

# 2026 RULES – FFA & 4-H COOS YOUTH LIVESTOCK AUCTION

1. Youth must be a member of the Coos County 4-H, Coquille FFA or Myrtle Point FFA program in order to sell an animal in the auction.
2. 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.
3. Youth must have their animal(s) weighed-in at the initial weigh-in. If a reweigh is required, it must be requested and executed within two weeks of the initial weigh-in date. Call OSU Extension to sign up for a reweigh.
4. A youth may weigh-in two animals per species at the pre-fair weigh-in.
5. If an animal is found to have a testicle or is not cleanly castrated it will not be allowed to be weighed at the pre-fair weigh-in, as determined by the auction sifting committee.
6. The ownership of the animal shall be established at the first weigh-in, with the member's 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 have only one (1) Family back-up animal if they choose to, instead of one for each 4-H or FFA member. The family back-up animal will be entered in the name of the family and in the order of usage at the initial weigh-in. If something happens to any member's original animal that was weighed in at the first weigh-in that will determine the order of use. Family back-up animals must follow all other rules.
7. The auction committee members may inspect all animals sometime between the first weigh-in and auction time.
8. If your animal loses its auction ear tag you must notify the auction committee or the Extension office as soon as possible. Your animal will keep the same number for identification purposes.
9. All auction animals must be entered and shown by their owner in the FFA/4-H auction classes at the fair. Exhibitors will be allowed to sell through their high school graduation year. A maximum of 8 years eligibility.
10. All exhibitors shall participate in the showmanship class for their species with an animal they own and must participate in the judging contest associated with their sale animal (online or in person, as announced); livestock or small animal. This includes the oral reason or comparable class. Failure to do so will disqualify the member from the auction.
11. Official sale weight will be made at the designated weigh-in times at fair. There shall be no re-weigh: The scale official's decision is final. Questions regarding weight must be asked while the animal is on the scale.
12. Brand inspection will be enforced according to the law at the fair check-in time. Evidence of ownership (the E-slip) must accompany each steer and be turned in to the Brand Inspector Tuesday during the brand inspection.
13. Market Steers at the fair weigh-in must weigh at least 1,100 pounds, have gained a minimum of 3.0 pounds per day, and grade Choice or better to sell. Steers must be under 24 months of age. The fitting of steers for auction show is at the discretion of the member without the use of paints, adhesives or artificial hair.
14. Market Hogs at the fair weigh-in must weigh at least 240 pounds, weigh no more than 300 pounds, have gained a minimum of 1.6 pounds per day, and grade 2 or better to sell.
15. Market Lambs at the fair weigh-in must weigh at least 115 pounds, weigh no more than 180 pounds, still have all of their milk teeth, have gained a minimum of 0.50 pounds per day, and grade Choice or better to sell.
16. Market Goats at the fair weigh-in must weigh at least 85 pounds, have gained a minimum of 0.25 pounds per day, and be of Blue ribbon quality. Goats must be under one year of age and still have milk teeth, with no break in the gums.

17. Market Rabbits at the fair weigh-in must weigh at least 4.5 (4 and a half) pounds each and be of Blue ribbon quality throughout the pen. Rabbits must be under 76 days of age.
18. Market Poultry at the fair weigh-in must weigh at least 5.5 (5 and a half) pounds each and be of Blue ribbon quality throughout the pen. Poultry must be under 65 days of age.
19. 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, (d) a market lamb, (e) a pen of rabbits, or (f) a pen of poultry. Once an animal is weighed at the final weigh-in and qualifies for the auction, the member may specify which animal they wish to sell.
20. 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. They may not be offered for sale prior to the auction.
21. To be sold, all animals must be manageable and under control at the final weigh-in, in the classes, and during the auction line-up, and must be handled by the seller. This rule will be enforced for safety purposes.
22. All exhibitors shall dress for the auction as they should appear in showmanship classes, and they must present their animals at the auction ring. The only exception will be due to a medical condition/doctor's note preventing the member from bringing the project into the sale arena themselves. This will be arranged prior to the sale time. In the event of a virtual auction a photograph and/or video of the seller and animal will be used.
23. All animals for the auction will be sold in order of auction line-up. The animals in the auction shall be placed in the line-up using a random numbering formula.
24. All bidding will be on a per pound basis for steers, sheep, goats, and swine. Rabbits and poultry are sold per pen.
25. 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.
26. United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) requirements for withdrawal of feed additives must 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. The seller will be responsible for the auction fees, slaughter costs, and disposal fees. The animal sold is and remains the responsibility of the seller until the time of satisfactory slaughter.
27. A fee of eight percent gross sale will be withheld for sale expenses. This amount will be deducted from the payout check. If all conditions are met by the seller three percent of that fee is returned. This includes all required paperwork for the project turned in on time: pre-fair weigh reports, weight gain, sale declaration, commentary cards, final reports, final completed Feed & Growth record, and thank you cards. Checkoff fees pertaining to your species will be deducted from the final check.
28. Auction Participant payout will be available beginning Tuesday, September 8, 2026, 7:00 PM, at the OSU Extension Office located at 631 Alder Street, Myrtle Point, Oregon or an otherwise pre-designated time and location.
29. All grievance issues will be handled through the OSU Extension office for 4-H members and through the FFA chapters for FFA members. The Coos Youth Auction Committee will defer to decisions made by an independent committee appointed by the 4-H Extension Faculty and FFA Faculty.

We understand and agree to these rules:

Member signature	Member printed name	Date
Parent/Guardian signature	Parent/Guardian printed name	Date