

4-H SMALL MARKET ANIMAL ASSOCIATION YOUNG BEEF, FEEDER CALF, GOATS, RABBITS AND POULTRY (2019/2020)

A. REQUIREMENTS FOR PROJECT MEMBERS:

1. **Enrollments/Re-enrollments, with participation fee, must be completed *PRIOR* to project signups.** Enrollments are done online at <https://mi.4honline.com>. Fees are paid at, or mailed to, the MSUE Office.
2. Members will be assessed a certain percentage (depending on the SMAA expenses for the year's promotion) of gross sale with a minimum of \$1.00 off the top and cost of buyer's thank you pictures. If disciplinary measures are deemed necessary by a 2/3 vote of the Committee, one of the measures may be additional percentages deducted or elimination from the SMAA project for one year and the Large Market Animal project for one year.
3. All 4-H members participating in the Oceana County 4-H Small Market Animal Association programs are eligible to sell their animals at the 4-H Small Animal Sale if all requirements have been met.
4. Only 4-H members participating in the Oceana County 4-H Small Market Animal Association programs are eligible to sell their animals at the 4-H Small Market Animal Association Sale.
5. The 4-H members will be totally responsible for keeping records, and raising their animal. We need to know where you will be housing your animal (s), if not on your property. The 4-Her is responsible for showing, selling (including wagons, cages, lead ropes, etc.) and delivery of the animals until such time as the project is completed. Per the MSU Extension 4-H Program guidelines, the 4-H member may deliver the animal to the processor, but it is the buyer's responsibility to make arrangements to pick up the meat from the processor.
6. No member will be discriminated against, excluded from, or denied benefits of any program or activity on the grounds of race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, religion, age, height, weight, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital status, family status or veteran status.
7. All decisions pertaining to the 4-H Small Market Animal project will be made by the Association Committee in cooperation with 4-H Youth staff. Decisions that pertain to the Oceana County Fair will be subject to the Fair Board.
8. **Age requirements: All participants in the 4-H SMAA must be 8 years old by January 1 of current year.**

Goats, Rabbits & Poultry - 4-Her must be 8 years old
Feeder calf - 4-Her must be 8 years old
Young Beef - 4-Her must be 9 years old

The year a 4-Her graduates from high school is the last year they may participate in the Small Market Animal Association project.

A. Requirements (continued)

9. The 4-H member must collect a total of 9 points by: attending a minimum of 6 club meetings, each meeting worth 1 point, a minimum of 3 additional nonclub points by attending clinics, workshops, shows, fair clean-up, country-wide awards, etc.

- 6 from club meetings
- 3 from nonclub points

(please note- there will be NO signatures given by Extension personnel on Workbee Night or on Entry Day)

10. Members may sell at one sale only, either the 4-H Small Animal or the 4-H Large Market Animal Auction, not both.
11. The 4-H Small Market Animal Guidelines will be reviewed and updated at the Fall meeting of the Oceana County 4-H Small Market Animal Association Committee.
12. Member must achieve a B or better on their most recent Small Market educational notebook entry at the Oceana County Fair. If member did not show the previous year
13. Potential Buyers Names must be turned in to the MSU Extension Office, by 4:00 p.m., on or before, **Friday, July 31st**. These names must have their complete mailing address, including zip code, telephone numbers, and signatures. Any buyer letter returned for incorrect addresses will be the fault of the 4-Her for not providing the correct mailing address. The Extension staff will not make any attempts (other than those provided by a postal sticker) to find the correct address. The buyer will be removed from the mailing list. **Do NOT use an individual page for each buyer. All buyer's should be on your 1 buyer's list included in your notebook. They will not be accepted any other way. This list must be submitted in person to receive a stamp and initials from the Extension Staff. Members must have three (3) different buyers from that of their siblings.** Failure to provide the required buyer's list will result in not being able to sell at the Auction.

B. REQUIREMENTS OF ANIMALS

1. 4-H Small Market Animal refers to: Market Goats, Feeder Calf, Young Beef, Rabbit and Poultry— Ducks, Chickens, Turkeys or Geese.
2. Any animal that does not reach weight requirements will not sell. We want the reputation for selling quality animals; therefore, the meat will always be the best. Animals that do not make weight can be taken home or stay for showing, if they choose to stay they will be assessed a "marketing fee" of \$15.00 that will be used towards program costs. Failure to pay assessed fee can result in disqualification from next year's project. If you choose to pay the fee and stay, be aware that any animal "sold out of the barn" is a private sale and should be handled between the 4-Her and buyer. As a sale "out of the barn," the buyer will not receive credit for purchasing that year, a ribbon or a picture. This is a private sale.
3. All Market animals must be raised and owned by the member.
4. All animals must be free of medication that has withdrawal requirements two weeks prior to the sale dates. Read label on feed or medications for details.

5. No sick animals. Per MDARD Fair & Exhibitions Requirements : Livestock with clinical signs of infectious, contagious, or toxicological disease shall be removed from the fair, exhibition, exposition, or show, or by permission of the Director, shall be isolated on the premises.

YOUNG BEEF: 4-Her must be 9 years old. May be a beef or dairy breed.
Must be ear tagged, with **tag in ear when turning in the pictures**, castrated (no heifers) and must **NOT** have any horns.
It is strongly suggested they be vaccinated for: Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis (IBR), Bovine Viral Diarrhea (BVDV; including types 1 & 2), Parainfluenza3 (PI3), Bovine Respiratory Syncytial Virus (BRSV), Mannheimia haemolytica (must contain "toxoid" or leukotoxoid"), Histophilus somni, Leptospira-five strains, Clostridial organisms-7 way.

There is space available for the first 22 young beef/feeders that sign up. A waiting list will be taken, numbered in the order which you were in line.
Colored pictures, breed and RFID numbers are due in the MSU Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. on **June 1, 2020**. (No faxes or emails will be accepted)
Weight requirement: 450-750 pounds.

FEEDER CALF: 4-Her must be 8 years old.
May be beef or dairy breed.
Must be ear tagged, with **tag in ear when turning in the pictures**, castrated (no heifers) and must **NOT** have any horns.
It is strongly suggested they be vaccinated for: Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis (IBR), Bovine Viral Diarrhea (BVDV; including types 1 & 2), Parainfluenza3 (PI3), Bovine Respiratory Syncytial Virus (BRSV), Mannheimia haemolytica (must contain "toxoid" or leukotoxoid"), Histophilus somni, Leptospira-five strains, Clostridial organisms-7 way. Check your withdrawal times on any medications/vaccinations given.

There is space available for the first 22 young beef/feeders that sign up. A waiting list will be taken, numbered in the order which you were in line.
Colored pictures, breed and RFID numbers are due in the MSU Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. on **June 1, 2020**. (No faxes or emails will be accepted)
Weight requirement: 250-600 pounds

GOATS: 4-Her must be 8 years old.
Must be a wether or doe under one year and
Must be castrated (healed) and de-horned.
Must have a 4-H ear tag & Scrapies tag
There is space available for the first 12 market goats that sign up. A waiting list will be taken, numbered in the order which you were in line.
There will be a meeting a month prior to Fair, by the goat superintendent, to check ear tags etc. You are encouraged & expected to attend.
Pictures, breed and 4-H ear tag numbers are due by 4:00 p.m. on **July 31, 2020**. (No faxes or emails will be accepted).
Weight requirement: Minimum of 50 lbs.

RABBITS: 4-H'er must be 8 years old
Rabbits must be 10-12 weeks (70-85 days prior to Fair)
Must be commercial MEAT breed.
Must be tattooed- tattooing available at Fair on entry day
There is space available for the first 4 market rabbits that sign up. A waiting list will be taken, numbered in the order which you were in line.
Pictures & breed are due by 4:00 p.m. on **July 31st**. (No faxes or emails will be accepted) **The 4-H'er must have raised rabbits from birth; therefore 4-H'er must own the doe (mother).**
Must be sold in pen of three.
Weight requirement: 3.5 and over for each rabbit

POULTRY: 4-H'er must be 8 years old.
Chicken: Fryers, 7 weeks (44-51 days prior to Fair).
Roasters, 60-67 days prior to Fair.
Pen of three, 4 pounds and over for each bird
Turkey: Fryers/Roasters: Tom/hens or one of each
15-20 weeks
Pen of two, 10 pounds and over for each bird.
Ducks: 10-12 weeks prior to Fair.
Pen of two, 4 pounds and over for each bird
Geese: 15-20 Weeks prior to Fair
Pen of three, 10 pounds and over for each bird

All birds must be meat-type and must be banded. Banding will be done at entry day of the Fair. All birds must have a pullorum test before entry to the poultry barn.

There is space available for the first 4 market geese, first 4 market ducks, first 6 market turkeys and first 10 market chickens that sign up. A waiting list will be taken, numbered in the order which they are received.

Pictures and breed must be turned into the MSU Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. **July 31st**. (No faxes or emails will be accepted)

C. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL 4-H SMALL MARKET ANIMALS PROJECTS AND 4-H MEMBERS

1. For sale purposes, members may sell a maximum of two different projects. If there are too many pens, the SMAA Committee reserves the right to limit the number of pens. At no time may any 4-H'er sell two of the same animal listed in the same project. You cannot compete against yourself, ex: you cannot sell a feeder calf and a young beef or two goats.
2. Registration/Applications Time Frame: ALL market applications will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis pending available space. **If the member completed the small market project last year, and met all of the requirements listed on the 4-H Automatic Enrollment Policy, they may sign up for the SAME project during the time frame of October 18, 2019-November 1, 2019 at the MSUE Office by 4:00 p.m.**

3. They must have reenrolled through 4-H online at <https://mi.4honline.com>, paid their enrollment fee, delivered their buyer's thank you and turned it into the MSU Office before their application will be accepted. The deadline for automatic enrollment is by 4:00 p.m. on Nov. 1, 2019. Projects not making weight, or that may have had an unforeseen issue as to why their animal could not be in the auction; yet all other project requirements have been met (meetings, notebook, etc.) may consider the below steps:
4-Her to send a letter to their respective committee, requesting an exception, by **September 1st at 4:00 p.m.** The leader will then be contacted to see if they recommend an exception. The leader will be asked to respond with a recommendation or denial by September 15th.

If the member has not participated in, completed a market project last year, or wants to change project animals, market applications will be accepted **November 9, 2019 from 8:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** and will resume during normal business hours (8 a.m.—12 noon & 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.) Tuesday, November 12, 2019 until April 1, 2020. (pending available space) Applications will be dated and numbered as they are received. Applications may be submitted in-person by 4-Her, parent or sibling, by mail or faxed (231-873-3710). No other relatives may submit applications. All registration forms received via mail or fax prior to November 9, 2019 will be accepted after all in-person application have been handled. It is not the leader's responsibility to submit any forms. Applications will be available **October 17, 2019 during** the Small Market Annual Meeting and then at the MSU Extension Office until April 1, 2020. If needed, a waiting list of at least 5 names per animal will be taken.

The member will have until **March 2nd of the current 4-H year, to withdraw without penalty.** Beginning **March 3rd** a member may sign up for a **second animal if there is space available.** The project deadline is **April 1th**, at this time any slots not filled will remain unfilled. If a member withdraws after the **March 2nd** deadline they will not be allowed into the SMAA project the following year. If there are extenuating circumstances (such as death of your animal) the member may present those to the SMAA Committee for review.

If you are on a waiting list, and notified that a spot has opened, you will have two weeks (if after the specific project deadlines) to get your picture, breed and tag numbers into the office. If you are notified before the project deadline you will have until that specific project deadline date to get pictures, breeds and ear tag information turned into the office. There will be no filling of slots after July 1st from the waiting list.

4. The MSU Extension Office as well as the 4-H Small Market Animal Association Committee must be notified if an animal dies or needs to be replaced. Animals will not be replaced if the reason is due to lack of care or poor management. The Committee, by 2/3 vote, will decide on replacement. The member may be permitted to replace the project with approximately the same type, breed and weight animal, if possible.
5. Small Animal Project Notebook must be made out in full and turned in on Entry Day of the Fair. **NO BOOK, NO SALE** of market animal (s). A completed project notebook must be presented at the time the 4-Her's animal is being weighed along with their antibiotic free statement and member information card. If you do not have the above, you will not be allowed to unload your animal. Failure to follow the above will result in not being able to sell at the 4-H Small Market Auction Sale. Notebooks must be turned into the 4-H Exhibit Building by 5:00 p.m. on Entry Day. A record book must receive a minimum of a B Ribbon to be eligible to sell the following year.

6. Leaders and members should refer to the Fair Premium Book for procedures regarding judging, showing and sale conditions.
7. It is the responsibility of each 4-H member to care for and feed his/her animal (s) the entire week of the Fair, under adult supervision. All animals must be fed and all cages/pens cleaned by 9:00 a.m. each day. Improper care will result in the animal being sent home and/or forfeit of premium
8. If selling poultry the 4-Her must do showmanship with a nonmarket poultry animal. If selling rabbits, 4-H'er must own the rabbit they are using for showmanship. If selling goats the 4-Her has the option of showing their market animal or their showmanship animal.
9. The 4-H Small Market Animal Association Committee will determine the method of selling of the 4-H Small Market Animals at the Oceana County Fair. The sale order will be determined by the judging sheets. All 4-H Small Market Animals entered in the 4-H Small Market Animal Auction must be sold including Grand and Reserve Champion. Failure to do so will result in not being able to participate the next year in any project.
10. Buyers have the option to do with the animal as he/she pleases, but if any animals are donated back, it should be made clear to the buyer that it will be sold and the money donated to the 4-H Small Market Animal Association or organized charity of his/her choice. The 4-H member will receive the proceeds from the sale that receives the highest per pound price. The proceeds from the other sales will go to the 4-H Small Market Animal Association or designated charity. A 10% charge will be assessed every 30 days on remaining balance of buyer's bill until balance is paid, in addition to a flat \$25.00 late fee for those buyer's not paying in the 30 day requested time frame. If it is necessary to go to small claims court to recover the monies owed, the buyer will be held responsible for all court fees.
11. The Annual meeting date shall be set, by the committee, to be held when sufficient funds are available to pay the participants. For that meeting all participants in that year's project should attend. All 4-Hers are encouraged to pick up their pictures and deliver them with their thank you notes prior to the Annual Meeting in order to receive their sale proceeds check. 4-Hers will be notified when pictures are available for pick up. The 4-Her will be required to get the signature of the buyer when delivering the picture and then bring the buyer's thank you receipt (attached to pictures) to the annual meeting to receive their check.
12. If a 4-H SMAA, or Little Buddy member receive a C ribbon, they may request a meeting of the SMAA Committee to waive the C placing. They need to be aware that an interview with the 4-Her and his/her parents may be requested by the Committee.
13. All Feeders/Young Beef will be immediately weighed and placed in their stalls upon removal from their trailers. There will be no tying of animals outside on entry day. Please see the beef Superintendent for direction on when your animal can be taken to exercise ring on entry day.

D. 4-H SMALL MARKET LITTLE BUDDY PROGRAM

1. This is a program for any 4-Her ages 5-18 years of age as of January 1st of the current year. This will enable 4-Hers to buddy up with someone in the SMAA Auction to show that 4-Her's animal without having to own their own animal. In addition, they must fill out the little buddy application and submit the Little Buddy notebook for their animal

project. The Little Buddy must receive a B or better ribbon on their notebook to be eligible to sell at next year's SMAA Auction. The Little Buddy must do ALL that is required of the Big Buddy including buyer's names, number of club points, and number of nonclub points.

2. Feeder Calf and Young Beef Requirements:

The Little Buddy Program for the feeder calf project is available for 4-H members between the ages of 5-18 of the current year. The Little Buddy Young Beef project is for 4-H members between the ages of 8-18 of the current year. If the Little Buddy is in the feeder calf project and has not yet attained the age of 7 as of Jan.1 of the current year they must have an adult in the show ring holding the lead along with the Little Buddy.

**Small Market Dates –
All deadlines are by 4:00 p.m., unless otherwise noted!**

Market Project **Automatic Enrollment** for returning Members who meet requirements– October 18, 2019- November 1, 2019

Market Project Initial Enrollment **Non Automatic** enrollment – **8:45-9:00 a.m. Saturday, November 9, 2019**

Market Project Resumed Enrollment—**normal business hours November 12, 2019 through April 1, 2020**

Drop date (without penalty)- Monday, March 2, 2020

May sign up for 2nd animal if space is available- Tuesday, March 3, 2020

Enrollment deadline for all Small market projects- Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Feeder Calf pictures with breed & tag numbers due to office- Monday, June 1, 2020

Pictures for all other animals with tags, breeds, etc.- Friday, July 31, 2020

Potential Buyer's Names – Friday, July 31, 2020

Entry and Weigh-In at Fair –Animals/Notebooks weighed 8:00-12:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 25, 2020; notebooks entered in the Youth Exhibit Bldg. by 5:00 pm

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