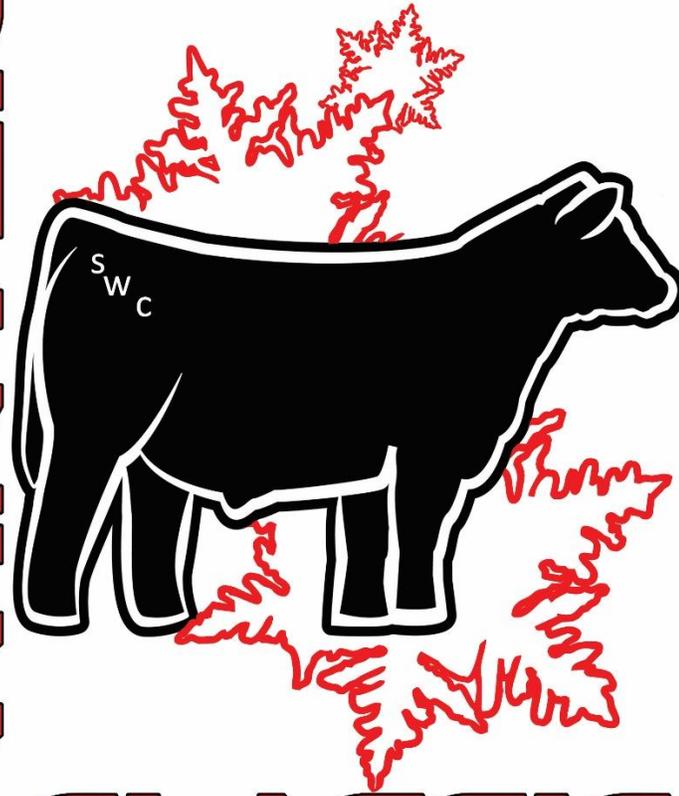


SIERRA

WINTER



CLASSIC

JANUARY 17-18, 2026

Rules & Regs



Sierra Winter Classic

2026 RULES & REGS



1. Ethical treatment of all animals and ethical conduct from all parties in attendance is expected.
2. By exhibiting at the 2026 Sierra Winter Classic, show management has the right to use all photos and images taken for promotional purposes.
3. Vehicles and/or trailers inhibiting the flow of traffic or safety of others will be removed at the owner's expense.
4. All parents, guardians, exhibitors, and associates will treat management, staff, and all others in attendance with respect at all times. If a parent/guardian, exhibitor, and or any associated party is noncompliant with show management's request, they will be asked to leave the grounds immediately and will forfeit any and all entry fees and premiums earned for their associated exhibitor.
5. Stalls will be assigned to each entry received only. All attempts will be made to fulfill special stalling requests. Each animal entered will be allotted approximately 4' of tie space. The Show Management reserves the right to take away excess stalls if necessary, due to limited space. Stalling requests must be submitted at the time of entry. For large groups, please contact the fair office at (559) 781-6582.
6. Fitting areas will not be assigned. Fitting areas will be laid out and chalked off. *Please be considerate of others and the amount of space taken for fitting etc. Fitting space may be limited. Please do not utilize the space as a campsite. Management reserves the right to limit space if needed. Fitting is not allowed in an unassigned stall.*
7. All exhibitors must be 21 years old and under as of January 1, 2026.
8. **Entries will be accepted at <https://portervillefair.com/sierra-winter-classic/> through the Fair's ShoWorks program. Entry fees are **Non-Refundable**.**
 - a. SHOW A ~ Steers and Heifers \$50 per head, Showmanship \$15.
 - b. SHOW B ~ Steers and Heifers \$50 per head, Showmanship \$15.
9. Exhibitors will be placed in the age-appropriate showmanship class.
 - a. NOVICE: 4-8
 - b. JUNIOR: 9-12
 - c. INTERMEDIATE: 13-16
 - d. SENIOR: 17-21
10. Only animals entered in Show A may be entered in Show B.
11. **Entries received after 11:59 PM January 12, 2026, will be assessed an additional \$25/head late charge. Late entries will be accepted through January 14, 2026 at 11:59 PM. Entries will be accepted on-site only after that date/time. No special provisions for stall space will be made for late arrivals or late entries.**
12. Livestock will be accepted starting at 8:00 AM, Friday, January 16, 2026.
13. All exhibitors will be required to check in at the show office before the official weight will be taken at the designated time.
14. **STEER, MARKET HEIFER AND COMMERCIAL BREEDING HEIFER WEIGH-IN** will be **4:30-6:00 PM on Friday** only for Saturday show. **Saturday arrival COMMERCIAL BREEDING HEIFER WEIGH-IN** will be available **6:00-7:00 PM Saturday** for the Sunday show.
15. **REGISTERED HEIFER** papers must be uploaded at time of entry.
16. Each exhibitor must show his/her own animal. **Unless approved by the show manager.** An alternate showman is acceptable, that showman must be a 2025 SWC exhibitor.
17. Exhibitors' ownership: **Registration papers are required for non-commercial breeding heifers and British steers. Animals must be registered in the exhibitor's name – no exceptions! Original registration papers must be present at the time of check-in, or exhibitors must be able to pull information from the Breed Association website. Please keep transportation papers with your animal as you travel to & from SWC as required by the State of California.**
18. **Shaving's only**, no other bedding allowed. Purchase of bedding will be available.
19. **Stalls must be cleaned following the show. If stall(s) is not cleaned a fine will be deducted from premiums earned OR added to the following year's entry. Used shavings are to be placed on the north/west corner outside of the barn.**
20. There will be a mandatory exhibitor meeting on Saturday at 8:30 AM in the show ring.
21. **Electric Power is limited, and you may bring a Generator to ensure that you will not have to wait for power. Placing generators outside the barn is preferred. Generators will be allowed in the barn on a limited basis and have the potential to require being moved outside of the barn at any time.**
22. Class premiums will be paid on a percentage basis, after show expenses are paid.
23. Uniforms are not required; however, exhibitors shall dress neatly and cleanly while showing.

24. The Show Management reserves the right to interpret any and all rules, change classes, show order, stalling, generator placement, dogs in the barn and the show schedule to improve the show or as needed.
25. Dogs are permitted on the grounds if on a leash. Dog owners will accept all responsibility for their dogs. Show Management reserves the right the removal of animals to accommodate or improve the show.
26. The SIERRA WINTER CLASSIC and all those associated with the SIERRA WINTER CLASSIC will assume no responsibility for death or injury to livestock or persons or damage to property of others during those events held January 17-19, 2025.
27. Artificial means of filling cattle internally is prohibited.
28. No alcohol or smoking is permitted in the barns at any time.
29. The Sierra Winter Classic and the Fair Management reserve the right to interpret and adjust any rules and arbitrarily settle questions to this and all rules.
30. A limited number of premium trailer parking spaces are available, \$100 each. *See show FAQ's.
31. A limited number of onsite parking spaces are available, \$50 each. *See show FAQ's.
32. A limited number of RV parking spaces are available with electricity or dry. *See show FAQ's.
33. Standard size BBQ's for personal use will be permitted on grounds. Commercial BBQ's or selling of any items without a vendor agreement with the show will not be allowed.

STEERS AND MARKET HEIFERS:

1. Weight Divisions will be determined only after all the steers and market heifers are weighed in. No re-weighs.
2. Steers/Market Heifers will be shown in the following classes: All Other Colors, Black, British (Angus, Red Angus, Shorthorn, and Hereford), and Market Heifers. Breed classes will not be combined at any given time. Official breeds will be called at the scale. The management's decision is FINAL. ****ONLY BRITISH BREED STEERS** will require registration papers. Original registration papers must be present at the time of check-in, or exhibitors must be able to pull information from the Breed Association website. Any steer without registration papers will be placed in the AOC or Black class - No Exceptions!
3. Market Heifers will compete for Overall Champion Market Animal (Progress & Prospect divisions).

BREEDING HEIFERS:

1. All Heifers must be registered in the name of the exhibitor. Heifers are to be checked in the show office by 12:00 PM, Saturday, January 17, 2026. Must show original papers.
2. Original registration papers must be present at the time of check-in, or exhibitors must be able to pull information from the Breed Association website. Any heifer without registration papers will be placed in the grade class - No Exceptions!
3. **Registered Heifer papers must be uploaded at time of entry.**
4. Heifers will be shown in the following classes: Angus, Herford (polled & horned combined), Mini Herford, Shorthorn, Main-Anjou (includes Maintainers), Charolais, Chi, Simmental, All Other Breeds, and Commercial.
5. Commercial Heifer (Non-registered heifers) – All Commercial Heifers will be shown according to weight.
6. A minimum of 5 animals are required for each heifer division. In the event there is less than 5 head in a division, animals will be moved to the "All Other Breeds" division. If the said division has a sponsor (\$150), the division will be shown with less than 5 animals. (See show office if you'd like to sponsor a division.)
7. Breed Champions and Commercial Heifers Champions will compete for Overall Supreme Female.

SHOWMANSHIP:

1. Uniforms are not required.
2. Animal & exhibitor must have competed together in class to be eligible for showmanship.
3. All exhibitors must show their own animals. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
4. Showmanship contest Divisions for Steers and Heifers (will show together): Novice 4-8, Junior 9-12, Intermediate 13- 16, and Senior 17-21.
5. Fitting is optional for showmanship.

SHOWMANSHIP SHOOTOUT:

1. The Shootout will start following completion of **ALL** Showmanship B classes.
 - a. GRAND PRIZE = \$ 1,000.00 Sponsored by: Mike & Leslie Rivas, Woodlake Growers Supply
 - b. RESERVE GRAND PRIZE = \$500.00 Sponsored by: Blankenship HVACR Inc.
2. The top 4 finalist (Novice, Junior, Intermediate, Senior) Showmanship winners from Show A & Show B will compete together Sunday, January 19, 2025, at the conclusion of Show B Showmanship classes.

3. The exhibitor must use the same animal shown in the showmanship class they qualified for the Shootout in. In the event an exhibitor wins their showmanship class in Show A and Show B, 2nd place does not move up.
4. If the winner from a division does not show up, the 2nd place winners **will not** be moved up to compete.
5. 3 Judges will judge Shootout Showmanship. Each judge will have 15 minutes separately to judge the Shootout.
6. Each judge will be given a score sheet to fill out with top to bottom placement of the competitors of the Shootout.
7. Tabulation of all the score sheets will decide the winner (the lower the score the higher the placement). In the event of a tie, the top 2 competitors will remain in the ring and all others will be excused. The top 2 will be asked one question each from each judge separately to determine the final winner in the Showmanship Shootout.