

# 2020 Ashland County Dairy Feeder Steer and Beef Feeder Calf Project Requirements

Revised 12/19

## Reminders for 2020

All members must use the designated beef barn bedding, [if still available through the committee.](#)

## Possession Date is June 1, 2020

**Animal must be in the care and possession of the member by June 1, 2020.**

- ☆ The committee recommends a January through April calf for the fair.
- ☆ Members are responsible for tagging their own animals. Specific ear tags from the Extension Office are to be used. These tags are available to be signed out from the Ashland County Extension office anywhere from late April through the end of May. Taggers are also available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- ☆ Members may tag any number of animals. **Members may bring two beef and two dairy feeders to the fair for a maximum of four.**
- ☆ Calves should be tagged in their left ear.
- ☆ Market Steer Committee members may verify tags with farm visits any time after June 1.
- ☆ If a tag is lost, member must notify the Extension office at 419-281-8242 within 24 hours.
- ☆ Dairy feeders cannot exhibit any beef breed characteristics. If there is question as to beef or dairy, the Market Steer Committee will make a decision at the fair.

## Required to complete Project/Show at Fair

1. **Members must complete Quality Assurance Training by June 15, 2020.** This training is offered through your 4-H Club or FFA Chapter. Other QA trainings **MAY be accepted, but contact the Extension Office to find out for sure if they qualify.** Proof of attendance must be provided to the Extension Office by June 19, 2020.
2. **Members must complete Interview Judging.** Members will be evaluated by their 4-H Club/FFA advisor using a rubric grade sheet and earn a superior, excellent, good or needs improvement grade as their performance dictates. Satisfactory completion of the project record book will be a large part of this final grade. These evaluations will take place at the 4-H Club/FFA Chapter level in July/early August. Advisors are to turn in the rubric grade sheets at the Extension Office by 4pm on Tuesday, August 25, 2020.
3. **Members must participate in the Beef Skill-a-thon** during any of these three dates:

Tues. August 4	6-9PM
Sat. August 22	9AM-1PM
Sun. August 23	1PM-5PM

Members who complete a Beef skill-a-thon at the Ohio State Fair may have this counted as skill-a-thon requirement. These members must turn in their official scorecard to the Extension Office by August 14 to receive credit. Participation in any other skill-a-thon is NOT accepted.
4. **Members must turn in an accurate Junior Fair Entry by August 14, 2020.**

## Junior Fair Exhibit Rules

1. All Feeder Calves **must be dehorned and castrated**. The committee reserves the right to verify calf is castrated at the fair.
2. The weight limit for dairy feeder steers is between 250 and 800 lbs.  
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Feeder Classes will be determined at fair time. If animals are underweight or overweight, the member may compete in showmanship only. They will not compete in a weight class.
3. Animals must be kept clean, fed, and watered at all times for the duration of the fair. Pens should have manure cleaned out regularly and fresh bedding added several times a day. Exhibitors will receive one warning. If the pens and/or animals are not clean a second time, the exhibitor will be charged a \$50 clean up fee. Any unpaid fees will cause the member to be ineligible for future participation until fees are paid.
4. All members must use the designated beef barn bedding, if still available through the committee, at the cost of \$5 per animal. Follow guidelines in Junior Fair book. Any unpaid fees will cause the member to be ineligible for future participation until fees are paid.

**For additional Ashland County Fair information, requirements, and rules, refer to the 2020 Ashland County Junior Fair Book and State Livestock Tampering Exhibition Rules**

### Current Market Steer Committee Members

The Advisory Committee is made up of adult members, each serving a three year term, youth members serving a one year term, and a clerk. A chairperson and secretary are selected by the Committee on a yearly basis. One member will represent this Committee on the 4-H Advisory Committee. All meetings of the Market Steer Advisory Committee are open.

Please contact a committee member if you need assistance or have questions during the year.

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