



**2024 4-H & FFA ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION
PROCEDURES - SAUNDERS COUNTY**

| PROJECT AREA | PROJECT | REQUIRED METHOD for COUNTY ONLY | REQUIRED METHOD for COUNTY PLUS STATE FAIR ELIGIBLE | DEADLINE- submitted to Extension Office |
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| Beef | Market Beef | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag NE 4-H and FFA Market Beef Ownership Affidavit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag DNA Envelope Nebraska Online Nomination. A copy of DNA Envelope will be kept on file. | June 15 |
| Beef | Market Beef County Bred | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag Producer Signature on Market Beef Ownership Affidavit. | N/A | June 15 |
| Beef | Registered Breeding Heifer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ear Tattoos NE 4-H and FFA Breeding Beef Ownership Affidavits Registration Papers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ear Tattoos DNA Envelope Nebraska Online Nomination. A copy of DNA Envelope will be kept on file. Registration Papers | June 15 |
| Beef | Commercial Breeding Heifer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ear Tattoos OR Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag NE 4-H and FFA Breeding Beef Ownership Affidavits | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ear Tattoos OR Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag Nebraska Online Nomination DNA Envelope A copy of DNA Envelope will be kept on file. | June 15 |
| Beef | Breeding Heifer: County Raised | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to Registered OR Commercial Breeding Heifer Producer Signature on Breeding Beef Ownership Affidavit. | N/A | June 15 |
| Beef | Feeder Calf | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag NE 4-H and FFA Feeder Calf Ownership Affidavit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag DNA Envelope Nebraska Online Nomination. A copy of DNA Envelope will be kept on file. | June 15 |



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| Beef | Bucket Calf | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag NE 4-H and FFA Bucket Calf Ownership Affidavit | N/A | June 15 |
| Beef | Cow/Calf Pair (COW) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> COW: Ear Tattoos or official EID ear tag. NE 4-H and FFA Breeding Beef Ownership Affidavits | N/A | June 15 |
| Beef | Cow/Calf Pair (CALF) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If being shown as Feeder Calf, Junior Production Bull or Junior Heifer in addition to cow/calf pair, calf must be identified accordingly | N/A | June 15 |
| Beef | Jr Production Bulls | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag NE 4-H and FFA Breeding Beef Ownership Affidavit | N/A | June 15 |
| Clover Kid | Clover Kid Showmanship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clover Kid's name must be included on ID Affidavit of animals being shown. <u>Clover kid animals must be shown by a 4-H member during the respective show.</u> | N/A | June 15 |
| Dairy Cattle | Dairy Cattle | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NE 4-H and FFA Dairy Identification Affidavits | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NE 4-H and FFA Dairy Identification Affidavits | June 15 |
| Goats | Dairy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NE 4-H Dairy Goat Identification Affidavits Official USDA Scrapie Tag (tattoos for registered Does) | N/A | June 15 |
| Goats | Market Goat | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official USDA Scrapie Tag NE 4-H and FFA Market Goat Ownership Affidavit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official USDA Scrapie Tag DNA Envelope Nebraska Online Nomination A copy of DNA envelope will be kept on file. | June 15 |



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| Goats | Market Goat County Bred | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official USDA Scrapie Tag • Producer Signature on Market Goat Ownership Affidavit. | N/A | June 15 |
| Goats | Commercial Breeding Meat Does | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official USDA Scrapie Tag • NE 4-H and FFA Breeding Doe Ownership Affidavit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official USDA Scrapie Tag • DNA Envelope • Nebraska Online Nomination. • A copy of DNA Envelope will be kept on file. | June 15 |
| Swine | Market Swine | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear Notches and Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag NE 4-H • Market Swine Ownership Affidavit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag • DNA Envelope • Nebraska Online Nomination • A copy of DNA envelope will be kept on file. | June 15 |
| Swine | Market Swine County Bred | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear Notches and Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag • Producer Signature on Market Swine Ownership Affidavit. | N/A | June 15 |
| Swine | Market Swine Purebred | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear Notches and Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag • NE 4-H and FFA Market Swine Ownership Affidavit • Registration Papers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag • DNA Envelope • Nebraska Online Nomination • A copy of DNA envelope will be kept on file. • Registration Papers | June 15 |
| Swine | Breeding Swine | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear Notches and Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag • NE and 4-H and FFA Breeding Swine Ownership Affidavit • Registration papers for purebreds. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag • DNA Envelope • Nebraska Online Nomination. • A copy of DNA Envelope will be kept on file. • Registration papers for purebreds. | June 15 |



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| Horse | Horse: State | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4-H Horse Identification Certificate | 4-H Horse Identification Certificate | June 1 |
| Horse | Horse: County ONLY | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4-H Horse Identification Certificate | N/A | June 15 |
| Rabbit | Rabbit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tattoo NE 4-H Rabbit Ownership Affidavit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tattoo NE 4-H Rabbit Ownership Affidavit | June 15 |
| Sheep | Market Lamb | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official USDA Scrapie Tag NE 4-H and FFA Market Lamb Ownership Affidavit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official USDA Scrapie Tag DNA Envelope. A copy of DNA envelope will be kept on file. | June 15 |
| Sheep | Registered Breeding Sheep | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official USDA Scrapie Tag NE 4-H and FFA Breeding Sheep Ownership Affidavit Registration Papers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official USDA Scrapie Tag DNA Envelope Nebraska Online Nomination. A copy of DNA Envelope will be kept on file. Registration Papers | June 15 |
| Sheep | Commercial Breeding Sheep | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official USDA Scrapie Tag NE 4-H and FFA Breeding Sheep Ownership Affidavit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official USDA Scrapie Tag DNA Envelope Nebraska Online Nomination. A copy of DNA Envelope will be kept on file. | June 15 |

* Official EID 4-H/FFA Ear Tag: (1) All 4-H and FFA MARKET animals carrying an EID tag are required to have a Premise ID. A Premise ID number can be obtained through the NE Department of Agriculture. For more information, go to <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/saunders/animal-science/>. (2) Market animals are to use existing USDA official EID tags if already identified/tagged with USDA official EID tags. **DO NOT REMOVE. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO REMOVE EXSISTING EID TAGS!** Market animals with existing EID tags will use that tag number for the EID identification portion. Tags are to be obtained from the Extension Office.

Nebraska State Fair Online Nomination: (1) 4-H Families & Youth will be in charge of self-nominating any possible breeding or market livestock animals they wish to exhibit at NE State Fair into www.showstockmgr.com by **June 15th.

Failure to nominate animals by deadline will result in not be allowed to exhibit. DNA envelopes will still be returned to the Extension Office, however payment for the DNA envelopes (\$7 per DNA envelope) will be paid through the nomination website. More information found at: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/saunders/animal-identification/>.



Saunders County 4-H & FFA Animal Exhibitor and Animal Project Regulations

AGE of EXHIBITOR

4-H: A 4-H animal owner/exhibitor 8 to 18 years old on January 1 of the current calendar show year is eligible to exhibit in 4-H-sponsored events. Exhibitors who are 10 as of January 1 of the current calendar show year may exhibit at the State Fair. 4-H members may be certified for state if they meet age requirements for that event and have properly identified their animals.

Clover Kids: Clover Kid's name must be included on ID Affidavit of animals being shown. Clover kid animals must be shown by a 4-H member during the respective show.

FFA: Only NE FFA members shall be eligible for FFA Division entries.

DUAL NOMINATION:

Sheep, goat, beef, and swine females may be dual nominated as breeding and market provided all animal identification requirements are completed by respective due date. Families will decide at check in how they will show the animal, no changes will be allowed once checked in.

ANIMAL OWNERSHIP

All project animals must be owned:

- a) Solely by the 4-H exhibitor or FFA exhibitor
- b) Animal ownership regulations for dairy cattle, dairy/pygmy goats, and horses are included on the back side of the identification affidavits/certificates for each of the project animals.

REGISTRATION PAPERS

Registration papers must show one of the following:

- a) The member's name as owner, or
- b) The name of the exhibitor and/or a co-owner who is a member of the exhibitor's immediate family (see immediate family definition above), or
- c) The family farm or ranch name or parent's name.

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION: FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES

- a) 4-H/FFA families will tag, tattoo, identify and/or DNA sample their own animals if they so choose. Contact the Extension Office if needing assistance.
- b) Exhibitors showing market and breeding animals as well as feeder calves at State Fair must have a signed and sealed official DNA collector with hair samples for DNA verification turned into Extension office by the appropriate deadline listed in the table. Also, must have completed the Online Nomination process by table listed date.

State Fair Entry Process

- a) Exhibitors will select which animal entries they have chosen to show at State Fair in a dropdown menu in ShoWorks. All nominated animals will be automatically listed as a choice option for pre-entry registration. 4-H and FFA youth participants will declare which youth organization they will show their animal projects by the August 10 deadline in ShoWorks.

DEADLINE:

All identification, tagging, tattooing, ear notching, and DNA sampling MUST be completed by the DEADLINE DATE.

All identification procedures are to be completed by the set deadline. Any 4H/FFA livestock identified AFTER the DEADLINE DATE will be INELIGIBLE to exhibit in the current year livestock shows (Fremont 4-H Expo, Saunders County Fair and NE State Fair 4-H Shows).