

PINAL COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK PROGRAM

MARKET & CARCASS REQUIREMENTS

2024 – 2025

OBJECTIVES OF PROGRAM

The Junior Livestock Program provides many worthwhile experiences and opportunities for Pinal County Junior Livestock Exhibitors. Specific objectives of the program are:

1. To teach responsibilities to junior livestock exhibitors in the caring of market animals.
2. To teach skills and good habits regarding proper feeding, health care, fitting and showing of market animals.
3. To provide junior livestock exhibitors a program that will be both educational and enjoyable.
4. To offer a learning program with emphasis on success, but not dominated by competition.
5. To promote an attitude of sharing knowledge among exhibitors with other exhibitors, older and younger, and with the entire family.
6. To teach and encourage safe handling practices at all times, when working with or showing a market animal.

CODE OF ETHICS

Exhibitors, Parents, and Leaders shall conduct themselves in such a manner as to be a credit to themselves, to their club/chapter and to their leader/advisor. All policies and procedures relating to conduct, as determined by the Pinal County Jr. Livestock Program Code of Conduct will be enforced. Competitive events are held primarily for their educational value. Exhibitor's participation in all fair contests shall display good sportsmanship throughout the fair. Failure of an exhibitor, parent, and leader to so conduct him or herself or failure to abide by or follow any applicable rule, policy or procedure shall be grounds for disqualification. Disqualification means that the exhibitor's animal(s) may not be shown or sold at the auction and all prizes, awards, and monies will be forfeited. Failure to forfeit prizes and awards and monies will result in a lifetime ban from all future participation of Pinal County Junior Livestock along with their siblings. Leaders, advisors, teachers or parents who bring exhibitors to the Fair shall maintain responsibility and supervision of minors and shall enforce proper conduct. The Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee will make the decision after listening to all persons with direct knowledge of the alleged misconduct, including the exhibitor. All decisions of the Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee are final.

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Exhibitors, Parents and Leaders! While reading the PCJLC rules and requirements, if you do not understand or are NOT sure of the interpretation of a rule, please contact a PCJLC Committee Member for CLARIFICATION. PCJLC members are listed on page 3 & 4 along with their contact information.

**PINAL COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE
2024 - 2025**

PURPOSE OF COMMITTEE: To serve as a Governing Board, representing 4-H, FFA, Association and the Pinal County Fair Office in promoting, planning and carrying out the Junior Livestock Division of the County Fair.

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SECTION 1: General Rules and Requirements

- A. Participation is open to all exhibitors whose legal residence is within Pinal County. The only exception to this rule would apply to any child, regardless of their residence, who participated in the Pinal County Fair Junior Livestock Division prior to and including 2005 as a member of a Pinal County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter, will, along with their immediate siblings, be allowed to continue their participation in the Pinal County Jr. Livestock show as long as they participate under the rules and regulations of the Pinal County Jr. Livestock Committee (PCJLC).
- B. Each exhibitor must be a member in good standing of a 4-H, Association or FFA club or chapter.
- C. **Age Requirements: Exhibitors must have had their 8th birthday before January 1, 2025 and exhibitors cannot have passed their 19th birthday prior to January 1, 2025 or they are enrolled as a high school senior actively engaged in an FFA Chapter, Association, and/or 4-H Club to be eligible to show.**
4-H (8-19)
Association (8-19)
FFA: FFA member in good standing not exceeding 19
- D. Purchasing a livestock project does not guarantee that the animal will be eligible to exhibit at the fair. Exhibiting at the fair does not guarantee the animal will be sold at the auction and selling an animal at the auction does not guarantee a profit will be made.
- E. Exhibitors will only be allowed to exhibit and/or auction animals in one county fair. Any exhibitor, who is found in violation of showing and/or selling an animal in more than one Arizona county fair, will be barred along with their siblings, from any future participation at the Pinal County Fair.
- F. 1. Each exhibitor will be allowed to enter up to three (3) animals with no more than two (2) animals of a single species or combination of any species in the market division.
2. **For entry into the carcass contest**, exhibitors will be required to enter online and pay the required entry fee for one carcass animal entry before the final online submission date closes for Holstein Calf (**January 2, 2025**). No declaration to leaders or advisors will be required. Exhibitors that entered a carcass entry online will be allowed to bring one of their entered market animals to carcass receiving. Any exhibitor that does not drop off an animal at carcass receiving, voids their carcass entry.
3. Each exhibitor may show two (2) animals of single species in the market division or combination of any species in the market division. However, only one animal may be sold at the Jr. Livestock Auction. The animal eligible for sale must be declared by the exhibitor unless both animals are both of the same species, in this case the exhibitors choice will be sold at the Jr. Livestock Auction. The animal eligible must be declared by Thursday of fair by 10:00am to the PCJLC Office. **If the exhibitor fails to declare by time stated their animal with the most awards/point shall be declared the Auction Animal. No changes will be allowed.**
4. Each exhibitor may show only one (1) animal in the carcass division.
- G. All exhibitors must comply with the USDA Wholesome Meat Act, the Wholesome Assurance Statement and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics as published below. Health Regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture require that animals treated with drugs, pesticides or any other chemical must go through the prescribed withdrawal period as listed on the label. Therefore, it is important that exhibitors determine the type of treatments used if the animals must be dipped or treated prior to leaving the point of origin.

USDA WHOLESOME MEAT ACT

The United States Department of Agriculture Wholesome Meat Act applies to the sale of market livestock sold during the Pinal County Fair as follows:

- 1) Animals must be in good health and carcasses free of drug or chemical residues.
- 2) Antibiotics and sulfonamides have required withdrawal periods.

- 3) Before administering antibiotics and/or sulfonamides, consult a licensed practicing veterinarian, or label directions of the drug.
- 4) Drug label directions for use and withdrawal periods must be followed.
- 5) If drug or other chemical residues are found in tissue of carcasses, the entire carcass may be condemned.

If drug or other chemical residues are found in the urine, blood or tissue from an animal sold through a sale connected with the Pinal County Fair, the PCJLC or the fair will in no way be liable or responsible for the condition of the carcass or sale price of animal. Exhibitor will forfeit all rights to the sale proceeds.

WHOLESOME ASSURANCE STATEMENT

The use of animal drugs or other substances by non-veterinarians in any manner other than in accordance with the labeling approved by FDA, is a violation of federal law.* Food animals must not exceed FDA/EPA/USDA established tolerances for any foreign substance including drugs, pesticides, feed additives, or other chemicals. Violation results of residue testing are subject to investigation by USDA and FDA for prosecution. Any misrepresentation of a food animal that can potentially affect the acceptability of the carcass or milk will be considered fraud.* Note: Abuse of the extra-label privilege by veterinarians is unethical and is subject to serious consequences such as license revocation. (PLEASE CONSULT YOUR PROJECT LEADER IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND ANY OF THESE STATEMENTS.)

IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS) CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

- 1) All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
- 2) Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
- 3) Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.

4) Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of volatile drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of, consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory, to which it is sent, is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5) Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed. Veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

6) The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.

7) Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

8) No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.

9) The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

10) The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expos and any special notices to members.

11) The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the

code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

- H. ALL GRAND AND RESERVE CHAMPION MARKET ANIMALS WILL BE DRUG TESTED.** The PCJLC reserves the right to conduct drug tests on any animal exhibited. Tissue, blood and urine samples may be collected. Blood or urine samples will be collected as soon as possible after the Grand and Reserve Champions are selected, and champion pictures are taken and/or as required immediately following the species final drive. Exhibitors and their parents will be given the choice for urine or blood samples to be collected. **THE SAMPLES WILL BE COLLECTED BY A LICENSED VETERINARIAN.** The sample analysis will occur at Center for TOX Laboratory services inc. for the presence of prohibited substances. Test samples must be free of any identifiable foreign substance, including drugs, chemicals or feed additives unless otherwise established as permissible by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) or Food and Drug Administration (FDA). There can be no presence of any performance-enhancing based drugs (i.e. including but not limited to, anabolic steroids, diuretics, anti-inflammatories, tranquilizers and pain killers) and/or derivatives thereof in test samples. An entry fee of \$5 per head entered must be paid at the time of entry through the online entry system. The exhibitor must be present at the time of sample collection. If the exhibitor of the animal is not 18 years of age, a representative must accompany the exhibitor during the time of sample collection. Only the exhibitor and a parent or guardian, and superintendent, along with the licensed veterinarian are allowed to be present in the testing area during sample collection. In the event of a positive result, the exhibitor will **FORFEIT ALL PRIZES, PLACEMENTS AND AUCTION MONIES FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.** Failure to forfeit prizes, awards and monies will result in a lifetime ban from all future participation of Pinal County Junior Livestock along with their siblings. **IN THE EVENT OF THE FIRST POSITIVE TEST THE EXHIBITOR WILL BE BANNED FROM PARTICIPATING IN ANY PINAL COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK ACTIVITIES THE FOLLOWING YEAR. THE EXHIBITOR AND ALL DIRECT FAMILY MEMBERS WILL AGREE TO LIFETIME DRUG TESTING OF ANY ANIMAL EXHIBITED IN A PINAL COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK ACTIVITY AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE.**
- I. Pinal County Jr. Livestock Exhibitors, upon submitting an entry of 4-H/Association/FFA Project Livestock, are certifying their animal being presented for exhibition at the Pinal County Fair to be free from disease. Livestock exhibitors shall be subject to the recommendation of the AZ Veterinarian Office as to the health requirements for the livestock as follows.
- 1) Any testing procedure as directed by the State Veterinarian's Office will be enforced as directed by the PCJLC.
 - 2) Quarantined Herds: No animals from herds under quarantine will be allowed entry.
 - 3) The livestock superintendents have the right and responsibility to reject any livestock exhibiting evidence of disease, infection, health issues, or injury, after verification from the fair veterinarian.
 - 4) The livestock superintendents have the right and responsibility to reject any livestock exhibiting safety hazards to other animals, spectators or exhibitors.
- J. **OWNERSHIP, CARE and CUSTODY of Livestock.**
- 1) Market Livestock must be continually owned by the exhibitor by the ownership deadline designated for each specie division through fair. Feeder steer and breeding animals must be owned by the exhibitor or immediate family 30 days prior to the entry deadline. Any violation will result in disqualification of the exhibitor for the current fair year.
 - 2) Market animals must reside in Pinal County from the time of entry until the time of auction.
- Exceptions:
- 1) If an exhibitor lives outside Pinal County but is participating under the requirements in Section 1, Item A, the animal may reside at their residence.**
 - 2) If under any circumstance, the animal must reside outside of Pinal County Borders, exhibitor must apply for an exemption. All exhibitors wishing to board or house a project/ animal in another Arizona county and to be shown and sold at the Pinal County Junior Livestock Show must complete the form with the appropriate signatures and submit to the Pinal County Junior Livestock

Committee PRIOR to online entry. The exhibitor/ applicant must attend a Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee meeting prior to online entry to present the application before the application can be approved or denied. Applications must be completely approved before entering any animals. The PCJLC reserves the right to on-site inspections at any time with prior notice and will include a species superintendent, a parent/guardian, and the exhibitor present.

- K. **PROTEST POLICY:** All protests must be submitted in writing along with a \$30 deposit. A written protest must be delivered to the Jr. Livestock Office within twelve (12) hours of a protested occurrence. A \$30 cash and/or certified funds deposit must accompany the protest. The deposit will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Pro tests will be adjudicated by the grievance panel composed of the PCJLC Board of Directors, and the specie superintendents or the organization representatives as necessary, whose decision is final.
 - 1) Protests must state plainly cause of complaint or appeal, with specific charges and recital of the facts relied upon or the rule violated. The written protest must include names of witnesses of those to which proof is to be made.
- L. The rules and requirements are subject to interpretation by the Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee (PCJLC) and their decision will be FINAL. The PCJLC also reserves the right to add to or amend these rules and requirements as deemed necessary. WILLFUL VIOLATION will be subject to disciplinary action including refusing entries or removing exhibitor and entries at this or subsequent fairs and the imposition of fines as stated in this Rulebook against any exhibitor who fails or refuses to adhere to the rules and requirements of the PCJLC, the Pinal County Fair, the PCJLC Code of Conduct or does not exhibit conduct befitting exhibitors at the Pinal County Fair.
- M. The PCJLC will take reasonable precaution to ensure the security of exhibits; however, the owners themselves are responsible for exhibits and must assume responsibility for loss, damage or personal injury to any animal, article or person incurred while the exhibit is on the fairgrounds.
- N. All Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee members, registered PCJLC leaders, parents/guardian, and volunteers, must read, sign and abide by the Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee Code of Conduct Form. The completed Code of Conduct Form must be submitted with their PCJLC Leader/Volunteer Registration Form.
- O. Absolutely NO DOGS allowed under the livestock barn.
- P. Any exhibitor, parent, leader or PCJLC committee member, who knowingly submits false information and/or forged documents in regards to an exhibitor's entry and/or livestock paperwork, will be subject to immediate removal and banned for life from the Pinal County Fair.

SECTION 2: Ear Tagging Rules and Requirements

Online Entry Form: Exhibitors must complete their online entry in its entirety and pay the online entry fee **BEFORE** their respective specie eartagging. Online entry will be available at www.pcjuniorlivestock.org. Be sure to complete both **MARKET** and **SHOWMANSHIP** entry online.

After completing online entry, exhibitors must bring their animal and any additional forms to one of their specie ear tagging dates. Late online entries will only be accepted between the close of the entry deadline and the final specie ear tagging date. Payment of a \$50.00 late entry fee is required at time of online entry.

Beef online entry deadline October 10, 2024 at 11:59 PM
Swine online entry deadline December 12, 2024 at 11:59 PM
Goat online entry deadline December 12, 2024 at 11:59 PM
Lamb online entry deadline December 12, 2024 at 11:59 PM
Market Holstein Calves online entry deadline January 2, 2025 at 11:59 PM

- A. Quality Assurance certification number and expiration date will be required as part of the online entry and must be current.
- 1) All Exhibitors must Complete the online Youth For The Quality Care of Animals Class prior to each species ear tagging dates. All exhibitors must have a valid certificate at both weigh/tag day and fair receiving day that is **valid through the end of the fair**. Exhibitors are required to turn in a Printed copy of YQCA Class Completion Certificate for each species tagging dates. YQCA Classes can be found at the following website <https://yqcaprogram.org/>
- B. Arizona Seasonal Pass number will be required as part of the online entry for all species (lamb, goat, holstein calf, swine, and beef.)
- 1) Seasonal Pass Certificates must be submitted to the specie superintendent before entering the scales at tag in. The Seasonal Pass Certificate is a requirement of the Arizona Department of Agriculture, Animal Services Division and all exhibitors must be in compliance in order to participate at the Pinal County Fair.
- 2) A Seasonal Self-Inspection certificate may be obtained by calling (602) 542-6407 or by submitting a completed Seasonal Pass Application. (Appendix D – Seasonal Pass Application).
- C. Ownership and registration papers must be in the exhibitor's name.

Forms Due at Ear Tagging: Form 1 is required, if item 2 is applicable, the seasonal pass must be issued from the State of Az Agriculture Department. One printed form is required for each animal that is ear tagged.

1. **Completed Code of Conduct**
2. **Seasonal Pass** (*One copy per animal entered*)
3. **Best Arizona Bred Verification Form (To be qualified for Arizona Bred)**
4. **Leader/Volunteer Registration Forms (Due at Eartagging)**

- A. All exhibitors and their animals are required to attend a respective species ear tagging date. Ear tagging of these project animals will **ONLY** be done at the designated location and date, please refer to each specie division rules for exact dates and times. Ear tags are not to be tampered with or replaced. If any damage or loss occurs to ear tag, immediately contact your specie superintendent.
- B. Exhibitors **must** be present at ear tagging day.
- C. Official Entry must be fully completed online before the animal is ear tagged.
- D. Each exhibitor must read, sign, and obey the Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee Code of Conduct Form. In addition, exhibitors are required to have their parent and 4-H leader, FFA Advisor or Association

leader sign the form.

The Code of Conduct Form must be completed and turned in at the time of ear tagging. (**Appendix G – Code of Conduct Form**)

- F. **Best Arizona Bred.** This is for all species. To be eligible to enter the Best Arizona Bred Class animals must be bred, conceived, born, raised and fed on Arizona soil. A receipt of verification will be needed. To enter this class, you must submit a completed Best Arizona Bred Form for your qualified animal on the day of ear tagging. For Swine, you must submit a completed Best Arizona Bred Form for your qualified animal on paperwork submission day. The Best Arizona Bred Form must include the name of the exhibitor the animal was sold to, the name of the breeder, the breeder's national or state premise identification number (if applicable), the animal's permanent identification number if applicable and physical markings on animal. (**Appendix I – Official Best Arizona Bred Verification Form**)

- G. The species superintendents are responsible for ear tagging, entries and collecting paperwork of each species. Ear tagging dates and entry deadline dates, as specified in the species market requirements, are FINAL for all entry for exhibit into the market and carcass divisions at the Pinal County Fair. No replacement of animals after the final specie ear tagging date or entry deadline date.

- H. 4-H, Association and FFA exhibitors must declare their organization and club affiliation at time of entry and must be a member in good standing of same. The Official Entry Form shall designate the club/organization and leader/advisor/teacher.

SECTION 3: Fair Receiving/Weigh-in Rules and Requirements

Forms Due at the TIME OF WEIGH IN: Each animal entered and received must be accompanied by a complete set of forms.

1. **Copy of Quality Assurance Training Certificate**
2. **Financial Record Form** (*One copy per animal entered*)

- A. Exhibitor must be present at time of receiving/weigh-in.
- B. Arizona Seasonal Pass must be submitted to the species superintendent before entering the scales at fair receiving.
- C. Current and completed financial records must be presented at the time of weigh-in for all market and carcass livestock divisions. (**Appendix B – Financial Form**)
- D. For exhibitors showing two market animals: Exhibitor must declare by Thursday of fair, by 10:00am-which animal will be sold in the Junior Livestock Auction. Note: If the non-declared animal wins Grand Champion, Reserve Champion or Best Arizona Bred, then it will sell in place of the declared animal.
- E. Livestock will be placed on a calibrated certified animal weight scale one time for the official fair weight. Upon the protest of an animal's weight, it must be brought to the attention of the specie superintendent(s) by the exhibitor prior to the animal being removed from the scale. An exhibitor may request the specie superintendent(s) balance the scale, and immediately re-weigh. The re-weighing of any animal shall be the sole discretion of the specie superintendent(s).
The final scale weight of the animal shall be the official show and sale weight.
- F. Market animals that do not make the proper weight at the official weigh-in may be exhibited in showmanship only, and must be removed from the fairgrounds no later than Friday, at 8:00 PM. Exhibitors must check out with their specie superintendent and receive all proper paperwork prior to leaving the fairgrounds.
- G. Market animals that do not make the proper weight at the official weigh-in are able to exhibit in showmanship and must pay all Livestock Fees.
- H. A 3% shrink will only be applied to animals weighing below the minimum weight requirement for beef, goat, lamb, and swine entries. For holstein calf entries a 5% shrink will be applied to animals weighing below the minimum weight requirement.
 1. **MARKET Divisions** Minimum weights accepted with the shrink percentage applied are:
Beef – 970 lbs., Goat – 63 lbs., Lamb – 97 lbs., Swine – 218 lbs., Market Holsteins– 237 lbs.
 2. **CARCASS Divisions** Minimum weights accepted with the shrink percentage applied are:
Beef – 970 lbs., Goat – 63 lbs., Lamb – 97 lbs., Swine – 218 lbs., Market Holstein– 237 lbs.
- I. The livestock barns will be open to receive all animals at noon on Monday, prior to receiving day. Animals will be allowed to unload and pen in assigned stall/pens only.
- J. Use of the Official PCJLC Fair scales will be restricted to official weigh-ins once the scales have been certified.
- K. The Official PCJLC Fair scales will only be open for entries during the designated receiving/weigh-in times for each species. Entries and paperwork will NOT be accepted after the close of the receiving time. (Please refer to the **2025** Pinal County Junior Livestock Division Official Fair Schedule for exact times.)

SECTION 4: Breeding & Feeder Divisions Rules and Requirements

- A. Entry into the Feeder Steer or Breeding Shows must be done online at www.pcjuniorlivestock.org. For entry into the feeder steer and breeding shows exhibitors must complete the online entry, a Code of Conduct Form and pay the **\$25.00 entry fee** per head. These forms are included with this requirement book. The Feeder Steer/Breeding Show Online entries are due by **February 15, 2025**
- B. For breeding heifer, doe, ewe and gilt classes, 24 months of age and younger, will be allowed to be exhibited. Breeding classes will be divided based upon entries and at the discretion of the Superintendents. For the goat breeding show only meat type goat breeds will be acceptable for entry.
- C. Feeder steer and breeding animals must be owned by the exhibitor or immediate family by **February 1, 2025**
- D. All other rules and regulations apply the same in the breeding and feeder classes as in the market division with the following exception: breeding Does may have horns. There are no minimum/maximum weight requirements for breeding animals.
- E. All feeder steers and breeding animals must be removed from the fairgrounds by Friday at 8:00 P.M. Exhibitors must check out with their specie superintendent and receive all proper paperwork prior to leaving the fairgrounds.
- F. FEEDER STEERS shall not exceed the maximum weight of 969 lbs. Feeder steers must be entered as such prior to the fair. Weigh-in requirements apply.
- G. An animal shown in the breeding class cannot be shown in the market or feeder divisions.
- H. Exhibitors may submit entries for up to two (2) animals in each of the following species; Feeder Steers, Breeding Heifers, Breeding Does, Breeding Ewes and Breeding Gilt Divisions.

SECTION 5: Livestock Judges

- A. The superintendent will be responsible for selecting and submitting 3 potential judges' names to the Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee for approval by **October 10, 2024**. The Pinal County Fair livestock judges for the Junior Livestock Division will be selected by the superintendents of each species by **November 14, 2024**. If judges cannot be attained by the deadline the PCJLC executive board could assume responsibility.
- B. The livestock judge's names and fact sheet will be available online at www.pcjuniorklivestock.org for everyone to review by January 1st.
- C. It is expressly prohibited for any exhibitor or exhibitor's parents or anyone acting for the exhibitor, to have any direct contact with a judge after the announcement and prior to the arrival at fair (i.e. phone, email, mail, text, Facebook, twitter, social media, online chat, face to face, etc.). exhibitors in violation of this ruling will be prohibited from participation at the fair, in addition, all awards, fees, and sale premiums will be forfeited.
- D. Any Breeder, fitter, person who sold or placed livestock in Pinal County Fair is expressly prohibited from contacting, or trying to influence the judges in any way. If they do so they will be subject to sanctions and corrective actions by the PCJLC.

SECTION 6: Market/Showmanship Rules and Requirements

- A. All market animals must be officially weighed on the designated scales at the fairgrounds. Exhibitors must remain with their exhibits until the Livestock Superintendents accept the entries.
- B. All exhibitors that tag a market animal in multiple species are required to show in showmanship in that specific species showmanship class.
- 1) **Novice Division – (First year exhibitors all ages (8 to 19), that have never shown an animal before at a county fair) NOTE: This division will not qualify for participation in the Round Robin Showmanship Contest, in order to be eligible for participation in Round Robin exhibitor must select their age appropriate division of either Junior, Intermediate or Senior Showmanship Divisions.**
 - 2) **Junior Division – (9 to 12 years of age and have one or more years show experience)**
 - 3) **Intermediate Division – (13 to 15 years of age and have one or more years show experience)**
 - 4) **Senior Division – (16 years of age or older and have one or more years show experience)**
- ***In the event there are TWO OR LESS entries in any given division, this division will be scratched and the exhibitors will be put into the next age group closest to them.
- C. Exhibitors are required to use their own market animals for showmanship. Exhibitors that do not have a market entry and are only exhibiting a breeding animal or a feeder steer will be allowed to participate in the specie showmanship with their animal or a feeder steer. Any exceptions must be approved by the superintendent and PCJLC Board.
- D. All livestock exhibitors are required to be properly groomed and dressed appropriately at the fair, show and auction.
Ball caps, t-shirts and flip-flops are NOT acceptable. The dress code will be enforced. A volunteer ring steward appointed by the superintendents will be present at the show and sale ring entrance gates inspecting and allowing **ONLY appropriately dressed exhibitor(s) to enter.** Leaders, advisors, exhibitors and their families are encouraged to lend a helping hand to an exhibitor in need of completing their official dress.
- 1) **4-H Required Attire** – A solid white (no pinstripes, no metallic stripes) or solid 4-H green sleeved and Collared shirt, tucked in; a 4-H green or white tie, scarf or bandana worn around the neck; clean dark blue or black jeans, belted; and closed toe shoes only.
 - 2) **FFA Required Attire** – A white sleeved and collared shirt, tucked in; a dark blue or black tie or scarf, worn around the neck; clean black jeans, belted; or black skirt, official FFA jacket; and closed toe shoes only.
 - 3) **Association Required Attire** – A solid white sleeved (no pinstripes, no metallic stripes) and collared shirt, tucked in; a red tie, scarf or bandana worn around the neck; clean dark blue or black jeans, belted; and closed toe shoes only.
- E. Only immediate family members, current Pinal County Jr. Livestock Exhibitors, or approved PCJLC Leaders within the exhibitor's division (4H, FFA, Assoc) are allowed to ASSIST the exhibitor in fitting and overall care of their project animal(s). The exhibitor must be present and physically engaged at ALL times while assistance is being offered. (Physical presence is NOT considered active participation or physically engaged.) Absolutely no outside fitters, feeders, or consultants will be allowed. The intent of this rule is to have the exhibitor, their family, more experienced exhibitors, or approved leader help the exhibitor along with their learning process. Those deemed trying to violate the intent of the rule shall be penalized as outlined in section E, rule #2

1) Leaders, assistant leaders, or anyone else interested in helping the youth livestock exhibitors must become certified as an approved PCJLC Leader. An approved PCJLC Leader is defined as any adult, 18 years of age or older, who has completed a Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee Leader/Volunteer Registration Form, Resides in Pinal County, or is an immediate family member of an exhibitor that qualifies under the exemption stated I section 1, rule A. This form must be completed and submitted to the Junior Livestock Committee no later than the time of specie ear tagging. All adult leaders, even if they are certified 4-H, Association, or FFA Leaders, must register with the PCJLC in order to become approved. (Leader/Volunteer Registration Form – Appendix E)

2) Upon violation of this rule, the exhibitor will be immediately disqualified from all PCJLC activities to include market/showmanship and auction and the animal must be immediately removed from the fairgrounds.

- F. Each exhibitor must furnish their own feed and feeding/watering equipment. Members that do not properly feed and care for their animals twice a day will be required to remove their animals from the fairgrounds.
- G. Each exhibitor is responsible for keeping the grounds clean around their exhibit. Before livestock are removed from the fairgrounds, the exhibit area must be cleaned. Exhibitors are encouraged through Herdsmanship Cash Awards to keep the pen area neat and clean. For more details see Awards and Recognition, Item B.
- H. An exhibitor number will be assigned to each livestock exhibitor for each animal exhibited and will be indicated on the weigh-in tag. Each exhibitor must wear and predominately display their exhibitor entry number on their back while in the show and sale ring.
- I. Washed sand will be provided for bedding. All other forms of bedding must be contained within the exhibitor's pen or stall. Exhibitors must clean their pen/stall prior to check out Sunday morning.

SECTION 7: Fair Release of Animals Rules and Requirements

- A. Livestock will be released on Sunday of the fair. Each exhibitor is responsible for the feeding and care of his/her animal up to that time and responsible for cleaning his/her club exhibit area.

1. ALL ANIMALS MUST BE FED AND WATERED by 8:00 am.

2. ALL SWINE EXHIBITORS pens must be cleaned and all tack removed from the barn by 8:00 AM.

3. Each exhibitor must check-out with their club leader/chapter advisor. Each leader must sign-off that each of their exhibitors have fed and watered their animal as well as cleaned their animal's pen on Sunday.

4. A \$50 fine will be deducted from the exhibitor's check upon violation of these regulations outlined in items 1-3.

5. At 8:00 am the Swine Barn will be closed to all exhibitors.

6. Photos will be released on Sunday at 11:00 am.

SECTION 8: Livestock Awards and Recognition

The purpose of the awards program is to recognize the efforts and accomplishments of Pinal County Junior Livestock exhibitors. A special awards session will be held during the Pinal County Fair to provide such recognition. All livestock exhibitors need to attend this session, which will be printed in the 2019 Pinal County Fair Schedule of Events. Specific information on awards is as follows:

- A. A modified Danish system of judging shall be used in all classes. The market judges may select purple, blue, red, or white ribbon animals for all classes and specify their ranking for each ribbon group. The top two animals from each judging class or division shall be eligible for consideration in the selection of Grand and Reserve Champion classes, or at the discretion of the judge.
- B. Each club will be judged for herdsmanship awards daily. Criteria for evaluations will be condition of stall and surrounding areas, care and provisions for animals, and over-all sportsmanship and pride in their club's entries. In each market division (beef, goat, lamb, swine and), First, second and third place prizes will be awarded to the winning groups during the Junior Livestock Awards program.
- C. All livestock exhibitors are encouraged to participate in the Livestock Judging contest and the Beef, Goat, Lamb and Swine Skill-A-Thon contests to be held during the week of fair. Special recognition will be provided to the winning teams and individuals from all contests. Only Pinal County Junior Livestock exhibitors will be allowed to participate in these contests.

SECTION 9: Junior Livestock Auction Rules and Requirements

- A. Exhibitors must personally show their animal in Showmanship and Market in order to sell their animal at the auction. All livestock exhibitors are required to be show ready with their animal one hour before the auction and be familiar with the sale order. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to see that his/her animal is at the auction ring according to SALE ORDER. If the exhibitor misses their turn, they will not sell.
- B. The Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee is in charge of the sale.
- C. **It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to secure his/her own buyer.** Each exhibitor is asked to contact a minimum of **five** livestock buyers for the sale of their market and/or carcass animal.
- D. Jr. Livestock Auction Sale Eligibility:
1. Each market livestock exhibitor will be allowed to sell one (1) market animal through the Auction.
 2. The only circumstances in which an exhibitor can auction more than one animal, is if they have won more than one Champion, Reserve Champion or Best Arizona Bred market animal. Or if they have one (1) market animal and one (1) carcass animal. If an exhibitor is awarded Champion, Reserve Champion and/or Best Arizona Bred with both market animals, both animals will sell in the auction.
 3. All market beef, goat, lamb, swine and Market Holstein calves must receive a purple, blue, red, or white market award at the fair in order to be sold in the Auction.
- E. All Champion, Reserve Champion, Purple, Blue, Red and White ribbon animals will be sold individually.
- F. The auction sale order is determined for each species by the ranking each animal received in its market class ribbon group (*i.e.* **Second Red Ribbon**). The PCJLC uses a formula which computes each animal's ribbon color, ribbon color placing and weight class, and then ranks the animals in the correct sale order for each species. *For example, all of the first place red ribbon animals of a specie will sell from the heaviest to the lightest weight classes in the sale order, then all of the second placed red ribbon animals will sell heaviest to the lightest.* The official Auction sale order will be: 1) Market Champions; 2) Carcass Champions; 3) Best Arizona Bred Champions; 4) Purple Ribbon market animals; 5) Blue Ribbon market animals; 6) Red Ribbon market animals; 7) White Ribbon market animals. 8)Carcass animals and finally 9) Resale Auction (animals donated to be re-sold).
- G. The sale price received for the Grand Champion Market animal of that species will set the maximum sale price. In determining the MAXIMUM SALE PRICE for the remaining animals in the sale. Champion market animals for each species; ALL ADD-ON BIDS, for the Grand Champion Market animal, received by the PCJLC prior to the start of the Reserve Champion sale will be added to the total price per pound. Thus increasing the maximum sale price possible for the remaining animals in the sale.
- H. Grand and Reserve Champion Carcasses will be sold with the Market Champions on a live weight basis. Grand and Reserve Champion Carcasses cannot be floored at the market auction. Purple, Blue & Red Ribbon Carcass animals can be sold on a live weight basis at the exhibitor's request during the Carcass Auction following the Market Auction and before the Resale Auction. Carcass animals cannot be floored at the Carcass Auction.
- I. All Add-on Bids will go directly to the intended exhibitor without limit.
- J. ALL SALES ARE FINAL! Any exhibitor or anyone acting for the exhibitor, who is found guilty of asking a purchaser (buyer) to either give their animal back or sell it to them for packer's price or to trade the animal sold for another animal, will be barred from further participation in the Pinal County Fair.
- K. NO BARN SALES of non-auctioned animals will be allowed. No solicitation of buyers for non-auctioned animals during the fair and auction.No solicitation of buyers for add-ons or any other fund-raising efforts during the auction
- L. All Champion, Reserve Champion and Best Arizona Bred Market animals must be transported and slaughtered by one of the state certified packing houses listed on the auction sales slip as selected by the buyer. Buyer pick -up or buyer take home will NOT be allowed on ALL Champion Market animals, the animals must be taken directly to the packing houses for slaughter.

- M. Exhibitors whose parent(s) participate in the auction as a buyer will NOT receive their auction sales check until his or her parent(s)'s auction account(s) has been paid in full.
- N. Each exhibitor exceeding \$600 in add-ons will be required to complete, sign and turn-in a W-9 Form in order to receive his or her auction proceeds check. Exhibitors exceeding \$600 in add-ons will be notified after the fair and will be provided the proper W-9 Form. In January, 2025, a 1099 Form will be issued from the PCJLC to the exhibitor for their total in add-on premiums. This form and procedure is required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in order for the PCJLC to issue auction proceeds checks to those exhibitors exceeding \$600 in add-ons.
- O. All non-selling animals must be removed from the fairgrounds no later than Friday at 8:00 P.M. Exhibitors must check out with their specie superintendent and receive all proper paperwork prior to leaving the fairgrounds.
- P. All Champion, Reserve Champion and Best Arizona Bred animals must sell at the auction. For exhibitors showing two animals, if the non-declared market animal wins Grand Champion, Reserve Champion or Best Arizona Bred, then it will sell in place of the declared animal.
- Q. Prices received in the auction ring must be accepted. Acceptance of selling an animal in the auction does not imply or guarantee the sale of that animal for more than the floor price. The specie floor price determined at the start of the auction sets the minimum price for each specie division.
- R. Auction floor prices will be determined by a bidding process conducted by the Auction Chairman. A person submitting a floor bid agrees to the following terms:
 - 1. All interested parties placing a floor bid must be in good standing with PCJLC or may be required to secure funds at time of pick up at the discretion of the Auction Chairperson.
 - 2. Bidding will start Friday of fair and continue through Saturday morning at 9:00am.
 - 3. Interested parties wanting to place a floor bid must contact the Auction chairperson in person or by phone. Each bid received must be recorded by the chairperson. The Chairman shall go back and forth between bidders on all species until the Chairperson is left with no higher bids. This will be the highest bidder and shall be awarded the floor bid.
 - 4. All floor prices for each species shall be posted by 10:00 am Sale Day.
 - 5. Highest bidder must agree to purchase and assume ownership of ALL of the floor animals in that species.
 - 6. Highest bidder must agree to arrange transportation from the fairgrounds for the floor animals on Sunday by 9:00 am
- S. Buyer pick-up/take Home animal(s) must be removed from the fairgrounds between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm on Sunday. Buyers are responsible for providing their own transportation of animal(s). Buyer pick-up animals may NOT be loaded or removed from the fairgrounds without an official PCJLC Release Form signed in person by the specie superintendent.
- T. There will be a 6% commission deducted from the exhibitor's sale proceeds and add-ons received through or in relation to the auction. All applicable livestock fees will also be deducted from the exhibitor's sale proceeds. (Details of fees listed on page 5, under Section 3.)
- U. Exhibitor checks will be issued no sooner than June 1st. Checks will be sent to the leaders/advisors. Leaders and advisors are responsible for seeing that all of the buyer thank you letters and PCJLC program thank you letters have been well-written and sent. Checks WILL NOT be released to the exhibitor until all thank you letters have been sent.
- V. All payments for auction animals or add-ons must processed by the Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee. Any exhibitor found to have directly accepted payments or add-ons will be banned from future Fairs and sales.
- W. Auction sales checks not cashed within 12 months of issuance will not be re-issued and rights to funds will revert back to the Pinal County Junior Livestock Committee.
- X. Any fees still owed to the PCJLC, the Pinal County Fair/Central Arizona Fair Association, and/or the PCJLC's vendors will be deducted from the exhibitor's auction sales checks.

SECTION 10: Association Division Rules and Requirements

- A. The Association Division is under the leadership of the PCJLC and will be overseen by the Association Superintendents.
- B. Members must maintain an active junior membership within a Livestock Breed Association. Proof of Breed Association Junior Membership must be submitted at the specie fair receiving.
- C. Members must participate under the guidance of a designated leader recognized by the PCJLC. This leader can be the participant's parent or a group leader. For Association leaders to be recognized by the PCJLC, they must complete and submit an informational form, participate in a training conducted by the Assoc. Superintendents, read and maintain a copy of the official rule book, and agree to the PCJLC Code of Conduct. All items must be completed and approved before the date of the specie ear tagging, and renewed annually. Leaders must be Pinal County Residents, or qualify as an Immediate Family member of an exhibitor eligible under the exemption outlined in section 1 letter A.
- D. Members must participate under the guidance of a recognized club. In order to be approved as a recognized club, the following criteria must be met
 - 1. Must have a designated leader approved by the JLC
 - 2. Must have at least 5 youth members from at least 3 families, unless previously affiliated with a certified association club that meet all association requirements approved by the association superintendent.
 - 3. Must have a minimum of 5 regular club meetings per year and submit a calendar to Assoc. leaders. If unable to meet this criteria, you must apply for an exemption in writing to the Assoc. Superintendents
 - 4. Apply for club status approval with the Assoc. superintendents annually. The association member's residence must be within the geographical boundaries of Pinal County. The only exception to this rule would apply to any youth, regardless of their residence, who participated in the Pinal County Fair Junior Livestock Division prior to and including 2005 as a member of a Pinal County 4- H Club or FFA Chapter, will along with their immediate siblings, be allowed to continue their full participation in the Pinal County Jr. Livestock Program abiding under the rules and regulations of the association division. (If residence is in question, youth will verify eligibility through the Association superintendents.)

SECTION 11: Contest Rules and Requirements

11.1 Round Robin Showmanship Contest

- A. The Grand Champion exhibitors of the Junior, Intermediate and Senior Division Showmanship contests for beef, goat, lamb, swine and Market Holstein calves will be eligible to participate in the Round Robin Showmanship Contest. Should the Grand Champion Showmanship exhibitor be unable to participate, the Reserve Champion exhibitor will be eligible to participate in the Round Robin Contest. If the Grand Champion Showman is unable to participate, he/she must notify the specie superintendent no later than 60 minutes after the completion of his/her showmanship show. Exhibitors in violation of this responsibility will be subject to loss of showmanship award(s). In the event an exhibitor is the Champion Showman in two specie divisions, the exhibitor will choose which specie to show in the contest. Then the reserve or next top placing winner will be eligible to participate.
- 1) Grand and Reserve Champion exhibitors shall be in official dress, ringside and ready to show at least 15 minutes prior to the contest starting. Reserves will hold animals and assist the superintendent during the contest
 - 2) Participants of the Round Robin contest will show each species. However, exhibitors will not show the species they qualified to be in the contest with.
 - 3) Judges will use official score sheets to score their evaluation of each exhibitor. Judges will evaluate exhibitors using the following criteria: Control of animal, confidence, knowledge and appearance. Judges will ask questions of the participants.
 - 4) The beef, goat, lamb and Round Robin participants must have their market animal show ready and at the show ring 15 minutes prior to the contest starting. All participants MUST provide all of the necessary show equipment for their specie.
 - 5) Participants are required to wear proper show attire and their pre-assigned show number for the contest. For more information on proper show attire please see Section 6: Market/Showmanship Rules and Requirements, Item D.
 - 6) Participants will rotate through the species every 7 to 10 minutes. The exhibitors will be required to show the animal for a **minimum of 5 minutes**.

SECTION 12: Market Beef Requirements

12.1 : MARKET BEEF OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- A. All animals must be beef-type cattle. Both steers and heifers may be entered into the market beef division.
- B. Market beef projects must be owned by the exhibitor by **October 10, 2024**.

12.2 : MARKET BEEF EAR TAGGING REQUIREMENTS

Exhibitors must complete an online entry by October 10, 2024 at 11:59 PM

- A. Exhibitors must be present at ear tagging.
- B. Ear tagging will be done at the **PINAL COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS** on the following date:

October 12, 2024 & October 19, 2024 8:00 AM- 11:00 AM
- C. The PCJLC strongly recommends that all steers are manageable and also recommends market steers starting weight be between 600-700 pounds at ear tagging.
- D. Beef exhibitors must follow all ear tagging rules and requirements. Please see Section 2 – **Ear Tagging Rules and Regulations**.

12.3 : MARKET BEEF FAIR AND EXHIBITING REQUIREMENTS

- A. Minimum weight requirement for market beef is 1,000 lbs. as determined at official weigh-in.
- B. All steers must be manageable by the exhibitor at the time of weigh-in. The exhibitor must be able to lead their market steer to and away from the scales without assistance. Any exhibitor's beef animal deemed unmanageable by the superintendents will NOT be allowed to show or sell at the fair.
- C. No wet animals will be weighed in.
- D. All steers must be dehorned at weigh-in.
- E. Market beef have a **MAXIMUM SALE WEIGHT** of 1,350 lbs
- F. Beef entries must be secured by both a neck rope and a rope halter.
- G. Market classes will be determined by weight.

****Beef exhibitors will follow ALL BEEF REQUIREMENTS and ALL Rules & Requirements of Sections 1 through 8 of the PCJLC Market and Carcass Requirements.**

SECTION 13: Market Goat Requirements

13.1 : MARKET GOAT PROJECT OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- A. All market entries must be wether or doe kids of any meat goat breed.
- B. Market goat projects must be owned by the exhibitor by **December 12, 2024 at 11:59 PM**

13.2 : EAR TAGGING REQUIREMENTS

Exhibitors must complete an online entry by December 12, 2024 at 11:59 PM _

- A. Exhibitors must be present at ear tagging.
- B. Ear tagging will be held on the following dates and locations:

December 14, 2024 and December 21, 2024 8:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.

Ear tagging of market goat projects will ONLY be done at the designated locations and dates listed above.
- C. Goat exhibitors must follow all ear tagging rules and requirements. Please see **Section 2 – Ear Tagging Rules and Requirements**.
- D. All market goats must have an official tamper proof Premise Identification ear tag. The Premise ID tag must be printed with the animal breeder's official Premise Identification number.

13.3 : MARKET GOAT FAIR AND EXHIBITING REQUIREMENTS

- A. Minimum weight requirement for market goats is 65 lbs. and max. 125 lbs. weight is determined at official weigh-in.
- B. Market goats must be 12 months of age or younger and must have all of their milk teeth at the time of receiving at the fair. **All market goats must have their goat's teeth or show no eruption of yearling teeth at time of weigh-in at the fair.**
- C. Market goats must be dehorned/disbudded prior to ear tagging dates and healed completely prior to fair receiving- with scurs no more than 1" at fair. Feet trimmed and hair growth of NO more than 3/8 inch or less above the knee and hock at fair receiving.
- D. Market goats sifted for weight, age, or milk teeth will be allowed to show in the showmanship class only. These market goats must be removed from the fairgrounds by Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. Exhibitors must check out with their specie superintendent and receive all proper paperwork prior to leaving the fairgrounds.
- E. In showing market goats, bracing will be at the discretion of the judge.
- F. Bedding will be allowed as long as the exhibitor uses a retainer to keep bedding in his or her own pen.

****Goat exhibitors will follow ALL GOAT REQUIREMENTS and ALL Rules & Requirements of Sections 1 through 8 of the PCJLC Market and Carcass Requirements.**

SECTION 14: Market Lamb Requirements

14.1 : MARKET LAMB PROJECT OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- A. Exhibitors must be present at ear tagging.
- B. All lambs must be market type wether or ewe lambs.
- C. Any ewe lamb pregnant at the tagging date and/or weigh in at the time of fair will be disqualified from the market class, but may be shown in the showmanship class. If a pregnancy test is needed, it will be at the expense of the exhibitor.
- D. Market lamb projects must be owned by the exhibitor by **December 12, 2024 at 11:59 PM**

14.2 : MARKET LAMB EAR TAGGING REQUIREMENTS

Exhibitors must complete an online entry by December 12, 2024 at 11:59 PM

- A. All market lambs must have their lamb's teeth or show no eruption of yearling teeth at time of weigh-in at the fair.
- B. Ear tagging will be held on the following dates and locations:

December 14, 2024 and December 21, 2024 8:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.

Ear tagging of market lamb projects will ONLY be done at the designated locations and dates listed above.
- C. Lamb exhibitors must follow all ear tagging rules and requirements. Please see **Section 2 – Ear Tagging Rules and Requirements**.
- D. All market lambs must have an official tamper proof Premise Identification ear tag. The Premise ID tag must be printed with the animal breeder's official Premise Identification number.

14.3 Classification of Lambs For Show

ALL MARKET LAMBS WILL BE CLASSIFIED BY BREED AND THEN BY WEIGHT CLASSES FOR JUDGING AT PINAL COUNTY FAIR

Breed Classification will be at discretion of the Sheep Superintendents. Upon crossing the scale at fair, final breed classifications will be called out by the sheep superintendents. Exhibitors will have the opportunity to request reclassification by written petition no later than 8 pm the day of weigh in.

The Following will be the Breed Classes used for Classifying.

- A. BLACK FACE
- B. NATURAL COLORED
- C. All Other Breeds AOB

14.4 : MARKET LAMB FAIR AND EXHIBITING REQUIREMENTS

- A. Minimum weight requirement for market lambs is 100 lbs. Maximum weight requirement for market lambs is 200 lbs, with a sale weight of 165 max. Weight will be determined at official weigh-in.
- B. All market lambs must have their lamb's teeth in place at time of weigh-in at fair. Any lambs without their

lamb's teeth will not be allowed to show.

- C. At receiving, all lambs must have no more than ½" of wool and their hooves must be trimmed.
- D. All lambs must be in acceptable condition and in good health. If lambs are in poor condition and/or health, the lamb will be sifted at the scales.
- E. Bedding will be allowed as long as the exhibitor uses a retainer to keep bedding in his or her own pen.
- F. Market lambs sifted for weight or milk teeth will be allowed to show in the showmanship class only. These market lambs must be removed from the fairgrounds by Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. Exhibitors must check out with their species superintendent prior to leaving the fairgrounds.

****Lamb exhibitors will follow ALL LAMB REQUIREMENTS and ALL Rules & Requirements of Sections 1 through 8 of the PCJLC Market and Carcass Requirements.**

SECTION 15: Market Swine Requirements

15.1 : MARKET SWINE PROJECT OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- A. All market entries must be market barrows or gilts.
- B. Market swine projects must be owned by the exhibitor **December 12, 2024 at 11:59 PM**

15.2 : MARKET SWINE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Exhibitors must complete an online entry by December 12, 2024 at 11:59 PM

- A. Market swine will be ear tagged at a central location prior to the Pinal County Fair.
- B. Exhibitors must complete an online entry by **December 12, 2024 at 11:59 PM**
- C. Exhibitors must be present at ear tagging.
- D. Ear tagging and photographs will be held on the following dates at the Pinal County Fairgrounds.

December 14, 2024 and December 21, 2024 8:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.

Ear tagging will ONLY be done at the designated location and dates listed above.

- E. Swine exhibitors must follow all the ear tagging rules and requirements. Please see section 2- Ear Tagging Rules and Requirements.
- F. All market swine must have an official tamper proof Premise Identification ear tag. The Premise ID tags must be printed with the animal breeder's official Premise Identification number or federal ID Number.
- G. All swine entry date is FINAL for all entries for the exhibit into the market and carcass divisions at the Pinal County Fair. No replacement of animals after the seine entry deadline.
- H. All market swine must be individually and permanently identified with a National or State Premise Identification number and an ear notch that conforms to the universal swine ear notch system or the Berkshire Ear notch system. All market swine must have an official Premise Identification ear tag. The Premise ID tag must be printed with the animal breeder's official Premise Identification number.

CLASSIFICATION OF SWINE FOR SHOW

15.3: BREED CLASSIFICATIONS

Breed classifications will be at the discretion of the Swine Superintendents. Upon crossing the scale at the fair, final breed classification will be called out by the superintendent. Exhibitors will have the opportunity to request reclassification by written petition no later than 8PM the day of the weigh in.

- A. All market swine will be classified by breed and then by weight for judging at the Pinal County Fair. The following will be the breed classes used for classifying: Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, Berkshire, All Other Breeds Light, All Other Breeds Red, All Other Breeds Dark, Dark Crossbred and Light Crossbred.
- B. Classification guidelines for the breed classes:

Berkshire Breed Eligibility Requirements From the American Berkshire Association Berkshire barrows or gilts exhibited as market animals:

A black and white animal with erect ears exhibiting Berkshire character
A Berkshire must have white on all four legs, face and tail (unless tail is docked). One of the white leg points may also be missing
A Berkshire must NOT have a solid white or a solid black face from the ears forward.
A Berkshire must NOT have a solid black nose (rim of nose)
White is allowed on the ears, but NO solid white may appear on the ears
Occasional splash of white may appear on the body

Duroc Breed

Updated by the board of directors of the United Duroc Swine Registry (March, 2015) Duroc barrows or gilts exhibited as market animals:

Must be red in color and possess Duroc breed character. Ears must be down Must be ear notched within seven days of birth
Must NOT have any white hair located on the animal
Must NOT have any black hair located on the animal
Must NOT have more than three black spots on the skin, and none of these spots can be larger than two inches in diameter
Must NOT have any shading or indication of a belt
Must have no evidence of an extra dewclaw

Hampshire Breed Eligibility Requirements Hampshire barrows or gilts exhibited as market animals:

Must be black in color with a white belt starting on the front leg. The belt may partially or totally encircle the body
Must possess Hampshire breed character (ears must be erect and not rounded)
Must NOT have any white hair or indications of streaking on the forehead
Must NOT have any red hair
Must NOT have any evidence of an extra dewclaw
Animal can have white on its nose as long as it does not break the rim of the nose, and when its mouth is closed, the white under its chin can NOT exceed what a U.S. Minted quarter would cover.
White is allowed on the rear legs as long as it does not extend above the tuber calis bone (Knob of the hock)

Landrace Breed Eligibility Requirements

Updated by the board of directors of the American Landrace Association (March, 2015) Landrace barrows and gilts exhibited as market animals:

Must be white in color and possess Landrace breed character (ears must be down). Refer to ideal Landrace photo
Must NOT allow any color hair other than white
Must NOT allow more than three spots of skin pigmentation
Must NOT allow any spot of skin pigmentation larger than one U.S. minted quarter
Must have no evidence of an extra dewclaw

Yorkshire Breed Eligibility Requirements

Updated by the board of directors of the American Yorkshire Club (March, 2015) Yorkshire barrows or gilts exhibited as market animals:

Must be white in color and possess Yorkshire breed character (ears must be erect) Must NOT have any color hair except for white
Must NOT have more than two pigmentation spots larger than a U.S. minted dime or one pigmentation spot larger than a U.S. minted quarter. These pigmentation spots (combined) can NOT exceed a U.S. minted silver dollar
Must have no evidence of an extra dewclaw

Chester White Breed Classifications –Team Purebred

Effective January 1, 2014

Must be solid white in color, no color on the skin larger than a silver dollar, no colored hair Any skin pigmentation other than white that exceeds five in number are disqualified.
Ears must be down and medium size
Any signs of weighed ear tags or evidence of past existence of such ear tags are determined to be not permissible and are grounds for disqualification

Poland China Breed Characteristics – Team Purebred

Effective January 1, 2014

Must be black with six white points (face, feet and switch)

**Tail docking is permissible

**An occasional splash of white on the body is permissible

**A hog may not possess more than one (1) solid black leg and be determined as a Poland

Must have ears down

Must not have evidence of a belt formation of either white or white skin encircling and touching the points of the shoulder extending down on both sides of animal to the depth of the elbow pocket

Cannot have red or sandy hair/and or pigment

Hogs that have weighed ear tags or evidence of tampering of ears with possible ear tags are ineligible

Hereford Classification

The ideal color markings of all Hereford breeding hogs eligible for registration shall be

-red, can be light or dark however, deep red is preferred

-white head, ears, and 4 white legs;

-Ears must be at least broke forward.

-Body shall be at least 2/3 red, there shall be no white over the back beyond the shoulder blade with exception of a splash or drip, with no connecting belt anywhere on the body.

Tamworth Classification

-Must be red in color (no more than 5% black hair) and possess Tamworth Breed Character. -Except for hooves, no white should appear on the body.

-Dark spots with general appearance of pinpricks or speckling on the skin ONLY are typical of the breed.

-Must not show if ears extend less than 65 degrees from the head.

-Ears should be pointed, upright

Spot Breed Classifications – Team Purebred

Must be black and white Ears cannot be erect

Any red tinted or brown spots are ineligible

No solid black head from ears forward

No white belt pattern (hair or skin) that encompasses the back 1/3 of both shoulder blades and extends down to the foreleg of the animal. The belt pattern is not completely broken by black. Exception to this rule is a predominately white-bodied individual with a white face

Any signs of weighted ear tags or evidence of past existence of such tags are determined to be not permissible and are grounds for disqualification

All Other Breeds (AOB) Light

Chester White and Landrace Breeds. Must be all white with down ears Must possess the accepted breed association characteristics

All Other Breeds (AOB) Red

Tamworth and Hereford Breeds. Must possess the accepted breed association characteristics

All Other Breeds (AOB) Dark

Poland China and Spotted Breeds
Must possess the accepted breed association characteristics

Dark Crossbred

Any nontraditional marked Hampshire, Red colored or any Dark swine determined to be outside of the breed guidelines at fair time.

Light Crossbred

Any blue or over marked Yorkshire, Hereford, or any Light colored swine determined to be outside of the breed guidelines at fair time.

C. All pigs at the time of receiving at fair will be subject to re-classification. Written Protests must be submitted in writing to the PCJLC office no later than 8PM on the day of the weigh-in with a fee of \$30.00 See Section 1 item K for the protest policy. The decision of the classifier(s) is FINAL.

D. There must be a minimum of 5 animals entered for champions to be selected in a breed class. Breeds with less than the minimum will be transferred to another breed class at the discretion of the swine superintendents.

15.4 : MARKET SWINE FAIR AND EXHIBITING REQUIREMENTS

A. Market Swine

1) Swine should be restricted from contact with other livestock and dogs at the fair.

2) **All out-of-state** market swine must meet Arizona Import Regulations, including an Arizona State import number, testing and quarantine regulations prescribed by law.

3) Show swine must not be from a premise where garbage has been fed.

B. Swine will be allowed to unload and bed prior to being weighed. Only unloaded and pened market swine will be weighed during official weigh in hours. (Please refer to the **2025** Pinal County Junior Livestock Division Official Fair Schedule for exact times)

C. Minimum weight requirements for market swine is 225lbs. Maximum weight requirements for market swine is 285lbs. Weight will be determined at official weigh in.

D. Market swine must be clean and free of excess mud and debris before entering the scales.

E. Market swine have a MAXIMUM SALE WEIGHT OF 285 LBS.

F. Sand and other approved bedding will be allowed.

****Swine exhibitors will follow ALL SWINE REQUIREMENTS and ALL Rules & Requirements of Sections 1 through 8 of the PCJLC Market and Carcass Requirements.**

SECTION 16: Market Holstein Calf Requirements

16.1: MARKET PROJECT OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- A. Calves must be Holstein or Holstein Cross
- B. Projects must be owned by the exhibitor by **January 2, 2025**
- C. Calves are required to be a minimum of 100 days old at the time of receiving during the fair. This means calves must be born no later than **December 3, 2024**
- D. All calves must be bull calves. No heifers.

16.2: EAR TAGGING REQUIREMENTS

Exhibitors must complete an online entry by January 2, 2025 at 11:59 PM

- A. Exhibitors must be present at ear tagging.
- B. Ear tagging will be held at the Pinal County Fairgrounds on the following dates:
January 4, 2025 & January 18, 2025 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.

Ear tagging of market projects will ONLY be done at the designated location and dates listed above.

- C. Exhibitors must follow all ear tagging rules and requirements. Please see Section 2 – Ear Tagging Rules and Requirements.
- D. Market Holstein calves MUST be dehorned and castrated PRIOR TO ATTENDING ear tagging. (For assistance with de- horning or castrating, please contact your project leader or a superintendent.)

16.3: CLASSIFICATION OF CALVES FOR SHOW

Breed Classification will be at the discretion of the Calf Superintendents. Upon crossing the scale at the fair, final breed classification will be called out by the superintendent. Exhibitors will have the opportunity to request reclassification by written petition no later than 8PM the day of the weigh in.

- A. All market calves will be classified by breed and then by weight for judging at the Pinal County Fair. The following will be the breed classes used for classifying: Holstein, Holstein Cross.

Holstein Calves Breed Characteristics: Calves must be Holstein type and show their respective breed characteristics. (Holstein Breed color characteristics must be as follows: Black and White marking clearly defined, color markings which will NOT be acceptable- are solid black, black in switch, black belly, black encircling leg touching hoof, black from hoof to knee or hock, black and white intermixed to give color other than distinct black and white, no black baldies or reds.)

Holstein breed character is defined as follows: angularity of body and legs, withers- sharp, neck-long and lean, clean cutthroat, dewlap and brisket, ribs-wide, flat and long, thighs-incurving to flat when viewed from the side.)

Holstein Cross Breed Characteristics: Holstein Cross calves must be defined with either white markings on bellies or legs.

16.4: FAIR AND EXHIBITING REQUIREMENTS

- A. Minimum weight requirement for market is 250 lbs. Maximum weight requirement for market is 375 lbs. Weight will be determined at official weigh-in.

- B. A 5% shrink will only be applied to animals weighing below the minimum 250 lbs. weight requirement. (Minimum weight with the shrink applied will be 237 pounds.)
- C. Have a MAXIMUM SALE WEIGHT OF 375 LBS.
- D. Market Holstein calves shall be fed primarily with milk or a milk replacer for the feeding ration. Calves must be bottle or bucket fed during the fair. No nursing animals will be allowed on the fairgrounds.
- E. Market Holstein calves must be manageable by the exhibitor at the time of weigh-in.
- F. No wet animals will be weighed in.
- G. Showmanship techniques will be the same as for market beef classes.
- H. Grooming of calves will be similar to market beef. No slick shearing of animals will be allowed.
- I. Superintendents will be verifying at receiving that castration is complete.

**** Exhibitors will follow ALL REQUIREMENTS and ALL Rules & Requirements of Sections 1 through 8 of the PCJLC Market and Carcass Requirements.**

SECTION 17: Carcass Division Requirements

The primary objective of the Carcass Contest is to promote production of beef, goats, lambs, swine and which will yield superior carcasses. The Carcass Contest is an educational program which promotes approved practices in selecting, feeding and finishing a market animal on the basis of carcass merit. All carcasses will be judged and placed on current market standards.

17.1 : GENERAL RULES

- A. The general rules contained in the **MARKET ANIMAL REQUIREMENTS** apply to this contest unless otherwise stated.
- B. All entrants accept the designated processing location selected by the PCJLC. Carcass animals will be received approximately one week before the start of fair. Exhibitors are not required to be present for contest receiving.
- C. Carcass exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to attend the Evaluation **AND** the Awards Program for the Carcass Division which includes a mandatory picture. This includes the Carcass evaluation portion. Exhibitors are required to wear proper show attire for the awards program. For more information on proper show attire please see Section 6: Market/Showmanship Rules and Requirements, Item D.
- D. All carcass animals will be judged on the Danish (purple, blue, red, or white) system. Only those animals which yield carcasses of necessary quality, as defined in Section 17.2 below, will be awarded Champion or Reserve Champion. Depending upon carcass quality, a division may not have a Champion or Reserve Champion Carcass.
- E. Grand and Reserve Champion carcasses will be sold with the Market Champions at the auction on a live weight basis. Purple, Blue and Red Ribbon Carcass animals can be sold on a live weight basis at the exhibitor's written request during the Carcass Auction following the Market Auction and before the Resale Auction. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to **DECLARE** Carcass Auction sale designation during the carcass weigh-in.

Exhibitors **MUST BE PRESENT** during the Carcass auction in order to sell. All other exhibitors will be responsible for arranging a private treaty sale. Carcass exhibitors not selling their animals through the auction will be financially responsible for all meat processing charges.
- F. Carcass animals cannot be floored at the auction.
- G. In the Carcass Beef division, both steers and heifers may be entered.
- H. Exhibitor should note the minimum/maximum live weight, the minimum/maximum carcass weight and the maximum sale weights for carcass exhibits for respective species.
- I. Exhibitors declarations for Market/Carcass will be upheld by the Carcass Division. No late entries after the declaration date will be accepted in the Carcass Division.

17.2 : QUALIFICATIONS FOR CARCASS LIVESTOCK

The following qualifications are standard and are necessary for an animal to be sold at the Pinal County Junior Livestock Auction:

BEEF Carcass Qualifications

Minimum Live Beef Weight: 1,000 lbs. Maximum Live Beef Sale Weight: 1,350 lbs.
 Carcass beef have a **MAXIMUM SALE WEIGHT** of 1,350 lbs. Thus, at auction, carcass beef will sell for a maximum weight of 1,350 lbs. Animals weighing more than 1,350 lbs are eligible to compete.
 Minimum Carcass Weight: 600 lbs. Maximum Carcass Weight: 900 lbs.
 Yield Grade: Grade not to exceed 4.0 (The Price grid base on quality & yield grade will be used.)
 Final Carcass Grade: Minimum Select 70
 1.6 square inch Rib Eye Area per 100 lbs of Carcass Weight

GOAT Carcass Qualifications

Minimum Live Goat Weight: 65 lbs
Maximum Live Goat Weight: 125 lbs Minimum Carcass Goat Weight: 30 lbs
Percent Semi-boneless, Trimmed Primals (SBTP) leg, sirloin, loin, rack, shoulder
 $\%SBTP = 60.6933 - (0.23174 \times HCW) + (1.96202 \times REA) - (1.57832 \times BWT)$

LAMB Carcass Qualification

Minimum Live Lamb Weight: 100 lbs. Maximum Live Lamb Weight: 200 lbs. Minimum Carcass Lamb Weight: 50 lbs. Carcass Lamb have a MAXIMUM SALE WEIGHT of 165 lbs. Thus, at auction, carcass lambs will sell for a maximum weight of 165 lbs.

Carcass Grade Minimum: Choice 50
Percent Boneless Trimmed Retail Cuts (BCTRC)
 $\%BCTRC = 49.936 - (.0848 \times HCW) - (4.376 \times AFT) - (3.530 \times BWT) + (2.456 \times REA)$

SWINE Carcass Qualifications

Minimum Live Hog Weight: 225 lbs. Maximum Live Hog Weight: 285 lbs. Minimum Carcass Weight: 150 lbs.
Color Score: 2, 3, or 4 ONLY Cutability: 58% or mo
Minimum Average Backfat Thickness: .5 inches (average of measurements taken at last lumber, last rib, first rib)
Grand & Reserve Champion Marbling Score: 2, 3 or 4 Blue & Red Ribbon Marbling Score: 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5

Market Holstein Calves Carcass Qualifications

Minimum Live Weight: 250 lbs. Maximum Live Weight 375 lbs.
Carcass gave a MAXIMUM SALE WEIGHT of 375 lbs. Score on color and conformation:
Color score of 2 to 2.5 ideal, score of 3 to 4 acceptable, score of 4 or higher will be disqualified.
Conformation score: ideal conformation score #1, average conformation score #2, low conformation score #3
Average the two scores—low value places first Tie score will be decided by lowest color score

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