

# LIVESTOCK AUCTION RULES

## Barn Superintendent:

1. All livestock sold in the auction are released when sold on Thursday. All beef, sheep, swine, goats, pigeons, rabbits, and poultry not in the auction are released 30 minutes after the completion of their perspective show.
2. **A 4-H member is limited to one entry in the 4-H livestock auction.** Therefore, he/she may sell 1 barrow or 1 gilt or 1 steer or 1 market lamb or 1 goat wether or 1 rabbit meat pen or 1 poultry exhibit or 1 quart of goat's milk.
3. Barrows, steers, and market lambs will be sold per pound. Goat wethers, goat milk, rabbits and poultry exhibits will be sold as announced by the auctioneer.
4. A 4-H member must show his/her own animal in respective show to be eligible to sell that animal in the 4-H auction unless otherwise approved according to rule #8 (livestock rules). The animal must be shown in a regular specie class. Showmanship classes do not count as being shown in the respective specie show.
5. A 4-H member must sell his/her own animal unless: **1.** exhibitor is ill or **2.** an emergency situation has arisen. (An emergency is an unforeseen situation that arises and makes it impractical or impossible to expect the exhibitor, in fairness, to sell the animal. Conflicts in extra-curricular schedules, activities and events are not emergencies.) In case of emergency, the project superintendent, the barn superintendent, and the Extension Educator must all approve. In the preceding cases only, the exhibitor may have the animal sold by another Howard County 4-H Club member but must have approval from the 4-H Extension Educator.
6. The sale weight of steers, barrows, and wethers will be the same as the weigh-in weight that is used to determine classes. **(Exception: The overweight barrows or gilts over 290 pounds that sell in the 4-H Auction will be sold for 290 pounds regardless of their actual weight.)**
7. Auction entry will be submitted to the Extension Educator by 8 PM Wednesday night in the office of the Lead Center. Failure to turn in entry will forfeit auction placement, and the animal will be sold at the end of its species.
8. All species will sell in the following order: Overall Grand Champion, Overall Reserve Grand Champion, 10-year members in species, 10-year members overall, then random. Member may only sell as Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion if selling the animal that won. Breed Champions will be recognized aloud during the sale.
9. To be eligible to sell early in the auction line-up for having a breed champion, the 4-H member **MUST** sell the animal they received the honor with.
10. The animals will sell in the following order for:
  - a. 2024: beef, sheep, goats, poultry, rabbits, swine
  - b. 2025: rabbits, beef, sheep, goats, poultry, swine
  - c. 2026: poultry, rabbits, beef, sheep, goats, swine
  - d. 2027 sheep, goats, poultry, rabbits, beef, swine
11. It is **highly** suggested that all 4-H members exhibiting livestock wear appropriate clothing while exhibiting their animals which **includes close-toed shoes**. Please see the *Recommended 4-H Livestock Show Attire* publication.
12. Every animal or item sold in the Howard County 4-H Auction will not be returned to exhibitor or family. Any item not wanted by the buyer will become property of the Greentown Lions Club Auction Committee.
13. A 4-H member owns the animal until it is announced sold by the auctioneer. The animal then becomes the

property of the buyer.

14. After buyer indicates what is to be done with animal, it must be immediately loaded or leave the fairgrounds.
15. Any violation of the above rule will result in the involved family being banned from showing that project the following year(s).
16. 4-H animals sold or offered for sale privately or at public auction after the enrollment deadline shall not be eligible for future 4-H shows.
17. 4-H members whose animal may be determined to have violated guidelines in regards to withdrawal times of antibiotics or by use of illegal substances may be imposed penalties as outlined in the Determination or Violation of Rules and Regulations of the Howard County 4-H program.
18. There is a market check-off program for many species that requires the seller to contribute. This applies to 4-H fair livestock auctions. In order to keep from charging a fee or having a deduction from the check of 4-H members selling livestock in the Howard County Auction, the Auction Committee of the Greentown Lions Club has agreed to pay these charges.