

Division M – Jr. Fair Alpacas

Small animal Livestock Committee:

Senior Fair Board: Judy Gallimore

Dates:

Check-in	Saturday, July 10, 2021 8-noon
Alpaca Show	Monday, July 12, 2021 @ 3pm in Eby Arena
Alpacas Released	Saturday, July 18, 2021 from 9-11pm

Divisions:

1. Obstacle
 1. Senior Class
 2. Intermediate Class
 3. Junior Class
2. Pack
 1. First Year
 2. 2nd Year
3. Showmanship
 1. Senior (ages 15-18)
 2. Intermediate (ages 11-14)
 3. Junior (ages 8 and in the 3rd grade -10)
4. Costume

Animal Requirements

1. Animal Requirements for Llamas and Alpacas:

- A. Llamas and alpacas must be in the possession of the exhibitor and underownership by the exhibitor, exhibitor's parents or in partnership by June 1st of the current year.
 - B. Llamas and alpacas may be registered or un-registered stock.
 - C. 4-H and FFA llama and alpaca registered and un-registered stock will show in the same classes
2. **Designated Animal:** The exhibitor must use his/her own animal in all classes. The minimum age should be 6 months of age for both llama's and alpaca's.
 3. **Show Order:** The showmanship show will begin with Senior Showmanship, followed by Intermediate and concluding with Beginning. Obstacle, pack and public relations classes will follow showmanship classes in the same order Senior, Intermediate and Junior. The costume class will compete the show with all ages showing together.
 4. **Showmanship:** Separate llama and alpaca showmanship classes will be held, based on the Junior, Intermediate and Senior age brackets. Separate overall llama and alpaca showmanship championships awarded.

5. **Obstacle Course:** Exhibitors in the Obstacle Course will be required to navigate their animals through a minimum of eight obstacles including jumps, maneuverability (cones or through inner tube), a change of pace, backing, a bridge and ramp and obstructed entrance. The animal will be required to be shown in a clean, well-fitting halter and lead. Junior classes will be required to complete eight obstacles; intermediate and seniors will be required to complete 10 obstacles. The level of difficulty of the obstacles will increase as the age of exhibitor groups increases.

6. **Public Relations Class:** This class is for the llama or alpaca that participates in community activities, goes to schools, hospitals, service clubs, parades, charity functions or other events. The animal will be required to show in a clean, well-fitting halter and lead. The course must include stairs or ramps, petting by volunteers, loading into a trailer, backing and picking up a foot or showing teeth. The obstacle course will be scored according to International Llama Registry Show Division. Junior classes will be required to complete eight obstacles well; intermediate and seniors will be required to complete 10 obstacles.

7. **Pack Class:** This class is designed to simulate the conditions and obstacles actually encountered while packing llamas and alpacas on the trail. Animals must be twelve months of age or older to participate in this class.

a. **Equipment:** Halters and lead ropes should be sound and practical for use in the back country and should be adjusted to allow the animals to comfortably graze and chew. The pack system itself, including daypacks, training packs and pack systems with removable panniers, must have two cinches.

1. Panniers may be filled out with lightweight bulky material to simulate a pack loaded for an actual packing trip and to show the animal capable of maneuvering with its pack. In the Beginning Pack division, participants will not remove the packs. Second year participants will remove the packs from their animal at the end of the course.

2. Handlers must wear clothing, including footwear, appropriate for packing such as hiking boots, shorts or jeans.

b. **Course must include the following mandatory obstacles:** a bridge or ramp, backing, animal manageability (for example, the animal must stand still while the handler checks the bottom of the animal's foot or places or removes items from the pack), flexibility and maneuvering and should simulate natural conditions, such as brush or logs in the pathway or water obstacles.

c. **Second year pack requirements:** In order to advance to second year pack, participants must have placed first in the first-year class at any time in their 4-H career. Llamas and alpacas must carry a pack system or training pack with two cinches, complete with fill material to simulate a full pack loaded for an actual packing trip. It is not required that the panniers be removable. Llamas and alpacas must NOT carry measurable weight beyond the negligible fill materials in their packs. Fill materials can be pillows, pillow forms or other soft items to bulk out the panniers without adding weight. The packs must be the proper scale for the animal's size. Halters, lead ropes and packs should be sound and practical for use in the back country. The handler shall wear clothing including footwear, which is suitable for hiking.

8. **Costume Class:** The animal and handler must be in costume and with a unifying theme. Participants may include a short paragraph to be read by the show announcer describing their costume.

9. **Show Attire:** All showmanship exhibitors must wear black, dark blue or khaki slacks with a white shirt (polo or buttoned) and appropriate footwear such as footwear appropriate for showing. Open toed shoes or sandals are not appropriate. Pack attire should be black, dark blue or khaki slacks with a white shirt (polo or buttoned) and appropriate footwear such as footwear appropriate for packing such as hiking boots.

10. **Performance Champion and Reserve Champion:** The 4-H member who participates in all of his or her division's obstacle, PR and pack classes, using the same animal, and who scores the

highest will be named Performance Champion. The second place finisher named Reserve Champion.