

**UPPER PENINSULA STATE FAIR
(Livestock Exhibitors)
PARENTAL CODE OF CONDUCT**

Exhibitor Name Printed _____

Inappropriate conduct by a participant, parent, leader, spectator or volunteer during the fair will be grounds for immediate disqualification and/or immediate ejection by Fair staff, Management Agent, or U.P. State Fair Authority. This includes, but is not limited to, disruptive behavior, poor sportsmanship, inappropriate language, inappropriate conduct, bullying and confrontations with any fair staff, other exhibitors or spectators.

As a parent or legal guardian, of a Jr. Market Livestock exhibitor, exhibiting at the Upper Peninsula State Fair I agree to abide by the following:

Maintain and promote a positive attitude towards the atmosphere of the Jr. Market Livestock program and follow all barn rules.

- I agree to encourage and guide my child, my club member, and myself to conduct ourselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. I will ask questions concerning rules and policy in an appropriate adult manner.
- I agree to abide by the restrictions of the Class C Liquor License; alcohol consumption is limited to designated areas on the fairgrounds. I further understand that none of the barns or buildings are designated areas.
- Instead of participating in a retaliatory manner, I will follow the Formal Protest guidelines in the Upper Peninsula State Fair Premium Book.
- I will keep the intent and spirit of the Upper Peninsula State Fair, and remember that my child/club member is the one exhibiting, not me. I will place the emotional and physical wellbeing of my child/club member ahead of my personal desire to win.
- No adult or exhibitor will conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of conduct and Upper Peninsula State Fair show rules or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of conduct or show rules.
- By signing this code of conduct I am accepting the responsibility of informing my immediate family members of the Parental Code of Conduct.
- Violation of the parental code of conduct will subject the individual (s) to disciplinary actions, up to and including, but not limited to; dismissal or disqualification, expulsion of the exhibitor.

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As an animal exhibitor in the UPSF Market Livestock Youth Show(s):

- I believe my participation should demonstrate my own ability, knowledge, and skills as a feeder, fitter and caretaker of my animal(s).
- I understand the need to be responsible for developing the skills necessary to take my animal (s) from the farm to the show ring.
- I have read and understand the rules and regulations found in the UPSF Exhibitors Guide.
- I will follow the competition rules and will not use abusive, questionable, or unethical techniques in the feeding, caring, fitting and showing of my animal (s).
- I will not resort to fraudulent, illegal, or deceptive practices when preparing my animal(s) for the show ring.
- I will also not allow my parents, leader, or any other adult or minor to employ such practices to my animal(s).
- I have asked my parents, leader, or any other adult or minor to not break the rules on my behalf.
- I want my animal project to be an example of how to accept what life has to offer, good and bad, and how to live with the outcome.
- I will respect my fellow exhibitors, and their project, and realize I have no right to disrupt or disturb their animal, barns or stalls. I further realize it is my responsibility as an exhibitor at the Upper Peninsula State Fair that I must report any or all unusual activity in or around any barn.
- I realize that I am responsible for:
 - Following the Herdsmanship Procedure
 - The proper care and humane treatment of my animal (s), including exhibit cleanliness.
 - The production of wholesome food if my animal project is designated for market.
 - The care and grooming of my animal while at the UPSF.
 - Conducting myself with honesty and good sportsmanship.
 - Conducting myself to reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education
- I understand and agree that when I, my parents, leader or any other adult or minor connected with my project or animal (s) break the rules, I agree to live by the final decision of the UPSF Management Team regarding disqualification of myself and /or my animal (s), loss of premium awards, auction proceeds, and my loss of future eligibility.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Exhibitor Signature _____ Date _____

EXHIBITOR CHECK LIST

1. **Complete Exhibitor Fee Form.** (One form per person entering exhibits at the fair.)
There are separate fee forms for junior and open exhibitors.
 - a. Extra Passes are for those people coming with you to the fair. Every person entering the grounds must have a pass. (Example: A rider on your horse other than yourself or a family member.)
 - b. Parking Passes are required for Each Vehicle/Each Day it is on the grounds.
 - c. **Deadline: Entries must be postmarked by July 15.**
2. **Complete Livestock Entry Forms** (One form per exhibitor, one form per department.)
 - a. Include completed forms with your completed Exhibitor Fee Form.
 - b. Provide required information that applies to each department.
3. **Enclose Check** made payable to the Upper Peninsula State Fair. Credit Card information or payment in full must accompany your entry.
4. **Equine Exhibitors**
 - A. A copy of your Coggins test is due July 15th. The department Superintendent/staff will be checking horses against test papers upon arrival.
 - B. Contact the Horse Superintendent at (906) 249-3232 by July 15th to make Stall Reservations.
5. **Proof of negative cattle BVD testing with animal RFID number listed. BVD negative test, must match RFID #.**
 - Market Steers BVD test due July 15th
 - Breeding Cattle BVD test due upon arrival at the Fair.
6. **All registered cattle must have breed registration papers upon arrival at the UPSF. Papers will be checked.**
7. **Junior Market Livestock Exhibitors:**
Digital photo of project due July 15th.
8. **I have read and acknowledge the exhibitor and parental code of conduct.**
9. **I have read and acknowledge that premiums awarded are governed by the judge's records, and not by ribbon that may have been placed erroneously on my exhibit.**

UPPER PENINSULA STATE FAIR Terms & Conditions:

It is agreed that the exhibitor has read the current Rules and Regulations, which are incorporated herein by reference and become a part of the contract between the exhibitor and the Upper Peninsula State Fair.

Every person who makes an entry at the Upper Peninsula State Fair herewith exempts and discharges the Upper Peninsula State Fair Authority, its agents, servants and employees from liability for any loss, damage or injury to him/herself or his/her property, whether caused by the said Authority, its agents, servants or employees, or by any other cause. Every exhibitor will be responsible for any injury that may be occasioned by any animals owned or exhibited by him/her or arising from acts or negligence of any servant or employee of such exhibitor.

ALL ANIMAL EXHIBITOR AGREEMENT:

I certify that all my animal projects are drug free by Federal Food and Drug Administration standards. I have followed all withdraw periods for animal health products and substances used, practiced good animal husbandry, and my project has been ethically and humanely cared for. I acknowledge and accept that DNA testing and drug testing will be performed randomly and at the discretion of the Department Advisory Committee. Any animal found to be in violation will be disqualified and any monies awarded to the individual, including premiums, prizes and auction proceeds will be forfeited. I further understand that all auction and premium checks for animals being submitted for DNA Verification and/or urine testing will be held until results are received. My parents or guardians assume equal responsibility for following these and other prescribed guidelines set by the U.P. State Fair for these projects.

Exhibitor Printed Name: _____

Exhibitor's Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date _____