RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. 4-H Old MacDonald’s Farm continues a long history with Bangor State Fair of giving fair visitors a friendly place to learn about livestock animals that are often found on Maine farms and the food system. We seek exhibits from 4-H families that show grown animals with their offspring and a representative selection of 4-H livestock project animals that are not housed in other barns at the fair. We welcome youth and adult volunteers who will help care for the animals and educate fair visitors during the time the fair is open to the public. If you want to help with this, please sign up with Stephanie 299-0563 for a time period.

2. Completed Information Sheets must be submitted to: Stephanie Spencer, 4-H Old MacDonald’s Representative, 307 Maine Ave. Bangor, ME 04401 by July 14, 2023. If you have questions, please give Stephanie a call at 299-0563. Space is limited. All entries must be pre-approved by the 4-H Representative.

3. Exhibited animals must arrive between 12:00 PM and 6:00 PM on Wednesday, August 2nd, 2023. All entries must be pre-approved by the Livestock Superintendent no later than Friday, July 28 at 5:00 PM.

4. All animals must meet the health requirements for exhibition of the State of Maine. Feed, bedding and care will be furnished for those animals exhibited in Old MacDonald’s Farm, but feed and water dishes are to be provided by owner.

5. The Bangor State Fair reserves the right to accept or reject any entry. The gratuity list, having the approval of the Bangor State Fair, will not be changed without their consent. The Bangor State Fair further reserves the right to interpret any rule or statement herein and to amend and to add to these rules.

6. Bangor State Fair will pay gratuities as soon after the close of the 2023 fair as possible.

7. Bangor State Fair and the Penobscot County 4-H Leader’s Association will under no circumstances be liable or responsible for any losses, injuries or damages sustained to or by any owner, their agents or employees and/or livestock entered in any event or while participating in such event or on the grounds. All risks of loss, injury, damage or destruction to person, property and/or livestock are assumed in full by such owner, their agents, servants and employees whether caused by active or passive negligence, condition of the premises or any other reason or cause whatsoever. All owners do hereby unreservedly and without exception agree to hold the BANGOR STATE FAIR and the Penobscot County 4-H Leader’s Association harmless from any loss, costs or damages caused by them arising from any occurrence in which they or their property or animals or any of them may be involved while on the premises of Bangor State Fair.

8. All poultry must have a certificate to show they have been pullorum-typhoid tested and rated clean. The test is good for 1 year. This testing must be done by a State certified tester and the testing must be done at the farm or place where birds are housed.

9. A copy of current Coggins Test (within past 12 months for horses coming from out of state and within last 3 years for instate), proof of rabies shot, and proof of EHV-1 and Equine Influenza (must be administered within six months of event). Horse owners may, however, administer their own EHV-1 and Equine Influenza inoculations and a sales receipt will be sufficient evidence for proof of vaccination. Proof must be submitted to the coordinator prior to bringing horse to fair.
10. **All sheep and goats must have scrapies tags.** Go to https://www.maine.gov/dacf/ahw/animal_health/documents/Mandatory-Scrapie-Tag-InitialOrder-Follow-Up-Letter-ME.pdf for more information.

11. All animals must remain on the fairgrounds until 4:00 PM on **Sunday, August 6.** They should be removed by 6:00 PM. Any animals leaving the fairgrounds before this time, without prior approval of the coordinator, could result in loss of gratuity.

12. **Owners are responsible for providing feed and water dishes for their animals.** The exception to this is the individually caged chickens. We will provide appropriate containers for these.

   Premiums are listed on the next page; followed by the required Information Sheet.
Old MacDonald’s Farm Gratuities

**CLASS**
1. Sow and litter ........................................ $100
2. Llama or Alpaca ........................................ $50
3. Cow and unweaned calf.............................. $40
4. Horses and ponies .................................... $35
5. Donkey .................................................. $35
6. Goats .................................................... $30
7. Sheep .................................................... $30
8. Ducks ..................................................... $10
9. Rabbits .................................................. $5
10. Geese .................................................. $10
11. Poultry-Hen ........................................... $5
12. Poultry-Rooster ....................................... $5
13. Poultry pair (hen & rooster of same breed)..... $10
14. Guinea Fowl ........................................... $10
15. Guinea Pigs ........................................... $5
16. Specials
   a. Large Animals ...................................... $35
   b. Small Animals (no ferrets) ...................... $10
   c. Flock of Chickens (at least 10, no flocks of babies under 4 mos.)...$20
17. Pheasants ............................................ $20
18. Pigeons .............................................. $10
19. Turkeys ............................................... $10

- Gratuities are for each display. For example, two sheep in a pen are one display.
- Any animal displaying young receives an additional $5.00 gratuity.
- All males (except small animals and birds) over 6 months of age must be neutered.
- All birds must be NPIP tested according to state laws.
- OMF staff reserves the right to limit the number of displays from any commodity to ensure adequate housing and a variety of animals for the public to enjoy.