

4-H Livestock Sale 2023 Requirements



We are excited that you are interested in participating in the 4-H Livestock Sale! All 4-H members from Columbia and Greene counties who are enrolled in a **Columbia County 4-H club** are eligible to participate in the sale.

Below are the participation requirements—they are non-negotiable. It is the responsibility of you and your family to determine whether or not you can meet these requirements. Failure to adhere to the terms may result in the 4-H member and their animal being disqualified from participating in the sale.

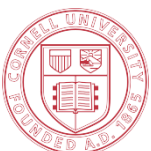
You may not be familiar with some of these requirements or the terms within them, but you will learn about all of these requirements throughout your project. The requirements are listed below:

Educational Requirements:

- **Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)**, an online, national multi-species quality assurance program designed to provide a minimum 60 minutes of education focused on three core pillars: food safety, animal well-being, and character development. Modules are available for three age groups - Junior ages 8-11, Intermediate ages 12-14, Senior ages 15-18 - Winter. OR equivalent from species organization. Youth must register for the online course at <https://yqcaprogram.org/login/index.php>. Once the program has been completed, please send your certificate to Athena Conzone at ajc446@cornell.edu.

You must attend any three of these programs and events related to Livestock and Agriculture. You are welcome to attend more, but must choose at least three.

- Virtual Animal Crackers Series – January-March – attend 3 of 6 virtual sessions
- 4-H Livestock Summit from January-March – attend 3 of 8 virtual sessions
- Capital District 4-H Tractor Safety Program – April
- NYS 4-H Animal Crackers – May 6th
- Local 4-H Large Animal Clinic – June 26th
- Local 4-H Sheep and Goat Clinic – July 17th
- Local 4-H Small Animal Clinic – May 17th
- Create a short promotional video for the Livestock Sale (collaborate with CCE staff)
- Attend a pre-approved 4-H livestock sale or public livestock auction
- Participate in a pre-approved outside training, workshop or show
- Capital District Small Animal School – May 14th



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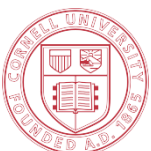
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Paperwork Requirements:

- 2022-23 4-H Member Enrollment Form.
- Up-to-date and complete 4-H animal science project record must be reviewed by the 4-H leader/educator by Friday, July 14th.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and borrowed animal forms as requested by 4-H club leader
- At least two Bidder forms per sale animal must be submitted by August 15, 2023
- Columbia County Fair 4-H Voucher-Entry Form must be submitted by Friday, July 14th.
 - Enter the Market class for your animal species to be able to have animal in the Livestock sale.
 - We have added a Not for Sale Market Class for livestock species. An animal may show in this class **one time**. An animal shown in this class is not permitted to enter the Livestock Sale.
 - 4-H members must indicate which animals are entering the Market Class and the Not for Sale Market class on the Fair Voucher-Entry Form.
 - The same animal cannot be entered in both the Market Class and the Not for Sale Market Class.
 - Animals entered in the Not for Sale Market Class on July 14, 2023 cannot switch and enter the Market Class and Livestock Sale.
 - Enter auction animal or another animal of the same species in the Showmanship Class.
- Write a thank you note to each buyer of your animal(s). 4-H member sale checks will not be sent until that note has been written, the meat has been delivered and payment from buyer has been received by CCE.

General Requirements:

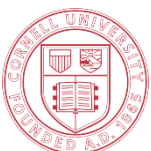
- Have your animal vaccinated and health checked by your veterinarian.
- Lambs and goats must have scrapies tags.
- Cattle and swine must have RFID tags.
- Pay all bills once monies from sale are received and as designated by the MOU.
- Work with your animal as designated by the MOU.
- Make contact with your buyer as soon as the meat has been processed to arrange delivery and personally deliver the meat.



Requirements During the Columbia County Fair:

- Have your animal checked on your trailer by the veterinarian before you unload it at the fair.
- Participate in fair weigh-in, time and location TBD
- Provide daily proper care for exhibited 4-H animals during the fair. Parents and others may assist but 4-H member is responsible for the majority of their animal's show preparation and hands-on grooming. Dirty, uncontrollable or dangerous animals, as determined by CCE staff, may be excused from the shows and sale and be sent home.
- Present animal in the Livestock Sale.
- Participate in clean-up before fair begins and after the animals have left the fairgrounds.

****attached – Market Animal Weight Recommendations, Source: ohio4h.org**



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Market Rabbit Weight (Live) Recommendations*						
	Low	High	Min.	Max.	Under	Over
	4.0	5.0	3.0	5.0	3.0	5.0
	6.0	8.0	over 5.0	8.0	5.0	8.0
	8.0	10.0	over 8.0	No upper limit	8.0	No upper limit

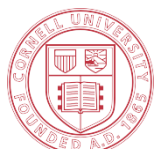
*Per ARBA Rabbit Standards (Standard of Perfection 2006-2010)

Market Livestock Weight (Live) Recommendations*						
	Ideal Weight Range		Acceptable Weight Range		Unacceptable Weights	
	Low	High	Low	High	Under	Over
Market Beef Steer	1100	1400	1000	1500	1000	1500
Market Beef Heifer	1050	1350	950	1500	950	1500
Market Dairy Steer	1200	1500	1000	1600	1000	1600
Beef Feeder Steer	400	650	300**	750	300	750
Dairy Beef Feeder Steer						
Market Lambs	110	140	95	150	95	150
Market Goats	60	80	50	100	50	100
Market Hogs	235	285	220	300	200***	300

* Per recommendations from the 4-H Animal Sciences Strategic Advisory Committee

**Minimum acceptable weight dependent upon opportunity youth have to extend project onto market beef or dairy animal

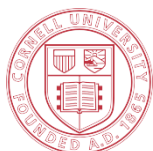
***Under 200# would be unacceptable in many locations



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Market Livestock Weight (Carcass) Recommendations*						
	Ideal Weight Range		Acceptable Weight Range		Unacceptable Weights	
	Low	High	Low	High	Under	Over
Market Beef Steer / Heifer	600	900	550	950	550	950
Market Dairy Steer	650	950	600	1000	600	1000
Market Lambs	50	75	40	80	40	80
Market Goats	35	50	30	65	30	65
Market Hogs	170	215	160	225	150	230



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