

**GREEN COUNTY CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS**

Green County Dairy and Livestock exhibitors 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 official, be able to show proof of ownership, length of ownership, age of all animals entered, and provide animal health certificates from a licensed veterinarian.
2. Junior exhibitors will continue to care for their own animals for the duration of the fair.
3. 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. Show management or regulatory officials may take any samples they wish for testing. Lab testing fees will be paid by the exhibitor, if the animal tests positive. Lab testing fees for animals testing negative would be paid by the individual(s) requesting the test. Any re-testing would be paid by the individual(s) requesting test(s).
4. Changing the animal's performance, natural contour, conformation, or appearance through surgery, injection or application of substances such as irritants or counter-irritants is prohibited.
5. Showing or handling practices or devices to cause swelling are prohibited.
6. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, show management, or other exhibitors is prohibited at all times. Problems will be resolved through appropriate channels.
7. Owner, exhibitors, fitters, 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.
8. Exhibitors upon entry consent to disciplinary action for violation of the Code of Show Ring Ethics, including publishing the infraction and violators names.
9. Exhibitors verify that they have read and understand the Code of Ethics, as well as the consequences and penalties for violations. Exhibitors understand that evidence of violation of any law will be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities.

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