

Iosco County Junior Market Livestock Association 2018-2019 Program Rules

The Iosco County Junior Market Livestock Association is under the jurisdiction of the Iosco Junior Market Livestock Sale Committee (MLS). This committee is composed of a 4-H staff member, a fair board member, the livestock species leaders, FFA advisor and executive board members of the Iosco County Junior Market Livestock Association. The committee will address disputes regarding the program rules.

1. This program is open to members of Iosco County 4-H and FFA.
2. All members showing and selling rabbits, steers, swine, market lambs or poultry must be registered and pay the \$20.00 participation fee to the 4-H office by **Friday, January 11, 2019**. Exceptions to this will be per Executive committee agreement.
3. Anyone planning to sell livestock at the Iosco County Fair must belong to the Iosco County Junior Market Livestock Association and must abide by the Exhibitor Code of Conduct and all program rules.
4. **4-H clubs must follow 4-H guidelines. 4-H age is the age a member is on January 1. A member must be between the ages of 8 and 19 as of January 1st to be eligible to market a small (rabbit or poultry) animal, hog or lamb. A member must be between the ages of 12 and 19 as of January 1st to be eligible to market a steer project, with the acceptance of any member enrolled in the project prior to the December 2, 2018 rule change.**
5. All members must attend a minimum of three (3) Junior Market Livestock Association Meetings to be eligible to sell. There will be seven (7) Junior Market Livestock meetings offered throughout the program year.
6. Members must attend fifty (50) percent of all species/ club meetings in addition to three (3) Junior Market Livestock Meeting or they will be ineligible to sell.
7. Each member will be limited to the selling of one species and one animal within that species. A member enrolling in a youth program in another county with the intent to sell an animal in that county's sale may not sell an animal in Iosco County.
8. A Licensed Veterinarian or a qualified individual as determined by the MLS Committee will be present at the first weigh-in and final weigh-in of each species to perform a soundness exam.
9. Members may weigh-in an extra animal (floater). Members must select which animal they will show and sell at the weigh-in on the first day of the fair.
10. Members will pay special attention to the health care of their animals. Members have the option of providing their own insurance on the animal.
11. If a member's animal dies or develops a health problem prior to the final weigh-in that makes it impossible to show and sell at the fair, it is possible to replace the animal with his/her own floater. Under certain circumstances, with the approval of the MLS Committee it may be possible to replace it with another member's floater.
12. A 3% commission will be charged to the members, to cover the cost of the sale.
13. All sale participants must contact at least three (3) prospective buyers, and no more than six (6). Participants are highly encouraged to contact at least one (1) new prospective buyer. These forms must be turned into the 4-H office by **June 7, 2019**.
14. Junior Market Livestock members shall not solicit contributions of additional funds to be directly donated to an individual member or member's family. All additional donations and/ or proceeds from the resale of animals at the Junior Market Livestock auction shall be deposited within the Junior Market Livestock account with the proceeds to be used for the benefit of the membership as a whole. Violations to this rule will result in the disqualification of the Junior Market Livestock member from participation in the sale.
15. Members must register and exhibit an Educational Project related to their species in the youth department at the fair. Exhibited projects must abide by 4-H Achievement Day and Iosco County Fair rules. Achievement Day Interviews will be conducted on **Friday, July 19, 2019**. Members who cannot attend Achievement Day must contact Kelli Rau, Iosco 4-H Program Coordinator prior to Achievement Day to make other arrangements.
16. A completed record book must be turned in by **10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2019 to the Livestock Building**. Members from the ages of 8 to 12 year olds members will complete the MI 4-H Intermediate Market Record Book, members 13-19 will complete the MI 4-H Advanced Market Record Book. **Late Record Books will NOT be accepted**. Record books not turned in or incomplete record books will cause the member's animal to be ineligible for sale at the auction.
17. There may be a screening of animals one to two weeks prior to the fair by an MLS Representative. Animals found unacceptable may not be sold.
18. All market animals will be weighed in on Monday of fair week by one official weigh master with two (2) MLS Committee members present to verify. All large animals will be weighed on a certified scale and there will not be an opportunity to re-weigh animals. Weigh masters weights are final and will be used for the auction.
19. Livestock members or an appointed representative must remain with animals from time of arrival, until they are weighed in and pre-show is complete.
20. All animals must be trained to show and fitted for show. The MLS Committee reserves the right to remove any animal from the show ring not under the control of the member. The MLS Committee will establish weight classes.
21. All animals must be dehorned for safety reasons.

22. All members exhibit and sell their own animals. Only under unusual circumstances will exceptions be granted. Exceptions are under the jurisdiction of the MLS Committee. Only another Junior Livestock member will be allowed to replace the individual.
23. The members must groom their own animal. All members must participate in showmanship classes and market classes with their sale animal to be eligible to sell. Age for showmanship is determined by fair age.
24. A member will be responsible for the care, feeding and delivery, of his/her animal until the animal is delivered to the place of the buyer's designation. If the animal dies after the sale, but before delivery, the member will replace the animal.
25. Checks will not be issued to any youth until all of the buyers settle for all animals in the sale. Should a buyer default on their purchase, the lost revenue will be paid to that member. The money will come out of the Market Livestock account first, unless funds are not there, then equal percentages will come out of members' checks. Default payments will be made within 45 days after the sale.
26. Animals and display areas must be kept clean and neat at all times. Individual clubs and/or barns may require barn duty slots during fair and will be the member's responsibility for ensuring they meet this requirement. Animals and members must be ready and present in their species barn 30 minutes prior to the start of the livestock show and sale.
27. Iosco County Agricultural Society may withhold premiums (based on a recommendation by the MLS Committee) from any exhibitor for not maintaining their animals or pens during fair week and on Sunday. Each member or a representative will be present on Sunday morning for clean-up and loading of animals.
28. Each member is **required** to participate in a minimum of one leader approved community service project each year.
29. Appropriate show attire for beef, sheep, and swine projects includes; general western style clothes, white dress shirts and dark pants, free of holes. Or Official FFA dress. No hats may be worn and leather boots are required for large animals. Rabbit and Poultry should consult their leader and/or superintendent to determine proper attire.
30. Individual species groups may have additional rules that must be followed.
31. Infraction of these rules will be at the discretion of the MLS Committee.
32. Failure to comply with these rules will result in the ineligibility of a member to sell at the livestock sale, lose their placing at the sale, or to become ineligible from participating in Iosco County 4-H in future years.

Market Steer Rules

1. Steers must be born after January 1, 2018.
2. All steers being raised for the sale must be on feed and under the member's ownership and management on or before January 1, 2019.
3. All steers must be weighed in on January 5, 2019. All steers will be tagged with a county tag and have RFID Tag numbers and starting weight recorded for official entry for beginning rate of gain. The second weigh-in will be held on Saturday, April 13, 2019. Weigh-ins are mandatory.
4. All market steers must be castrated prior to the first weigh-in.
5. All steers must be tagged with an RFID tag prior to the first weigh-in and species leaders will verify these numbers at the weigh-in.
6. To sell, market steers must weigh between 1,000 pounds and 1,600 pounds.
7. No heifers or bulls will be included in the sale.
8. Steers are required to be shown to the MLS Committee no later than one (1) week prior to fair and the Monday of the fair week. Exhibitors must demonstrate that the steers are trained and ready for show.
9. Market steers must be checked in at the fair by 12:00 p.m. (noon) and remain in their stalls off of all feed and water until the weigh-in.
10. All steers are required to follow state health guidelines and fair requirements.

Market Hog Rules

1. Market hogs must be born after January 1, 2019.
2. All market hogs being raised for the sale must be on feed and under the member's ownership and management on or before May 1, 2019.
3. All market hogs will be weighed in at the Iosco County Fairgrounds at 4:00 PM on Saturday, May 4, 2018. All sale participants are responsible for ensuring that their market hog project and floater are tagged with the state required ID tags and that a completed market hog verification form is turned into their leader at this weigh-in.
4. All market hogs must be castrated prior to the first weigh-in.
5. To sell, hogs must weigh between 220-300 pounds.
6. A mandatory meeting and pre-show for all swine exhibitors will be held on Monday afternoon following the completion of the weigh-in.
7. All hogs sold at the auction must be slaughtered or sold at another market location.
8. Market hogs are required to follow state health guidelines and fair requirements.

Market Lamb Rules

1. All market lambs must be born after January 1, 2019.
2. All market lambs being raised for the sale must be on feed and under the member's ownership and management on or before May 1, 2019.
3. Market lambs will be weighed and tagged with a club tag on Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds. A second weigh-in will be held in June.
4. All market lambs must be castrated prior to the first weigh-in.
5. To sell, market lambs must weigh a minimum of 100 pounds.
6. A mandatory pre-show and meeting will be held on the Monday of the fair.
7. All market lambs must have a USDA premise ID tag.
8. All market lambs are required to follow state health guidelines and fair requirements.

Market Poultry Rules

1. All market poultry being raised for the auction must be under the member's ownership and management within one week of the chick's hatch.
2. A market pen of broilers will consist of a pen of three (3) birds of the same breed between six (6) to eight (8) weeks of age, and weighing a minimum of five (5) pounds and a maximum of ten (10) pounds. Sex of the birds is not considered.
3. Production pens will consist of a pen of five (5) hens of the same breed between 24 and 26 weeks of age at time of fair. Birds must be a dual purpose bird of chicken and not a mixed breed. Acceptable breeds include: Orpingtons, Barred/white/buff Rocks, Rhode Island Red, Wyandottes, Jersey Giants, Brahmas, Sussex.
4. A market turkey will consist of one bird of either sex between four (4) months and eight (8) months of age, and weighing a minimum of fifteen (15) pounds and maximum of thirty (30) pounds.
5. All poultry must be inspected and undergo pullorium testing before they will be accepted for entry.
6. All market poultry will be verified by species leader(s) on the last weekend of June. All poultry must have a recorded identification band for auction.
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Market Rabbit Rules

1. All market rabbits must be under the member's ownership and management four (4) weeks prior to the first day of the fair.
2. All market rabbits will be weighed and tattooed by species leader on the last weekend of June. Leaders must record all weights & tattoos. An identification tattoo is mandatory to sell at the auction.
3. A market pen of rabbits will consist of a pen of three (3) rabbits of the same breed and variety between eight (8) and twelve (12) weeks of age, and weighing a minimum of three (3) pounds and a maximum of six (6) pounds.
4. Market pens must be of a commercial breed. Mixed rabbits will be allowed, but must be a cross of commercial breeds.
5. A market pen does not necessarily have to come from the same litter, but must be of the same breed or breed cross.
6. All rabbits must be inspected before they will be accepted for entry.

Adopted by General Membership on December 2, 2018

PLEASE DETACH THE BOTTOM SIGNATURE PORTION, SIGN AND RETURN TO THE MSU EXTENSION OFFICE PRIOR TO FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2019.

We have read the 2018-19 Iosco County Junior Market Livestock Program Rules and agree to abide by them. We understand that violation to any of the rules may result in the ineligibility to sell or participate in future years.

4-H Member's Name: _____

4-H Market Livestock Club Name: _____

Species Selling: _____

Signature of Member: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____