



DATE: March 17, 2009
TO: All 4-H and FFA Junior Livestock Program Exhibitors
FROM: Scott Williams, USU Extension Agent
RE: Market Livestock and Commercial Dairy Projects

The time is here to begin planning your Junior Livestock market animal project. Here is information to help you plan for required events.

1. All exhibitors must register with 4-H by Friday June 5, 2009, or be a member of his/her appropriate FFA chapter. **4-H youth not registered with Cache County 4-H by June 5 will not be allowed to exhibit their project animal at the fair.**
2. Exhibitors must currently be in the third grade or older and at least eight years of age.
3. The green Entry Card (normally collected at tag-in by the chairman) and *Commitment to Excellence* forms must be completed with all of the appropriate signatures and turned in to the Extension/4-H Office by 4:30 PM, Friday, June 5, 2009.
4. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to accompany their project animal to tag in. Tag in dates, times and locations are listed below. Animals not tagged by the last tagging date listed for each species will not be permitted. Please do not expect the committee chairs to come to you. Arrange your schedules to bring your animals to one of the following tag-in locations:
 - a. Lambs –Saturday, May 2, 2009 – 8:00 – 10:00 AM @ Cache Fairgrounds;
Friday, May 15, 2008 – 5:30 – 7:30 PM
 - b. Hogs –Saturday, May 2, 2009 – 8:00 – 10:00 AM @ Cache Fairgrounds;
Friday, May 15, 2008 – 5:30 – 7:30 PM @ Cache Fairgrounds
 - c. Steers- Friday April 24, 2009 – 4:30 – 6:00 PM at Jon White’s facility in Paradise;
or Saturday April 25, 2009 – 9:00 – 10:30 AM at Smithfield Livestock Auction.
 - d. Commercial Dairy Heifers - April 25, 2008 – 9:00 – 10:30 AM at Smithfield Livestock Auction; or May 8- 9 at the Spring Dairy Show at the Fairgrounds.
5. Each Exhibitor can tag in two animals in each species. Each exhibitor can show two animals at the fair but can sell only one animal.
6. Market weights or requirements for animals at Fair Time are:
 - Hogs 230-290 Lbs
 - Lambs Minimum of 100 lbs, no maximum,
 - Steers 1100 lbs minimum, no maximum,
 - Dairy Heifer must be vet-checked confirmed at least 6 pregnant and must have a health certificate.
7. 4-H and FFA exhibitors must show and sale their own project animal.
8. Lamb tail dock rule will be in the same as the past two years (2006-7). The dock must measure at least 7/10 of an inch as measured with a “de-tail” devise at tag in time.
9. The State Veterinarian has that: “Exhibition swine that have attended livestock shows in Utah shall not be returned to Utah farms, but go directly to slaughter.” According to this regulation the exhibitor is responsible to see that all hogs exhibited at the fair and not sold through the Junior Livestock Auction go directly to slaughter.

10. All 4-H youth must complete a *Cache County 4-H Junior Livestock Record Book*. Completed books are due Monday, August 17, 2009. FFA Youth must complete all requirements set by their Chapter Advisor. Books that are incomplete will be returned to the youth and checks will not be released until the books are completed. Leaders and parents should check the record books prior to signing them for your 4-H member.
11. 4-H Livestock Record books for the Junior Livestock Project are now available. It is also available on line in a form fill format that can be filled out on the computer at <http://extension.usu.edu/cache> > junior livestock
12. All 4-H youth should belong to a club. National 4-H defines a club as “5 or more youth from 3 or more families, youth in leadership roles and meets at least six times per year.” If you are not in a club, look around your neighborhood at other youth doing a livestock project and organize a club.
13. 4-H is a youth development program. It is important for youth to learn skills related to their project work, but it is more important that they acquire the life skills that participation in 4-H can provide. Youth should be involved in regular club meetings which provide opportunities for youth to serve in leadership role, help plan activities, and youth provide service to their community.
14. Cache County Fair is August 5-8, 2009. Exhibitors must enter market livestock projects during the designated times on Wednesday August 5th:
 - a. Hogs – 6:00 – 8:00 am
 - b. Steers – 8:30 – 10:00 am
 - c. Dairy Heifers - *8:30- 10:00 am
 - d. Lambs – 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
15. Showmanship contests;
 - a. Steers – Wednesday, Aug 5, 6:00 pm
 - b. Hogs – Friday Aug 7, 8:00 am
 - c. Lambs – Friday Aug 7, 12:00 pm
 - d. Dairy Heifers – Thursday Aug 6 as part of the Junior Dairy Show
16. Market Quality Judging (Each exhibitor MUST exhibit their project animal):
 - a. Hogs- Thursday Aug 6, 8:00 am
 - b. Lambs- Thursday Aug 6, 12:00 pm
 - c. Dairy Heifers- Thursday Aug 6, 3:00 pm
 - d. Steers – Thursday Aug 6, 3:30 pm
17. Junior Livestock Auction will begin at 9:00 am Saturday Aug 8th. Exhibitors must sell their own animal.
18. For more information contact the 4-H office, your FFA Advisor or a member of the Junior Livestock Committee:

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