2023 Champaign County Large Animal Project ID

Definitions:

Project Enrollment Deadline: Age eligible youth wishing to be a 4-H member must enroll at v2.4honline.com no later than March 31. Members have until May 15th to make any changes to a specific project (add, delete or change)

Project Possession Deadline: All large animal projects must be in the possession and name of the member by May 1 of the current year except beef and dairy steers that must be in possession by December of the year previous to the project year.

Fair Entry Deadline: This is the deadline to specify how many animals an exhibitor is bringing to the fair and how many pens/stalls are needed. The deadline is July 1 of the current year.

Project Animal Identification and Possession: State Law indicated that animals must be in the possession with identification to one individual within specified specie. This does NOT mean a family name, a group of names, etc.; rather it means and individual's name and possession within specified time of exhibition.

*Beef and Dairy steers: Animals are tagged and weighed the 3rd Saturday of December prior to beginning of project year. (i.e. 2022 project will be identified in December 202). No limit on the number of animals that can be identified. A maximum of 4 steers can be brought to the fair.

*Beef Feeders: Animals need to be tagged and a picture submitted by 1st Saturday in June. No limit on the number of animals that can be identified or exhibited at the fair.

*Dairy Feeders: Animals are tagged and weighed in 2nd Saturday in May of the project year. No limit on the number of animals that can be identified. Only 2 animals may be exhibited at the county fair.

*Dairy Cows and Heifers: Picture forms must be submitted by May 15th of the project year. No limit on number of animals identified or brought to the county fair.

*Goats:
   Market - Animals are tagged the 1st Wednesday in May of the project year. Up to 5 market goats can be tagged but only 4 may exhibit at the county fair.
   Breeding – Animal identification form must be submitted by May 15th of the current year. No limit on number of animals to be identified or brought to the fair.

*Horse – Picture forms must be submitted by May 15th of the project year. No limit on the number of horses to identify. Only 3 horses may be exhibited at the fair.

*Sheep:
   Market - Animals are tagged the 1st Wednesday in May of the project year. Up to 5 market lambs may be tagged but only 4 may exhibit at the county fair.
   Breeding – Animal identification form must be submitted by May 15th of the current year. No limit on the number of animals to be identified or brought to the fair.

*Swine – Picture/ear notch forms must be submitted by May 15th of the project year. Members may identify up to 15 animals. This is a combination of breeding and market animal projects for county and state fair. A maximum of 6 market and 2 breeding animals may be exhibited at the county fair. Swine showing at the state fair may return to the county fair.

Performance Pig Show:

Weigh in will be Saturday, April 22nd from 9am-12pm at the Fairgrounds. There is no minimum or maximum weight but exhibitor or helper must hold the pig themselves to be tagged and weighed.

Market Gilt/Barrow Show:

The top 2 pigs in each class will be checked for proper registered identification (ear notch pictures submitted in May by exhibitor).

Champaign County Project Guidelines for Completing Project

- ❀ 	Attend a minimum of 6 meetings or more if individual club requires. Advisors will notify the Extension Office of any members not meeting this requirement prior to fair.

- ❀ 	 Market and Lactating animal project members must attend a Quality Assurance Educational Session. Members may attend sessions outside of county if they show proof of attendance.

- ❀ 	Member must meet all project entry and possession deadlines.

- ❀ 	Members must attend the specie skillathon for each of their projects. Awards will be given at fair during the shows.

❀   Members must turn in <u>completed</u> project books/packets/reports/feed records, etc. at the specie skillathon. Those going to State Fair and competing for Outstanding Exhibitor will need to complete regular project book.

❀   Members must be in good standing with their club and county abiding by all rules, guidelines and codes of conduct.

<u>Upon Completion of Project Requirements, Members will be eligible to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair and the Champaign County Fair. If a member does not meet all requirements, they will be ineligible to exhibit in any state or county junior fair shows.</u>