

# SO YOU ARE TAKING LLAMA OR ALPACA PROJECT



Llamas and Alpacas are a fun project! This page contains some basic information to assist you in preparing for your project experience. Good luck!

	<b>Llamas &amp; Alpacas</b>
<b>Project Books Required</b>	#132 Project Book – new each year # 132RResource Handbook - one-time purchase
<b>Recommended Breeds</b>	Any
<b>Date of Possession</b>	April 15
<b>Judging</b>	Skillathon Judging prior to fair. Wednesday Show day at fair.
<b>Fair Registration</b>	Jr. Fair online system between April 15-May 15
<b>Health Papers Required?</b>	No
<b>Exhibit</b>	1 or 2 *only 1 entry in showmanship
<b>Recommended Male/Female</b>	Male or Female *Exhibitors age 12 and under may not show an intact male over the age of 24 months.
<b>Classes Offered</b>	Showmanship, Pack, PR, Obstacle, and Costume

Llamas and Alpacas follow guidelines for age and class division as set by ALSA and can be viewed at [www.alsashow.net](http://www.alsashow.net)

Following the above guidelines, age divisions for all Llama/Alpaca classes including showmanship are as follows:

- Senior: 15-18 years
- Intermediate: 12-14 years
- Junior: 8-11 years

## FAIR AND SHOW – WHAT DO I NEED TO PACK?

Show Clothes

Grooming Equipment

Tack

Feed and containers

Bedding

### A FEW THINGS TO KNOW:

- ❖ Many Llamas and Alpacas are leased. If you are leasing your animal be sure to have a signed agreement that includes the starting date by April 15 and goes through at least the Sunday after fair when Llamas and Alpacas are released from the fair.
- ❖ Each exhibitor must register their animals for fair through the online program set up by the Livestock & Sale Committee. On-line registration is open from April 15-May 15.
- ❖ Stalls – llamas and alpacas will be stalled in the Horse Barn. Be sure to check your required arrival time on Saturday. Release time on at end of fair is Saturday night from 11:00 pm-1:00 am or Sunday between 8:00am-12:00 noon.
- ❖ It is recommended that a parent/adult be present whenever a youth is practicing in the arena.
- ❖ Read your fairbook! Pay special attention to the Junior Fair rules and llama/alpaca show rules.
- ❖ You should research what each class requires before signing up to show in it. You may only show in the class(es) you register for. Here is a short description of each class:
  - Showmanship – basic halter class to demonstrate member’s ability to present their animal
  - Pack – simulates conditions encountered on the trail with a pack strapped to the animal
  - PR/Public Relations – designed to determine the animal’s ability to participate in community activities such as hospital visits & parades
  - Obstacle – demonstrates the animal’s obedience in completing 8-10 obstacles
  - Costume – fun opportunity for youth and their animal to dress up