2024 JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION RULES

(BEEF, DAIRY, SWINE, SHEEP, GOATS, POULTRY AND RABBITS)

Each junior class member will be limited to selling a total of three animals in the Livestock Auction, with the following in category maximums: two steers, two hogs, two goats, or two sheep and two lots of poultry and two lots of rabbits.

Should there be an excess number, the Sale Committee is given the option to reduce these limits at its discretion. ***No late entries will be allowed to sell at auction with one, penalized exception – see #4 below.***

1. There will be a 4% deduction from the selling price of each animal to promote the sale. We will be complying with national meat check-off requirements for both beef, swine and sheep, which are the seller's responsibility and will be withheld from final checks.

2. To be eligible for the sale, beef steers and pure-bred Jersey steers must weigh at least 1,000 lbs. and dairy steers at least 1,200 lbs. Market hogs must weigh at least 220 lbs. and not more than 330 lbs. Goats must weigh at least 60 lbs. Lambs must weigh at least 100 lbs. Animals shall be tagged with official Fair ear tags at weigh-ins or contact the Waukesha County Fair office to obtain official Fair ear tags to tag on their own on or before the last day in April.

3. All animals sold in the auction must pay a $4.00 tagging fee ($4.00 per tag). Sheep are the one exception as their scrapie tag will be used as the Fair official Fair tag. Fees for animals being tagged by fair officials must be paid at the time of tagging. Fees for animals that are tagged by the exhibitor must be brought with you or sent to the Waukesha County Fair Office 2417 Silvernail Road Pewaukee, WI 53072 before tags are picked up. Max amount of animals to be tagged are three (3) per species.

4. Eligible Market Animals must be owned by the exhibitor. Market animal pictures, tags, and/or registration identification will be allowed a 1 week (7 day) penalized extension after April 30th. This penalized extension has a firm $100 fine *per animal entry* and the animal/exhibitor will not be eligible to participate in rate of gain. *Absolutely no late entries will be allowed after this penalized extension* **nor** *will they be allowed to sell at the auction.* All Livestock Animal Rules must be abided by.

5. Maximum Age: Steer cannot be born before January 1 of year preceding the year of exhibit (maximum age is 18 months) except dairy steers which may not be born before September 1 two years before the year of exhibit (maximum age is 22 months).

6. The Fair will not make a guarantee as to sale price. It is the responsibility of the members selling animals to bring in prospective buyers. The Fair will continue sending letters to potential buyers.

7. Seller is responsible for the feed and care of the animals until they are removed from the fairgrounds or (depending on species) until they are officially at the processor.

8. Checks to exhibitors to be distributed from the Fair Office by the Auction Committee.

9. All animals to be sold must be weighed on Wednesday of fair week. Animals will only weigh one (1) time at fair. Weights recorded are final. No additional or alternate weigh-in will be administered. All animals must be on grounds by 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

10. Sale order will be as follows: Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, followed by grade groups which will be drawn from a hat, with every exhibitor selling at least one animal before the sequence will continue, unless youth has two Grand Champions and/or Reserve Champions.

11. All Grand and Reserve Junior Class Champions must sell in the Junior Livestock Auction. If you have more than three (3) Grand or Reserve Junior Class Champions they then have to sell all Grand or Reserve Junior Class Champions at the Junior Livestock Auction.

12. Maximum number of pigs brought to the fair is two (2) per exhibitor.

13. Poultry must meet specific weight requirements determined by the Auction Committee. Maximum number of 20 lots of poultry in the auction.   {Poultry Weights – Market Class 207 Junior Poultry}

14. Rabbits will meet weight requirements set by the Auction Committee. A maximum of 4 lots of rabbits will be allowed for sale.   {Rabbit Weights – Market Class 208 Junior Rabbits}

15. Ten lots of market goats will be allowed for sale at the Livestock Auction. Goats will meet the requirements set by the Auction Committee.

16. Any youth who wishes to participate in the Livestock Auction, (beef, swine, sheep, poultry, goats, rabbits, or milk quality) must attend two (2) educational clinics before County Fair. The Youth for Quality Care of Animals educational testing (YQCA) is mandatory for everyone who wishes to participate in the Livestock Auction and counts towards a third (3rd) required educational element required to participate.

   The Committee For Livestock Education and Fundraising will submit a list of clinics found on the Waukesha County Fair Entry Page Fair Events Calendar (click link here). Failure to attend two (2) approved, educational clinics by July 12th and completion of the YQCA testing by June 15th will prohibit you from selling at the auction.

17. **Each exhibitor must submit a minimum of two (2) names and addresses of potential buyers to the Waukesha County Fair Office of the current calendar year by July 1st.**

18. In order for potential buyers to receive tickets, a signed potential buyer form must be filled out by the exhibitor and signed by the potential buyer, then sent to the Fair Office. Upon receiving the form, the Fair staff will mail out the requested tickets to the potential buyer.

19. Each exhibitor must provide a letter of thanks and a self-addressed stamped envelope to each buyer for each animal sold in the auction by Sunday afternoon.

Carcass Evaluation: All animals sold in the Auction may be eligible to be included in the Waukesha County Fair evaluation. Time and date of evaluation will be announced during the fair. Sign up will be during fair (no need to enter on fair cards). Volunteers will be needed the day of evaluation.

Ribbon Only

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