



2027

**INDEPENDENT
EXHIBITOR RECORD
BOOK**

NAME: _____

RECORD BOOK FOR FAIR YEAR: 2027

SPECIES: _____

YEAR IN THIS SPECIES: _____

INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR

REQUIREMENTS LIST

The following checklist of requirements must be completed prior to the fair in order to be eligible to exhibit as an Independent Exhibitor at the Butte County Fair.

1. Submit an Independent Exhibitor Declaration Form to Fair Office due by February 1, 2027.
(Must be turned in and proof of residence in Butte County by February 1, 2027)
2. Complete a Quality Assurance & Ethics Training (YQCA) course during the calendar year no later than the closing date of your species.
3. Turn in pictures of animal(s), copy of bill of sale, to Fair Office by the entry deadline of the specific specie. If not submitted or received the entry is incomplete.
4. Complete and submit a Market/Breeding Animal entry form online by the entry deadline listed in the Exhibitor Guidebook.
5. Complete ten (10) hours of Community Service at the Butte County Fairgrounds prior to entries closing for your specific species. Provide proof of community service in your record book. Contact the fair office for available work days and work needs.
6. Attend (1) Butte County Fair Board Meeting or Junior Livestock Auction Committee and present a five (5) minute presentation related to your project to the board by July 13, 2027, @ 5:30 pm. Please refer to the meeting schedule which is attached. The presentation must be approved by the board of directors to meet the presentation requirement.
7. Provide a minimum of 1 hour of service for the during the Jr. Livestock Auction assisting with buyer refreshments and/or buyer paperwork needs. Contact the fair office for your time slot schedule prior to the fair.
8. Turn in a completed Record Book to the Fair Office on July 13, 2027, by 5:30 pm to the fair office for review and approval. If the record book is not fully completed or received by the due date the exhibitor will not be allowed to weigh-in, show or sell.
9. Deliver the animal to the Fair. All animals must be in place by the specified time. Submit a Medication Declaration form at the time of weigh-in. Animals will also have a health check at the scales.
10. During the Fair Independent Exhibitors must check in at the Livestock Office twice a day, once in the morning and once in the afternoon.
11. Independent Exhibitors must have responsible adult supervision at all times while on the fairgrounds. (Parent, Legal Guardian or adult with authority to supervise).
12. Attend Mandatory Exhibitors and Parents Meeting on **Tuesday, August 10, 2027 at 6:30 pm.**

INDEPENDENT EXHIBITORS GENERAL RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

Independent Junior Exhibitors with livestock entries will enter, compete and sell as follows:

1. Exhibitors must be nine (9) years old prior to January 1, 2026. Age limitation for Independent Exhibitors is nine (9) to nineteen (19) years. Children less than nine (9) years old prior to January 1, 2026 are not eligible to exhibit as an independent exhibitor.
2. Independent Exhibitors age nine (9) to twelve (12) years will show in the 4-H Livestock Divisions.
3. Independent Exhibitors age thirteen (13) to nineteen (19) years will show in the FFA Livestock Divisions.
4. Mandatory show dress for Independent Livestock Exhibitors is white pants with belt and white shirt, no hat or tie.
5. Independent Exhibitors:
 - 4-H: A 4-H member may exhibit as an Independent Junior providing he/she has not been enrolled for the twelve (12) consecutive months (fair to fair) in a project pertaining to the particular exhibit he/she wishes to enter and must reside in Butte County.
 - FFA: Current enrollment in an Ag Class in a Butte County High School constitutes FFA membership whether Ag Class is related to particular fair project or not, example: a student enrolled in horticulture class shows swine. A student who has been enrolled in a high school Ag Class in the previous twelve (12) months (fair to fair) is ineligible to show as an Independent.
6. Independent Juniors wishing to enter market animals must provide the Entry Office with a picture of their animal clearly showing its permanent ear tag, tattoo, ear notching and/or brand. The exhibitor must have ownership and possession of the animal by the required dates listed in the exhibitor handbook.
7. Independent Exhibitors must have responsible adult supervision while on the fairgrounds. This person must be listed on the original Entry Form at the time of entry.
8. Attend the Mandatory Exhibitors Meeting at the annual fair.
9. Independent Exhibitors must meet the attendance requirements or guidelines set down by the Butte County Fair.
10. Exhibitor Conduct: A Junior Exhibitor who, in the opinion of Fair Management, leaders or advisors fail to conform to or accept the set standards of conduct as designated by his/her organization or by the 13th DAA Rules may be disqualified from competition and removed from the Fairgrounds along with his/her stock. This decision may be made at the discretion of his/her leader, advisor or Fair Management.

11. Barn Duty: It is requested that Independent Exhibitors are in the barns throughout the day from 8:00 A.M. until 9:00 P.M. and keep the barn area clean at all times.
12. Market Animals: Lamb, Hog and Goats must have been owned at least sixty (60) consecutive days prior to opening day of the Fair.
13. Beef: Must have been owned at least one hundred twenty (120) consecutive days prior to opening day of the Fair.
14. Poultry/Rabbits: Exhibitor must have owned Meat Pens at least thirty (30) consecutive days and Turkeys at least forty-five (45) consecutive days prior to the opening day of the Fair.
15. By signing and submitting an entry form the exhibitors and their agents, parents and leaders/advisors acknowledge and agree that they: a) Understand and have read the State Rules and local fair and livestock rules; b) Agree to abide by them; c) Certify that all information on the entry form is true and accurate; and d) Agree to comply with the fair's decision regarding any alleged violation of the state or Local Fair Rules and Livestock Rules. e) In the event that it is determined there has been unethical treatment of animals or violation of state or federal regulations or of state or local fair drug policy rules, exhibitor names will be forwarded to F&E as well as give to the Network of California fairs and to appropriate government agencies. ([State Rule II.1 a,b,c,d,e](#)).
16. Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their Market/Breeding Animals until these animals are shipped. This means to provide your Market/Breeding Animal with feed and water Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday evening.
17. Independent Exhibitors must complete an Independent Exhibitor Declaration Form and submit to the Fair Office by February 1, 2027.
18. Independent Exhibitors must submit a bill of sale and photograph of their animal including any backup animals that may be eligible by the date specified on the Independent Exhibitor Checklist.
19. It is Mandatory that the Independent Exhibitor turn in their record book to the Fair Office by July 11, 2027, by 5:30 pm.
20. Refer to the Exhibitors Guidebook for all the rules pertaining to exhibits and exhibitors at the Butte County Fair.
21. Complete ten (10) hours of Community Service at the Butte County Fairgrounds prior to entries closing for your specific species. Provide proof of community service in your record book. Contact the fair office for available work days and work needs.
22. Attend one (1) Butte County Fair Board Meeting and present a five (5) minute presentation related to your project to the board by July 11, 2027, @ 5:30 pm. Please refer to the meeting schedule posted online at www.buttecountyfair.org. The presentation must be approved by the board of directors to meet the presentation requirement.
23. Provide a minimum of 1 hour of service for the Butte County Fair during the Jr. Livestock Auction assisting with buyer refreshments and/or buyer paperwork needs. Contact the fair office for your time slot schedule prior to the fair.

(PLEASE SEE EXHIBITOR GUIDE FOR ALL RULES REGARDING LIVESTOCK)

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Butte County Fair Board Meeting Schedule	Junior Livestock Auction Committee Meeting Schedule
Tuesday April 13, 2027, at 6:00 p.m.	Thursday May 8, 2027, at 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday May 11, 2027, at 6:00 p.m.	Thursday June 3, 2027, at 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday June 8, 2027, at 6:00 p.m.	

BUDGET

The budget is your best estimate of income and expenses to determine net income. The budget is to be completed **before** the start of the project.

All numerical entries should be rounded to the nearest whole dollar. Do not record decimal or cents.

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19	TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME (ADD 14 THROUGH 18)	
20	TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES (FROM LINE 13 ABOVE)	
21	ESTIMATED NET INCOME (LINE 19 MINUS LINE 20)	

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LOAN PAYMENT SUMMARY

NOTE: Entries of Interest Payments on this page **MUST** also be recorded in the Journal.

Date Borrowed	Name & Address of Person or Firm			Purpose of Loan	Total Amount Borrowed (Principal)	Int. Rate	Date Final Payment Due	

Payment	Date Paid	Amount Paid		Balance of Principal Owed	Payment	Date Paid	Amount Paid		Balance of Principal Owed
		Interest	Principal				Interest	Principal	
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ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Entries on this page are made at the beginning and end of the year ONLY.

Person or Firm	Date:	Date:
	Balance Owed Me, Beginning of Year	Balance Owed Me, End of Year
TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (OTHER THAN LOANS)

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Person or Firm	Date:	Date:
	Balance I Owe, Beginning of Year	Balance I Owe, End of Year
TOTAL CHARGE ACCOUNTS		

COMMUNITY SERVICE

No.	Date	Activity	Hours of Community Service	Fair Representative Name (Printed) & Signature	Phone Number
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PHOTOGRAPHS OF PROJECT

Monthly from time you acquire to fair and must be labeled as to month taken.

These photographs are in addition to the verification of ownership photos that has to be turned to the fair office as required in rules of an independent exhibitor.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

DRESSING PERCENTAGES/FEED CONVERSION

Livestock	Average Percentage	Conversion Rates
Cattle	62%	6 to 7 pounds of feed to 1 pound of gain
Sheep	52%	5 to 6 pounds of feed to 1 pound of gain
Hogs	72%	3 pounds of feed to 1 pound of gain

LIVESTOCK BREEDING CHART

Animal	Best age to Breed (Months)	Heat Period					Length of Gestation Period (days)
		Duration	Repeats	Occurs After Delivery	Time to Breed after Delivery	Average Body Temp. (degrees F.)	
Cattle	15 - 24	12 - 18 days	18 - 21 days	28 days	8 - 12 weeks	101.5	283
Sow	8 - 10	1 - 3 days	18 - 21 days	3 - 9 days	8½ weeks	102.6	114
Ewe	18 - 20	1 - 2 days	13 - 19 days	6 - 7 months	Summer and Fall	102.3	150