

## JUNIOR FAIR RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Junior Fair membership: Participation in the Junior Fair Activities at the Ashtabula County Fair is open to youth who are members of recognized Junior Fair organizations. Recognized Ashtabula County Fair organizations are: 4-H, FFA, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, FHA, Grange, and Farm Bureau Youth. Junior Fair Age Requirements: Junior Fair members must have met the age requirements of their respective organization and have not passed their nineteenth (19) birthday on January 1st of the current year. FFA members who have already passed their 19th birthday by January 1st of their senior year in high school may complete their project(s) by showing at fair that year only. To be eligible to participate in Junior Fair livestock shows or activities, a boy or girl must be a current member in good standing of either Ohio 4-H or FFA.
  2. All Junior Fair exhibitors will receive free admission to the County Fair. The youth organization adult supervisor will oversee admission procedures.
  3. Cash premiums will not be awarded to 4-H members.
  4. All Junior Fair exhibit space (booths, pens or stalls) will be assigned by the Junior Fair Department Superintendent or their designate.
  5. All exhibits will be in their assigned space at the fair by 3:00 p.m. Monday of fair week and all market projects are to be in place by 8:00 p.m. on Sunday of fair week. **\*\*ALL projects must remain in their assigned space at Fair until released Sunday.\*\***
  6. **NON LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS, INCLUDING THOSE IN THE CLUB EXHIBIT BOOTHS IN THE JUNIOR FAIR EXHIBITION BUILDING MAY ONLY BE REMOVED FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. AND 3:00-6:00 P.M. ON THE MONDAY FOLLOWING THE FAIR.**
  7. Exhibitors and their family members are expected to conduct themselves in an orderly and courteous manner. Harassment, profanity, and unsportsmanlike conduct toward fair officials, judges, show managers, help, or exhibitors will not be tolerated. Violators will be dismissed from the show, be asked to leave and may forfeit all premiums won. They may also be barred from further showing at future fairs.
  8. Members participating receive a project ribbon (A, B or C). Minimum grade will be 70%.
  9. Overnight and Illegal Substance Policy for ALL Junior Fair Exhibitors: Any Junior Fair Exhibitor on the fairgrounds between the hours of midnight and 4:00 a.m. must be **directly accompanied** by a parent, legal guardian, 4-H advisor or FFA instructor. Violation of this regulation may result in any or all of the following actions taken against the exhibitor:
    1. *The exhibitor may be barred from continuing to exhibit at the current fair.*
    2. *All trophies, awards, or premiums may be forfeited.*
    3. *The right to exhibit in one or more future fairs may be lost.*
    4. *The right to participate in the Market Animal Sale may be lost.*
    5. *The exhibitor and/or his/her family may lose the right to camping or parking permits on the fairgrounds.*
    6. *The supervising adult may lose his/her right to camping permits, parking permits, and/or free fair passes if he fails to make a good faith effort to provide adequate supervision.*
- Any Junior Fair Exhibitor in possession of an alcoholic drink or other illegal substance, found to have been consuming an alcoholic drink or an illegal substance on the fairgrounds or who comes to the fairgrounds **AFTER** illegally having consumed an alcoholic drink or illegal substance will also be subject to the above penalties. The penalizing action taken will be determined by the Senior Fair Board President, two other fair board members chosen by the President, the 4-H Educator, and an FFA Instructor. Right to appeal will be to the entire fair board following the board's appeal process.

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## 2018 SUPER SHOWMAN CONTEST RULES

**Sunday, August 12 - 2:00 p.m. - MAC Arena and Kaszar Show Barn**

The Super Showman contest is to be a fun contest as well as a learning experience for all contestants and spectators. All contestants and spectators are asked to practice only positive support, before, during, and after all contests. Remember good sportsmanship is an important part of all Junior Fair events.

This contest is open to the top Experienced (youth with *two completed years or more of experience in their species* and a minimum age of 13 years old *as of January 1st of the current year*) Junior Fair Showmanship winners (4-H and FFA). One representative will be selected by the Species Chair in the following departments based on the top scoring experienced showman: *Swine, Dairy Beef Feeder, Goats, Dairy, Chicken, Waterfowl, Sheep, Saddle Horse, Rabbit, Cavy, Turkey, Miniature Horse, Dairy Steer, Beef Feeder, Llama/Alpaca, Dog and Beef Steer.*

The species representative shall be the youth with the top experienced showmanship score and is to be chosen from an **experienced showmanship class** (market and breeding combine). If there is a tie, the youth with the highest skillathon score will be selected as the representative. In the case of another tie, the specie chair will ask each youth a series of tie-breaker questions to determine the top showman.

After competing in the contest, a contestant may not represent the same species for 2 years. A contestant may represent a different species after 1 year of not competing in the contest. Once a contestant has won (first place overall)

the Super Showman Contest, he or she is no longer eligible for the rest of his or her Jr. Fair career. These rules also apply to any youth unable to complete the contest after beginning the contest.

Each judge will rank the contestants, with a 1 representing the best score, a 2 representing the second best score, etc. The contestant with the fewest total points is the winner of the contest. Each judge will state what is important in showing a particular species and the reasons for placing the winner at the top of the class. Scores of all contestants will be kept by an official scorekeeper. Scores will be read after each class. The judges' decisions are final.

All contestants will receive a Super Showman shirt and will wear proper show attire: pants, boots and numbers for identification purposes. A \$50 award will go to the overall Super Showman. In case of a tie, the tying contestants will both be named Super Showman and duplicate awards presented.

Each project area Species Chair is responsible for arranging for an adult judge whom is not a species chair and/or related to any participant. The Species Chair is responsible for getting the 15 needed animals for use in the contest. Rabbits, Poultry, Waterfowl and Turkey are responsible for 2 animals for use in the contest. Judges should be from a non-participating club if possible. Youth may not enter the ring with their own project animal. The 2018 Rotation will be as follows: Small Equine, Dairy Beef Feeder, Goat, Sheep, Dairy Cattle, Rabbit, Chicken, Duck, Swine and Turkey.

## JUNIOR FAIR CLEAN AREA/BARN AWARD 2018

### Clean Area/Barn Award

The clean area/barn award is presented to one species area/barn per day. Prizes will be awarded to the species area/barn having the cleanest area/barn. They will be judged daily (Tuesday through Saturday). There will be one species area/barn winner each day who will receive a banner to hang in their area for that day. The over all winners will be announced at the Sunday awards ceremony.

### Area/Barn Evaluation

Each judge will use new evaluation sheets daily. The judges will not be disclosed and may be past advisors, alumni, or guests. Each day the judges will be different. Clean area/barn judging will take place randomly each day based on the judges' convenience. ALL areas/barns will be judged the same. Open Class, Dairy and Saddle Horse barns will not be judged. Each area/barn can have a possible 100 points per day making their score total into a percentage.

### Judging Criteria

Aisle & Barn (20 points) Area is free of litter, paper, hay, straw, shavings, and manure; area raked or swept clean.

Clean Fresh Water (10 points) Water buckets/bowl/bottle must be at least half full and clean of dirt, hay, or debris. Buckets should be located in a place that can be visible without going into the stall.

Tack Area (20 points) Pitchforks, rakes, brooms, cleaning supplies and grooming supplies not in use must be neatly put away in tack boxes or tack areas.

Clean Cage/Pen (20 points) Pens should be dry, free of debris, and clean/neat.

Animal (10 points) Animals should be well groomed, clean, and in healthy condition.

Educational Display & Decorations (10 points) Decorations should be in place and should look attractive. Use of the fair theme will not outweigh

club theme, but it is nice to see the fair theme used. Educational posters will be considered in scoring.

Courtesy to Others (10 points) Youth should exhibit good behavior and be polite while in the barns. No running, yelling or foul language. Courtesy to others will be considered in scoring.

**\* WEATHER WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN SCORING.**

**\* 25 POINTS WILL BE DEDUCTED IF THE PARENTS ONLY ARE SEEN CLEANING THE MEMBERS STALLS OR AREA**



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## 2018 JUNIOR FAIR LIVESTOCK GUIDELINES

### Project Requirements:

1. Obtain animals at an age or size that will allow them to reach the appropriate market weight by fair time. See the Guidelines for Obtaining Your Market Animal chart later in this document.
2. Each year a new record book must be completed for goats, hogs, lambs, steers, dairy steers, beef feeders, dairy beef feeders, market chickens, rabbits, turkeys and ducks. Each year the member is required to complete a new project book. The correct record book for each species as listed in the Market Animal Guidelines.
3. Bring a new, completed record book to the Skill-a-thon event at the fairgrounds in July. Participation in the Skill-a-thon is required to be eligible for the Grand Champion Project Exhibitor and Reserve Grand Champion Project Exhibitor given at the Ashtabula County Fair. All record books must be reviewed, dated & signed by an advisor upon completion of the required pages for the current year.
4. For the goat, hog, lamb, steer, dairy steer, rabbit, beef feeder and dairy beef feeder projects, each family should purchase a copy of the appropriate reference book. These books contain essential subject matter information. The reference books may be used year after year by all members of the family taking that project.
5. For market chickens (broiler), market turkey and market duck projects the reference book and the record book are combined into one project book.

A new project book must be purchased each year and the record portion completed.

6. Each individual Market Animal Project member must submit a signed copy of the MAC and Species Guidelines (poultry, rabbit and goat) appropriate for their project with a completed record book at Skillathon.

### Skillathon

- Skillathon will be held Saturday, July 14, 2018 (Super Saturday).
- No make-ups will be given.
- Members may not re-test a skillathon in a given year.
- Each individual Market Animal Project member must submit a signed copy of the MAC Guidelines with a completed project book at skillathon.
- Study materials are available online at <http://ashtabula.osu.edu>, from the Extension Office, and Learning Lab Kits and Notebooks are available to all for use at the Extension Office. Species Clinics will be mentioned at MAC meetings. Please call (440) 576-9008 for more information.

### Show Requirements

1. To be eligible for the fair, show animals must be properly identified. See Project Animal Identifications (Tagging) below.
2. The weight requirements to be eligible for the Market Animal Sale are listed below. Under-weight and over-weight animals will be excused from the grounds.

## Weight Requirements

Species	Minimum weight (in pounds)	Maximum weight (in pounds)
Beef Feeder	350	800
Dairy Beef Feeder	350	800
Dairy Steer	900	1550
Market Goat	60	125
Market Hog	220	320
Market Lamb	90	150
Market Rabbit	5.0 (per rabbit)	8.0 (per rabbit)
Market Steer	950	1550
Market Chickens	Total pen Weight: 16 lbs. per pen of 4 birds	Total pen Weight: 28 lbs. per pen of 4 birds
Market Turkey	15	50
Market Ducks	Total pen Weight: 10 lbs. per pen of 2 birds	Total pen Weight: 30 lbs. per pen of 2 birds

## Guidelines for Obtaining Your Market Animal

Species	Type of Animal Rules	RECOMMENDED Size/Age Animals or current Project Year should be	Other Requirements
Beef Feeder	Predominate beef breeding	Born Jan. 1 - April 15	Bull calves <b>castrated &amp; dehorned</b> by first Saturday in May
Dairy Beef Feeder	Predominate dairy breeding- Large Breeds recommended (dairy/beef crosses are not allowed)	Suggested calves born between Dec. 15 & Feb. 28	Bull calves <b>castrated &amp; dehorned</b> by first Saturday in May
Dairy Steer	Predominate dairy breeding- Large Breeds recommended (dairy/beef crosses are not allowed)	400-600 pounds at tagging	Bull calves <b>castrated &amp; dehorned</b> by first Saturday in December
Market Steer	Predominate beef breeding-	400-600 pounds at tagging (Born Jan-April)	Bull calves <b>castrated &amp; dehorned</b> by first Saturday in December
Market Goat	Any type dairy goat or boer goat	Born Dec. 30 - Feb. 28	Dehorned Wethers of any dairy breed (castrated male goats) or female Boer or female Boer cross. Must still have milk teeth.
Market Hog	High quality feeder, see Chapter 3 in Swine Resource Handbook	At least 50 pounds at tagging: pigs born Jan. 1 to Feb. 15	Barrows or gilts allowed
Market Lamb	Meat-type breed: Suffolk & Hampshire are the most popular	50 to 80 pounds at tagging, lambs born in Jan or Feb	Ewes or wethers only; no rams

## Guidelines for Obtaining Your Market Animal cont.

Species	Type of Animal Rules	RECOMMENDED Size/Age Animals or current Project Year should be	Other Requirements
Market Rabbit (Roaster) (A meat pen is made of 2 rabbits)	New Zealand, Californian, Champagne D'Argent, Palomino, Satin, or can be any other commercial or commercial mixed breed.	Rabbits in possession by May 1. Young should be 4-6 months at fair.	Not be over 6 months at weigh-in, 2 rabbits of the same breed & variety (color). Cannot be born before Feb. 6, 2018
Market Chickens (A meat pen is made of 4 chickens)	Commercial broiler type; normally hybrids		Pullorum Free Hatchery: Not hatched before June 1; in possession by June 30; private or group order
Market Turkey	Large white		Tom or hen. Pullorum Free Hatchery Not hatched before April 1; in possession by May 1; private or group order
Market Duck (A pen is made up of 2 ducks)	White Pekin		White Pekin Only. Not hatched before June 1; in possession by June 30; private or group order

**\*\* All animals must be dehorned and castrated prior to tagging, except boer market goats.** Scurs must be less than one inch before arriving at the fair or carcass show drop-off. A scur is identified as a small unattached growth of horn at the site of a normal horn.

## Guidelines for Having Your Market Animal Permanently Identified

Species	Types of Identification/ Possession Deadline	Type	Number
Beef Feeder	First Saturday in May, 9 a.m. to noon, Fairgrounds	Tamperproof Tag	4 animals may be tagged. Small fee will be charged
Dairy Beef Feeder	First Saturday in May, 9 a.m. to noon, Fairgrounds	Tamperproof Tag	4 animals may be tagged. Small fee will be charged
Dairy Steer	First Saturday in December, 9 a.m. to noon, Fairgrounds	Tag	4 animals may be tagged w/tamper proof tag. Small fee will be charged
Market Goat*	First Saturday in May, 9 a.m. to noon, Fairgrounds	Tag	4 animals may be tagged. Small fee will be charged
Market Hog	First Saturday in May, 8 a.m. to noon, Fairgrounds	Tag	4 animals may be tagged. Small fee will be charged
Market Lamb*	First Saturday in May, 9 a.m. to noon, Fairgrounds	Tag	4 animals may be tagged. Small fee will be charged
Market Rabbit	Third Saturday of June, 9 a.m. to noon, Fairgrounds	Tattoo	24 animals may be tattooed if bred at home. 12 animals may be tattooed if purchased. Small fee will be charged
Market Steer	First Saturday in December, 9 a.m. to noon, Fairgrounds	Tag	4 animals may be tagged w/tamper proof tag. Small fee will be charged
Market Chickens**	Weigh-in at fair; possession by June 30 Tagging 9-11am on Super Sat. (July, 14, 2018)	Wing-band	Up to 16 birds may be banded. Small fee will be charged, Pen = 4
Market Turkey	First Saturday in May, 9 a.m. to noon, Fairgrounds	Wing-band	6 animals may be banded. Small fee will be charged Pen = 1
Market Duck**	Weigh-in at fair; possession by June 30. Tagging 9-11am on Super Sat. (July, 14, 2018)	Wing-band	Up to 8 birds may be banded. Identify 2 Ducks. Small fee will be charged. Pen = 2

**\* MUST have Scrapie Identification**

- All male hoofed project animals must be castrated and dehorned by the possession deadline listed above. Boer goats do not have to be dehorned.
- The Market Animal Committee charges an identification fee and all market animals are to be assigned to a particular member at the time of identification. After identification, animals cannot be transferred to other members.
- In addition to exhibiting one market animal at the fair, members may also enter the carcass show with one steer (beef or dairy), lamb, swine or goat project. Each 4-H club for FFA Chapter can designate and sell a Community Project. Must be identified at tagging.
- In the case of the death of an animal after identifications, **a tagged family animal may be substituted. There will be no OTHER substitution of animals.**
- Members are required to do at least 50% of the feeding, care (does not include fitting) and training of their project. Fitting does not include washing. If it is determined that the member has not been adequately involved in doing these duties he/she can be declared ineligible to receive awards for showing the animal. Only parents, siblings, 4-H advisors, FFA advisors, Extension Educators and 4-H or FFA members may assist the member with the normal exercising, feeding and caring for the animal.
- The Species Chair must be notified immediately if an animal loses a tag. Only that animal species chair may tag the animal.

## 2018 JUNIOR FAIR LIVESTOCK REGULATIONS

- \*\* Junior Fair Exhibitors of lactating cows, lactating goats and all market animals including rabbits MUST attend an Ohio Quality Assurance training session by June 1st, to be eligible to show or sell their animal at the fair.**
- \*\*REQUIRED PARENT/ADVISOR MARKET PROJECT MEETING: At least one parent/guardian of each market project member and one MAC advisor per club must attend the online virtual meeting at [www.tinyurl.com/acaspamentmeeting](http://www.tinyurl.com/acaspamentmeeting) by July 1. This is an online GoogleDocs training. You must go through the entire presentation and verify your attendance at the conclusion. By doing so you acknowledge that you understand the information provided. Failure to do so will result in the member being ineligible to bring a market animal to the fair this year.**
- All livestock must be in their assigned space at the fair by 8:00 p.m. Sunday prior to fair week.
  - Exhibitors, parents and advisors are expected to conduct themselves in an orderly and courteous manner. All youth, parents and advisors must have a signed Code of Conduct on file at OSU Extension. Harassment, profanity and unsportsmanlike conduct toward fair officials, judges, show manager, help, parents, advisors or exhibitors will not be tolerated. Violators will be dismissed from the show, asked to leave and may forfeit all premiums won and may be barred from further showing at future fairs.
  - All market exhibitors (market beef, beef feeder, dairy beef, dairy steer, goat, lamb, turkey, chicken, duck, rabbit & hog) must have a parent or guardian attend the required online virtual meeting at [www.tinyurl.com/acaspamentmeeting](http://www.tinyurl.com/acaspamentmeeting) by July 1. Failure to do so will result in ineligibility to bring a market animal to fair for the current year.
  - A separate Junior Fair pen reservation must be made for each 4-H and FFA livestock project. An animal without a pen/stall reservation may be sent home. Forms are available at the Extension Office and are due July 1. Forms are to be returned to the Extension Office by the advisor under whose supervision the exhibitor is enrolled. Incomplete forms will not be accepted. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED** without approval of the 4-H Educator and the Agricultural Society President or the Agricultural Society.
  - It is the responsibility of the youth to return all Carcass Entry Forms, County Pride and Breeder's Own Forms to the OSU-Extension Office by July 1. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED** without approval of the 4-H Educator and the Agricultural Society President or the Agricultural Society. Incomplete forms will not be accepted. Any project without a complete entry form on file will not be accepted. Junior Fair livestock exhibit space will be assigned by the Junior Fair Superintendent in charge of that department, or other designated person(s).
  - All market animal projects are to be shown by the exhibitor in show and showmanship classes. Extenuating circumstances may be approved by the MAC chair of that species for a project to show in a weight class. However, the animal cannot be shown in showmanship. Projects shown by another exhibitor are ineligible for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion Project Exhibitor.
  - Siblings with the same species may tag one additional family animal in that species. One per family. Tagging sheet must be completely filled out including all youth names and returned on tagging day.
  - On Sunday of fair, large animals will be permitted to leave the grounds at 7:00 p.m. Small animals that can be transported without bringing a vehicle onto the grounds may leave at 7:00 p.m. All other small animals will be dismissed at 9:00 p.m. **NO ANIMALS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GROUNDS OR BUILDINGS BEFORE 7:00 P.M. SUNDAY WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE FAIR VET. VIOLATORS MAY BE REFUSED PERMISSION TO SHOW THE FOLLOWING YEAR.** Tack may only be removed after 9:00 p.m. unless it is carried out. Haulers have the right of way.
  - Community project animals will not be shown in live show classes or showmanship classes and are required to have a display about their project above their animal at fair.
  - Community projects must be designated as such at tagging and are expected to be cared for in the same manner as all other projects before and during fair (including feeding, washing, etc.)
  - Exhibitors in the Junior Fair Livestock Division may not enter the same animals in both 4-H and FFA.
  - In a class having only one entry, the judge will have the right to refuse to award First Place on the exhibit unless, in their opinion, the exhibit is of exceptional merit.
  - The Livestock Health Regulations of the Ohio Department of Agriculture governing livestock exhibits at Ohio fairs and as set forth in the Open Class Livestock section of the fairbook will be in effect.
  - The Agricultural Society provides no bedding or feed. All feed and bedding is up to 4-H and FFA clubs or club members unless members have been otherwise informed. However, sawdust (provided by MAC) will be available for hogs and all other market animals. MAC will provide initial bedding for each poultry and/or turkey animal. (Do not bring straw to bed hogs.)
  - It is recommended that livestock exhibitors carry liability insurance on their animals exhibited at the fair. The purpose of this insurance is to protect the exhibitor if their animal causes injury to a patron at the fair. If an accident does happen, a Fair Board director should be contacted immediately and an accident report can be completed.
  - The Junior Fair organizations, advisory committees and the Agricultural Society are not responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen entries, equipment, etc.,
  - Persons other than exhibitors and Fair officials or their designees are not allowed in the show ring during Junior Fair livestock shows.
  - Steers, dairy steers, beef breeding and dairy beef feeders must be tied with rope halters and neck ropes.
  - All market animals must be in possession and care of the member by May 1 unless specified otherwise in these regulations.
  - All market animals must be cleaned, watered and cared for before **9:00 a.m.** and again by **6:00 p.m.** The first failure to comply will result in a written warning by the Species Chair, and if it continues, the Department Superintendent will levy a fine of \$10.00 for each occurrence/paid by the Saturday after fair. Checks will not be distributed until fines are paid.
  - No hogs are to be washed after 9:00 am, unless prior permission is received from the Species Chair.
  - No cattle are allowed on the cement in the MAC Arena unless authorized by the Junior Fair Superintendent. No hogs are to be out of their pens except for washing, shows or the sale unless prior permission is received from the Species Chair. No animals are allowed on the midway or out of the animal area.
  - Members must be able to show and control their own animal if they are bringing it to the fair. Any animal presumed dangerous by the Fair Vet, MAC Species Representative or Department Superintendent or MAC Advisory will be removed from the fairgrounds. No exhibitor will be permitted to have another Junior Fair Member show his or her own animal because the original exhibitor cannot control the animal. No training halters or nose leads may be used. Final decisions as to whether or not an animal can be shown will be the responsibility of the Departmental Superintendent and MAC Committee.
  - To be eligible for the market animal sale, the market animal must be shown in a Junior Fair market class, excluding community projects.
  - Only Specie Chair approved "FOR SALE" signs will be permitted. Signs are available from the Junior Fair Office in the MAC Arena.
  - Drug Use Notification Forms (DUNF) must accompany each market animal & are to be filled out prior to entering the fairgrounds.
  - All dairy beef feeders must have a minimum body condition score of a 5 noted on the health papers based on the Nine Point Body Condition Scoring. (<http://beef.unl.edu/web/beef/learning/condition1b.shtml>)

### SHOWMANSHIP

- Each member must show his or her own market animal in showmanship classes, unless the youth's project animal has been sent home because it was over or under-weight. In which case separate showmanship classes will be offered where the youth may use another animal.
- Any member who has exhibited a project animal in a specific species will be considered to be experienced, whether they have shown in showmanship or not.
- Market Animals entered in showmanship are not to be fitted other than normal daily hair care.

**IMPORTANT! See Pages 17-19 for Ohio & Ashtabula County Fair Livestock Health Exhibition Regulations and Tampering Rules**

- Community projects are not to be shown in showmanship classes.
- Suggested age and experience levels for showmanship classes can be found in the species guidelines or fair book (see the species chairman for further details on classes).

### Fitting

- During show day only Ashtabula County Junior Fair Exhibitors are to fit their animals and youth exhibitors are encouraged to do the majority of the work through the week of fair. Each exhibitor **MUST** fit his/her own animal but may be assisted by any immediate member of the family if help is needed. Family as defined by the Ohio Revised Code 904-19-01. Professional fitters can not touch animal once it arrives on the fairgrounds but can still instruct if needed. There is to be no artificial dressings such as oil, powder, etc. used in grooming of hogs, rabbits, turkeys, dairy beef feeders, dairy steers, goats, market chickens or market ducks at anytime during the fair. Beef are to follow the Ohio Cattleman's Association rules. (<http://ohiocattle.org/rules>).
- All steer projects must be fit in the Market Steer Barn on showday.
- All hogs must have a measurable 1/2 inch of body hair, underline included. Ears and tails may be shorter. A 5/8" blade is recommended. Clipping hogs is optional prior to fair. NO CLIPPING is permitted at Fair.
- External application of ice, ice packs, cold packs or cold compresses prescribed to relieve heat stress or a medical condition diagnosed by a licensed veterinarian at the fair is deemed acceptable to protect and promote the health, safety, and welfare of livestock in accordance with Division (A) of Rule 901-19-12 of the United States Department of Agriculture Administrative Code.
- During the fair, no substance other than normal feed and water, is to be given to an exhibition animal without permission of a veterinarian for medical purposes.
- Adding any substance externally to build up, change, or alter the shape of conformation of the livestock is prohibited, including by way of example but not limited to rope, false hair, graphite, hemp, and powders.
- Adults/ parents may lead animal if animals become unruly from the chute to show barn, barn, or wash rack.

### Medicinal Withdrawal Times

- Members must follow the required withdrawal times for certain feed additives, medicines and pesticides during the length of the project. Members will be required to record all treatments in a project drug treatment record log. The log should be maintained with the project book and be available for review during project reviews.
- All animals entered in the Market Animal show must be in compliance with all applicable laws, statutes and rules at the time of the show and must be free of all unlawful or illegal substances. At the time of the fair drop off, the withdrawal period of all drugs must have lapsed, and all drug residues must be within the tolerance levels authorized or recommended by the United States Department of Agriculture or the United States Food and Drug Administration.
- Livestock entered in the Terminal Market shows are destined for slaughter or consignment to a licensed livestock facility and shall not be removed from the fairgrounds until the livestock is transported to slaughter or to the licensed livestock facility or until the Agricultural Society approves movement of the livestock to another secure area for 1) disease control and 2) quarantine for residue to allow a withdrawal time as determined by the fair veterinarian or in accordance with the instructions listed on the drug use notification form to elapse and may be subject to testing. As a terminal project, the member is responsible for then finding their own buyer.
- Livestock that cannot be harvested at the time of the terminal show because of unlawful or illegal substances will be disqualified.

### Market Animal Weigh In

- All animals must be weighed in on Sunday prior to fair week, between 2:00-5:00 p.m. for steers and 5:00-8:00 p.m. for hogs. Lambs must weigh-in between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. All other market projects must be brought in and weighed in between 2:00-5:00 p.m. Special accommodations may be made following a request to the species chair for multi-species haulers. Lambs will be weighed across the hog scale, goats and turkeys across the small animal scale.
- Under-weight and over-weight animals will be sent home immediately following weigh-in. If the first animal is under/over, the exhibitor will be allowed to weigh-in one different identified/tagged animal in the allotted time frame.
- Members are to be present for weigh-in and for project photos unless other arrangements are made with the species chairperson.** Small animal photos will be taken at weigh-in. All others will be photographed as noted prior to fair. All exhibitors must be at their pen at this time. All members must have a photo taken for distribution to the buyers.

- Each project animal will be officially weighed by the weigh master or designee once.
- Tack is not to be unloaded during dropoff and weigh-in.

### Market Animal Project Placings

- Each exhibitor is to receive a grade from the species judge, which is to be based on the animal only. Minimum grade is to be no lower than 70%.
- Members will be required to participate in their species Skill-a-thon to be eligible for the Grand and Reserve Champion Project Exhibitor Award. A listing of Skill-a-thon requirements is available at the OSU Extension Office.
- Grand & Reserve Champion Project Exhibitor: Skill-a-thon, 40 pts.; Showmanship, 40 pts.; and the animal's conformation, 20 pts.
- Additional questions asked by and at the discretion of the judge will be used to break any tie(s).
- Each 4-H and FFA member will receive a project ribbon (A, B, C). Grades are based on Skill-a-thon 40%; fitting and showing 40%; animal 20%.
- In picking the species Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show the judge will make this choice from the different classes first place animals. After the choice of Best of Show is made the second place animal from the Best of Show's class will be added to the collection of first place animals. The judge will then choose Reserve Best of Show. The judge will then choose a specific number of animals for sale placement for the top ten animals.
- Sale placement of the remaining animals will be placed via a lottery method or by a method approved by the Specie Chairman and MAC (rabbit and poultry see guidelines for additional information).
- All exhibitors who win an award or medallion must write a "Thank You" note to the donor who sponsored his or her award. The address of the donor is located on the bottom of the award. Thank you notes are available at the Junior Fair Office or the OSU Extension Office.
- There must be 5 projects to make a show. Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show animals will only be placed if there are five or more in the show. If there are less than five, animals may sell at the sale and may be placed as Grand and Reserve Project. Medallions and Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show ribbons will not be awarded for shows with less than 5 projects.
- County Pride & Breeder's Own - These awards will be given to the market hog, dairy beef feeder, market goat, market steer, market lamb, rabbits, poultry, beef feeder and dairy steer species. The Breeder's Own award will be given to an animal that was produced on the breeder's home farm and has the highest live animal score given by the judge. The County Pride award will be given to the animal whose breeder lives in Ashtabula County and has the best judge's score. In case of a tie the showmanship score will be used. Entry forms are due to the Extension Office July 1. Incomplete forms will not be accepted. No late entries will be accepted.

### Market Animal Carcass

- Animals not meeting the requirements listed under the Eligibility section of the Show/ Sale Rules will not be judged or eligible for awards and will be sent home and not processed. This includes underweight and overweight animals and non-castrated and horned being sent home.
- Animals must be sound and in good health.
- Animals not clean and halter-broke will not be unloaded.
- The exhibitor is expected to unload their own project. The Market Animal Committee, Fair Board, OSU Extension, Processor and volunteers are not responsible for any injuries.
- Animals will be processed at the owner's expense.
- Animals will be weighed once at the time of drop-off.
- Exhibitors must bring a completed DUNF. All members taking a carcass project must complete Skillathon for that species.
- An exhibitor may have only one animal in the MAC Carcass Show (program).
- There must be 5 projects to make a show. Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show animals will only be placed if there are five or more in the show. If there are less than five, animals may sell at the sale and may be placed as Grand and Reserve Project. Medallions and Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show ribbons will not be awarded for shows with less than 5 projects.
- No more than 10 animals can sell at the Fair Market Animal Sale. The top 5 carcasses of each species will be sold at the MAC Sale. For each species, additional carcasses will be sold as follows: 11-15 entries = 6 carcasses; 16-20 entries = 7 carcasses; 21-25 entries = 8 carcasses; 26-30 entries = 9 carcasses; 31-35 entries = 10 carcasses.
- Grand and Reserve Champion Project Exhibitor: Carcass Evaluation 20%, Skill-A-Thon 20% & Carcass Animal 60%.
- Any animal that meets the requirements for placement in the sale cannot

be pulled from the sale.

13. The kill charge is to be paid at the time of animal drop-off.
14. Cut lists must be submitted at drop-off if the animal is to be processed at the Processor.
15. Judging of carcass will be based on a combination of USDA Quality and Yield Grades and the judge has the final say on all placings and disqualifications.
16. Each exhibitor shall weigh in only ONE market project. No substitution of animals may be made.
17. All members taking a carcass project must complete Skillathon for that species to be eligible for Grand and Reserve Project Exhibitor.
18. Carcass Evaluation Score will include the evaluation/judging of meat cuts.

#### Market Animal Terminal Sale

1. All market animals with the exception of dairy beef feeders and beef feeders sales are terminal sales and these projects must be harvested at a MAC approved processing plant. Market Animals sold are not to be returned to the member. These animals are no longer to be shown again by the exhibitor or any other 4-H or FFA member in any Junior show in any other county, independent or State Fair within the project year.
2. Grand Champion Project, Reserve Champion Project, Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show must sell at the sale. All other properly tagged animals may withdraw from the sale within one hour after the end of their show by contacting the species chairperson. All species are allowed to withdraw from the sale but must be delivered by a MAC approved livestock hauler to a MAC approved processing facility. Written documentation of arrangements must be submitted to and authorized by the MAC sale manager.
3. Title to MAC Project animals sold at the sale and delivered for harvest at an approved livestock facility shall remain vested with the exhibitor until the livestock has passed inspection and has been released in accordance with rule 901-19-02 of Administrative Code.
4. The Ashtabula County Agricultural Society will collect the sale proceeds from the successful bidder and will retain the proceeds until the carcass of the livestock has been released by inspection. All bidders at the terminal sale auction will be required to select a MAC approved processing facility for tracking purposes.
5. The Ashtabula County Agricultural Society conducts the sale through the assistance of the Market Animal Committee as a service to Junior Fair members who take a market animal project.
6. The sale is to be held Saturday of Fair Week, 1:00 p.m.
7. All sales are final unless an Ohio Department of Agriculture carcass inspection reveals a possible violation of MAC regulations. In such a case the buyer will be released from the sale.
8. The sale is open to FFA and 4-H members in approved clubs who have, in the current year, properly identified their animals.
9. The overall sale order is as follows: Cheese, Rabbits, Goats, Turkeys, Chickens, Ducks, Dairy Steers, Beef Feeders, Lambs, Hogs, Dairy Beef Feeders and Steers. Carcass animals will be sold in each species after the non-carcass animals of that species have been sold. The sale order within each species is as follows: Grand Champion Project Exhibitor, Reserve Champion Project Exhibitor, Best of Show, Reserve Best of Show, and animals placing 3rd - 10th within each species, non-placing animals, Carcass Grand Champion Project Exhibitor, Carcass Reserve Champion Project Exhibitor, Best of Show Carcass, Reserve Best of Show Carcass and Carcass animals 3rd up to 10th place.
10. All members who sell project animals through the sale will give 4% of the selling price to MAC to cover costs of marketing, fair supplies (ie sawdust), building upkeep, and management of the sale. Projects selling in the MAC Auction will be assessed the 4% fee based on the animal's weight and selling price. All animals pulled from the sale are also subject to these fees. This fee will be calculated by the weight of the animal times the average sale price of the non-champion animals selling in that species at the MAC sale times the 4% commission fee (excludes community projects). Any animal withdrawn from the sale must still pay the MAC commission fee by 1:00 p.m. on Sunday of the fair. No animal will be released from the fairgrounds without this payment being made.
11. A \$10 fee will be assessed to the sale check per project sold in lieu of a buyer's gift.
12. Exhibitors selling their animal must send a "Thank You" note to the buyer. This "Thank You" note is to be delivered to the Junior Fair Office in a stamped, sealed, and an addressed envelope no later than clean-up day (one week following the fair). Checks for the sale of market projects will

not be distributed until the office receives the "Thank You" note and their individual pens and market animal areas (including barns, wash racks, the MAC sale ring, MAC Arena and showbarn) are clean. Members are required to clean their individual pens.

#### Market Animal Sale Requirements

1. Species Requirements: Sales requirements are the same as show requirements. See also show requirements
  - a. Steers - Only polled or dehorned steers, which are predominantly of beef breeding stock, are permitted. Minimum weight - 950 lbs & max. - 1550 lbs.
  - b. Dairy Steer - Only polled or dehorned steers, which are predominantly breeds of Holstein, Brown Swiss, Ayrshire, Guernsey, Milking Shorthorn or Jersey are permitted. Minimum weight - 900 lbs. & Maximum - 1550 lbs.
  - c. Lambs - Only ewes or wethers permitted. Minimum weight 90 pounds & max. - 150 lbs.
  - d. Hogs - Barrows & gilts are permitted. Minimum weight - 220 lbs. & max. - 320 lbs.
  - e. Chickens - Minimum weight per pen of four birds: 16 lbs; Maximum weight per pen of four birds 28 lbs. Pen of 4.
  - f. Rabbits - Minimum weight per rabbit 5.0 pounds; Maximum weight per rabbit - 8.0 pounds. Pen of 2.
  - g. Dairy Beef Feeder - Must be castrated and dehorned before tagging. Minimum weight 350 pounds, maximum weight 800 pounds.
  - h. Beef Feeder - Must be castrated and dehorned before tagging. Minimum weight 350 pounds, maximum weight 800 pounds.
  - i. Turkeys - Minimum weight of 15 pounds and maximum weight of 50 lbs.
  - j. Goats - Minimum weight - 60 lbs to maximum weight 125 lbs.
  - k. Market Duck - Minimum weight pen of 2 - 10 lbs. and max weight 30 lbs.
1. Carcass:
  - \* Beef Steers - minimum live weight on delivery day = 950 pounds/maximum 1550 pounds. Only polled or dehorned steers, which are predominantly of beef breeding stock, are permitted.
  - \* Dairy Steers - minimum live weight on delivery day = 900 pounds/maximum 1550 pounds. Only polled or dehorned steers, which are predominantly of dairy breeding stock are permitted.
  - \* Lambs - minimum live weight on delivery day = 90 pounds/maximum 150 pounds. Ewes and wethers only.
  - \* Hogs - minimum live weight on delivery day = 220 pounds/maximum 320 pounds. Barrows and gilts only.
  - \* Goats - minimum live weight on delivery day = 60 pounds/maximum 125 pounds. Wethers of any breed or female boers.No more than 10 animals can sell at the Market Sale.
2. Each Junior Fair exhibitor may show and sell only one market project in addition to one carcass project. Animals must meet all sale eligibility requirements. NOTE: The production cheese project is considered a market project.
3. **Donated back market animals:** Animals sold by a member during the junior fair auction and donated back by the buyer for resale will be re-sold immediately, if possible, prior to leaving the ring. Proceeds from the re-sale will be donated to the 4-H Foundation unless otherwise specified by donor. The donor may choose another non-profit entity located within Ashtabula County to receive the donated funds. Donor must fill out a form at time of sale stating the contact name and information of the charity. If contact information is not received, 4-H Foundation will receive the funds as the default recipient.
4. **Market animal community projects:** Junior fair clubs may raise and sell one market animal at the Ashtabula County Fair with proceeds of the sale to benefit an Ashtabula County non-profit charity of the club's choice. Clubs must list the animal tag number if available, charity contact name, address and phone number on the pen reservation. Clubs must also submit a letter of intent to donate the funds, which must include the charity contact name, address and phone number at the time of pen reservations. Proceeds from re-sold community projects will benefit the original charity. **Community Project forms must be submitted to the Extension Office by July 1st.**
5. Members must lead their own animal for the sale. If a member is unable to lead his or her own animal for the sale, that member must notify the species chairperson before the day of the sale. The livestock superintendents along with the species chairperson and the 4-H Educator will then determine whether or not that member's animal can be sold. When arrangements are not made for another Jr. Fair member to lead their animal during the sale, the animal will not go through the sale and the member will be responsible for the cost of processing and the MAC 4% commission of the non-champion animals of that species. If not paid, the member shall be ineligible to sell the following year.

6. An incomplete pen cannot sell.

**Market Animal Harvest & Hauling**

1. A strong rope halter is required for leaving beef and dairy steers, beef feeders and dairy beef feeder animals for the hauler.
2. Steers, hogs, goats, lambs, chickens, turkeys, rabbits and ducks will be hauled to harvesting by an approved hauler of MAC on Sunday of fair week starting at 7:00 p.m. All other market animals will be released to buyers on Sunday of fair week starting at 7:00 p.m. A sales slip must be presented. All non-terminal projects must be picked up by 12:00 noon on Monday.
3. Members or exhibitors are responsible for the care and safety of their animal until 7:00 p.m. Sunday. If the MAC Executive Committee agrees that care following the sale has not been adequate, the member will be fined \$10 payable before the check will be released. Failure to pay the fine will result in ineligibility for participation in next year's fair.
4. Processors will be required to report back to the Market Animal Committee the number of Junior Fair animals harvested.

**Testing and Inspection of Animals**

1. The Agricultural Society, through its designated representatives, reserves the right to conduct unannounced drug tests on animals on the exhibitor's premises during the feeding period, and following the show. Carcass testing may also be done. Checks may be conducted on a random basis or if suspicion warrants.
2. The Agricultural Society, OSU Extension personnel and the Market Animal Committee may conduct random, on site, visitations to verify possession of a project and the correct visible identification. If the project is not in the member's possession, or if the identification is not in place and has not been reported lost, the project will be disqualified.
3. The Agricultural Society or its designees will provide for, and reserve the right to, further identify random terminal market project animals at the fairgrounds prior to dispersal for harvest. The above groups may request physical documentation of harvest of these animals.
4. Tampering and/or misrepresentation as to breeding, age, ownership, custody and any other irregularity in showing will be considered fraud and deception.
5. To maintain a high degree of confidence and integrity in the livestock shows, the Agricultural Society reserves the right to disqualify any animal fitted in an unethical manner and disqualify the exhibitor and the exhibitor's assistants who fitted the animal involved.
6. **SHOULD FRAUD OR DECEPTION, AND PROOF, AS DETERMINED BY THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, BE DISCOVERED**

**AFTER THE ANIMAL OR ANIMALS HAVE BEEN SHOWN AND PRIOR TO THE SALE**, such animal(s) will not be permitted to sell. The animals placing next in line at the show will move up.

7. **SHOULD VIOLATION BE DISCOVERED AFTER THE SALE**, all sale money will be returned to the buyer and the animal, carcass or carcass value will be returned to the exhibitor. All placings in show will stand. NO animals will move up. Any carcass suspected of being tampered with or suspected of containing drugs will be detained until the investigation is complete.
8. **IF THE CARCASS IS CONDEMNED** at the processing plant for any reason, it will be grounds for disqualification in the on-foot and carcass division of the show. Additionally, all premiums and sale money will be forfeited and the loss of the animal be incurred by the exhibitor.

**MARKET ANIMAL RULE VIOLATIONS**

1. All Ashtabula County Agricultural Society Livestock Exhibition Rules and Regulations will be in effect. See the Fair book for updated rules.
2. Any individuals involved in a violation of the rule or regulations of The Ashtabula County Fair will be barred from exhibiting or participation at this fair and will forfeit all premiums, prize money and awards won in any Junior Fair and/or open class divisions. In the question of a rule violation, the following due process will be used: Fair officials will question the exhibitor and/or parties involved. If it is felt a violation has occurred, fair officials will make recommendations to the designated committee of the Agricultural Society, which is appointed to that particular department. After the committee hears the allegations and/or evidence, they will decide if the case should be brought before the full Agricultural Society.
3. In the decision of allegations being brought before the Board, all parties involved will be notified of a meeting date with all parties having the right to present their views and/or evidence.
4. Upon hearing the case, the Agricultural Society will make a ruling.
5. When the Agricultural Society has obtained satisfactory evidence that any of the livestock rules have been violated, the exhibitor and/or exhibitor's family may be barred from showing in any future agricultural fairs. The minimum number of years for disbarment is three (3) years before the right to a review. If any premium/s was awarded to animals shown in violation of this rule, the Agricultural Society will require the exhibitor to refund ALL premiums, awards, and sale money under each violation. Unless fraud and/or deception are involved, all champion placings stand.

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