

2024 SKAMANIA YOUTH MARKET EXHIBIT RULES

(Addendum to Livestock Rules)

1. To participate in the Market Project the exhibitor must meet the age equivalent of the 4-H Junior, Intermediate or Senior age groups. Exhibitors may also meet Alumni Requirements outlined below. Cloverbuds and Open Youth equivalent of the Cloverbud exhibitor age group are not allowed to participate in the Market Project.
2. All market projects are expected to be cared for and made market-ready by the exhibitor.
3. Skamania Youth Market Sale Alumni Class Program Participants:
 - Are eligible if they are currently attending college or an accredited vocational school.
 - Must meet all requirements of youth market exhibitors, excluding age.
 - May designate up to one (1) project animal and one (1) alternative.
 - Will be judged after the youth exhibitors have been judged, in each species.
 - Class position in the sale will follow the same species youth exhibitor class.
4. The Market Sale is not a place to experiment. Animals are judged based on the current National Market. We do not exhibit exotic or niche animal types. Exhibitors should be aware that if they decide to show a breed that does not produce the yield types expected by a national standard then they will be judged utility, receive a white ribbon and not sell.
5. Market animals must grade as choice/blue, select/red or standard/white. Judges' decisions are final. Utility Grade Yellow ribbon market animals will not sell.
6. Exhibitors are expected to participate in herdsmanship in each area they have a project. They should meet the standard set by the area superintendents. Exhibitors failing to meet those standards will risk not being able to participate in the market sale with their animal(s).
7. All animals consigned to the Market Sale are owned by the Market Sale Committee once allowed into the Fair. They will remain under the care of the exhibitor until loaded onto the hauler's vehicle.
8. Market Animals will not be allowed to show in the breeding classes.
9. Animals, other than swine, tagged for market may be re-designated as exhibited breeding animals, if there is an existing breed class for the animal, with superintendent approval.
10. Swine breed animals will not be housed or shown. Replacement animals for State Fair are allowed for those exhibitors, only, due to the terminal nature of this project in our county. Intent to attend State Fair must be declared to the 4-H office and livestock superintendents at the time of registration via email.
11. Only three market lots may be tagged at spring weigh-ins or tag-ins. The total includes beef, sheep, swine, goats or pens of rabbits/poultry/ducks. All registered animals must be weighed at pre-fair and fair weigh in. Exhibitors who raise their animal on the same farm may share/swap the back up lot as long as all exhibitors have at least one animal weighed in in that species.
12. All changes to the registered lot are at the discretion of the area superintendent and livestock superintendent and must be reported as soon as known.
13. Intermediate and Senior Exhibitors may only market two animals/pens. Juniors are limited to one pen/animal. Juniors are not permitted to bring a market beef project
14. The Market Sale committee will weigh the animals at fair check-in. This will be the official weight for the Market Sale. The Skamania County market scale is certified to plus or minus 1%. In order to sell, market animals must meet the following requirements:
 - ✓ **Beef** 1000 pounds minimum, 2 lb daily rate of gain
 - ✓ **Sheep** 100 to 150 pounds, 0.4 lb daily rate of gain
 - ✓ **Swine** 220 pounds to 300 pounds, 1 ½ lb daily rate of gain
 - ✓ **Goat** 70 pounds minimum, 0.2 lb daily rate of gain
 - ✓ **Chickens** Pen of three, same breed, 4 pounds each (purchased from Market Committee).
 - ✓ **Turkeys** Single rooster hen (min 15 pounds), or Tom (min 20 pounds) (purchased from Market Committee).
 - ✓ **Ducks** Pen of three, same breed, 5 pounds each (purchased from Market Committee)
 - ✓ **Rabbits** Pen of three, same breed, same variety (color), 4-6 pounds each, no more than 12 weeks oldA meat pen consists of three of the same breed meat type rabbits of either sex. Exhibitors of Market Rabbit must own and have the dam or dams in their possession by May 1st of the current year. All

rabbits must be fed and cared for by the exhibitor. Rabbits will be tagged on the designated date.

- Note: Animals that do not gain weight between weigh-in and fair or appear malnourished in any way will be disqualified.
15. Fair activities are public events and therefore animals brought to the fairgrounds for **any** activity, fair or pre-fair, including weigh-ins, must be clean and presentable to the public. This does not mean "show-ready" but all loose dirt or other matter shall be cleaned off prior to arrival. It is understood that some soiling will occur during transport. Tags will always be clean and readable. Failure to follow this rule will result in deductions of herdsmanship points at fair.
 16. Market animals not meeting weight requirements will be removed from the scale. The animal must be reweighed before the scale closes for their species.
 17. If a market project does not make weight and/or fails to meet the daily rate of gain the project will be sent home. If the market project is the exhibitor's only project the animal can stay and be used for showmanship only. Swine are exempt from this rule because it is a terminal project and cannot stay at the Fair if it does not meet market sale requirements. The exhibitor may still be allowed to show another exhibitor's animal for full premium if both exhibitors agree and approval is made through the swine superintendent. Animals allowed to stay for showmanship that do not meet the market sale requirements will not be allowed to sell at the market sale. All questions or discrepancies will be submitted to the Livestock Committee Chair(s). Decisions of the Chair(s) are final and binding.
 18. Selling or attempting to sell any animals on the fairgrounds during fair except at the Market Sale is prohibited. Members found engaging in this activity will forfeit all premium and sale money.
 19. There will be a maximum 5% deduction from gross sales as determined by the Fair Board to pay expenses.
 20. Market Sale exhibitors will adhere to the minimum dress code outlined in the Livestock Rules under Dress Code, although exhibitors may "dress up" for the sale.
 21. Each exhibitor must lead or drive his own livestock through the sales ring unless specifically excused by their superintendent.
 22. On Market Sale day, a Mandatory - Market Exhibitor meeting will be held at a time to be announced during which the sale will be discussed in detail
 23. No proxy bidding by the committee will occur. Checks received will be treated as a boost **bid** only.
 24. In fairness to all exhibitors, no gifts will be given to any buyer or prospective buyer during the entirety of the fair; including before, during or following the actual Market Sale by an individual exhibitor, parent or club, during the fair. We encourage exhibitors that wish to give a gift to visit the buyer in person following the end of the fair.
 25. If any carcass is deemed unacceptable and therefore condemned for any reason by USDA meat inspection standards, the exhibitor will not receive payment and sale monies will be returned to the buyer.
 26. Resale, **if offered**, is open to exhibitors, their parents, this year's buyers, fair board and staff.
 27. All Market Sale checks will be issued when enough funds have been deposited in the Market Sale Account.
 28. All questions or discrepancies will be submitted to the Livestock Committee Chair(s). Decisions of the Chair(s) are final and binding.
 29. **All exhibitors must sign the National Show Ring Code of Ethics. Market Exhibitors must sign the Livestock Exhibitor Rules.**

Our signatures indicate that we understand and will abide by these rules as enumerated 1 - 29.

Exhibitor

Parent/Guardian