

TRINITY COUNTY PUBLICATION 4H27

MARKET ANIMAL LIVESTOCK AGREEMENT

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NAME _____ AGE _____ CLUB _____

Species of animal you plan to sell		
Number of each animal or meat pen		

(Please note: You may sell a maximum of 2 animals, only one of which can be a steer. Meat pens of 3 rabbits, 3 poultry, or 1 turkey, count as one animal.)

TO THE PARENTS:

Please read the following livestock rules carefully with your 4-H youth and **RETURN A SIGNED COPY TO THE 4-H OFFICE BY MAY 1ST**, so that we know your child has permission to participate in a market animal project and he or she understands what is required. **THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY THE MEMBER, PARENT, AND PROJECT LEADER, AND TURNED IN TO THE 4-H OFFICE TO SELL AN ANIMAL AT THE FAIR AS A 4-H MEMBER.** Members and parents should also know the general 4-H Livestock Rules and Regulations (TC#4H26) adopted by the 4-H Leaders' Council (copies are available from the 4-H Office or on the county 4-H website). **Please refer to the current Trinity County Fair Premium Book and the State Rules for California Fairs booklet for further information.**

PLEASE NOTE: MEMBERS MUST TURN IN A 4-H RECORD BOOK TO THE 4-H OFFICE AT THE END OF THE 4-H YEAR IN ORDER TO SELL AN ANIMAL AS A 4-H MEMBER THE FOLLOWING YEAR. MEMBERS MUST PARTICIPATE IN A SHOWMANSHIP CLASS AT THE FAIR WITH THE SPECIES OF MARKET ANIMAL(S) THEY ARE SELLING.

THE FOLLOWING ARE TRINITY COUNTY 4-H REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE MET IN ORDER TO SELL AN ANIMAL AT THE JR. LIVESTOCK AUCTION AS A 4-H MEMBER – READ CAREFULLY:

1. **Attendance requirement:** Members **MUST** attend 80% of **both Market Animal Project meetings and Club meetings held each 4-H year.**
2. **Project Report:** All junior exhibitors must have project management records and proof of supervision available to show that ownership and care requirements have been met. A **copy** of an up-to-date Project Report must be turned in to your project leader before they sign your livestock entry form. The project leaders' signature indicates the member has fulfilled the terms of this agreement and is a member in good standing. Project instruction must include ethics training. (A video is available at the 4-H Office and from the club leaders).
3. **Care of Animals:** Junior Exhibitors are expected to groom and care for their animal(s) for the duration of the fair. They are to refrain from accepting active assistance from adults and non-exhibiting youth unless the junior exhibitor is actively engaged, and the assistance is only for instruction. If your animal is kept off your property, you must be in charge of and **care** for the animal at least once daily during the ownership period. Members may be absent from their project a maximum of 15 days during the period of mandatory ownership.
4. **Dress Code:** 4-H members **MAY** show Market animals in **complete** 4-H uniform. See the Fair Premium book for minimum standards of dress for junior exhibitors. If the member elects to wear the 4-H uniform, the **complete** uniform must be worn. Purchased "showmanship" jackets may not be worn during any judging or showmanship.

5. **Entry Forms:** It is the responsibility of the member to send in their fair entry forms with all required signatures by the fair due date. Project leader and parent/guardian signature on the entry form certifies that: Projects have been under their supervision in accordance with the rules and regulations of the 4-H organization and the fair; and that the entry is the project of the exhibitor and is eligible for exhibit.
6. **Supervision at Fair:** All junior exhibitors must be supervised by a responsible adult while at the fair.
7. **Buyers' Picture:** All junior livestock exhibitors intending to sell at the Auction must participate in the taking of Buyer Placard Photos at the time scheduled by the Junior Livestock Committee and/or Fair Management to be eligible to participate in the Auction. Please comply with current year photo shoot schedule.
8. **Thank you letters:** 4-H members must either mail or hand-deliver a thank you letter or card to their buyers within one week of the Auction.
9. **Market Standards:** Your animal must meet market ready standards as determined by the conformation judge for each species.
10. **Livestock Field Day Attendance:** It is recommended that you attend at least one livestock field day during the project year. A field day held in another county is acceptable.
11. **Ownership Requirements:** Animals must be under the care and ownership of the 4-H member for the period of time as follows:

BEEF..... at least 120 days prior to weigh-in
SWINE..... at least 60 days prior to weigh-in
SHEEP..... at least 60 days prior to weigh-in
TURKEYS.....at least 30 days prior to weigh-in
POULTRY..... at least 30 days prior to weigh-in
RABBITS..... at least 30 days prior to weigh-in

WEIGH-IN FOR ALL ANIMALS IS WEDNESDAY OF FAIR WEEK
 (see current premium book for schedule)
LIVESTOCK SALE IS SATURDAY OF FAIR WEEK

In signing this agreement I verify that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the requirements listed in this document, those in Trinity County Publication 4H 26 - "LIVESTOCK RULES AND REGULATIONS", the current Trinity County Fair Premium Book, and the current "State Rules for California Fairs".

 (Member's Signature)

 (Date)

 (Parent's Signature)

 (Date)

 (Project Leader's Signature)

 (Date)

The Project Leader's signature on this form and on the fair entry form verifies that: the member has had the sole responsibility for the care and feeding of the animal(s) entered, has had adequate training, including ethics training, has met the minimum of 80% attendance requirement at project and club meetings, and has fulfilled the legal ownership requirements.