

**Meadowlark Extension District
Animal Requirements & Information (October 2019)**

Specie	Project Options	Birthdate Range	Ownership Requirement *(Family Nomination of immediate family, in same legal household allowed. Members MUST declare individual ownership by July 1st)	District/County Tagging/ Identification Requirements	YQCA Required	4-Her must own animal by date:
Beef	Breeding	Sept 1, 2018 or after	Member*	Visual ID by July 1	Yes	120 Days before Fair. Mid-March
	Market	Jan 1 to Sept 1, 2019	Member*	State 4-H EID tag at MED tagging event	Yes	

Bucket Calf		Jan 1 to June 1, 2020	Member	Visual ID by July 1 <i>JF uses local tags</i>	No	60 Days Mid-May
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Dairy	Cows	Sept 1, 2018 or before	Member	Visual ID by July 1	Yes	120 days prior to Fair
	Heifers	Aug 31, 2018 or after	Member OR Leasing option	Visual ID by July 1	Yes	June 1st
	Goats	Does of any age	Member	Visual ID by July 1	Yes	May 1st

Horse	Stock	Two year old or older, unless weanling/ yearling classes exist. Two & older for NE District & State Fair Shows.	Member or Multiple Members Leasing is an option	None, suggest 4-H Horse ID Certificate - May 1	No	May 1st
	Non-stock/pony		Member or Multiple Members Leasing is an option	None, suggest 4-H Horse ID Certificate - May 1	No	May 1st

Meat Goat	Breeding	April 1, 2020 or before	Member*	Visual ID & scrapie tag by July 1	Yes	May 1st - 80 days prior to Fair
	Market	December 1, 2019 or after	Member*	State 4-H EID tag & scrapie tag at MED District tagging event	Yes	

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Specie	Project Options	Start Weight range (mrkt)	Target Daily Rate of Gain	Target End Weight	State Level Nomination or Qualifying Requirements	Other Important Information
Beef	Breeding	n/a			By June 15: Registration Papers in Exhibitor name. Commercial heifers; State 4-H EID tag & nomination process.	Classes broken by age and/or breed. See specific rules of shows.
	Market	800 -1050 #	2.5 - 4.0 #/day	1250 -1450 #	By May 1: State 4-H EID tag & nomination process.	Minimum weights required for premium sale, see fair book.
Bucket Calf		n/a			N/A	
Dairy	Cows	n/a			Must qualify at county fair with a state fair blue or purple ribbon. Member must be entered with Extension Office by August 7th deadline.	
	Heifers					
	Goats					
Horse	Stock	n/a			Qualify for State Fair at the Northeast District Show in June with a Blue or Purple. Must enter State Fair by August 1.	Horse Achievement Level Certification (Online testing at Extension Office, Skills testing with certified examiner) needs to be done before entering District show.
	Non-stock/pony					
Meat Goat	Breeding	n/a			By June 15: All , State 4-H EID tag, scrapie tag & nomination process.	Classes broken by age and/or breed. See specific rules of shows.
	Market	35 - 50 #	0.1 - 0.3 #/day	50 - 80 #		Minimum weights required for premium sale, see fair book.

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Poultry	Meat Bird	roughly 6 weeks old at fair	Member	Leg # band by July 1	Yes	June 1st - 45 days prior to Fair.
	Bantams	Birds of any age. Old pen over 1 year, young pen under 1 year (July 1 age)	Member	Leg # band by July 1	No	
	Production Layers		Member	Leg # band by July 1	No	
	Exhibiton Fowl		Member	Leg # band by July 1	No	
	Water Fowl		Member	Leg # band by July 1	No	
	Other/Exotic		Member	Leg # band by July 1	No	

Rabbit	Four Class Breeds	Jr. - under 6 months, Sr. - over 6 months	Member	Tattoo left ear by July 1	No	June 1st - 45 days prior to Fair.
	Six Class Breeds	Pre Jr. - under 3 months, Jr. - under 6 months, Interm. - 6 - 8 months, Sr. - over 8 months	Member	Tattoo left ear by July 1	No	
	Meat Pens	Under 6 months	Member	Tattoo left ear by July 1	Yes	

Sheep	Breeding	Ewes of any age.	Member*	Visual ID & scrapie tag by July 1	Yes	May 1st - 80 days prior to Fair
	Market	January 1, 2020 or later	Member*	State 4-H EID tag & scrapie tag at MED District tagging event	Yes	

Swine	Breeding	January 1, 2020 or later	Member*	State 4-H EID tag by July 1	Yes	May 1st - 80 days prior to Fair
	Market	January 1, 2020 or later	Member*	State 4-H EID tag at MED District tagging event	Yes	

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Poultry	Meat Bird	hatchling	1#/week	4 - 7 #	Must qualify at county fair with a state fair blue or purple ribbon. Must be entered in the Kansas State Fair by August 7th deadline. Substitutions allowed, if of similar quality (meat pens as an example)	Pullorum - Typhoid testing (waterfowl exempt) required within 90 days of exhibition.
	Bantams	See specific breed standard for weights				
	Production Layers					
	Exhibiton Fowl					
	Water Fowl					
	Other/Exotic					

Rabbit	Four Class Breeds	See specific breed standard for weights			Must qualify at county fair with a state fair blue or purple ribbon. Must be entered in the Kansas State Fair by August 7th deadline. Substitutions allowed, if of similar quality (meat pens as an example)	
	Six Class Breeds					
	Meat Pens	weanling	varies by breed	3.5 - 5.5 #		all one breed or variety

Sheep	Breeding	n/a			By June 15: Commercial ewes; State 4-H EID tag, scrapie tag & nomination process. By July 1: Registration Papers in Exhibitor name for registered ewes.	Classes broken by age and/or breed. See specific rules of shows.
	Market	40 - 70 #	0.5 - 1.0 #/day	120 - 150 #	By June 15: State EID tag, scrapie tag & nomination process.	Minimum weights required for premium sale, see fair book.

Swine	Breeding	n/a			By June 15: Registration Papers in Exhibitor name. Commercial gilts; State 4-H EID tag, ear notches & nomination process.	Classes broken by age and/or breed, possibly weight at some shows. See specific rules of shows.
	Market	80 - 120 #	1.5 - 2.0 #/day	260 - 300 #	By June 15: State EID tag, ear notches & nominaton process. Registration Papers in Exhibitor name for registered hogs.	Minimum weights required for premium sale, see fair book. Weight can be estimated by measuring hearth girth.