

RULES – FFA AND 4-H WASHINGTON COUNTY PRIME LIVESTOCK YOUTH AUCTION

Washington County Fair Youth Livestock Auction

Saturday, July 29, 2017 – 5:45pm

1. All auction market animals must be weighed-in at the designated time for that species of livestock. An animal must be weighed in to be considered for sale.
2. Youth must weigh-in their animal at the initial weigh-in unless prior approval of the auction committee is received. In case of an emergency the animal will be weighed-in and the owner must write to the auction committee which will then approve or disapprove the entry. The request must be made within three days of the weigh-in to one of the auction committee contacts.
3. A youth may weigh-in two animals at the pre weigh-in, but only one animal can be weighed-in at the final weigh-in at the fair for the auction.
4. Official sale weight will be made starting at 6:00 a.m. the first day of fair.
5. Each participant will be allowed to sell only **ONE** animal in the auction, (a) a market steer, (b) a market goat, (c) a market hog, or (d) a market lamb. Once an animal is weighed at the final weigh-in and qualifies for the auction, the animal must be sold.
6. All auction animals must be entered and shown by their owner in regular FFA or 4-H market classes at the fair. Exhibitors will be allowed to sell through their high school graduation year.
7. Market Steers at the initial weigh-in must weigh a minimum of 650 pounds or a maximum of 950 pounds. At the final weigh-in at the fair their weight must be between 1000 and 1450 pounds and have gained a minimum of 2.0 pounds per day, and grade Select or better to sell.
8. All market steers and hogs must be taken off pasture and be grain fed from the first to final weigh-in.
9. Market Hogs at the initial weigh-in must weigh a minimum of 34 pounds or a maximum of 76 pounds. At the final weigh-in at the fair their weight must be between 230 and 290 pounds and have gained a minimum of 1.5 pounds per day and grade U.S. 1 or 2 to sell.
10. Market Lambs at the initial weigh-in must weigh a minimum of 60 pounds or a maximum of 106 pounds. At the final weigh-in at the fair their weight must be between 110 and 156 pounds and have gained a minimum of .30 pounds per day and grade Choice or better to sell.
11. Market Goats must weigh a minimum of 44 pounds at initial weigh-in and **be born between January 1st and March 1st of the current year**. At the final weigh-in at the fair they must weigh a minimum of 64 pounds and have gained a minimum of 20 pounds from initial weigh-in to the final weigh-in.
12. There shall be no re-weigh: The Weighmaster's decision is final. Questions regarding weight must be asked while the animal is on the scale or within the sight of the Weighmaster.
13. If an animal is found to have a testicle or has stag characteristics it will not be allowed to be sold at the auction, as determined by the judge and/or auction committee.

14. Brand inspection according to the law in effect at show time, will be enforced. Evidence of ownership, release form, country of origin, and the market animal health record must accompany each exhibit and be turned in at the scale at the final weigh-in, **BEFORE THE ANIMAL IS WEIGHED.**
15. The ownership of the animal shall be established at the first weigh-in, in the name entered and ownership cannot be transferred. No club or chapter will be allowed to sell market animals at the auction. Members of an immediate family may now have only one (1) back-up animal if they choose to, instead of one for each 4-H or FFA member. The back-up animal should be entered in the name of the family at the initial weigh-in and may be used by any family member if something happens to the members original animal weighed in at the first weigh-in. Back-up animals must follow all other rules.
16. United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) requirements for withdrawal of feed additives shall be followed. If an animal is condemned during slaughter, due to disease, handling, drug residue, or if the meat is unfit for human consumption, the sale will be nullified and the purchase price returned to the buyer and the seller will be responsible for the auction fees, slaughter costs and disposal fees.
17. The auction committee may inspect all animals sometime between the first weigh-in and auction time.
18. No animals will be available for sale out of the re-sale pen under any circumstances. No person shall approach buyers about re-purchasing sale animals.
19. All exhibitors shall dress for the auction as they should appear in showmanship classes and they must present their animals at the auction ring.
20. All bidding will be on a pound basis.
21. Three percent gross sale will be withheld for sale expenses.
22. Market animals which do not meet the weight, average daily gain, and/or grade requirements in the estimation of a qualified judge will not be sold in the auction.
23. To be sold, all animals must be manageable and under control at the final weigh-in, in the classes, and during the market line-up, and handled by the seller. This rule will be enforced for safety purposes.
24. The animal sold is and remains the responsibility of the seller until the time of satisfactory slaughter.
25. All animals for the auction will be graded and sold in order of auction line-up. The animals in the auction line-up shall be placed in the line-up according to the quality of the animal as determined by the judge.
26. If your animal loses its auction ear tag you must notify the auction committee contact person with 72 hours to have your tag replaced or a new numbered tag issued for your animal.
27. **Livestock Sellers Payout Night will be Monday, September 11, 2017, 4 pm – 8 pm at the Washington County Fair Complex Cloverleaf Building located at 873 NE 34th Avenue, Hillsboro Oregon.**