



GREAT WESTERN

Livestock Show

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Entry Deadlines

All Animals (except Rabbits)	<u>Postmarked by:</u> Friday, February 15, 2008 Hand carried entries must be in the Admin. Office by 5:00 pm on February 15, 2008
All Judging Contests (except Dairy)	<u>Postmarked by:</u> Friday, February 15, 2008
Dairy Judging Contest	7:30 A.M. Saturday, March 1, 2008
Late Entries	Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Pygmy Goats and Meat Goats accepted until Friday, February 22, 2008. Beef, Sheep, and Swine, Judging Contest (except Dairy Cattle Judging) accepted until Friday February 29, 2008 NO POSTMARKS ACCEPTED Late entries will not be accepted past last late entry deadline LATE FEES APPLY – SEE ENTRY GUIDELINES
Rabbits	<u>Postmarked by:</u> Friday, February 29, 2008 NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED
Poultry	Pre-Registration (will ensure availability of handouts): Friday, February 22, 2008 LATE REGISTRATION ACCEPTED UNTIL DAY OF EVENT

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Registration Certificates must be checked at the Livestock Office by 8:00pm on the evening prior to show.

Friday, February 29th

8:00am to 10:00pm	Barns Available
8:00am	Livestock Office Open
6:00pm-8:00 pm	Buildings available for Rabbits and Poultry
6:00pm-8:00pm	Poultry Health Inspection Available
8:00pm	Saturday Show Registration paperwork due
10:00pm	Barns Closed and Gates Locked

Saturday, March 1st

6:00am	Grounds Open, Gates Unlocked
8:00am	Dairy Cattle Judging Contest
8:00am to 9:00am	Poultry Health Inspection
9:00am	All Pygmy Goats showing today must be in place
9:00am	Poultry Play Day (Building #2)
9:00am	Pygmy Goat Showmanship followed by Breeding Classes
11:30am	All Cattle showing today must be in place
12:00pm	Dairy Showmanship (4-H, FFA, College) followed by All Other Breeds Classes (Not before 2:00pm), Cow Classes not before 3:00pm
6:00pm	Sunday Show Registration paperwork due
10:00pm	Barns Closed and Gates Locked

Sunday, March 2nd

6:00am	Grounds Open, Gates Unlocked
7:00am to 8:00am	Meat Goat Weigh-In
8:30am	All Animals showing today must be in place
8:30am	Meat Goat Showmanship followed by Meat Goat Classes
9:00am	Holstein Classes (Cow classes not before 11:00 am) followed by Supreme Champion Selection
9:00am	Dairy Goat Showmanship followed By Breeding Classes
Upon Conclusion Of Load Out	Barns Closed and Gates Locked (no later than 10 pm)

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Friday, March 7th

8:00am-10:00pm	Barns Available
9:00am	Livestock Office Open
6:00pm-8:00pm	Commercial Steer, Lamb and Hog Weigh-In
	Grade Heifer and Gilt Weigh-In
6:00pm-8:00pm	Buildings available for Rabbits
8:00pm	Saturday Show Registration paperwork due
10:00pm	Barns Closed and Gates Locked

Saturday, March 8th

6:00am	Grounds Open, Gates Unlocked
7:00am-8:00am	Rabbit Check-in (Use Gate 5)
8:30am	Rabbit Judging
8:00am-10:00am	Commercial Steers, Commercial Lamb & Commercial Hog Weigh-In
9:00am	Breeding Beef Showmanship followed by Registered Breeding Beef
9:00am	Breeding Swine Showmanship followed by Breeding Swine (Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, AOB)
	Grade Gilts following Registered
9:00am	Breeding Sheep Showmanship followed by Breeding Sheep
10:00am	Scales closed for Commercial Steers, Commercial Lambs and Commercial Hogs
	Selection of Supreme Ewe and Ram
2:00pm (approx.)	Grade Ewes
2:30pm	Grade Beef (after Supreme Selection)
3:00pm (approx.)	College Commercial Hog Showmanship followed by College Commercial Hogs
2:30pm (approx.)	College Commercial Hog Showmanship followed by College Commercial Hogs
10:00pm	Barns Closed and Gates Locked

JUDGING CONTEST SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 8th

7:30am to 8:30am

Registration

Daylight Saving Time Begins Spring Forward

Sunday, March 9th

6:00am

Grounds Open, Gates Unlocked

7:00am-8:00am

Rabbit Check-in (Use Gate 5)

8:30am

Rabbit Judging

8:00am

Commercial Lamb Showmanship (College followed by Open Junior) followed by
Commercial Lambs (College followed by Open Junior) followed by selection of
Supreme Champion Commercial Lamb

8:00am

Open Junior Commercial Hog Showmanship followed by Open Junior Hogs followed by
Selection of Supreme Commercial Hog

9:00am

Commercial Steer Showmanship (College followed by Open Junior) followed by
Commercial Steers (College followed by Open Junior)

LOCAL RULES

1. Management reserves the final and absolute right to interpret the following rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle questions and differences thereto or otherwise arising out of, or connected with, or pertaining to the Great Western Livestock Show.
2. All State Rules published by the California Department of Food & Agriculture, Division of Fairs & Expositions are in force for the Great Western Livestock Show. Copies of the State Rules are available in the Fair office & online at www.cdffa.ca.gov/fe.
3. There will be no flyers or notices posted or handed out without prior permission of show management.
4. There is no admission or parking fee for the Great Western Livestock Show.
5. **FIRST BEDDING WILL NOT BE PROVIDED BY MANAGEMENT.** Feed and bedding materials available for purchase on the show grounds are not guaranteed.
6. **All exhibitors are responsible for cleaning their pens at the conclusion of the show.**
7. Management will attempt to comply with stall requests submitted in writing at the time of entry. **STALL REQUESTS ARE NOT GUARANTEED.**
8. No animals will be allowed on the fairgrounds unless they are entered to show or exhibit. No Nurse Cows allowed.
9. Exhibitors must be the bonafide owners of animals or exhibits entered by them for a minimum of 30 days, unless otherwise specified.
10. **FITTING & GROOMING** Exhibitors may receive assistance in grooming, clipping or blocking from another exhibitor, his/her leader/advisor, or parent. The majority of the grooming should be done by the exhibitor.
11. Exhibitors are expected to allow the use of their animals for the Judging Contest if so asked. Refusal may constitute disqualification from the show. Every effort will be made to use animals entered by willing participants.
12. **UNIFORM** The show uniform shall consist of a Shirt/Blouse with collar (no tank tops or t-shirts) and denim jeans (No acid, stone wash or excessively worn jeans or shorts.) dress slacks or white pants.
13. **There will be no alcoholic beverages on the grounds during the event. All alcohol will be confiscated and not returned.**
14. Animals will be released upon conclusion of their specific show.
15. A brand inspection certificate or Bill of Sale must be available for inspection at all times for all cattle.
16. Exhibitors must have proof of ownership and/or registration papers available at all times.
17. All divisions and classes shall be judged under the American System of judging unless otherwise specified.
18. Premium checks will be mailed after the show. Checks must be cashed within 90 days of issue to remain valid. **Expired checks will not be replaced. Lost checks are subject to a \$25.00 fee.**
19. **PROTESTS** Protests will be considered only if there has been a violation of state or local rules. Judge's decision on awards CANNOT be protested. All protests must be presented to the livestock manager of the show in writing within 2 hours of the alleged violation and must be accompanied by a \$100.00 cash deposit (\$200.00 for animal health rule violations), which will be returned if the protest is deemed valid.
20. Overnight parking will be available at \$20.00 per day in the RV parking area with limited electrical access. Please complete the RV reservation form included in this catalog and submit the required fee with your entry forms.
21. **No heaters or heat lamps allowed in barns or building per Fire Marshall.**
22. **DEBT COLLECTION** Any individual, business, exhibitor, or exhibitor with a family member* having an outstanding debt to the 24th D.A.A. Tulare County Fair, (including collection accounts) shall be barred from exhibiting or participating in the Great Western Livestock Show until the debt is satisfied in full (including N.S.F. check charges and/or interest charges).
*defined as: parents, siblings, step-parents, step-siblings, and/or individuals residing in the same household.
23. **LIABILITY** All Exhibitors agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Great Western Livestock Show, the Tulare County Fair, and the State of California from and against any liability, claim, loss or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees) arising out of any injury or damage which is caused by, arises from or is any way connected with participation in the Great Western Livestock Show. The Great Western Livestock Show, the Tulare County Fair and the State of California shall not be responsible for accidents or losses that may occur to the exhibitors or exhibits at the fair. The exhibitor (or parent or guardian of a minor) is responsible for any injury or damage resulting from the exhibitor's participation in the Great Western Livestock Show. This includes any injury to others or to the exhibitor or to the exhibitor's property.

ENTRY INFORMATION

1. Entries are open to all elementary and secondary students from ages 5 to 21, and college students enrolled in agricultural courses and carrying a minimum of 12 units. See "DIVISIONS" for eligibility specifics.
2. **Entry Deadlines**
It is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that their entry forms arrive by the applicable entry deadline. The use of return-receipt, proof of mailing, hand-cancellation (postmarking) at the Post Office, and overnight guaranteed service are recommended. The Great Western Livestock Show is not responsible for any lost, delayed or misdirected mail.

All animal entries (except Rabbits and Poultry) must be postmarked by **Friday, February 15, 2008**. Entries must bear an official U.S. Postal Service postmark of **Friday, February 15, 2008** or earlier to ensure acceptance without

late fees. A metered postmark will not be considered as a valid postmark for entry deadline purposes. *See below for late entry information.* *

All Judging Contest entries (except Dairy) must be postmarked by **Friday, February 15, 2008**. Entries must bear an official U.S. Postal Service postmark of **Friday, February 15, 2008** or earlier to ensure acceptance without late fees. A metered postmark will not be considered as a valid postmark for entry deadline purposes. *See below for late entry information.* *

Dairy Judging Contest entries are due by 7:30 am Saturday, March 1, 2008.

Rabbit entries must be postmarked by **Friday, February 29, 2008**. Entries must bear an official U.S. Postal Service postmark to ensure acceptance. A metered postmark will not be considered as a valid postmark for entry deadline purposes. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Poultry Play Day pre-entries must be postmarked by Friday, February 22, 2008. **Late entries will be accepted until the day of the event.** However, materials and handouts are only guaranteed for those that preregister.

***Late Entries** will be accepted for Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Pygmy Goats, and Meat Goats until **Friday, February 22, 2008**. Beef, Sheep, Swine, and Judging Contest except Dairy Cattle Judging will be accepted until **Friday, February 29, 2008**. Late entries must be in the Tulare County Fair Administrative Office by 5:00 pm **POSTMARKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED ON LATE ENTRIES.** Each late entry must be accompanied by a \$15.00 per class late fee (including showmanship) in addition to any applicable entry fees (Example: If you are entering two Commercial Lambs and Commercial Lamb Showmanship, you would need to include \$45 in late fees in addition to the regular entry fees). Judging Contest late entries must be accompanied by a \$15 per judging contest team late fee. Late entries will not be accepted past last late entry deadline.

3. All entries must be accompanied by the full entry fees due in order to ensure acceptance. Please make entry checks payable to:
Great Western Livestock Show
215 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.
Tulare, CA 93274
4. Entries for breeding animals must contain the ID, date of birth, sex, breed and if registered, the registration number of entry, and registration number of sire and dam (except in breeds where the registration papers do not include this information).
5. All animals shall be identified by a permanent number (ear tag, tattoo, photo or drawing, or brand required by breed association, ear notching or micro chip) on the animal which matches the number recorded on the entry form.
6. Management reserves the right to limit entries to facilities available and may limit the number of entries made by an exhibitor. Any return of entries under this rule will be done generally and without discrimination. Under any limitation of entries, acceptance will be based on entry receiving date, except some eligible entries may be accepted to ensure an equitable representation of specie or breed.
7. Management reserves the right to add, combine or split classes and/or divisions as deemed in the best interest of the show. Management is not responsible for any awards offered by breed associations or sponsors, although every effort will be made to ensure their delivery to the proper exhibitors.
8. All entries must be made on entry forms supplied by the Great Western Livestock Show (photocopies are acceptable). Faxed and/or emailed entries will not be accepted.
9. Use separate entry forms for each division of livestock. Commercial and breeding animals have separate forms. All entry fees must be submitted at time of entry. Refer to each division for fee schedules.
10. Dairy & Beef Blocking Chutes will be restricted to designated areas, and a chute fee of \$10 per chute must accompany entry. Milking Stands & Trimming Tables will also be restricted to designated areas and a table fee of \$5 per table must accompany entry. Tags issued by management must be affixed to all chutes and tables. Chutes and tables must be moved at the request of management.
11. **Refunds** will not be considered for amounts under \$25.00. Please see State Rule II 6 for requirements. Overpayment of entry fees will not be refunded.
12. There will be a \$25.00 fee for checks returned by the bank. Returned checks must be substituted by cash or money order only, accompanied by the \$25.00 fee.
13. There is no limitation on the number of animals an exhibitor may enter, unless otherwise specified, but each exhibitor may only receive premiums on 2 entries per class (college division excepted).
14. Sheep and Goats are not to be muzzled while on the fairgrounds. Muzzles will be confiscated and will not be returned.
15. Management reserves the right to physically handle any animal on the fairgrounds at their discretion.

DIVISIONS

OPEN JUNIOR DIVISION

Open Junior Divisions are open to exhibitors 5 through 21 years of age as of January 1, 2008. A parent or guardian must sign the entry form. All exhibitors under the age of 18 must be under adult supervision.

COLLEGE SHOW TEAM DIVISION

Exhibitors in the College Show must be currently enrolled in college agricultural courses with a minimum of 12 units. They need not be the owner of the animal if the animal is owned or managed by the College, but must be under his/her care and management as a project for at least 30 days prior to opening day of show. Entry form(s) must be signed by college agricultural instructor. College groups must be under the supervision of an authorized instructor.

Premiums will be paid based on the exhibitor information provided on the entry form. Premiums paid on entries entered by individuals in this division will be paid to that individual. Premiums paid to entries entered by a college will be paid to that college.

In breeding divisions, the owner on the registration certificate must match the exhibitor on the entry form.

If exhibitors are entered in Open Junior and College they may only show in one division for showmanship.

The Great Western Livestock Show is an Official California Junior Livestock (C.J.L.A.) sanctioned "Points Show." If you would like to become a member of the C.J.L.A. please contact:

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