

2024 Ashland County Dairy Feeder Steer and Beef Feeder Calf Project Requirements

Revised 1/24

Reminders for 2024

ALL animals must be identified under the member's profile in 4Honline. Dairy and Beef feeders by June 1. Anyone taking a living, breathing animal to the fair must complete Quality Assurance Training by June. 1

Possession Date: Animal must be in the care and possession of the member by June 1, 2024.

- ☆ The committee recommends a January through April calf for the fair.
- ☆ Members are responsible for tagging their own animals by June 1. Must be tagged with 840 EID tags. If the animal does not come with an 840 EID tag upon purchase, you may get an 840 EID tag from the Extension Office. Taggers are also available to borrow 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 a 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. **Must be member in good standing in a 4-H Club enrolled in a breeding beef project #117BF or a FFA member with a Breeding Beef project.** 4-H members can enroll and projects can be registered at <https://v2.4honline.com/>. Deadline to enroll in 4-H and still be eligible to show at the County Fair is April 15.
2. **Must enter and identify each animal in the member's v2.4honline profile by June 1.** Must enter the entire 840 EID tag number and upload front, left and right side pictures.
3. **Must complete Quality Assurance training by June 1. QA training will be offered by Ashland County March-April.** Other QA trainings may be accepted but contact the Extension office to find out for sure if they qualify. Proof of QA attendance must be provided to the Extension Office by June 1.
4. **Must complete Interview Judging.** Members will be evaluated 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. You must have current, up to date records for this year's project.



5. **Must participate in the Ashland County Beef Skill-a-thon.**

Members who complete a Beef skill-a-thon at the Ohio State Fair may have this counted as skill-a-thon requirement. Participation in any other skill-a-thon is NOT accepted.

6. **Members must turn in an accurate online Junior Fair Entry through the Jr. Fair Office by the August deadline.**

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 beef feeder steers is between 250 and 800 lbs.
The weight limit for dairy feeder steers is between 250 and 800 lbs.
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.

****For additional Ashland County Fair information, requirements, and rules, refer to:**

- **2024 Ashland County Junior Fair Book**
- **State Livestock Tampering Exhibition Rules** <https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-administrative-code/chapter-901-19>

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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