



## 2025 Summary of Rule Changes

|     | Summary of Rule Change                                                  | Proposed Rule Language                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Department  | Page    |
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| 1.  | Livestock and Horse judging and Skillathon registration deadline change | Livestock and Horse Judging and Skillathon registration deadline moved to December 10                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Deadline    | 4       |
| 2.  | Schedule changes                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Schedule    | 6 & 7   |
| 3.  | No dual entry                                                           | Exhibitor may not enter one animal in more than one division, e.g. junior heifer cannot be entered in prospect cattle and a steer cannot be entered into both Market and Prospect (exception #1: A heifer may be entered in both the Junior Heifer and Open Cattle Departments; #2: All Arizona animals will be automatically entered in their respective Best Arizona Department(s); #3: If a Prospect steer weighs more than 999, and has an valid DNA kit on file, it may be moved to the Market Steer Division; #4: If a Market steer weighs less than 1000 lbs, it may be moved to the Prospect Cattle Division). | General     | 10      |
| 4.  | Champion and reserve selection                                          | Only first and second place animals in each class are eligible for division/breed champion and reserve awards.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | General     | 13, #45 |
| 5.  | Top five placings                                                       | Only champion and reserve in each division/breed are eligible for top five overall placings.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | General     | 13, #46 |
| 6.  | Cable halters                                                           | Cable halters are prohibited for all species.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | General     | 14, #63 |
| 7.  | Stalling                                                                | Exhibitors should plan to receive stalls/pens based on the number of animals that arrive and show and not based on the number of animals entered.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | General     | 14, #64 |
| 8.  | Dogs allowed                                                            | Dogs must be kept on a leash at all times. Dogs that show aggression must be removed from the grounds immediately. Animal Control will be contacted if necessary. Dog waste must be picked up.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | General     | 15, #71 |
| 9.  | No unhooking in staging lot                                             | Vehicles may not unhook from trailers in the staging lots. (DPS lot and West lot)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | General     | 15, #75 |
| 10. | Rose Mofford award                                                      | Once an exhibitor has been awarded the Rose Mofford Award they are not eligible to apply again.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Junior Show | 68      |

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| 11. | Penning                                                 | Sheep, goat and swine exhibitors are encouraged to bring pen dividers. Sheep and goats will be stalled three per pen, swine will be stalled two per pen.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Junior Show | 71, #35                |
| 12. | Consign to packer animals to holding pens               | Exhibitors consigning market animals to packer will be required to deliver animal to packer holding pen/area between 10:00 a.m. and noon on December 31 (unless animal is being used in livestock judging contest)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Junior Show | 72, #47                |
| 13. | Prospect Cattle weighing more than 999 lbs.             | Exhibitors may submit a DNA kit on prospect steers if there is a concern that the steer will weigh more 999 lbs. at weigh in. If prospect steer weighs 1000 lbs. or more they may move to the Market Steer Department if a DNA kit has been submitted by the deadline (November 1)                                                                                                                                                                                          | Jr Cattle   | 84, #5                 |
| 14. | Prospect Cattle max weight 999                          | The maximum weight for Prospect cattle is 999 lbs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Jr Cattle   | 84, #7                 |
| 15. | Prospect Cattle weigh back                              | At time of judging, animals in each prospect cattle class will be weighed by the Junior Cattle Committee.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Jr Cattle   | 84, #9                 |
| 16. | Underweight market steers                               | Underweight market steers may move to the Prospect Cattle Division                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Jr Cattle   | 86, #6                 |
| 17. | Market steer classification – re-classing clarification | Market Steer exhibitors will declare steer's color/breed division at the time of entry. Each Market steer (other than those declared as AOC) will be presented for classification to a three-person committee (time and location to be announced). If an animal is classed out of the declared division, they will be re-classed to the AOC division, no exceptions.                                                                                                        | Jr Cattle   | 86, #8                 |
| 18. | Dorper breed added to junior sheep shows                | Dorper breed added to Junior Market Lamb and Junior Breeding Ewe Departments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Sheep       | 91 & 94                |
| 19. | No paint on swine                                       | If a pig is found with paint or other unapproved products, the exhibitor may remove the animal from the holding pen, take it to the wash rack to clean it, and return. However, please note that neither the show nor the class will be delayed for the pig's return. If the pig cannot return in time and was originally entered in a purebred class, it may be reclassified as a Crossbred. If reclassification is not possible, the pig will be scratched from the show. | Swine       | 103, # 18 and 108, #18 |

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| 20. | Best Arizona automatic entry                       | All Arizona exhibitors of junior market animals, prospect cattle and junior heifers entered in the Arizona National will <b>AUTOMATICALLY</b> be entered in Best Arizona classes in their respective division at no charge.                                                                                                       | Contests  | 115, #3 |
| 21. | Livestock Judging require \$100 refundable deposit | A \$100 refundable deposit (or valid PO) per team. \$25 refundable deposit (or valid PO) per additional individual. Fee must be included with entry. Fee will be refunded for teams/individuals that enter and compete in the Junior Livestock Judging Contest. Teams/individuals who do not compete will forfeit the deposit(s). | Contests  | 116, #1 |
| 22. | Swine fitting contest                              | Addition of Swine Fitting Contest                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Contests  | 124     |
| 23. | Updated speaking contest rubrics                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Contests  | 130     |
| 24. | Welding competition                                | Addition of welding competition                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Contests  | 133     |
| 25. | Tool ID competition                                | Addition of Tool ID competition                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Contests  | 134     |
| 26. | Sheep Dog trials                                   | Additional classes added                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Stock Dog | 145-149 |