4-H and FFA Auction Rules

EXHIBITORS

1. All 4-H and FFA members currently enrolled in an Oregon 4-H or an Agricultural Education Program are eligible to enter the EOLS Junior Auction classes.
2. Potential exhibitors must pre-register for the EOLS by published entry deadline via showorks. Possession photos will be recorded in a google doc.
3. Exhibitors are allowed to sell **one** market animal.
4. Exhibitors are required to show in at least one showmanship class. This animal may be a market or breeding animal which is entered in the show.
5. Any animal shown in either a 4-H or FFA market class and sold at the Eastern Oregon Livestock Show Auction, MAY NOT be shown in any future market classes in any show. EOLS is a **Terminal Show**. *Any animal purchased through the sale is NOT eligible to be shown in any market classes again or any breeding classes until the following year*.
6. All market animals must meet the guidelines within the 4-H and FFA Premium Books as well as the rules stated within these auction rules to be eligible to sell.
7. All Exhibitors are required to complete & submit at weigh in:
   a. COOL Form - USDA Country of Origin Affidavit *prior* to or at weigh-in, verifying the animal was bred and born in the USA.
   b. Market Health Record - form stating dates and names of all vaccinations animal has received. (available on the Union County 4-H Extension Website https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/union/eastern-oregon-livestock-show).
   c. E-slips (for ALL market steers, including homegrown) – Brand Inspection certificate showing change of ownership.
   (Note: Exhibitors should also have received a COOL form completed by the original breeder verifying the animal origin - this should be kept in the exhibitor's record book.)
8. Only animals exhibited in the regular market classes at this show may be sold through the Auction. Each exhibitor must personally show their market animal in the appropriate market class.
9. Exhibitors must personally sell their own animal in the auction ring
10. All members showing market animals in the EOLS Junior Auction are strongly encouraged to promote the Auction and the purchase of animals. While promoting, members should invite potential buyers to the auction avoid specifically asking buyers to purchase their individual animal. Members can write an invitation letter that includes a picture and share a brief personal story.

REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN

1. Market animals must be weighed between 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday of the show. Animals should weigh upon arrival at the stock show grounds.
2. In case of extenuating circumstances, owners of any animals that need to arrive before 2:00 p.m. MUST have written permission from the Union FFA

Advisor for FFA animals or the Union County 4-H Program Coordinator for 4-H animals acknowledging the reason for early arrival. All early arrivals will have a health check prior to stalling and be weighed as soon as scales open at 2:00 pm. If there is an emergency regarding late arrival for market animal weigh-in, individuals must call the EOLS 4-H Office at 541-562-6237 , Karie Kelley (4-H) 503-789-4111 or Hailee Jameson (FFA) 541-805-4044 PRIOR to the close of the scales.

WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS

1. **Official Sale Weight** - The official sale weight shall be weight upon arrival less a 2% shrink. *Only one weight will be permitted.* Any re-weigh requested must happen immediately. Animals will exit the scale; scale will be zeroed, and animal will be reweighed.
2. Exhibitors may bring two animals to weigh in, one being a "back-up." The first animal to make weight across the scales will be considered the animal entered in the EOLS market class. Second animal must leave the grounds unless can be entered in a breeding class (Must have been previously entered into a breeding class, by the required date). All animals must be clean and dry before crossing the scale. Hogs must have excess mud removed.
3. Weigh-in conditions are identical between 4-H and FFA. 4-H animals will weigh on the 4-H scales; FFA animals will be weighed on the FFA scale. That weight will stand. Prior to the show, scales are checked and certified by State Weight and Measures Division.
4. **Weight Requirements** – Market animals will be weighed on the official scales and must meet the minimum/maximum weight requirements for their species to be allowed to sell in the auction. If a re-weigh is requested the animal will step off the scale, the scale will be rebalanced, the animal will immediately re-weigh and that weight will stand.
5. Market animals not making the minimum weight or going over the maximum weight will NOT be eligible to sell through the auction but are allowed to be shown in a feeder or over-weight class and showmanship class, to allow exhibitors to still compete at the show. Exhibitors of under/overweight animals may add their animal to a potential buyer list in the 4-H office in case there are after auction buyers available. No sale flyers are allowed to be posted, including social media. The auction is not responsible for the sale of these animals or for their care.

	Min Weight	Max Weight
Hogs	230	310
Goats	70	130 (125- 2027)
Lambs	100	170
Steers	1,050 (1,100- 2027)	1700

SALE REQUIREMENTS

1. All animals meeting the weight limitations will be evaluated by a qualified judge who will estimate if beef grades select, choice, or prime. Any beef sold re-sale will then be paid based on their carcass grade. Any carcasses that are deemed lower quality/grade, exhibitors will receive the deduction. Animal not meeting market standards will be given a white ribbon and NOT eligible to sell. **The Judges decisions are final.**
2. Transfer of ownership takes place at the time of the sale. Once auction animals leave the grounds all responsibility for animal transfers to the buyer.

a. All Exhibitors will care for their market animals through 6:00 p.m Saturday night. If your animal is a "Pickup or Take-Home Animal", please water your animal once that species has completed selling. **All pick-up/take home animals must be checked out with the Auction Office before loading**. The Auction Committee will assist in loading out of the animals. All animals should be off the grounds before 7:00 pm of sale day.

3. Resale Animals Condemned at Commercial Slaughter - If an animal is rejected, condemned, or discounted in the commercial slaughter process for any reason, the final buyer could have the option of accepting the floor price of the animal. *The exhibitor could assume this loss at the discretion of the auction committee.*
4. There will be no decorating of sale animals.
5. **Market Steer Requirements** - Change of Ownership Slips (E-slips not transportation certificates) must accompany all market steers and must be presented to the weigh master at weigh in time. Steers will not be allowed across the scales without the appropriate transfer slip in hand, there will be no exceptions. *(These forms should be completed at time of purchase and signed by original seller.)* Market steers must be dehorned and healed. A maximum of 2-inch scurs are allowed. Measured at the base of the scur.
6. All resale steers (both 4-H and FFA) will be sold on carcass and yield grade. Any discount taken or premium paid by the re-sale packers will be passed on to the exhibitors. This means that the exhibitor will be paid on carcass quality plus the premium the buyer bids above market price. Market steers going for re-sale may be charged a feed lot fee for approximately one week if arrangements are made in hopes to prevent "dark cutters." Exhibitors that sell steers to buyers of locker meat will be paid total price bid on animals using the live grade. All market steers sold as custom kill at the auction must be left tied with a rope halter at least 3/8-inch in diameter in the areas designated for the Custom Kill Processors. All Exhibitors will care for their market animals through 6:00 p.m. Saturday night. All re-sale steers will be turned loose in the location stated by the Auction Committee.
7. **Market Goat Requirements** – It is recommended that market goats be dehorned but not required if horns are the breed standard. If animals show any sign of being unsafe because of their horns, exhibitors may be asked to cap or tip horns or remove the animal from the grounds.

SALE ORDER

1. **Individual animal order** – Sale order of individual animals is determined by conformation and Champion Drive placings. Class placing determined by the judge will be based upon market class placing. Within each species the first to sell will be the highest placing animal with the highest class placing. (1blue, 2 blue. 1 Red etc) Animals receiving a white ribbon will NOT be eligible for the sale.
2. **Overall Show Champion of Species** – The Overall animals between 4-H and FFA will be the first two animals to sell within each species. Then, the division Champions, per 4-H and FFA will alternate (per rotation as defined in the program order below).
3. **Sale Order** – The official sale order is posted one day prior to the EOLS Auction by the Auction Committee. It is the responsibility of the member to be aware of their place in the order and be in line and ready for their rotation into the auction. Any members missing their rotation will not be allowed to sell in the auction later. Sale order will be determined by auction committee and published in the official sale catalog.

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ANIMAL HEALTH POLICY

1. The Eastern Oregon Livestock Show Junior Auction is committed to the production of safe, wholesome food products and the safety of all exhibitors and visitors.
2. The EOLS Animal Health Inspection Committee reserves the right to require a health inspection, diagnostic tests, treatment and/or disease control measures or procedures, which become necessary in emergencies at the exhibitor's expense. (See committee section for listing of committee members)
3. All male market animals must be castrated and completely healed with no visible signs of scrotum. No **cryptorchid** will be allowed to show/sell in market classes. All animals will be checked as they cross the scale. Animals that make it across the scale may still be disqualified by the judge.
4. An unmanageable animal may be disqualified from the show and auction at any time it is deemed necessary.
5. Disqualification of an animal is not directed towards an Exhibitor. It is for the safety of all exhibitors and visitors as well as producing safe, wholesome food products.
6. ALL ANIMALS shall be subject to inspection by the initial EOLS Animal Health Inspection Committee upon admission to the grounds or by members of the Animal Health Committee as deemed necessary throughout the show. No animal shall be admitted to the show or allowed to remain on the grounds that shows evidence of abuse, infection, contagious disease, any unsightly disease or condition, (i.e.: warts, ringworm/club lamb fungus, pink eye, strangles, contagious ecthyma (sore mouth), scabies, lice, mites, ticks, fleas, hernias, prolapse, etc) or is unmanageable.
    a. The Animal Health Committee will be made up of one representative from 4-H, FFA, Species superintendent and the Auction Committee.
7. It will be the initial EOLS Animal Health Inspection Committee's decision to isolate the animal for disqualification from the show if there is any question about the health of the animal. Animals NOT passing health inspection by the Animal Health Committee must be IMMEDIATELY removed from the grounds.
8. Due to recent trade agreement restrictions between the United States and China the domestic packers who purchase the market swine at the Eastern Oregon Livestock Show Junior Auction WILL NOT accept any hogs who have been fed the feed additive Ractopamine Hydrochloride.~~-~~
9. Any market swine who are fed Ractopamine Hydrochloride will NOT be eligible to sell in the EOLS Auction. Exhibitors will be required to sign a feed restriction affidavit upon registering for the show. If an exhibitor violates this rule and the packer rejects the carcass, the exhibitor will forfeit their check. Forms are available on the Union County 4-H Extension Website https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/union/eastern-oregon-livestock-show

APPEAL PROCESS

1. Any person who wishes to file a complaint or grievance must do so in writing, using the EOLS "Appeal Form," to the EOLS Appeals Committee immediately. The decision of the committee shall be final. A non-refundable $50 cash fee must accompany the written complaint or grievance. Exhibitors who submit a written complaint will have their animals placed in a separate pen until the EOLS Executive Board reviews the complaint with the Appeals Committee.
2. If the complaint or grievance is deemed worthy of further consideration by the

committee, any additional expenses (veterinary, legal or other) to be incurred in the resolution of the complaint must be paid in advance by the person filing the complaint or grievance.

3. If the complaint or grievance is upheld by the committee and additional costs are incurred, then the owner of the animal in question bears the burden of additional costs and the committee refunds the additional costs (not including the non-refundable $50 fee) to the person submitting the complaint.
4. In the case of the committee upholding the complaint, the animal will be immediately removed from the grounds, and the owner will lose the privilege of exhibiting at EOLS. To be reinstated to the show in the future, the exhibitor of the animal in question must appeal to the EOLS Board in writing, no later than the March meeting of the following year.

PAYMENT

1. **Sales Commission** - All Exhibitors will be charged a four (4%) commission. Commission is used to assist with auction expenses and support repairs and maintenance of facilities.
2. All Exhibitors selling market animals will be paid within 90 days of the closing of the Auction. Steers will be paid as stated in the rules above; hogs and lambs will be paid based on Sale Weight.
3. For those 4-H and FFA members that have financed their market animals through a lending institution, market animal checks will be jointly issued when EOLS Auction Committee has been so advised.
4. Market checks may be reissued if lost. The current cost of the stop payment fee will be deducted from the new check.

COMMITTEES

1. **Initial EOLS Animal Health Inspection Committee** - The initial EOLS Animal Health Committee shall include the species superintendent, 4-H Agent and FFA Advisor. If the initial Animal Health Committee is not immediately available, the animal in question will be placed in a separate pen by the Superintendent until the Committee is available.

2. **EOLS Animal Health Inspection Committee** - The balance of the Committee shall consist of the EOLS Auction Chairman, Species Superintendent, EOLS Executive Board and one Program Director from both 4-H and FFA and a Licensed Veterinarian. The Veterinarian will be available only on an on-call basis. The Producer(s) and the Licensed Veterinarian shall be procured by the EOLS Auction Committee prior to the show. The EOLS Animal Health Inspection Committee may be called together for other issues after weigh-in day as needed.

3. **EOLS Appeals Committee** - The Appeals committee will consist of four people: the appropriate 4-H or FFA staff member, two EOLS Auction Committee members and one EOLS Executive Board member.

4. **EOLS Auction Committee**
   Chairs: Scott Loree, Trista Loree
   Committee: 4-H – Karie Kelley, Honour Bowen and FFA – Hailee Jameson, JD Cant, and Brendan Kelley. Board - Elaine LaRochelle (Treasurer), Dennis Murchison, Jake Seavert, and Jessie Bakker.
   EOLS Board Executive Representative: Darren Hansen

THANK YOUS

1. Please send a thank you note to the buyer(s) and anyone who may add-on or bump up the price of your market animal. Addresses will be available at the auction office on sale day, or after the sale from the Extension office, 541-963-1010, and in your sale proceeds check. Please check your list of buyers when you receive your check to see if you had additional buyers and get addresses to send thank you card from the website https://www.easternoregonlivestockshow.com/4h-ffa-auction.html.Gifts may be taken to buyers after the Auction is over or to their place of business with a thank you card. No thank you gifts will be allowed in the auction barn.
2. Buyer "thank you placards" will be mailed directly to buyers by the auction committee.