

Ownership, Possession, and Care Rules for Kentucky 4-H/FFA Youth Breeding and Market Livestock Projects

1. The ownership and possession deadlines for 4-H/FFA youth livestock and dairy projects are as follows:
 - a. March 31 of the current project year for market steers and market heifers, and May 21 of the current project year for market goats, market lambs, and market hogs.
 - b. June 1 of the current project year for beef heifers, beef cows, beef bulls, breeding does, breeding ewes, and breeding gilts.
2. Adult/youth partnerships are acceptable for breeding animals (beef heifers, beef cows, beef bulls, breeding does, breeding ewes, and breeding gilts) providing each partner's full name is on the registration certificate. Animals registered in a farm only are not allowed.
3. It is expected that a 4-H/FFA member's breeding or market animal project be in the physical possession of and under the continuous daily care of the 4-H/FFA member and (or) their parents/legal guardians. Physical possession of the livestock or dairy project is defined as the following:
 - a. Animals must be housed and maintained within the boundaries of the state of Kentucky, *AND*
 - b. Animals must be housed at either:
 - i. The residence of the 4-H/FFA member, *OR*
 - ii. The residence of the 4-H/FFA member's parent(s), legal guardian(s), or grandparent(s) that is either (1) within the county of residence of the 4-H/FFA member, or (2) within a county that adjoins the county of residence of the 4-H/FFA member at a distance not to exceed 30 miles from the 4-H/FFA member's residence, *OR*
 - iii. A rented or leased location that is either (1) within the county of residence of the 4-H/FFA member, or (2) within a county that adjoins the county of residence of the 4-H/FFA member at a distance not to exceed 30 miles from the 4-H/FFA member's residence, *OR*
 - iv. 4-H Club Farm or FFA School Farm where the youth is a member in good standing.

NOTE: For special circumstances where exceptions to the Possession and Care Rule may be needed, a written application for a waiver (using the *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Project Animal Location Waiver Form*) may be applied for. The application for waiver must outline in detail why a waiver is needed, and must be signed by the exhibitor and (or) their parent/legal guardian and the local Supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher. The application for waiver must be submitted no later than March 1 for market steers and market heifers and by no later than May 1 for market lambs, market hogs, market goats, and all breeding animals. **However, applications for waiver for market animals must be applied for at least 2 weeks prior to the date they will be validated.** Waivers will only be granted for legitimate circumstances where a special need is identified. Applications for waiver should be sent to Dr. Richard Coffey, Research & Education Center, P.O. Box 469, Princeton KY 42445.

NOTE: Should the physical location where livestock and (or) dairy project animals are housed change after the *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Youth Breeding Animal Project Nomination and Location Form* or *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Youth Market Animal Validation and Location Form* has been turned in to the 4-H/FFA member's local supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher, the 4-H/FFA member must contact their local supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher and complete a *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Project Animal Location Waiver Form* prior to moving the animals.

4. 4-H/FFA members found to be in violation of these rules shall be subject to the following consequences:
 - a. **1st violation** – the 4-H/FFA member shall be banned from participation in any 4-H/FFA youth shows within Kentucky for a period of one year.
 - b. **2nd violation** – the 4-H/FFA member shall be banned from participation in any 4-H/FFA youth shows within Kentucky for life.

Check this box if physical location where the above listed animal(s) is housed is the same as exhibitor's address provided above.

If physical location where the above listed animal(s) is housed is different from exhibitor's address above, provide the following:

Street Address	City	Property Owner	Relation to Exhibitor	Phone No. of Property Owner

By signing this *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Youth Market Animal Validation and Location Form* I am verifying that the above information is accurate and true, and that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the *Ownership, Possession, and Care Rules for Kentucky 4-H/FFA Youth Breeding and Market Livestock Projects*. I further agree that should a need arise to change the physical location where the animal(s) listed above is housed, I will submit a request for this change to my local supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher before the location change occurs. Additionally, by signing this form I am granting permission for Dr. Richard Coffey or his designee to enter the location where the animal(s) is housed for the purpose of verifying its location.

Exhibitor Signature

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date

Local supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher Signature

Date

Local Certified Volunteer Leader (for 4-H youth only indicating the 6-hr educational requirement has been met)

Date