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Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds

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**NEW California State Rule
Quality Assurance Course Requirement**

As of January 1, 2019 the new Quality Assurance California State Rule went into effect. The rule states, "In order to participate in a youth livestock program (excluding horse, cavies & dogs) at any California Fair, all exhibitors 9 years of age and older must obtain annual certification in the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program or a comparable fair run program approved by the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Fairs and Expositions Branch. Those not certified are not eligible to participate at a California Fair."

For Yuba-Sutter Fair exhibitors, this requirement must be completed by June 30, 2019.

The Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds developed a Quality Assurance Program titled "Quality Care." The Quality Care program seminar has been approved and certified by the California Department of Food & Agriculture, Fairs & Expositions Branch. Participants who complete the two hour in-person seminar will satisfy the state rule requirement to exhibit at a California Fair. The Yuba-Sutter fair will be offering the "Quality Care" course three times prior to the deadline of June 30, 2019.

To complete this state rule requirement, exhibitors can choose from the following options:

1. Attend & complete one of the three scheduled Yuba-Sutter Fair "Quality Care" Seminars.
 - a. Cost is \$0
 - b. 2019 "Quality Care" Schedule
 - i. March 13 @ 6:00 pm, Expo Hall – Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
 - ii. May 15 @ 6:00 pm, Expo Hall – Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
 - iii. June 26 @ 6:00 pm, Expo Hall – Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
2. Complete the online course titled "Youth for Quality Care of Animals." The course can be accessed online at <http://yqca.org/>
 - a. Cost is \$12 per exhibitor
3. Attend & complete a "Youth for Quality Care of Animals" in-person seminar.
 - a. Cost is \$3 per exhibitor
 - b. Check the YQCA website for available dates & locations at <http://yqca.org/>