

Wisconsin State Fair Youth Organization Requirements

Listed below are the requirements necessary for each youth organization in order to be considered for approval to participate in future Junior Shows at Wisconsin State Fair.

Organization/Member requirements:

- 1) Groups must be an official organization operated at a state level and available to any junior member in the state who meets its membership qualifications.
- 2) Organizations must apply for Wisconsin State Fair eligibility every two years by completing the youth organization application and submitting the following by January 1st of the upcoming year's Fair:
 - Prior year's calendar of activities
 - Upcoming year's activities
 - Adult contact information
 - By-laws and mission statements (must be on file with the Wisconsin State Fair and only need to be submitted when they are updated or changed).
- 3) Age requirements for each organization may vary but membership must be open to youth between the ages of 12 to 19 years old as of January 1st of the current year to meet Wisconsin State Fair eligibility requirements. Membership in these organizations outside of the Wisconsin State Fair age requirements is allowable but these members are not eligible to exhibit in the Wisconsin State Fair Junior shows.
- 4) Organizations approved by Wisconsin State Fair must submit their membership roster to Wisconsin State Fair by March 1 of the current Fair year.
- 5) Organizations must provide adult supervision at the state level who will sign off on each member's Wisconsin State Fair entry information verifying the member has met organizational and Wisconsin State Fair criteria for member(s) in good standings. These Fair entry blanks and any other required authorization forms must be signed by the state organization contact and submitted to the Wisconsin State Fair Participation contact within the county the youth are exhibiting before they will be submitted for acceptance to Wisconsin State Fair. All members must meet additional county requirements and dates for submittal of entry information to Wisconsin State Fair. **The authorized Wisconsin State Fair Participation Contact will not sign off on members of organizations outside of their authority.**
- 6) Approved organizations must provide/offer a minimum of 4 educational experiences per Fair year. It is suggested one educational experience be offered each quarter. In order for a member(s) to be in good standings with the Wisconsin State Fair they must attend at least 3 educational experiences. The following are classified as educational experiences:

Fitting Clinics	Judging Workshops / Contests	Attend Breed / Livestock Sale
Speaking Contests	Skillathon / Quiz Bowl Workshops	Project Meetings

Recreation/Social activities (skating, bowling, etc.) may only be counted as an educational activity once.

Organizational meetings (monthly meetings, committee meetings, conventions, conferences) may only be counted as an educational activity once.

Exhibiting at Livestock shows may only be counted as an educational activity once.

It is up to each individual organization's discretion how they will monitor/document the compliance of these educational requirements. Wisconsin State Fair reserves the right to audit a member or organization's compliance with these requirements at any time. Evidence of non-compliance may disqualify a member and an organization from current or future Wisconsin State Fair participation.

If you would like any additional information please contact Wisconsin State Fair Agriculture Department by phone at 414-266-7050 or by email at entryoffice@wisconsin.gov.

Wisconsin State Fair Youth Organization Form

Name of Organization: _____

Adult Advisor / Contact person: _____

Address: _____

Phone or Email: _____

Approximate number of Members: _____

Eligibility Requirements for Membership:

2009 Program of Activities: (Activities/Educational Programs)

Number of Activities/Meetings Annually: _____

Mission Statement or copy of Goals / Objectives of Organization: (a copy of these must be on file with the Wisconsin State Fair and only need to be submitted when updated)

Please provide any other supporting materials which document your organization's educational programs.

Mail to: Wisconsin State Fair
Agriculture Department
640 S. 84th St
West Allis, WI 53214

Due no later than January 1st, 2010