

Memorandum of Understanding, *Small Animals*
42nd Annual SW Washington Junior Livestock Sale
August 19, 2011

This form is due 7-18-11 with fair entry form.

Exhibitors Name: _____

Address: _____

City

Zip + Four

Phone Number: () _____

SPECIES: _____ TAG NUMBER: _____

Breed: _____ Animal birth date: _____

4-H Club/FFA Chapter Name: _____

By signing below we certify that we have read this Memorandum of Understanding and agree to the rules and regulations as established for this Junior Livestock Sale for 4-H and FFA Members.

Signatures of Exhibitor, Parent/Guardian, and 4-H Leader/FFA Advisor are required.

4-H/FFA Member: _____

Date signed: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Date signed: _____

4-H Leader/FFA Advisor: _____

Date Signed: : _____

4-H Leader/FFA Advisor Phone: () _____ - _____

ELIGIBILITY:

1. 4-H members must be enrolled as a 4-H member in a Market Animal project by April 1st to be eligible to participate. FFA members must be a member of an FFA Chapter and actively carrying the Market Animal project as their SAE farming project.

2. This "Memorandum of Understanding" must be completed and turned in with animal entrees July 18th at the Extension Office for 4-H, and to Lloyd Walker for FFA.

3. Use of illegal drugs and/or the improper use of animal health products or foreign substances will not be tolerated in the Washington State 4-H Youth Development/FFA programs. Extension personnel, FFA advisors, FFA/4-H volunteers, families, youth, and fair/show officials have a legal and moral

obligation not to misuse these products. We have the responsibility to tell others not to use these substances and to report those who do. The administration of any drug or medication which could affect an animal's performance resulting in an unfair advantage or the disposition of the animal is unacceptable. Additionally, there are federal penalties for using illegal substances in animals that are going into the nation's food supply. Sale management reserves the right to test any market animal that will be processed. If a test is positive for illegal substance at any time, the matter is turned over to the appropriate legal authorities as it is a federal offense.

4. Should any animal behave in a manner that may cause injury to participant or handler, the animal will be disqualified from the sale, caged in a holding area and removed from the fairgrounds in such a manner that possible injury to bystanders and/or handler will be minimal.

5. HAUL IN: Poultry must coop-in between noon -6PM and Rabbit check-in between 5-8 PM, both on Monday prior to fair.

6. WEIGH IN: Exhibitor may weigh two (2) animals or pens (pens- consisting of 3 animals each for rabbits and 4 animals for fryers) if needed. If the first animal (pen) does not make weight or is overweight, then they may weigh a second animal (pen). If the first makes weight, there will not be a second weighing.

7. Exhibitor must be present to bring their animal to the scales during final weigh-in between posted times on Monday. This weight will be the sale weight, with the exception of the shrink percentage applied during the auction. Sale Sifting committee will inspect all animals entered in the sale during final weigh-in. If the animal does not meet weight minimum or maximum limits, the animal will be eliminated from the sale. Exhibitor may change their entry to the appropriate division, class and lot not associated with the SW Wash. Junior Livestock Sale.

8. Poultry may be either sex however a pen should be uniform in size, weight, and sex.

9. No animal previously sold at any 4-H or FFA Market Sale shall be resold at the S. W. Wash. Junior Livestock Sale.

10. The following minimum and maximum weights and grades will be utilized for this sale.

Market Poultry

Fryers: Pen of 4 to weigh-in (must have min. 3 to sell on Friday), Min. 5 lbs. / each – Max. 8.5 lbs. / each.

Desirable age of fryers is between 6-8 weeks. Hatch date should be sometime the first full week of July (may need to plan ahead for this hatch date and order 21 days in advance, check with your chick supplier). Cornish Cross (Cornish X) are recommended for the fryer project.

Turkeys: One animal, Min. 15 lbs. /each – Max. 35 lbs. / each. Desirable age of hens is about 14 weeks and toms 18 weeks. Hatch date should be sometime between April 10- May 10.

Market Rabbits

Rabbits: Pen of 3, Min. 4 lbs. /each – Max. 6.5 lbs. / each. Desirable age of fryer rabbits is between 8-12 weeks, but not to exceed 14 weeks. Kindle date not before May 1

ENTRY REGULATIONS:

1. Each exhibitor may enter one small (pen) and one large animal.
Pre-tagging options:
 - a. **Individual tag**- an exhibitor may pre-weigh up to two (2) animals. Their SALE ANIMAL must be selected prior to going across the scale.
 - b. **Family tag option** – family members residing in the same home may tag up to two (2) animals each. The exhibitors must select their SALE ANIMAL from the family group of animals that were pre-weighed and tagged prior to going across the scale.
2. Each exhibitor makes a commitment to sell their animal at the auction. Fair entry form properly completed in accordance with the division, class and lot numbers or letters as given in the official premium list are due as follows:
4-H Members - July 18th at the Washington State University Lewis County Extension Office 4-H, 351 NW North St. Chehalis, WA 98532
FFA Members - July 18th to Lloyd Walker, Winlock FFA Advisor, 169 Bremgartner Rd., Winlock, 98596
3. Exhibitors may not make an entry of their sale exhibit after July 18. Exhibitors may not withdraw their exhibit from the show or auction sale after 8 p.m. on Fair entry day.
4. Animals must not be in any type of partnerships. If this rule is violated future entries into sale may be limited.
5. Exhibitors and/or others may not buy animals for specific return of animal to the exhibitor or to be shown at other shows and/or sales by any exhibitor.

SALE REGULATIONS:

1. The official judge may exclude the exhibit from the sale if it fails to meet the minimum grade. Animals sold at the auction will include only blue and red ribbon animals. White ribbon animals (pens) will NOT be allowed in the auction sale.
2. Exhibitors must be present to bring their animal into the auction ring or it will not sell. No proxies allowed.
3. Small animals will be sold by the pen or individually and all sales are final.
4. Sale order is determined by Sale Committee. The sale order for **2011 is: Lambs, Goats, Swine, Steers and small animals will be sold in between.** 4-H sells first on even years and FFA sells first on odd years.
5. NO advertising allowed on any female animal regarding animal's eligibility for registration or pedigree indicating its use as a breeding animal.

PAYMENTS FROM SALE

1. A fee of up to 4% of the gross sale will be deducted from the sale on each animal. No deduction will be made from any of the add-ons for any animal.
2. Proceeds of the sale will be distributed to exhibitors after payment has been received from the buyer. **No payments will be made to exhibitors until all proceeds of the sale have been received by the sale treasurer.** Proceeds of the sale will be distributed to the WSU Lewis County Extension Office and FFA Advisors for pick-up by families.

EXHIBITORS RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Each exhibitor assumes the responsibility for securing at least three potential buyers. Exhibitors are encouraged to provide proof of three buyer contacts such as copies of letters to prospective buyers - and turn them into the 4-H Livestock Office on the Fairgrounds.
2. Buyer of small animals must provide a transport cage.
3. Animals may be grouped together. Exhibitor is responsible for care, feeding, watering and herdsmanship during the entire duration of the fair, **regardless of when exhibitor's animal leaves the fairgrounds.**
4. Pictures of the exhibitor and animal will be taken according to the time schedule stated under "Daily Schedule". Exhibitors must be present to bring their animals to the location where the pictures will be taken.

BUYERS AND THOSE WHO PROVIDE ADD-ONS RESPONSIBILITY:

1. All Buyers and Add-On Providers will be billed following the sale and are expected to pay by check sent to the Treasurer of the Market Sale.
2. Buyer is not to purchase animal for specific return of animal to exhibitor or to show at other shows/sale by any exhibitor.

SALE SPONSORS AND PURPOSE:

Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce
Lewis County Livestock Association
Lewis County Association of Agricultural Educators
Washington State University Lewis County Extension
Southwest Washington Fair

The purpose of the Junior Livestock Sale is to provide an incentive for youth to exhibit and sell quality market stock which has reached marketable weight and grade. The exhibitor and the bidder and/or buyers are reminded that the price paid to the exhibitor may not, in fact, reflect a true market price at the time of the sale. It is the sponsor's desire that buyers of animals featured in this sale will bid sufficiently to cover the individual exhibitor's additional expenses incurred in feeding and management of market animals. Animals sold at auction are suitable for slaughter at the time of sale.