

4-H ANIMAL OWNERSHIP APPEAL BOARD

Purpose: To arbitrate emergencies related to animal ownership as a result of death or severe injury after ownership deadline and the intended replacement animal's participation in the Grays Harbor County Fair.

Objective: Be fair, honest and consider each individual situation as a separate entity.

Procedures:

1. No later than July 15 of each year the severe injury or death must have occurred.
2. If additional animal(s) is carried in the 4-H project, (as proved by records or leader's knowledge of) the Appeal Board process is not an option.
3. Written statement of situation must be received in the Extension Office by July 20. Statement must include:
 - a. Member name and phone number
 - b. Parent name and phone number
 - c. Leader name and phone number
 - d. Description of situation
 - e. Leader or Veterinarian certification if death or letter of details if injured
4. If a dairy cattle animal is involved, the past certificate and certificate of new animal needs to be presented.
5. It is understood that the substituted animal will not be eligible for State 4-H Fair and the animal/child will not be eligible to receive champion or reserve champion awards in any classes at the county fair.
6. In Animal Divisions in which high point awards exist, substituted animals are not eligible for these awards.
7. Any substituted animal must meet all Fair health requirements.
8. The member must appear before the Appeal Board and present the facts about the situation.
9. Ruling of the Appeal Board is final.

*All market animal inquiries will be directed to the Youth Auction Committee.

4-H ANIMAL APPEAL BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Five adults with voting privileges will be on the board representing five different animal divisions. (*See below for length of terms).

One non-voting adult superintendent or assistant superintendent and one non-voting teen 4-H member; both from the division or animal involved will be on the board. (No superintendent can serve as a voting member for the species they are involved with at County Fair.) Their board term will be the length of arbitration on the specific case from that division.

Term:

Two, one-year positions

Two, two-year positions

Two, three-year positions (one serving as alternate 1st year)

Replacement will be by three year terms.

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