

## GENERAL RULES

1. All Junior Show entries must be on file, paid & in the Manager's office, postmarked no later than July 8th, 2025.  
A \$10.00 late fee will apply to all late livestock exhibitors after the deadline. **Entries will not be accepted after July 15, 2025.**  
Mail to: **Stark County Junior Fair, c/o Michelle Gillespie, P.O. Box 42, Wyoming, IL 61491**
2. ALL NON-LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS are to have their exhibits in place by 8:00 am the morning of judging.  
**ONLY JUDGES WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE NON-LIVESTOCK JUDGING AREA ON SATURDAY FROM APPROXIMATELY 10AM-12PM WHILE JUDGING IS TAKING PLACE.**
3. All livestock to be shown must be in their stalls or pens provided in the barn, etc., by the time designated in the schedule. The stall fees are payable with the entry form. No animals are to be loaded out without the consent of the department superintendent. **All stalls must be cleaned out before livestock leaves the fairgrounds.**
4. Show is limited to youth, ages 8 through 18 years of age, inclusive, as of September 1 of the preceding year.  
JUNIOR AGE REQUIREMENTS (effective January 2006). "Junior classes are eligible for premium State aid only if they are open to boys and girls who are 8 years of age or in third grade and not yet 19 years of age on or before September 1 of the year previous to the fair. All animals (i.e., individual, herd or flock classes) shown in junior classes must be the property of the boys and girls showing them. If the same animals are shown in both the open classes and junior classes, they shall be shown under the same exhibitor's name (for example, the father is not permitted to show an animal in the open classes and the son or daughter to show the same animal in the junior classes)." (Section 260.95) (I.E., can be 19 on or after September 1 of the year previous to the fair.)
5. All exhibits must be cared for according to the regulations for the particular exhibit. Records must have been kept for all animals exhibited, all crops exhibited and all exhibits in the non-ag divisions.
6. Animals in all breeding livestock classes (except for horses and ponies) must be registered or nominated in the exhibitors name only.
7. Dates for required ownership and records are:
  - Swine must have been owned since May 1, 2024 and farrowed after January 1, 2025.
  - Beef steers must have been owned since February 1, 2025.
  - Junior heifer calves calved after January 1, 2025.
  - Beef summer yearling heifers and junior yearling heifers since June 1, 2024.
  - Beef cows since January 1, 2024.
  - Beef senior calves since May 1, 2024.
  - Dairy and dual-purpose junior and senior calves since May 1, 2024.
  - Dairy cows calved after September 1, 2019 and owned since January 1, 2025.
8. Ownership rules for sheep and goats:
  - Ewe lambs must have been owned by the exhibitor on or before May 1, 2025.
  - Yearling ewes and aged ewes must have been owned by the exhibitor on or before January 1, 2025.
  - All lambs to be shown must have been lambed after September 1, 2024.
  - Kids less than 1 year and does not in milking, June 1 and milking does, January 1, 2025.
9. Registration papers must be presented on the day of the fair for all livestock. These papers will be checked by the Superintendent of each livestock division. Animals not accompanied by registration papers can show in market classes only if already entered in such classes. Dairy cows, Sr. yearlings, Jr. yearlings, and Sr. calves must have registration papers the day of the fair.
10. No gambling or alcoholic drinks are to be permitted on the fairgrounds at any time. Smoking is not permitted in any of the show barns.
11. No political displays, concessions or commercial activities are to be permitted without the written approval of the Board of Directors prior to the fair.
12. Each exhibitor is expected to clean the debris from their pen and remove portable panels and posts before leaving. **Each exhibitor must get a release from the superintendent in charge or their appointee. Violators of this rule will not receive premium money.**
13. Junior Fair Rules will supersede all 4-H Rules at the discretion of the superintendent.
14. Due to the lack of space for all animals at one time, the animals will not have to remain on the fairgrounds for 72 hours.
15. Butt fans will only be allowed outside the building due to lack of space. All generators must also be outside the building.

16. **AUCTION (premium only):** Stark County Jr. Fair livestock exhibitors enrolled in the Stark County 4H Program will be allowed to sell one (1) castrated male market animal. Steers must be broke to lead (upon the discretion of the SCJF board) and weigh a minimum of 1050 lbs. to sell. The fee to sell is \$10.00.
17. Junior Fair premium checks will be paid at the completion of fair cleanup. This is for both livestock and non-livestock entries.