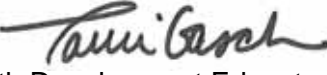




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2017 MARKET ANIMAL SALE COMMITTEE

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RE: 2017 Educational Meetings and Market Animal Rule Reminders

Please find a list of small animal and market animal educational meetings that are being offered this year. You will notice that poultry and rabbit meetings are also included. All rabbit and poultry project members are encouraged to attend these educational meetings whether or not you intend to show market animals.

The rules concerning market animal meeting attendance are as follows:

1. For "county-sponsored" meetings, youth must sign in on the attendance sheet to be counted as a participant at the meeting.
2. Youth attending meetings outside Calumet County or any educational event sponsored by a private business are required to have a "Participation Verification Form" (enclosed) signed by whomever is offering the meeting. This form needs to be turned into the UW-Extension Office or Market Animal Committee prior to the fair. Additional copies are available online at <https://goo.gl/YgTJ6I>.
3. Youth are expected to attend at least three market animal educational meetings throughout the year, as well as be a member in good standing at the club level.
4. Attendance at an educational event sponsored for youth such as FFA events, show camps, showing at district, state, or national shows, etc., qualify to replace a "county-sponsored" event (attending a county market animal sale or a "dairy-related meeting" will not qualify as a market animal educational meeting). Members may not use more than two of these types of meetings to substitute for attendance at the regular county-organized meetings.
5. Youth may not count more than one meeting that does not relate to the species they are exhibiting at the fair.
6. Youth who do not attend at least two educational meetings will not be allowed to sell an animal in the Market Animal Sale at the fair.

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NEW RULES

1. All eligible market goats meeting minimum weight requirements can sell in the auction.
2. All market hog exhibitors must attend a mandatory hog showmanship educational meeting that will be scheduled by the Market Animal Committee.
3. The on-site vet, judge, or market animal committee can determine that a hog may be eliminated from the market animal show or sale due to excessive bruising and marking. This animal may be removed from the fairgrounds.

Reminders

1. The enclosed (yellow) "Market Animal Exhibitor Information Form" must be completed and returned to the UWEX Office no later than March 30 for Beef; April 20 for Sheep, Swine, and Meat Goats; and June 1 for Market Rabbits and Market Poultry.
2. Youth who have sold a market animal in another county fair market animal sale within six months of the Calumet County Fair will not be allowed to sell an animal in the Calumet County Market Animal Sale.
3. Swine flu vaccine is recommended, but no longer a requirement for the Calumet County Fair.
4. Country of Origin Labeling Forms (pink) – Market sheep, goat, and poultry exhibitors need to make sure they collect documentation from the seller when purchasing their animals. See enclosed Fact-Sheet and Form. Country of Origin Labeling forms must be turned in to the Extension Office prior to spring weigh in or turned in to a Market Animal Committee member at the spring weigh in. This form is not required for beef or hogs.
5. Drug history sheets (tan) need to be turned in at fair weigh-in.
6. Market Animal Financial forms will be collected in the Fair Secretary's Office and are due at 12:00 noon on Labor Day. This will give market animal participants the opportunity to have an accurate listing of their income, expenses, and net profit or loss. Market Animal Sale checks will not be disbursed until this form has been completed and turned in.

PRE-FAIR WEIGH-IN DATES FOR 2017

Lambs, Swine, and Meat Goats: Saturday, May 13, 8:00-10:00 am, Fairgrounds, Chilton

Beef: Saturday, December 9, 10:00-11:30 am, (location to be announced)

Maximum Weight Limits: **Swine** - 60 pounds; **Sheep and Goat** - none

WEIGH-IN TIMES FOR 2017 CALUMET COUNTY FAIR – Thursday, August 31

Beef – 1:00 pm

Hogs – 3:30 pm

Market Rabbit and Poultry – 4:00-6:00 pm

Meat Goats and Lambs – 5:00 pm (or when hogs are finished)

No animals are allowed in the barn pens prior to being weighed in.

SHOW TIMES FOR 2017 CALUMET COUNTY FAIR – Friday, September 1

8:30 am – Hogs

12:00 noon – Sheep

2:30 pm – Beef

2:00 pm – Poultry (starting with Open Class and followed by Junior Class Showmanship at approximately 4:00 pm)

Saturday, September 2

9:00 am – Rabbits

New Date: Approximately 3:00 pm (immediately following the dairy show) – Goats, starting with Market Goats

The Market Animal Wrap Up Meeting has been set for the third Tuesday in September beginning at 7:00 pm at the Courthouse in Chilton.

Good luck to each of you as you enter a new project year.