

2011 Sacramento County Fair - Enter Online!

Wool and Fiber Show Complete Rules & Guidelines

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A copy of the State Rules may be obtained through our web site: www.sacfair.com, or by calling our office at (916) 263-2975

Entry Procedure:

Entries must be made on-line, mailed or hand delivered. Entries will not be accepted by fax or e-mail. Entry forms may be photocopied or downloaded from our web site: www.sacfair.com
If you have difficulty downloading forms, please contact our office at (916) 263-2975.

Mailed or Hand Delivered: , attach fees to entry form and mail so that it is postmarked by April 23, 2011, or hand deliver to our office at Cal Expo, 1600 Exposition Blvd., Sacramento, no later than 2:00 p.m. on this date. Make checks payable and mail to:

**Sacramento County Fair
P.O. Box 15028
Sacramento, CA 95851-0028**

Go Paperless!

Online Entry Procedure: Online entries will be accepted from February 15, 2011 through April 30, 2011. Late entries will not be accepted.

Entry Guidelines

1. Entries will not be accepted by fax or e-mail.
2. Late entries will be not be accepted.
3. Full entry fees must accompany all entries.
4. Entry fees are non-refundable. Entry fees for exhibits that are withdrawn or not displayed by the exhibitor will not be refunded. Calculate fees carefully. Overpayments due to calculation errors will not be refunded.
5. A \$17.00 processing fee will apply to checks not honored by the bank.
6. Please be sure all forms are filled out clearly and completely.
7. Fair Management reserves the right to limit exhibits to facilities available and may limit the number of exhibits made by an exhibitor.

8. Fair Management reserves the right to return entries, cancel any division or class, or combine divisions and classes in which, in it's judgment, the entries are insufficient to secure adequate competition.
9. A complete exhibit eligible in more than one division and/or class shall be entered and judged in the division and/or class for which it best qualifies. Fair management reserves the right to make this determination.

Wool and Fiber Show

Open to exhibitors residing in Amador, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano, Sutter, and Yolo Counties.

Credentials

Policy! Parking passes for exhibitors are now available at a rate of \$6/ day or \$25/ for a season pass valid for all 5 days of fair.

Note: The Fair does not supply free parking passes for exhibitors.

Additional parking pass pricing and availability:

1. Exhibitor vehicles may make deliveries prior to 8:30 a.m. on Thursday and Friday and must be in designated parking areas by 9:00 a.m. Deliveries on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday must be made before 9:00 a.m. and must be in designated parking areas by 9:30 a.m. Vehicles on grounds after these times will be towed. **All vehicles parked illegally will be towed away at the owner's expense!**
2. Exhibitor parking passes will be available for purchase at special exhibitor rates from April 23rd through May 25th, at the Fair Office.
3. Reserved Levee Parking Passes are available at Sacramento County Fair Office on Saturday, April 23rd, beginning at 8:00 a.m. All parking passes will be issued in person, and no mailed, faxed or e-mail requests will be accepted. The on grounds parking pass is \$85.00 and space is available by size of vehicle on a first come, first served basis, and cannot be transferred between vehicles. Actual vehicle must be present to be measured and sticker

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to be attached. For more information please call 916-263-2975. Every person in the vehicle must have an admission pass to enter the grounds.

There are a limited number of Reserved Passes available for exhibitors, leaders, or advisors with personal physical mobility restrictions. (The same \$85.00 parking fee applies.) Please contact the fair manager for more information if you feel you may qualify for one of these spaces.

4. R.V. parking is available. Contact Cal Expo at 263-3040. Camping fees are \$35/night per trailer, camper, and motor home (with or without hook ups), with one unit per space. Each person will be assigned a specific numbered camping space. No refund on camping spaces. Limited hook ups are available. Every space sold must have adult supervision throughout the entire fair. The adult that signs the R.V. Registration Form will be held responsible for that space.
5. Parking for livestock trailers is available at no charge in Lot E. Enter Gate 10. No security will be provided.
6. All 4-H Community Leaders, FFA Advisors, Grange Coordinators and 4-H Project Leaders will be required to purchase parking passes.
7. No vehicle will be allowed on grounds before fair closes at 10:00 p. m. on Thursday through Sunday of Fair.

A paid gate will be in effect at the 2011 Sacramento County fair. Gates will be monitored beginning at 6:00 a.m., May 26-30.

8. All livestock exhibitors will receive a wristband allowing access to the fairgrounds. If lost, exhibitor will have to purchase a season pass credential for \$10.
9. Each livestock family will receive ten single admission passes.
10. 4-H Community Leaders and FFA Advisors will complete an admission credential list and submit to the fair manager for approval by May 6th. Admission credentials will be available at the livestock office May 24 through May 25.
11. Exhibitor Credential Pricing: Season admission pass, good for all five days at any gate, \$10. Credentials will be available for purchase at

discounted exhibitor rates April 23rd through May 25th at the fair office.

Liability

1. The owner or custodian of property of any kind brought to Cal Expo 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 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 exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left therein or any other property of any nature whatsoever.
3. Exhibitors, either through appropriate liability insurance or other means satisfactory to the 52nd District Agricultural Association, will defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of California, the Association and the Sacramento fair from any claim arising out of the failure of the exhibitor to exercise control of his or her exhibit. Livestock exhibitor's parents or legal guardian are required to sign a disclaimer on the entry form.
4. All independent livestock exhibitors must provide certificate of general liability insurance \$1,000,000 minimum or purchase insurance through the fair office. \$18 – small animal exhibitor/family, \$35 – large animal exhibitor/family. Call Margie Ewen (916)263-2975 to purchase insurance.

Creative Exhibition Rules

General Rules

1. The Sacramento County Fair is a smoke-free facility. Smoking is not permitted on the fairgrounds.
2. The possession and/or use of alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs by any minor is prohibited on Cal Expo property and will result in immediate expulsion from the Fair and forfeiture of awards, premiums and monies received at auction.
3. Absolutely **NO PETS ALLOWED** in the barn area or on the fairgrounds. **Only animals entered in**

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competitions are allowed on the fairgrounds in designated show areas only!

Exceptions will be made for Service Animals on a leash.

4. Muzzles: No animals will be muzzled while on the fairgrounds.
5. All material and decorations used in an exhibit must be made from a nonflammable material or treated and maintained in a flame-retardant condition.
6. Exhibit Buildings and the Livestock Pavilion will close and be secured at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, 9:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday and 7:00 p.m. on Monday of fair.
7. No skateboards, motor scooters, motorbikes, roller blades, roller skates, bicycles, or golf carts, or similar personal wheeled devices will be allowed on the Cal Expo grounds other than those operated by Fair personnel.
8. Fair Management reserves the right to disqualify and/or remove any exhibit that is not in the best interest of the Fair, including any livestock exhibit which endangers the well being of the public or other animals while at the Fair.
9. Exhibitors, Leaders, Advisors and Parents who violate these rules, or who are found to be involved in unethical or hostile practices with the fair, shall incur penalties that may include (but are not limited to) disqualification, removal from the Fair, forfeiture of awards and ineligibility in future Fair competitions.

During the Fair

1. Please check the individual schedule for each show you are entering. Shows may have different arrival times, judging times, etc. If you are having difficulty with scheduling, Please call Fair Staff at 916-263-2975.
2. 4-H Project leaders, FFA Advisors and parents may provide instruction **only**. Other adults and non-exhibiting juniors are prohibited from assisting any junior exhibitor without permission from the Fair CEO/Fair Manager.

End of the Fair

All exhibits & displays must remain in place until release time, 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 30,

unless otherwise stated.

Definition of Terms

Show.....A group of divisions that make up a category, i.e. Crafts, Art, Photography, etc...

ClassA group of items that are judged together, i.e. Dolls & Toys, Paintings, Cakes, etc...

DivisionGrouping of exhibitors

Entry FormThe form used to register exhibits for competition and display in the Sacramento County Fair.

Entry..... Each instance of an exhibit listed on the entry form.

Entry FeeMonies paid to enter an exhibit. Non-refundable.

ExhibitItem, object or collection of objects entered in a division for competition and display.

Exhibitor The owner of the exhibit residing in Sacramento County and contiguous Counties.

Judging and Awards

Danish System of Judging

Each exhibit will be judged on its own merit. Exhibits are placed depending on values received based on the scorecard. There may be more than one 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. per class.

American System of Judging

Each exhibit is judged against other exhibits in the same class. There is only one 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. in each class.

Best of Class

A Best of Class rosette will be awarded to the exhibit selected as the best 1st place exhibit in each class within each division. Danish System of Judging Only!

Best of Division

A Best of Division rosette will be awarded where there is more than one Division within a show.

Best of Show

Within each show, all Best of Class or Best of Division winners will be considered for Best of Show. Best of Show winners will receive a rosette and \$20.00, unless otherwise noted.

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Awards

1. The judges may disqualify or transfer to the correct division (at his/her discretion) any exhibit that is not a true representative of the division or class in which it is entered.
2. For classes that combine 4-H, FFA , Grange and Independent Junior animals, the judge will designate only one overall highest placing animal, i.e. Champion or Reserve Champion, Best of Breed or Best of Opposite Sex.
3. Checks for monetary awards won will be mailed to the address recorded on the exhibitor's entry form. Be sure your name and address are correct and clearly written on your entry forms. All FFA monetary awards will be mailed to the FFA advisor.
4. Checks become void after 90 days from the date of issue. Requests for checks to be reissued will be subject to a \$35 handling fee. Requests for a check to be reissued after 18 months will be denied.
5. All ribbons will be awarded at time of judging.
6. The judge's decision on awards cannot be protested. Protests will be considered only if there has been a violation of State or Local Rules. All protests must be presented to Management of the Fair in writing within 24 hours of the alleged violation and must be accompanied by a \$100.00 deposit (cash, money order, or certified check), or \$200.00 if the protest relates to a violations of State Rules X-XI, which will be returned if the protest is determined valid. Protests and appropriate action are decided by the Fair Management/Fair Board of Directors. If protests cannot be resolved with the Board of Directors, the Division of Fairs and Expositions may intervene.

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Open Wool and Fiber Show & Sale

Open to exhibitors residing in California, Washington and Oregon

Entry Deadline	Saturday, April 23 (Entry forms must be postmarked on or before this date or hand delivered to our office by 2:00 p.m.)
Entry Fee	\$3.00/fleece (Entry fees are non-refundable. Make checks payable to: Sacramento County Fair) 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. remaining days of fair
Exhibit Delivery Date	Friday, May 20, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Deliver Exhibits to	Cal Expo, Building C
Judging of Exhibits	Prior to Fair
Sale Preview	Thursday, May 26, through Saturday, May 28, until sale begins
Sale Starts	Saturday, May 28, immediately following Sheep to Shawl competition to 7:00 p.m.
Pick-up Exhibits	Monday, May 30, between 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.
Information Contact	Sharon Allen (916) 263-2975 or www.sacfair.com

Entry Maximum:

Each exhibitor is limited to three fleeces per class. (All Species)

Shipping & Delivery:

1. A fleece for show and sale must be properly rolled and placed in a clear plastic bag to be presented for show. Fine wool fleeces may be rolled with paper liners to prevent sticking. Mohair or other goat fleeces do not have to be rolled.
2. Please tag each fleece entered with the following information:
Exhibitor's name, Division, Class, specie, breed & sex of animal, asking price per pound or NOT FOR SALE, and return shipping information.
Either securely tape the information to the outside of the bag or place inside the bag. The Fair will not be responsible for incorrectly labeled fleeces.
3. No fleeces with mothballs will be allowed. Please air your fleeces prior to sending or they will be disqualified.
4. Fleeces may be shipped, prepaid, to:
**Sacramento County Fair
1600 Exposition Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95815**
Local fleeces may be hand delivered to the above address between 3 and 7 p.m. on Friday, May 20, 2011. A paper carton is best for shipping. United Parcel Service is the fastest and least expensive way to ship the fleeces.

5. Fleeces that are not in our office by 7:00 p.m. on May 20, 2011, will not be allowed in the show.

Wool Show Rules & Guidelines:

1. If more than one fleece is entered, each fleece must be listed separately on the Entry Form.
2. Only fleeces in the grease are eligible for competition. Dealers and manufacturers are excluded.
3. Fleeces must not be more than 12-month's growth, as commonly accepted by the wool industry. If a fleece is actually slightly more than 12-month's growth due to unavoidable delays in shearing (i.e. weather or shearer availability), it will be termed a "12-month" fleece.
4. All fleeces must have belly wool and tags removed. Fleeces not in compliance will be disqualified.
5. Wether fleeces may be entered in Wether fleece divisions only.
6. Black faced ewes will show in Market Division only.
7. All fleeces entered must have been sheared from sheep owned by the exhibitor. Fleeces must have been shorn after September 1, 2010, unless otherwise noted.

Special Alpaca Rules

8. Only raw prime blanket fleece may be entered.
9. Fleeces may not exceed 14 months growth since last shearing.

Special Llama Rules

10. Fleeces shall be sheared, not brushed and consist of the prime fiber from either the barrel or the full blanket.

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11. Fleece shall be shorn within 2 years of the date of the fair and the lock structure shall be intact.
12. Fleeces may not be washed after shearing or have crème rinse or chemicals applied prior to or after shearing.
13. Guard hairs may not be removed.
14. Desired length of fiber up through 24 months:
Minimum of 3 inch undercoat
Desired length of fiber 25 months: and older:
Minimum of 3 inch undercoat
Maximum staple length of 8 inches, including guard hairs.

Judging:

1. The fair and/or judges reserve the right to move fleeces into the proper class or division prior to judging or to combine classes where entries (two or fewer exhibitors or entries) are insufficient to secure adequate competition.
2. The Sacramento County Wool Show is a handspinner's show. Handspinning characteristics of the fleece are the primary judging criteria. Judges may carefully unroll a fleece to examine it completely.
3. Fleeces will be judged based on the following characteristics:
 - a. Quality of fineness.
 - b. Evenness of quality or fineness among the various parts of the fleece.
 - c. Length and strength of staple.
 - d. Estimated clean weight.
 - e. Condition.
 - f. Character, including crimp and color.
4. Any fleece with the following characteristics may be disqualified:
 - a. Showing any paint or tar brands (soluble branding fluids are acceptable).
 - b. Showing a weak staple or break in the fiber.
 - c. Containing any excess burrs or other vegetable matter.
5. All judges' decisions are final.

Awards

1st place	\$10 + Ribbon
2nd place	\$8 + Ribbon
3rd place	\$5 + Ribbon

Wool Sale Rules & Guidelines:

1. Only fleeces deemed spinning quality by the judge

will be sold at the Wool Sale. Fleeces that do not qualify for the wool sale, and have not been donated to the Fair, will be shipped back to the exhibitor COD immediately after the judging.

2. If you would like your fleece to be available for purchase in the Wool Sale, please state the price on the Entry Form as price per pound. If fleece is not to be sold, please mark NFS on the entry form. If neither of these options are selected, the fleece will not be sold.
3. You must indicate in the space provided on your Entry Form what you would like done with the fleece in the event that it does not sell. The following options are available:
 - a. You may donate your fleece to the fair for educational purposes.
 - b. You may request that we ship your fleece back to you COD.
If neither option is selected, the fleece will be return shipped COD.
4. Fleeces sold at the sale may be removed when purchased with the exception of Champions.
5. Champion fleeces must remain on display until 7:00 p.m. Monday May 30, 2011.
6. Checks will be mailed to the exhibitor within 30 days of the close of the fair.
7. A 10% commission will be retained by the Fair for all fleeces sold.
8. We will accept checks, credit cards, or cash.
9. Sale of Wool will begin Saturday, immediately following the completion of the Sheep to Shawl competition, and continue until 7:00 p.m. The Sale will be open from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. the remaining days of fair.

Sheep Wool

White Wool

(Purebred White Sheep Only, Ewes and Rams)

Divisions

Division 4520 White Wool

Classes

Class 1 Fine Combing 64's and higher

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- Class 2 Medium Combing, 50's – 62's
Class 3 Long Wool Breed
Class 4 Double Coated (Karaku/Navajo)
White and colored fleeces will show together

Awards:

- ChampionRosette
Reserve ChampionRosette

Market Ewe

(from Blackfaced, Grade or Commercial Sheep)

Divisions

- Division 4521 Market Ewe (from Blackfaced, Grade or Commercial Sheep)

Classes

- Class 1 Fine Combing 64's and higher
Class 2 Medium Combing, 50's – 62's
Class 3 Low Combing, Common and Braid, 36's – 48's

Awards:

- Champion Market EweRosette
Reserve Champion Market EweRosette

Natural Colored Wool

(Ewes & Rams)

Divisions

- Division 4522 Natural Colored Wool

Solid Black Classes

- Class 1 Fine combing 64's and higher
Class 2 Medium Combing, 50's – 62's
Class 3 Long Wool Breeds

Awards:

- Champion Solid BlackRosette
Reserve Champion Solid BlackRosette

Solid Color Other Than Black Classes

- Class 7 Fine combing 64's and higher
Class 8 Medium Combing, 50's - 62's
Class 9 Long wool Breeds

Awards:

- Champion Solid Color not BlackRosette
Reserve Champion Solid Color not Black ...Rosette

Variegated (showing lots of variation in color) Classes

- Class 13 Fine Combing 64's and higher
Class 14 Medium Combing, 50's - 62's
Class 15 Long Wool Breeds

Awards:

- Champion VariegatedRosette
Reserve Champion VariegatedRosette

Grand Champion

(Sheep):

Overall Champion in each division is eligible for Grand Champion.

- Grand Champion\$50 + Rosette
Reserve Grand Champion.....\$25 + Rosette

Wether Fleece

Divisions

- Division 4523 Wether Fleece

Fleece may be from any breed. The wether fleece is not eligible for grand champion.

Classes

- Class 1 White Wool
Class 2 Colored Wool

Awards:

- Best Wether FleeceRosette

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Goat Fiber

Please Note:

1. Enter all Goat Fleeces in a clear plastic bag.
Fleeces do not have to be rolled.
2. Only unwashed fleeces may be entered.
3. Colored fleeces must show distinct color.

Mohair

(From purebred goats only)

Divisions

Division 4524 Mohair

Classes

Class 1	White Mohair Kid
Class 2	White Mohair Yearling Doe
Class 3	White Mohair Aged Doe
Class 4	White Mohair Wether
Class 5	Colored Mohair Kid
Class 6	Colored Mohair Yearling Doe
Class 7	Colored Mohair Aged Doe
Class 8	Colored Mohair Wether

Awards:

Champion Mohair	Rosette
Reserve Champion Mohair	Rosette

Cashmere

(From purebred goats only, any age)

Divisions

Division 4525 Cashmere

Classes

Class 1	Combed Doe
Class 2	Combed Buck
Class 3	Combed Wether
Class 4	Shorn Doe
Class 5	Shorn Buck
Class 6	Shorn Wether
Class 7	Aged Doe
Class 8	Aged Buck
Class 9	Aged Wether

Awards:

Champion Cashmere	Rosette
Reserve Champion Cashmere	Rosette

Pygora

(Any age in each group)

Divisions

Division 4526 Pygora

Classes

Class 1	Type A – Doe
Class 2	Type A – Wether
Class 3	Type B – Doe
Class 4	Type B – Wether
Class 5	Type C – Doe
Class 6	Type C – Wether

Awards:

Champion Pygora	Rosette
Reserve Champion Pygora	Rosette

Grand Champion Goat:

(combined breeds)

Overall Champion in each division is eligible for Grand Champion.

Grand Champion	\$50 & Rosette
Reserve Grand Champion	\$25 & Rosette

All Other Fiber

Alpaca

Divisions

Division 4527 Alpaca

Classes

Class 1	White: less than 2 years of age
Class 2	White: 2 years of age and over
Class 3	Light and Fawn: less than 2 years of age

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Class 4	Light and Fawn: 2 years of age plus
Class 5	Dark and Black: under 2 years of age
Class 6	Dark and Black: 2 years of age plus
Class 7	Gray and Indefinite: under 2 years of age
Class 8	Gray and Indefinite: 2 years of age +

Awards:

Champion Alpaca	Rosette
Reserve Champion Alpaca.....	Rosette

Llama

Divisions

Division 4528	Llama
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Classes

Class 1	Double Coated: less than 2 years of age
Class 2	Double Coated: 2 years of age and over
Class 3	Single Coat: less than 2 years of age
Class 4	Single Coat: 2 years of age and over

Awards:

Champion Llama	Rosette
Reserve Champion Llama	Rosette

Rabbit

Divisions

Division 4529	Rabbit Fiber
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Classes

Class 1	White Shorn - Angora
Class 2	White Plucked or combed - Angora
Class 3	Colored Shorn - Angora
Class 4	Colored Plucked or combed - Angora
Class 5	All White Fuzzy Lop
Class 6	All Colored Fuzzy Lop

Awards:

Champion Rabbit	Rosette
Reserve Champion Rabbit	Rosette

Miscellaneous Mammal Fiber

(Cat, dog, cattle, horse, yak)

Divisions

Division 4530	Miscellaneous Fiber
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Classes

Class 1	White
Class 2	Colored

Awards:

Champion Miscellaneous	Rosette
Reserve Champion Miscellaneous	Rosette

Grand Champion All Other

Fiber:

(combined breeds)

Grand Champion	\$50 & Rosette
Reserve Grand Champion	\$25 & Rosette

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Handspun Yarn Show

Open to exhibitors residing in California, Washington and Oregon

Judge	TBA
Entry Deadline	Saturday, April 23 (Entry forms must be postmarked on or before this date or hand delivered to our office by 2:00 p.m.)
Entry Fee	\$2.00/entry (Entry fees are non-refundable. Make checks payable to: Sacramento County Fair)
Exhibit Delivery Date	Friday, May 20, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Deliver Exhibits to	Cal Expo, Building C
Pick-up Exhibits	Monday, May 30, between 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.
Information Contact	Sharon Allen (916) 263-2975 or www.sacfair.com

Entry Maximum:

- Each exhibitor is limited to three entries per class.

Shipping & Delivery:

1. For each entry please package skein, un-spun sample and 3" x 5" information card together securely (see Spun Fiber Rules & Guidelines for more information). Multiple entries may be shipped together if packaged in this manner.
2. Handspun entries may be shipped, prepaid, to:

**Sacramento County Fair
1600 Exposition Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95815**

Local entries may be hand delivered to the above address on May 20, 2011 between 3:00 and 7:00 p.m. Entries that are not in our office by 7:00 p.m. on May 20, 2011 will not be allowed in the show.

3. Return Handling. Local entries may be picked up after 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 30.

Return Shipping: Please provide a self addressed label for all returns. No PO Box numbers as packages will be shipped COD. If there are multiple entries from one exhibitor, the items will be combined into one package.

4. All unclaimed skeins will become property of the fair.

Spun Fiber Rules & Guidelines:

1. Yarn must be entered as a skein. Each skein must be a minimum of 50 yards or 1 ounce and be tied in 4 places
2. Each skein must be accompanied by a sample of un-spun fleece, fiber or roving/sliver.
3. In addition to the un-spun sample, a 3" x 5" card

with the following information **MUST** accompany each skein:

- Name of Exhibitor
- Class & Division in which skein is being entered
- Number of ply
- Fiber content, including breed and grade (if known). Also, if more than one fiber is used please give approximate percentage of each.
- If entry was spun in the grease (unwashed) please note that on the card.
- Type (brand) of dye and process used for dyed fiber. If using a natural dye, the mordant used must be specified.
- Intended use for the yarn.
- Any other information about the yarn in regard to content or techniques used in the preparation.
- **OPTIONAL:** If the fiber has been used, you may include a 3" x 3" swatch of the used spun fiber.

4. Dyed fibers must have been dyed by exhibitor (except class 10). If entering dyed fiber, natural or chemical dyes may be used. If using a natural dye, the mordant used must be specified.

Judging:

1. The judges reserve the right to move yarn into the proper class or division prior to judging.
2. All judges' decisions are final.

Awards (Handspun Yarn):

1st place	\$10 + Ribbon
2nd place.....	\$8 + Ribbon
3rd place.....	\$5 + Ribbon

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Spun Yarn Sale Rules & Guidelines:

1. If you would like your spun yarn to be available for purchase in the Wool Sale, please state the price on the Entry Form as price for the entire skein. If the skein will not be sold, please mark NSF on the entry form. If neither of these options is selected, the skein will not be sold.
2. You must indicate in the space provided on your Entry Form what you would like done with the skein in the event that it does not sell. The following options are available:
 - a. You may donate your skein to the fair for educational purposes.
 - b. You may request that we ship your skein back to you COD.If neither option is selected, the fleece will be shipped COD.
3. Yarn sold at the sale may be removed when purchased with the exception of Champions.
4. Champion Yarn must remain on display until 7:00 p.m. Monday May 30, 2011.
5. Checks will be mailed to the exhibitor within 30 days of the close of the fair.
6. A 10% commission will be retained by the Fair for all skeins sold.
7. We will accept checks, credit cards, or cash.
8. Sale of Wool will begin Saturday, immediately following the completion of the Sheep to Shawl competition, and continue until 7:00 p.m. The Sale will be open from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. the remaining days of fair.

Yarn Spun from Mammal Fibers

Divisions

Division 4550	Mammal Fiber, singles
Division 4551	Mammal Fiber, plied

Classes

Class 1	Washed Natural Colored Wool
Class 2	Washed White Wool
Class 3	Mohair
Class 4	Cashmere or other Goat Fiber
Class 5	Angora Rabbit
Class 6	Llama/Alpaca/Cameloid Fiber
Class 7	Blended (wool, mohair, angora, silk or cameloid in any combination)

Class 8	Natural-Dyed
Class 9	Synthetic-Dyed (commercial dye)
Class 10	Commercial-Dyed: roving or slivers only (dyed by commercial processor)
Class 11	Any Other Mammal Fiber, by itself or blended with wool, mohair, angora, silk or cameloid in any combination.
Class 12	Yarn for Stitchery

Plyed Only Classes

Class 13	Novelties (see note below)
Class 14	Sock Yarn (1 ply can be synthetic commercial spun fiber)

Yarn Spun from Non-Mammal Fibers

Divisions

Division 4552	Yarn Spun from Non-Mammal Fibers
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Classes

Class 1	Silk
Class 2	Plant Fiber (Natural fibers such as cotton, ramie, hemp, linen, etc.)

Spindle Spun Yarn

Divisions

Division 4553	Spindle Spun Yarn
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Classes

Class 1	All Entries
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Novelty Yarn

Handspun wool, goat fiber or rabbit angora is the main yarn and not the binder yarn. The binder or core yarn may be any fiber you choose including commercial spun yarn or thread. Other added effects such as beads may be used. Plying methods should be non-standards and unusual techniques should be used

Awards

Best of Show\$20.00 + Rosette

Entry Maximum:

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Handcrafted Show

Open to exhibitors residing in California, Washington and Oregon.

Entry Deadline	Saturday, April 23 (Entry forms must be postmarked on or before this date or hand delivered to our office by 2:00 p.m.)
Entry Fee	\$2.00/entry (Entry fees are non-refundable. Make checks payable to: Sacramento County Fair)
Exhibit Delivery Date	Friday, May 20, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Deliver Exhibits to	Cal Expo, Building C
Pick-up Exhibits	Monday, May 30, between 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.
Information Contact	Sharon Allen (916) 263-2975 or www.sacfair.com

Each exhibitor is limited to three entries per class.

Entry Rules & Guidelines:

1. Entries without fees attached will not be accepted.
2. Incomplete entry forms or forms that cannot be read will not be accepted.

Shipping & Delivery:

1. For each entry please package entry, un-spun sample and 3" x 5" information card together securely (see Spun Fiber Rules & Guidelines for more information). Multiple entries may be shipped together if packaged in this manner.
2. Handcraft entries may be shipped, prepaid, to:
Sacramento County Fair
1600 Exposition Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95815
Local entries may be hand delivered to the above address on May 20, 2011 between 3 and 7 p.m. Entries that are not in our office by 7:00 p.m. on May 20, 2011 will not be allowed in the show.
3. Return Handling
Local entries may be picked up after 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 30.
Return Shipping: Please provide a self addressed label for all returns. No PO Box numbers as packages will be shipped COD. If there are multiple entries from one exhibitor, the items will be combined into one package.
4. All unclaimed items will become property of the fair.

Handcrafted Rules and Guidelines:

Only items made of Handspun yarn may be used in this show. Handspun yarns must meet the criteria of the Spun Yarn Section.

1. Please include a small sample of the yarn used and of the unspun fiber. Attach both to the 3" x 5" card described below. Your item will not be judged if the sample is not included.
2. Please include the following information on the 3" x 5" card:
 - Name of Exhibitor
 - Division and Class
 - Type of Fiber
 - Breed or Grade (fine medium, course) of .. sheep, if known
 - Source, if dyed
 - Intended Use
 - Source of fleece
3. It is helpful to the judge if you would describe the method of preparation of the fiber. The more information you can give the judge helps the judge evaluate your entry. You may use both sides of the card for your description/information.
4. Hand-woven entries, other than handspun wool yarns may be used in non-visible warp only. Visible warp/ weft must be 100% handspun.
5. For rugs, commercial warp threads may be used as long as they are only visible as fringe or bound warp finish.
6. Handcraft items may be knitted, crocheted, or woven.

Awards

1st place	\$10 + Ribbon
2nd place	\$8 + Ribbon
3rd place	\$5 + Ribbon

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Sheep-to-Shawl Contest

Open to exhibitors residing in California, Washington and Oregon.

Judge	TBA
Entry Deadline	Saturday, April 23 (Entry forms must be postmarked on or before this date or hand delivered to our office by 2:00 p.m.)
Entry Fee	\$25.00/team (Entry fees are non-refundable. Make checks payable to: Sacramento County Fair)
Contest Date	Saturday, May 28, 10:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
Contest Location	Cal Expo, Building C
Pick-up Exhibits	Monday, May 30, between 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.
Information Contact	Sharon Allen (916) 263-2975 or www.sacfair.com

Purpose: to demonstrate to the public how fibers were traditionally processed and how clothing was made in the past.

Rules and Requirements:

1. **Team:** Each team will consist of 6 members: 1 weaver, 3 spinners, 1 pleyer and 1 gofer. All team members can help with fiber preparation and tying fringe at any time. The team members may change tasks during the competition, but will keep the same number of jobs at all times. The gofer role is defined as the team member who answers questions and interacts with the public so that the other members can concentrate on their tasks. If desired, the gofer may be assigned time slots to speak to the public about their team history. When not talking to the public, the gofer may help their fellow team members. Keep in mind that the Fair's primary purpose is to educate the public and promote appreciation for wool and its crafts.
2. Each team will supply all its own equipment. (i.e., spinning wheel, pre-warped loom, shuttles, bobbin winders, hand cards or flickers)
3. No drum carders, pickers or electric equipment.
4. The theme for this year's shawl is "Put some Bling in your Life". You must include a non-natural reflective material into your weft. You may also include some in the warp. For example - glitz, Angelina, metallic thread, sequins or similar materials that reflect the light.
5. Each team will supply their own fiber for warp yarn. Warp can be made of any, or combination of any, natural protein, i.e., wool, silk, mohair, angora, alpaca, llama, cashmere, etc. Fiber can be natural white, natural colored or hand dyed. Warp yarn can be singles or plied – minimum 8 ends per inch, however 6 ends per inch will be allowed for to compensate special designs. The warp may be commercial or handspun. An additional 15 points will be awarded for handspun warp. If handspun, a sample of the pre-spun fiber **MUST** be provided at the competition. If dyed, a sample of pre-dyed and dyed fiber must be available.
6. Pre-warp loom (may be handspun, dyed or natural) at no fewer than eight ends per inch.
7. Raw wool will be shipped to each team 1 month prior to the show. This wool should be washed and, if desired, dyed. No other pre-processing will be allowed.
8. All equipment must arrive at the fair between 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. and be set up by 9:45 a.m. Vehicles are not allowed on the grounds after 9:00 a.m. The contest will begin at 10:00 a.m. and nothing can be added once the contest begins. Only team members will be permitted in the work area. Team members may not leave the work area during competition unless given permission by the judge. There will be a 45 minute lunch break at 1:00 p.m.
9. The competition will begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 3:45 p.m. Any shawl not completed by 3:45 p.m. will not be eligible for ribbons or prizes.
10. The handspun weft yarn may not exceed 3 times the diameter of the warp yarn.
11. The completed shawl must be a minimum of 18 inches wide and 72 inches long, excluding fringe. (Points will be deducted for being shorter.)
12. Shawls may be auctioned off. The Fair is

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considering a live or silent auction. More information to come.

13. Space for the competition is limited and we must limit the number of teams to five. Please apply early. The contest will not be held with less than three teams.

Divisions

Division 4670 Sheep to Shawl

Classes

Class 1 All Entries

Awards:

1 st Place	\$200
2 nd Place	\$150
3 rd Place	\$80
4 th Place	\$50
5 th Place	\$25
Special Awards:	pending

Scoring:

- A. Team Work, 20 points possible
1. Costume, 5 points
 2. Sign, 5 points
 3. Promptness, 5 points
 4. Spirit in the contest situation, 5 points
- B. Spinners, 50 points possible
1. Choice of each fiber, both warp and weft, 10 points
 2. Preparation (washing and/or dyeing), 5 points
 3. Consistency in twist, team and individual, 5 points
 4. Consistency in gauge, both warp and weft, 10 points
 5. Plying, 5 points.
 6. Originality (nobility of yarn structure or color), 5 points.
 7. Use of non-natural reflective material, 10 points.
- C. Weaver, 15 points possible
1. Even selvages, 5 points

2. Consistency beat, 5 points
 3. Absence of faulty floats, 5 points
- D. Design, 20 points possible
1. Originality, 5 points
 2. Weave structure, 5 points
 3. Sett, 5 points
 4. Design (appropriate for use), 5 points
- E. Overall, total possible for event – 150 points
1. Time finished: 1st – 10 points, 2nd finished – 9 points, etc
 2. Size deductions: 5 points each for length, width and/or fringe
 3. Fringe: length and finish, 5 points each
 4. Handspun warp: 15 points

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“California’s Best” Spinning Contest

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Entry Deadline	Saturday, April 23 (Entry forms must be postmarked on or before this date or hand delivered to our office by 2:00 p.m.)
Entry Fee	\$2.00/entry (Entry fees are non-refundable. Make checks payable to: Sacramento County Fair)
Contest Date	Sunday, May 29, 10:00 a.m.
Contest Location	Cal Expo, Building C
Information Contact	Sharon Allen (916) 263-2975 or www.sacfair.com

Event Description

In each task, points are awarded based 70% on length of yarn, 20% on quality and 10% on creativity, costume, artistry or attitude. Contestants may enter one, some or all classes. Awards and points will be given for each class. The Spinner accumulating the most points overall will be named “California’s Best Spinner”. In order to be named Best Spinner, it will be necessary to participate in most or all of the events in order to accumulate enough points. Classes contributing to the “California’s Best Spinner” include Longest Thread, Strategic Spinning, Creative Spinning, and Spinner’s Triathlon

This is a “fun” event. It is to show the public that spinning is enjoyable and relaxing. What you accomplish really does not matter to the normal spinner, but because this is a contest you are working towards a goal that is not part of what the normal spinner does. So, regardless of the out-come, please make the public aware of the potential that is available to them. There will be something for every contestant.

Each spinner must supply a spinning wheel or spindle

Points awarded per task as follows. The person with the highest number of points after finishing all four classes will be the over all winner and “California’s Best Spinner”.

1st Place	25 points
2nd Place	20 points
3rd Place	15 points
4th Place	10 points
5th Place	5 points

Warm-up Spin: 10:00 a.m.

Longest Thread

10:30 a.m.

Contestant will be given 10 grams of carded wool and allowed to spin for 15 minutes. Yarn will be judged for length and quality, as well as amount of fiber used. White long or medium wool.

Divisions

Division 4680 Longest Thread
(Required for California’s Best Spinner Contest)

Classes

Class 1 Wheel spinner
Class 2 Drop Spindle spinner

Strategic Spinning

11:15 a.m.

Spinners will need to determine the best weight to spin a given fiber within 30 minutes and produce the maximum yardage. Spinners are given one ounce of mystery fiber and must spin ALL fibers within 30 minutes. Contestants not finished within the allotted time will lose points based on the weight remaining un-spun. Winner is determined by the maximum yardage from a given fiber. Colored wash, long or medium wool.

Divisions

Division 4681 Strategic Spinning
(Required for California’s Best Spinner Contest)

Classes

Class 1 Wheel spinner
Class 2 Drop Spindle spinner

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Creative Spinning

12:00 noon

Each Contestant will be given, at random, 3 small bags with varied fibers/color. Contestants shall have 30 minutes to design and spin a designer yarn. Hand cards, wool combs and flickers may all be used for preparation. Contestants will be asked to write a description of their yarn and suggest how it might be used. Entries will be judged by the quality of yarn spun, amount of fiber used, design interest and written description. White and colored (natural or dyed) and black.

Divisions

Division 4682 Creative Spinning:
(Required for California’s Best spinner Contest)

Classes

Class 1 Wheel spinner
Class 2 Drop Spindle spinner

12:45 – 1:15 p.m. – Lunch Break

Spinner’s Triathlon

1:30 p.m.

This is a three part competition:

Task #1 – Spin for 3 minutes

Task #2 – Spin for 3 minutes wearing rubber gloves

Task #3 – Spin for 3 minutes blindfolded (blindfolds provided)

White

Divisions

Division 4683 Spinner’s Triathlon Required
for California’s Best Spinner Contest)

Classes

Class 1 Wheel spinner
Class 2 Drop Spindle spinner

Awards

1st PlaceRosette, \$25
2nd PlaceRosette, \$15
3rd PlaceRosette, \$10

Team Spinning

2:15 p.m.

In this competition, the goal is to be the first over the finish line. Each team shall supply a spinning wheel. One person treadles and another person stands and drafts, pulling backward (the yard does not wind on). The team whose drafter crosses the 50 yard finish line first is the winner.

Divisions

Division 4684 Team spinning

Classes

Class 1 All exhibitors

Awards

1st PlaceRosette, \$25
2nd PlaceRosette, \$15
3rd PlaceRosette, \$10

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Only complete, legible entries will be accepted!

Open Wool & Fiber Show Entry Form

This form may be copied, additional entries may be submitted on a separate form. The entry procedure can be found under Entry Guidelines in the Wool & Fiber Show Complete Rules & Guidelines

Exhibitor Information:

First Name _____ Last Name _____
 Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
 Shipping Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
 Phone (____) _____ Email _____

Age if Exhibitor is under 18 years old _____

Entry	Division	Class	Sex if applicable	Price/NFS* Indicate per item, skein, etc.	If No Sale* Instructions	Entry Fee
#1						
#2						
#3						
#4						
#5						
#6						
#7						
#8						
Parking			# of Daily Passes @ \$6 _____	# of Season Passes @ \$25 _____	Total Parking	_____

**If applicable, specify "Donate to Fair" or "Ship COD" in case of item not selling*

Total Payment (\$) _____

Please accept the entries (property) described herein. I am the owner of the property specified herein or the supervisor of the project with the authorization to act as agent and to bind with owners of the property in all matters herein. I have read, understood, and agree to abide by all of the rules and regulations governing the Fair entries as published in the official Entry Book. I agree to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the Fair, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all claims and losses occurring or resulting to any and all persons in connection with my participation in the Fair from any and all claims and losses to any person, firm or corporation who may be injured or damaged as a result of my participation.

Exhibitor's Signature _____

All Entry Forms are due in our office by 2:00 p.m., April 23, 2011. They must be hand delivered or postmarked by that date. Online Entries accepted through April 30, 2011.

Sacramento County Fair
P.O. Box 15028
Sacramento, CA 95851-0028
(916) 263-2975

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature (if under 18) _____

Form must be signed with appropriate signatures in order to be processed