

General Rules and Regulations for Exhibitors

1. A Project Completion Card is required to check in all projects. The Project Completion Card will be provided by the 4-H leader upon reviewing and signing the project record sheet for each project prior to the day of check-in. All project record sheets should be kept in the Green Record Book. **DO NOT** bring your Green Record Book to project check-in. Extra record sheets are available in the Extension Office. Completed Green Record Books should then be kept by the 4-Her in a safe place for use in subsequent years.
2. All exhibits must be checked in within the allotted time period. **Late exhibits will automatically be lowered one ribbon placing.** Exhibits arriving too late to be judged will receive a Green Ribbon.
3. Projects not meeting minimum requirements of the specific projects will be lowered one placing.
4. If a 4-H member takes more than one division of a project, the higher division only will be exhibited. Your Leader will check the lower divisions for completion.
5. Blue ribbons will not be awarded to exhibits that, in the opinion of the Judge, are unworthy of them. Only blue-ribbon projects will be selected for champion and reserve champion. The two most outstanding exhibits in each project area will be awarded Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. The judge is not required to give any champions if projects are not worthy.
6. Projects selected to exhibit at the State Fair will receive a sticker to indicate selection based on State Fair entry rules as listed under each project. An alternate may also be selected for each State Fair entry.
7. Superintendent makes the final decision. That decision may be appealed.
8. **ALL ARTICLES ARE TO REMAIN IN THE EXHIBIT BUILDINGS UNTIL CHECK-OUT TIME.** Please remove all exhibits at check-out time.
9. All 4-Hers will have an exhibit tag provided for them. Posters should also include 4-Her's name on the back. Display an exhibitor tag in the lower right corner. **CHECK WITH PROJECT REQUIREMENTS FOR ANY EXCEPTION**
10. See page 91 for information on the "Displaying A Project." These directions should be followed for ALL posters unless otherwise specified. Posters will be lowered one placing if not displayed horizontally, be the correct size, and properly covered.
11. All posters, 3-ring binders, and display boards **MUST** include a reference list indicating where the information was obtained, giving credit to the original author, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include website links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended that this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, added as the last page of a binder, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which references are listed.