



# SHEEP

## WASHINGTON COUNTY IDENTIFICATION SHEET (WC 2.2023)


**DEADLINE: JUNE 15**

Household Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-Her First name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_

PREMISE ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

YQCA Certificate #: \_\_\_\_\_

Market Sheep	Breeding Sheep	BREED	SEX (M/F)	DATE Born MM/DD/YYYY	SCRAPIES TAG REQUIRED Example: NE-1234	EAR TAG L  R POSITION	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	State Fair Nomination

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Duplicate Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Duplicate Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**4-H STAFF USE ONLY:**  
Date Received: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_  
Enrollment complete (June 15): \_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_  
YQCA completed (June 15): \_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_  
Pictures Attached (June 15): \_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_  
4-H Staff Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of ALL 4-H members: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

# 2023 4-H & FFA ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES – WASHINGTON COUNTY (1.19.23)

## 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 years old as of January 1 of the current year may exhibit at the Nebraska State Fair. 4-H members may be certified for state and interstate shows if they meet age requirements for that event and have properly enrolled and identified animals.
- **FFA:** Only bona fide Nebraska FFA members aged 12-21 shall be eligible for FFA Division entries. There will be no discrimination because of race, color, sex, religion, or national origin.

## ANIMAL OWNERSHIP

All beef, goat, hog, and sheep project animals must be owned:

- Solely by the 4-H exhibitor, or the exhibitor in partnership with other member(s) of his or her immediate family. Only the name of the showman can be on the show entry. Immediate family is defined as members of a household, including parents, brothers and sisters, and youth in care of the head of the household.

## REGISTRATION PAPERS

For Nebraska State Fair (4-H Only), registration papers must show one of the following:

- The member's name as owner, or 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 the family farm or ranch name or parent's name.

## ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION

- All livestock in 2023 will be required to submit an identification picture displaying official EID Ear Tag OR Scrapies Tag. Photos are NOT accepted via email. Pictures MUST be submitted to dropbox or physical pictures to the office by **June 15**.
- Document names are required in the form of: Household Last Name, Project Area, # of Animal. (Example: Blender, Beef, 3)

## 4-H ENROLLMENT

- Washington County 4-H online enrollment is required by June 15, 2023. 4-H livestock (except horse – June 1) and all other project member enrollments are required **by June 15**. **4-H members enrolling AFTER the June 15 deadline will be INELIGIBLE to exhibit in the 2023 fairs/shows.** An annual \$10 enrollment fee per 4-H member (5-18 years old on January 1, 2023) will be implemented.

## YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA) – QUALITY ASSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- The Nebraska 4-H Program requires 4-H and FFA members (8-18 years old) exhibiting BEEF, DAIRY CATTLE, DAIRY GOAT, MEAT GOAT, HOG, POULTRY, RABBITS and SHEEP to be certified by Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA).
- This program is mandated by the Nebraska 4-H program and is implemented by the Washington County 4-H Program. Therefore, youth exhibiting BEEF, DAIRY CATTLE, DAIRY GOAT, MEAT GOAT, HOG, SHEEP, POULTRY and RABBITS at the Washington County Fair, Fremont 4-H Expo, and Nebraska State Fair are required to be YQCA certified by June 15 of the current year to be eligible to exhibit.

## OFFICIAL EID 4-H/FFA EAR TAG

- All 4-H and FFA MARKET animals carrying an EID tag are **REQUIRED** to have a Premises ID. A Premises ID number can be obtained through the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. Call the Nebraska Department of Agriculture at 1-800-572-2437 and ask for Premise ID information.
- If market animals are already identified/tagged with USDA official EID tags, use existing EID tags for identification. **DO NOT REMOVE. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO REMOVE EXISTING EID TAGS!** Market animals with existing EID tags will use that tag number for the EID identification portion. However, market animals will be required to be tagged/identified with an additional 4-H/FFA tag for the 4-H/FFA animal identification portion.

## OBTAINING SCRAPIES TAGS FOR 4-H IDENTIFICATION

- The official 4-H identification for ALL classes of meat goats and sheep is a SCRAPIE TAG. EID tags and 4-H tags are NOT required for meat goats and sheep and are NOT a form of official 4-H identification. If an animal has an existing EID tags **DO NOT REMOVE. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO REMOVE EXISTING EID TAGS.**
- You are required to obtain a Premise ID number and Flock ID number that is assigned by the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. Call 1-800-572-2437 or visit: [nda.nebraska.gov/adt/premises.html](http://nda.nebraska.gov/adt/premises.html)
- To acquire official SCRAPIE TAGS at no cost, call the scrapie toll free number **866-USDA-TAG** (866-873-2824 Select option 7 for Epidemiologist officer) or go to: <http://www.eradicatescrapie.org/>. To order additional tags, go to: <http://www.eradicatescrapie.org/Tag%20Companies.html>

## NEBRASKA STATE FAIR ENTRY PROCESS

- 4-H/FFA livestock exhibitors/families will be responsible for submitting their animal information into the Show Stock livestock database online by the nomination deadline. This is NOT the responsibility of 4-H Extension Staff.
- Payments for the DNA process will be directly submitted by the 4-H/FFA Livestock exhibitor/family through the online database. Payments will NOT be made to the Extension Office.
- Families will have the ability to edit incorrect information (wrong tag number, wrong birth date, etc.) up to the nomination deadline. Extension Staff will also can see what families have submitted and will be validating those nominations throughout the nomination process.
- Any animal not nominated in the Show Stock livestock database by the deadline will be considered ineligible for Nebraska State Fair.
- ALL animals are required to have DNA envelopes submitted to the Extension Office by the identification deadline or they will be considered ineligible for Nebraska State Fair. Extension Staff/FFA Advisors will deliver the DNA envelopes by the respected deadline.