



# 4-H animal requirements for Super Fair, State Fair and AKSARBEN

## Animal identification requirements

- Market beef identifications are due **APRIL 15**. All other livestock and rabbit identifications are due by **JUNE 15**. See **Livestock Checklist handout at <https://lanaster.unl.edu/4h/fair> for livestock identification requirements.**
- Horse identifications are due **JUNE 1**. See next page.
- 4-H poultry, dogs, cats and household pets do not require identification form.

## Premises ID requirement for market animals

All 4-H/FFA market animals carrying an EID tag are required to have a Premises ID (this includes any that may show at only the county level as well). In order to show at the Nebraska State Fair, a Premises ID must be on file for a market animal exhibitor.

A Premises ID number can be obtained through the Nebraska Department of Agriculture by calling 1-800-572-2437. Only one Premises ID is necessary for a family with multiple exhibitors (provided livestock are housed at the same location). Only one Premises ID is necessary for an exhibitor that shows multiple species (provided livestock are housed at the same location). The Premises ID number should correlate to the location in which livestock are kept/housed permanently.

The Premises ID number should be reported to county Extension staff.

## Youth for the Quality Care of Animals requirements for 4-H/FFA members exhibiting **ANY livestock project** at the Lancaster County Super Fair, Nebraska State Fair and/or AKSARBEN **NEW!**

New in 2018, 4-H/FFA youth enrolled in any of the following animal projects will need to complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)(formerly called Quality Assurance) training:

- Beef (bucket calf, feeder calf, breeding beef, market beef)
- Dairy cattle
- Goat (breeding meat goat, market meat goat, dairy goat)
- Poultry
- Rabbit
- Sheep (breeding sheep, market sheep)
- Swine (breeding swine, market swine)

Deadline to complete YQCA is **JUNE 15**.

Youth must be currently enrolled at <https://ne.4honline.com>. Only parents/guardians may enroll 4-H members.

In Lancaster County, youth may choose one of three options to complete their YQCA requirements:

- Complete online training at <https://yqca.learn-grow.io>. Cost is \$12. For directions and more information, visit <https://4h.unl.edu/yqca>. Once training is complete, send completed certificates to Cole Meador at [cmeador2@unl.edu](mailto:cmeador2@unl.edu) or 444 Cherrycreek Rd., Ste. A Lincoln, NE 68528. If certificates are not submitted, we have no way of knowing if trainings have been completed.
- Attend a face-to-face training held Thursday, May 31 or Thursday, June 7, 6–7 p.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, 444 Cherrycreek Rd., Lincoln. To sign up for face to face trainings, you must go to <https://learn-grow.io> before the training. The training will cost \$3 payable by credit or debit card on the website. We cannot take payments in person, all families must register and pay online. You must sign in as proof of attendance — certificates will be available online.
- For a free test-out option, contact Cole for further details.

If you have further questions, contact Cole Meador at 402-441-7180 or [cmeador2@unl.edu](mailto:cmeador2@unl.edu).

# Super Fair

General rules for animals at the Lancaster County Super Fair are listed in the Fair Book, page 44–45. Animal-specific rules are listed by breeds in the Fair Book, pages 46–63.

## Cow-calf pairs

- Cows must be a past 4-H project.
- Must be tattooed and identified on “Breeding ID card” by June 15.
- Calves shown only as a cow-calf pair need to be placed on the same card as the cow.


## Llamas/alpacas

- Must complete Lancaster County Llama/Alpaca Identification form by June 15. Pictures of both sides of the llama and face can be attached to form or sketch markings must be completed on the form.
- Note: State Fair does not have a 4-H Llama/Alpaca category.


## Horse

- Each horse which will be shown at Super Fair must be identified on form “4-H Horse Identification Certificate” and submitted to Extension by June 1. Sketch markings showing both sides and face on the form are preferred instead of photos. Horse identification form is available at the Extension office as a carbon copy form. If you use the online form, be sure and make a copy for yourself before sending it to the Extension office.
- Horse exhibitors must pass riding skills level tests for many classes at county fair, districts and state horse shows. For Lancaster County Super Fair level requirements, see Fair Book class descriptions. For more information about testings, see the NEBLINE or contact Kate at [kpulec3@unl.edu](mailto:kpulec3@unl.edu) or 402-441-7180.
- For District and State 4-H Horse shows: riders must be 10 years of age by Jan. 1 and successfully complete all level requirements before May 11. For district shows and/or the Nebraska State 4-H Horse Exposition at Fonner Park in Grand Island, one Nebraska 4-H Horse Show Entry Form must be completed for each exhibitor showing horse(s). Entry forms and horse identifications are due to Extension by May 11. For some state classes, exhibitor must qualify at districts — for other classes, exhibitor may sign up for without qualifying.
- For the State Expo, horses must follow all health requirements (including 14-day health certificate and proof of a negative Coggins test). For more info, go to <http://4h.unl.edu/horse/state-expo>.

## Poultry

- Poultry do not require an identification form.
- New in 2018, poultry exhibitors must complete Youth  for the Quality Care of Animals training.
- Any bird with visible signs of disease or parasitism will be removed from the exhibition area and rendered ineligible to show.

## Rabbits

- New in 2018, ALL rabbit exhibitors must complete Youth  for the Quality Care of Animals training.
- Rabbits being shown at the Lancaster County Super Fair must be identified on the “Nebraska 4-H Rabbit Ownership Affidavit” form by June 15. Nebraska State Fair does not require a separate ID form, however, tattoo numbers must be listed during the online entry process.
- Rabbits must have permanent tattoo in left ear before coming to the Lancaster County Super Fair. **No tattooing allowed on fairgrounds.** The tattoo must be entered during the animal online entry process (due by July 1) and on the completed comment card that is handed in at fair check-in. The tattoo will be verified with online entries and completed comment card at the time of fair check-in.

## New: Super Fair animal entries must be submitted online

New in 2018, all 4-H/FFA animal entries for the Lancaster County Super Fair must be entered online at <http://lancaster.fairmanager.com>. This includes stall requests and livestock/poultry exhibitor T-shirt sizes. No paper forms will be accepted! 4-H families and youth may submit entries. Youth must be enrolled AND animal project(s) selected online at <https://ne.4honline.com> by June 15.

Animal entries **may be submitted online starting on June 17. Deadline is SUNDAY, JULY 1, 11:59 p.m.** No late entries will be accepted! Beef, dairy cattle, bucket calf and llama/alpaca bedding fees, and Horse Roping/Working Ranch Show livestock fees will have online worksheets to fill out, print and submit to the Extension office with payment (cash or check) by Friday, July 6.

See handout “Online animal entry instructions for 4-H/FFA Lancaster County Fair” at <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/fair>. If you have questions about the process or need access to a computer, call Heather Odoski at 402-441-7180.

- There will be a rabbit tattooing opportunity provided by the Rabbit VIPS Committee on Saturday, June 9, 9–11 a.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, 444 Cherrycreek Road. Cost is \$1 per rabbit.

## Dogs

- Dogs do not require an identification form.
- Exhibitor may submit proof of immunizations (rabies, DHL and Parvo) to the Extension office prior to fair OR bring day of the show. Dogs will NOT be eligible to compete if proof is not provided.

## Cats

- Cats do not require an identification form.
- See Fair Book for health requirements.
- Cats will have a health and immunization record check at the Lancaster County Super Fair. If a cat does not pass, it will be disqualified. All decisions at check-in are final.

## Household pets

- Household pets do not require an identification form.
- All ferrets must have a copy of proof of rabies vaccination.

# LANCASTER COUNTY 4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK PREMIUM AUCTION

Sale committee: Scott Heinrich, Ben Walbrecht and Jay Wilkinson  
Ag Society Board Member: Ron Dowding

**Auction: Saturday, August 4, 6 p.m.  
(Pavilion 1 - West Arena)**

4-H/FFA Market entries in Beef, Sheep, Meat Goat and Swine are eligible for the auction.

Exhibitors will sell the premium only. Ownership does not change hands as the exhibitor will retain ownership of the animal for future shows, i.e. State Fair or AKSARBEN.

Exhibitors will sell one unit in the auction. A unit is described as:

- 1 Market Beef (steer or heifer)
- 1 Sheep or Pen of Three
- 1 Meat Goat
- 1 Swine or Pen of Three

In the event of an exhibitor having one or more qualifying exhibit the exhibitor can elect to combine the units into one sellable lot/unit. Example (champion swine and champion sheep).

**Sale units may be added or subtracted depending on availability of funds. Because funding is dependent on donations and buyers, your help is needed to secure funding.**

**For more information, call Auction Committee Chair Scott Heinrich at 402-480-0695.**

Eligible units are defined as follows:

#### Beef:

- Champion Market Steer
- Reserve Market Steer
- Champion Market Heifer
- Reserve Market Heifer
- Champion Market Animal
- Reserve Market Animal
- Champ. Lancaster Co. Born and Raised
- Reserve Lancaster Co. Born and Raised
- Purple ribbon placings are eligible to sell beyond the champions.

#### Sheep:

- Champion Market Sheep
- Reserve Champion Market Sheep
- Champion Heavy Weight Division
- Reserve Heavy Weight Division
- Champion Middle Weight Division
- Reserve Middle Weight Division
- Champion Light Weight Division
- Reserve Light Weight Division
- Champion Breeders Class
- Reserve Champion Breeders Class
- Champion Pen of Three (market only)
- Reserve Pen of Three (market only)
- Purple ribbon placings are eligible to sell beyond the champions.

#### Swine:

- Champion Market Swine
- Reserve Champion Market Swine
- Champion Heavy Weight Division
- Reserve Heavy Weight Division
- Champion Middle Weight Division
- Reserve Middle Weight Division
- Champion Light Weight Division
- Reserve Light Weight Division
- Champion Pen of Three
- Reserve Champion Pen of Three
- Purple ribbon placings are eligible to sell beyond the champions.
- Only Pick a Pig champion and reserve are eligible for the auction. Pick a Pig participants can elect to show in the regular show and receive a purple to be eligible for the auction.

#### Meat Goat:

- Champion Meat Goat
- Reserve Champion Meat Goat
- Purple ribbon placings are eligible to sell beyond the champions.

Auction order is as follows for 2018: Beef, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat. Future auctions will be in rotation of this order — 2019: Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat, Beef; 2020: Swine, Meat Goat, Beef, Sheep. The grand and reserve overall champions (beef, sheep, swine and meat goat) will sell first. Each species will sell all the remaining units in that species after the six champions are sold.

## State Fair

The Nebraska State Fair will be held Aug. 24–Sept. 3 at the State Fair Grounds (Fonner Park) in Grand Island.

4-H & FFA livestock, rabbit and dog exhibitors ages 10–18 are eligible to participate at the Nebraska State Fair regardless of county placing. Animal entries are due online at <http://nebr.fairwire.com> and Youth Dairy Cattle entries are due online via the Nebraska State Fair Open Class entry site (website will be posted). Select whether showing in 4-H or FFA. Deadline is Aug. 10.

For more information about entering 4-H & FFA exhibits in the Nebraska State Fair, visit <http://4h.unl.edu/state-fair> or contact Extension.

Note: The State 4-H Horse Exposition is held July 15–19 at Fonner Park in Grand Island. Youth enter the district and state shows using the same entry form due May 11. Youth must be ages 10–18 (by January 1 of the current year).

State fair passes may be purchased and picked up at the Extension office AFTER the Lancaster County Super Fair. These passes are for 4-H members and their immediate family only.

## AKSARBEN shows

More than 2,000 4-H families from a ten-state area participate in the AKSARBEN 4-H Show.

The AKSARBEN 4-H Stock Show will be held Sept. 27–30 at the State Fair Grounds (Fonner Park) in Grand Island. Categories of this 4-H-only competition are dairy, feeder calf, breeding beef, market beef, market broiler, meat goat, market lamb, market swine and dairy steer. Exhibitors must be 10 years of age by Jan. 1.

The AKSARBEN 4-H Horse Show will be held Sept. 22–23 at the State Fair Grounds – Thompson Foods 4-H Arena (Fonner Park) in Grand Island. Horse exhibitors must be 10 years of age by Jan. 1.

AKSARBEN uses an online entry process. Deadline is Aug. 31.

For more information, tentative schedule and to submit entries, go to [www.aksarbenstockshow.com](http://www.aksarbenstockshow.com).