Lamb Show & Sale – Saturday, June 5th
County Fair Steer & Hog Sale – August 6th

1. In order for an animal to sell, it must be in the possession of the member by the following dates:
   (March 1st. Market Steer); (April 1st. Market Lamb); (May 1st. Market Swine)
   a. 4-H and FFA market animals must be weighed and tagged on the Saturday following the possession deadline and meet the mandatory animal education requirement.
   For 2021: (Steer – March 6); (Lamb – April 3); (Hog - May 1)
   b. Multiple weigh-ins and tagging locations will be available in the county. Each location will have a coordinator who will record the animal information for each member. The 4-H or FFA member does not have to be present at weigh-in/tagging; however, animal(s) must be weighed/tagged on a specified date unless prior arrangements are made with the weigh-in/tagging coordinator.
   c. Each youth member may have ownership of up to 3 animals per species. If an animal has multiple owners (i.e.: within a family or neighbors) each youth member must have contributed to the purchase of the animal and be responsible for the daily care and management of the animal. 4-H clubs and FFA chapters may not purchase “back-up” animals for their club or chapter membership. In case of death or sickness of a market animal, see Animal Replacement Policy (guideline #23).
   d. A copy of the members’ budget sheet must be submitted either at weigh-in/tagging day or to the FFA advisor/OSU Extension Office within 10 days of the possession deadline.
   e. The animal must pass a vet check at Lamb Show or Fair.
   2. Each exhibitor must comply with these Rotary Auction Market Guidelines, all Lamb Show or Fair rules as written in the Lamb Show Catalog and Fairbook, including the Douglas County Showing Code of Ethics, to be eligible to sell at the auction.
   3. Possession means an animal must be owned by and under the care of the 4-H or FFA member.
   4. The seller must be currently enrolled in either 4-H or FFA and be a member in good standing; and enrolled (4-H) in the species project area by the market animal possession deadline with an animal weighed, tagged, and registered in the animal’s name at the appropriate species weigh-in and tagging date. Eligibility is based on 4-H and FFA members grade in which they are enrolled in school by Sept. 1st of the school year (not age) and will be determined as follows: Juniors (grades 4th-6th); Intermediates (grades 7th-9th); Seniors (grades 10th-12th)
   5. Market lambs must have been born after December 1st, of the preceding year, and must be identified (tagged) to meet Scrapie eradication requirements to be eligible to show and sell at the Lamb Show.
   6. Market swine must be born January 1st or after of the sale year.
   7. To be eligible to sell at the auction the animal must be shown in a 4-H or FFA market animal class at the Lamb Show or the Fair (whichever is appropriate to the project). Each exhibitor must exhibit their own animal in the showmanship class in the department in which he/she is entered to be eligible to sell in the auction.
   8. All market animals making grade must sell at the Rotary Auction.
   9. Criteria for sale; animals must grade:
      a. Lambs not making weight may be shown as a Feeder if they weigh between 70 and 99 lbs., as well as a Showmanship class. Feeder lambs cannot be sold at the Rotary Auction.
      b. Steers not making weight will be shown as a Feeder if they weigh less than 1,000 lbs., as well as a Showmanship class. Feeder steers cannot be sold at the Rotary Auction. A deduction of $.20 per pound from any steer weighing over 1550 lbs. will be deducted from the youth’s check at the time of sale.
      c. Overweight hogs and underweight hogs may remain at the Fair and be shown in either a back-up market hog class (hogs weighing over 285) or Feeder hog class (hogs weighing 224 or less) and participate in a Showmanship class.
      d. Overweight and underweight hogs cannot be sold at the Rotary Auction. Members will need to consult with the swine superintendent to make sure that animals are entered into the appropriate classes.
      e. Any animal not eligible for sale at the Rotary Auction may not be advertised for sale until the end of the auction; members may not approach buyers to purchase their non-eligible animals on the night of the auction.
   10. 4-H or FFA members may sell only one market animal per year at the 4-H/FFA Rotary Auction Sales (Spring Lamb Show or County Fair). The animal designated for the Market Auction sale will be the first animal over the scale that makes weight at either Lamb Show or Fair. Should a 4-H/FFA member NOT show in a showmanship class then they will forfeit their ability to sell at the auction in which their market animal was judged as well as all other auctions for that calendar year’s available auctions.
   11. The sale order will be determined by the judge’s placing of animals in classes. Superintendent and/or placing committee will compile the sale order from placing’s of all classes.
   12. All bidding is on a per-pound basis. In most cases, the current market price constitutes the starting bid.
   13. At the time of the sale, only the buyer will select one of these options: 1) Keep the animal for his/her own personal consumption, or 2) Turn the animal back to the auction committee for resale to a (sheep, beef or hog) the buyer at the accepted price.
   14. Youth will not approach buyers at the Buyer’s BBQ to change the disposition of the animal. NO gifts are to be presented to buyers at the sale.
   15. Seller receives the full bid less 5% to cover advertising and promotion costs and to support the broader 4-H and FFA programs youth development goals. Federal law requires that .40 cents per hundred gross value from the sale of swine be deducted for the pork check-off. It will amount to a few cents less on the checks of those who sell swine. The federal beef referendum requires a $1.50 per head charge per animal and this amount will be deducted from the check of those who sell beef. The lamb check-off fee is .70 cents per head charge per animal and a $2.00 lamb pen cleaning fee is assessed as well and will be deducted from the check of those who sell lambs.

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15. A picture must be taken of the exhibitors and their market animals on a scheduled day, (see show schedules for details). Pictures are used as part of a tribute to the buyers, and the exhibitor is responsible for presenting the Buyer’s Placard with the picture. Moreover, letters of thanks must be mailed to the buyer as soon as possible. Market checks will be held until thank you letters are sent and placards are delivered.

16. The exhibitor will present his/her animal in the sale ring at the time of the sale and picture-taking.

17. Each exhibitor must have available all required papers (e.g.: transfer of ownership certificate and bill of sale).

18. Ownership of animal changes at the time of the auction, but the care of market animals are the responsibility of the exhibitor until time of release. Sellers are responsible for all pre-existing conditions (i.e.: retained testicles, medicine withdrawal periods, additives, drug, and hormone treatment problems). Evidence of non-compliance will result in forfeiture of sale proceeds. Release time for steers and hogs is Sunday morning at 6 AM.

19. H-Records must be up-to-date and submitted during registration on entry day of Lamb Show and Fair to enter 4-H classes. Completed Feed and Growth Records must be turned in at the Lamb Show Registration and by Wednesday morning at the Exhibitors Meeting during Fair for sellers to receive their check. FFA records will be certified by the FFA Advisor. KEEP IN MIND ... NO RECORDS, NO CHECK.

20. Rotary loans and fees for market animals will be withheld from the auction sales check. If your animal does not sell at the Rotary Auction for any reason, you are still responsible for repayment at the time of the Rotary Sale.

21. The Dress Code for exhibitors is as follows: exhibitors should be neat and clean with hair combed and shirts tucked in; no shorts, no sandals, no gum, no hats! FFA members are to wear the official dress. 4-H Club T-shirts are acceptable, however, T-shirts with other writing or logos WILL NOT be permitted. No tank tops. Members not following the dress code will be asked to change clothes before entering the show ring and/or auction ring.

22. Requests for deviation from any of these guidelines must be made by written petition to the Market Auction Committee (MAC) and submitted to the 4-H agent before the event. If submitted after a scheduled quarterly meeting of the MAC and before the event, a grievance committee will handle the petition. The committee will consist of 4-H Agent and/or 4-H Program Assistant, FFA Overall superintendent, 4-H Livestock superintendent, and the relevant 4-H and FFA species superintendents.

23. Animal Replacement Policy— If a tagged market animal should die and the member has no other tagged animals in his/her name, notify the OSU Extension Office (541-672-4461) within 24 hours. The 4-H/FFA member will be asked to provide the MAC with the following information within 48 hours: 1) A vet statement on the dead animal prepared by a veterinarian. 2) A statement of support from his/her 4-H leader or FFA advisor regarding the replacement. Representatives of the MAC will review the veterinarian’s report and the leader’s recommendation. If the death of the animal was not due to poor management or negligence, the MAC may grant permission to purchase another tagged market animal from a 4-H or FFA member in the county within five (5) days of approval. No replacement requests will be granted within 30 days of Lamb Show or County Fair. If a market animal is sick or injured, members may use the above guidelines to request a replacement.

24. All 4-H and FFA members must complete the mandatory Market Auction Education materials and have submitted the mandatory Market Animal Affidavit (MAA) and Media Release form to the OSU Extension Office. They can be turned in as early as weigh-in/tagging day but must be submitted no later than May 1st for lambs and July 1st for beef and swine to be eligible for sale at the Rotary Auction.

25. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) for out-of-state purchased hogs is mandatory as issued by the Oregon Department of Agriculture effective February 10th, 2014. This directive requires that Certificates of Veterinary Inspection accompany hogs entering Oregon, for purposes other than immediate slaughter, contain the following statement from the issuing veterinarian: “To the best of my knowledge, swine represented on this certificate have not originated from a premise known to be affected by Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea virus (PEDv), and have not been exposed to PEDVs within the last 30 days.”

26. All 4-H and FFA participants engaged in meat animal production activities are responsible for:
   a. The proper care and safe, humane treatment of your animals
   b. The production of high quality, and wholesome food
   c. Demonstrating strong moral character as an example to others

27. As a youth participant in the Douglas County 4-H/FFA Rotary Auction Program, you will personally be responsible for thanking your buyer(s) of your market animal and anyone adding money to the purchase of your animal by promptly delivering your Auction Placard and an approved Personal Thank You Note to the buyer as soon as possible after the sale. You must deliver these items and have the Thank You Documentation Form completed by the buyer within 4-H days of receiving the Placard and Form from your 4-H Leader/FFA Advisor. Once the Thank You Documentation Form is returned to the Douglas County OSU Extension Office, you will then be issued your Market Sale Check.

28. As a youth livestock producer you will comply with the Wholesome Assurance Statement:
   a. The use by non-veterinarians of animal drugs or other substances in any manner other than in accord with the labeling approved by the FDA is a violation of federal law.
   b. The food animal must not exceed FDA EPA USDA established tolerances for any foreign substance including drugs, pesticides, feed additives, or other chemicals.
   c. Positive results of banned residue testing are subject to investigation by the USDA and FDA for prosecution.
   d. Any misrepresentation of a food animal that can potentially affect the acceptability of the carcass will be considered fraud.

29. All youth participants must read, sign, comply and return the 4-H|FFA Market Livestock Sale Commitment. Lamb participants are to return their completed forms by May 1st, steer and hog participant forms are due July 1st. Continued participation in the Jr. Livestock Auction Program will be greatly influenced by youth’s compliance with the criterion contained within this agreement.