Project Enrollment for 4-H and FFA Members and Showing Animals

- ✓ Ohio 4-H members are sometimes also FFA members. To keep work in both organizations clearly separate, members are advised to take a different species in each organization or, at the very least, to take market animals in one and breeding animals in the other.

	4-H	FFA
Allowable	Breeding Gilt	Market Hog
Allowable	Market Steer	Market Hog
Not Allowable	Market Lamb	Market Lamb

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Information

For questions about Ohio State Fair entries, rules, and deadlines please visit https://ohiostatefair.com/livestock/

For additional livestock project resources and scrapie information, please visit https://go.osu.edu/livestock

For questions related to statewide Quality Assurance policies please contact:

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Requirements of Livestock Projects for Exhibition in Ohio Fairs

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Requirements of County 4-H Educators

When youth livestock project members are required to attend Quality Assurance, ensure that:

- ✓ Members are in good standing
  - Check with club advisor to make sure they have met club requirements to be in good standing.

- ✓ Youth have completed QA **at least 45 days prior** to the START of the fair (not the show day)
  - For example, if the opening day of the fair is July 20, but a youth doesn't show until July 23, QA must be completed by the youth at least 45 days prior to July 20.
  - ***If the fair takes place after the Ohio State Fair, and a youth wants to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair, they must complete QA 45 days prior to the opening day of the Ohio State Fair to be eligible to participate.***

- ✓ Members are enrolled in the appropriate project corresponding to the class/animal they are entering
  - For example, youth must be enrolled in a market beef project to enter for a market steer/market heifer class.
  - A youth CANNOT be enrolled in only beef breeding and take a market heifer to the fair.

Requirements for Parents/Guardians/ Advisors and Youth

Make sure that children/club member(s) entering livestock at the county and/or Ohio State Fair:

- ✓ Are members in good standing
  - Have they met your club standards (attendance, forms filled out, enrolled in the proper projects, etc).

- ✓ Have completed QA **at least 45 days prior** to the START of the fair (not the show day)
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Requirements for Parents/Guardians/ Advisors and Youth

- ✓ Have the project animal(s) in their possession by the approved dates (refer to county/state fair rules) and is properly tagged/identified
  - For example, beef exhibitors for the Ohio State Fair must send a DNA sample and register EID tag by January 15 to be eligible for entry.
  - County fairs will require tagging/tattoo days for market animals.
  - Sheep and goats must have scrapie tags/identification per USDA.

- ✓ Have registered/entered in the correct classes by the posted deadlines for the event.

- ✓ Understand and comply with fair rules and regulations.

*For questions about project requirements, Quality Assurance dates/requirements, fair requirements, and county-related rules, please contact your county 4-H Extension Educator. Contact information can be found at *insert your county name*.osu.edu (ie. franklin.osu.edu)*