

This form must be notarized for your entry to be processed. Your entry is accepted subject to the agreement below:

**AGREEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY
(ONE FORM PER EXHIBITOR)**

It is clearly understood that the Valencia County Community Expo and its officials, officers, directors and agents shall not be responsible for any damage, loss or injury to any person or property which is caused directly or indirectly for any reason. The exhibitor, owner, their agents and/or representatives, agree to indemnify and hold Valencia County Community Expo and its officials, officers, directors and agents harmless for any damage, injury or loss suffered during or in connection with the Valencia County Community Expo.

By submitting an application for entry, Exhibitors, Owners, their Agents and/or representative agree to comply with all the rules and regulations governing the Valencia County Community Expo as published in the Valencia County Community Expo book. The Valencia County Community Expo has approved adoption of the National Code of Show Ring Ethics (see below). Application of entry in the Valencia County Community Expo acknowledges the exhibitor, owner, their agents and/or representative have read the Valencia County Community Expo General Rules and Regulations, specific and/or special department rules and regulations, and the National Code of Show Ring of Ethics and agree to observe and abide by these rules. National Code of Show Ring of Ethics**- All exhibitors in any event at a livestock show will at all times conduct themselves with honor, honesty and good sportsmanship. Those who violate the Code of Ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds, and be prohibited from future exhibition. 1. When requested by show officials, be able to show proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered. 2. When requested by show officials, provide animal health certificates from a licensed veterinarian. 3. Junior exhibitors will care for and groom their own animals while at the fair or show. 4. Animals which will enter the food chain must be free of drug residues or foreign substances. For all animals, drugs may only be used in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial laws. Any treatments at the show involving medications for the health of the animal must be administered by a licensed veterinarian. Show management or regulatory officials may take any samples they wish for testing. 5. Changing the animal's performance, natural contour, confirmation or appearance through surgery, injection or application of substances such as irritants or counter-irritants is prohibited. 6. Showing and handling practices or devices to cause swelling are prohibited. 7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, show management, other exhibitors or breed representatives is prohibited at all times. Problems will be resolved through appropriate channels. 8. No one may conspire, contribute to or cooperate with others to violate this code by their actions or indication. 9. Owners, exhibitors, fitters and trainers and participants are absolutely responsible for an animal's condition whether or not they did something in violation themselves or knew of treatment that violates the code. 10. Exhibitors upon entry consent to disciplinary action for violation of the Code of Show Ring Ethics, including publishing the infraction and violators names. 11. Exhibitors verify that they have read and understand the Code of Ethics, well as the consequences and penalties for violators.

Exhibitors understand that evidence of violation of any law will be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities. ***Condensed version of legal text of International Association of Fairs and Expositions, National Code of Show Ring Ethics by the National Livestock Ethics Council.

