

Summit County Junior Fair

Market Livestock Sale Rules

2021 Version

The following rules, established and approved by the Sale Committee and the Summit County Senior Fair Board, are binding upon all Summit County junior fair exhibitors. Changes may be made as needed by the Sale Committee and Summit County Senior Fair Board. Exhibitors will be notified of any changes.

The responsibility of knowing and understanding any and all rules pertaining to the Summit County Junior Fair shall belong to the junior fair exhibitor and their parents/legal guardian.

Anyone attending events either as an exhibitor, advisor, volunteer, parent, spectator, superintendent, judge, committee member or fair official must conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the Code of Conduct and according to the Rules and Regulations of the Summit County Agricultural Society, dba Summit County Fair. The Code of Conduct and Rules are not limited to the show ring, but are applicable to any location on the fairgrounds and to any event held at the Summit County Fairgrounds including, but not limited to meetings, workshops, clinics, contests, shows, county fair, etc. Good sportsmanship is expected of all junior fair exhibitors, parents and supporters.

General

All junior fair market livestock exhibitors must complete the market livestock entry form and turn it in to the 4-H Extension Office by July 1. All junior fair market animals sold are to be considered as a terminal sale. All Grand and Reserve Grand champion animals must go directly to a licensed slaughter facility.

All junior fair exhibitors must lead or drive their animal or in the case of Small Animals be in the sale ring at the time of auction, unless prior arrangements have been made with an advisor. The advisor must notify the Sale Committee of this change prior to the livestock auction for that species.

No immediate family will be permitted in the sale ring or permitted to accept bids during the time that their immediate family member's junior fair market animal or product is being sold.

No personal letters from the junior fair exhibitor will be read during the sale of any market livestock animal or product.

All junior fair exhibitors must complete the Drug Use Notification Form, DUNF, for every market entry form animal and turn the DUNF into the species advisor by 9 pm the Monday of Fair week. No illegal drugs will be permitted in junior fair sale animals. All withdrawal times for other drugs must be strictly observed. Withdrawal times of all feed additives must also be strictly observed. Any junior fair exhibitor whose animal has been administered, fed, given, or injected a drug or any other substance by a licensed veterinarian during fair must also notify the Summit County Fair Veterinarian.

Practices as referenced in the Ohio Livestock Show Reform Act, Ohio Livestock Tampering and Exhibition Rules, The National Show Ring Code of Ethics, and The Ohio Farm Animal Care Commission Code of Practices, or which in the eyes and judgment of the Sale Committee and Summit County Senior Fair Board are considered to be inhumane will not be tolerated.

All animals correctly listed on a market livestock entry form will be included in the appropriate market livestock sale bill and be sold at our auctions. Any junior fair market animal listed in the sale bill may not be withdrawn from the sale unless for health reasons as provided by the Summit County Fair Veterinarian, or removed for failure to follow all rules. The care of all junior fair market animals, before and after the sale until said animal is loaded on the truck, is the sole responsibility of the junior fair exhibitor, not the parent or the advisor.

All junior fair market animals must be positively identified upon checking in at the fairgrounds.

No upping of bids will be permitted for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion for all species after the final bid is accepted and the gavel is dropped. For all other entries, the final bid can be upped until one half hour after the Market Livestock auction ends on Saturday evening.

Fees and Deductions

Junior Fair Market Livestock Sale promotional fees will be deducted from the sale price of each junior fair market animal according to the schedule listed below. Exact percentages will be reviewed annually and adjusted if necessary.

Schedule of Promotional Fees for Junior Fair Market Livestock Sale Animals

Market Steer	2%
Market Swine	2%
Market Sheep	2%
Market Rabbit	2%
Market Poultry	2%
Market Goats	2%

Check off fees will be paid from the 2% collected for all junior fair market livestock animals according to State of Ohio guidelines for each product.

Proceeds from the sale of Donated animals or pens will go to the Sale Committee unless otherwise approved by Livestock Committee.

Concerns

All concerns regarding the rules of the Sale Committee will be addressed according to the following chain of command:

- 1) Notify species committee (including Senior Fair Board representative) and OSU Extension Educator.
- 2) Species committee representative will notify Sale Committee.
- 3) Sale Committee and Senior Fair Board Representative will notify Summit County Senior Fair Board.

Buyer Thank You's

Each junior fair exhibitor is required to provide a Thank You card/note for their Buyer(s) in order to receive their sale proceeds check. If you do not give your buyer a thank you note the evening of the sale you must turn it into your specie advisor by August 10.

Checks will not be released without a Thank You note and completed Project Book!

The exhibitor's checks will be their auction proceeds minus any fees and deductions. The checks will be prepared and given to your advisor to hand out. Any check not cashed or deposited by November 1 of the current year will be voided and the funds turned over to the Summit County 4-H Fund.

References

- A. Ohio Livestock Show Reform Act
- B. Ohio Livestock Tampering and Exhibition Rules
- C. The National Show Ring Code of Ethics
- D. The Ohio Farm Animal Care Commission Code of Practices
- E. Summit County Fair Code of Conduct

Sale Registration

All parties interested in purchasing livestock through the Junior Fair Market Livestock Auctions must register with the sale clerks and complete a separate buyer registration card for each buyer number issued. Buyer registration cards must be completed in their entirety and a valid driver's license or state issued identification submitted before a number will be issued.

Please attempt to be as accurate as possible when completing buyer registration cards, as these cards are the Sale Committee's way of identifying you or your buyer for advertising, recognition and mailing purposes. This is especially important for businesses that send one or several representatives to bid on junior fair auction animals.

A buyer who plans on buying multiple animals and donating some of those purchases to other groups should fill out multiple registration cards; one for personal use with a processor included and one with the group's information that is going to receive the money from the donated animal.

Buyers of **large animals** need to choose a processor from the processor list at the time of registration. If a registered buyer has not chosen a processor at the time of registration, one will be chosen for them.

Any buyer who has previously issued a non-sufficient funds check(s) or in any prior year and not made payment to the Sale Committee Treasurer within 30 days of the auction will be required to provide a cash deposit before the auction begins in order to get a bidder's number. The deposit is to be given to the Sale Committee Treasurer and the buyer may purchase only up to the amount of the deposit.

Sale Payment

All junior fair market livestock purchases must be paid in full before leaving the sale. Business supporters who require an invoice to provide payment must make arrangements with the Sale Committee Treasurer, prior to the fair and on auction day must report to the sale office immediately after the sale to get a complete invoice to present for payment. Terms on the invoice are due upon receipt.

A \$50 fee for a check returned due to non-sufficient funds will be charged accordingly.

Payment for junior fair market livestock purchases must be made directly to the Treasurer of the Summit County Sale Committee during or immediately after the sale. Checks should be made payable to: Summit County Sale Account. Auction proceeds are to be distributed when collections exceed the total payout amount. It is very important that invoices are paid immediately, so that checks can be distributed to the youth members in a timely manner.

Sale Hauling/Processing

Market livestock animals trucked by the two main haulers will be released at 7am by Summit County Fair Board and the Sale Committee on Sunday of the Fair.

Haulers should report to the respective **4-H Coordinator for that barn** before picking up their animals.

Small Animal Processing: *Any processed animals remaining after the assigned pick up dates will be handled at the discretion of the Summit County Junior Fair Market Livestock Sale Committee.*

You will be notified of the pick-up time for the processed small animals.

Terminal Sale

This is a terminal sale. Please remember that when a junior fair member enrolls in a market livestock project, that member fully understands and supports the fact that the purpose of every junior fair market livestock project is for slaughter for meat. Therefore, animals that go through the junior fair market livestock auction are NOT to be returned to the member, as that animal is NOT eligible to show again by that exhibitor or any other junior fair exhibitor in any Ohio county, independent or State fair.

ALL market livestock animals purchased for processing must go to slaughter.

Grand and Reserve Grand Champions of all species **MUST GO** to slaughter and **CAN NOT BE SELF HAULED!**

Donated Animals*:

Before you purchase an animal, you may decide to donate your animal back, if you choose to do this, you **MUST** decide **BEFORE THE AUCTION** and get a separate buyer number for this option. Donating the animal back means that your bid price will go to the junior fair member, the meat will be purchased by the second buyer and the second buyer's bid price will go to the Sale Committee. Any animal donated back to be re-sold will be sold at the END of the large livestock sale.

Donating Meat to Local food pantry/shelter*:

If you choose to purchase a large animal and donate the meat to a local food pantry or shelter, you, the buyer are responsible for the fees associated with the processing of the animal(s) which you purchased. The Summit County Junior Fair Market Livestock Sale Committee is NOT responsible for processing fees incurred by the buyer in this or any other similar circumstances or for arrangements for delivery to said facilities.

*Arrangements for donated animals and donating meat to local food pantry/shelter must be made with the sale clerks at the time of registration for your buyer number.