



Beaverhead County Livestock Guidelines

**Guidelines must be read, signed by
Member, Parent & Leader.**

**Please return to the
Extension office by fair registration
deadline (August 10th)**

AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITS

1. All market animals including companion animals must be tagged (if not already) and weighed in on Wednesday. No "FOR SALE" signs for companion animals will be allowed. BRING BILL OF SALE FOR MARKET BEEF.
2. All 4-H, FFA and Junior Breed Association members exhibiting livestock must attend a mandatory pre-fair meeting.
3. Judges are instructed to place market animals, based on realistic market conditions.
4. Exhibitors must be able to show market and breeding animals to qualify for ribbons, awards, or to sell animals.
5. All cattle will be required to wear a double-tie neck rope in addition to halter.
6. No feed and water tubs are to be left in front of cattle. Grain and hay are to be kept in the tack/feed area provided for each club or general exhibitor. Grain will either be kept in a secure container or taken out of the beef barn at night.
7. Only regularly enrolled 4-H & FFA members are permitted to sell at the Market Animal Livestock Sale. Each member will be permitted to sell one market animal but may show more than one animal. A member must notify the Extension office their designated sale animal by registration deadline. A properly identified rope halter must be left with each calf sold and calves must be left tied up.
8. A member can enroll in more than one species of market animal if they wish. The member can only show one animal per species in the 4-H/FFA division. If any of the member's animals are judged Grand or Reserve regardless if it was a member's designated sale animal, it must be sold.
9. Beef must be 1,000 pounds to sell. All beef weighing over 1,350 pounds will be sold at 1,350 pounds. Miniature beef must be 500 pounds to sell. Hogs must be 215 pounds to sell. All hogs weighing over 285 pounds will be sold at 285 pounds. Lambs must be 100 pounds to sell. All lambs weighing over 150 pounds will be sold at 150 pounds. Market goats must be 50 pounds to sell. All market goats weighing over 90 pounds will be sold at 90 pounds. Animals below minimum weight on entry day will have a chance to be re-weighed the following morning before showing.
10. All members showing livestock must wear a long or short sleeved collared white shirt (no t-shirts, sleeveless shirts, or cropped shirts), tie or bolo (no bandanas), black pants (no stonewashed or holes in jeans). Cowboy hats are optional, no ball caps allowed. Open toed shoes will not be allowed. 4-H showman qualifying for the Round Robin contest will be required to wear official dress for the species in which they qualified for the contest. (i.e. Horse showman must meet 4-H horse dress code as livestock (beef, swine, sheep/goat) showman must meet above standards). The 4-H dress code is also required in the Sale Ring and WILL BE strictly enforced by the superintendents. Members not in dress code WILL NOT be able to show their animals or sell.
11. Exhibitors will not be allowed to decorate their animals for the sale!
12. Market pictures will be required for pre-registration. Dress in 4-H or FFA attire.
13. All exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at the Beaverhead County Fair. Adults and other members and/or leaders can assist in the preparation and care of the animal only while the exhibitor is in attendance. Assist shall mean to provide instruction and demonstrate under the discretion of the superintendent and livestock committee. The member should be gaining practical experience by performing the preparation.
14. No tranquilizers shall be used on any animals. Exhibitors shall be disqualified if an animal is given a tranquilizer. No awards will be given to a tranquilized animal. A veterinarian will be asked to check animals suspected of being tranquilized at the expense of the exhibitor. The exhibitor will also be suspended from exhibiting livestock for the next year.

15. A veterinarian must be present if any medication is to be used on any animals attending fair, while at the fairgrounds. If a veterinarian is needed, a barn superintendent must be notified immediately by the exhibitor.
16. Each exhibitor is expected to keep their stall neat and clean. All livestock members will be required to clean their stalls at 8:00 am SHARP on Sunday morning. Breeding Beef and Breeding Sheep housed in the Breeding Barn will be allowed to leave at 7:00 pm Saturday or 8:00 am Sunday. The stalls in the breeding barn must be cleaned upon check out and must check out with the barn superintendent.
17. The Fair Board will furnish the bedding for the entire Fair. The beef barn will be bedded before the beef arrive. Straw hay is only used in the hog, sheep and breeding barns. Use extra straw only as needed. DO NOT WASTE! Straw bales are not to be used to separate animals.
18. Each livestock exhibitor will provide enough feed to last the duration of the fair. Exhibitors should also bring their troughs, pails, and other necessary equipment, all properly identified.
19. **ALL FAIR ENTRIES** (livestock & 4-H building projects) must be pre-registered on the 4-H, FFA & OPEN Entry Blank, by **August 10th** of 2023. Only drops will be taken at the fair for breeding.

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2 South Pacific STE #11,
Dillon, MT 59725
or call 683-3785 with questions.

20. Display a stall card for market and breeding beef, sheep, goats, and swine. You may pick it up from the superintendent.
21. At checkout time beef, sheep, hog, horse, rabbit, poultry, and breeding barn stalls must be cleaned. If your stall has not been cleaned, \$10 will be deducted from the sale of your animal to go to the club that cleaned your stall.
22. Wild Animals - For safety reasons, if an exhibitor is unable to handle their animal by 9 am, Thursday of Fair, the animal must be taken home.
23. Horses are not allowed in area between the sheep barn and the commercial exhibit buildings. Safety is important.
24. If a retained testicle is detected in a lamb or other species prior to or at the fair, the member is still allowed to show and sell the animal. The animal will be placed at the judge's discretion and it will be noted on the sale bill that this animal contains a retained testicle for the buyer's information.
25. An exhibitor may take a companion animal, but the companion must be owned by the exhibitor or his/her immediate family. The animal cannot be shared among different families. 4-H market animals must be weighed in and tagged at the advertised location and date to qualify to compete for any carcass award or merit program. Animals can still be weighed and tagged privately, but the information must be submitted prior to the county weigh-in date. Proof of ownership for all market animals will be required on this date.
26. **No exhibitor will be issued a livestock check unless there is verification of a thank you letter (note) by October 1st. Written thank you notes to livestock buyers are mandatory. Members must drop their thank you notes off at the Extension office when complete. The Extension office will be responsible for mailing them.**
27. Livestock Grievance Committee - In the instance that an exhibitor has a livestock problem or conflict and would like to file a grievance, they start the grievance procedure by approaching a barn superintendent of the species in question. The grievance procedure may only be initiated by the exhibitor; not a parent or a 4-H Leader. The Grievance Committee for each barn will consist of the two superintendents from the respective barn plus one barn superintendent from each barn and the livestock committee chairperson.
28. All inquiries for the buyback of the resale beef, lambs, goats, or swine will be directed to the livestock committee. Price will be set at the discretion of the livestock committee. Contact with the buyer about possible resale will not be allowed.

Wholesome Assurance Statement



Attention:

The use by non-veterinarians* of animal drugs or other substances in any manner other than in accord with the labeling approved by FDA is violation of federal law.

*Note: Abuse of the extra-label privilege by veterinarians is unethical and is subject to serious consequences such as license revocation.

Any food animal must not exceed FDA/EPA/USDA - established tolerances for any foreign substance including drugs, pesticides, feed additives, or other chemicals.

Vocative results of residue testing are subject to investigation by the USDA and FDA for prosecution.

Any misrepresentation of a food animal that can potentially affect the acceptability of the carcass or milk will be considered fraud.



Livestock Owner's Certificate

The undersigned certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, as of the date of shipment of delivery, none of the livestock shipped or delivered to the Beaverhead County Fair Youth Livestock Sale will be, on such a date adulterated within the meaning of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (i.e., none of the cattle or other ruminants will have been fed any feed containing protein derived from mammalian tissues e.g., meat and bone meal, as that term is defined in 21 CFR 589.2000 and none of the livestock will have an illegal level of drug residues). This certificate shall remain in full force and effect until revoked in writing by the undersigned seller and such revocation is delivered to the Beaverhead County Fair Youth Livestock Sale Committee.

I have read and understand the above statements, the Beaverhead County Livestock Guidelines and the Beaverhead County Fair Regulations as found in the current 2023 Beaverhead County Fair Premium Book. I understand that this signed statement must be returned to Beaverhead County Extension before I will be allowed to exhibit and/or sell my livestock animal at the 2023 Beaverhead County Fair.

Date: _____

Seller/Exhibitor: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

4-H Leader: _____

SIGNATURES PLEASE

Beaverhead County Animal Science Code of Ethics

As a youth participant in the Beaverhead County 4-H or FFA Program, I acknowledge and accept my role as a youth representative. I count it a privilege to represent 4-H and/or FFA and will endeavor to uphold the integrity of the program that I represent by not allowing or participating in activities that serve to discredit the 4-H and/or FFA program or its members.

ETHICS:

- ♦ It is a standard of right and wrong and being able to see the difference.
- ♦ It is the courage to meet the challenge of doing more than what you have to do. It is doing what you should do.
- ♦ It is doing what is right, proper and good.
- ♦ It is guiding our choices and modeling them with our actions.
- ♦ It is doing the right thing even if it costs us money, prestige, popularity, or pleasure.

I believe my participation in 4-H and/or FFA should demonstrate my ability, knowledge and skill, and my own investment of time in all my projects. I will do my own work and accept only advice and support from adults and other persons. I understand that 4-H and/or FFA members in good standing in Beaverhead County may ASSIST me, but I must do the majority of work myself.

I will not use abusive, questionable or unethical techniques in the construction, preparation, presentation or handing of my projects. I will not resort to fraudulent, deceptive or illegal practices when preparing my project for exhibition. I will also not allow my parents, leader or any other adult or minor to employ such practices to my project.

I realize I am responsible for the following:

- ★ The development of sportsmanship and sound ethical character in myself.
- ★ The proper care and treatment of my project.
- ★ The proper presentation of my project at any 4-H and/or FFA sponsored event or show.
- ★ The production of wholesome food, fiber, clothing and textiles.
- ★ The proper administration of drugs and the avoidance of drug residues and illegal drug use in animals.

I understand that I have an important role in educating the public about my projects. I take this responsibility to 4-H/FFA and my industry seriously. I am confident in my own abilities to learn how to exhibit my projects. I do not need nor will I tolerate coaching from the sideline at any event/show. I will quickly follow the instructions of the officials and do my best to make any event or show better for everyone. Because my project is an example of my personal growth and development of character, I will persevere through good and bad times, and accept the outcome with grace.

I have read and do understand the member agreement stated in the Beaverhead County Animal Science Code of Ethics. In consideration for being permitted to participate in any 4-H/FFA program, event or show, I agree and consent to abide by these rules and ask that my parents and leaders of my project not break any rules or make any exception on my behalf.

Participants Signature _____

I will respect and hereby consent to abide by and enforce all policies, guidelines, and show rules as set forth in this document. I understand and do accept that any leader/volunteer who violates any above stated policy, guideline, show rules, or expectation may be prohibited from further participation as a representative of the 4-H/FFA program.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

MSU Extension Media Release

Event : Beaverhead County Livestock Shows and Sale

Sale Date: September 2, 2023 and/or correspondence/advertisement prior to the sale

Requested by: Beaverhead County

Members Full Name: _____

I hereby grant MSU Extension the absolute and irrevocable right and permission, with respect to photographs, audio & video taken of me and/or comments made by me or in which I may be included with others, to copyright for same; to use, reuse and publish the same in whole or in part in any and all media including use on the internet now or hereafter, and for any purpose whatsoever for illustration, promotion, art, advertising and trade, and if appropriate, to use my name and pertinent education and/or biographical facts as MSU Extension chooses.

I hereby release and discharge MSU Extension from any and all claims and demands arising out of or in connection with the use of photographs, audio & video and/or comments, including without limitation any and all claims for libel or invasion of privacy.

Has my permission Does not have my permission (Therefore cannot show or sell)

Guardian signature: _____ Date _____