

Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale Rules

AUCTION RULES.

1. 4-H and FFA members may sell one animal (beef, sheep, swine, or market goat) at the Junior Livestock Sale, and are required to be present at the sale. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion animals must sell at the Junior Livestock Sale. In the unlikely event that an exhibitor showing two market projects should win Grand and/or Reserve Champion in both species, the exhibitor may choose which animal they wish to sell.
2. The Junior Livestock Sale is for Owyhee County Fair exhibitors only. 4-H and FFA members carrying projects in other counties as well as Owyhee County will be allowed to sell a market animal at only one fair.
3. An adequate sale commission, not to exceed 4% for sheep, swine, and goat; and 3% for beef, to cover sale expenses and market animal death insurance will be deducted from the total sale price and add-ons of each animal sold.
4. Ownership of animals transfers immediately following the sale of the animal. Final destination of each animal is at the sole discretion of the buyer. Disputes involving live animals must be brought to the attention of the Sale Committee immediately following the sale. In the event a dispute or issue should arise the resolution will be determined by the Sale Committee and is final.
5. Sellers shall be responsible for feeding and watering their animal until it is removed from the fairgrounds. After the sale, buyers of self-haul animals must check out with the Superintendent prior to leaving the fairgrounds.
6. Animals receiving blue, red and white quality awards will be allowed to sell at auction.
7. Those animals not receiving a floor bid will be sold at auction without a floor.
8. All animals will be sold at the judges' discretion.
9. Only animals meeting minimum weight requirements will be sold. Animals may be weighed as long as the scales are open. Only the scales at the fairgrounds will be used for final weights at Fair. No animals will be re-weighed after leaving the scale area.
10. Spare Animals – Ear tags will be removed from spare animals at weigh in. These animals are to be removed from the grounds by 10:00 am on Wednesday unless special arrangements are made with the Superintendent.
11. Underweight Animals – Ear tags on animals that are underweight will be changed at final weigh-in. These animals may stay on the grounds to participate in showmanship and feeder classes to complete the project.
12. Underweight Animal Checkout - Exhibitors must check out their underweight market animals with their Superintendent between 8:00-10:00pm on Friday. Those living a great distance from the fairgrounds may keep their underweight animal at the fairgrounds as long as they make arrangements with their Superintendent for check out and are removed before load out begins early Sunday morning. No underweight animals can be on the fairgrounds on Sunday morning when sale animals are sorted for delivery to packers.
13. Breeding Animal Checkout - Exhibitors must check out breeding project animals with their Superintendent between 8:00-10:00 p.m. on Saturday or make prior arrangements with the Superintendent. A completed Check Out Form is required to remove an animal from the grounds. The forms are available from Superintendents and need to be signed by the animal owner and species Superintendent.
14. A \$100 fee will be assessed to those who do not leave their pen properly cleaned and/or check out with their Superintendent. There will be no pen cleaning until after load out is completed or after 10am, whichever comes first, on Sunday morning.
15. No animals will be received between 11:00 pm Tuesday and 6:00 am on Wednesday.
16. Swine - All swine must be weighed between 8:00 am and 10:00 am on Wednesday. This weight will be used as the sale weight (see rule 9). Swine may be checked in until 11:00 pm on Tuesday and beginning at 6:00 am on Wednesday.
17. Sheep and Goats - All Sheep and Goats must be weighed between 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm on Tuesday. No halters or collars of any kind may be worn on the scale. This weight will be used as the sale weight. Goats must be born after January 1, must weigh a minimum of 65 lbs. and must have an ADG of at least 0.3lbs during the feeding period at final weigh-in (see rule 9).
18. Sheep - Sheep must be slick-shorn within 7 days prior to the final weigh-in at Fair.
19. Beef - All Beef must be weighed between 8:00 am and 10:00 am on Wednesday.

20. **Livestock Sale Procedure:**
- The Sale Committee will set a per head floor price for each specie based on the packer's carcass bid, estimated grade, yield, and dressing percent.
 - Buyers will pay full sale price for non-re-sale and the difference between floor price and bid price for re-sale animals.
 - Kill charges will be paid by the buyer.
 - Should any carcass be condemned, members will receive the amount of original live value at the time of initial weigh-in.
 - Monies received from the sale on Owyhee Cattlemen's Association sponsored steers will be divided 2/3 to the youth and 1/3 to the OCA member who sponsored the steer.
21. **Order of Sale** - Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will sell first and second, followed by all blue ribbon, then red ribbon, then white ribbon animals.
22. **Buyer Certificates** - Buyer certificates will be available from the Extension Office upon request, and available on the Extension website. Youth must provide their own photo. It is optional for individuals or clubs to provide frames for the certificates. Youth are responsible to deliver their thank you and buyer certificate to the buyer after the auction.
23. **During the Sale** - To keep the sale moving in a timely manner and to allow buyers to concentrate on the sale, no buyer gifts may be brought into the sale ring or distributed during the auction. Only ribbons and awards associated with the market animal project are allowed in the sale ring. Members or their parents/guardians & leaders are responsible for listening to the sale to hear who purchases animals and prices animals sell for. If this information is unknown, members must wait to come to the sale table until after the sale is completed to inquire.
24. All sales and shipping arrangements for market animals not going through the Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale are the responsibility of the owner. The Junior Livestock Sale Committee will not make personal sale or shipping arrangements.
25. Only market animals purchased directly through the sale can be self-hauled. No other change of ownership can occur on the Owyhee County Fairgrounds.
26. Payment Checks will be prepared and ready to mail as soon as funds are received to cover them. Any check that needs to be reissued will be charged a \$50 fee.
27. **Self-Insurance** - Rates for payment of youth whose animal dies will be set each spring by the Livestock Sale Committee after reviewing the current market.
28. Animals that die during the feeding period must be reported to Owyhee County Extension as soon as possible.
29. Tags that fall out any time during the feeding period must be reported to Owyhee County Extension within 24 hours. A market animal arriving at Final Weigh-in without providing prior notification of a lost tag will not be permitted to sell in the Junior Livestock Sale.

Livestock Weight Requirements:

| | Maximum at Initial Weigh-In | Minimum at Final Weigh-In |
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| Beef | 950 (suggested 750-850 lbs.) | 1,150 lbs. |
| Swine | 85 (suggested 65-80 lbs.) | 230 lbs. |
| Sheep | 90 (suggested 75-85 lbs.) | 110 lbs. |
| Goats | Born after January 1 | 65 lbs. & 0.3 ADG |

A copy of these rules can also be found in the Owyhee County Fair Book.