

## **Hookstown Fair Junior Market Livestock Rules**

### **General Rules**

1. The Beaver County Stockman's Club, Inc. will be the Sanctioning Body of the Junior Market Livestock Sale at the Hookstown Fair.
2. The Junior Market Livestock Show and Sale is open to boys and girls who are 7-21 years of age on January 1st of the year of the show and sale. (Children of age 7 are not eligible to enter a steer project). All youth must be a member of the sanctioning body of the Junior Market Livestock Show and Sale. Youth belonging to 4-H clubs or FFA Chapters must abide by their respective organizations' rules regarding age and eligibility.
3. To be eligible for the Junior Market Livestock Sale: all animals must be entered in the Hookstown Fair and shown in the appropriate market livestock class, as determined by the final weigh-in and meet all the requirements of the sanctioning body of the Junior Market Livestock Sale. All animals must carry Official Program Identification as outlined by the sanctioning body.
4. All Junior Market Livestock Show animals must meet weight restrictions as outlined by the sanctioning body. Animals that do not meet the weight restrictions must be taken home immediately after weigh-in; unless this is the only animal the exhibitor has for showmanship.
5. Animals that do not show in the appropriate classes as listed within the Hookstown Fair Open Junior Market Livestock class listing will not be eligible to sell in the Junior Market Livestock Sale.
6. The care of each animal, including feeding, watering, cleaning up the animal and animal's area will be the responsibility of the owner of the animal until the animal is shipped for harvest.
7. Each animal will be shown/sold by its owner. If the owner is unable to present the animal for show/sale for a legitimate reason, another junior exhibitor may be designated to show/sell the animal. This substitution must be approved by the show/sale committee.
8. Each junior exhibitor will be limited to entering, showing and selling four (4) projects in the Hookstown Fair Junior Market Livestock show and sale.
9. Species eligible for the Junior Market Livestock show and sale:
  - Farmyard: Steers, Hogs, Lambs, and Meat Goats
  - Backyard: Meat Rabbits, Meat Chickens, and Turkey
10. A project is defined as a Steer, two (2) Hogs, two (2) Lambs, two (2) Meat Goats, a pen of three (3) Meat Rabbits, 1 Turkey, and a pen of three (3) Meat Chickens.

11. These four (4) Junior Livestock projects are limited to:  
Three (3) Farmyard projects and One (1) Backyard project.  
Two (2) Farmyard projects and Two (2) Backyard projects.  
One (1) Farmyard project and Three (3) Backyard projects.  
A maximum of Two (2) projects per any One (1) species  
If a child signs up for a full project of any species, that child can then sign up for a single animal of one of the three (2 animal pen projects). Those projects would be hogs, lambs, goats. At that point a child would be able to bring a single hog, lamb, or goat as a second project.
12. Each junior exhibitor is required to assist with promotional, show and sale related activities as designated by the show/sale committee.
13. At the Hookstown Fair all fitting of the projects must be done by the junior exhibitor. owning the project, an immediate family member or a leader of the Junior's representative Club.
14. Only the Junior exhibitors with their projects will be permitted in the ring while the show is in progress. It is strongly recommended that no coaching be given from the outside of the ring as this tends to distract the Junior exhibitor and the ring crew. This also helps the junior exhibitor to focus on the judge and the judge's instructions and questions. exception: if the judge asks for assistance due to circumstances. (ex. Lift Turkey)
15. Juniors exhibiting Market livestock are required to help set up and clean up the area where their projects are to be housed, shown and sold during the Hookstown Fair. Failure to have representation during setup and clean up may result in a \$50 deduction from your Junior Market Livestock Sale check. This decision will be at the discretion of the show/sale committee.
16. The show/sale committee shall be comprised of the following: leader of participating 4-H clubs or leaders of participating open market livestock clubs. These leaders shall have all qualifying State clearances to work with minors as required by their respective club/organization. The number of members on the committee from each participating Club shall be proportional to the number of livestock projects each Club has showing and selling at the Hookstown fair. This shall be limited to one (1) Committee Member per up to twenty (20) livestock projects. Ex. 5 livestock projects- 1 show/sale committee member; 21 livestock projects- 2 show/sale committee members)
17. The Hookstown Fair Junior Market Livestock rules shall be reviewed in a meeting held in the month of September. Representatives from each participating Club will be allowed to have representation present during the meeting. Suggestions will be accepted and discussed during this meeting for improvement to the rules for the next year.

18. The final weigh-in date for all projects will be held on Sunday or Monday of the Hookstown Fair. The weigh-in time to be announced.
19. By entering, all youth agree to follow all Health requirements set forth by the Hookstown Fair Inc. and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

### **Beef/Sheep/Swine/Goats**

1. The animal/s must be under the ownership and care of the club member as follows:
  1. Beef Cattle- only beef breed steer calves will be accepted. It is recommended that Steers for the show be born between January and May proceeding the current project year. Weigh-in date is Saturday before Thanksgiving from 8-10 AM. Suggested weight range is 400 to 750 lb.
  2. Swine- Barrows and Gilts. Weigh- in date: First Saturday in May. Time: 8 AM – 10 AM. It is recommended that the hogs be born in February of the current weigh-in year. Suggested weight range is 40- 85 pounds. Ideal weight at weigh – in is 60 pounds.
  3. Lambs- Wethers or Ewes. Weigh-in date: First Saturday in May. Time: 8AM – 10AM. Suggested weight range is 45 – 85 pounds. All lambs must have a scrapie ID prior to weigh- in.
  4. Goats- Wethers or Does (Meat goat breeds only). Weigh – in date: First Saturday in May. Time: 8 AM – 10 AM. Suggested weight range is 40-50 pounds. (Meat goats only) All goats must have a scrapie ID prior to weigh –in.
2. All animals will be tagged at weigh-in with a sequential visual tag denoting the program. Steers and Hogs will be tagged with an 840 US coded official EID.
3. Weigh-in/tagging will be at the Hookstown Fair Grounds.
4. All animals must be castrated (for Males), Dehorned, and/or disbudded prior to weigh-in/tagging date.
5. All steers must be halter broke before weigh-in. They must be led across weigh scales.
6. To be eligible to show and sell at the Hookstown Fair the minimum and maximum weights are:
 

Steers	950-1600 lbs.	Pen of Chickens	20-40 lbs.
Swine	200-320 lbs.	Turkey	18-55 lbs.
Lambs	90-160 lbs.	Goats	60-125 lbs.
7. All Lambs must be slick shorn before show dates.
8. All animals must be of marketable quality as determined by the show/sale committee.

## **Meat Rabbits**

1. Rabbits to be entered in a meat pen must be owned and raised by the youth entering the project.
2. Only the following commercial breeds or crosses of these 18 breeds will be accepted: American Sable, French Angora, Giant Angora, Satin Angora, Blanc de Hotot, Silver Fox, Champagne d'Argent, Californian, Cinnamon, American Chinchilla, Silver Marten, Creme d'Argent, French Lop, Harlequin, New Zealand, Palomino, Rex, Satin
3. Meat pens must consist of three (3) rabbits of the same breed and variety. Rabbits may be different sexes.
4. Does and breeding buck(s) of litters to be verified for meat pens must be designated project animals owned by the youth entering the pen. Rabbit project designation forms, including ear tattoo numbers, identifying does and bucks bred for the production of meat pen litters must be submitted to the youth's respective club by the close of business on May 1st of the current year.
5. Meat pen entries must be at least 8 weeks (54 days) of age, but not more than 12 weeks (70 days) of age by opening day for the Hookstown Fair.
6. Meat pen entries must weigh more than 12 lb. and not more than 25 lb. on weigh-in date of the Hookstown Fair.
7. Individual rabbits do not have to be litter mates, but must be from verified, approved litters. Litter verification must take place within 2 weeks of birth. Litter verification must be made by a leader of the youth's respective club.
8. Litter verification sheets must accompany each entry. Entries will not be accepted without approved paperwork.
9. Entries showing signs of illness or disease at weigh-in will not be accepted. They must be removed from the grounds.

## **Poultry Projects**

1. Pen of meat chickens shall consist of three Broiler hens.
2. A turkey project exhibit is one Tom turkey.
3. All meat pen chickens and turkey shown at the Hookstown Fair must be from the same chick pool or turkey pool.
  1. Chick pool female chicks will be from a certified hatchery. Chicks will be ordered for each designated poultry member/family approximately 10 to 12 weeks prior to weigh in day at the fair, by the Sanctioning Body of the Junior Market Livestock Sale at the Hookstown Fair.
  2. Turkeys will be from a certified Hatchery. Turkeys will be ordered for each designated poultry project member/ family approximately 18 to 20 weeks prior

to the weigh-in day at the fair, by the Sanctioning Body of the Junior Market Livestock Sale at the Hookstown Fair.

4. A pen of chickens must weigh a minimum of 20 pounds and a maximum of 40 pounds at weigh-in. Turkeys must weigh a minimum of 18 pounds and a maximum of 55 pounds at weigh-in. Any birds not meeting these weight requirements will not be penned and must be removed from the fairgrounds.
5. Poultry project order forms will be shared with members signed up for poultry projects.
6. All birds will be banded for identification when bled before fair.
7. All poultry projects must be clean, healthy and free from any deformities for these may be grounds for disqualification.
8. Each member will be responsible for fitting and exhibiting birds. Owners must care for their own birds during the week of the fair.
9. Feed, feeders and waterers will be supplied by the owners for their birds during the week of the fair.

## **Sale**

1. The Beaver County Stockman's Club, Inc. will be the Sanctioning Body of the Junior Market Livestock Sale at the Hookstown Fair.
2. All youth wishing to sell animals through the Junior Market Livestock Sale at the Hookstown Fair must be a member or associate member of the Sanctioning body.
3. An Associate Membership Form and Fee must be filled out and paid when animals are unloaded at the Hookstown Fair Grounds.

Associate Member Fees are \$50.00 across the board.

Pen Fee- Steer \$50.00

Pen Fee- Hogs \$25.00

Pen Fee- Lambs \$25.00

Pen Fee- Goats \$25.00

Pen Fee- Turkeys \$15.00

Pen Fee- Chickens \$10.00

Pen Fee- Rabbits \$10.00

Pen Fees will be deducted out of the members check.

4. A three percent (3%) deduction will be taken from each project sold to cover Sale expenses, and also Lamb, Hog, and Beef checkoff.
5. All youth, by entering a project in the Junior Market Livestock Show and Sale, agree to abide by all rules set forth by the Sanctioning body of the Junior Market Livestock Show and Sale, and Hookstown Fair Inc.
6. By entering a project all youth agree to follow all health requirements set forth by the Hookstown Fair Inc. and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.