

# 2024 Union County West End Fair Livestock Update

## Important Dates to Remember

**July 7** – Livestock entries MUST be postmarked (livestock excluding poultry)

- Livestock entry form(s)
- COOL form(s) if required [market animals]
- Correct payment (made payable to UCWEF)

**July 15** – Buyer signature papers are due to the Mifflinburg FFA Department.

- 4 business signatures per market animal exhibitor
- Only 1 duplicate signature per family

**August 30 7pm** – 1<sup>st</sup> of 2 mandatory livestock meetings in the arena at fairgrounds (you MUST attend 1, not both)

**August 4-10** – UCWEF

**August 4 3pm** – 2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 mandatory livestock meetings in the arena at fairgrounds (you MUST attend 1, not both)

**August 13** – Fair clean up night. Must attend to receive premium check

**Need help finding entry forms, COOL forms, and buyer contact forms?**

<https://ucwef.com/about-us/downloads/>

**Have questions about specific rules for each species?**

<https://ucwef.com/10-4h-vocational/youth-show/>

**Have questions about general livestock exhibitor rules?**

<https://ucwef.com/exhibitors/animal-exhibit-rules/>

## UCWEF Veterinary CVI Info

**All issued within 30 days of the conclusion of the fair**

### **Market Swine**

- 840 RFID SCANNABLE tag
- UCWEF Tag (this number needs to be listed on the CVI) [UCWEF XXX]

### **Market Steers and Dairy Beef**

- Shipping fever shots required
- 840 RFID Scannable tag
- UCWEF Tag (this number needs to be listed on the CVI) [UCWEF XXX]

### **Market Lamb and Market Goat**

- Official USDA Scrapie Tag
- UCWEF Tag (this number needs to be listed on the CVI) [UCWEF XXX]

### **Breeding Beef and Dairy Cattle**

- Shipping fever shots required
- Rabies vaccination is recommended
- 840 RFID Scannable tag

### **Breeding Sheep and Breeding Meat Goat**

- Rabies vaccination recommended
- Official USDA Scrapie Tag

## UCWEF Livestock Schedule

### **August 4 (Sunday):**

- 6:30 – 8:30 || Market Swine Weigh-In
- 9:00 – 10:00 || Market Lamb and Market Goat Weigh-In
- 10:30 – 11:30 || Market Steer and Dairy Beef Weigh-In
- 12:00 || Rabbit Show in Arena
- 3:00 || 2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 Mandatory Livestock Meeting (must attend 1, not both)
- 5:00 || Poultry Show in Arena

### **August 5 (Monday):**

- 9:00 || Market Swine Show
- By 1:00 || All breeding animals must be in place and checked in

### **August 6 (Tuesday):**

- 9:00 || Market Steer Show followed by Dairy Beef Show followed by Breeding Beef Show

### **August 7 (Wednesday):**

- 9:00 || Market Lamb Show followed by Breeding Sheep Show followed by Market Goat Show followed by Breeding Meat Goat Show

### **August 8 (Thursday):**

- 9:00 || Dairy Cattle Show
- 7:00 || Dress Up Contest – PeeWee Showmanship – Supreme Showmanship

### **August 9 (Friday):**

- 1:00 || Livestock Sale

## UCWEF Livestock Weight Requirements

### **Market Swine**

- 220-290lb

### **Market Lamb**

- 80-170lb

### **Market Goat**

- 60-120lb

### **Market Steer**

- 1050-1600lb

### **Dairy Beef**

- 400-800lb

### **Meat Pen (rabbit)**

- 3.5-5.5lb

## **NEW THINGS FOR THE 2024 FAIR**

- **Fitting will be ALLOWED on the day of the show. No paint may be used. Animal is subject to the “white towel test” to ensure no paint products were used. Only soap and water are permitted to be used for the livestock sale.**
- **A thank you note must be presented (in person or via mail) to your livestock buyer. Your 4-H Leader / FFA Advisor must be shown proof and sign off that you have written an age appropriate thank you note. Without this proof you will not receive your sale check.**
- **Pens must be cleaned and kept tidy the entire duration of the fair. All pens and stalling areas must be cleaned up 9am and by 4pm. Failure to do so will result in warnings from the superintendents. After 3 warnings, your livestock sale lots will be forfeited and you will not be allowed to sell in the livestock sale.**

## FAQ's:

- What should I wear to exhibit my livestock project at the fair?
  - Jeans, collared shirt with at least 3 buttons, tucked in and leather shoes/boots
- I am showing rabbits at the fair this year; do I have to feed them?
  - Yes, in fact, you do! All rabbit exhibitors are required to feed and water their exhibits. They must also supply the feed. The fair will provide feed dishes and automatic waters
- Can I drop my entries off at the department heads house?
  - **NO!** All entries **MUST BE MAILED**
- Does the fair provide my animal exhibits with bedding?
  - If you are exhibiting pigs, the answer is no, you must provide the shavings. If you are exhibiting other livestock, the fair will provide initial bedding, please bring your own to bed your animals for the week of the fair.
- Do I have to clean my pens out after the fair?
  - **YES!** All pens **MUST BE CLEANED** at the conclusion of the fair or you will be losing 10% of your premium check. It is not the fairs responsibility to clean up after your animals
- After the sale I don't have to take care of my animal anymore, right?
  - **WRONG!** You are responsible for the welfare and care of your animal until it is loaded up and headed out of the fairgrounds
- I am not happy with the weight of my animal; can I weight it again?
  - **No!** All animals will be weighed **ONCE** at the designated weighing area and that will be the declared weight.

**This was just a recap of some important info for exhibiting animals at the fair. Visit the website ([ucwef.com](http://ucwef.com)) for all information. If you have any other livestock related questions for the fair, please get in touch in advance of the fair!**

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