



May 9, 2023

To: 4-H members and advisors with Alpaca and Llama projects

From: Laryssa Hook
Extension Educator
4-H Youth Development

Re: Alpaca and Llama Agreement Forms and Fair Rules

Enclosed you will find information about some of the fairs that you may be participating in this year with your 4-H Project. You will find information for the Delaware County Fair, the Hartford Independent Fair and the Ohio State Fair. Please keep in mind that these are summaries, and the complete listing of the rules will be available once each fair publishes their rule book.

Please note the ID form and copy of lease (if applicable) for the Delaware County Fair is due **postmarked by June 7 to the Delaware County Extension office** or electronically until 11:59 PM at <https://go.osu.edu/delcoalpacaid>. If you submit electronically, do not turn in the hard copy. The Extension office is open 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

Forms turned in on June 8th are late. Late ID forms are accepted for one week with a \$50 late fee. The ID form and picture are mandatory for Delaware County Fair exhibitors.

The other important deadline is fair entries, which are due online by August 25th. You will receive emails from the Extension office in early August with instructions and the link. If you do not meet this deadline, you are not eligible to show.

The alpaca skillathon is on Saturday, September 9th. Deb Bergmann has a study guide set up for you to use. You can also borrow the kit from the Extension office by calling the Extension office at 740-833-2030 to reserve it.

If you have questions, please contact your alpaca/llama advisors or email me. I wish you luck and fun with your project this year!

Enclosures: Alpaca and Llama Fair Information
2023 Delaware County Fair Agreement Form (only if you are not submitting the online form)

Alpaca and Llama Fair Information

Delaware County Fair Alpaca and Llama Show

All 4-H and FFA members who wish to show their alpaca or llama at this year's county fair must possess their alpaca or llama by June 1st. You must submit the Alpaca and Llama agreement form to the Extension Office postmarked by June 7 or submit the on-line form at <https://go.osu.edu/delcoalpacaid> by **11:59 PM June 7**. If you mail the form, please staple a picture of the alpaca or llama to the back of the card, as well as a copy of the registration certificate and a permission to show form and lease agreement, if the animal is not registered in the exhibitor's name.

Project Book Grading Interviews: 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM, Saturday, September 9

Alpaca and Llama Skillathon: 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Saturday, September 9

Exhibitor Meeting: 8:00 AM, Saturday, September 16 in the Junior Fair Show Arena

Shows: Immediately following exhibitor meeting at 8:30 AM for Showmanship classes. At approximately 10:30, the Trail Pack will be held in the Soil Conservation area. Animal performance classes and the costume contest will be at 9:00 AM, Wednesday, September 20 in the Junior Fair Show Arena.

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.
4. All animals must be checked in before 8 a.m. the first Saturday of the fair.
5. Llama and Alpaca exhibits are released on Wednesday after 7 p.m.
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 a trophy for first place and rosettes for 2nd thru 6th place.
10. All exhibitors are expected to be present and arrange for the care of their own animal while exhibiting at the fair.
11. All stalls must be cleaned before the exhibitor leaves on dismissal day.
12. Unless otherwise specified here, Alpaca 4-H classes will follow ALSA 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). If there are less than 6 entries in a section then the age divisions will be combined as one class.
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. Alpacas and llamas 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 Alpaca or llama 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 exhibitor. The exhibitor decides on a theme and dresses him/herself and the Llama or Alpaca 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 Alpaca and Llama 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. Alpacas must wear a pack proportionate in size to their body. A training pack may be used. An exhibitor may show only one animal.

Hartford Independent Fair Junior Llama & Alpaca Show

- You must live in the Hartford Fair District and be in an eligible 4-H club to participate in this fair's Junior Show
- May exhibit up to 6 llamas, max of 6 entries.
- Exhibitors must possess the animals 90 days preceding the fair.
- Alpacas may be entered and placed in llama performance classes.
- Entries are due Saturday, June 26
- This show is haul-in only; temporary stalling available day of show.
- No health papers required, however you must follow state guidelines.

Hartford Fair Open Class Llama & Alpaca Show

- Show is Friday, August 11
- If not eligible to show in the Junior Show, anyone can show in the Open Show.
- Show information is at <https://www.hartfordfair.com/hartford-fair-book>

Ohio State Fair Junior and Open Llama, Alpaca, Fiber Show

- The show rules are posted at <https://www.ohiostatefair.com/p/get-involved/livestock/livestock-competition>
- All entries must be made online by 1:00 PM, June 21, 2023.

2023 Alpaca and Llama Agreement Form

On-line submission and electronic pictures/forms accepted at

<https://go.osu.edu/delcoalpacaid>

OR attach photo of alpaca/llama and a copy of registration certificate and mail this hard copy form. Do not submit this form if you complete the electronic submission.

These signatures certify that the member's animal will be in the member's continual care from June 1st to September 30th of the current project year. Attach picture of animal. Attach lease agreement and permission to show form, if applicable. **I understand that during the above period another animal cannot be substituted for the above animal without the consent of the Fair Advisory Council.**

Exhibitor's Name _____

4-H Club or FFA Chapter _____

Name of Alpaca/Llama _____ Age of animal _____

Parent's Signature _____

Exhibitor's Signature _____

This form must be on file (either electronically thru link above or in hard copy) at the Extension Office by the deadline for eligibility to participate in the Delaware County Fair.

**DUE POSTMARKED BY JUNE 7th to:
OSU EXTENSION, DELAWARE CO.
149 N. SANDUSKY STREET, DELAWARE, OH 43015**