

AGRICULTURAL DIVISIONS - GENERAL RULES

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Health and Safety

1. Exhibitors, either under lease agreement or ownership, must have their animal in their possession at their home or farm or leaser's home or farm, for a period of 60 days prior to the show and cared for from that date by the exhibitor. If the animal is leased, the agreement must be on the file with the local FFA Chapter or 4-H Club and must be presented to the Baker County Fair Livestock Chairman with the entry form. Swine and steers must be owned and in possession of exhibitor from initial weigh/tag day forward. There will be no leases for swine or steers.
2. Chapter 5 - C. 4 of the Rules of the State of Florida - Admission of Animals for Exhibition is adopted as the Official Requirements for the Admission of Animals at the Baker County Fair.
3. State Health Inspectors will be on the fairgrounds during the hours of check-in for all animals. No animal will be unloaded or tied up in the livestock barns until the animal(s) have been checked and all health papers approved by the inspectors.
4. Registration papers will be checked before animals are unloaded on registered animals and open swine.
5. All animals must be in good condition and halter-broken. All animals, except swine, must be trained to lead and handle.
6. All sheep and goats must have a U.S.D.A. Scrapie Tag.

Entry Forms and Livestock Arrival/Departure

7. All entry applications must be completed on the official Baker County Fair application form. Answer all questions, if it applies to you or your animal. All applications must be on file with the Baker County Fair Livestock Chairmen by the deadline date shown on the applicable entry forms. Out-of-county and/or late entries will be accepted on a space available basis only.
8. **All beef, goats, rabbits, poultry, swine and steers will be submitted on a separate application.** The Official Fair Application form must be used for all entries.
9. All entry forms must be mailed to: Baker County Fair Association, P O Box 492, Macclenny, FL 32063. Do not delay your application by giving it to someone else to turn in for you. Applications must be postmarked (or turned in) by the deadline date shown on the applicable entry form.
10. Cattle/Goat exhibitors may enter no more than three (3) animals in each breed unless bred by the exhibitor, then a limit of five (5) may be entered. This rule does not apply to swine or steers. Limit of only one swine and one steer per exhibitor.
11. Animals must remain at the fairgrounds during the entire fair or premium money will be forfeited, unless permission from the Livestock Chairman is received to remove the animal.
12. Exhibitors must furnish feed boxes and water buckets for his/her animals while at the Baker County Fair, with the exception of poultry entries. Feed and water containers for poultry will be provided by the fair.
13. All cattle must have a strong halter rope and neck rope.

14. Each exhibitor must assume all liability in case of injury or damage caused by his/her animal or animals. The Baker County Fair Association will not be held liable for death of any animals, or injury or damage, caused by any animal. The Baker County Fair Association makes no guarantee as to the quality of any animal.
15. All animals must be clean and in the barn by the opening time of the fair each night. All exhibitors are required to maintain their pen/stall space and their animals in a clean, sanitary manner for the duration of the fair.

Miscellaneous

16. Only registered animals of major breeds will be shown in the registered division. There will be a commercial heifer show of non-registered animals after the registered show.
17. There will be a Youth Show in all breeds. Champion classes will be determined by the Show Superintendent, depending on number of entries in each breed. There will be no Champion award where there are less than 3 entries in any class.
18. Exhibitors must be present to show their animals. The Danish system will be used on youth shows.
19. All prizes and awards will be distributed by the end of the fair week.
20. An FFA or 4-H member may exhibit an animal, if they graduated in 2021, provided they are continuing their education. Graduates of 2021 may not exhibit swine or steers.
21. The Baker County Fair livestock chairmen will be responsible for obtaining all judges and auctioneers for all of the livestock shows. Livestock chairmen will be responsible for ordering all trophies, plaques, ribbons and rosettes. Chairmen will coordinate with co-chairmen.
22. The livestock chairmen are in charge of the livestock barn. Anything that is put up, taken down, or removed from the barn must be approved by the chairmen.
23. Any issues, which are or are not addressed in the fair book, will be determined by the livestock committee. If their decision is not acceptable to the objecting person or persons, the issue will then be presented by the livestock chairmen to the full Baker County Fair Board of Directors for clarification with the objecting party present if they wish.
24. Final classes will be determined by the livestock chairman, depending on number of entries. Classes may be combined or removed at the discretion of the livestock chairman.

ANIMAL HEALTH RULES

CATTLE

Cattle for exhibition must be accompanied by an Official certificate of veterinary inspection dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation and must be accompanied by evidence of completion of the test requirements or certifications listed below:

1. Tuberculosis

- a) Cattle may be entered for exhibition without a tuberculin test provided the official certificate of veterinary inspection identifies the cattle as origination from a tuberculosis free state as defined in Rule 5c 7.0(3) Florida administrative Code, and accredited tuberculosis free herd, as defined in Rule 7.016(1), Florida Administrative Code, on a herd not under quarantine in a modified accredited tuberculosis state, as defined in Rule 5c 7.016(23) Florida Administrative Code. When accredited, the herd accreditation number must be recorded on the official certificate of veterinary inspection.
- b) Other cattle may be entered for exhibition provided the cattle originated from a herd not under quarantine and have a negative tuberculin test with 30 days prior to the date of exhibition.
- c) A positive test on any animal in a designated group disqualifies all animals of the group from exhibition.

2. Brucellosis

- a) All female dairy cattle four months of age or older must be officially calf-hood vaccinated or have proof of negative brucellosis test with 30 days.
- b) Cattle from herds not under quarantine in Class A areas must have evidence of a negative brucellosis test with 30 days prior to the date of exhibition. Cattle from "Class Free" states (Florida) are not required to have brucellosis test.
- c) Steers and spayed heifers are exempt from the brucellosis test requirement. Cattle identified on the official certificate of veterinary inspection as origination from a certified brucellosis free herd, as defined in Rule 5c 6.002 Florida Administrative Code, or a Class Free area, as defined in Rule 5c 6.0031(4) Florida Administrative Code, are exempt from the brucellosis test requirements. When certified the herd certification number must be recorded on the certificate. Cattle from non-quarantined herds originating from Class A areas are exempt from brucellosis test requirements provided that the cattle are under 18 months of age, or official calf-hood vaccinates or beef breeds under 24 months of age, or official calf-hood vaccinates of dairy breeds under 20 months of age, or not parturient or post parturient. *Specific Authority 5c 4.002FS*

SWINE

- 1) **Swine entering the open show must be accompanied by an official certificate of veterinary inspection** dated not more than 90 days if raised within the State of Florida, otherwise not more than 30 days, prior to presentation and must be accompanied by evidence of completion of the test requirements or certifications listed below:
- 2) **Swine entering MARKET SHOW ONLY may be entered WITHOUT official certificates of veterinary inspections** or movement permits provided such animals are presented at the exhibition during hours when a state-designated representative is on duty. All swine presented in any such consignment will be refused entry should any animal in said consignment exhibit symptoms of communicable disease.
- 3) Swine returning to the farm from the open show must be isolated from other swine for at least 30+ days before being returned to the herd.

Specific Authority 5c 4.004 FS

POULTRY, DOMESTIC FOWL & RATITES

- 1) An official certificate of veterinary inspection is required for all poultry, domestic bird and ratites for movement into Florida, but not specifically for exhibition. However poultry, domestic birds and ratites may be presented for exhibition without an official certificate of veterinary inspection and will be inspected as provided in 5c 4.001(4) by a representative from the Florida Dept. of Agriculture, Division of Poultry.
- 2) All poultry, domestic birds and ratites entered for exhibition must originate from pullorum-typhoid class flocks or hatcheries as defined in Rule 5c 16.008, Florida Administrative Code, or have negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to exhibition.
- 3) All poultry, domestic birds, and ratites entered in the Baker County Fair must be free of external parasites.
Specific Authority 5c 4.004 FS

SHEEP & GOATS

- 1) Sheep and Goats presented for exhibition in Florida must be accompanied by an Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) dated not more than 90 days if raised within the State of Florida, otherwise not more than 30 days prior to presentation. This Health Certificate will be inspected upon arrival. The permanent identification number of each animal must be included on the OCVI. The OCVI must include a statement that each animal is free of the clinical signs of the diseases: caseous, lymphadenitis, contagious ecthyma(orf), chlamydial, kerato - conjunctivitis, contagious foot rot, scabies, and scrapie. Sheep & Goats must be accompanied by evidence of completion of the test requirements or certifications listed below:
 - 2) All sheep & goats must have a U.S.D.A Scrapie tag or be registered by a breed association and have a legible tattoo and certificate of registration.
- Order your scrapie tag at (352) 313-3060 option #2. Tags are free and come with an ear tag applicator. Be sure to order in advance and allow at least 2 weeks to arrive.
 - If you purchase from a breeder, the breeder should tag goat (per Florida law) and you will not need to order scarpie tags.