

2022-Madison County 4-H & FFA Jr. Livestock Show & Market Sale

General Rules

- **Enrollment and fee deadline—before the day of the initial weigh-in** (<https://4h.zsuite.org>)
- **Record Book Deadline—August 8, 2022**

1. Any boy or girl in 4-H or FFA, 8 to 18, age as of January 1, 2022, and a **resident of Madison County**, may exhibit in this department if they can show ownership records of the livestock for at least 150 days for beef, 100 days for swine, 70 days for sheep and 70 days for goats, and meet the county and state requirements of 4-H and FFA.
2. **Must be enrolled and active in Madison County 4-H or FFA Chapter at the time of the first weigh-in.** All 4-Hers must have paid the annual \$20.00 fee, and be enrolled on Zsutes by the initial weigh-in, to be able to participate in the activities at the Madison County Fair. **NO EXCEPTIONS**
3. All market livestock must be ear tagged with a Madison County or EISF ear tag at the time of the initial weigh-in at the start of the project and recorded. Any change in ownership must be made within 24 hours of the initial weigh-in, and approved by the superintendent and the extension office.
4. At the time of the initial weigh-in **ALL market animals must turn in a bill of sale or proof of ownership form** at the scale. In addition sheep and goats must turn in a C.O.O.L form. **Market steers are required to turn in a brand inspection** and other required items such as ownership E-slip and transportation slip, if they were purchased out of state. (If you want a copy to keep you need to make one for yourself)
5. **ALL** female market **sheep/goats** must be identified with a flock identification number on the **scrapie tag at the initial weigh-in**. All male sheep/goats must be castrated at the initial weigh-in.
6. All 4-H/FFA members may weigh-in two (2) animals per species for the county fair. The member must designate their primary animal at weigh-in. The additional animal may be used within the family if circumstances arise. Additional animal may also be used with in the club or chapter under certain conditions.
7. For EISF participation, all animals must be tagged at an approved county weigh-in using an EISF issued tag. Tissue samples will be collected from all animals that are tagged with EISF tags. Youth exhibitors will pay for the tags and the tissue testing kits. The deadline for ordering EISF tags is December 1, 2021.
8. **Minimum final weight:** Beef 1100 lbs, sheep 110 lbs, swine minimum 230-300 maximum, goats 70 lbs. A 1% plus or minus weight will be accepted to qualify within weight ranges.
9. Each 4-H/FFA member may sell one market animal.
10. No parents, leaders, youth or anyone not specified by the superintendent will be allowed in the scale area during final species weigh-ins. In the event of a question on the weight, an animal may be weighed a 2nd time. The animal must be removed from the scale, the scale reset to zero, and the animal re-weighed. The 2nd weight will stand as the official weight. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
11. There will be a sale fee of \$10 charged for all species sold in the Jr. 4-H/FFA Jr. Livestock Sale. In addition there will be a \$6 brand inspection fee charged to those selling beef in the sale.
12. If the animal will NOT BE SOLD it must be designated at final weigh-in. Grand Champion and Reserve Champion animals in the quality class must be sold.
13. 4-H/FFA livestock members are expected to provide the daily care, training, and fitting of their project animals, with a minimum of assistance. **NO PARENTS OR LEADERS WILL BE INVOLVED IN JUDGING.**
14. Drug Abuse. No illegal/off label use of drugs or unethical means to alter the physical composition, appearance, or disposition of a project animal is permitted. Violators will be disqualified immediately from the 4-H/FFA Meat Animal Program, will be barred from all future participation, and will be subject to any and all relevant criminal prosecution. Suspicion of drug use may result in a veterinarian's review and/or blood test. Testing or review may be requested by the Livestock Committee, Species Superintendent, or 4-H Program Coordinator.
15. The superintendent or 4-H Program Coordinator has the right to dismiss any unruly pigs, beef, dairy, sheep, goats OR persons from the barns. A dismissal may result in a **NO SALE**.
16. Exhibitor must show his/her own animal unless officially excused by the appropriate authorities. Excuse must be for extenuating circumstances, and then only another bona fide member may show the animal. Exhibitors selling stock must take his/her own stock through the auction sale ring unless officially excused.
17. All classes of market stock animals that do not make weight are eligible to compete in the Fitting and Showing Contest. In order for project completion you must compete in the fitting and showing class, even if your project does not make weight.
18. ALL participants in the quality contest must have shown in the fitting and showing class of their species.
19. Livestock will be judged on a merit basis.
20. All market sheep must be slick sheared within 7 days prior to the fair.
21. 4-H clothing standards for show will be a short or long sleeved button or snap-up shirt or blouse tucked in, with jeans that are in good repair and tucked in. Close toed shoes/boots are also required. Standard FFA attire required.
22. **All market animals must be at the final weigh-in during the specified weigh in time.** Once the animal has been weighed in, it cannot leave the fairgrounds until checkout on Saturday night. All stalls and pens must be cleaned prior to leaving the fairgrounds. You must check out with the superintendent.
23. Animals that do not meet specie standards as determined by the judge, or are determined to be unhealthy or unthrifty by the judge will be given a white ribbon. **Animals that receive a white ribbon in quality will not be allowed to sell at the 4-H/FFA Jr. Market Livestock Sale.**
24. **In order for exhibitors to show and sell their animal at the fair, they must receive at least an "average (red ribbon)" on their record book.** An exhibitor with a "needs improvement" rating will be allowed time to fix their book and turn it in prior to the fair.

These are the **BASIC** livestock rules for the Madison County 4-H/FFA show and sale. Each leader will have a full set of rules. More in depth rules are available at the extension office, or on the website at <http://extension.uidaho.edu/madison/> .

Exhibitors, parents and leaders are responsible for knowledge of and adherence to all rules.