

**DEPARTMENT: CAMELIDS (ALPACAS, LLAMAS & CAMELS)**

Superintendent: Deb Bergmann

Project Book Grading Interviews: 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. the Saturday prior to the opening of the fair

Camelid Skillathon: Saturday before the Fair, see Junior Livestock Activities for Animal Skillathons

Exhibitor meeting – 8 a.m. First Saturday of the fair in the Junior Fair Show Arena; Show immediately following at 8:30 a.m. for Showmanship and Trail Pack. Obstacle, Public Relations Course and Costume classes will be held on Wednesday morning in the Junior Fair Arena. The Trail Pack will be held in the Soil Conservation area on the first Saturday.

Premiums	Grade A	Grade B	Grade C
	\$10.00	\$8.00	\$6.00

Alpacas, llamas, camels, and camelid hybrids will be housed at the fair in enclosures appropriate to their size. In the event that the fair is unable to provide appropriate housing, a trailer-in option will be available.

Rules:

**1. Read the Fair General Rules.**

2. Exhibits must be project animals cared for by the exhibitor who is a member of a Delaware County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter.

3. Exhibitors may show one project animal per class, with a maximum of two animals entered by an exhibitor.

4. All animals must be checked in before 8 a.m. the first Saturday of the fair.

5. Camelid exhibits release time is posted in the general rules.

6. Every exhibitor is required to be interview graded prior to exhibiting in a class. Exhibitors will be graded A, B, or C.

7. Premiums will be paid on interview grade.

8. Interview grading will be based upon:

a. Project book – must be turned in during interview grading.

b. Interview questions may include: Safety, Anatomy, Origins, Conformation, Shelter, Fencing, Grooming, Shearing, Fiber, Vet Care, Breeding and Birthing.

9. All classes will receive an award for first place and rosettes for 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> place.

10. All exhibitors are expected to be present and arrange for the care of their own animal(s) while exhibiting at the fair until exhibits are released.

11. All stalls and areas used by an exhibitor must be cleaned before the exhibitor leaves on dismissal day.
12. Unless otherwise specified here, Camelid 4-H classes will follow ALSA and ILR show rules.
13. Sections & Classes: Jr & Sr Showmanship, Jr & Sr Obstacle, Public Relations Course Jr & Sr, Trail Pack Jr & Sr, and Costume. Age division will be based on age as of January 1, current year: Junior (4-H age 13 and under) and Senior (4-H age 14 and older). Age divisions may be adjusted by the committee after entries are finalized.
14. Animals must be at least 5 months old by the first day of the fair.
15. Youth 8-13 years old may not show intact males over 24 months old on the first day of the fair.
16. An animal may be used in more than one Section. An animal may only be entered once in a Section.
17. Camelid-will compete on the same course with size adjustments at the judge's discretion.
18. Documentation of ownership, or appropriate permission to show form, must be turned into the Extension Office.
19. A picture of the Camelid must be turned into the Extension Office. Substitutions, due to extreme circumstances only, may be made with approval of the Alpaca and Llama Committee prior to the first day of the fair.
20. Exhibitors will sign-up for the costume class at the exhibitors meeting. The exhibitor decides on a theme and dresses him/herself and the Camelid to illustrate the chosen theme. Costumes will be judged on theme, originality, creativeness, the coverage of sensitive areas of the animals such as its head, back, legs, ears, etc.  

\*\*Costumes deemed unsafe by the Camelid Committee may be modified or excluded. The costume can be presented with music or written script. A description of at least one paragraph, but no longer than 1 ½ minutes must be presented at the competition. Costume class trophy will be awarded at the competition. \*\*
21. Exhibitors must provide a pack and fill material to bulk packs out. Packs must carry no weight. Camelid must wear a pack proportionate in size to their body. A training pack may be used. An exhibitor may show only one animal per class.
22. Fiber Project: Products can be knitted, crocheted, felted, or woven, using raw fleece, yarn, or roving. On a note card give why you choose to make this product, how you learned this skill, how long you have practiced this skill, and your age. Submit card with Product. Products may contain 10% of their whole in synthetic fiber. Products are to be handmade by the exhibitor. A small amount of embellishment is allowed, such as a button, bead or novelty yarn. Professionally spun yarn permitted but must be identified in the item description. Fiber must be natural, but may be dyed. Put item in clear plastic for protection while on display. Include with each project on a note card: 1) description of the fiber used and percentage of fibers; 2) why you made this particular item; 3) how long you've practiced this skill; 4) other information helpful to the judge. Award for 1<sup>st</sup> place and ribbons will be given to six places. Open to all Jr Fair participants. Alpaca / Llama project not required for entry.
23. Performance Champion: Highest scoring Junior and highest scoring Senior in Public Relations, Obstacle, Trail Pack, and Showmanship. Tie breaker will be showmanship placing.
24. The ring steward, judge, or a member of the camelid committee has the authority to dismiss dangerous and uncontrolled animals from the show. If an animal is dismissed there will be no placing of

the animal by the judge. Two members of the camelid committee will make the final decision in the case of a dispute. If an exhibitor is unable to safely control their camelid, two members of the camelid committee may remove them from participation in the fair.

#### SECTION 320: INTERVIEW GRADING

Class 32001 – Llama/Alpaca Project Interview

Class 32002 – Self-Determined Camelid

#### SECTION 321: SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

Class 32101 - Junior (13 and under as of January 1)

Class 32102 - Senior (14 and older as of January 1)

#### SECTION 322: OBSTACLE CLASSES

Class 32201 - Junior (13 and under as of January 1)

Class 32202 - Senior (14 and older as of January 1)

#### SECTION 323: PUBLIC RELATIONS COURSE CLASSES

Class 32301 - Junior (13 and under as of January 1)

Class 32302 - Senior (14 and older as of January 1)

#### SECTION 324: COSTUME CLASS

Class 32401 – Costume Class

#### SECTION 325: TRAIL PACK

Class 32501 - Junior (13 and under as of January 1)

Class 32502 - Senior (14 and older as of January 1)

#### SECTION 326: FIBER PROJECT

Class 32601 Fiber Project

## Awards

Prizes will be awarded to the winners of the following:

Junior Obstacle

Senior Obstacle

Junior Public Relations

Senior Public Relations

Junior Trail Pack

Senior Trail Pack

Junior Showmanship

Senior Showmanship

Showman of Showmen

Costume Class

Fiber Project

Junior Performance Champion

Senior Performance Champion