

2021 Union County West End Fair Livestock Update

Important Dates to Remember

July 1 – Entry deadline for dairy goats. Entries and payment go to Betty Bronson.

July 7 – Livestock entries **MUST** be postmarked (this is for all livestock excluding poultry and dairy goats). Entries must include proper entry form(s), COOL form(s) (market animals) and correct payment.

July 15 – Buyer signature papers are due to the FFA department.

July 21 – Poultry entries **MUST** be postmarked. Include entry form, COOL form (chicken meat pen), and correct payment.

July 27 – 1st of 2 mandatory livestock meetings in arena @ fairgrounds (7pm) You **MUST** attend 1, not both.

August 1-7 – UCWEF (additional details below)

August 1 – 2nd of 2 mandatory livestock meetings in arena @ fairgrounds (3pm) You **MUST** attend 1, not both.

August 10 – Fair clean up night. Must attend if you'd like your premium check.

Need help finding entry forms, COOL forms, and buyer contact forms? Follow this link.

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

Have questions about specific rules for each species? Follow this link.

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

UCWEF LIVESTOCK SCHEDULE

July 31:

- 10:00 = Dairy goat show

August 1:

- 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
- 5:00 = Poultry show

***** YOU MUST WEIGH IN EACH SPECIE DURING DESIGNATED TIME *****

August 2:

- 9:00 = Market swine show
- By 1:00 = Breeding animals must be in place and checked in

August 3:

- 9:00 = Market steer, dairy beef, breeding beef show

August 4:

- 9:00 = Market lamb, breeding sheep, market goat, breeding meat goat show

August 5:

- 9:00 = Dairy cattle show

August 6:

- 6:30 = Livestock sale opening ceremonies
- 7:00 = Livestock Sale

UCWEF Veterinary CVI Info

Market Swine

- Issued within 14 days prior to show
- 840 RFID tag required
- UCWEF tag required

Market Beef

- Shipping fever shots required
- 840 RFID tags required

Breeding Beef

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

Dairy Beef

- Shipping fever shots required
- Rabies vaccine recommended
- Animal identification number ear tag starting with “840” that has the US Shield

Dairy Cattle

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

Market Lamb

- Must have an official USDA Scrapie Tag

Breeding Sheep

- Rabies vaccination is recommended
- Must have an official USDA Scrapie Tag

Market Goat

- Must have an official USDA Scrapie Tag

Breeding Meat Goat

- Rabies vaccination is recommended
- Must have an official USDA Scrapie Tag

Poultry

- All birds must bear a unique individual identification leg band
- Must be vet checked and banded between July 13 and July 20
- All birds must test negative for Avian Influenza. Tests must be completed prior to the fair
- All test results must accompany the birds upon arrival to fair
- Check with Sam Rishel for any health regulation changes

FAQ's:

- **What should I wear to exhibit my livestock product at the fair?**
 - Jeans, collared shirt with at least 3 buttons, tucked in and leather shoes or boots.
- **I am showing rabbits at the fair this year; do I have to feed them?**
 - Yes, in fact, you do! New this year 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.
 - Designated feeding times for animal access will be from 7am – 10 am AND 5pm – 8pm, unless pre-approved arrangements are made by the department chairperson(s)
 - **This is also a change for poultry exhibits. They are required to check on and feed/water their exhibits as well**
- **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 shavings for the pig pens. The fair will not provide those for you.
 - If you are exhibiting lambs/sheep, goats, or cattle, the fair will provide initial straw bedding. This is not intended to get you through the entire week of the fair. Please bring your own bedding
- **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 are looking at losing part 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 weigh it again?**
 - NO! All animals will be weighed ONCE at the designated weighing area and that will be the declared weight.
 - It is your responsibility to be tracking and maintaining your animals desired weight.

UCWEF Livestock Weight Requirements

Market Swine

- 220-290lb

Market Lambs

- 80-150lb

Market Goats

- 50-100lb

Market Steer

- 1050-1450lb

Dairy Beef

- 400-800lb

Meat Pen (chickens)

- Not less than 7lb, not more than 9lb

Meat Pen (rabbit)

- Not under 3.5, not over 5.5lb

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

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