



LIVESTOCK SHOW NEWSLETTER

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Happy Spring! We hope everyone is finding the perfect project for the 2018 California Mid-State Fair. Remember DNA kits for Market Hogs, Market Sheep and Meat Goats must be purchased no later than **May 23rd by 4:00PM.** These DNA kits are due back to the fairgrounds no later than **May 25th at 4:00PM.**

Have you heard?! Exhibitors are able to enter and show two market animals this year! Yes, you still can only auction off one large animal (Market Steer, Market Hog, Market Sheep, or Meat Goat) plus one small animal entry (Pen of Market Broilers, Pen of Meat Rabbits, or Market Turkey). We know many exhibitors are concerned about what they will do with the second large animal after the fair has ended. Fear not, exhibitors may cosign the second Market Hog, Market Sheep or Meat Goat entry to go on the truck to the harvesting facility. Exhibitors will receive a check for market value of their animal less the fees and 7.25% Commission. Market Value will be determined as on July 28, 2018 for each species respectively. Market Steers are not eligible to be consigned for resale value, all second entry Market Steers become the exhibitors' responsibility to load out of the fairgrounds on Sunday July 29th 2018.

New this year! **All entries will be collected online.** We know this may sound scary to some, so we here at the fairgrounds have elected to set up training seminars. Stay tuned for more information to come on this!

The California Mid-State Fair is dedicated to educating our exhibitors to ensure animal welfare is at the forefront of our show. Please be aware all exhibitors of small and large animals (excluding Primary members) **will be required to take the 2018 San Luis Obispo County Storm Water Survey** as well as the **YQCA Quality Assurance Training Program.** The training cost is \$12 and exhibitors will need to complete training before entering online for the 2018 California Mid-State Fair. The program will generate a confirmation certificate number, that number will be required before an exhibitor can submit their online entries. The training can be taken by following this link: <https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Create>. The San Luis Obispo County Storm Water Survey can be found at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2018SLOSWS1> the first survey must be completed by June 12, 2018. A second Storm Water Survey must be completed between July 29th-August 5th 2018 a link will be available on the last day of the fair.

The Competition Handbook is now available online at: <https://www.midstatefair.com/fair/livestock-enter.php#entrybook>

All the Best,

The Livestock Staff