

## STATEMENT OF EXHIBIT PRINCIPLES

The Division of Fairs and Expositions believes the mission of competitive exhibits at the fairs is to ensure the competition is educational, ethical and equitable. This will be accomplished in a manner representing the highest integrity and standards of all participants. UPON SUBMITTAL AND SIGNATURE OF THE ENTRY FORM, exhibitors (including agents and junior exhibitors' parents/leaders/advisors) acknowledge and agree to the following principles for competition. Exhibitors will comply with printed Mendocino County Fair and State of California Rules, and accept all responsibility for their exhibits.

1. Exhibitors will indemnify Fairs & Expositions and the Mendocino County Fair from any loss resulting from rules enforcement.
2. Exhibitors must be able to prove their own eligibility and that of their exhibits according to Mendocino County Fair rules, and acknowledge that misrepresentation of any kind is prohibited.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to prepare, manage and present their own exhibits.
4. Exhibitors will conduct themselves with sportsmanship, integrity, and cooperation with all participants.
5. In the case of animals:
  - a) Exhibitors will exhibit healthy animals and handle them with care;
  - b) Exhibit them in their unaltered conformation, except for common animal husbandry practices; and
  - c) Use all pharmaceuticals, biologics and other chemicals lawfully and with notification to the Mendocino County Fair management as it specifies.

IN FULFILLMENT OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES, the Division of Fairs and Expositions and the Mendocino County Fair agree to the following principles for competition:

1. The Mendocino County Fair will advocate and enforce the printed rules.
2. In the case of rules violations or in practices determined to be unethical and inappropriate with the competitive exhibit program:
  - a) The Mendocino County Fair has the right to deny entry or remove any exhibitor or exhibit that is determined ineligible, or whose presentation is deemed not in the best interest of the Mendocino County Fair, endangers the public, or has violated the rules;
  - b) The Mendocino County Fair shall discipline such exhibitors as deemed appropriate; and
  - c) The Mendocino County Fair shall submit a written report of such discipline to the appropriate governing body of the Division of Fairs and Expositions, regulatory agency, youth or breed association.
3. Mendocino County Fair staff will conduct themselves with integrity, professionalism and cooperation with all participants

