

# Sanilac County Youth & 4-H Fair

## PARENTAL CODE OF CONDUCT

Exhibitor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Inappropriate conduct by a participant, parent, leader, spectator, or volunteer during the fair will be grounds for immediate disqualification and/or immediate ejection by the Sanilac County Youth & 4-H Fairboard. This includes, but is not limited to, disruptive behavior, poor sportsmanship, inappropriate language, inappropriate conduct, bullying and confrontations with any fair staff, volunteers, other exhibitors, or spectators.

As a parent or legal guardian, of an exhibitor, exhibiting at the Sanilac County Youth & 4-H Fair I agree to abide by the following:

I agree to encourage and guide my child and myself to conduct ourselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. I will ask questions concerning rules and policies in an appropriate adult manner. I agree to maintain a positive attitude towards the department superintendents and follow barn rules.

I agree to abide by the rule of no alcohol on the fairgrounds. As well as no smoking or vaping in or around barns, buildings, or show areas.

Any complaints must be filed at the fairboard office, including a \$100 protest fee, to be returned if the protest is deemed valid by the fairboard.

I will keep the intent and spirit of the Sanilac County Youth & 4-H Fair, and remember that my child is the one exhibiting, not me. I will place the emotional and physical wellbeing of my child ahead of my personal desire to win.

No adult or exhibitor will conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of conduct and show rules or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of conduct.

By signing this code of conduct I am accepting the responsibility of informing my immediate family members of the rules set forth in this document.

Violation of the code of conduct will result in the individual(s) to disciplinary actions, including dismissal or expulsion.

## EXHIBITOR CODE OF CONDUCT

As an exhibitor at the Sanilac County Youth & 4-H Fair:

I will abide by the rule of no alcohol on the fairgrounds. As well as no smoking or vaping in or around the barns, buildings or show areas.

I understand the need to be responsible for developing the skills necessary to take my animal(s) from the farm to the show ring.

I have read and understand the rules and regulations found in the Sanilac County Youth & 4-H Fair book.

I will follow the competition rules and will not use abusive, questionable, or unethical techniques in feeding, caring, fitting and showing of my animal(s).

I have asked my parent(s), guardian(s), or other minors to not break the rules on my behalf.

I want my animal project(s) to be an example of how to accept what life has to offer, good and bad, and how to live with the outcome.

I will respect my fellow exhibitors, and their project(s), and realize I have no right to disrupt or disturb their animal, barn area, or stalls. I further realize it is my responsibility as an exhibitor at the Sanilac County Youth & 4-H Fair that I must report any or all unusual activity in or around the barn.

I realize that I am responsible for:

The proper care and humane treatment of my animal(s), including cleanliness of my project and area. If contacted by a superintendent or fairboard member for a cleanliness issue the problem must be resolved immediately.

Exhibitors will have 30 minutes to take care of the issue brought to them. After one hour a red tag will be issued to the exhibitor, along with a \$100 fine. A second red tag will be issued after 2 hours resulting in a \$250 fine. If the issue is not taken care of within 3 hours of contact a third red tag will be issued and will result in disciplinary action by the fairboard. Fines must be paid at the fairboard office before release of the project.

The production of a marketable animal. Condemned carcasses will be dealt with by the fairboard with the exhibitor.

The care and grooming of my animal(s) while at the fair.

Conducting myself with honesty and good sportsmanship.

Conducting myself to reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education.

I understand and agree that when I, my parents/guardians or any other adult or minor connected with my project or animal(s) break the rules, I agree to live by the final decision of the Sanilac County Youth & 4-H Fairboard regarding fines, disqualification, or dismissal of myself and or my animal(s), auction proceeds, and loss of future eligibility.

This completed document is due with your animal identification sheet June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Exhibitors Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitors Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_