

# OPEN CLASS ENTRY RULES

1. Exhibitors must register ALL their exhibits using Online Entry (www.whidbeyislandfair.com) before submitting their exhibits for judging. Entries that have not been registered will not collect FAIR CASH points. On entry days, all exhibitors need to deliver exhibits to appropriate divisions.
2. **Claim Card.** Each Exhibitor should receive a Claim Card at the first drop-off location on entry day. Do not lose your Claim Card as it will be needed to pick up exhibits and FAIR CASH. Exhibitors only need one Claim Card.
3. FAIR CASH is paid to all qualified entries. Participants earn FAIR CASH by winning points in each category class they submit a qualified, ribbon receiving entry.
4. Points possible to earn for each entry are listed at the start of each entry class. "Blue" means points earned for winning a blue ribbon, "Red" means points for a red ribbon, and "White" shows points earned for white ribbon. **THE MORE ENTRIES YOU SUBMIT THE MORE FAIR CASH YOU CAN EARN.**
5. Rosettes and Merit awards are **NOT** part of the FAIR CASH point system.
6. All exhibits must be the handwork of the registered exhibitor. All artwork must be original and not a photocopied reproduction. Every exhibit must have an entry tag with the exhibitor's name and age group (Juniors include ages through 18 and Seniors are 65 and older, unless otherwise stated in the division rules).
7. No entry fees are required. Stall fees are required for Cavy, Goat, Poultry, Rabbit, Swine and Sheep entries (see page 27-30, Open Class entry form).
8. No person shall receive a free pass just because he or she has entered an exhibit. Open Class animal exhibitors may purchase a wristband for \$5, which allows them entry to the Fair. The purpose of the wristband is to enable all exhibitors to care for and feed their animals, which is their responsibility.
9. Exhibitors must keep personal charge of their exhibits until handed to a superintendent.
10. Only one entry per class is permitted each individual, unless otherwise stated in the rules for a specific division.
11. Articles exhibited in previous years are not eligible.
12. Exhibits must be clean.
13. All artwork and photography must be ready to hang. Refer to specific division rules for framing methods. ALL ceramic pieces must be fired.
14. Exhibits may not have commercial advertising, business cards or pricing attached.
15. Only items not listed elsewhere may be entered under class numbers described as "other."
16. Judging will be by the DANISH System unless otherwise noted.
17. The qualifications and criteria by which the judge determines awards will be posted prominently at the exhibit for the benefit of both exhibitors and the public.
18. Entries that do not conform to the rules within a division will not be accepted.
19. Neither the superintendent nor the Island County Fair Association will be responsible for theft or damage to entries.
20. Entries for "Display Only" may be accepted by the superintendent.
21. Open class exhibitors must pick up their FAIR CASH at the FAIR CASH Office on the fairgrounds during the Fair Saturday and Sunday, 1-6 p.m. After the Fair, FAIR CASH may be picked up at the Fair office Monday, July 24, from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
22. FAIR CASH is paid on the point system.
23. FAIR CASH available for next year's Fair will be based upon total FAIR CASH distributed to participant entries at this year's Fair.  
  
Uncollected or uncashed FAIR CASH reduce the amount available for next year, so exhibitors: PLEASE CLAIM YOUR FAIR CASH.
24. NO EXHIBITS MAY BE REMOVED FROM THE FAIRGROUNDS PRIOR TO MONDAY except for exhibitors who live outside the area (must have claim tickets). Exhibitors who remove their exhibits from the Fair beforehand may be banned from entering exhibits in the Fair the following year. There will be no exceptions to this rule. Exhibitor Claim Card must be presented in order to pick up entries.
25. Exhibits remaining on the fairgrounds more than two weeks after the closing of the Fair become the property of the Island County Fair Association and may be disposed of unless PRIOR arrangements have been made.
26. The Fair Office will be closed Tuesday, July 25.
27. All livestock exhibits will be removed according to a schedule posted in each Barn on the last day of the Fair. The Superintendent of each livestock division will have a copy of the plan for exiting the grounds, which is to be followed by all livestock exhibitors.
28. Livestock exhibitors must adhere to the Open Class Animal Entry Rules on page 10.
29. Entry and exit is through the Fairgrounds Road gate ONLY. No ingress or egress is permitted through the main gate.

**YOUR ENTRIES = FAIR CASH!**

**Each entry can earn you FAIR CASH!**

**Be sure to collect yours!**

**(See Rule 23)**