

DEPARTMENT - 4-H/FFA BEEF

(Must be enrolled in the Beef Project)

SPECIAL RULES

1. Read General Rules. Violation of any of the following rules may result in disqualification. All decisions will be made by a county agent and their decision is final.
2. Market beef entries are limited to those animals weighed and verified at the official spring weigh-in. Market beef will be ear tagged with an Official KS 4-H EID tag. Family Identification Worksheets for Market Beef will be turned in at official spring weigh-in.
3. To exhibit, all pre-fair entry deadlines must be met. Family Identification Worksheet for Breeding Beef is **DUE MAY 1** in the Extension Office. Official KS 4-H EID tags are not required for breeding beef.
4. Family Identification Worksheets are **NOT a LVCO Fair Entry**.
5. Entries for Beef will be completed in the Fair on-line system by June 30.
6. Substitutions will be allowed up to fair weigh-in if the animal is listed on the Family Identification Worksheet. Once the animal crosses the scale, all decisions are final and cannot be changed.
7. If an ear tag is lost, notify the Extension Office as soon as possible. These animals will be re-tagged by the Beef Superintendent or the County Extension Agent.
8. Double entry on any beef animal is not allowed.
9. All beef animals are to be checked in at the county fair. Market beef will be weighed on Tuesday during scheduled time. No weigh back will be allowed. Breeding heifers may be weighed following the market animals if time permits.
10. Extension Agents reserve the right to disqualify any animal for unethical practices which shall include the following: A: The injection of any gas, solid or liquid under the hide to alter the animal's confirmation. B: Any stomach pumping without authorization from a licensed veterinarian.
11. Judging order will be decided by the superintendents and posted in the barns on the evening before show day. Breeding beef not checked in and market beef not weighed within the designated time must be removed from the fairgrounds.
12. Market Beef weighing less than 1000 lbs will be moved into a **Prospect** class and shown in that class by weight. This class is not eligible for Championship or Livestock Auction.
13. Entries are limited to no more than 4 total animals. Cow/calf pairs count as one head toward the 4 head limit.
14. An exhibitor in 4-H/FFA and Open Class can have no more than 4 animals total within the same project. (i.e Beef, Dairy Cattle, Goat, Dairy Goat, Swine, Sheep) on the fairgrounds per Leavenworth County Fair Board.
15. In the Market Division, a minimum of 3 head will be required to make a class. If less than 3 head are exhibited at the fair, they will be combined in an All Other Breeds (AOB) class. If less than 3 head are in the AOB class, they will be added to the crossbred class. At the discretion of the superintendent market classes will be divided by weight. The Breeding Division will recognize all breeds regardless of the number being exhibited.
16. In the interest of safety, all animals must be halter broken and manageable by the 4-H /FFA member. Any animal not meeting this rule WILL be asked to leave the fairgrounds by an Extension Agent. This rule also applies to the spring weigh-in for market beef.
17. All 4-H exhibitors must have a current "Youth for the Quality Care of Animals" (YQCA) certification to show at the LVCO Fair.
18. Stall assignments are the responsibility of the beef superintendent. No changes to stall assignments are allowed without approval of the beef superintendent.
19. Animals used for showmanship **MUST BE OWNED BY THE EXHIBITOR** and entered in a market or breeding class. In the final showmanship drive, all showmanship finalists **MUST** show the animal they were showing when selected. Showmanship classes will be limited to a maximum of 15 animals.
20. Double registered animals may show in Beef or Dairy, but not both. Animals must show definite characteristics of that breed. A screening Committee, consisting of a Superintendent and the Extension Agent has the right to move an animal to the appropriate class.

20. The judge is not required to award a champion in each class.
21. Blocking chutes are allowed in designated areas only.
22. The wash rack will be closed each day from 6 pm – 10 pm and 4-H/FFA groups will be assigned specific days for clean-up rotation.
23. The Breeding Beef Show is a “no-fit” show. “No fit” at the LVCO Fair is defined as using no adhesives, paint or powder products.
24. Cattle tie out time is 9:00p.m. - No earlier.
25. Exhibitors are responsible for keeping their stalls and tack areas clean and neat.
26. Health and wellbeing of all animals brought to the fairgrounds is at the exhibitor’s risk.
27. See Rules Applying to the Livestock Auction.

SECTION – BREEDING BEEF

CLASSES – Cow/Calf pair

Cows will not be allowed to enter in this class more than twice. Example:
Cow can be entered in 2014 and 2015.

Dropped between January 1 – April 30 of previous year

Dropped between January 1 – December 31 two years prior

Animal must not have calved.

Dropped between January 1 – February 28 of current year

Animal must be weaned.

Dropped between May 1 – August 31 of previous year

Dropped between September 1 – December 31 of previous year

SECTION – MARKET BEEF

CLASSES – Heifer

1000 lbs or more. Shown by breed or ending weight, at the discretion of the superintendent.

Steer

1000 lbs or more. Shown by breed. Crossbred (commercial) steers will be divided by ending weight, at the discretion of the superintendent.