

KEYSTONE INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All rules and regulations governing the exhibitors of beef cattle, goats, horses, sheep, and swine at the EXPOSITION are contained in this Premium List. Each exhibitor should familiarize himself/herself with all rules, both General and Special.

SPECIAL RULES

2. Special rules or conditions are published in each section of each department. If there is a conflict between the special rules of any department and the general rules and regulations, the special rules will govern.

VIOLATION OF RULES

3. An exhibitor who violates any of the following rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums and be subject to such other penalty as the Show Manager in consult with the KILE Board may order.

INTERPRETATION

4. Management reserves to its officers and Executive Committee the final and absolute right to interpret these rules, regulations, and classifications, and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or connected with, or incident to, the EXPOSITION.

AMENDING RULES

5. Management reserves the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine.

APPLICATION FOR ENTRY

6. Exhibits must be entered through the online registration program. **A separate entry account must be used for each owner.** In all cases, the right is reserved to reject entirely or accept conditionally any entry or application.

LIVESTOCK ENTRIES CLOSE

7. Entries must be computer time stamped (online registration) on or before August 31, 2023 (postage meter date not accepted). Entries made post-August 31, 2023 will be accepted until the species specific deadline with additional late fee(s).

HORSE ENTRIES CLOSE

8. Draft Horse entries must be computer time stamped (online registration) on or before September 4, 2023. Draft Horse entries will be accepted post September 4, 2023, with an additional late fee(s). Draft Horse Pull entries must be computer time stamped (online registration) on or before September 18, 2023. Draft Horse Pull entries made after September 18, 2023, will be accepted as space allows and at the Show Manager's discretion. Ranch Riding entries must be computer time stamped (online registration) on or before September 17, 2023. Ranch Riding entries made after September 17, 2023, will be accepted with additional late fee(s).

ENTRIES LIMITED

9. Management reserves the right to refuse entries received after all allotted pens and stalls have been filled.

PLA ADMINISTRATION FEE

10. The owners of all beef cattle, goats, horses, sheep, and swine exhibited in the Keystone International Livestock Exposition must pay a \$5 Pennsylvania Livestock Association (PLA) administration fee. The \$5 administration fee must be included with the KILE entry fees. (All states included.)

*****ALL EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO PAY A \$5**

PENNSYLVANIA LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION ADMINISTRATION FEE TO COMPETE AT KILE.***

RETURNED CHECKS

11. A 10% surcharge will be assessed for all checks returned because of insufficient funds or closed accounts.

ENTRY FEES

12. Entry fees are listed in species specific rules and must be included with online registration. Payment must be received at the time of entry to be accepted.

PLEASE NOTE: ***ALL EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO PAY A \$5 PENNSYLVANIA LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION ADMINISTRATION FEE TO COMPETE AT KILE.***

REFUNDS

13. **No refunds of entry fees will be made under any circumstances after the entry deadline has passed** (Beef Cattle, Goats, Sheep, & Swine - August 31, 2023; Draft Horses - September 4, 2023; Ranch Horses - September 17, 2023; Draft Horse Pulls - September 18, 2023).

PREMIUMS

14. All premiums are subject to change by the KILE Executive Committee dependent upon funding support.

OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS

15. If monies are owed to the show for any reason, the premium checks will be held and exhibitors will not be allowed to participate in any Commonwealth-sponsored show until restitution is made of the outstanding accounts.

BARN OPEN

16. Barns open as listed in species specific rules.

ARRIVALTIMES

17. Animals must arrive prior to the times listed in their species specific rules. No late arrivals will be accepted.

RELEASE TIMES

18. Animals are released from the barns as listed in their species specific rules. Leaving prior to the listed times without the Show Manager's approval will be cause for forfeiture of ALL premiums and may result in a one year ban from the Exposition.

TRAILERS & CAMPERS

19. Trailers will be permitted to park on-site as space permits. Off-site parking is encouraged. See the [map](#) for parking directions. RV camping is allowed at a first come first serve basis. Camper fees are \$95 for the first day, which includes four parking spaces and electric. Each additional day is \$40. Each additional space needed is \$15 per day.

FEED AND BEDDING

20. Show Management will arrange to have a reputable dealer present in the Farm Show Complex to supply grain, hay, straw, and shavings at local prices. Corn cobs will not be provided. Straw and shavings are the only bedding materials permitted to be used by horse exhibitors. Straw and shavings are the only bedding materials permitted to be used by sheep exhibitors. Straw is the only bedding material permitted to be used by swine exhibitors. All beef cattle will be bedded with shredded wood chips provided by the Exposition. This is the only bedding material permitted in the beef cattle area. Feed room will be cash, check, or credit card. No "tabs" permitted.

SUBSTITUTIONS

21. Substitutions within breed and within sex will be permitted and, if made, must be filed with the department superintendent no later than the time animals are checked into the EXPOSITION by the breed clerks. Substitutions of market animals between open and carcass classes will not be permitted. Substitutions must be by the same owner and the owner's name must be written exactly the same way.

FIRMS AND CO-PARTNERSHIPS

22. Firms and co-partnerships entering animals for competition must be in existence at the time of making entry and in all cases must be bona fide. Affidavits of the age of the firms may be required by management.

BACK NUMBERS

23. Each entry will be assigned a number in the official catalog of the Exposition. Exhibitors, on their arrival, will receive back number(s) to correspond with each entry number, which must be displayed by the attendant when the animal is in the judging ring and in stalls occupied by the exhibit.

REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

24. Exhibitors must have **original** registration certificates available at all times during the EXPOSITION. No copies, photostats, or electronic registrations will be accepted unless certified and dated by the respective breed association.

ANIMALS FOR JUDGING CONTEST

25. If requested, an exhibitor must allow their animal(s) to be used in the Intercollegiate and Junior Livestock Judging Contest and the Tony Dobrosky Memorial Keystone Stockmen's Contest. Refusal to allow an animal to be used will result in forfeiture of all premium money.

BREED SPECIALS

26. Special premiums and awards as offered by breed associations will be paid directly to the exhibitor by the association's secretary unless otherwise stated. Eligibility of special awards will be governed by breed association rules.

UNETHICAL FITTING

27. Any animal showing evidence of unethical fitting practices such as tampering with the natural fleshing and muscle development will be barred from the show and no premiums awarded.

PROTESTS

28. All protests must be in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$50, which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint, or appeal, and must be delivered to the Show Manager within six hours after the occasion of such protest or, if age is brought into question, on the day prior to the one on which the animals are to be judged. Protests will be considered by the Show Manager and Executive Committee as speedily as possible and their decision in the matter shall be final.

SIGNS

29. The displaying of farm signs, banners, etc. over exhibits is encouraged. Nothing must obstruct across the barn vision, interfere in any way with other exhibitors, or with the conduct of the show. Neither shall they create a safety hazard to animals or spectators. No equipment of decorative material may be nailed, tacked, screwed, or bolted to any part of the Farm Show Complex or any of the fixtures therein. All posters, flyers, etc. must be hung using blue painter's tape only. Signs must be removed at the end of the show. Exhibitors will be charged for damages to Farm Show property.

APPEARANCE OF EXHIBITS

30. Herdsmen are requested to cooperate with Show Management to present attractive and appealing barn exhibits by: (1) keeping their stall area neat and clean; (2) keeping the spectator walkways clear of all straw, feed, etc.; (3) refraining from cooking in the barns; (4) keeping radios, etc. at low volume; (5) maintaining courteous behavior at all times. This cooperation will leave spectators with a very favorable reaction and encourage more visitors to the barn areas.

ADVERTISING

31. Soliciting for subscriptions to newspapers or other periodicals or sales of any kind will not be permitted, except from booth space purchased if authorized by Show Management. Any person violating the rule will be promptly ejected from the building and grounds.

DOGS

32. **ONLY SERVICE DOGS** are permitted in the Farm Show Complex.

SMOKING AND DRINKING

33. No smoking or drinking is permitted on Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex & Expo Center grounds during KILÉ. Violators are subject to dismissal from the show, forfeiture of premiums, and may not be permitted to show again for one year, per the discretion of the Show Manager.

ADVISORY

34. While every effort is made to prevent typographical errors, Keystone International Livestock Expo is not responsible for errors and/or omissions that may appear in this catalogue/rules listing. We reserve the right to correct, adjust, alter, update, or remove any matter in this catalogue/rules listing without notice. Announcements the day of the show will take precedence over any previously printed information.