

# HENDERSON COUNTY FAIR

## OPEN SHOW RULES

### LIVESTOCK DIVISION

The Fair Association reserves to its Board of Directors the final absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, and to add to or amend as they deem advisable.

- Open show for Beef is open to boys and girls 8 to 19 years of age as of January 1, 2008 who live in Henderson, Warren, Mercer, Hancock and McDonough Counties.
- **ENTRY DEADLINE FOR ALL PROJECTS IS 5:00 p.m. MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2008. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
- Entry sheets may be mailed to:  
**Henderson County Fair**  
**P.O. Box 313,**  
**Stronghurst, IL 61480**  
or dropped into the indicated drop box at the Extension Office in Stronghurst.
- Open to all Henderson County residents, 4-H and Junior Show exhibitors, their parents and fair committee members and their immediate family, regardless of age, (with exception of Bucket Calf classes).
- Exhibitors are restricted to one entry under one premium unless otherwise stated.
- All exhibits must be raised by the exhibitor.
- The judge has the right to disqualify any item improperly entered.
- **Exhibits will be released Saturday, July 19 at 10 a.m. Premium checks may be picked up at the fair office on Friday, July 25th. The office will be open 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. If you can not make it at this time please call (309) 924-1177 to make other arrangements. NO CHECKS WILL BE MAILED.**

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### CARE OF ANIMALS

**EXHIBITORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING CARE AND SAFETY MEASURES THAT PROTECT THE ANIMAL, EXHIBITORS, AND THE PUBLIC. MANAGEMENT PRACTICES SHOULD INCLUDE:**

1. Provide fresh, clean water to all animals at all times.
2. Keep your pens clean and dry with good bedding at all times.
3. Be aware of animal comfort requirements regarding temperature and space.
4. Sort and load animals safely and with concern for them.
5. Train animals to lead or be handled at a young age before the fair. This will make them more manageable at the fair.
6. Arrange for veterinary care in case of an animal emergency.
7. Handle animal in a very humane way.
8. Adhere to all antibiotic, drug, and water or feed additive withdrawal times.
9. Animals should be fed on a routine bases.
10. Avoid stressing the animal.
11. Keep animals clean. A clean animal is viewed as a healthy animal.
12. Use show sticks, whips, and canes for showing only and try to use them as gently as possible. Do not use electric prods.
13. Have a plan of action if a problem should arise and who to contact to help solve it or answer questions.
14. Know who and where fair officials are and how to get in contact with them.
15. If questioned about animal care by a stranger, remain calm, be polite, answer the questions the best you can, don't argue, and refer the person to the department superintendent if a tough question or situation arises.