

4-H & FFA JR. LIVESTOCK RULES

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Eligibility and Show/Sale Rules

1. Group Affiliation: An exhibitor may participate in the Cache County Junior Livestock Show and Sale as a 4-H or FFA member only, not both. Exhibitors must declare one or the other at time of entry and applicable membership fees.
2. 4-H youth need to update or register for this 4-H year by April 1 of the current year to be eligible to tag in an animal. 4-H and FFA entries for the fair will enter online at: <https://cachecounty.fairentry.com>. (ALL users sign in at the blue log-in.)
3. All exhibitors will be responsible to designate/enter his or her market animal through FairEntry and pay the **\$5.00 entry fee per market animal** prior to weigh-in at fair time.
4. Age: To be eligible to participate in the Cache County Junior Livestock Show and Sale exhibitors must be in the third grade, but not less than 8 years of age, as of January 1st of the current year. Exhibitors can show through the same season as their high school graduation but not past their 19th birthday. Exception: Disabled persons as defined by Public Law 98-527.
5. FFA participants must complete all record keeping requirements set by his/her chapter advisory. 4-H youth must submit a completed 4-H livestock record book.
6. Anyone who is married is ineligible to participate.
7. Ownership of animals: The exhibitor will own, feed, and care for his/her project animal(s) for no less than 100 consecutive days for market beef and commercial dairy heifers, and 60 consecutive days for market swine and market lambs immediately prior to the show time. No interruption of ownership can occur. The livestock project animals must be located in the same county as the exhibitor during the required ownership period.
8. Tag-in dates will be set by division chairpersons to comply with ownership requirements. Exhibitors can tag-in two animals of the same species (one is a backup) but sell only one animal.
9. Exhibitors must present their animal(s) at the designated times for entry into the Cache County Fair shows. Animals not presented at the entry times will not be allowed to show or sell.
10. Dress Code: 4-H - A long or short sleeve shirt which fastens down the front with a collar is mandatory. Shirts must be white or predominately white in color and need not be Western style. The following will not be allowed: T-shirts, tank tops, tube tops, or sleeveless shirts. There is to be a 4-H emblem or patch on all 4-H members' shirts. FFA members: either a white shirt, tie, and FFA jacket or a white shirt with the FFA emblem and tie (No T-shirts). Exhibitors who fail to abide by dress standards will forfeit premium money.
11. Fitting on show grounds: The fitting of animals will take place in areas designated by the Livestock Show Committee. Parents, guardians, siblings, club leaders, Extension/4-H Agents, and FFA Advisors may assist, and are encouraged to assist the younger exhibitors. However, each exhibitor must be working with the project animal and be in attendance with that animal during the entire fitting process.
12. Market Animal Weights: All market animals will be weighed only once at the appointed weigh-in times.
Beef: 1,100 -1,275 lbs. (1000 pounds minimum, suggested weight range) Sheep: 100 -130 lbs. (100 pounds minimum, suggested weight range) Goats: 50- 140 lbs. (50 pounds minimum, suggested weight range)
Swine: 230 -330 lbs. (Minimum and Maximum weights required)
13. There are no upper weight limits at the show except for swine, but minimum weights will be in effect. Exhibitors whose animals are sifted because of weight restrictions, may still participate in showmanship classes.
14. 4-H and FFA exhibitors may exhibit **two market animals**, if they are **different species** at the fair and sell only one animal. For example: An exhibitor could exhibit one lamb and one goat, or one lamb and one hog, but exhibitors cannot enter two lambs or two goats.

15. Exhibitors can have both animals judged and placed, however, only one animal can be sold through the auction. The sale animal must be designated by the exhibitor by noon on the day prior to the sale or the show committee will choose the highest placing exhibit animal for the sale.
16. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market animals must be sold through the Junior Livestock Sale and must be harvested. If an exhibitor wins Grand or Reserve champion with two animals they may sell both animals. (Commercial Dairy Heifer winners are exempt from the slaughter rule.)
17. Commercial Dairy Heifers must be confirmed a minimum of five (5) months pregnant at fair time to be exhibited in the market show and sale. Heifer must be Bangs vaccinated and have a legible tattoo, a negative TB test and are subject to other health requirements set by the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food.
18. Sales Fee: A four percent (4%) sales fee will be charged on all animals sold in the Junior Livestock Auction. Proceeds will be used for sale promotion and expenses directly related to the Junior Livestock program. A fee of **\$5.00 per head of exhibited market animals** may be assessed each year for livestock pens and facilities.
19. There is a **10% commission** on all boosts.
20. Change of Ownership: Once an animal has gone through the Junior Livestock Auction, regardless of buy-back or no-sale, within the specified ownership requirements, it is no longer eligible to enter another show.
21. Exhibitors must feed and care for animals Saturday evening after the sale. Market animals cannot be removed from the stalls, pens, or fairgrounds without prior approval of each department chair.
22. Lamb Docking Rule: To qualify for exhibit market lambs must be docked within the guidelines set by the Utah State Junior Livestock Association. Market lambs or breeding sheep showing any signs of contagious disease, current or recent signs of prolapse, or with an open sore on the dock (rosebud), will be sifted. The show vets discretion will be used at time of weigh in. The show vet's determination is final.
23. In the Market Quality classes, exhibitors must personally exhibit and sell their own animals unless prior arrangements are made with the committee. Exceptions are made only in extreme cases.
24. Showmanship age classes for all species are determined by the completed grade of school of that year. It is the grade the exhibitor completed in May of the current year prior to the show. Showmanship classes are optional. Exhibitors participating in showmanship must use the animal they entered in the market class of that species.
25. Premiums: Quality premiums for swine, sheep, goats and beef are as follows: Blue \$11.00; Red \$9.00; White \$7.00; Trophies will be given for Grand Champion. The Showmanship premiums for swine, sheep, goats and beef are as follows: First Place \$10.00 and a trophy or plaque; second Place \$9.00; third Place \$8.00 and so forth, down to \$1.00.
26. "Light weight" classes are not available to all species.
27. Steers must be secured with both a halter and a neck rope.
28. Pens, stalls and surrounding areas must be clean and free of clutter. Exhibitors not taking appropriate care of their animals will be sent home.
29. Clean stall awards will be given to exhibitors who keep their stall space and walkway in front of their exhibits free of debris and bedding. (First Place \$15, Second Place \$12, Third Place \$10)
30. Judges will award placings of Blue, Red, and White according to the type, quality and condition of the animals. Animals meeting weight limits but receiving a white ribbon, as determined by the judge, will not be eligible for the Junior Livestock Sale.
31. Market swine exhibitors are strongly encouraged to do all clipping at home prior to weigh-in and wash all animals prior to Thursday's show. Facilities will be provided Wednesday thru Saturday from 6:00 a.m.- 8:30 p.m.
32. No exhibitor will be allowed to show an animal if he or she cannot control the animal in the show or auction ring. Assistance will be permitted at the discretion of the ring officials.
33. Each division chairperson is responsible for judges and any decision for the department.
34. Identification signs must be displayed on each pen or stall showing ownership.
35. Any animal not fitted, cleaned, or cattle not broke to lead may be sifted by the committee; and the judge will award no premium to such animals.
36. Supervisors of departments shall have the right to place any animal into a class which they feel will furnish the best competition.
37. Specific dates for tagging and entry information will be made available as soon as those dates are set by the Junior Livestock Committee. Additional regulations and requirements will be provided to all exhibitors prior to the County Fair Show.

For the complete Cache County Jr. Livestock Rules visit:

<https://extension.usu.edu/cache/4-H/CacheCountyjuniorlivestockrules2019marchrevised>