

San Juan County 4-H 2020 Livestock Market Animal Auction Committee (LMAAC) Memorandum

___ I have read and understand the New Livestock Market Animal Auction Committee Guidelines and Policy. And furthermore agree to follow these guidelines.

___ I understand that participation in this year's 4-H market auction requires all participants to turn in the following documents:

- Intent to Sell form – Mailed to WSU County Extension, Post-marked the Thursday before June 1st
- LMAAC Memorandum– Mailed to WSU Extension, Post-marked the Thursday before June 1st
- Producer Affidavit and Quality Assurance form– turned in at final weigh-in Tuesday before fair 6pm-8pm to Auction Chairperson
- Official Sifting Committee Weight– collected by sifting committee at final weigh-in, Tuesday before fair 6-8pm to Auction Chairperson

___ My Market Animal Project must be free from infection or contagious diseases and ectoparasites to be allowed to participate in the livestock auction. Exhibitors should be aware that ringworm, warts, pinkeye, strangles, contagious eczema, scabies, lice, mites, ticks, foot rot and fleas fall into this category.

___ I am aware that Market steers must be polled or dehorned; healed or re-growth must not extend more than two inches from the hairline. All steers with horns longer than 2" will not be allowed to participate.

___ I understand that horned, non-dairy goats or sheep may be exhibited in 4-H showmanship classes where animals are not exchanged between youth in the show ring. For a horned animal to be exhibited it must have its horn tips covered. If the sheep or non-dairy goat has scurs (horn re-growth), these scurs cannot exceed 1" in length without the horn tips being covered. Non-dairy horned goats and sheep may be shown in market and breeding classes but they must have horn tips covered as a safety precaution. A county may implement a more restrictive policy but not a less restrictive policy regarding the exhibition of horned sheep and goats.

___ All 4-H Livestock Market Animal Auction animals must meet the ownership date requirement. Date of ownership in as follows: Market Beef - March 1st of the current fair year. Swine, lambs and meat goats – June 1st of the current fair year. Poultry and rabbit ownership dates are 45 days before fair.

___ All sheep and goats entered in the San Juan County 4-H Market Livestock Animal Auction at the San Juan County Fair shall be identified as per the *USDA-APHIS Scrapie Mandatory Identification Program*.

___ I understand that no cryptorchid male animals for market beef, swine, lamb or goat is allowed at auction.

___ I understand that if I receive a white ribbon in the market class that my project animal will not be allowed at auction.

___ I am aware that final weigh-in will be Tuesday night 6pm to 8pm prior to the start of the fair. Order of species will rotate from year to year, determined by the LMAAC. Market livestock, poultry and rabbit that do not meet minimum weights for sale at the Market Auction will be automatically entered into a feeder class listed under each department.

___ All market livestock; beef, swine, lamb, meat goat, poultry and rabbit entries should be properly finished at the time of sale. Livestock, poultry and rabbit entries judged unsuitable by the Sifting Committee or exhibitors that do not follow stated LMAAC rules for market will not be sold at the auction.

___ Sellers *must be present* to bring their animal(s) into the auction ring or it will not be sold. NO PROXIES ALLOWED. An exemption may be made for high school seniors leaving for college during the dates of the auction. A letter must be mailed to LMAAC Chairperson(s) prior to August 1st for APPROVAL of the LMAAC.

____ I am aware that Market Class Standards including minimum required weight and maximum weight for auction pricing:

- MARKET BEEF: 950 lbs. minimum with no maximum. Market Beef may be heifers or steers. Desirable age of steers is less than 24 months.
- Alternative Beef Breeds: 700 lbs. minimum and 1000 lbs. maximum. Defined as Dexter or Lowline Angus or other recognized small alternative beef animal. It must be no younger than 18 months and no older than 30 months.
- MARKET LAMBS: 85 lbs. minimum and 160 lbs. maximum. Market lambs may be ewes or wethers born on or after December 1st of the year prior to fair exhibit year. No permanent teeth may be present. To qualify for the sale and all lamb must be slick shorn 7 days prior to final weigh in or wool must be less than 1/4".
- MARKET SWINE: 200 lbs. minimum and 300 lbs. maximum. Market hogs may be gilts or barrows born on or after January 1st of the current fair exhibit year.
- MEAT GOATS: 70 lbs. minimum and 120 lbs. maximum. Meat goats may be wethers or does born on or after December 1 of prior fair year. A meat goat will be defined to be at least 50% of the following meat breeds: Boer, Genemaster, Kiko, Kinder, Mytonic, Savanna, Spanish, Tennessee Meat Goat, Texmaster, Rangeland, Kalahari, Black Bengal and Verta. No permanent teeth may be present. Goats will be graded on weight, muscle tone, and overall condition.
- CHICKENS: 3 lbs. minimum with no maximum and must not be over 9 weeks of age. Sold as a Trio of broilers of the same breed.
- RABBITS: 3 lbs. minimum and 5.5 lbs. maximum. Market rabbits must not be over 10 weeks of age. Sold as a trio or fryers of the same meat breed
- PHEASANTS: 1 lb. minimum and 3 lbs. maximum. and must not be over 18 weeks of age. Sold as a trio or broilers of the same meat breed
- TURKEY: 14 lb. minimum and 30 lbs. maximum and must not be over 24 weeks of age. Sold as a single turkey.
- PULLET Production Layers: no minimum weight sold by lot. Must be between 4 and 7 months of age. Sold as trio of same breed large fowl (duck or chicken) known for its high egg production.
- Alternative Market Animal Project: In an effort to encourage alternative animal projects, please submit a written proposal of appropriate eligibility requirements to the LMAAC prior to project commencement for consent/approval (examples could be: Quail, Squab, Heritage Breed Turkey, Ostrich etc.)

Project Animal(s): _____, _____, _____

Participants Name

Participants Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Project Leader Name

Project Leader Signature

Date