

Benton County Livestock News



Indiana 4-H Mission

The Indiana 4-H Youth Development mission is to provide real-life educational opportunities that develop young people who will have a positive impact in their communities and the world.

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Checklist

- Enroll into 4HOnline for your project(s)
- Have possession and ownership of your animal(s) by May 15
- Go to beef, goat, &/or sheep weigh-in pre-fair
- Obtain Premise ID
- Enter animal ID into 4HOnline by May 15th
- Complete 4-H QLC or YQCA
- Enter animals into FairEntry by deadline on June 23
- Complete the Record Sheet and turn it in at the fair to your Barn Superintendent at check-in
- Go to beef, goat, sheep, &/or swine weigh-in at the fair



IMPORTANT

If your 4HOnline Enrollment status does not say "Approved" then you **will not** be able to register your animals for the fair. Please check your status and take the necessary steps to complete your 4-H enrollment.



ANIMAL ENROLLMENT

DUE MAY 15

Beef, Goat, Horse & Pony, Rabbit, Sheep and Swine members must complete **4HOnline** animal enrollment.

Poultry will need to turn in their paper enrollment to the office by June 15th. This is the only project that will turn in a paper enrollment form.

PREMISE ID

Required for Beef, Goats, Sheep and Swine Exhibitors

To apply for a Premise ID through the Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH) go to their website, www.in.gov/boah or call (877) 747-3038.

ANIMAL POSTERS

If you are planning to complete a poster instead of showing an animal, you will enroll your poster into FairEntry by June 23.

SHOWMANSHIP

If you are going to participate in Showmanship for your animal specie, you **must** enroll on FairEntry.

OWNERSHIP/LEASING QUESTIONS???

Which animal projects allow leasing?
*The only project in Benton County that allows leasing is **Horse & Pony**.*

All other animal projects require ownership of the animals you will be showing.

Ownership requires that you have legal possession of the animal which includes money or labor exchanged for the value of the animal.

All 4-H members planning to exhibit livestock at the 2024 Benton County Fair are required to complete an in-person Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care training (\$3, sign up in 4HOnline)

OR

Complete online YQCA training (\$12, sign up at yqcaprogram.org). You only need to complete one or the other. If you choose YQCA, you will need to email, mail or drop off your certificate by Monday July 8.

Email: wallpe2@purdue.edu

Mail: Purdue Extension Benton County, 410 S Adeway Rd Suite A, Fowler, IN 47944

Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training

In-person training only

All meetings will be held at the Benton County Annex

Wednesday, May 15th - 6-8 p.m.

Wednesday, June 5th - 6-8 p.m.

Monday, July 8th - 6-8 p.m.

This is the LAST day to be able to complete training before the fair!

BEEF

- ❑ Enroll in 4HOnline by May15th. When you complete your online enrollment please make sure the animal status says "Active." If it says "Incomplete" please enter all necessary information.
- ❑ 4-H Quality Livestock Care or YQCA Training is required to show at the Benton County 4-H Fair and Indiana State Fair.

GOAT

Goat weigh-in and tagging

Wednesday, May 8th, 5:00-7:00pm.

You will need to bring your does & wethers to the fairgrounds to be identified and have tattoos checked. All wether goats will be weighed. Tattoos will be checked on all registered does.

- ❑ Enroll in 4HOnline by May15th. When you complete your online enrollment please make sure the animal status says "Active." If it says "Incomplete" please enter all necessary information.
- ❑ 4-H Quality Livestock Care or YQCA Training is required to show at the Benton County 4-H Fair and Indiana State Fair.

HORSE & PONY

- ❑ Enroll in 4HOnline by May15th. When you complete your online enrollment please make sure the animal status says "Active." If it says "Incomplete" please enter all necessary information.
- ❑ 4HOnline will ask for Animal Lease Agreement, Horse Vaccination Form, and two horse pictures with face and all four feet.

POULTRY

- ❑ Poultry enrollment forms are due by June15. Be sure to list all of your birds that you want eligible to show.
- ❑ NPIP Poultry Exhibitor Form
- ❑ Pullorum-Typhoid Blood Testing - Wednesday, June 19th from 5-7 p.m. at the Benton County Fairgrounds by the Poultry Barn.
- ❑ 4-H Quality Livestock Care or YQCA Training is required to show at the Benton County 4-H Fair and Indiana State Fair.

RABBIT

- ❑ Enroll in 4HOnline by May 15. When you complete your online enrollment please make sure the animal status says "Active." If it says "Incomplete" please enter all necessary information.
- ❑ Rabbit Tattoos - Contact Barn Superintendent, Alex Ardapple or your veterinarian.
- ❑ 4-H Quality Livestock Care or YQCA Training is required to show at the Benton County 4-H Fair and Indiana State Fair.

SHEEP

Sheep weigh-in and tagging

Wednesday, May 8th, 5:00-7:00pm

- ❑ Enroll in 4HOnline by May15. When you complete your online enrollment please make sure the animal status says "Active." If it says "Incomplete" please enter all necessary information.
- ❑ 4-H Quality Livestock Care or YQCA Training is required to show at the Benton County 4-H Fair and Indiana State Fair.

SWINE

- ❑ Enroll in 4HOnline by May15th. When you complete your online enrollment please make sure the animal status says "Active." If it says "Incomplete" please enter all necessary information.
- ❑ Please note, you will need to ear tag your pigs that are going to State Fair with 840-RFID Tags **prior to May 15**, and county only swine will use at least the ear notches that are required in 4-H Online.
- ❑ For ear notches, both ears must have notches to meet enrollment requirements. When enrolling swine on 4HOnline, we recommend you submit pictures of the ear notches of each ear. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Swine Superintendent. Tags and taggers are available at the Extension Office. Please promptly return taggers, as we have a limited amount for everyone to use.
- ❑ **Farrowing date is December 1st.**
- ❑ 4-H Quality Livestock Care or YQCA Training is required to show at the Benton County 4-H Fair and Indiana State Fair.

2024 Indiana 4-H Animal Identification



The following table lists the different animal species and the respective form of identification that is required for a 4-H member to be eligible to show in the 4-H livestock shows at the 2024 Indiana State Fair. The animal ID information must be entered in the Indiana 4-H Online enrollment system by the respective deadlines. Missing, incomplete or incorrect animal ID information could result in state fair ineligibility for that particular animal.

	For State Fair	Max # to Enroll	Deadline
Beef and Dairy Beef Steers	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	10 Total steers	May 15
Commercial and Market Heifers and Dairy Feeder	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample	10 total	May 15
Beef, Registered Heifers	840-RFID tag and Tattoo and DNA Hair Sample	10 total heifers	May 15
Dairy Cattle	840-RFID tag and animal's registered name and registration number (or dam's registration number) and DNA Hair Sample	40 total	May 15
Dairy Goat Females, Registered Wethers	Breed Registry Tattoo 5- digit County Tag or Tattoo	40 dairy goats total	May 15
Meat Goat Wethers	840-RFID Tag and 5- digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample		May 15
Boer Goat Females, Registered	Breed Registry Tattoo and DNA Hair Sample	40 meat goats total	May 15
Market Goat Does (Wether Dams)	840-RFID Tag and 5- digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample		May 15
Pygmy Goats Registered	Breed Registry Tattoo or Microchip that Matches Registration Papers	40 total	May 15
Unregistered	Official USDA Scrapie Tag or Official Scrapie Tattoo		
Horses and Pony	Two Color Pictures	20 total	May 15
Llama and Alpaca	Two Color Pictures	20 total	May 15
Sheep Market Lambs	840-RFID Tag and 5- digit County Tag and DNA Hair Sample		
Commercial Ewes	840-RFID Tag and 5-digit County Tag/ or official scrapies tag and DNA Hair Sample	30 sheep total	May 15
Registered Ewes	840-RFID Tag and ID that matches registration Papers and DNA Hair Sample		
Swine	840-RFID Tag and Ear Notch and DNA Hair Sample	15 Gilts 15 Barrows	May 15

4-H RECORD SHEETS

- Turn in **COMPLETED** record sheets (**REQUIRED** for completion of project) at weigh-in, check-in, or with poster at the fair. Animal manuals are for your learning, but not required for project completion.
- **Exhibit your animal, poster and/or action demonstration.** Do any or all of the these for your exhibit.

If you need any resources, we have several in the office that could help answer your questions. Please feel free to contact your Project Superintendents or our office if you need any help or have any questions.



ANIMAL & HUMAN HEALTH

We do not allow food being cooked, eaten or handled in any of the livestock barns or around the perimeter.

For Child Health & Safety, strollers will not be allowed in the barns.



INDIANA
STATE FAIR

[2024 Livestock Schedule](#)

