

Dear 4-H Sheep Member,

April 10, 2023

**SHEEP PROJECT INFORMATION**

4-H Sheep enrollment procedures are the same online procedure as last year. Please see detailed information below. Please use a 2023 Sheep **WORKSHEET** to assist you with enrollment which is on the website.

4-H exhibitors may not identify more than thirty (30) sheep.

**SHEEP TAGGING DAY: May 7<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-3:45 PM & May 10<sup>th</sup> from 6 -7 PM**  
**Hancock County Fairgrounds, 620 Apple Street**

**ALL LAMBS MUST BE TAGGED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A SHEEP COMMITTEE MEMBER**

In order for market lambs to be eligible to compete in the rate of gain (which lamb gained the most weight), they must be weighed and recorded at one of the tagging days.

It is **IMPORTANT** that you complete these sections of the **sheep worksheet**.

1. Member's information.
2. The breed, gender, date of birth of the animal, and flock tag number on registered ewes. Farm flock tags can be used for commercial ewes or they can be tagged with a 5 digit county tag. (Do not list a tag number for market lambs as you will enter that information from the 5 digit county tag that is put in the ear).

**\*\*NOTE:** To exhibit beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry and rabbits, 4-H members must be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training or YQCA ([yqcaprogram.org](http://yqcaprogram.org)). If you complete the YQCA program please provide your completion certificate to the Purdue Extension- Hancock County Office.

**ONLINE ENROLLMENT PROCEDURES**

**All** 4-H sheep enrollment must be completed online at <https://v2.4honline.com>. Please refer to the instruction sheet on the website as to how to enroll your sheep online in the 4-H data system. Step-by-step online instructions and a sheep worksheet are posted at [Hancock County 4-H Home \(purdue.edu\)](http://Hancock County 4-H Home (purdue.edu)) under Animal Enrollment Information-Sheep Tab. Online enrollment **must be completed** by May 15 in order for you to exhibit at the Hancock County Fair and/or the Indiana State Fair.

Premise ID #'s are needed for online enrollment. To obtain a Premise ID number or with questions regarding a Premise ID number, contact BOAH at 317-544-2381 or go online to: <https://secure.in.gov/boah/2642.htm> to obtain a number. Premise ID's are linked to the physical address of where your animals are located. It is the law to obtain a Premise ID. Your **premise ID number** is needed to enroll online.

**4-H Online Reminders- Animal ID**

For County Only animals where it requires the RFID Tag, you must put in 15- 0's to be able to proceed. For example Sheep not going to State Fair will not need to be tagged with RFID tags to be identified in 4HOnline, but in order to be entered into the 4HOnline system they will be required to fill in this field to continue. Enter all 0's to continue.

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**HANCOCK COUNTY FAIR INFORMATION**

Sheep arrival for the Hancock County 4-H Fair is **June 27, 7:00 AM- 10:00 AM**. The sheep show will begin **June 28 at 8:00 AM**

**Sheep will be released 30 minutes after Supreme Showmanship or 11 PM whichever is later.**

Health papers are not required in the State of Indiana to exhibit livestock at 4-H fairs. The 4-H Ag Association is not requiring health papers to exhibit at the Hancock County 4-H Fair. Local veterinarians or other designated individuals will be at our 4-H Fair to visually check animals before unloading. If they find an animal to be unhealthy, the animal will not be allowed to unload and exhibit at the county 4-H fair. We have had local veterinarians do a visual check the past several years so this is not a new process.

**FAIR ENTRY INFORMATION**


Also, as in past years, the next step will be to enter the animals into the Fair Entry system which must be completed by **June 1**. This is where you are designating which animals you are bringing to the Hancock County Fair and in what class you are entering them (e.g. a crossbred ewe lamb may be entered as either a commercial ewe lamb or a market lamb - but not both). These entries must be completed at <https://hancock.fairentry.com/> by June 1.

**INDIANA STATE FAIR INFORMATION**

Completing 4-H Animal ID online is not the equivalent of entering 4-H Animal Shows at the Indiana State Fair. **A separate online entry is required for state fair exhibition.** For the most up-to-date information, go to: <http://www.indianastatefair.com/state-fair/competitionscontests/4-h-competitions/>

ALL Sheep going to the State Fair must have a **DNA Hair Sample** turned into the office by May 15<sup>th</sup>. They must also be tagged with an **840 RFID tag** which will be available for purchase on ID Day for \$2 a tag.

Sincerely,



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