



The Great Western Livestock Show
January 31-February 2, 2025
Tulare County Fairgrounds

Partnering with **Fresno State** & College of the Sequoias
Agriculture Departments

General Rules & Information

Failure to adhere to the following rules could result in loss of all entry money and forfeit of any awards and premiums.

1. Eligibility

All exhibitors must be 21 years old or younger as of January 1, 2025.

2. Entry Fees

- \$60 per animal, per entry for all species.
- Showmanship entry is \$10 per exhibitor.

3. Refund Policy

Entry fees are non-refundable. **No exceptions.**

4. Entry Deadlines

- Entries are due by Thursday, January 23, 2025.
- Late entries will be accepted online until 11:59 PM on Wednesday, January 29, 2025, with an additional \$125 late fee at checkout.
- All entries must be submitted online.

5. Eligibility to Show

Only animals that have been entered are eligible to compete.

6. Exhibitor Attire

- All exhibitors will receive a show T-shirt with their entry. This T-shirt is required attire for Saturday's show.
- For Friday (Showmanship) and Sunday (breeding shows), exhibitors should wear clean and neat attire.

7. Stall Assignments

- Stalls or pens will be assigned based on the number of animals present at the show (not the number entered).
- Assignments are first-come, first-served. If you plan to stall near another exhibitor, arrive at the same time.
- Pen space is limited; bring dividers as needed.

8. Trailer Setup

Exhibitors may purchase a designated spot to work out of their trailer.

9. Camping

Limited camping is available on the fairgrounds. RV and fitting spots will be auctioned in early January, watch for the auction date.

10. Animal and Exhibitor Conduct

Exhibitors and parents must ensure ethical treatment of animals and conduct themselves appropriately.



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11. Liability

Exhibitors shall indemnify and hold harmless the 24th DAA, Tulare County Fair, Fresno State, College of the Sequoias and the State of California, their officers, agents, servants and employees from any and all claims, causes of action and suits accruing or resulting from any damage, injury or loss to any person or persons, including all exhibitors guests whom the exhibitor may be liable and exhibitor him/herself and from any loss, damage, cause of action, claims or suits for damages, including but not limited to loss of property caused by, arising out of in any way connected with the exercise by Exhibitor of the privileges herein granted.

12. Show Responsibility

The 24th DAA, Tulare County Fair, and all associated organizations assume no responsibility for livestock death, personal injury, or property damage.

13. Animal Health

Animals showing signs of infectious disease or unsightly conditions will not be allowed to participate.

14. Animal Handling

Exhibitors must show their own animals unless they have prior written approval from show management. Exceptions apply only if the exhibitor has multiple animals in the ring simultaneously, in which case another eligible exhibitor may show the second animal.

15. Bedding

Only shavings are allowed for bedding, which will be available for purchase at the fairgrounds.

16. Stall Cleaning

All pens must be cleaned after the show. Shavings should be placed in the designated load-out area, and all trash and personal belongings must be removed. Failure to clean stalls may result in the loss of premiums.

17. Power Restrictions

Generators are permitted at trailers but must not be under or within 20 feet of any barn or structure.

18. Show Management Authority

Show staff reserves the right to adjust classes or schedules as necessary.

19. Load-In and Load-Out

- Livestock barns open for load-in at 10:00 AM on Thursday, January 30, 2025.
- All barns must be vacated by 10:00 PM on Sunday, February 2, 2025.

20. Weigh-In and Breed Papers

- Weights are official and cannot be reweighed.
- Breed papers must be submitted at weigh-in during these hours:
 - Thursday, January 30: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
 - Friday, January 31: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- The scales will be open for one hour after the market animal shows for weighing breeding animals, and all heifers must be in place by 6:00 PM.

21. Photography

Livestock photography services will be available, and photos can be purchased.



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22. Premiums

All premiums will be mailed and are awarded based on a percentage system.

23. Health Papers for Out-of-State Exhibitors

Exhibitors from out of state must provide appropriate health papers for their animals.

24. Law Enforcement and Safety Compliance

Tulare County Fairgrounds is a state facility; the CHP, State Fire Marshal, and local law enforcement have jurisdiction. All State Fire Marshal codes will be enforced.

25. Showmanship

Showmanship will take place on Friday, January 31 at 4:00 PM. Refer to the show schedule for class order.

26. Saturday Market Shows and Evening Events

- Gate 11 off O Street will open at 6am.
- Market shows begin at 9:00 AM on Saturday, February 1.
- The GW Supreme Champion Drive will take place at 7:00 PM in the Commercial Exhibit Building, followed by a performance by The Josh Day Band at 8:30 PM.
- The building will open at 6:00 PM for Social Hour and Dinner. Tickets and tables for dinner can be purchased online.

27. Sunday Breed Shows

- Gate 11 off O Street will open at 6am.
- Breed shows will start at 9:00 AM on Sunday, February 2.

28. Show Schedule

Additional details can be found on the show schedule posted on The Great Western Livestock Show website at <https://www.greatwesternlivestockshow.com/>

29. Stock Trailers & RV's

a. Stock Trailers with Livestock:

- Enter through Gate 13 off Bardsley Avenue.
- Line up according to your species and await directions to the appropriate barn for unloading.
- Staff will assist in ensuring a smooth flow of traffic.

b. RVs Only:

- Enter through Gate 18 off K Street.
- Stop at the front office to get directions to your designated RV location.
- If you have a living quarters trailer and are transporting animals, you must use Gate 13.

c. Exit-Only Gates:

- Gates 6 & 7, off Martin Luther King Jr., are designated as exit-only.

d. Unloading Procedure:

- Be ready to unload livestock and tack first, park your vehicle, and then set up.
- This step is mandatory to maintain efficiency and ensure safety.

The Great Western Jr. Livestock Show / Tulare Fairgrounds is thrilled to welcome everyone, but let it be clear: those who disregard the rules will not be invited back.



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Class & Entry Information

Showmanship

1. Entry fee into showmanship is \$10.00 per exhibitor.
2. Exhibitors must confirm showmanship or scratch by 12:00 PM Friday, January 31st.
3. Showmanship will be broken by the following age divisions (age as of 01/01/2025):
 - a. Peewee: 8 and under
 - b. Junior: 9 - 12
 - c. Intermediate: 13- 15
 - d. Senior: 16 - 21
4. Sheep and goat exhibitors may use market sheep/goats or wether dam ewes/does in showmanship.
5. Exhibitors must show their own entered livestock in showmanship classes, NO EXCEPTIONS.
6. Peewee showman do not need to own their own animal to enter they do however need to be pre-registered and entered online prior to the final entry deadline of Wednesday, January 29, 2025.

Division 1010 Swine Showmanship

Division 1020 Sheep Showmanship

Division 1030 Goat Showmanship

Division 1040 Beef Showmanship

Class

1. Peewee (8 years old and under)
2. Junior (9 – 12 years old)
3. Intermediate (13 – 15 years old)
4. Senior (16 – 21 years old)



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Hog Show

1. Hogs will be shown by breed classification, divided into classes by weight.
2. Hog show is breed classification only; this is NOT a papered show.
3. The breeding show is a gilt-only show.
4. Gilts can be entered in both the market and breeding show as long as the animal is entered by the same exhibitor.

Breeding Gilt divisions are as follows:

Division 2011 Light AOB (i.e., Landrace, Chester White)

Division 2012 Dark AOB (i.e., Spot, Poland China, Tamworth, Hereford)

Division 2013 Berkshire

Division 2014 Duroc

Division 2015 Hampshire

Division 2016 Yorkshire

Division 2017 All Black

Division 2018 Light Crossbred

Division 2019 Dark Crossbred

Market Hog Divisions are as follows:

Division 3011 Light AOB (i.e., Landrace, Chester White)

Division 3012 Dark AOB (i.e., Spot, Poland China, Tamworth, Hereford)

Division 3013 Berkshire

Division 3014 Duroc

Division 3015 Hampshire

Division 3016 Yorkshire

Division 3017 All Black

Division 3018 Light Crossbred

Division 3019 Dark Crossbred

1. The judge has the right to reclassify the breed of an animal if he or she chooses.
2. If numbers permit, large breeds may be broken into further weight divisions.
3. Barrows and gilts will show together in the market class show.
4. Intact males must weigh 125 pounds or less to be permitted in the market show.



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Sheep Show

1. Market lambs will be shown by breed classification, divided into classes by weight.

Market lamb divisions are as follows:

Division 3021 Southdown

Division 3022 All Other White Face/White Face Cross

Division 3023 Hampshire

Division 3024 Natural

Division 3025 Black Face Cross

2. The judge has the right to reclassify the breed of an animal if he or she chooses.
3. If numbers allow, large breeds may be broken into further weight divisions.
4. Ewes are eligible to show in both the market and breeding show.

Wether dam ewes will be shown in breed classification as follows:

Division 2021 Wether Ewe Southdown

Division 2022 Wether Ewe All Other White Face/White Face Cross

Division 2023 Wether Ewe Natural

Division 2024 Wether Ewe Black Face

5. Wether dam ewes will show by weight.
6. If numbers allow, wether dams may be broken into further weight divisions.

Goat Show

1. Market goats will be shown in classes, broken by weight.

Division 3031 Market Goat

Division 2031 Breeding Doe

2. After weigh-in each Division will be broken into four (4) weight Divisions for show.
3. Does are eligible to show in both the market and breeding show.
4. Wether dam does will show by weight.
5. Wether dam show will be slick shorn and show by weight if numbers allow.



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Market Beef

The divisions for the market beef show will be as follows:

Division 3041 British (Purebred Angus, Red Angus, Herford, Shorthorn)

Division 3042 Black (any black marking)

Division 3043 All Other Color (Smoke, Red, White, Brown, any other color than Black)

Division 3044 Market Heifers

1. The judge has the right to reclassify the breed of an animal if he or she chooses.
2. If numbers allow, large breeds may be broken into further weight divisions.

Heifer Show

1. All registered heifers must be registered in the name of the exhibitor. NO EXCEPTIONS!
2. Original registration papers must be presented at check-in.
3. Commercial heifers will be shown by weight.
4. Commercial heifers may enter into the market heifer division.
5. The scales will be open for one hour after the market animal shows for weighing breeding animals, and all heifers must be in place by 6:00 PM.

Division 2041 Angus

Division 2042 Charolais

Division 2043 Herford

Division 2044 Shorthorn

Division 2045 Maine Anjou/Mainetainer

Division 2046 Chi/Chi-X

Division 2047 All Other Breeds

Division 2048 Commercial

Heifers older than December 31, 2022, are NOT eligible.