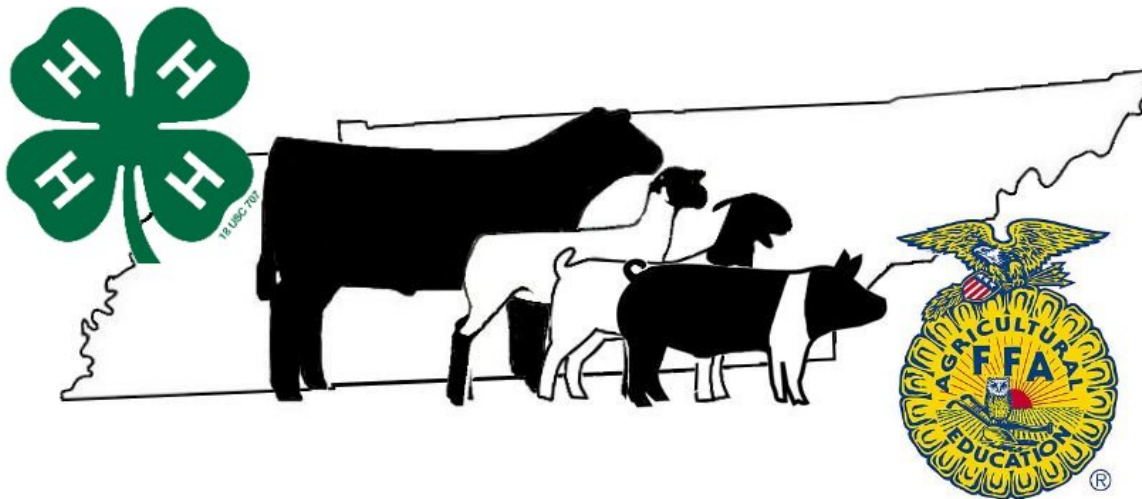


Guidelines And Rules For Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows



Tennessee Junior Swine Show

Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition

Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition

Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show

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Livestock Shows Quick Reference

Health Requirements

Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) will be required for every animal exhibited at the Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows. The CVI must be dated within 90 days of the respective show.

Official Animal Identification

All animals must have official identification.

Cattle: USDA metal ear tag, EID ear tag or official breed registry tattoo

Sheep: Scrapie ear tag

Goats: Scrapie ear tag or official breed registry tattoo

Hogs: Ear notches, USDA metal ear tag or EID ear tag

EID tags will be part of the TJLE tag for market steers and commercial heifers

All steers and commercial heifers must have at least ONE legible tattoo. Registered heifers should have legible breed tattoos. Any animal without a legible tattoo will not be permitted to show. It is encouraged that commercial heifers and steers be tattooed in both ears to ensure at least one tattoo is legible.

Additional information can be found on page 6 of Guidelines and Rules for Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows.

Entry Fees

Hogs: \$10

Beef Cattle: \$10

Sheep: \$8

Goats: \$7

JUNIOR SWINE SHOW INFO - Page 17 in Guidelines and Rules for TN Jr. Livestock Shows

Ownership Deadline: **October 20**

Ear Tagged: **November 1**

Purebred Gilts and Purebred Barrows must be registered and farrowed on or after June 1

REGISTERED HEIFER INFO - Page 20 in Guidelines and Rules for TN Jr. Livestock Shows

Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition

Ownership Deadline: **March 15**

Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition

Ownership Deadline: **May 20**

There is NO limit on the number of registered heifers an exhibitor can enter and show.

Exceptions:

1. An exhibitor may show no more than two (2) animal per age classification
2. The maximum number of leased breeding heifers an exhibitor may show is two (2).

Exhibitors must be the **sole owner** or **lessee** of the heifers they exhibit. All heifers must be owned (as indicated on registration papers) or leased in the exhibitor's name. A duplicate copy of lease form(s) and registration paper(s) must accompany the entry form(s).

Heifers entered and/or shown in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition will NOT automatically be entered in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and must be entered in each show independently with entry fees paid for each.

Bred By Exhibitor

To be eligible for "Bred by Exhibitor" awards and recognition, the exhibitor **must** be listed as both the **sole breeder** and **owner** of the heifer on the registration paper. If a registered heifer is eligible for the "Bred by Exhibitor" competition, this must be indicated on the entry form. If "Bred by Exhibitor" is not indicated on the entry form, the entry will show as if it

did not qualify. Additional information can be found on page 15 in Guidelines and Rules for Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows.

COMMERCIAL HEIFER INFO - Page 22 in Guidelines and Rules for TN Jr. Livestock Shows

Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition

Ownership Deadline: **March 15**

Tattooed and Ear Tagged: **March 30**

Exhibitors may enter and show four (4) commercial heifers in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition.

Exhibitors may only show two (2) leased commercial heifers.

Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition

Ownership Deadline: **May 20**

Tattooed and Ear Tagged: **June 1**

Exhibitors may enter and show four (4) commercial heifers in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

Exhibitors may only show two (2) leased commercial heifers.

Heifers entered and/or shown in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition will NOT automatically be entered in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and must be entered in each show independently with entry fees paid for each.

Farm Bred

A heifer is considered farm bred if and only if they meet the following criteria without exception. "Farm Bred is defined as the animal to be exhibited was produced by a dam owned **SOLELY** by the exhibitor, his/her parents, guardian, or his/her grandparents, at the time the said animal was conceived." If a commercial heifer is eligible for the "Farm Bred" competition, this must be indicated on the entry form. If it is not indicated, the animal will not be eligible to show in the "Farm Bred" class. Additional information can be found on page 16 in Guidelines and Rules for Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows.

STEER INFO - Page 24 in Guidelines and Rules for TN Jr. Livestock Shows

Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition

Ownership Deadline: **March 1**

Tattooed and Ear Tagged: **March 15**

Exhibitors may enter and show three (3) steers in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition.

Tennessee Junior Cattle Exposition – Finished, Prospect, and Dairy Steers (only at State Beef Expo)

Ownership Deadline: **May 20**

Tattooed and Ear Tagged: **June 1**

Exhibitors may enter and show **a total of three (3) steers** in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

Market steers exhibited at Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition **ARE** eligible for exhibition in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition, but must be entered in each show independently with entry fees paid for each show.

Prospect steers are those weighing under 900 pounds.

Dairy feeder steer show will only be at State Beef Expo. Dairy steers must be of 100% dairy breeding. Dairy steers must weigh between 300-900 pounds.

REGISTERED EWE INFO - Page 28 in Guidelines and Rules for TN Jr. Livestock Shows

Ownership Deadline: **May 20**

There is **NO** limit on the number of registered breeding ewes an exhibitor can enter and show.

Exceptions:

1. An exhibitor may show no more than two (2) animals per age classification
2. The maximum number of leased registered breeding ewes an exhibitor may show is two (2).

Exhibitors must be the **sole owner** or **lessee** of the ewes they exhibit. All ewes must be owned (as indicated on registration papers) or leased in the exhibitor's names. A duplicate copy of lease form(s) and registration paper(s) must accompany the entry form(s).

Bred By Exhibitor

To be eligible for "Bred by Exhibitor" awards and recognition, the exhibitor **must** be listed as both the **sole breeder** and **owner** of the ewe on the registration paper. If a registered ewe is eligible for the "Bred by Exhibitor" competition, this must be indicated on the entry form. If "Bred by Exhibitor" is not indicated on the entry form, the entry will show as if it did not qualify. Additional information can be found starting on page 15 in Guidelines and Rules for Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows.

COMMERCIAL EWE INFO - Page 30 in Guidelines and Rules for TN Jr. Livestock Shows

Ownership Deadline: **May 20**

Ear Tagged: **June 1**

Exhibitors may show four (4) animals in the Commercial Ewe Show. Exhibitors may show a maximum of two (2) leased commercial ewes.

Farm Bred

A ewe is considered farm bred if and only if they meet the following criteria without exception. "Farm Bred is defined as the animal to be exhibited was produced by a dam owned **SOLELY** by the exhibitor, his/her parents, guardian, or his/her grandparents, at the time the said animal was conceived."

If a commercial ewe is eligible for the "Farm Bred" competition, this must be indicated on the entry form. If it is not indicated, the animal will not be eligible to show in the "Farm Bred" class.

Additional information can be found starting on page 16 in Guidelines and Rules for Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows.

MARKET LAMB INFO - Page 32 in Guidelines and Rules for TN Jr. Livestock Shows

Ownership Deadline: **May 20**

Ear Tagged: **June 1**

Each exhibitor may enter and exhibit four (4) lambs in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition Market Lamb Show.

Tennessee Bred Lamb

A "Tennessee Bred Lamb" is defined as any lamb whose dam was owned by a Tennessee sheep producer and whose sire was owned or leased by a Tennessee sheep producer. The dam must have been bred and the lamb born in the state of Tennessee. If the lamb is eligible, it **must** be indicated on the entry form and breeder information must be on the entry form". If it is not indicated on the entry form and breeder information is not on the entry form, the entry will show as if it did not qualify.

JUNIOR MEAT GOAT INFO - Page 35 in Guidelines and Rules for TN Jr. Livestock Shows

Ownership Deadline: **July 1**

Tagging Deadline: **July 1**

Each exhibitor may enter a total of eight (8) goats but can **ONLY** exhibit five (5) goats in the Tennessee Junior Goat Show.

All goats **MUST** be tagged

Farm Bred

A goat is considered farm bred if and only if they meet the following criteria without exception. "Farm Bred is defined as the animal to be exhibited was produced by a dam owned **SOLELY** by the exhibitor, his/her parents, guardian, or his/her grandparents, at the time the said animal was conceived."

CURRENT YEAR CHANGES - 2017

General

Animal health papers are to be checked before unloading. Animals must arrive during scheduled arrival times. Efforts will be made to ensure animal health considerations (heat). No arrivals will be permitted prior to the barns being opened. Schedule will be sent out in spring.

All animals are to be inspected at show: tattoos, ear tags, and registration papers will be checked before the animal is shown.

An additional late entry fee of \$50.00 per animal will be required for entries received after the scheduled deadline.

Registered Breed Shows (cattle, sheep, purebred gilts and purebred barrows) will be provided for any breed with 10 or more head checked-in at the show by three (3) or more exhibitors. Those breeds with less than 10 head/3 exhibitors will be shown in the All Other Breeds classes.

Grievance complaints must be officially made prior to the final drive within a show, and must be accompanied by \$100.00 cash. Official grievance complaints will be resolved prior to the final drive. No grievances can be made following the final drive of a show.

Fitting and Grooming: Each exhibitor *should* be working with their animals and in the attendance with that animal during the entire fitting process. Breed association guidelines related to grooming are to be followed at the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show.

Beef Rules

All animals exhibited at the state show will be checked-in and weighed (if applicable) during the designated check-in times. **All animals must be checked-in for the state show. If an animal is showing at the regional show, but not at the state show the exhibitor must let show management know during check-in.**

Commercial heifer identification will be verified at the state show check-in. Commercial heifers must also have **ALL milk teeth remaining** at the time of show. All commercial heifers will be mouthed at check-in.

Exhibitors may show **no more than two (2)** registered heifer per age classification within a specific breed.

Heifer age classes consisting of 15 or more entries will be divided by age.

Commercial heifers and steers must have a legible tattoo that matches that on the entry form. Any cattle without a legible tattoo will not be permitted to show. It is encouraged that commercial

heifers and steers be tattooed in both ears to ensure at least one tattoo is legible. Tattoo can either be the same digits as the TJLE ear tag, a farm tattoo, or a registration tattoo.

Sheep

Entry fee increase to \$8

TN bred classification will be added to entry program for Commercial Ewes. TN Club Lamb Producers will recognize these ewes. (there will be no additional awards given to TN bred commercial ewes through Expo, only TCLP)

A hair sheep classification will be added to the commercial ewe show

Hog - 2018 Show

Addition of Purebred Gilt Show - registration papers are required

Addition of Purebred Barrow Show - registration papers are required

Market Hog Show (crossbred barrows and gilts) - remain same format

- Hogs weighing 180-229 will show as in prospect classes
- Hogs weighing 230-340 will show in market classes

Any hog shown in the purebred show will not be eligible to show in the Market Hog Show

All hog ear tags must be CLEANED upon arrival at the showgrounds

INTRODUCTION

This publication contains the rules and regulations governing the Tennessee Junior Swine Show, the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show. All people involved in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows should be completely familiar with these regulations, accept the responsibility to follow these regulations and upon signature and submission of entry forms will agree to abide by the rules and regulations, will certify that the livestock and exhibitor(s) have complied with the regulations and meet eligibility for participation.

GENERAL RULES

The General Rules Apply to All Shows and Events Where Appropriate

1. Read General Rules and Regulations: All exhibitors in Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows are required to read and comply with the General Rules and Regulations contained in this handbook, in addition to the Show Ring Code of Ethics (page 43), Animal Health Regulations, and regulations and rules for each division participating.

2. Interpretation of Rules: The Tennessee Junior Swine Show, the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show are administered, managed and governed by the University of Tennessee Extension. This entity is responsible for the administration of all applicable rules and policies, including enforcement and penalties. Management reserves the final and absolute right to interpret rules and regulations, settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard hereto, or otherwise arising out of the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine.

3. Eligibility: Competition is limited to either Tennessee 4-H members who were enrolled in the fourth grade or later and Tennessee FFA members who were enrolled in agriculture education courses on Jan. 1 of current calendar year and who have not reached the end of the calendar year of their high school graduation or the end of the calendar year of their 20th birthday, whichever comes first. The exhibitors must be under the supervision of an Extension Agent or FFA advisor and shall be required to comply with all rules of the shows.

A. The signature of the 4-H County Extension Agent or FFA Advisor of said exhibitor on the entry form is required to confirm that: the entry is a bona fide project of their 4-H or

FFA program; is a member in good standing; **the animal is owned and in the continuous possession of the exhibitor**; Extension Agent or FFA Advisor has read the General Rules and Regulations, Junior Livestock Show Rules and Regulations, specific and/or special division Rules and Regulations, and Participant has been advised of these rules as well as The National Show Ring Code of Ethics; been cautioned regarding sabotage, tampering, prohibited substances, unethical fitting and all rules and regulations have been complied with, to the extent of their participation.

B. The exhibitor and parent or legal guardian of the exhibitor **must sign the entry forms** certifying that they have read the General Rules and Regulations, Junior Livestock Show Rules and Regulations, specific and/or special division rules and regulations and that Participant has been advised of these rules and regulations as well as The National Show Ring Code of Ethics; cautioned regarding sabotage, tampering, prohibited substances, unethical fitting and agrees to observe and abide by all rules and regulations.

4. Rule Violation: Any exhibitor, parent or leader, who individually or through other persons, violates any rules, may result in both animal(s) and exhibitor(s) being barred from participation in current or future shows. All premiums, awards received and sale receipts may be forfeited.

5. Discourteous Behavior: Discourteous conduct by exhibitors, parents, leaders, Extension agents, agriculture teachers or any other persons representing an exhibitor, toward a judge, any member of show management or other exhibitors may result in the exhibitor and/or animal being dismissed from Tennessee Junior Livestock Events and awards received being forfeited.

6. Care and Treatment of Animals: All animals that are exhibited in Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows are to be under the care and management of the 4-H or FFA member. The exhibitor's supervising County Extension Agent, or the exhibitor's supervising FFA advisor, or UT Extension staff member has the right, with prior notification, to inspect any animals at a reasonable time during the ownership period. All animals that are exhibited in Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows are to be treated in accordance with accepted humane livestock management techniques. Exhibitors are expected to comply with all federal, state and local laws or regulations concerning the treatment and care of animals. Specific areas of concern include but are not limited to:

- Animals should be provided feed and water on a regular basis. A special effort should be made to insure that market animals receive feed and water before the show and sale.

- Medication given by or under the direction of a veterinarian must adhere to withdrawal times on the product label.
- Animals which have been accidentally injured must receive appropriate veterinary attention.

7. Stalls, Tie-space and Pens: Show management will assign tie space and pens per county based on the number of animals entered. The assignments will be made prior to the show and posted in the barn. No animals are to be tied or penned in the wash areas. Exhibitors are to provide their own pen security.

8. Fitting and Grooming: *Each exhibitor should be working with their animals and in the attendance with that animal during the entire fitting process. Breed association guidelines related to grooming are to be followed at the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show.*

9. Unruly or Unsound Animals: The show superintendent, manager, show steward, ring person, show judge or show management may dismiss animals that, in their judgment, are unruly or unsound.

10. Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages: Consumption of alcoholic beverages at the any of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows is not permitted. Failure to adhere to this policy may result in the person(s) being dismissed, exhibitor(s) and/or animal(s) being dismissed and awards received being forfeited.

11. Dogs: NO DOGS ALLOWED, except Seeing Eye or other medically necessary dogs.

12. Safety: Everything possible will be done to prevent accidents; however, if any should occur, neither the University of Tennessee, nor University of Tennessee personnel, nor other persons, nor any other organizations connected with the management of the show assumes any liability, either legal or otherwise to persons or property.

13. Grievance Complaints or Protest: Grievance complaints or protests must be officially made prior to the final drive within a show, and must be accompanied by \$100.00 cash to show management. Official grievance complaints will be resolved prior to the final drive. No grievances can be made following the final drive of a show.

- The burden of proof rests with the party filing the grievance. The \$100 deposit will be returned if the grievance is upheld. The deposit will be forfeited to the Tennessee Junior Swine Show, the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, the Tennessee Junior

Livestock Exposition or the Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show if the grievance is not sustained.

- The respective show manager and/or superintendent has the authority to make appropriate decisions based on EC979, "Guidelines and Rules for Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows" If needed, the protest shall be referred to a "Grievance Committee."
- The grievance will be reviewed. The grievance may be discussed with parties involved and show officials in reaching a decision. All parties involved will be notified of decisions reached.
- Protests related to judges' decisions, placings, classifications and/or other situations associated with judges and show management **will not** be accepted.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for animals exhibited in the Tennessee Junior Swine Show, the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition, and the Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show must meet the following requirements:

Health Requirements: Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) will be required for every animal exhibited at Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows. It is expected that junior exhibitors will bring only healthy animals to the shows. The Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) must be dated within 90 days of the respective show. All animals are subject to being inspected after arrival at the show facilities and any with clinical signs of contagious disease will be quarantined or sent home immediately at the discretion of the show veterinarian.

ALL livestock must have official forms of identification in order to have valid health certificate.

Cattle: USDA metal ear tag, EID (840) ear tag, or breed registry tattoo *

Sheep: Scrapie tag

Goats: Scrapie tag or official breed tattoo

Swine: ear notch, USDA metal tag, or EID tag

*Breed registry tattoos are considered official forms of identification in Tennessee; other states many not accept tattoos are form of identification

EID (840) tags will be part of the TJLE tags for market steers and commercial heifers.

All sheep and goats that are to be exhibited in any show, including commercial ewes/does and market lambs/goats must have an approved Scrapie Program ear tag or official identification in their ear. This must be done in accordance with the guidelines provided by USDA Animal Health and Plant Inspection Service (APHIS). Please call the USDA office at (615) 781-5310 to order the free Scrapie tags. Allow approximately 10 days for delivery.

PUBLICITY RELEASE

As indicated by the signatures of the exhibitors, parents or guardians on the entry forms for Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows, authorizes the University of Tennessee and/or their representatives to photograph, film, audio/video tape, record and/or televise their image and voice and biographical material, participation in the various events and to publicize, in whole or in part in any medium or developed in the future without any restrictions.

DRUG TESTING

Any animal entered into Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows is subject to tissue, urine, ultrasound, and blood testing at the discretion of the show management. Each exhibitor's cooperation is **REQUIRED**. Any exhibitor who does not submit their animal for drug testing will immediately be disqualified from any and all premiums and awards. If the result of the testing indicates the use of materials and/or drugs not approved for use in that species by the FDA, or compound or drugs used outside the specified withdrawal requirements of the FDA, these animals will be declared ineligible for competition and awards will be forfeited.

Substances tested for may include, but will not be limited to:

- Antibiotics
- Repartitioning Agents, such as Clenbuterol
- Diuretics, such as furosemide (lasix)
- Tranquilizers, such as acepromazine
- Pain killers, such as flunixin (Banamine) and phenylbutazone
- Steroids
- Local anesthetics, such as lidocaine

Violations of the Code of Show Ring Ethics: Any violations of the Code of Show Ring Ethics (page 43) or any other rules and policies associated with the Tennessee Junior Swine Show, the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show may result in forfeiture of premiums and awards, disqualification, loss of sale proceeds, probationary status and/or loss of eligibility for future participation. Any illegal substances found at slaughter will result in forfeiture of all premiums and revenues from the sale of the animal. Violations of these rules may result in both animal and exhibitor being disqualified from the show:

- Treating the animal internally with an irritant or other substance to artificially change the animal's conformation. This would include injection of air, gas, liquid, solid or any foreign material under the skin.
- Surgery of any kind to change the natural conformation or appearance of the animal's body. (Exceptions include those procedures that are part of a normally accepted management program, such as dehorning, castration, and tail docking.)
- Altering or changing an animal from its natural color.
- Use of any abnormal procedure or product to change the degree of firmness, muscle tone or mass and/or weight of the animal.
- Use of any illegal substance or procedure that results in condemnation of the carcass of a market animal.
- Adding of any foreign material (twine, hair, etc.) to any part of the body in an attempt to disguise or alter the conformation or condition of the animal.
- The use of graphite.
- Administration of any substance (internal or external) that is not used according to label instructions.
- Excessive force in handling of animals.
- Physical abuse of an animal, either in the barns, on the grounds or in the show ring by the exhibitor or his/her parents or representatives, Extension agents or agriculture teachers may result in both animal and exhibitor being dismissed from the show(s).

EAR TAGS

All hogs, steers, market lambs, commercial heifers, commercial ewes, market goats and commercial does **MUST** have a special Tennessee Junior Livestock Program ear tag in order to show. Ear tags will be sent to exhibitor's county Extension office. Extension agents or agriculture teachers **MUST** supervise the tagging of each animal.

If a tag becomes lost or damaged, exhibitors should be instructed to immediately notify their Extension agent or agriculture teacher. A [Replacement Ear Tag form](#) must be filled out to order replacement ear tags. Ear tags **MUST** be replaced **PRIOR** to arrival show. All replacement tag orders must be submitted within 10 days of the show for timely delivery of replacement tag. If an ear tag is lost or damaged within 10 days of a show, county agents or agriculture teachers must immediately notify State 4-H Animal Science Specialist.

Any animal that arrives to a Tennessee Junior Livestock Show without original ear tags supplied by UT Department of Animal Science or without a Replacement Ear Tag form on file **WILL NOT** show.

ENTRIES

1. All entries must be made at and submitted through the local UT Extension office. This is the procedure for entries by both 4-H and FFA members.
2. UT Extension staff are to follow the online entry procedure for ALL Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows. Information on the online entry program can be found at the [UT Animal Science Department website](#).
3. **Entry fees of \$10.00 per head for beef animals and hogs, \$8.00 per head for sheep, \$7.00 per head for goats** must be submitted with entry forms. Regional entry fees must be submitted separately to the appropriate Regional staff. Refunds will not be made for animals not exhibited.
4. ***An additional late entry fee of \$50.00 per animal will be required for entries received after the scheduled deadline.***
5. Copies of all entry forms are to be submitted by Extension agents to the appropriate Regional staff and to the UT Animal Science Department.

6. Copies of registration papers for both registered heifers and ewes must be submitted with entry forms for the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition. **If registration papers are not available at the time of submission, copies of application for registration and transfer of ownership should accompany entry forms.**
7. Official Lease Agreements forms, when applicable, for breeding animals must be submitted with entry forms for the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition. Lease Agreements can be obtained from the local UT Extension Office or from the [UT Animal Science Department website](#).
8. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to be sure that his/her entries meet criteria to qualify for exhibition and to complete all the information requested on the entry form. Incomplete entry forms **will not** be accepted and will be returned to the Extension agent. Animals will not be entered if entry forms are not completed and entry fees not submitted. **Extension agents and agriculture teachers should review all entries to ensure accuracy prior to submission.**
9. The signatures of the exhibitor, his/her parent or guardian and Extension agent or agriculture teacher will be required before an entry will be accepted. These signatures will confirm that the parties:
 - a. Have read, understood, and agree to the rules and regulations outlined in EC979, "Guidelines and Rules for Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows."
 - b. Have certified that the animal and exhibitor have complied with the rules and regulations outlined in EC979, "Guidelines and Rules for Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows."
 - c. Agree to the use of photographs, etc. as outlined in the Publicity Release presented in EC979, "Guidelines and Rules for Tennessee Junior Livestock Shows" on page 7.

DATES FOR OWNERSHIP AND/OR REGISTRATION

1. Animals must be individually owned or registered in the name of the exhibitor or leased by the exhibitor and in the possession of (in care of) by the exhibitor by the dates listed in Tables 1-5.
2. All breeding animals must be either individually owned or leased by the exhibitor.
3. Hogs, steers, lambs, goats, commercial heifers, goats, and ewes entered into the TJLE shows must be ear tagged by dates outlined in the following tables.

OWNERSHIP, TAGGING AND ENTRY DEADLINES

Table 1.

Tennessee Junior Swine Show Events and Dates of Importance

All Hogs (Purebred Gilts, Purebred Barrows and Market Hogs)

a. Ownership Deadline	October 20
b. Ear Tagged	November 1
c. Entries Due	November 15

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the entry forms submitted

Table 2.

Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition Events and Dates of Importance

Market Steer Show

a. Ownership Deadline	March 1
b. Tattooed and Ear Tagged	March 15
c. Entries Due	April 1

Commercial Heifer Show

a. Ownership and Leasing Deadline*	March 15
b. Tattooed, Ear Tagged	March 30
c. Entries Due	April 1

Registered Heifer Show

a. Ownership, Registration and Leasing Deadline*	March 15
b. Entries Due	April 1

*Lease agreement must be submitted to the county, region and state Extension offices by the same date.

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the entry forms and lease agreements submitted.

Table 3.
Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition Beef Cattle Events and Dates of Importance

Steer Show

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| a. Ownership Deadline | May 20 |
| b. Tattooed and Ear Tagged | June 1 |
| c. Entries Due | June 5 |

Commercial Heifer Show

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| a. Ownership and Leasing Deadline* | May 20 |
| b. Tattooed and Ear Tagged | June 1 |
| c. Entries Due | June 5 |

Registered Heifer Show

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| a. Ownership, Registration and Leasing Deadline* | May 20 |
| b. Entries Due | June 5 |

*Lease agreement must be submitted to the county, region and state Extension offices by the same date.

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the entry forms and lease agreements submitted.

Table 4.
Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition Sheep Events and Dates of Importance

<u>Market Lamb Show</u>		
a.	Ownership and Deadline	May 20
b.	Ear Tagged	June 1
c.	Entries Due	June 5*
<u>Commercial Ewe Show</u>		
a.	Ownership and Leasing Deadline*	May 20
b.	Ear Tagged	June 1
c.	Entries Due	June 5*
<u>Registered Ewe Show</u>		
a.	Ownership, Registration and Leasing Deadline*	May 20
b.	Entries Due	June 5*

****CENTRAL REGION ENTRIES FOR SHEEP ARE DUE JUNE 1***

*Lease agreement must be submitted to the county, region, and state Extension offices by the same date.
It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the entry forms and lease agreements submitted.

Table 5.
Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show Events and Dates of Importance

<u>Market Goat Show</u>		
a.	Ownership and Ear Tagging Deadline	July 1
b.	Entries Due	July 20
<u>Commercial Doe Show</u>		
a.	Ownership and <i>Ear Tagging Deadline</i>	July 1
b.	Entries Due	July 20

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the entry forms and lease agreements submitted.

REGIONAL SHOWS

All animals shown at State Junior Livestock Shows should be exhibited in exhibitor's respective regional shows (if applicable) in order to be eligible to be exhibited at the state show. "Intent Not to Show at Regional Show" forms will be made available from the local UT Extension office or the [UT Animal Science Department website](#). These forms are ONLY required for **REGISTERED HEIFERS AND EWES**. These must be submitted 10 days prior to the regional show date. Regions may require entry fees per each animal not shown at the regional shows.

EXHIBITION

Exhibitors will show their own animal unless they have two animals in the same class. The second animal must be shown by another 4-H or FFA member. Any animal shown by anyone other than the exhibitor who entered the animal may result in forfeiture of all premiums and awards unless prior approval is given by the show manager. Substitute exhibitors will be granted for those exhibitors who either have two animals in the same class or a serious illness and/or injury at the time of the show.

SHOWMANSHIP

Showmanship participation is available to all youth that have animals entered in the respective show. Showmanship will be conducted by the grade divisions shown below. Grade refers to the school grade in which the exhibitor was enrolled on January 1, of current year.

Showmanship Divisions for Knoxville Junior Spring Cattle Exposition

4th, 5th & 6th grades
7th & 8th grades
9th, 10th, 11th & 12th grades

Showmanship Divisions for Tennessee Junior Swine Show, Tennessee Livestock Exposition and Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show

4th grade
5th & 6th grades
7th & 8th grades
9th & 10th grades
11th & 12th grades

Exhibitors of beef animals (commercial heifers, registered heifers and market steers) and goats (commercial does and market goats) will have a single showmanship class. Exhibitors of registered breeding ewes will have their own showmanship class while commercial ewes and market lambs exhibitors will show together. Animals used in showmanship must be from those entered by and exhibited by the exhibitor in the show. **EXHIBITORS MUST SHOW THEIR OWN ANIMAL.** Grade divisions may be spilt at the discretion of show management.

LEASE OF BREEDING ANIMALS

The objective of the leasing of breeding animals is to provide youth, who would otherwise not have the opportunity, the educational experience of participating in the beef heifer or breeding ewe projects without the expense of purchasing animals.

Exhibitors may lease two registered heifers, two commercial heifers, two registered ewes, and two commercial does for project animals. Animals leased must conform to general rules and specific rules for the appropriate shows. Complete lease agreement forms along with a copy of the animal's registration papers must be submitted to the County UT Extension Office by dates indicated in Tables 2, 3, 4 and 5 for heifers and ewes to be exhibited in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Events. An example of the lease form may be found on the [UT Animal Science website](#).

Leased animals cannot be exhibited by anyone other than lessee from the date the lease is entered into until completion of the respective breeding show of the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR EWES AND HEIFERS

Registered breeding ewes and registered beef heifers are eligible to be entered in the "Bred by Exhibitor" competition. To be eligible for "Bred by Exhibitor" awards and recognition, the exhibitor must be listed as **both** the **sole breeder** and **sole owner** of the ewe or heifer on the registration paper. If breeding animals are eligible for the "Bred by Exhibitor" competition, this must be indicated on the entry form. If "Bred by Exhibitor" is not indicated on the entry form, the entry will show as if it did not qualify.

In the Registered Beef Heifer and the Registered Breeding Ewe Shows, the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion animals will be selected and then, if needed, the Champion and Reserve Champion "Bred by Exhibitor" animals will be selected from the highest placing "Bred by Exhibitor" animals in the classes.

FARM BRED EWES, HEIFERS, AND GOATS

Commercial breeding ewes, commercial breeding heifers, and meat goats are eligible to be entered in the "Farm Bred" competition. To be eligible for "Farm Bred" awards and recognition, the exhibitor must be the owner of the ewe/heifer/doe. A ewe, heifer, or goat is considered farm bred if and only if they meet the following criteria without exception.

Farm Bred Definition: Farm Bred is defined as the animal to be exhibited was produced by a dam **SOLELY** owned by the exhibitor, his/her parents, guardian, or his/her grandparents, at the time the said animal was conceived.

If commercial breeding animals are to be eligible for the "Farm Bred" competition, this must be indicated on the entry form. If it is not indicated, the animals will not be eligible to show in the "Farm Bred" class.

Following selection of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Ewe, Heifer, and Goat in their respective shows, if needed, the Champion and Reserve Champion "Farm Bred" Ewe, Heifer and Goat will be selected from the first and second placing ewes, heifers or goats in the "Farm Bred" classification in the classes.

JUNIOR SWINE SHOW RULES

GENERAL

All general rules apply. All barrows must be castrated. Any evidence of testicles or testicular residue will disqualify the animal. Castrated hogs must be completely healed.

Hogs entered in the purebred gilt or barrow show are NOT eligible to compete in the crossbred market hog show

Youth PQA

Youth 8-11 years of age (Beginner) must recertify annually by attending an approved Youth PQA Plus education program. Exhibitors 12-14 years of age (Intermediate) and 15-19 years of age (Advanced) can certify/recertify for one year by attending an approved Youth PQA Plus education program OR can certify by completing and passing an examination at the appropriate age level. To certify by examination, a minimum of 70 percent of questions must be correctly answered. Certificates by examination are not to exceed three years. Contact Dr. Dwight Loveday for information on YPQA.

OWNERSHIP

Hogs must have been owned by the exhibitor by October 20 and be in the continuous possession and care of the exhibitor thereafter until the show.

ENTRY

See General Rules. An entry fee of \$10.00 per hog must be submitted with the entry forms.

Checks are to be made to the University of Tennessee. Refunds will not be made.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Each exhibitor may enter twelve (12) hogs but can ONLY exhibit six (6) hogs in the Tennessee Junior Market Hog Show. **Due to space, an exhibitor can only bring 6 hogs to the show.**

EAR TAGGING

ALL HOGS (purebred and crossbred) must be tagged prior to November 1. See page 9 about tagging requirements.

PUREBRED GILT AND BARROW SHOWS

All hogs entered in the purebred shows must be registered and must have a farrowing date of June 1 and after as indicated on the animal's registration papers.

- 1. All hogs must be identified by a permanent ear notch and the issued Tennessee Market Hog Ear Tag and have valid registration papers.*
- 2. Gilts that are being exhibited must be guaranteed open (not bred).*
- 3. Purebred entries may be purchased females or market hogs, but must be owned by the junior exhibitor by the specified ownership deadline*
- 4. All purebred gilt and market hog entries must be registered Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland China, Spotted, Tamworth, and Yorkshire swine.*
- 5. Breed shows will be provided for any breed with 10 or more head entered by three (3) or more exhibitors AT THE SHOW. Those breeds with less than 10 entries will be shown in the "All Other Breeds" classes.*
- 6. Gilts and barrows must meet all registration eligibility requirements of their respective breed associations. NSR/CPS field staff or qualified association representatives will inspect all gilts and market hogs for breed eligibility. Association field staff and show management will have final say in animal's eligibility. See respective breed association handbooks for eligibility requirements.*
- 7. Any gilts or barrows that do not meet eligibility requirements may be shown in the crossbred market hog show.*
- 8. Purebred breeding gilt classes will be broken according to farrowing dates, with class size as equal as possible.*
- 9. Purebred barrow classes will be broken according to weight, with class size as equal as possible.*
- 10. Classes may be divided based on discretion of show management.*
- 11. Scales will be made available to exhibitors at the show. Exhibitors must turn in a*

card with the declared weight of purebred barrows by the specified time. The top three hogs in each class will be weighed in the ring. Hogs must not be more than 15 pounds over or under card weight. If the hog weighs out, it will be dismissed from the class.

12. Barrow Weight Limit: 215-290 lbs. with a 15 lb. weigh-back

13. Exhibitors of Breed Champions and Reserve Breed Champions must come to the ring for the overall champion drive.

CROSSBRED MARKET HOG SHOW

1. Hogs will be weighed to determine the class in which they will be shown. Hogs should be weighed as soon as possible after they reach show grounds. This will be their official show weight.

2. Hogs will be weighed one time to qualify for the show. **After the hog leaves the scale area, no reweighs will be made.**

3. During the weighing, ear tags will be checked. Any hog not having the special Tennessee Junior Livestock ear tag that corresponds with the entry form will not be eligible for competition, unless A Replacement Ear Tag Form is on file.

4. All hogs exhibited must weigh 180 pounds to 340 pounds. Any hog weighing under 180 pounds will not be eligible to show. Exhibitor may ONLY show underweight in showmanship.

5. Hogs will be shown by weight. Show management will endeavor to divide the classes so approximately a comparable number of hogs will be exhibited in each class. Classes may not have equal weight ranges and the number per class will depend on the weight and number of hogs that are entered. ***A prospect division will be held for those hogs weighing 180-229 pounds. Prospect hogs will not compete in the championship classes.***

5. If an exhibitor should have two hogs that fall in the same class, one of the hogs may be assigned by the show management to the subsequent class.

6. Classes will be divided into four divisions. Divisions will be determined after all hogs have been weighed and assigned to classes. Division and Reserve Division Champions will be selected and will eventually compete for Grand and Reserve Grand Champions.

CARCASS SHOW

Attempts will be made to scan a single hog per exhibitor, on a voluntary basis, for competition in a Carcass Show. Exhibitors are to select the hog to be ultra-sounded. Hogs must weigh a minimum of 230 pounds to participate.

REGISTERED HEIFER SHOW RULES

GENERAL

All general rules apply. Heifers entered in the registered heifer show are not eligible to compete in the commercial heifer show.

OWNERSHIP, POSSESSION AND REGISTRATION

1. 4-H and FFA members must be the **sole owner or lessee** of the heifers they exhibit. All heifers must be owned and registered or leased **in the exhibitor's name** and in continuous possession and care by **March 15** for Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and **May 20** for Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.
2. Original registration papers and where appropriate, lease forms must be in the exhibitor's possession at the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and at both the regional and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition beef heifer shows. A duplicated copy of lease form(s) and registration paper(s) must accompany the entry form(s) submitted to the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.
4. No heifers will be allowed to show if proper transfer of registration and or lease has not been made. The registration certificates and lease forms will be checked and verified at the regional shows.
5. Show management and breed association representatives may, at their discretion, check registration papers and tattoos on heifers entered in the show. Any heifer without proper identification matching that on the registration form will not be permitted to show.
6. Leased animals cannot be exhibited by anyone other than lessee from the date the lease is entered into until completion of the respective junior registered breeding heifer show of the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and/or the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

ENTRY

See General Rules. Registered name and registration number of the heifer must be correct.

Entries should be made in the name of the exhibitor as it appears on either registration papers or lease forms. An entry fee of *\$10.00* per heifer must be submitted with the entry forms. Refunds will not be made.

Heifers entered and/or shown in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition will **NOT** automatically be entered in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and must be entered in each show independently with entry fees paid for each show.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

There is no limit on the number of registered breeding heifers an exhibitor can show.

Exception:

1. An exhibitor may show no more than **TWO (2)** registered heifers per age classification
2. The maximum number of leased registered breeding heifers an exhibitor may show is **two (2)**.

BREED SHOWS

Breed shows **will be provided for any breed with 10 or more head checked-in at the show by three (3) or more exhibitors. Those breeds with less than 10 head/3 exhibitors will be shown in the All Other Breeds classes.**

CLASSES

Junior Heifer Calves:	Jan. until end of February year of show
Late Senior Heifer Calves:	Nov. 1 – Dec. 31, preceding year
Early Senior Heifer Calves:	Sept. 1 – Oct. 31, preceding year
Summer Yearlings:	July 1 – Aug. 31, preceding year
Late Spring Yearlings:	May 1 – June 30, preceding year
Spring Yearlings:	March 1 – April 30, preceding year
Junior Yearlings:	Jan. 1 – end of Feb., preceding year
<i>Late Senior Yearlings:</i>	<i>Nov. 1 – Dec. 31, year before preceding one</i>
<i>Early Senior Yearlings:</i>	<i>Sept. 1 - Oct. 31, year before preceding one</i>

There will be no overlap of the above age classifications.

Classes of 15 or more heifers will be divided by age. Show order will be posted the evening prior to the show so exhibitors will know the order in which their heifers are to be exhibited.

COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE

Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five heifers, owned by at least three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.

COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW RULES

GENERAL

All general rules apply. Open to beef heifers of any breed or combination of breeds. Heifers shown in the commercial heifer show are not eligible to show in the registered heifer show.

Only weaned calves may be shown. Commercial heifer identification will be verified at the state show check-in. *Commercial heifers must also have ALL milk teeth remaining at the time of show. All heifers will be mouthed at check-in.* All heifers must be either polled or dehorned.

OWNERSHIP AND POSSESSION

1. Commercial heifers exhibited in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition must be owned or leased by the exhibitor and under their care and management by **March 15**. For the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition commercial heifers must be owned or leased by exhibitors and under their care and management by **May 20**.
2. Leased animals cannot be exhibited by anyone other than lessee from the date the lease is entered into until completion of the commercial heifer shows of the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

EAR TAGGING AND TATTOOING

Commercial heifers exhibited in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition must be tattooed and tagged by March 30. For the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition commercial heifers must be **tattooed and tagged** by June 1.

See page 9 for tagging information. *Heifers must have a legible tattoo that matches that on the entry. Any heifer without a legible tattoo will not be permitted to show. It is encouraged that heifers be tattooed in both ears to ensure at least one tattoo is legible. Tattoo can either be the same digits as the TJLE ear tag, a farm tattoo, or a registration tattoo.*

ENTRY

An entry fee of \$10.00 per heifer must be submitted with the entry form. Refunds will not be made.

Heifers entered and/or shown in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition will NOT automatically be entered in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and must be entered in each show independently with entry fees paid for each show.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Exhibitors will be allowed to show **four (4)** commercial heifers in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and **four (4)** in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition. This does not affect number of heifers shown in registered show. Exhibitors may only show **two (2)** leased commercial heifers.

CHECK-IN AND WEIGHING

Commercial heifers will be assigned to classes based on weight. All commercial heifers will be weighed as soon as possible after they arrive on the grounds. This weight will be their official show weight.

COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE

There will be a county group class for commercial heifers. A county group is composed of 5 animals owned by 3 different exhibitors. Commercial heifers are not eligible for registered heifer county groups.

STEER SHOW RULES

GENERAL

All general rules apply where appropriate. All steers (*beef and dairy*) must be either naturally polled or dehorned and healed to be eligible to show. Steers must be castrated. Any evidence of testicles or testicular residue will disqualify the animal.

Dairy feeder steer classes will only be offered at the Tennessee Junior livestock Exposition.

OWNERSHIP

Steers entered in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition must have been owned by the exhibitor by **March 1** and be in the continuous possession and care of the exhibitor and on feed thereafter until the shows. Steers (market and dairy) entered the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition must have been owned by the exhibitor by **May 20** and be in the continuous possession and care of the exhibitor and on feed thereafter until the shows.

EXHIBITION IN KNOXVILLE SPRING JUNIOR CATTLE EXPOSITION AND TENNESSEE JUNIOR LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION

Steers exhibited in the Market Steer Preview Show of the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, **ARE** eligible for exhibition in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition. Steers entered in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition will **NOT** automatically be entered in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and **must** be entered in each show independently with entry fees paid for each show.

ENTRY

An entry fee of \$10.00 per steer must be submitted with the entry form. Refunds will not be made.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Each exhibitor may enter and exhibit a total of **three (3)** steers in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition Preview Steer Show and a total of **three (3)** in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

STEER EAR TAGGING AND TATTOOING

See page 9 for tagging information. *Steers must have a legible tattoo that matches that on the entry. Any steer without a legible tattoo will not be permitted to show. It is encouraged that heifers be tattooed in both ears to ensure at least one tattoo is legible. Tattoo can either be the same digits as the TJLE ear tag, a farm tattoo, or a registration tattoo.* It is the exhibitor's responsibility to make sure the tattoo is legible.

DAIRY FEEDER STEER SHOW

Dairy feeder steers must be 100% dairy breed bloodlines (Holstein, Jersey, Guernsey, Brown Swiss, Ayrshire, or Milking Shorthorn). NO BEEF BREEDS. Steers will be shown by breed, classified at weigh in.

Dairy feeder steers must weigh at least 300 and no more than 700 pounds.

Dairy feeder steers will NOT compete against prospect or finished steers in championship classes.

CHECK IN AND WEIGHING

All steers will be weighed as soon as possible after they arrive on the grounds and this weight will be their official show and where appropriate, sale weight.

For the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, there is NO minimum weight to be eligible for the Preview Steer Show.

For the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition, prospect steers must weigh under 900 pounds. Finished steers must weigh over 900 pounds.

Dairy steers must weigh between 300-700 pounds. Dairy steers will be classified and shown by breed

After the steer leaves the scale, no reweighs will be made. During the weighing, ear tags and tattoos will be checked. Any steer not having the special ear tag and not having a legible tattoo that corresponds with the entry form may not be eligible for exhibition.

TCA MARKET STEER PURCHASE

The Tennessee Cattlemen's will purchase prize winning steers from the championship drive at a premium to donate to 2nd Harvest Food Bank. The number of steers purchased will depend upon sponsorships.

Participants who wish to sell their steers to TCA **MUST** indicate at weigh in if they wish to participate in the sale. Exhibitors who do not wish to sell their steer will be eligible for the Championship Drive, but will not receive the purchase premiums sponsored by TCA.

The University of Tennessee Department of Animal Science will take **immediate possession** of all steers purchased. These steers will be subject to all testing criteria in accordance with the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition. Animals that fail to meet these guidelines will forfeit their purchase premiums. Purchase premiums will be paid upon receipt of drug testing (2-3 weeks)

Steer entries in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, Dairy Steers, and Prospect Steers will not be sold

CLASSES

Steers will be shown by weight. The show management will endeavor to divide the classes so approximately a comparable number of steers will be exhibited in each class.

If an exhibitor should have two steers that fall in the same class, one of the steers may be assigned by the show management to the subsequent class.

Division champions in the Market Steer Show will be selected which will compete for Grand Champion. Divisions will be determined after all steers have been weighed and assigned to classes.

COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE

Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five steers, owned by at least three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county

group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.

OUTSTANDING COUNTY EXHIBIT

This award (for a county with a minimum of 5 steers) is based on a combination of participation and placing in class. Award will be determined as follows:

First Place.....	5 Points
Second Place	4 Points
Third Place	3 Points
Fourth Place	2 Points
Fifth Place	1 Point

REGISTERED BREEDING EWE SHOW RULES

GENERAL

All general rules apply. Ewes entered in the registered breeding ewe show cannot be shown in the commercial ewe show or market lamb show.

OWNERSHIP, POSSESSION AND REGISTRATION

1. 4-H and FFA members must be the sole owner or lessee of the ewes they exhibit. Ewes must be registered or leased in the name of the exhibitor and in continuous possession and care by **May 20**. (see Table 4).
2. All registered breeding ewes must carry association ear tags in those breeds requiring ear tags. All ear tags or tattoos must be legible and plainly readable by show officials. Those breeds that don't require association ear tags must include the flock number on their entry form.
3. Original registration papers and where appropriate, lease forms, must be in the exhibitor's possession at both the region and state expo breeding ewe shows. A duplicated copy of the registration paper and/or application for registration or ownership transfer must accompany the entry form(s) of leased ewes submitted to the state.
4. No ewes will be allowed to show if proper transfers have not been made and the registration papers checked at the regional shows.
5. Leased animals cannot be exhibited by anyone other than the lessee from the date the lease is entered into until completion of the respective breeding ewe show of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

ENTRY

See General Rules. Registered name and registration number of the ewes must be correct. Entries should be made in the name of the exhibitor as it appears on either registration papers or lease forms. An entry fee of \$8.00 per ewe must be submitted with the entry forms. Refunds will not be made.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

There is no limit on the number of registered breeding ewes an exhibitor can show.

Exception:

1. An exhibitor may show no more than **two (2)** registered ewes per age classification
2. The maximum number of leased registered breeding ewes an exhibitor may show is **two (2)**.

BREED SHOWS

Breed shows **will be provided for any breed with 10 or more head checked-in at the show by three (3) or more exhibitors. Those breeds with less than 10 head/3 exhibitors will be shown in the All Other Breeds classes.**

CLASSES

March Junior Ewe:	March 1 and thereafter of current year
February Junior Ewe:	Feb. 1 – Feb. 28 or 29 of current year
January Junior Ewe Lambs:	Jan. 1 – Jan. 31 of current year
Senior Ewe Lambs:	Sept. 1 – Dec.31 of preceding year
Junior Yearling Ewes:	Feb. 16 – Aug. 31 or preceding year
Senior Yearling Ewes:	Sept. 1 of year before preceding one – Feb. 15 of preceding year

There will be no overlap of age classification.

EXHIBITOR'S FLOCK CLASS

At the end of each breed show there will be a flock class. Each entry will consist of three ewes owned or leased by one exhibitor. Two of these three ewes must be bred by exhibitor and should be entered in the show as such. Each exhibitor may enter only one flock in each breed show. Each entry will be evaluated as a group.

At the conclusion of all breed shows, each first place flock will compete for the Champion Exhibitor's Flock Award.

COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE

Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five ewes, owned by at least three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.

COMMERCIAL EWE SHOW RULES

GENERAL

All general rules apply. Open to non-registered ewes of any breed or combination of breeds.

Lambs entered in the commercial ewe show cannot be shown in the market classes. Only weaned ewes may be shown.

Ewes shown in the commercial ewe show are not eligible to show in either the registered breeding ewe show or the market lamb show.

OWNERSHIP AND POSSESSION

1. 4-H and FFA members must be the sole owner or lessee of the ewes they exhibit. Ewes must be owned or leased in the name of the exhibitor and in continuous possession and care by **May 20**.
2. Commercial ewes must be tagged prior to **June 1**. Special Tennessee Junior Livestock ear tags will be sent to Extension agents. See page 9 for more tagging information.
3. Leased animals cannot be exhibited by anyone other than the lessee from the date the lease is entered into until completion of the commercial ewe show of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

ENTRY

See General Rules. Entries should be made in the name of the exhibitor as it appears lease forms.

An entry fee of \$8.00 per ewe must be submitted with the entry forms. Refunds will not be made.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Exhibitors may show **four (4)** animals in the Commercial Ewe Show. This will not affect the number of ewes which can be shown in the Registered Breeding Ewe show. Exhibitors may show a maximum of **two (2)** leased ewes.

CLASSIFICATION, MOUTHING AND WEIGHING

1. There will be a division for crossbred black faced commercial ewes, crossbred white faced commercial ewes, and crossbred hair ewes. Each ewe will be reviewed by classification official(s) to determine the appropriate black face, white face, or hair influenced class.
2. Ewes will be assigned to classes within each division based on age (lamb/yearling) and weight within each age classification of each division. Ewes must have lamb or yearling teeth and no ewe will show with two-year teeth. Ewes will be "mouthed" only once to determine age.
3. Commercial ewes will be weighed to determine the class in which they will be shown. Ewes should be weighed as soon as possible after they reach show grounds. This will be their official show weight.
2. Commercial ewes will be weighed one time to qualify for the show. **After the ewe leaves the scale area, no reweighs will be made.**

GRAND AND RESERVE CHAMPION SELECTION

The grand champion commercial ewe will be chosen from the champion black faced, the champion white faced, and champion hair ewe.

COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE

Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five commercial ewes, owned by at least three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.

MARKET LAMB SHOW RULES

GENERAL

All general rules apply. Ewes shown in the commercial or registered breeding ewe shows cannot be shown in the market lamb classes. Only weaned lambs may be shown. All market lambs must be completely "slick shorn." Wool or hair may be left only below the knees and hocks. Any evidence of testicles or testicular residue will disqualify the animal. Castrated lambs must be completely healed.

OWNERSHIP

Lambs must have been owned by the exhibitor by May 20 and be in the continuous possession and care of the exhibitor thereafter until the show.

ENTRY

See General Rules. An entry fee of \$8.00 per lamb must be submitted with the entry forms.

Refunds will not be made.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Each exhibitor may enter and exhibit four (4) lambs in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition Market Lamb Show.

MARKET LAMB EAR TAGGING

Market lambs must be tagged prior to June 1. Special Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition ear tags will be sent to Extension agents. Removal of other unnecessary tags will aid in proper identification of lambs during the show, sale and loading out after the sale. See page 9 for more tagging information.

WEIGHING AND CLASSIFICATION

1. Lambs will be weighed to determine the class in which they will be shown. Lambs should be weighed as soon as possible after they reach show grounds. This will be their official show and sale weight.
2. Lambs will be weighed one time to qualify for the show. **After the lamb leaves the**

scale area, no reweighs will be made.

3. During the weighing, ear tags will be checked. Any lamb not having the special Tennessee Junior Livestock ear tag that corresponds with the entry form will not be eligible for competition.
4. As the lambs are weighed, they will be reviewed for breed characteristics by classification official(s). If the breed classifier(s) determine that a lamb does not exhibit the characteristics of that respective breed, the lamb will be transferred to the appropriate Crossbred Black Face, White Face, or Hair class.
5. If an exhibitor should have two lambs that fall in the same class, one of the lambs may be assigned by the show management to the subsequent class.

SALE

Champion and Reserve Champion Lambs will be sold. The University of Tennessee Department of Animal Science will take immediate possession of the lambs.

CLASSES

1. Lambs will be exhibited in classes by breed and weight.
2. A minimum of 10 lambs must be checked in for a breed to be eligible for a breed show. Breeds with less than 10 head will be placed in the "All Other Breeds" class.
3. Depending on the number of lambs per breed checked in, classes are tentatively scheduled for the following breeds:

Blue	Southdown
Dorset	Suffolk
Hampshire	Hair
Oxford	Crossbred-Black Face
Shropshire	White Face Influenced
All Other Breeds - Meat	All Other Breeds - Wool
All Other Breeds - Hair	

5. The number of classes will be determined by the number of lambs entered.
6. Depending on weights, the number of lambs per class will be approximately 10-15 lambs. Show management reserves the right to adjust numbers and class breaks.
7. The "Top Five Market Lambs" will be selected from those remaining in the ring

following selection of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion which will be “Number 1” and “Number 2,” of the “Top Five.”

TENNESSEE BRED LAMB

A "Tennessee Bred Lamb" is defined as any lamb whose dam was owned by a Tennessee sheep producer, at the time said animal was conceived. The lamb must have been born in the state of Tennessee. This must be indicated on the entry form and breeder information must be included. If “Tennessee Bred Lamb” is not indicated on the entry form, the entry will show as if it did not qualify.

COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE

Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five lambs, owned by at least three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.

PREMIER COUNTY EXHIBIT

This award is based on a combination of participation and points accumulated from class placings. The points will be determined as follows:

First Place.....	5 Points
Second Place	4 Points
Third Place	3 Points
Fourth Place	2 Points
Fifth Place	1 Point

TENNESSEE JUNIOR MEAT GOAT SHOW

GENERAL

All general rules apply where appropriate. Does in the commercial doe class cannot be shown in a market classes and market goats cannot be shown in commercial doe classes. Only weaned goats may be shown. Bucks are NOT allowed on the show grounds.

OWNERSHIP

Goats entered in the Tennessee Junior Goat Show must have been owned by the exhibitor by July 1 and be in the continuous possession and care of the exhibitor until the show.

ENTRY

An entry fee of \$7 per goat must be submitted with the entry form.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Each exhibitor may enter a total of **eight (8)** but can **ONLY** exhibit **five (5)** goats in the Tennessee Junior Meat Goat Show.

EAR TAGGING

ALL goats (market and commercial does) goats must be tagged prior to July 1. Special Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition ear tags will be sent to Extension agents. Tennessee Junior Livestock Removal of other unnecessary tags will aid in proper identification of goats during the show.

See page 9 for more tagging information

CHECK-IN AND WEIGHING

All goats will be weighed as soon as possible after they arrive on the grounds and this weight will be their official show weight. All goats (commercial and market) must weight a minimum of 30 pounds on the day of the show. **After the goat leaves the scale, no reweighs will be made.**

MARKET GOATS

All market goats are required to have a complete unbroken mouth and kid teeth. Market kids must be castrated (banded or surgically removed, clamping is not allowed). All scrotal tissue is to be removed. It is encouraged that market kids be uniformly shorn to a hair length of 3/8" or less above the knee and hock joints.

Market goats will be shown by weight. The show management will endeavor to divide the classes so approximately a comparable number of goats will be exhibited in each class.

COMMERCIAL DOES CLASSES

Commercial does will be assigned to classes within each division based on age (kid/yearling) and weight within each age classification of each division. Does must have kid or yearling teeth and no doe will show with two-year teeth (no more than 4 adult teeth). Does will be "mouthed" only once to determine age.

COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE

Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five goats (market goats and/or commercial does), owned by at least three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.

PREMIER EXHIBITOR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

The purpose of the Premier Exhibitor award program is to provide 4-H and FFA members the opportunity to demonstrate the skills and knowledge learned and gained by participating in the junior livestock projects. This recognition program will increase the emphasis on the knowledge and skills attained by the youth and will complement the wholesome competition, social development and fun learning traditionally associated with junior livestock shows.

Premier Exhibitors will be selected for the Tennessee Junior Swine Show, the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Junior Livestock Exposition. To be eligible for the Premier Exhibitor competition, youth must exhibit an animal in the show, participate in showmanship and in the skillathon contest. The Premier Exhibitor will be the individual who earns the most points by participating in these three educational events.

A Premier Exhibitor winner, in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition, is ineligible to compete for any award again in the same division for that particular event. For example, the previous Junior High Registered Ewe Premier Exhibitor Winner is ineligible to compete for that award in the succeeding Registered Ewe Premier Exhibitor. Neither is that exhibitor eligible to the second, third, fourth or fifth award. However, that individual is eligible to compete in the Junior High Division, Market Lamb, Steer or Registered Heifer Premier Exhibitor, providing the individual is a Junior High Exhibitor.

Youth are eligible to earn one Premier Exhibitor Award per year in the Sheep Expo and Cattle Expo. A member may earn the Premier Exhibitor Award in either the Steer, Commercial Heifer, or Registered Heifer events, not more than one. However, that youth will be eligible to earn the Premier Exhibitor Award in either the Market Lamb, Commercial Ewe or Registered Ewe events. For example, a member may not earn both the Registered Heifer and Steer Premier Exhibitor Award in the same year, but may earn one of the awards in the Market Lamb, Commercial Ewe or Breeding Ewe the same year.

PREMIER SHEEP EXHIBITORS

1. A Premier Registered Ewe, a Premier Commercial Ewe and a Premier Market Lamb Exhibitor of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition will be named in each of the following divisions:

- a. Explorer - (4th grade)
- b. Junior Level I - (5th & 6th grades)
- c. Junior Level II - (7th & 8th grades)
- d. Senior Level I - (9th & 10th grades)
- e. Senior Level II - (11th & 12th grades)

Grade refers to the school grade in which the exhibitor was enrolled on January 1, of current year.

Exhibitors are requested to set priority for the Premier Exhibitor Award they would like to receive. This should be checked on the entry form when entries are submitted. If not indicated, the exhibitor will be awarded the Premier Exhibitor Award first eligible. For example, if the exhibitor selected the market lamb category as first choice for the Premier Exhibitor Award that is what he/she will receive.

2. Animal Show Score

Premier Registered Ewe Exhibitor. Points will be earned in this division based on the animal's type, care and management provided the animal by the youth and the animal's merit in relation to breed and industry standards as evaluated by the judge. During the show the judge will assign each animal to a "Blue", "Red" or "White" group based on the animal's individual merit.

- Blue group ewes will receive 95 points
- Red group ewes will receive 85 points
- White group ewes will receive 75 points

Exhibitors who exhibit a flock will be assigned to a "Blue", "Red" or "White" group based on the animals' individual merit.

- Blue group flock will receive 100 points.
- Red group flock will receive 90 points
- White flock ewes will receive 80 points

Exhibitors that show more than one ewe or who have an exhibitor's flock will be awarded the highest score of their ewes or flock.

Commercial Ewe and Market Lamb Premier Exhibitor: Commercial ewe and Market lamb exhibitors will receive a placing score for their highest placing animal as follows:

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| First | - 100 points | Sixth | - 90 points |
| Second | - 98 points | Seventh | - 88 points |
| Third | - 96 points | Eighth | - 86 points |
| Fourth | - 94 points | Ninth | - 84 points |
| Fifth | - 92 points | Tenth | - 82 points |
| All others - 80 points, if class is larger than 10 | | | |

3. **Showmanship Score** – There will be a registered ewe showmanship and a combined showmanship class for market lambs AND commercial ewe exhibitors. Exhibitors must have an animal entered in the registered ewe show, commercial ewe and/or a market lamb entered in the show to qualify to participate in respective showmanship. All participants will be placed in either blue, red and white groups in the classes. If needed, “Blue” ribbon participants will compete in a final class and will be assigned points as follows:

First	- 100 points	Sixth	- 95 points
Second	- 99 points	Seventh	- 94 points
Third	- 98 points	Eighth	- 93 points
Fourth	- 97 points	Ninth	- 92 points
Fifth	- 96 points	Tenth	- 91 points

All other blue ribbon showmanship = 90 points

Red ribbon showmanship = 80 points

White ribbon showmanship = 70 points

4. **Skillathon** - The skillathon event will consist of stations that will provide youth the opportunity to demonstrate and be evaluated on the knowledge gained from participating in the market lamb and breeding ewe projects. Each participant will complete the skillathon individually. A facilitator will evaluate each participant and record score. The stations will increase in difficulty as the grade division increases. Examples of skillathon activities could be but not limited to feed identification, breed identifications, meat identification, production records or health practices. There will not be skillathon winners for each individual show (i.e. registered ewes, commercial ewes and market lambs). Participants will be ranked for each grade division based on points earned at each station in the skillathon. A maximum of 100 points can be earned.

5. **Tie Breakers** - In case of a tie for Premier Exhibitor in a grade division the following scores will be used to break a tie:

- a. Skillathon score
- b. Showmanship score
- c. Skillathon station #1
- d. Skillathon station #2
- e. Skillathon station #3
- f. Skillathon station #4
- g. Skillathon station #5
- h. Animal Score

PREMIER BEEF EXHIBITORS

1. A Premier Exhibitor will be selected in the Registered Heifer, Commercial Heifers and Steer (Market Steer, Prospect Steer, and Dairy Steer) competition of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and will be named in each of the following divisions:

- a. Explorer - (4th grade)
- b. Junior Level I - (5th & 6th grades)
- c. Junior Level II - (7th & 8th grades)
- d. Senior Level I - (9th & 10th grades)
- e. Senior Level II - (11th & 12th grades)

2. A Single Premier Exhibitor of the Knoxville Junior Spring Cattle Exposition which includes the Market Steer and Beef Heifer Shows (Registered and Commercial) will be named in each of the following divisions:

- a. Junior - 4th, 5th & 6th grades
- b. Junior High - 7th & 8th grades
- c. Senior - 9th, 10th, 11th & 12th grades

3. Animal Show Score

Premier Registered Heifer Exhibitor: As the heifers are exhibited, they will be evaluated and assigned to either a Blue, Red or White group based on the animal's merit in relation to breed and industry standards.

- Blue group heifers will receive a 100 points
- Red group heifers will receive 90 points
- White group, 80 points.

Exhibitors that show more than one heifer will be awarded the highest placing score of their heifers.

Premier Steer and Commercial Heifer Exhibitor: Steer and Commercial Heifer Exhibitors will receive a placing score for their highest placing cattle as follows:

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| First - 100 points | Sixth - 90 points |
| Second- 98 points | Seventh - 88 points |
| Third - 96 points | Eighth - 86 points |
| Fourth - 94 points | Ninth - 84 points |
| Fifth - 92 points | Tenth - 82 points |
| All others - 80 points, if class is larger than 10 | |

4. **Showmanship Score:** *There will be ONE showmanship class for ALL beef exhibitors (registered heifers, commercial heifers and steers).* All exhibitors are eligible for showmanship. Exhibitors must have a heifer or steer entered in the show to qualify to participate in the appropriate showmanship class. All participants will be placed in either blue, red and white

groups. Where grade groups were split due to number of participants, exhibitors that earned blue ribbon awards will be called back for final showmanship and points assigned as follows:

First - 100 points	Sixth - 95 points
Second- 99 points	Seventh- 94 points
Third - 98 points	Eighth - 93 points
Fourth - 97 points	Ninth - 92 points
Fifth - 96 points	Tenth - 91 points

All other blue ribbon showmanship = 90 points
 Red ribbon showmanship = 80 points
 White ribbon showmanship = 70 points

The score an exhibitor receives for showmanship will count for premier exhibitor in their respective divisions. *For example, if an exhibitor is showing registered heifers AND commercial heifers, their SINGLE showmanship score will count toward BOTH registered heifer and commercial heifer premier exhibitor.*

5. Skillathon - The skillathon event will consist of stations that will provide youth the opportunity to demonstrate and be evaluated on the knowledge gained from participating in the market steer, commercial heifer and registered heifer projects. Each participant will complete the skillathon individually. A facilitator will evaluate each participant and record score. The stations will increase in difficulty as the grade division increases. Examples of skillathon activities could be but not limited to feed identification, breed identification, meat identification, production practices, production records or health practices. Top five exhibitors in each grade division will be recognized. Only one set of skillathon awards will be awarded. There will not be skillathon winners for each individual show (i.e. Registered Heifers, Commercial Heifers and Steers). Participants will be ranked for each grade division based on points earned at each station in the skillathon. A maximum of 100 points can be earned.

6. Tie Breakers - In case of a tie in skillathon or for Premier Exhibitor scores in a grade division the following scores will be used to break a tie:

Premier Exhibitor	Skillathon
a. Skillathon score	a. Station #1
b. Showmanship score	b. Station #2
c. Skillathon station #1	c. Station #3
d. Skillathon station #2	d. Station #4
e. Skillathon station #3	e. Station #5
f. Skillathon station #4	f. Showmanship score
g. Skillathon station #5	g. Animal score
h. Animal Score	

PREMIER SWINE EXHIBITORS

1. A Premier Exhibitor will be selected at the Tennessee Junior Swine Show and will be named in each of the following divisions:

- a. Explorer - (4th grade)
- b. Junior Level I - (5th & 6th grades)
- c. Junior Level II - (7th & 8th grades)
- d. Senior Level I - (9th & 10th grades)
- e. Senior Level II - (11th & 12th grades)

2. **Eligibility** – Exhibitors must enter all three of the below events to be considered for Premier Exhibitor. It will be determined by the following:

a. **Skillathon:** This event consists of different activities that will evaluate an exhibitor's knowledge gained from participation in the swine project for a total of 100 points. Each exhibitor will participate in the skillathon as an individual. The activities will increase in difficulty as the grade division increases. Examples of skillathon activities include but are not limited to:

- Feed identification
- Breed identification
- Meat identification
- Health practices
- Production practices & records

b. **Hog Show:** Each exhibitor will receive a score for their highest placing hog as follows:

1 st place: 100 points	6 th place: 90 points
2 nd place: 98 points	7 th place: 88 points
3 rd place: 96 points	8 th place: 86 points
4 th place: 94 points	9 th place: 84 points
5 th place: 92 points	10 th place: 82 points
All others: 80 points	

c. **Showmanship:** The scoring will be as follows in each division:

1 st place: 100 points	6 th place: 95 points
2 nd place: 99 points	7 th place: 94 points
3 rd place: 98 points	8 th place: 93 points
4 th place: 97 points	9 th place: 92 points
5 th place: 96 points	10 th place: 91 points
All other blues: 90 points	
Red: 80 points	

SHOW RING CODE OF ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residue. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of, consent by the owner, exhibitor, trainer and/or responsible persons for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.

In the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medications, this shall be a prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood or other substance tested by the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise.

At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animals shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by

affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of the rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.

9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of the code of ethics.

10. The act of entering an animal is giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of the Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.

11. The act of entering an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of Federal, state or provincial statutes, regulations or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

IMPORTANT ONLINE FORMS

Entry Forms: <https://ag.tennessee.edu/AnimalScience/4-H/Pages/4-HEntryForms.aspx>

Lease Agreement: <https://ag.tennessee.edu/AnimalScience/4-H/EntryForms/LivestockLeaseAgreement.pdf>

Intent Not to Show Regional Show: <https://ag.tennessee.edu/AnimalScience/4-H/Documents/4HIntentNoShowRegional.pdf>

Replacement Ear Tag Form: <https://ag.tennessee.edu/AnimalScience/4-H/EntryForms/ReplacementEarTagForm.pdf>

Protest Form: <https://ag.tennessee.edu/AnimalScience/4-H/Documents/ProtestForm.PDF>