

2022 Required Animal ID by Species

The below table lists the different individual types of animals and their respective form of identification that is required in 4HOnline to be eligible for 4-H animal shows at the Indiana State Fair and County Fair. It is these ID types that are required to be in Indiana 4HOnline by the respective deadline. Any of these IDs that are missing, incomplete or incorrect could result in state fair ineligibility.

BEEF	
Beef and Dairy Beef Steers— <i>State Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID tag and 5 digit county tag and DNA hair sample **
Beef and Dairy Beef Steers— <i>County Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID tag and 5 digit county tag
Commercial Heifers— <i>State Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID tag and 5 digit county tag and DNA hair sample **
Commercial Heifers— <i>County Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID tag and 5 digit county tag
Registered Heifers— <i>State Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID tag and tattoo and DNA hair sample **
Registered Heifers— <i>County Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID tag and tattoo
Cow/Calf	840 RFID tag for both animals
CAT	
Cat – <i>county</i>	Color picture
Cat- <i>state fair</i>	None
DOG	
	None
DAIRY CATTLE	
Dairy Cattle (Registered)- <i>State Fair Rule</i>	Registration number or dam's registration number and 840 RFID tag & DNA Hair Sample **
Dairy Cattle (Registered)- <i>County Fair Rule</i>	Registration number or dam's registration number and 840 RFID tag
Dairy Cattle (Unregistered) (not eligible for State Fair)	840 RFID tag
FEEDER CALF	
Dairy Beef Feeder Calf– <i>State Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID tag and 5 digit county tag and DNA hair sample **
Dairy Beef Feeder Calf– <i>County Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID tag and 5 digit county tag
Beef Feeder Calf– <i>County only project</i>	840 RFID tag and 5 digit county tag
GOATS:	
Meat Goat Does (Registered) - <i>State Fair Rule</i>	Breed Registry Tattoo and DNA Hair Sample
Meat Goat Does (Registered) - <i>County Fair Rule</i>	Breed Registry Tattoo
Market Goat Does (Wether Dams)- <i>State Fair</i>	840 RFID Tag and 5 digit county tag and DNA Hair Sample
Market Goat Does (Wether Dams)- <i>County Fair</i>	840 RFID Tag and 5digit county tag
Meat Goat Wethers— <i>State Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID tag and 5 digit county tag and DNA Hair Sample
Meat Goat Wethers— <i>County Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID tag and 5 digit county tag
Dairy Goat Does (Registered) _	Breed Registry Tattoo
Dairy Goat Does (Not Registered)	Tattoo
Dairy goat wethers	5 digit county tag or Breed Registry Tattoo

Utility Goats—County Only Project	5 digit count tag, Breed Registry tattoo, Official Scrapie Tag with US Shield, Official Scrapie Tattoo or Registration Microchip
Pygmy Goats (registered)	Breed Registry Tattoo or Microchip that Matches Reg. Papers
Pygmy Goats (unregistered)	Official USDA Scrapie Tag or Official Scrapie Tattoo
HORSE AND PONY	Color Picture
LLAMA AND ALPACA	Color picture
POULTRY	None
RABBITS—County Fair Rule	Tattoo
SHEEP:	
Market Lambs— <i>County Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID Tag and 5 digit county tag
Market lambs— <i>State Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID Tag and 5 digit county tag and DNA Hair Sample
Commercial Ewes— <i>County Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID Tag and 5 digit county tag or official scrapies tag
Commercial Ewes— <i>State Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID Tag and 5 digit county tag or official scrapies tag and DNA Hair Sample
Registered Ewes— <i>County Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID Tag and ID that matches registration papers
Registered Ewes— <i>State Fair Rule</i>	840 RFID Tag and ID that matches registration papers and DNA Hair Sample
Rams- <i>county only project</i>	Farm/flock tag
Swine	
Swine Barrows & Gilts- <i>county rule</i>	Ear notch and *840 RFID tag
Swine Barrows & Gilts- <i>State Fair rule</i>	Ear notch and **DNA hair sample and *840 RFID tag
<p>*Note on Swine: 840-RFID tag will be used for County and State Fair Entry purposes, you must enter the 840-RFID tag for each pig on 4HOnline (May 15) and Indiana State Fair (June 1).</p> <p>**Note on Beef, Dairy, Meat Goats, Sheep and Swine: For State Fair, If tag numbers/notches don't match up on the animal with what was put into 4HOnline then DNA hair sample will be used as 2nd form of ID at the cost of the 4-H member. 4-H member will be given benefit of the doubt and allowed to exhibit animal at State Fair since DNA results will not be back by show time. If DNA results show there was not a match in the two samples sent in for testing then awards will be forfeited.</p> <p>Additional Note on Hair DNA Samples: Go to https://extension.purdue.edu/4h/Pages/animal-id.aspx to find a how-to video on how to collect DNA hair samples.</p>	