OPEN CAMELID SHOW

February 12 – 14, 2026

THE SHOW WILL BE FOR RIBBONS ONLY

This show is sponsored by FALA and SSLA. This is a sanctioned ALSA Show, and all rules and guidelines for it will be in accordance with the 22nd Edition, 2019 Revised, ALSA Handbook, as amended.

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	ONLINE Entry Due Date	December 5, 2025	
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		(Double Entry Fees)	
	Final Late Entry Period	January 12, 2026	
	(Double Entry Fees plus \$200.0		

CAMELID SHOW SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 12 TH Arrival	2 p.m 4 p.m .
FEBRUARY 13 TH Arrival/Check-in	8 a.m 10 a.m.
Walking Fleece Show (time sign	nup at check-in)
Exhibitor Meeting	

FEBRUARY 14TH Open & Youth Shows ...

Open ShowsFollowing Judges Meeting (TECO Arena)

ONLY ANIMALS ENTERED AND SHOWN IN THE OPEN CAMELID SHOW AND CHECKED BY THE STATE VETERINARIAN WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE BARNS. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

The General Rules and Regulations of the Florida State Fair Livestock Premium List are a part of the Rules and Regulations for the Florida State Fair Camelid Show, wherever they apply. Violations of any of these rules can result in the disqualification of the exhibitor and all animal premiums, Achievement Premiums, etc., will be forfeited.

The 2026 Florida State Fair Open Camelid Show will be held in Tampa, Florida, from February 12 to 14, 2026. Camelids will be housed in the deluxe horse barns. Stalls are 10' x 10', solid-walled, and have a 4' door on the front.

Due to stall availability, entries are limited to a 25-stall capacity. In cases where entries exceed stall space, entries will be accepted on a firstcome, first-served basis (based on the online

submission timestamp).

ELIGIBILITY

- 1. PER ALSA REGULATIONS: All Camelids 5 months and older entered in approved classes must be registered or have passed screening in the Llama Division of the International Llama Registry (ILR) or the Canadian Livestock Record Corporation (CLRC), with the exception of animals in Novice, Advanced, Master, or Open Performance classes and Non-Breeders classes with vet certificates.

 2. All alpacas entered in a show must be registered by the Alpaca Registry, Inc. (ARI), or by the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation (CLRC), or the International Lama Registry (ILR). Pending registrations (Applications for Registration) for alpacas are accepted on a year-to-year basis pending ALSA board approval. However, animals in Novice, Advanced, Master, or Open Performance classes, as well as Non-Breeders classes with vet certificates, are not required to be registered.
- **3.** Any exhibitor desiring an exemption to the registration requirements for a llama or alpaca should send a written petition to the ALSA Board of Directors.
- **4.** All camelids must be entered in the exact name and registration number as shown on the registration certificate

INTERPRETATION OF RULES

The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to amend, add to, and interpret the following Rules and Regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to the Fair.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

1. All animals must meet health requirements as specified in the Rules for Exhibition as required by the Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services.

2. All animals must have an official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (COVI) issued by an accredited veterinarian, dated within 30 days of the show, and positive identification. All certificates of veterinary inspection must show a detailed record of tests administered to each animal, including breed, date of test, name, and registry number. In addition, verification that nonbreeders are geldings, vasectomized males, or spayed females should be noted on the face of the certificate of veterinarian inspection. All animals not identified individually by a USDA metal ear tag, tattoo, or microchip must be accompanied by a COVI, including a general description of the animal, a photograph of the animal being exhibited, and a notarized letter verifying that the animals being exhibited are those included on the COVI and in the accompanying photographs. All vehicles transporting livestock for exhibition in Florida shall be cleaned and disinfected before the loading of such livestock.

3. Contact the Florida Department of Agriculture, Animal

Industry, District 4 Office at (863) 578-1863 with questions pertaining to Health Regulations and/or Rules of Exhibition.

NOTE: If you are traveling from out of state, be sure to check the requirements for any states you may be traveling through to get to our show.

ENTRIES & FEES



1. Entry Due Date - All entries must be submitted and paid for online on or before December 5, 2025. It is the policy of the Florida State Fair to abide by all Rules and Regulations as posted on the Florida State Fair Agribusiness website at www.floridastatefairag.com



The entry fee will be determined by the date entries are <u>submitted</u> online.

The 1st Late Entry Period for entries submitted online between December 6 and December 12, 2025, is subject to space availability and will be charged double (\$50.00) entry fees.

The Final Late Entry Period for entries submitted online between December 13, 2025, and January 12, 2026, is subject to space availability and will incur a double entry fee plus a \$200.00 fee for Open Entry.

2. A COPY OF THE REGISTRATION PAPER MUST BE SENT IN WITH THE ENTRY.

3. There will be a \$35.00 entry fee per animal, plus \$5.00 ALSA fee per animal for ALSA members. Non-ALSA participants will pay a flat fee of \$60.00 in addition to the entry fee per animal. For non-ALSA participants aged 8-18 years old, there is a flat fee of \$15.00, in addition to the entry fee per animal. This entitles you to register for as many classes as you and/or your animal qualify for. ALL ANIMALS BROUGHT TO THIS SHOW MUST PAY THIS ENTRY FEE.

5. The entire entry fee is non-refundable.

- 6. All animals entered in the show MUST be registered with the International Llama Registry (ILR) or the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation (CLRC), desired. Registration papers shall be submitted to the Agribusiness Office. ALSA "Permission to Show" forms must be included with the registration/entry form for each camelid not owned by the exhibitor. Failure to do so will result in the subject animal's entry being voided and returned. Failure to meet this requirement prohibits entry into the show. Permission to Show forms can be found on our website. All camelids as shown on their registration certificate. Make sure to enter your camelids in all classes for which you want them to be shown. No additions to classes will be accepted after the registration deadline... NO EXCEPTIONS. Animals may be scratched from a class until the time to enter the staging area. Only class corrections will be made after the Entry Due Date.
- **7. SUBSTITUTIONS:** All substitutions must be received by January 12, 2026. No substitutions will be allowed upon arrival. Additional animals will be treated as late entries and will not be permitted.
- 8. CANCELLATIONS: <u>To qualify for a refund of fees, notice of cancellations for the Camelid Show must be received by January 12, 2026. Cancellations may be made by fax or e-mail. Send emails to Emily.Smith@FloridaStateFair.com</u>
- **9. STALLS:** This year, 25 stalls are available for animals and tack/display. The fee for animal stalls is \$25.00 per stall, and the straw fee is \$6.00 per bale. We request that you house two adults or

three weanlings per stall when possible so that we can accommodate everyone who wants to attend the show. PLEASE NOTE: ONLY STRAW CAN BE USED IN THE STALLS.

- **10.** TACK/DISPLAY: Space for tack or farm display may be reserved for \$25.00 per 10' x 10' space. There will be a limit of **ONE** additional stall **per farm** for tack and/or display (we encourage sharing of tack space).
- 11. Any exhibitor from a family with an outstanding balance owed to the Fair will not be eligible to show at the Florida State Fair.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1. Please note: Due to health and safety concerns, cooking is not permitted in the barns. Food and drink should not be consumed in animal areas. Exhibitors are required to wash their hands after handling animals.
- 2. Feed, care, and management of animals will be the responsibility of the exhibitor. Failure to maintain animals and exhibit acceptable standards and/or failure to cooperate with Fair Officials may result in premium forfeiture and immediate dismissal from the Fairgrounds.
- **3.** It is the exhibitor's responsibility to get in the show ring on time. Once the class has entered the ring, late exhibitors may not enter the class. All animals MUST visit the "facilities" provided in the holding area BEFORE they enter the show ring.
- **4.** Electricity and water will be available. We recommend bringing fans and extension cords (a power strip with a breaker is required, *per Fair regulations*) to keep animals cool in the Florida heat.
- 5. Wash Racks are available adjacent to the barn if you wish to bathe your animal.
- **6.** Security will be provided on Friday and Saturday nights by the Florida State Fair and its volunteers. Please include your name and phone number, along with the location where you are staying, on the tag provided on your stall in case you are needed during the night.
- **7.** A veterinarian will be on call. Exhibitors are responsible for any fees incurred.
- **8.** Animals are restricted to designated areas of the Fairgrounds and must not be taken from designated areas. Violators are liable for any damage incurred by the owner or animals.
- **9.** Any person who violates any of the general rules or special rules as posted in this Premium List will forfeit all privileges and premiums won.

10. NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED INSIDE THE BARNS.

- 11. Smoking is not permitted in the barns.
- 12. The use of alcohol is prohibited in barns and livestock areas.
- 13. Exhibitors are prohibited from spending the night in livestock tents, barns, or stalls.

LIABILITY FOR LOSS OR THEFT

- 1. The owner or custodian of the property of any kind brought to the Fairgrounds, either for exhibit or for other purposes, assumes as a condition of its admission to the grounds all risk and/or responsibility for its loss, damage, or theft.
- 2. The Fair, its officers, and its employees cannot and will not accept responsibility and liability for any damage or injury resulting from theft, fire, the elements, accidents, or other conditions or causes, whether to exhibits, property of the exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left therein or any other property of any nature whatsoever.

ARRIVAL



1. The arrival time for all exhibitors is 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 12, 2026, or 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 13, 2026. All stalls will be assigned before your arrival.

See the Show Staff personnel for help locating your stall(s) upon arrival.

2. Upon arrival, your animals can be unloaded and stalled before checking in at the registration table to receive your show packet.

- **3. EARLY ARRIVALS**: Due to limited space during the Fair and two assigned check-in times, early arrivals will not be permitted.
- **4.** An Exhibitor Meeting will be held on Friday, February 13th, at 12:00 p.m. in the Tent Arena. *IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR ALL EXHIBITORS TO ATTEND THIS MEETING!*
- **5.** Any animals arriving late due to an emergency must call the Livestock Office at 813-627-4229.

ADMISSION

- 1. Armbands will be issued to Registered Exhibitors on the following basis: **OPEN:** 1 –5 animals: One (1) armband; 6 10 animals: Two (2) armbands; 11 15 animals: Four (4) armbands; 16 animals & over: Five (5) armbands.
- 2. Armbands will be picked up at check-in. Additional armbands <u>CANNOT</u> be purchased. Single-day admission tickets can be bought in advance at discount prices. Please see the Advance Ticket Form on our website for details. Tickets will be for sale at the gate.
- 3. Vehicle/Trailer Parking Passes: All Trailers will be parked in the designated areas within the interior of the grounds. Exhibitors will receive a Vehicle Pass for the duration of the show, allowing them to park in the Ag Lot outside Gate 3. Only vehicles with the appropriate tags are permitted in this area.
- 4. Each passenger must wear an armband or have an admission pass.
- 5. Red Gate Drop-Off Times (In addition to arrival): Vehicles will be allowed to enter through the Red Gate between 6:00 am and 10:00 am and 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm to drop off necessary feed and/or supplies. After unloading supplies, vehicles will proceed to the Ag Lot for parking.
- **6.** A parking map and Detailed Instructions will be posted on the Agribusiness Website before the Fair.
- 7. Reserved parking is provided, and exhibitors must park in the assigned Ag Lot, or your vehicle will be subject to towing.
- 8. Champion of Champions Lot: Limited Parking Spaces can be purchased by Exhibitors within the interior of the grounds. All information will be posted on the FSF Agribusiness website. Spaces will become available for purchase on January 1, 2025. All proceeds will go towards the Youth participating in the Champion of Champions program.

JUDGING

- 1. Judging will be conducted according to the FSF Camelid Show Schedule.
- 2. Judges will not award premiums to any article, product, or animal that is not deserving. It must be judged individually worthy
- **3.** The judge's decision is final, and no appeal will be considered except in cases of written protest (See General Disputes Policy).
- **4.** Any exhibitor who interferes with the judging process will be promptly excluded from the competition; if this occurs after judging, the premiums awarded will be withheld.
- **5.** All animals must enter the show ring and be evaluated by the judge in order to receive an award.

GENERAL DISPUTES POLICY

With respect to any disputes that may occur with respect to an exhibitor at the show, such disputes shall be handled by the appropriate Livestock Committee (the "Committee") in accordance with the following:

- 1. An exhibitor may file a protest with respect to another exhibitor for violation of the rules and regulations of the Committee and/or the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics by submitting a written protest (a "Protest") on a form (the "Protest Form") which will be available at the Agribusiness Department. The Protest must include the exact basis, cause, and description of the dispute, the name of the protesting exhibitor, the name of the exhibitor being protested, and any materials in support of the Protest, as well as any other matters which may be required in the Protest Form and shall be accompanied by payment of \$50 which shall be refunded only if the Protest is sustained by the Committee. The Protest Form must be signed by the exhibitor (as the protesting exhibitor), and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor's guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available under circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole discretion. Failure to properly sign the Protest Form shall deem the Protest Form incomplete and nullity, and in such event, the Protest will not be considered. Any Protest must be submitted (and received by the Agribusiness Department) at least two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur in order to be considered prior to the show. If a Protest is submitted less than two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur ("a "Late Submittal"), then the Committee will handle the Protest after the show in accordance with its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, but the Late Submittal shall not affect the award of ribbons for the show. In order to minimize disruption to the show, an exhibitor who intends to file a Protest should do so at the earliest feasible time. In any event, a Protest must be filed with the Agribusiness Department prior to the scheduled release hour for the protested exhibitor's animal in order to be considered.
- 2. The Agribusiness Department will forward any Protest Form that is duly signed (by an exhibitor as the protesting exhibitor, and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor's guardian or parent) and any accompanying materials submitted by the protesting exhibitor in support of the Protest to the Committee for its consideration. The Agribusiness Department will also notify the exhibitor being protested of the Protest as soon as reasonably practicable after the Protest has been duly submitted and make available a copy of the written Protest to the exhibitor being protested. The exhibitor being protested may, but shall not be required to, provide a written response to the Protest (a "Response") by submitting a Response to the Agribusiness Department, including any materials in support of the response to the Protest, and the Agribusiness Department shall provide the Response to Committee. A Response shall be on a form obtained from the Agribusiness Department and must be signed by the protested exhibitor, and if the protested exhibitor is a minor, the Response must also be signed by the protested exhibitor's guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available due to circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole discretion. The Agribusiness Department shall make available a copy of the Response to the protesting exhibitor upon request by the protesting exhibitor, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor's responsibility to monitor the Protest and to obtain a copy of the Response. The Agribusiness Department will attempt to notify the protesting exhibitor and the exhibitor being protested of the time of the Committee's review and consideration of the Protest by calling their respective cell phone numbers if provided on the Protest Form and/or the Response Form, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor and protested exhibitor's responsibility to monitor the Protest and

obtain the time of the Committee's review and consideration of the Protest and to be available at the time scheduled for the Committee's consideration of the Protest. For any Late Submission, the Committee will handle the process for review of the Protest after the show.

- 3. The Committee members present will review the Protest and the Response, if any, in the context of its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and will make a decision to resolve the Protest by a majority of the Committee members present. In the event of a tie vote, the Protest shall be deemed denied by the Committee. The decision of the Committee will be final.
- 4. The Committee also may apply and enforce its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics with respect to exhibitors at the show.
- **5**. By entering the show, all exhibitors and their respective parents and/or guardians shall be deemed to have acknowledged and accepted this General Disputes Policy.

AWARDS

Walking Fleece classes:	1st - 5th Place ribbons
Showmanship classes:	1st - 5th Place ribbons
Halter classes:	1st - 5th Place ribbons
Grand & Reserve Grand Champion	Rosettes
Best of Show	FALA Trophy
Performance classes:	1st - 5th Place ribbons
Performance Champions	Banner
Performance Reserve Champions	Banner

RELEASE



- 1. Animals will be released on Saturday, February 14th, by the Show Superintendent. An optional release time will be Sunday, February 15th from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- 2. Consideration will be given to out-of-state exhibitors for a staggered early release. All arrangements must be coordinated with Llama/Alpaca Superintendents, and exhibitors must have a Florida State Fair Release Form.
- 3. TRAILERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED OUT OF THE REMOTE LOT UNTIL DESIGNATED RELEASE TIMES.

<u>SEX AND AGE DIVISIONS</u> (Males / Females / Non-Breeding Llamas / Alpacas)

- 1. Juvenile 5 months through 12 months
- 2. Yearling 13 months through 24 months
- 3. Two-Year-Old 25 months through 36 months
- 4. Adult 37 months and over

On the llama/alpaca's date of birth, the llama/alpaca moves up to the next older class.

OPEN LLAMA/ALPACA SHOWMANSHIP, PERFORMANCE, AND HALTER CLASS LIST

CLASS NO.

- 1. **EXHIBITION ONLY** Walking Fleece (time signup at check-in)
- 2. Adult Showmanship
- 3. Alpaca Male Juvenile
- 4. Alpaca Male Yearling
- 5. Alpaca Male 2-Year-Old
- 6. Alpaca Male Adult
- 7. Grand Champion Alpaca Male
- 8. Reserve Grand Champion Alpaca Male

- 9. Alpaca Female Juvenile
- 10. Alpaca Female Yearling
- 11. Alpaca Female 2-year-Old
- 12. Alpaca Female Adult
- 13. Grand Champion Alpaca Female
- 14. Reserve Grand Champion Alpaca Female
- 15. Non-Breeder Alpaca Juvenile
- 16. Non-Breeder Alpaca Yearling
- 17. Non-Breeder Alpaca 2-Year-Old
- 18. Non-Breeder Alpaca Adult
- 19. Grand Champion Non-Breeder
- 20. Reserve Grand Champion Non-Breeder
- 21. Suri Juvenile Male Llama
- 22. Suri Yearling Male Llama
- 23. Suri 2-Year-Old Male Llama
- 24. Suri Adult Male Llama
- 25. Grand Champion Suri Male Llama
- 26. Reserve Champion Suri Male Llama
- 27. Suri Juvenile Female Llama
- 28. Suri Yearling Female Llama
- 29. Suri 2-Year-Old Female Llama
- 30. Suri Adult Female Llama
- 31. Grand Champion Suri Female Llama
- 32. Reserve Champion Suri Female Llama
- 33. Silky Wool Juvenile Male Llama
- 34. Silky Wool Yearling Male Llama
- 35. Silky Wool 2-Year-Old Male Llama
- 36. Silky Wool Adult Male Llama
- 37. Grand Champion Silky Wool Male Llama
- 38. Reserve Champion Silky Wool Male Llama
- 39. Silky Wool Juvenile Female Llama
- 40. Silky Wool Yearling Female Llama
- 41. Silky Wool 2-Year-Old Female Llama
- 42. Silky Wool Adult Female Llama
- 43. Grand Champion Silky Wool Female Llama
- 44. Reserve Champion Silky Wool Female Llama
- 45. Light Wool Juvenile Male Llama
- 46. Light Wool Yearling Male Llama
- 47. Light Wool 2-Year-Old Male Llama
- 48. Light Wool Adult Male Llama
- 49. Grand Champion Light Wool Male Llama
- 50. Reserve Champion Light Wool Male Llama
- 51. Light Wool Juvenile Female Llama
- 52. Light Wool Yearling Female Llama
- 53. Light Wool 2-Year-Old Female Llama
- 54. Light Wool Adult Female Llama
- 55. Grand Champion Light Wool Female Llama
- 56. Reserve Champion Light Wool Female Llama
- 57. Medium Wool Juvenile Male Llama
- 58. Medium Wool Yearling Male Llama
- 59. Medium Wool 2-Year-Old Male Llama
- 60. Medium Wool Adult Male Llama
- 61. Grand Champion Medium Wool Male Llama
- 62. Reserve Champion Medium Wool Male Llama
- 63. Medium Wool Juvenile Female Llama
- 64. Medium Wool Yearling Female Llama
- 65. Medium Wool 2-Year-Old Female Llama
- 66. Medium Wool Adult Female Llama
- 67. Grand Champion Medium Wool Female Llama
- 68. Reserve Champion Medium Wool Female Llama
- 69. Heavy Wool Juvenile Male Llama
- 70. Heavy Wool Yearling Male Llama
- 71. Heavy Wool 2-Year-Old Male Llama

- 72. Heavy Wool Adult Male Llama
- 73. Grand Champion Heavy Wool Male Llama
- 74. Reserve Champion Heavy Wool Male Llama
- 75. Heavy Wool Juvenile Female Llama
- 76. Heavy Wool Yearling Female Llama
- 77. Heavy Wool 2-Year-Old Female Llama
- 78. Heavy Wool Adult Female Llama
- 79. Grand Champion Heavy Wool Female Llama
- 80. Reserve Champion Heavy Wool Female Llama
- 81. Non-Breeder Juvenile
- 82. Non-Breeder Yearling
- 83. Non-Breeder 2-Year-Old
- 84. Non-Breeder Adult
- 85. Grand Champion Non-Breeder
- 86. Reserve Champion Non-Breeder
- 87. Judge's Choice
- 88. Produce of Dam
- 89. Produce of Sire
- 90. Masters PR
- 91. Alpaca Masters PR
- 92. Advanced PR
- 93. Alpaca Advanced PR
- 94. Novice PR
- 95. Alpaca Novice PR
- 96. Masters Obstacle
- 97. Alpaca Masters Obstacle
- 98. Advanced Obstacle
- 99. Alpaca Advanced Obstacle
- 100. Novice Obstacle
- 101. Novice Alpaca Obstacle
- 102. Masters Pack
- 103. Alpaca Masters Pack
- 104. Advanced Pack
- 105. Alpaca Advanced Pack
- 106. Novice Pack
- 107. Alpaca Novice Pack
- 108. Grand Champion Masters Performance
- 109. Reserve Champion Master Performance
- 110. Grand Champion Alpaca Master Performance
- 111. Reserve Champion Alpaca Masters Performance
- 112. Grand Champion Advanced Performance
- 113. Reserve Champion Advanced Performance
- 114. Grand Champion Alpaca Advanced Performance
- 115. Reserve Champion Alpaca Advanced Performance
- 116. Grand Champion Novice Performance
- 117. Reserve Champion Novice Performance
- 118. Grand Champion Alpaca Novice Performance
- 119. Reserve Champion Alpaca Novice Performance

Finished Products and Shorn entries will now be entered in the Fiber Arts Division through Creative Living Competitions. For more information, please visit www.floridastatefair.com and look under the 2026 Fair tab for Creative Living Competitions Handbooks and Forms.

CAMPGROUND

- 1. PLEASE NOTE: ALL CAMPERS/RVS MUST HAVE A CAMPING PERMIT IN ORDER TO BE ALLOWED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE USED FOR CAMPING.
- 2. Campground Rules and Reservation Form is available on our website.
- 3. Golf cart permits must be purchased to be allowed on the

fairgrounds. Any golf carts without a permit will need to be removed from the grounds.

SHOWERS/EXHIBITOR CHANGING AREA

- 1. Shower/changing area facilities are available on the grounds for use by exhibitors only!
- **2.** Access to shower facilities will be allowed to Livestock Exhibitors through the Agribusiness Office.

MOTEL ACCOMMODATION

1. For motel accommodation information, see our website for the Preferred Hotel List.

QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM

The Florida State Fair believes that every animal participating in activities of the Florida State Fair shall at all times be provided proper care and management in the best interest of the animal's welfare.

- 1. Quality assurance testing or a survey may be done at the Florida State Fair.
- 2. All animals are subject to testing at any time:
 - **A.** To determine whether an animal qualifies for competition in a particular breed classification.
 - **B.** To determine whether the animal has been unethically fitted in any way.
 - C. To determine whether any false information
 - or representation was made in a competition entry.
- **3.** During the online process, the exhibitor acknowledges that they have read and agree to the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics (Please note: Rule #4 deals specifically with drugs).
- **4.** Use of drugs, in animals, not in compliance with the manufacturer's label as to dosage, time of withdrawal limitations, or other manufacturer's limitations, and show regulations are **PROHIBITED.** The use of tranquilizers or possession of same after arrival at the Fair will be construed as tampering.
- 5. Violators will be disqualified and will forfeit all premiums and awards, including the sale price of animals, if applicable, and future exhibitors and families at the Florida State Fair.
- **6.** The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices that are not recognized as acceptable training, restraint, or animal movement techniques are prohibited.

IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS)

NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times promote themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open-class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial, and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards, and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from fitting rexhibitions in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in

competitive events:

- 1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
- 2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
- Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
- 4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of drugs. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.

If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other samples were taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample or urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the approved laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved, and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise at any hearing in regard to the matter conducted by the fair or livestock show.

At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

- 5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or irritant substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or homs of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
- **6.** The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
- 7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation, and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
- **8.** No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individuals to disciplinary action.
- **9.** The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant, whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
- 10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have any disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.
- 11. The act of entering an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and

penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action that contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

FLORIDA STATE FAIR AUTHORITY - LIVESTOCK ADDENDUM

OWNER represents to Florida State Fair Authority ("AUTHORITY") that no animals that are exhibited or otherwise transported onto FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS will in any way be suffering from any contagious or infectious disease. In addition, OWNER shall defend, indemnify, and hold the AUTHORITY, the applicable Show Committee and each of their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents harmless of and from all losses, damages, claims, expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees at the trial and appellate levels, actions and causes of action arising out of, or in any way connected with, or by reason of this Agreement, the presence of OWNER's livestock at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS, and/or use of FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS including, but not limited to any claim for the death of, or injury to any person or livestock, or damage to, theft of, or destruction of any property arising out of any act or omission of OWNER, OWNER's officers, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, contractors and livestock, violation of any Federal, State and Local environmental laws, rules, ordinances and/or regulations, actions for negligence, wrongful death, torts, defects in the real and personal property at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS and from any alleged liability, cause, litigation or proceeding whatsoever, even if such injury, death, loss or property damage results, in whole or in part, from the negligence of AUTHORITY, or the applicable Show Committee and their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents or otherwise. Neither AUTHORITY nor such applicable Show Committee shall be liable to OWNER, or any officer, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, or other contractors, invitees, or guests of OWNER for any injury or damage to livestock, person, or property. AUTHORITY, its officers, or agents, assume no liability for any loss or damage to property (including but not limited to livestock) on account of fire, theft, or any other cause including infectious or contagious diseases. In addition, OWNER acknowledges receiving and agrees to abide by the applicable rules and regulations of the AUTHORITY titled FLORIDA STATE FAIR LLAMA/ALPACA SHOW RULES & PRIZE LIST, and the same are incorporated by reference herein. pmurr\fair\livestock.add 7\95 10155.1009