

2024

Lawrence County Junior Fair Rules

Per Ohio Department of Agriculture, The Ohio Youth Livestock Exhibition Rules, & Ohio State Fair Guidelines

JUNIOR FAIR MEMBER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The Lawrence County Junior Fair division is open to all Lawrence 4-H Clubs and FFA chapters; as defined in the Ohio Youth Livestock Exhibition Rules. To participate in livestock shows, activities, and sales youth must be a current member of a Lawrence County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter. All current members, 4-H & FFA, must comply with the Ohio State 4-H membership policies.

“Ohio 4-H membership is based on a child’s age AND grade as of January 1 of the current calendar year. Eligibility for Cloverbud participation begins when a child is age 5 and enrolled in kindergarten. Eligibility for participation in 4-H projects and competitive events begins when a child is age 8 and in third grade. Any youth age 9 or above is eligible for project membership, regardless of grade level. Membership requires enrollment in an authorized Ohio 4-H club or group under the direction of an OSU Extension professional or an approved adult volunteer. A youth’s 4-H eligibility ends December 31 the year he or she turns 19. Joining Ohio 4-H is a privilege and responsibility for individuals and is subject to the Ohio 4-H Code of Conduct and applicable policies of The Ohio State University.”

1. The official project(s) for the 4-H/FFA member at the Lawrence County Fair will be identified on the enrollment form due on March 15th. All entries must be a part of the exhibitor’s current enrollment or occupational experience program and meet Ohio State University’s project deadlines and all other county requirements.
2. A minimum attendance of 5 meetings in the local 4-H club is required for project exhibition. The Club advisor is required to sign a statement certifying that each member has attended 5 meetings.
3. Quality Assurance participation is state required, per ODA Rule 901-19-07, for all livestock (market & non-market) exhibitors. Quality Assurance must be completed and submitted to the Extension Office at least 45 days prior to the start of the fair, but no sooner than October 1 of the previous calendar year. Please see Lawrence County 4-H for this year’s deadline.
4. All exhibitors are required to complete skillathon yearly prior to exhibition.
5. All exhibitors must complete the 4-H Project Record Book or Livestock/FFA record book corresponding with their exhibition project. Please see list of Junior Fair Eligible Livestock Projects.
6. All exhibitors must follow Chapter 901-19 Livestock Exhibition rules as outlined by the Ohio Department of Agriculture, the Ohio Youth livestock Exhibition Rules, and local exhibition rules as outlined by the Lawrence County Fair, Lawrence County 4-H and FFA.
7. All livestock exhibitors are expected to conduct themselves according to the 4-H Member Code of Conduct, in which all members and parents agree and sign at time of enrollment.

OHIO 4-H CODE OF CONDUCT (Updated 10/2023)

4-H members, parents, and other adults participating in 4-H activities will:

1. Adhere to program rules, curfews, dress codes, policies, and rules of the facility being used.
2. Conduct themselves in a courteous, ethical, respectful manner, use appropriate language (including not using profanity), exhibit good sportsmanship, and provide positive role models.
3. Abstain from illegal behaviors, use of alcohol, illegal or illicit drugs, tobacco in any form, and/or any vaping products during 4-H events and activities.
4. Fully participate in scheduled activities.
5. Respect other’s property and privacy rights.
6. Abstain from child abuse (physical and/or verbal) harassment, and actions that bully, ridicule, dominate, or display inappropriate behavior toward others.
7. Accept personal responsibility for behavior, destruction or theft of property including any financial damage.
8. Be responsible for any financial damage caused by inappropriate behavior.

9. Adhere to rules of safety.
10. Follow Ohio and county laws and regulations related to the care, handling, and possession of animals and living creatures.
11. Operate machinery, vehicles, and any other required equipment in a responsible manner in accordance with the directives of OSU Extension personnel and Ohio and county laws and regulations.
12. I will uphold and support the responsible and lawful use of social media. In so doing, I will not create or post social media content that is abusive, threatening, defamatory, obscene, harassing, or creates a hostile environment.
13. Follow the Ohio State University Standards of Behavior for Minor Participants Participating in Activities and Programs with Minor Participants.

As a program participant in OSU Extension, 4-H participants must practice good citizenship, leadership and self-control and not engage in discriminatory behavior, which includes harassment, discrimination, sexual misconduct, and retaliation.

This means you should not exclude anyone from participating in any program or activity, or discriminate against them because of their identity. Identity includes: age, ancestry, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or protected veteran status. A full definition of harassment and discrimination can be found in the Affirmative Action, Equal Employment Opportunity, and Non-Harassment/Discrimination policy.

Consequences for violating any part of this code of conduct may include, but are not limited to: removal from the 4-H program; removal from participation in the event in which the code of conduct has been violated (at the individual's expense); forfeiture of financial support; sanctions on or being banned from participating in future 4-H events; removal from leadership positions and/or offices held, etc. When warranted (e.g., violation of law) the situation may be turned over to the appropriate law enforcement authority.

Failure to meet the above stated junior fair member eligibility requirements will disqualify 4-H/FFA members from exhibiting at the junior fair and participating in the junior fair sale.

LAWRENCE COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR ELIGIBLE LIVESTOCK PROJECTS & 4-H PROJECT BOOK REQUIRED

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Beef #117 Beef Project and Record Book

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| 117B Beef Breeding | 117BF Beef Feeder | 117DF Dairy Beef Feeder | 117M Market Beef |
| 122 Dairy Heifer Project & Record Book | | 126 Dairy Cow Project & Record Book | |

Goat #135 Goat Project & Record Book

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| 135BD Breeding – Dairy Goats | 135BM Breeding – Meat Goats | 135F Fiber Goats |
| 135H Harness Goats | 135M Market – Dairy, Meat, or Cross Goats | 135P Pack Goats |
| 135PY Pygmy Goats | | |

Poultry #150 Poultry Project & Record Book

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| 150CE Chicken, Exhibition | 150CM – Market Chicken | 150DE Duck, Exhibition |
| 150GE Goose, Exhibition | 150TE Turkey, Exhibition | 150H Helmeted Guinea Fowl |

Sheep

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| 198 Market Lamb Project and Record Book | 199 Sheep Breeding Project and Record Book |
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Swine

Rabbit

MARKET ANIMAL EXHIBITION ALLOWANCES

Animal	Tag In/Identify	Exhibit*	Weight Limit**
Market Beef Born on or after Jan. 1, 2023	Can tag in up to 2	Show up to 1	950 lbs minimum
Market Goat Born on or after Dec. 1, 2023	Can tag in up to 3	Show up to 2	60 lb minimum
Market Hog Born on or after Dec. 1, 2023	Can tag in up to 3	Show up to 2	220 – 290 lbs
Market Lamb Born on or after Dec. 1, 2023	Can tag in up to 3	Show up to 2	85 lb minimum
Market Rabbits	Can tattoo up to 4	Show a pen of 2	4 ½ lbs to 5 ½ lbs
Market Chickens	Order 10 chicks from Extension Office	Show a pen of 2	-----

Exhibit* 4-H & FFA Members are eligible to exhibit two animals of two large market species and one pen of market rabbits or market chickens. With the exception, members may not exhibit more than one market beef. Multiple species exhibition is not required.

Market Chickens will be weighed to sort classes, but there is no maximum or minimum weight requirement. Recommended weight, according to Ohio State Fair exhibition requirements, is a maximum of 7 pounds per bird.

Weight limit** There will be a 5 lb allowance at the scale for all large animals and a ½ lb allowance for small animals.

BREEDING ANIMAL EXHIBITION ALLOWANCES

Per ODA, Prohibited Conduct, no exhibitor shall enter an animal that is ineligible due to age for the particular classification.

Beef Feeder

Exhibitors may register and exhibit 1 market feeder project per class below:

- Feeder Steer, January 1 – April 30, 2024
- Feeder Heifer, January 1 – April 30, 2024

Beef Breeding & Dairy Cattle

Exhibitors may register and exhibit 1 breeding project per age class below:

- Junior Calf: January 1 – April 30, 2024
- Senior Calf: September 1 – December 31, 2023
- Summer Yearling: May 1 – August 31, 2023
- Junior Yearling: January 1 – April 30, 2023
- Senior Yearling: September 1 – December 31, 2022
- Cows: Before September 2022

Aged Cows: without calf 2 years or older
Cow & Calf

Breeding – Dairy Goats

Exhibitors may register and exhibit 1 breeding project per age class below:

Doe, Junior Kid, born on or after April 1, of exhibit year
Doe, Intermediate Kid, born on or after March 1, through March 31, of exhibit year
Doe, Senior Kid, born on or after January 1 through February 28, of exhibit year
Doe, Yearling, Dry, born between January 1 and December 31, of previous year
Doe, Yearling, 1 year old and under 2, in milk
Doe, 2 years old and older, in milk
Doe, 2 years old and older, dry

Breeding – Meat Goats

Exhibitors may register and exhibit 1 breeding project per age class below:

Doe, 0-6 months
Doe, 6-12 months
Doe, 12-24 months
Doe, 2-3 years
Doe, 3-5 years
Doe, 5 and older

Senior Does must have freshened, but do not need to be in milk

Pygmy & Fiber Goats

Exhibitors may register and exhibit 1 pygmy and/or fiber goat per class below:

Doe
Wether

Pack & Harness Goats

Exhibitors may register and exhibit 1 pack and/or harness goat per class below:

- Harness Kid: Must be halter broke, led with strap, and respond to voice commands of stop, go, left, and right
- Harness Yearling: Harnessed and pull an empty cart strap and respond to voice commands of stop, go, back, left, and right
- Senior Harness: Cart must be driven through an obstacle course and respond to voice commands
- Pack, 1st year: Must be halter broke and led with lead through three obstacles
- Pack, 2nd year: Must be halter broke and led with lead carrying an empty pack through an obstacle course and remove pack once finished obstacle course
- Senior Pack: Must complete obstacle course carrying 10% of body weight on each side. (Must complete 1st and 2nd year requirements before senior.)

Sheep Breeding

Exhibitors may register and exhibit 1 ewe per class below:

Ewe Lamb less than 1 year old
Yearling Ewe between 1 and 2 years old
Ewe more than 2 years old

Breeding Rabbits

Exhibitors may register and exhibit 1 rabbit per class below:

Junior Does: 6 months and younger

Junior Bucks: 6 months and younger

Senior Does: over 6 months

Senior Bucks: over 6 months

Doe & Litter: For a doe and litter project, the litter must not be less than 35 days old and not more than 56 days old by the first day of fair each year and must be shown together.

Fancy Poultry

Exhibitors may register and exhibit 1 exhibition poultry per class below:

Duck

Goose

Chicken

Turkey

Helmeted Guinea Fowl

Accepted Breeds found in the Poultry Standards of Perfection

ODA Rule 901: 1-18-05: Poultry & Fowl

All turkeys, chickens, and gamebirds moved within or imported into Ohio for exhibition must either:

1. Originate directly from a flock or hatchery which is a participant in the national poultry improvement plan for the eradication of disease and be accompanied by documentary evidence that they meet the requirements.
2. Originate directly from a flock which has had a negative test for pullorum/fowl typhoid disease within twelve months preceding the opening date of exhibition and be accompanied by documentary evidence that they meet the requirement.
3. Have a negative test for pullorum/fowl typhoid disease, within 90 days, preceding the opening date of the exhibition and be accompanied by documentary evidence that they meet the requirement.
4. Be tested for pullorum/fowl typhoid disease upon arrival at the exhibition by a tester approved by the Ohio Department of Agriculture and found negative.

Waterfowl, doves, and pigeons are exempt from this rule.

All Lawrence County Poultry and Fowl Exhibitors must have their birds tested prior to the start of the Lawrence County Fair and provide proof they meet this requirement upon check-in at the county fair.

Market Chicken exhibitors – please note, because we order the birds from a NPIP hatchery, your market chickens meet the above requirement and do not need to be tested.

OWNERSHIP

Guided and Defined by Ohio Youth Livestock Exhibition Rules.

For market animals, dairy animals, and owned breeding (not leased), livestock:

1. **Leasing of market animals for youth exhibition projects is not permitted under any circumstances.**
2. An animal cannot be used by more than one youth member per project year.
3. The same animal cannot be used for more than one project per year. (i.e.; a single heifer cannot be shown as both a market and a breeding project.
4. An animal may only be exhibited by the project member in any junior livestock exhibition, including at the Ohio State Fair.
 - a. Excludes show/class conflicts at the exhibition, “showman of showmen” type classes, or extenuating circumstances.

- b. For junior fair classes where education or charity is the purpose (pee wee, special needs, etc) ensure that the exhibitor is involved in the mentoring of the individual in the mentoring of the individual showing the animal in that class.
5. In shows outside of "junior livestock show/exhibitions," a project animal may only be shown by the youth exhibitor or family members. If shown by a youth outside of the immediate family, this constitutes a change in ownership.
6. All market and dairy exhibited at a junior livestock exhibition must be fully owned by the exhibitor or household as defined in OAC 901-19-39 as evidenced by a bill of sale or registration, including all showing rights, and in the complete custody and care of the exhibitor on or before possession deadlines.
7. Ownership of an animal shall be considered lost if the animal has been:
 - a. Leased to a different individual (not the project member) after the applicable possession date.
 - b. Consigned to or sold through an auction or any other type of transaction that takes place prior to the junior livestock exhibition, after the applicable possession date even if the animal is bought back by the exhibitor.
8. The exhibitor is expected to fully provide daily care for their animal(s) from the possession deadline to the conclusion of the exhibition/sale. This includes, but is not limited to, ensuring adequate access to clean, fresh water, feed, and shelter while ensuring good health and welfare of the animal. If not possible, in extenuating circumstances, the exhibitor is responsible for contacting the local Extension Office.
 - a. Lawrence County requests Alternate Housing Forms be submitted by May 1.

Leased Breeding Projects

Projects eligible include Beef Breeding, Breeding Goats, Breeding Rabbits, Sheep Breeding, and Fancy Poultry; beef feeders are not eligible to be leased.

1. Leased breeding projects must have a lease in place at least 60 days prior to exhibition. Breeding leases will be due to the Extension Office by May 1.
2. Leases must remain in effect until the end of the project and are only permitted when the 4-H/FFA member does not have a suitable long care opportunity and/or the family is unable to purchase a breeding animal.
3. The lessor (owner) of the breeding animal relinquishes all rights to train the animal, and the lessee has priority right to show the animal during the term of the lease. Potential lessors should not lease animals they want to show on a regular basis during the term of the lease.
4. An animal cannot be leased by more than one youth per project year and may only be exhibited by the lessee in any junior exhibition, including the Ohio State Fair.
5. The lessor may not take the animal back prior to the end of the lease unless the youth is neglecting or abusing the animal, or the youth agrees to return the animal.
6. The lessor should have the youth sign whatever agreements they decide upon regarding the care of the animal, but no agreement will supersede the terms of the Junior Fair rules.
7. The lessor will allow the lessee to transport and show the animal in 4-H/FFA, open, or breed shows.
8. The leased animal cannot be consigned or sold through an auction or any other type of transaction during the effective dates of the lease agreement, even if the owner or exhibitor "buys back" the animal.
9. The lessee is expected to fully provide daily care for their animal(s) during the dates specified in the lease agreement. This includes but is not limited to, ensuring adequate access to clean, fresh water, feed, and shelter while ensuring good health and welfare of the animal. If not possible, in extenuating circumstances, the exhibitor is responsible for contacting the Extension Office and/or FFA advisor to ensure transparency; further forms such as the Ohio 4-H Livestock Care Agreement may be required.
10. The lease of an animal shall be considered lost if the animal has been:
 - a. Leased to a different individual (not the project member) after the applicable possession date.

- b. Consigned to or sold through an auction or any other type of transaction that takes place prior to the junior livestock exhibition, after the applicable possession date even if the animal is bought back by the exhibitor.

HOUSEHOLD ALTERNATE ALLOWANCES

Families may tag in up to one extra market beef, lamb, goat, hog per member. If there are alternate household animals, then each exhibitor shall have his/her specific animals tagged in and the alternate household animal may be substituted for any tagged-in animal. There can be a maximum of 1 extra animal/pen per household member. Each exhibitor may only use one alternate animal. The household will be based off 4-H Online enrollments.

Exhibitors may tag in up to one extra pen of 2 rabbits. The alternate pen of 2 can be used as a household alternate, however, a maximum of only 4 rabbits may be associated to each member.

Market Chicken exhibitors, order their birds through the Extension Office. Exhibitors receive 10 birds per order. Each individual exhibitor may order up to a maximum of 10 birds, however household orders are acceptable.

EXHIBITION REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

1. All market livestock exhibitors planning to exhibit at the county fair must bring their animals to the designated tag in/registration to be eligible to show at the county fair. All identification tags must remain present in the animals ear through exhibition/harvest.
2. In addition to tag-in, all large animal market exhibitors must also complete the animal identification forms, to include animal photo id, within 4-Honline by deadline set by the Extension Office.
 - a. If a project animal loses the assigned tag, the 4-H/FFA member must notify the Extension office immediately. Project animals will not be re-tagged if notification was not given and identification photos were not received by deadline. *Evidence of tag ID falsification will result in disqualification.* There will be no substitution of an unidentified animal not tagged at the designated tag in for any reason.
3. All breeding/market feeder stock must complete the online animal identification form by county deadline.

2024 OWNERSHIP POSSESSION/TAG-IN/REGISTRATION DATES:

- **Market Beef Tag-In**, December 16th, 10:00 – 11:30am
 - a. All market beef will receive an official tag ID and tattoo. All prior existing tags, except for EID tags, will be removed.
 - b. All market beef must be broke to lead and led with a halter and one lead rope. Lead rope must be long enough to touch the ground.
 - c. All beef are required to be dehorned by tag-in; horns longer than 1 inch in length are not permitted.
- **Market Lamb, Goat, Hog Tag-In**, April 27th, 8:00 – 10:00am
 - a. All lambs and goats should have scrapie tag identification, per OAC 901:1-18-07&09, at time of tag-in; if not, exhibitor has 7 days to correct and present proper documentation to Extension Office. Failure to have scrapie tag at time of exhibition weigh-in, the animal will not be permitted onto the grounds.
 - b. All lambs, goats, and hogs will receive an ear tag at time of tag in. All lambs and goats will also be tattooed; however, hogs will receive their slap tattoo at the time of exhibition.
 - c. All prior existing tags, except for EID tags, will be removed.
 - d. Lambs/Goats must be disbudded/dehorned by tag-in; horns longer than 1 inch in length are not permitted.
- **Market Chicken Expected Arrival** – May 22nd – 24th

- a. All market chicken exhibitors must place their chicken order with the Extension Office by April 1. Chickens will be delivered to the extension office for pick up the week of May 22nd – 24th.
 - **Market Rabbit Tag In**, June 15th, 8:00 – 10:00am
 - a. Market Rabbits will be tattooed at time of tag-in.
 - **Breeding ID Form** Due June 15th
4. All projects requiring the need for castration or dehorning, must be complete by their designated tag in/registration date. Animals found with any problem concerning castration will be given 7 days to correct the problem. This must be done by a licensed veterinarian at the members and/or parents expense. A letter from the veterinarian certifying that the problem has been corrected must be sent to the Extension Office within 7 days after weigh-in date.
 5. The livestock committee reserves the right not to tag any animal deemed unsafe.
 6. Any animal crossing state lines to participate in tag-in's or exhibition must be accompanied by a vet health certificate.
 7. No exhibitor shall falsify any information included in an entry form to the Lawrence County Extension Office.

WEIGH IN

1. All projects housed on the fairgrounds must be weighed/checked-in at their designated time. An additional weigh-in period may be provided on weigh-in day for unusual circumstances such as flood, illness, or mechanical failure. Accommodation requests must be made to the 4-H Livestock Committee before the designated weigh-in end time.
2. All cross county lines participants bringing their animal across state line for participation must bring certified vet health certificate.
3. All identification tags must be present, in the ear, at weigh-in to be allowed onto to the grounds. Failure to provide all required ID for your animal will result in the animal not being permitted onto the grounds. Lambs and goats must also have scrapie tag identification.
4. All livestock animals are required to meet their specie specific weight requirement to show and sale. Due to the possible drifting of animals in transport and the difficulty of exhibitor to have access to certified scales there will be a tolerance of 5 lbs. allowed for all existing weight limits for large animals and a ½ lb. weight tolerance for small animals.
5. If the weight of an animal is in question, animals will be backed off the scales, scales zeroed and animal placed back on the scales for re-weigh immediately, before entering the stall area. Exhibitor must then take the second weight. All blankets and coverings must be removed before weighing the animals. No additional tampering to alter weight is permitted (ie: excess substances added to any livestock).
6. Once the animal is on the grounds, you must unload and weigh in, no backing out of line. Therefore, you must only bring the animals you plan to exhibit onto the grounds. All alternate animals must be left at home. Once the animal is on the scale, if it does not make weight exhibitors have the option to withdrawal and take the animal home immediately or remain on the grounds and participate in showmanship only then drop slip or send to market following drop slip/market procedures. Light/heavy weight animals are not permitted to compete in the market show or go through the junior fair sale.
7. Any livestock that goes through the weigh-in/check-in process must stay on the grounds until the designated load out time. Any animal being dropped from the Junior Fair Sale, must be checked out from the Lawrence County Fairgrounds with the clerk during the designated time. All animals not checked out during this time and not taken through the sale, will go to market. No exceptions. Animal removal, for any reason, must be approved

by the fair vet and fairboard president. The OSU Extension Office must receive an early release and haul sheet immediately following dismissal.

LIVESTOCK PEN ASSIGNMENTS/TACK REQUIREMENTS/HANDLING GUIDELINES

1. The Livestock and Barn Committee will assign all barn, stall, pen, and tack spaces on the fairgrounds. Members can stall their animals and set up tack only in assigned spaces. Animals cannot be moved from these assigned stalls without permission.
 - a. All market projects will be housed at the fair throughout the duration of the fair.
 - b. All breeding and feeder projects may request space, if available, as indicated on the specie specific registration form.
2. All exhibitors must feed, water, and care for their animals regularly throughout each day. All animals must have water available twice a day.
3. All exhibitors must keep their assigned pens, stalls, and aisles clean and in order, along with keeping animals on exhibit clean and well cared for. Exhibitors must place manure/bedding outside barn in a place designated by Fair Board. Show boxes and other equipment shall be kept in an area designated by the Fair Board. Exhibitors are responsible for animals until loaded for shipment following the sale, water must be available twice a day to the animal until the animal has been loaded out. **Following sale load out, small animal barn members are required to clean out their stall/pens.** Neglect to care for animal or clean pen will result in probation for the next year and may result in disqualification for competition the following year.
 - a. **Pen/Stall inspections will be conducted multiple times a day, inspection schedule will be posted.**
4. **BEEF PROJECTS** (steers, heifers, feeders, etc) being moved on the fairgrounds at any time including unloading, must have a halter with a neck strap. All bovine must be controlled by the use of a chain halter or cables during shows. No other method of restraint may be used during shows at the fair. All bovine must have a neck rope and halter on and be tied by both when in the barn. Halter and neck rope must remain on the animal until the animal is loaded out following the sale.
5. **All goats** must be shown with a well-fitted collar or hummel halter. Only non-mechanical, blunt, prong collars, plain buckle quick release collars, or slip collars of an appropriate length of leather, and fabric or chain collars are permitted.
6. The **market lamb** will be shown without a halter.
7. **Any animal deemed unsafe for exhibition at any time by livestock officials (barn committee, livestock committee, Extension professionals, etc) will be ineligible to show and sale. Exhibitors will be required to drop slip their animal and follow all guidance for removal from the grounds**
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ODA Rule 901-19-04: Prohibited Practices

This is a mandatory rule.

No person is permitted to:

- (A) (B) Administer or cause or permit to be administered a prescription drug and/or over the counter drug to a livestock either immediately before an exhibition or during an exhibition unless the prescription drug is administered:
 - a. By or under the supervision and direction of a veterinarian.
 - b. Only in accordance with label instructions.
 - c. In conjunction with a valid veterinarian-client-patient relationship

- d. For a valid medical purpose
- e. A drug use notification form is completed and filed in accordance with applicable requirements of rule 901-19-06 of the Administrative Code.

(C) Administer or cause or permit to be administered either a prescription drug or an over the counter drug other than in accordance with the drug's label directions unless extra label use is:

- f. By or under the supervision and direction of a veterinarian.
- g. Only in accordance with label instructions.
- h. In conjunction with a valid veterinarian-client-patient relationship
- i. For a valid medical purpose
- j. A drug use notification form is completed and filed in accordance with applicable requirements of rule 901-19-06 of the Administrative Code.
- k. An extended withdrawal time is assigned to the drug by the veterinarian as part of the extra label directions and reported on the Drug Use Notification form.

(D) Show, sell, or offer for sale any livestock which contains an unlawful substance or has been subjected to unacceptable practices as outline in rule 901-19-03 of the Administrative Code.

(E) Show any livestock which contains a drug in the amount which exceeds the tolerance level if established or safe level; or, a drug for which the withdrawal period has not elapsed unless administered in accordance with paragraph A, B, or C of this rule.

(F) Sell or offer for sale in an auction at a terminal or partial terminal show an animal that contains a drug in an amount which exceeds the tolerance level of established or safe level; or, a drug for which the withdrawal period has not elapsed unless administered in accordance with paragraph A, B, C of this rule.

(G) Exhibit an animal which has been tranquilized.

(H) (I) Make a false statement on a drug use notification form or fail to file or updated a drug use notification form.

(J) Negligently cause an unlawful substance to be present in an animal.

(K) Fail to sign a chain of custody form.

(L) Violate a mandatory rule.

(M) Violate any optional rule from which a sponsor or exhibition did not exempt itself.

ODA Livestock Show Fact Sheet provides further explanation, which is also applicable to Lawrence County exhibition, as the statute prohibits:

- The showing of tranquilized livestock, including products such as CalfCalm, and use of diuretics for cosmetic purposes.
- For all shows the statute prohibits the misuse of legal drugs (including but not limited to the use of drugs approved for use in humans, but not approved for animal use) and the use of illegal drugs.

ODA Rule 901-19-06: Drug Use notification.

This is a mandatory rule.

The drug use notification form shall be filed with the records official prior to the show in which the animal is entered. If the information on the form regarding drug use changes or if a drug is subsequently administered at an time after the drug use notification form is filed, an updated drug use notification form shall immediately be filed.

No person shall submit an incomplete, illegible, or unsigned drug use notification form. When a drug use notification form submitted to a records official for livestock is incomplete, illegible, or unsigned the exhibitor will not receive any

prizes or awards from shows in which the livestock was exhibited or participate in any shows or sales held subsequent to the time the drug use notification form was to be filed.

To enforce this rule, Lawrence County requires:

1. All animals must be residue free (as determined by the fair veterinarian) to be eligible to show and sale as designated on the animal's DUNF Form. All exhibitors must complete the DUNF form and submit by designated deadline to be eligible to show and sale. The official Fair Veterinarian or Ohio Department of Agriculture official may conduct testing or inspection of all animals entered for exhibit before, during, or after the competition to carry out the Ohio Department of Agriculture pursuant to Title IX of the Revised Code, or any rules or regulations promulgated there under.
 - a. All large animal (goats, lambs, steers, and hogs) market champion and reserve winners are required to undergo testing and the Lawrence County Agricultural Society and ODA reserve the right to require random testing of exhibit animals.

ODA Rule 901-19-38: False, deceptive, or unacceptable practices

This is a mandatory rule.

The following are unacceptable practices:

- (A) Castration of livestock for purposes of this rule which exceeds the following criteria:
 - a. Cattle over eight months of age
 - b. Swine over seventy-five pounds
 - c. Sheep over seventy-five pounds
- (B) Showing any market livestock which has been treated in accordance with paragraph A, B, C of rule 901-19-04 of the Administrative Code when a side effect of the drug conceals, enhances, transforms, or changes the true conformation or condition of the livestock.
- (C) Any natural occurrence or surgical process which results in testicular tissue remaining in the body of exhibition livestock except rabbits and poultry.

ODA Rule 901-19-13 Unacceptable Practices

This is a mandatory rule.

The following practices are detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of livestock and are prohibited:

- (A) Applying any electrical, mechanical, or other appliance to livestock repeatedly or for a prolonged time period in violation of 9 C.F.R. 313.2 (1979).
- (B) Hitting, striking, beating or otherwise impacting livestock that induces swelling or enhances, transforms, or changes the true conformation, configuration, or appearance of livestock.
- (C) Applying any electrical, mechanical, or other appliance that enhances, transforms, or changes the true conformation, configuration, or appearance of the livestock, unless prescribed by the exhibition of veterinarian.
- (D) Plugging of teats
- (E) Sealing of teats using unapproved substances or for longer than eighteen hours using approved substances.
- (F) Injecting material into udders or teats for non-medical purposes or otherwise artificially modifying the appearance or conformation of the udder or teat.
- (G) Using ice, ice packs, or cold compresses internally or externally unless prescribed to relieve heat stress or a medical condition diagnosed by the fair veterinarian.

- (H) Using a stomach tube or pump for any purpose other than for the relief of tympany or gas on the day of exhibiting as diagnosed and prescribed by the fair veterinarian.
- (I) Drenching of livestock at an exhibition is prohibited unless medically prescribed by the fair veterinarian.

ODA Rule 901-19-33 Prohibited Grooming Practices in conjunction with ODA Rule 901-19-32

This is a mandatory rule.

The following grooming practices are prohibited in junior livestock shows:

- (A) Using a substance to enhance or change the color of the livestock, including the livestock's hide or hooves.
- (B) Adding any substance externally to build up, change or alter the shape or conformation of the livestock, including by way of example but not limited to rope, false hair, graphite, hemp, or powders.
- (C) Pigmented grooming aids or materials.
- (D) Slick clipping or body shaving of market hogs except on the ears and tails. "slick clipping" or "Body shaving" means having hair that is less than one half inch in length on the body of market hogs.

Ohio State Fair Rules, which are also applicable to Lawrence County exhibition further provides explanation of the above by enforcing:

- Any product which changes, enhances, or alters the natural color of an animal will not be permitted, including but not limited to paints, dye, powder, non-clear adhesive, and foam or shoe polish.

OAC Rule 991-2-01 Junior Livestock Division Competitions Further Explains and Enforces Fitting Rules as to prohibit the following conduct:

- No exhibitor shall enter an animal in a junior livestock division competition that has been unethically fitted in any way or shall unethically fit or alter another exhibitors animal entry. Unethical fitting is defined as: means to alter or change the natural appearance, weight, musculature or conformation of an animal in an unnatural or artificial manner, including but not limited to, the removal of animal tissue or body part, to cut or tear the hide, to cover, dye or color the hair or hide, to add artificial tailheads, switches, polls, hair, or heels, or to administer, feed, give or inject any substance or drug to an animal exhibited, except when medically necessary or when the drug used has been approved for such use by the food and drug administration or United States department of agriculture.

In addition, Lawrence County will also enforce the following per Ohio State Fair Guidance:

All animals must be washed, groomed, and clipped according to specie standards.

Market Lambs

- Must be slick shorn, belly wool is to be equal to the length of the wool on the body, upon arrival to weigh-in. All lambs must be freshly shorn. Head wool is allowed. Lambs will be allowed leg wool from the knees and hocks down.

Market Goats

- Market Goats must be slick shorn to an even length of 3/8 in or less above the knee and hock.

Market Hogs

- No oil or oil-like show dressing will be permitted during the show.

ODA Rule 901-19-31 Responsibilities of an and assistance to junior fair exhibitors.

This is an optional rule.

- (A) Junior livestock show exhibitors shall be responsible for the continuous care, grooming, and preparation of the livestock entered in the junior livestock show.
- (B) An exhibitor may receive assistance in the care, grooming, and preparation of the livestock entered in the junior livestock show, provided that the assistance shall be limited to explanation or demonstration provided by the following: family members, household members, advisors or adult volunteers of 4-H or FFA in the exhibitor's club or county, vocational agriculture instructors, county extension agents, department representatives, veterinarians, members of the exhibitors 4-H club, FFA chapter or other use organizations; and guest speakers of the 4-H, FFA, or other youth organizations.
- (C) Any person not specified in paragraph (B) of this rule who provides assistance to a junior livestock show exhibitor shall register in writing with the sponsor. The responsibility to register rests with the exhibitor. An assistant may register for more than one exhibitor. Failure to register constitutes grounds for disciplinary action against the exhibitor. Assistance shall be limited to explanation and minimal demonstration.

Lawrence County Fair enforces Ohio State Fair "prohibited conduct" rule in reference to ODA Rule 901-19-31:

- (A) No exhibitor shall enter an animal in a competition in the junior livestock division that has not been fully owned, cared for or in the custody of the exhibitor.
- (B) No exhibitor shall enter an animal in competition in the junior livestock division that has been handled, fitted, groomed, shown, or exhibited by another person other than a registered members of the exhibitor's immediate "family".
 - a. Lawrence County Junior Fair exhibitors may also have assistance from "household" members, Lawrence County 4-H and FFA advisors and members.

ODA definitions for reference:

- "household" – means the permanent residence address of the exhibitor.
 - This address will be determined using livestock identification tag-in forms and 4honline entries.
- "Family" means the immediate family of an exhibitor: mother, father, brother, sister, grandparent, uncle, or aunt of exhibitor by marriage or by law.

Other Lawrence County Show Expectations & Procedures Include:

1. Junior Fair exhibitors are expected to show their own animal at all livestock shows & the Junior Fair Sale. They must be present one half hour prior to the start of all shows and the sale unless prior arrangements have been made. Exceptions will only be made for exhibitors who have a Winning 4-H Plan in place with the Extension Professional, have a doctor's excuse, or have two animals in the same class determined by the Extension Office. Other circumstance must be presented in writing to the Extension Office 24 hours prior to show/sale (including name, project, and brief description of conflict), and will be considered by the Extension Professional and the Livestock Committee. In case of these excused absences, another eligible Lawrence County 4-H/FFA member must exhibit the animal.
 - a. If an exhibitor does not have excused permission prior to the show/sale, and is not present to show/sale their market animal, that animal must be drop slipped or will be sent to stockyard and sold for market price. It will not be eligible to be sold through the Junior Fair Sale.
2. Only show officials, judges, and youth are to be in the ring during show times. The show official is to not be an immediate family member of any exhibitor in the arena.
3. Lawrence County Fair dress code during **show and sale consists of a clean dress**. Anyone in the show/sale arena must wear closed toed shoes, boots or leather shoes preferred. Long pants with no holes are required when in

the show/sale arena. No advertisements on clothing with the exception of 4-H or FFA Logos; but no identification of club or chapter permitted. Also shirts must NOT have any sayings that are inappropriate for ANY age of participants and spectators. Shirts must have shoulders, appropriate necklines, no cut-out arms, cover all undergarments and the shirt MUST meet the pants. Some examples of shirts not permitted are: midriff baring, spaghetti straps, arms cut out shirts and tube tops. No hats will be permitted in the show ring. All tattoos must be covered during show and sale. The use of cell phones, iPads, etc. are prohibited during show and sale. Failure to comply, may result in show/sale dismissal.

SHOW PROCEDURE

1. Weight/Show classes will be made up by Extension officials to match the recommended number of animals per class by species. Market Shows may be broken into weight divisions, based on number of animals and safety concerns, up to the Livestock Committee's discretion. If broken into divisions, the 1st places from each division will return for the final drive and 2nd and 3rd places will be on stand-by.

CLASS DIVISIONS

<u>Species</u>	<u>Maximum Number In Classes</u>	<u>Selection Criteria</u>
Beef	6 animals	Weight
Goat	12 animals	Weight
Poultry	12 pair	Pen Weight
Rabbits	12 pair	Pen Weight
Sheep	12 animals	Weight
Swine	10 animals	Weight

****Any scheduled show with less than 5 exhibitors registered is subject to cancellation****

2. The judge will place each class beginning with the lightest weight class and continuing to the heaviest class. The judge has the discretion to place either top to bottom or bottom to top.
3. The first place animals from each class will be brought to the ring for the championship drive with the second places lined up and ready. The Grand Champion will be selected from the first place animals.
4. The Judge will then select the remaining animals 2nd through 10th place by bringing in the next placed animal in the class that the last placed animal came from. This continues until the top TEN are placed.
5. Livestock that break loose two (2) times during the exhibition, quality and/or showmanship show, due to the exhibitors inability to maintain control, will be brought to the rail and tied for the remainder of the show.
6. The holding area designated for livestock animals preparing for show must be cleared, during the livestock show and sale, of everyone except members showing animals, livestock and barn committee members, one designated immediate family member, with children/members showing in the particular show for safety purposes.
7. The use of wash stalls in the makeup area will cease thirty minutes before shows or sales. Only the veterinarian can authorize use of the stalls during that time for health reasons only.

SHOWMANSHIP EXPECTATIONS

The purpose of the showmanship contest is to encourage young exhibitors to acquire skill and know-how in the handling of animals and to obtain information and practice in fitting and grooming them for show.

1. Junior showmanship is open to exhibitors who have not passed their 14th birthday as of January 1. Senior Showmanship is open to exhibitors who have passed their 14th birthday.
2. Each contestant must fit and show his/her own animal.
3. The animal used for showmanship must be one entered and shown by the exhibitor in respective production or market class in Junior Fair.
4. In judging showmanship contests the judge will consider these major points of emphasis:
 - The judge will observe the general all around ability and know-how the contestant demonstrates in training and handling of animals, and manner in which he/she presents his animal.
 - The judge will be looking for contestants who demonstrate they know how to handle themselves in the show ring.
 - The judge will be looking for evidence that the contestants know how to fit and groom an animal. But grooming alone will not be emphasized.
 - The judge will appraise the contestant's knowledge and use of good show ring equipment as demonstrated by the equipment used and the skill in using it.
 - The judge will appraise the extent the contest demonstrates knowledge of accepted show ring practices and customs, and may ask questions relating to animal production.

SHOWMAN OF SHOWMEN CONTEST

1. Winners from the each of the Market Showmanship shows within each of the Senior (14 and older) and Junior (13 and younger) divisions are eligible for the showman of showmen. Exhibitors will show a market steer, market lamb, market goat, market hog, market rabbit, and market chicken. This is an optional event. Youth may also scratch species they wish not to show, but will take the points deduction.
2. See Jr. Fair Schedule of Events for contest times.
3. Senior contestants must borrow animals to use for contest; except rabbit & chicken as they will be provided by the committee). Junior contestants must borrow a lamb, goat, and hog; all other market livestock will be provided by the committee. Contestant cannot use their own animal or immediate family member's animal or animals that have been housed together.
4. The contestants will be required to show each species to be in the contest. In case of a tie, a tie breaking decision will be up to the discretion of the judge to determine the contest winner.
5. All participants must sit in a designated judging area, no cellphone use is permitted.
6. All exhibitors must follow the 4-H Code of Conduct and Dress Code.
5. See Junior Livestock General Rules/Regulations and Sale Rules/Regulations in addition to the Ohio's Livestock Reform Act, Ohio Department of Agriculture's Administration Code, and ODA Laws and Rules (Red Book) for additional rules that pertain to all 4-H/FFA livestock projects, shows, and sale.
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SICKNESS/DEATH OF ANIMAL RULES

If a project animal dies after tag-in and prior to project completion and the member does not have another project animal to exhibit, the member will be permitted to receive premium money (\$7.00) if they participate in Skill-a-thon. There will be no substitution of an unidentified animal not tagged at the designated tag in.

****Rabbits/Chickens** – if a rabbit or chicken dies after the market show, you still may sale your single rabbit or chicken. A pen (2) of rabbits or chickens is required to participate in the market class. Showmanship is still required with the single rabbit or chicken.

If Market Rabbit and Chicken exhibitors only have one remaining junior fair tagged/identified animal at time of fair, exhibitors are permitted to bring their single entry to the fair during designated weigh-in time to house at the fair and participate in showmanship. The single entry will not be permitted to show in the market show or sell at the Livestock Sale.

If project animal is deemed ineligible to sell at the county fair by the fair vet due to health concerns or death, but the exhibitor has completed their quality and showmanship show, the exhibitor may enter the sell ring for sale premium bid with fairboard approval.

ODA Rule 901-19-05: Responsibilities of an exhibition sponsor

This is a mandatory rule.

Every sponsor of an exhibition shall appoint a person as its records official. The records official shall receive and maintain the drug use notification forms. The records official shall reject any drug use notification form that is incomplete, illegible, or unsigned.

Prior to the start of an exhibition the sponsor shall establish a method of identifying each animal in a terminal, partial terminal, and non-terminal show and maintain a chain of custody for each market livestock animal from the show through consignment to either slaughter or a licensed facility for sale.

JUNIOR FAIR LIVESTOCK SALE

ODA Rule 901-19-02: Types of Shows; slaughter

This is a mandatory rule.

In summary, Lawrence County enforces this rule with the following **Junior Livestock Sale** expectations and regulations:

1. The Lawrence County Market exhibitions are a partial-terminal show and terminal sale. Exhibitors will only be permitted to sell one market project, with the exception of grand and reserve champions, through the county junior fair sale. To clarify:
 - a. A partial terminal show means Grand and Reserve must sell and be harvested when released from exhibition. According to ODA 901-19-02 (D): The livestock shall be consigned to slaughter either at the conclusion of the show or immediately following the exhibition. With the exception of grand and reserve, exhibitors may submit a drop slip to withdrawal their market project from the sale. Please see fair schedule for deadlines.
 - b. A terminal sale means all animals sold through the sale must be harvested or sent to a recognized market, as indicated by the buyer. [No animal sold through the sale can be donated back to the exhibitor].
 - c. Per ODA all Champions/Reserve Champions must sell, if an exhibitor wins more than one grand and/or reserve then all will sell. Exhibitor will receive all the proceeds. of one champion/reserve, market value

plus 50% of overage of 2nd champion/reserve, and market value plus 25% of overage for the third. The remainder goes into a scholarship fund to be used the following year.

- d. Any market project except for grand or reserve, can be removed from the sale order, so long as a Market Sale Drop Slip is completed and turned in by the identified deadline. If the exhibitor does not turn in a Market Sale Drop Slip and the market project is not in the sale, the animal will be consigned to market and the exhibitor will receive market price, no exceptions. Market Sale Drop Slips must be turned in by designated specie deadlines. Rabbits and chickens continue to sell as a pen, not as individual stock, and unless withdrawn from the sale will be sent to harvest.
- e. Failure to complete a Market Sale Drop Slip will result in the exhibitors highest placing animal going through the sale and all others going to market for market price.
- f. For any year the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) requires a terminal show, the state requirement will take precedent over any local county conflicting rules.

2. Order of sale:

- i. Grand Champion and Reserve Champion etc., according to the quality of the animals.
 - ii. Order of sale will be rotated each year. Large animals selling first will be rotated to last the following year followed by same rotation of small animals.
3. The top 10 of each specie is placed by the judge and sales in that order. The Sale order for the remaining animals will be placed in lot order (no placing intended) according to their placing in their respective classes. Lots will start with the next highest placing animal in line from heavy to light weight classes until all qualifying animals have been assigned a sale/lot number.
 4. A fee per animal/pen, as set yearly by the sales committee will be deducted from the exhibitor's sale check for administration fee for sales expenses.
 5. There will be no re-sale of animals during the Junior Fair Sales. Market projects may be sold only once through the sale ring.
 6. There will be no guaranteed price to the exhibitor for their Junior Fair market livestock project animal.
 7. If animals are refused, or discounted by the stockyard/packing house the 4-H member will bear any financial burden associated with this action. The Lawrence County Agricultural Society and/or Sale Committee is not responsible for finding alternative markets for improperly clipped, groomed and/or medicated animals.

Sale payments will be mailed to the address listed on the 4-H/FFA member's enrollment form. If change of address is necessary, you must submit 2 different documents verifying the address change. For example... electric bill and your water bill or any bill and a postmaster verified documentation, etc. If custody or divorce issues have occurred between parents a copy of the current custody order will need to be presented along with documentation of change of address. All sale payments will be issued to the 4-H/FFA member.

The Market Sales Committee is in charge of the operation of the market livestock sale and load out, including the receipt and disbursement of the proceeds of the sale. The Market Sales Committee shall consist of the chairman of the Fair Board Barn Committee, along with 2 other members of the Barn Committee as appointed by the chairman, the chairman of the 4-H Livestock Committee, along with 2 other members of Livestock Committee as appointed by the chairman and two at-large appointments, as appointed by the President of the Fair Board. At-large appointments shall be for a one-year period, with such appoints continuing from year-to-year unless appointment action is otherwise taken by the President of the Fair board. The Market Sales Committee will appoint a Secretary/Treasurer to be in charge of collection and disbursements of sale funds. This person shall be bonded by the Fair Board. The Livestock Committee will cooperate

with the Market Sales Committee regarding the organization and operation of the sale and shall assist in obtaining or providing volunteers with the sale.

LIVESTOCK RULE PENALTIES & APPEALS

ODA Rule 901-19-19 Absolute Liability

This is a mandatory rule.

- (A) Both the exhibitor and the owner of livestock are liable to discipline under rule 901-19-21 of the Administrative Code for presence of an unlawful substance in livestock and unacceptable practices done to livestock.
- (B) If the exhibitor or the owner was a minor child at the time the unlawful substance or unacceptable practice was detected, the parent or guardian of the person shall also be liable to discipline under rule 901-19-21 of the administrative code for the presence of an unlawful substance in livestock and unacceptable practices done to livestock.
- (C) The director or the sponsor when imposing discipline under paragraph (A) of this rule upon a person, may mitigate the discipline imposed based upon one or more of the following facts if established.
 - a. The person did not introduce the unlawful substance into the animal or do any unacceptable practices to the livestock.
 - b. The person had no actual or constructive knowledge that the unlawful substance was introduced into the livestock or that unacceptable practices had been done to the livestock.
 - c. The unlawful substance was not introduced into the livestock and the unacceptable practices were not done to the livestock through the person's negligence.

All Exhibitions must adhere by Lawrence County Junior Livestock General Rules/Regulations and Sale Rules/Regulations in addition to Ohio's Livestock Reform Act, Ohio Department of Agriculture's Administration Code, and ODA Laws & Rules (Red Book) for additional rules that pertain to all 4-H/FFA livestock projects, shows, and sales.

The 4-H Livestock Committee is responsible for interpretation and enforcement of the rules and procedures for all livestock projects until the final weigh-in. Upon the animals entering the fairgrounds, the interpretation and enforcement of the rules regarding livestock projects is under the ultimate control and authority of the Lawrence County Fair Board, its Barn Committee and the official Fair Veterinarian.

The County Extension Professional and Livestock Committee is responsible for the organization and oversight of all shows. Any member effected by the application and enforcement of the rules may request the Barn Committee to review the situation or the action of the Extension Professional and the Livestock Committee.

An exhibitor and/or parent may appeal the decision of the Barn Committee by filing a written notice and posting a \$50.00 appeal fee with the Fair Board Secretary, within ten (10) days of the Barn Committee's decision. During the fair, any appeal should be filed within 24 hours. The fee will be non-refundable unless the Fair Board rules in favor of the appellant. Upon the appeal being filed, the Barn Committee shall submit its findings and decision, along with the recommendation of the Livestock Committee and evidence it deems relevant to the Fair Board Directors. The appellant may present to the Board his/her position and arguments as to why the decision should be changed. The review of the Board will be limited to whether the Committee properly interpreted and applied the rules to the facts and circumstances as the Committee found them to be.

Penalties for violation of the Lawrence County Junior Fair Rules and Regulations will be determined by the following factors, and any other factors deemed applicable, and will not be arbitrary or unreasonable:

- a. Whether the member has committed previous violations;
- b. The severity of the violation;
- c. The potential effect of the violation upon the integrity of the entire Junior Fair Process;
- d. Age and maturity of the member;
- e. The complexity of the rule and its susceptibility to different interpretations;
- f. Whether the act or failure was an attempt to purposely circumvent the rules.

Penalties available will be as follows:

- a. Written warning;
- b. Imposition of fine up to \$50.00 to be deducted from the sale proceeds of the project
- c. Change of position in sale order
- d. Declaration of ineligibility for the animal, project or member for that year;
- e. Disqualification of the member and/or family members involved from participation or assisting in the market projects for up to 3 years;
- f. Lifetime disqualification of member or family members involved from showing, selling or assisting in market projects at the Lawrence County Fair. With a lifetime disqualification, a petition for reinstatement may be filed with the Fair Board after 3 years, and if initially denied, every 5 years thereafter. The Fair Board may seek the recommendation of the Extension Professional and the Livestock Committee before action upon the petition.

Though these penalties may be applied aggressively, such is not mandatory. The initial penalty shall be determined based on the type and severity of the violation. As an alternative or in addition to any of these penalties, the member may be placed on probation for a period of up to 3 years.