibits must be the work of the person exhibiting. Any exhibit raised, made or prepared for exhibit by anyone other than the exhibitor may be disqualified.

An Exhibitor Entry Tag and General or Cloverbud Project Record must accompany each exhibit entered in the Youth Building. Exception for flowers and vegetables. (You do not need to fill out a project record for each individual flower or garden entry.) Include all entries on one form. An entry tag is required to ensure you receive a premium for each entry.

CONSEQUENCES for FAILURE to ABIDE by RULES

Failure to abide by any rules set forth by the Superintendents or Assistant Superintendents will subject an exhibitor to forfeit all premiums.

EXHIBITS JUDGED

Youth Building exhibitors have the option of having their projects judged on either Sunday or Monday.

Sunday's Judging Hours: 12 Noon to 5 pm Monday's Judging Hours: 12 Noon to 5 pm

Exhibits are judged before they are put on display.

Each exhibitor is responsible for presenting their exhibit to the judge.

Animal Exhibits: Beef Cattle must be in place by Sunday; 5 pm

All Other Animals must be in place by Monday; 5 pm

PROJECT RECORD SHEET REQUIRED for YOUTH BUILDING ENTRIES

A General Project Record or Cloverbud Project Record and an Exhibit Tag must accompany each exhibit entered in the Youth Building. A copy of the General Project Record and Cloverbud Record can be obtained by contacting Cornell Cooperative Extension.

Only one General Project Record or Cloverbud Project Record is required for:

- -a flower entry; and
- -a vegetable garden entry.

You do not need to fill out a Project Record for each individual flower or garden entry. Include all entries on one form for flower entries and garden entries on another form.

A Project Record is not required for Public Presentations, Achievement Books or Club Scrapbooks.

However, an Exhibit Tag must be filled out and submitted with each entry (flower, garden, public presentation, Achievement Book, Scrapbook) in order to receive a premium for each entry.

CLOVERBUDS

Cloverbuds, 4-H ages 5 to 7, are allowed to participate in the following animal sections: dairy goats, meat goats, sheep, swine, horse, poultry, ducks, turkeys, geese, rabbit and cavy.

*See specific sections for classes open to Cloverbuds.

RIBBON and PLACING INFORMATION

4-H judging is done on a Danish System of blue, red and white ribbons. Based upon a given set standards, projects may be awarded all blue ribbons if the judge feels that all entries are above the average for that group. The judge usually awards a combination of blue, red and white ribbons (example: excellent/blue ribbons; average/red ribbons; below the standard/white ribbons). In addition, in animals versus vegetables or clothing, judging the blues, reds and whites are usually arranged in order (example: 1st blue, 2nd blue, 1st red, 2nd red, etc.).