



## 2021 Lancaster County 4-H/FFA Livestock Checklist

### DEADLINES & EVENTS

- March 9, 6–7 p.m.** — Market beef weigh-in at Lancaster Event Center – Pavilion 2.
- May 11, 6–7 p.m.** — Sheep and goat weigh-in at Lancaster Event Center – Pavilion 1.
- May 13 & June 10, 6–7 p.m.** — Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Face-to-Face Training for Livestock Animals — Livestock Parent/Leader Training & Identification Help
- June 15** — No Late Entries Accepted
  - 4-H enrollment due online at <https://ne.4honline.com> — must list project(s) each member plans to enter at Super Fair. All animal science projects are listed under “AS.”
  - Youth for Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training must be completed.
  - Super Fair identification certificates/affidavits for beef, bucket calves, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, goats, rabbits and llamas/ alpacas are due to Extension office.
  - State Fair breeding and market livestock nominations must be entered and paid at <https://showstockmgr.com>. (step-by-step instructions are online at <https://go.unl.edu/sfnomination>). DNA envelopes due to Extension office for State Fair (only required for market).
- June 21–July 1** — Animal entries for the Lancaster County Super Fair must be submitted online at <https://lancaster.fairmanager.com> between June 21 and July 1, 11:59 p.m. No late entries accepted.
- August 10 by 8 p.m.** — State Fair animal entries due online at <http://nebr.fairwire.co>. Select whether showing in 4-H or FFA.

### ID REQUIREMENTS FOR SUPER FAIR

Pick up tags and ID forms from Extension office (forms are also at <https://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/fair>). ID forms may be emailed to Calvin at [calvin.devries@unl.edu](mailto:calvin.devries@unl.edu) or left in the 4-H drop box after hours. 4-H drop box will be used to distribute tags after hours. Email Calvin requests as needed.

#### MARKET BEEF, FEEDER CALVES

- Tagged with a 4-H ear tag\*
- Submit Market ID Certificate (market beef)
- Submit Breeding ID Certificate (feeder calf)

#### BREEDING BEEF

- Breeding beef tattoo is their ID number\*
- Submit Breeding ID Certificate

\*FFA members can use an EID tag for breeding beef and feeder calves.

#### BUCKET CALVES (require a record book)

- Tagged with a 4-H ear tag
- Submit Bucket Calf Ownership Affidavit

#### SHEEP, MEAT GOATS

- Tagged with a USDA scrapie tag (for more info, call 1-866-USDA-TAG or go to [www.eradicatescrapie.org](http://www.eradicatescrapie.org))
- Submit Market or Breeding ID Certificate

#### SWINE

- Tagged with a 4-H ear tag
- Submit Market or Breeding ID Certificate

#### DAIRY CATTLE, DAIRY GOATS & PYGMY GOATS

- Submit Dairy Cattle or Dairy Goat ID Affidavit

#### RABBITS

- All rabbits must have a permanent, LEGIBLE I.D. (tattoo) in the left ear.
- Submit Rabbit Ownership Affidavit (ID form)

### ID REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE FAIR

Pick up tags and DNA envelopes from the Extension office. 4-H drop box will be used to distribute tags and DNA envelopes after hours. To request tags or DNA envelopes, email Calvin at [calvin.devries@unl.edu](mailto:calvin.devries@unl.edu). Completed DNA envelopes can be turned in to the 4-H Drop box silver locked mailbox after hours.

#### MARKET BEEF, SHEEP, SWINE, MEAT GOATS

- Obtain Premise ID from Nebraska Department of Ag and submit it to the Extension office.
- Market beef, swine and feeder calves tagged with an EID tag (swine also need ear notches recorded).
- Market sheep and meat goats use USDA scrapie tag number for ID (for more info, call 1-866-USDA-TAG or go to [www.eradicatescrapie.org](http://www.eradicatescrapie.org)).
- Submit DNA envelope with sample to the Extension office.
- State Fair nominations must be entered and paid at <https://showstockmgr.com> (more information and step-by-step instructions are online at <https://4h.unl.edu/state-fair/live-animal-exhibitor>) (\$7 per head).
- Submit Market ID Certificate to the Extension office.

#### BREEDING BEEF, SHEEP, MEAT GOATS

- 4-H breeding beef must have tattoo as their ID. FFA members may use an EID tag for breeding beef and feeder calves\*.
  - \*There are no classes for 4-H feeder calves at State Fair
- Breeding sheep and meat goats use USDA scrapie tag number for ID (for more info, call 1-866-USDA-TAG or go to [www.eradicatescrapie.org](http://www.eradicatescrapie.org)).
- State Fair nominations must be entered and paid at <https://showstockmgr.com> (more information and step-by-step instructions are online at <https://4h.unl.edu/state-fair/live-animal-exhibitor>) (\$2 per head).
- Submit Breeding ID Certificate to the Extension office.

#### DAIRY CATTLE

- Submit completed ID affidavit.

#### RABBITS

- Nebraska State Fair does not require a separate ID form, however, tattoo must be listed during the online entry process.

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# 4-H/FFA Animal Requirements for Super Fair and State Fair

## Animal identification requirements

- All livestock and rabbit identifications — as well as DNA envelopes — are due by **JUNE 15**. See **Livestock Checklist on previous page**.
- Horse identifications are due **JUNE 1**.
- 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) (note: market rabbits do not need a Premises ID). 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 402-471-2351 or 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. For more information, go to [www.nda.nebraska.gov/adt/premises.html](http://www.nda.nebraska.gov/adt/premises.html).

The Premises ID number must be recorded on all livestock identifications.

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

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

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

Deadline to complete YQCA and submit certificates of completion is **JUNE 15**. Send completed certificates to Calvin at [calvin.devries@unl.edu](mailto:calvin.devries@unl.edu) or Nebraska Extension in Lancaster County, 444 Cherrycreek Rd., Ste. A, Lincoln, NE 68528.

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 two options to complete their YQCA requirements:

- Complete online training at <https://yqca.learnrow.io>. Cost is \$12. For directions and more information, visit <https://4h.unl.edu/yqca>.
- Attend a face-to-face training held Thursday, May 13 or Thursday, June 10, 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://learnrow.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.

New this year, two Livestock Parent/Leader Training & Identification Help nights will be held at the same time as the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) face-to-face trainings on Tuesdays, May 13 and June 10. While 4-H members are participating in the YQCA training, 4-H leaders, parents and volunteers may receive leader training, share ideas and get assistance from 4-H staff with identification paperwork and online entries.

If you have further questions, contact Calvin at 402-441-7180 or [calvin.devries@unl.edu](mailto:calvin.devries@unl.edu).

## Aksarben Stock Show

The Aksarben Stock Show has transitioned to junior livestock show format. Under the junior show model, youth from 9–19 years of age are eligible for the competition with no prerequisite of youth organization affiliation. The Aksarben Stock Show will be held Sept 23–26, 2021 in Grand Island. Exhibitors showing livestock at the Stock Show **ONLY** must get DNA envelopes from Aksarben and provide down payment (they do not use the State Fair nomination process). For more information about the Aksarben Stock Show, go to [www.aksarbenstockshow.com](http://www.aksarbenstockshow.com) or contact Shelby Leonhard at 785-840-6752 or [sleonhard@showaksarben.com](mailto:sleonhard@showaksarben.com).

# SUPER FAIR

General rules for animals at the Lancaster County Super Fair are listed in the Fair Book, page 48–49. Animal-specific rules are listed by breeds in the Fair Book, pages 51–70.

## Cow-calf pairs

- Cows must be a past 4-H project.
- Must be tattooed and identified on “Breeding ID Certificate” 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 15. 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 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 State 4-H Horse shows: riders must be 10 years of age by Jan. 1 and successfully complete all level requirements before June 15. For 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 June 15.
- 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>.

## Rabbits

- 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.
- There will be a 4-H Tattooing & Fair-Prep Clinic provided by the Rabbit VIPS Committee on Saturday, June 12, 9–11 a.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, 444 Cherrycreek Road. Cost is \$1 per rabbit. Register by June 7 by contacting Kate at [kpulec3@unl.edu](mailto:kpulec3@unl.edu).

## Super Fair animal entries must be submitted online

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 Tuesday, June 21. Deadline is Wednesday, July 1, 11:59 p.m.** No late entries will be accepted!

See handout “**Online animal entry instructions for 4-H/FFA Lancaster County Super Fair**” in this packet and at <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/fair>. If you have questions about the process, call Heather Long at 402-441-7180.

**STALL RESERVATIONS:** You must submit stall requests during online entry or you will be assigned stalls according to your animal entries. Look for ‘\_Stalls and Pens\_’ as the first option under division (species). Please submit one ‘\_Stalls and Pens\_’ item per animal species.

**LIVESTOCK/POULTRY EXHIBITOR T-SHIRT SIZES:** Livestock and poultry exhibitors will each receive a free T-Shirt at Super Fair courtesy of sponsors. During animal entry online, T-shirts sizes will be required for livestock and poultry exhibitors prior to check out.

**BEDDING FEE:** Exhibitors who enter the following species will be charged a bedding fee:

- Beef and dairy cattle — \$10 per head.
- Bucket calves and llamas/alpacas — \$7 per head.

Fill out the form at <https://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/fair/fwlivestock.htm>. Print and submit with payment (cash or check) to the Extension office by Friday, July 9.

**HORSE ROPING/WORKING RANCH SHOW LIVESTOCK FEE:** Exhibitors who enter a Horse class that requires a Roping/Working Ranch animal fee, fill out the form at <https://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/fair/fwhorse.htm>. Print and submit with payment (cash or check) to the Extension office by Friday, July 9.

**TIPS:**

- For rabbits, notice there are 4 rabbit divisions. If you can’t find the class you are looking for, try the other rabbit divisions. If you plan to enter 12 rabbits, you will need to submit 12 entries.
- For horses, notice there are 4 horse divisions. If you can’t find the class you are looking for, try the other horse divisions. If you plan to enter 12 horse classes, you will need to submit 12 entries plus 1 for stalls and pens.

**Note: Do not use feedback through ShoWorks for comments or questions about entries — feedback is not seen by Extension staff until AFTER the Super Fair.**

# LANCASTER COUNTY 4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK PREMIUM AUCTION

Sale committee: Scott Heinrich, Ben Walbrecht and Jay Wilkinson  
Ag Society Board Members: John Cooper, Ron Dowding and  
Kendra Ronnau

**Auction: Saturday, July 31, 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.

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 2021: Beef, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat; Future auctions will be in rotation of this order — 2022: Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat, Beef. 2023: 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.

\*To receive auction premiums youth must submit a thank you to the premium sponsor of their project. Instructions will be mailed to premium auction participants at the conclusion of the current year's fair.

## Poultry

- Poultry do not require an identification form.
- 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.

## 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.

## BAGGED SHAVINGS

Absolutely no outside shavings or straw is allowed since the fairgrounds composts. All exhibitors must use shavings provided by the Lancaster Event Center (LEC) Fairgrounds. Note all stalls are disinfected with Nixall between each rental year-round.

Special discounted 4-H/FFA price of \$7 per bag (with sales tax included) will be honored for 4-H/FFA animal shows from Tuesday, July 27 through Sunday, August 1 with self-pickup at General Store in Pavilion 2.

4-H/FFA exhibitors may pay and pick up their shavings at the General Store on east end of Pavilion 2 during these hours:

- Tuesday, July 27, 4–8 p.m.
- Wednesday, July 28, 8 a.m.–9 p.m.
- Thursday, July 29 through Sunday, August 1, 7 a.m.–1 p.m.

If you need shavings outside of these hours, please call LEC Fairgrounds office at 402-441-6545 or stop by (it is in front of Lincoln Room on northwest corner of facility) daily 8 a.m.–10 p.m. with any form of valid payment accepted.

NEW — PREORDER SHAVINGS! Save time and prepay for shavings online to pick up at the General Store in Pavilion 2. On arrival, just check in quickly with cashier to sign for your shavings. Preorder no later than Thursday, July 22 at <https://bit.ly/2PaQCwS>.

## STATE FAIR

The Nebraska State Fair will be held Aug. 27–Sept. 6 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.