2024 4-H & FFA ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES – WASHINGTON COUNTY (5.31.24)

PROJECT AREA	WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR ID REQUIREMENTS	WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR DEADLINES **ID & ENROLLMENT:** To Extension Office, Blair by 5pm v2.4honline.com/ **PRE-ENTRY:** washingtonne.fairwire.com/	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR ID REQUIREMENTS	STATE FAIR ONLINE DEADLINES **NOMINATIONS:** www.showstockmgr.com **ENTRY:** www.statefair.org Online nominations due: 11:59p/Entries due: 8p
Market Beef	• EID Tag • Premise ID • ID Sheet **OR** DNA Envelope • Picture	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8	• EID Tag • DNA Envelope • Online Nomination	Nomination Deadline: June 15 Show Entry Deadline: August 10
Breeding Beef INCLUDES: Cow/Calf Pair – Cow and Bull Calf, Junior Breeding	• Tattoo or EID Tag • ID Sheet or DNA Envelope & Picture • Registration Papers (if registered) • Picture	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8	• Tattoo or EID Tag • DNA Envelope • Registration Number (if registered) • Online Nomination	Nomination Deadline: June 15 Show Entry Deadline: August 10
Washington County 4-H Bred & Owned Breeding Heifer	• Refer to Breeding Beef ID Requirements • WC 4-H Bred & Owned Brdg. Heifer Affidavit	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8		
Feeder Calf INCLUDES: Cow/Calf Pair – Feeder Calf	• EID Tag • Premise ID • ID Sheet or DNA Envelope • Picture	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8	• EID Tag • DNA Envelope • Online Nomination	Nomination Deadline: June 15 Show Entry Deadline: August 10
Bucket Calf	• EID Tag • Premise ID • ID Sheet • Picture	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8		
HOG Includes: Market and Breeding	• EID Tag • Premise ID • ID Sheet **OR** DNA Envelope • Picture	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8	• EID Tag • DNA Envelope • Online Nomination	Nomination Deadline: June 15 Show Entry Deadline: August 10
SHEEP INCLUDES: Market and Breeding	• Scrapie Tag • Premise ID • ID Sheet **OR** DNA Envelope • Picture	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8	• Scrapie Tag • DNA Envelope • Online Nomination	Nomination Deadline: June 15 Show Entry Deadline: August 10
MEAT GOAT INCLUDES: Market and Breeding	• Scrapie Tag • Premise ID • ID Sheet **OR** DNA Envelope • Picture	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8	• Scrapie Tag • DNA Envelope • Online Nomination	Nomination Deadline: June 15 Show Entry Deadline: August 10
Dairy Cattle	• ID Sheet	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8	• ID Sheet	ID Sheet Deadline: June 15 to Extension Office, Blair by 5pm Show Entry Deadline: August 10
Dairy Goat	• ID sheet	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8		
Rabbit	• Tattoo • ID sheet	ID Deadline: June 15 WCF Pre-Entry: July 8	• Tattoo	Show Entry Deadline: August 10
Poultry	• NA	WCF Pre-Entry: July 8		Show Entry Deadline: August 10
Horse	• ID sheet	ID Deadline: June 15 Entry Form Deadline: July 8	STATE SHOW: • ID Sheet • Online Registration *THERE IS NO DISTRICT SHOWS IN 2024*	ID Sheets: **To Extension Office, Blair June 1 by 5 pm** Online Entry Deadline: June 10 nhorse.fairwire.com
Dog	• Ownership Affidavit • Vaccination Form #SF263	Vaccination Form Deadline: July 8 WCF Forms: July 8	• No additional requirements	Show Entry Deadline: August 10
Cat & Ferret	• Vaccination Form #SF262	Vaccination Form: July 8		

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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 8 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 2024 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, 2024. 4-H livestock (except State show 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 2024 fairs/shows.** An annual $10 enrollment fee per 4-H member (5-18 years old on January 1, 2024) 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 <u>YQCA certified by **June 15** of the current year to be eligible to exhibit.</u>

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. <u>EID tags and 4-H tags are NOT required for meat goats and sheep and are NOT a form of official 4-H identification.</u> 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
- 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

- <u>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.</u> 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 have the ability to see what families have submitted and will be validating those nominations throughout the nomination process.
- Once the information is in the database and has been validated by the Extension Staff/FFA Advisor, it will be available for exhibitors to make Nebraska State Fair entries.
- <u>Any animal not nominated in the Show Stock livestock database by the deadline will be considered ineligible for Nebraska State Fair.</u>
- 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.