

Market Beef Project

Important Dates

February 1st: LAST DAY to be enrolled in and have in your possession- Market Beef Project

February 3rd: Market Beef Weigh Day 9:00 -10:00am

April 2nd: MQA Testing-your family will receive an email if you have to take the test

June 5th: Market Test at Extension Office 8am-10am

June 6th: Market Test at Extension Office 6-8pm

June 10th: Fair Entry opens Online

June 27th: Market Retake Tests at Extension Office 6-8pm

July 1st: Last day to enter Fremont County Fair at NO CHARGE

July 10th: Record Book Workshop 5:30-7:00pm

July 29th: Livestock Check In 8:30 -9:30am

Mandatory Livestock Exhibitor Meeting- Time TBD

August 1st: Breeding Beef, Market Steer Show
followed by Showmanship 5:00 pm

August 3rd: 8:00 am Master Showmanship
2:00pm Buyers BBQ

4:00 pm Market Livestock Sale

August 4th: Fremont County Fair Clean Up

August 22nd: LAST day to turn in Record Books to the Extension Office

● **Contact the office with any**
questions! 719-276-7390 ●

Helpful Tips Straight from the Fair Book!

What should I wear at the fair?

Long or short sleeved button shirt or blouse, clean dark colored jeans, or slacks. Hard soled closed-toed shoes or boots for safety. NO HATS OR CAPS.

MARKET & BREEDING BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

Class 3501, Senior Showmanship(14-18 yrs old)

Class 3502, Intermediate Showmanship(11-13 yrs old)

Class 3503, Junior Showmanship(8-10yrs old)

Class 3121,

Bred by exhibitor (shows last)

Beef

If you are doing Market Beef in Fremont County you need to call the Brand Inspector and make an appointment for him to come to your place and inspect your Beef BEFORE Beef Weigh Days.

If you purchased your calf by private treaty: You must have an original Bill of Sale with the seller's signature on it for him to see. The Brand Inspector will give you a new Bill of Sale and you MUST bring this Bill of Sale with you to weigh day in February and to the Fremont County Fair weigh day.

If you purchased your calf at a production sale: You will have an original Official Bill of Sale from the Production Sale. This will be the legal Bill of Sale. You MUST bring this Bill of Sale with you to weigh day in February and to the Fremont County Fair weigh day.

For security and safety neck ties will be required for market beef animals.

Market Beef must weigh a minimum of 1,000 lbs. and a maximum weight of 1,450 lbs. to be eligible to show in the Market classes. All Market Beef under 1000 lbs. or over 1,450 lbs. are shown in a special class and will not be eligible for the Market Livestock Sale, Ultrasound Contest, or Special Awards. They will only be eligible for class ribbons.

Market Beef cannot be over 24 months of age at fair time.

A Heifer exhibited in a Market Class cannot be shown in the Breeding Class.

Arrival Time: As to be communicated by Fair Board on entry arrival times and weigh-in times on Monday, July 29, 2024. Market Beef will be split into classes by weight.

Bred by exhibitor Class will be for ribbon only. The Beef will show in and will receive its placing according to its weight class.

Stall spaces will be assigned by the Superintendent.

Members must be on time and have your animal and yourself ready when called on for judging and other activities.

What Goes in the Showbox

Show Stick

Show Harness

Show Halters

Adhesives

Paints

Neck Ropes

Rubbing Alcohol

Mineral oil

Combs

Brush(es)

Soap

Safety pins -for your exhibitor number

Notepad and pen & Sharpie to write your name on your belongings.

Water hose (small) Only about 5-10 feet is usually needed. A spray nozzle for the end of the hose.

Small towel(s)

Fans

Blower

Scissors/Clippers

Feed

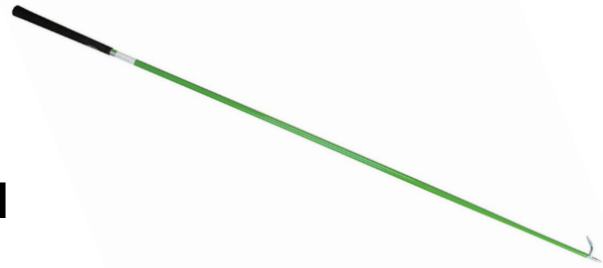
Bucket (s): Small bucket for carrying feed and water to your animals.

Feed pans

Waterers

Shavings

Manure pick



Show Clothes- 2-3 Long or short sleeved button shirts or blouses, 2-3 pairs of clean dark colored jeans, or slacks, a belt. Hard soled closed-toed shoes or boots for safety.

Buyer Letters

Why is the 4-H buyer letter and marketing so important?

Each year the community comes out to attend the 4-H auction and spends thousands of dollars supporting 4-H kids in their projects. Without the support of local businesses there would be no stock sale for your kids to sell their animals at. Getting out and delivering market letters to these local businesses is a great way to keep your auction going and to get new buyers to the fair!

Who should you send/deliver a letter to?

Any local business your family patronizes
Your families Doctor, Dentist, Eye Doctor,
Orthodontist or any other specialist you see

Previous Buyers of your 4-H animal

Relatives, Family Friends, Neighbors

What should you include in your letter?

An introduction:

Your name, age, Club, and project

Something you learned raising this animal

An invitation to the auction including:

Fair information

Sales Dates, Time and Location

Extension Office phone number for more information

Thanks for their support in the past if they've previously bought an animal

Picture of you with your project animal

What Not to Include

Any hardships your family is going through.

Having an asking price for your animal.

Asking for a direct donation.

Any threats to not do business with them anymore if they don't buy your animal