

DEPARTMENT – JUNIOR

Information to Exhibitors

1. This department is open to all members of 4-H Clubs, FFA Chapters, or any other youth organization in Barron County having leadership and doing equivalent work, with an educational program approved by the Barron County Fair Board of Directors.
2. Any youth exhibiting in the Junior Division at the Barron County Fair shall not be allowed to exhibit in the Junior Division at any other County Fair held before or after date of such fair in the same calendar year.

If they choose to do so, they will forfeit all premiums and/or proceeds gained from the Barron County Fair.

Showing at the Barron County Fair is a privilege; therefore, at any time or for any reason, and by majority vote, the board shall have the right to remove any exhibit or exhibitor.
3. An exhibitor ticket is required of each person exhibiting in the Junior Show. The amount for this is to be sent in by each person. Ticket/wristbands must be presented at the gate for admission.
4. All entries to be made according to the rules listed.
5. Livestock, except horses, must be owned or managed, bred and cared for by the exhibitor 3 months prior to the fair. For horse rules, see Dept. 6.
6. Youth taking therapeutic projects are not required to own animals.
7. Each exhibitor can compete for only one prize, except when individual exhibits make up club exhibits.
8. Livestock shall be cared for and exhibited by the member during the fair. There is a 75 cent charge for each rabbit and bird. Fifty cents is for cage rental and 25 cents is to cover feed for each rabbit and bird. Feed and care will be provided by the Barron County Fair Assoc.
9. Animals entered in the Junior Department shall not be entered in the Open Classes.
10. Each member may exhibit no more entries than **the amount stated at the beginning of the class. Only one entry allowed to each class number.** In the case of dairy cattle, not more than six dairy animals may be exhibited, except that an exhibitor may also show under the produce of dam and daughter/dam classes.
11. **All exhibits must be kept in the space assigned to them.** Keeping animals in any other place will mean forfeiture of premium and placing.
12. **Exhibit must be this year's work**
13. Exhibits in the Junior Show will be judged under the Danish System unless otherwise stated. The judge has the privilege of placing as many in each group as he/she thinks the exhibits merit but not to exceed state requirements.

14. All dairy, livestock, goats, horses, poultry, rabbits, dogs, small animals, llamas and cats must make advanced entry in showmanship.
15. The fair veterinarian and superintendents will visually inspect cattle in the barns on entry day. No health papers are required.
16. Dairy leaders must check the registration papers and entries of the exhibitors under their supervision for accuracy. A form certifying that these papers have been checked will be available at the Main Fair Office. It must be completed and returned to the Dairy Superintendents before show day.
17. All exhibits are to be in place according to the date and hour announced by the Fair officers or representatives designated by them.
18. Youth Expo Building closing time from Wednesday thru Saturday evenings will be 10:30 p.m.
19. Release of exhibits in the Junior Department will be announced and publicized by the Barron County Fair officers, or representatives designated by them at a date previous to the beginning of the Fair.
20. Wearing clothing to advertise farm or breed names will be prohibited in the show ring in the Junior Departments.
21. IF WISCONSIN STATE AID TO FAIRS FOR PREMIUMS IS CUT, THE BARRON COUNTY FAIR MAY NOT PAY FULL PREMIUMS AS LISTED.
22. There may be random drug testing of all animals at the Barron County Fair. If the fair veterinarian, judge or the grievance livestock committee suspect any animal species to be containing drugs, an immediate urine sample will be taken. If a test is positive, it must be paid for by the exhibitor.
The exhibitor will forfeit all premium money, awards, sale proceeds, and forfeit the right to participate in the Barron County Fair Junior Livestock sale. They shall also be banned from exhibiting at the Barron County Fair for three consecutive years immediately following.
County requirements for beef, sheep and swine members are they are required to complete MAQA Training to be sale eligible. Wisconsin State Fair has new eligibility requirements for youth organizations and it's members to exhibit at Wisconsin State Fair.
In order to be an approved youth organization to participate in future Wisconsin State Fairs, the criteria listed on the state fair website must be met by youth organizations. Visit www.wistatefair.com; click on the Youth Organization link.
23. To exhibit at the Barron County Fair, youth will be required to follow the same guidelines as specified by the Wisconsin State Fair.
24. The final rule of Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) came out on January 16, 2009, slated to take effect March 16, 2009. This USDA rule provides consumers the knowledge and information of where their food originated. There has been much

discussion on this topic since the 2002 farm bill, and it is now going into effect. This rule affects beef, lamb, pork, and goats as well as other commodities like fish, nuts and ginseng.

How does this rule affect youth exhibitors? COOL does not directly regulate livestock producers, however producers have first-hand knowledge concerning the origin of their animals. Therefore, youth who purchase and/or raise their animals, need to know the origin of their animals, especially if sold to large-scale processors (Tyson, etc), buying stations (Equity, etc), or to local meat processors who sell to major retailers. Youth exhibitors may not know the final destination of their project at the time it is sold, therefore, all exhibitors should complete an affidavit of Country of Origin of their animal to be passed to the buyer of their project animal. If you purchase your project animal, it is also suggested to obtain a Country of Origin affidavit from the seller. Retain this affidavit for your own records. This provides additional evidence of the validity of the Country of Origin affidavit that the exhibitor passes to the buyer of their project animal, if it is required. There is an example form on the Extension Youth Livestock website that has all of the required information.

USDA will provide additional education and support, and this may result in changes in the program. For more information, access the USDA COOL website for these updates at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/> and click on Country of Origin Labeling (COOL), or go to the Extension Youth Livestock Website at <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/animalscience/youthlivestock/index.cfm> and click on COOL.