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2015 Iowa State Fair 4-H Show Changes/Deadlines

***ALL dates are listed as DEADLINES!! Those tasks listed must be COMPLETED by those dates!***

ALL ANIMALS FOR STATE FAIR MUST BE REGISTERED ONLINE BY JULY 1. More information coming soon!

Those exhibiting at the State Fair are responsible for knowing all dept. rules in the State Fair premium book.

**Market Beef**

- Don’t forget the July 1 online registration deadline!
- December 13 - All animals will be retinal scanned and weighed in. Scan cost is $8.00 per head
  - All animals will be entered by county staff onto 4hOnline ASAP
  - Registered steers must select breed at time of weigh-in or they will show crossbred
- Jan 31 @ 11:59 p.m. - 4-H members MUST go onto 4hOnline and “verify” the weights and Identification information (http://iowa.4honline.com)
- Registered market steers will need to be tattooed by state fair only. Member must have tattoo numbers and original registration papers with them when checking in at state fair.

**Breeding Beef**

- Don’t forget the July 1 online registration deadline!
- May 15 - All animals must be identified on 4hOnline by 4-H members (http://iowa.4honline.com)
  - Registered heifers: registration numbers & birthdates must be entered at time of identification. PENDING registration numbers will NOT be accepted!
- Commercial and Registered heifers must be tattooed. Registered heifers must have registration papers with them at check-in time at state fair.

**Horses**

- Don’t forget the July 1 online registration deadline!
- May 15 - 4-H members MUST identify all horses on 4hOnline (http://iowa.4honline.com). Registration numbers need to be entered at this time.
- Photos must be uploaded to 4hOnline (photos from 2014 are there but need activated for 2015). 4 photos - 1 right side, 1 left side, 1 front, 1 back
- Increase from 2 horses to 3 horses entered per exhibitor.
- When entering classes, members will not need to specify which horse will show in that class until check in at the State Fair.
- Members must bring all paperwork with them to check in. Registration papers, drug affidavits, etc.
- PLEASE read all ID, ownership/leasing rules online. No leasing of halter horses.

**Breeding & Market Sheep**

- Don’t forget the July 1 online registration deadline!
- May 2 - ALL state fair sheep (Market Lambs, Commercial Ewes AND Purebred Ewes) must have 4-H tags and retinal scans. Market lambs will be weighed-in. Retinal scan cost is $8.00 per head
  - Market Lambs, Commercial Ewes, and purebred ewes will be entered by county staff onto 4hOnline ASAP after weigh-in.
- May 15 - 4-H members MUST go onto 4hOnline and “verify” the weights & information (http://iowa.4honline.com)
- No-shear rule: “All market lambs, performance lambs and commercial ewes must be slick shorn upon arrival to the fairgrounds. Animals which are not slick shorn will not be allowed to stall or enter the check-in line. Suggested fleece length for purebred breeding sheep is 1/4 inch with 3/4 inch maximum, with the exception being for wool breeds which have no maximum length.”

**Swine**

- Don’t forget the July 1 online registration deadline!
- March-May - Swine exhibitors must purchase DNA punch tags from the Extension Office ($9/tag), tag their state fair pigs and return the DNA envelopes by May 10 to the Extension Office.
- May 10 - All DNA tags, envelopes, taggers returned to the Extension Office
- May 15 - All animals must be identified on 4hOnline by 4-H members (http://iowa.4honline.com)

**Rabbits & Poultry**

- Don’t forget the July 1 online registration deadline!
- July 1 - Rabbits must have tattoos in the Left Ear and will be identified on 4hOnline by the 4-H member (http://iowa.4honline.com)
- Poultry are not required to be identified on 4hOnline.

**Breeding & Meat Goats**

- Don’t forget the July 1 online registration deadline!
- May 2 - ALL state fair meat goats (wethers AND does) AND breeding does must have retinal scans. Scan cost is $8.00 per head done at weigh-in. Meat Goats MUST have a 4-H tag. Breeding does must have a 4-H tag OR permanent tattoo. Scrapie tags do not count.
- May 15 - 4-H members MUST go onto 4hOnline and “verify” the weights & information (http://iowa.4honline.com)
- New for 2015: Market does and market wethers will show together.
- New for 2015: Entry limit increased from 4 total goats to 6 total coast (max of 4 market or 4 breeding entered)

**Dairy Cattle & Dairy Goats**

- Don’t forget the July 1 online registration deadline!
- May 15 - All animals must be identified on 4hOnline by 4-H members, (http://iowa.4honline.com). Registration # & birthdates required.

**Dogs**

- Don’t forget the July 1 online registration deadline!
- May 15 - All animals must be identified on 4hOnline by 4-H members, (http://iowa.4honline.com)

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