

2011 GUIDELINES FOR VALIDATING 4-H/FFA MARKET STEERS, MARKET LAMBS, MARKET HOGS, AND MARKET GOATS IN KENTUCKY

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All 4-H/FFA market steers, market heifers, market lambs, market hogs, and market goats that will participate in market livestock shows in Kentucky (i.e., County Fairs, District Shows, Junior Livestock Expos, Kentucky State Fair, etc.) must be tagged with Radio Frequency Identification (R.F.I.D.) tags. The R.F.I.D. tag number will be used as the Kentucky Uniform Identification Program (K.U.I.P.) number. In addition, to be eligible for participation in the Kentucky State Fair, market steers, market lambs, market hogs, and market goats must have samples collected for DNA testing. To ensure that all market animals meet the required provisions, the following validation guidelines and procedures must be followed.

Animals that will only be exhibited as breeding animals (breeding heifers, breeding gilts, breeding ewes, and breeding does) do not need to go through the validation process. However, all breeding animals are required to be identified by June 1 by completing a *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Breeding Animal Project Nomination and Location Form* (these forms can be obtained from your supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher).

GUIDELINES:

1. All market steers, market heifers, market lambs, market hogs, and market goats that will be tagged with K.U.I.P. tags will be required to have samples taken for DNA testing.

NOTE: There will not be an initial charge for taking the samples for DNA testing. The only time a cost for DNA testing will be incurred is when an animal is entered for participation in the Kentucky State Fair. At that time, a \$3 per head increase in the entry fee for market steers, market lambs, market hogs, and market goats will be accessed.

2. **Co-tagging of animals with K.U.I.P. tags will only be permitted among siblings.** For special circumstances where exceptions to this rule may be needed (e.g., legitimate county or club co-ops, special needs, etc.), a written application for a waiver may be applied for. The application for waiver must outline in detail why a waiver is needed. The application for waiver must be submitted by **February 1, 2011 for market steers and market heifers** and by **April 1, 2011 for market lambs, market hogs, and market goats**. Waivers will only be granted for legitimate circumstances where a special need is identified. Applications for waiver should be sent to:

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Research & Education Center
P.O. Box 469
Princeton, KY 42445

3. **All 4-H and FFA market animal exhibitors must be members in good standing within their local 4-H Club or FFA Chapter, and have met all necessary requirements prior to validation.**
 - a. **All 4-H market animal exhibitors must have completed six (6) hours of educational training under the coordination of the local Certified Volunteer Leader prior to the time of validation.** Both the local Certified Volunteer Leader and the supervising 4-H Youth Development Agent must sign Section 1 of the appropriate validation form to verify this requirement has been met. Section 1 of the validation form must be completely filled out (and signed) and sent with the exhibitor to the validation site (a copy of the

form signed by the local Certified Volunteer Leader and the supervising 4-H Youth Development Agent should be kept on file). Animals will not be verified (tagged and DNA sampled) for 4-H members who have not met the 6 hour educational training requirement.

- b. All FFA market animal exhibitors must be a bona fide FFA member in good standing within their local FFA Chapter prior to the time of validation. The FFA members supervising Vocational Agriculture Teacher must sign Section 1 of the appropriate validation form to verify this requirement has been met. Section 1 of the validation form must be completely filled out (and signed) and sent with the exhibitor to the validation site (a copy of the form signed by supervising Vocational Agriculture Teacher should be kept on file). Animals will not be verified (tagged and DNA sampled) for FFA members who do not have their validation form signed by their supervising Vocational Agriculture Teacher.
4. All 4-H and FFA market animal exhibitors must complete the *Ownership, Possession, and Care Rules* portion of the validation form prior to animal being validated. Animals will not be verified (tagged and DNA sampled) if this portion of the validation form is not filled out and signed.
 - a. The following signatures are required for the *Ownership, Possession, and Care Rules* portion of the validation form to be considered valid:
 - i. The 4-H or FFA member, AND
 - ii. The 4-H or FFA member's parent/legal guardian, AND
 - iii. The 4-H or FFA member's local supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher, AND
 - iv. (For 4-H member's only) The 4-H or FFA member's Local Certified Volunteer Leader
 5. 2011 validation sites for K.U.I.P. tagging and sampling for DNA testing, and Validation Site Coordinators, have been predetermined by the Kentucky State Fair Youth Livestock Show Advisory Committee. A listing of the 2011 validation sites and each Validation Site Coordinator is shown in Attachment A-1 and Attachment A-2.

NOTE: These validation sites are the only ones that will be held in 2011. Exhibitors that will be participating in market livestock shows in Kentucky (i.e., County Fairs, District Shows, Junior Livestock Expos, Kentucky State Fair, etc.) must attend one of these validation sites. To ensure each Validation Site Coordinator has an understanding of the number of animals that will be attending their site, exhibitors (or their supervising County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher) should contact the appropriate Validation Site Coordinator to indicate their intent to attend the validation site.

NOTE: THE ONLY animals that will not be required to be delivered to one of the predetermined validation sites are market hogs that originate from and reside on legitimate swine farms which operate as closed herds. In these limited cases, the exhibitor's supervising County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher should contact the acting director of the Division of Animal Health, Kentucky Department of Agriculture (contact information below), to arrange a time when the validation process can be conducted on the farm. The validation process must be completed by no later than **May 21, 2011**. The exhibitor's supervising County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher and a representative from the Division of Animal Health must be present during the farm visit. The visit must follow any biosecurity protocols the swine farm currently has in place.

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Kentucky Department of Agriculture
Division of Animal Health
100 Fair Oaks Lane, 2nd Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601
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6. Validation Site Coordinators are responsible for ensuring all preparations are made at the validation site. This includes having all needed equipment (loading/unloading chutes, restraining chutes, hog snares, etc.), having adequate help to make the process run in a smooth and timely manner, ensuring all forms are properly filled out, and ensuring all completed forms are mailed to the appropriate location. Specific guidelines outlining the details of each validation site will be provided to each Validation Site Coordinator.
 - a. Validation Site Coordinators are strongly encouraged to organize a Validation Committee to provide assistance with the activities of the validation site. Potential members of the Validation Committee might include:
 - i. County Extension Agents (4-H Youth Development and/or Agriculture) from surrounding counties with youth exhibitors that are expected to participate at the validation site.
 - ii. Vocational Agriculture Teachers from within the county or from surrounding counties with youth exhibitors that are expected to participate at the validation site.
 - iii. Adult livestock leaders with interest in youth livestock projects from within the county or from surrounding counties.
7. Arrangements will be made by the Kentucky State Fair Youth Livestock Show Advisory Committee (or a representative from the committee) for a representative from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health to be present at each validation site. The Division of Animal Health representative will be responsible for bringing the K.U.I.P. tags and the DNA testing materials to the validation site, and for collecting the DNA samples.
8. The following activities are required for the validation process at each validation site:
 - a. For all market animals (market steers, market heifers, market lambs, market goats, and market hogs), a single Radio Frequency Identification (R.F.I.D.) tag will be placed in the center of one of the animal's ears. The R.F.I.D. tag number will be used as the K.U.I.P. number. The R.F.I.D. tag also takes an ear tissue sample that will be collected for DNA analysis.
 - i. Market lambs and market goats are required to possess a scrapie tag at the time of validation. The scrapie tag number, in addition to the R.F.I.D. number, will be recorded on the validation form as a second form of identification. **If an animal loses their scrapie tag prior to the validation date, the exhibitor should contact the breeder from which the animal was purchased to obtain a replacement scrapie tag.**
 - ii. **Market steers, market heifers, market lambs, market goats, and market hogs that are participating in the Kentucky Proud Livestock Tag Program (signifying they are animals that are raised or bought from Kentucky producers) are required to possess a Kentucky Proud tag at the time of validation. The Kentucky Proud tag number will be recorded on the validation form.**
 - b. The R.F.I.D. tag will be placed in the animal's ear in front of, and evident to, the exhibitor and his/her parent or legal guardian, by the Validation Site Coordinator or a member of the Validation Committee. After the R.F.I.D. tag has been applied, the following individuals must sign Section 2 of the appropriate *Kentucky Youth Livestock Validation Form* (Attachment B-1, B-2, B-3, B-4, or B-5):
 - i. The exhibitor's supervising County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher if present for the validation, or the Validation Site Coordinator or a Validation Committee member if the supervising County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher is not present for the validation.
 - ii. The representative from the Division of Animal Health that applies the R.F.I.D. tag and takes the sample for DNA testing (see below).

- iii. The exhibitor.
- iv. The exhibitor's parent or legal guardian.

NOTE: For 4-H exhibitors, the signatures of the local Certified Volunteer Leader and the supervising 4-H Youth Development Agent verifying they have met their six (6) hours of educational training must be present on the validation form prior to the time of validation. Section 1 of the appropriate validation form must be filled out in advance of the validation date and sent with the 4-H exhibitor to the validation site.

NOTE: For FFA exhibitors, the signature of the supervising Vocational Agriculture Teacher verifying they are bona fide FFA members in good standing with their local FFA Chapter must be present on the validation form prior to the time of validation. Section 1 of the appropriate validation form must be filled out in advance of the validation date and sent with the FFA exhibitor to the validation site.

NOTE: In the event of an emergency or special situation that prevents the exhibitor's parent or legal guardian from being present at the time the animal(s) are tagged and validation occurs, a *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Parental/Legal Guardian Validation Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement* (Attachment C) must be completed. This form must be attached to the validation form.

NOTE: A \$4 per head tagging fee will be assessed on each market steer, market heifer, market lamb, market hog, and market goat that is tagged with K.U.I.P. tags. The Validation Site Coordinator is responsible for collecting the \$4 per head tagging fee at the time the validation occurs. In addition, within one week after the date that the validation site has occurred, the Validation Site Coordinator is responsible for sending one check (made out to **Kentucky 4-H Foundation**, with "**K.U.I.P. Tagging Fee**" on the memo line of check) covering the total tagging fee for their site to the following:

Jason P'Pool
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P.O. Box 469
Princeton, KY 42445-0469

- c. Ear tissue samples (collected when R.F.I.D. tags are applied) will be taken from all market steers, market heifers, market lambs, market hogs, and market goats for DNA testing by a representative from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health. The DNA sample will be taken and placed in a sample envelope and the R.F.I.D. tag number placed on the sample envelope in front of, and evident to, the exhibitor and his/her parent or legal guardian. The following individuals must sign the sample envelope after the ear tissue sample has been placed inside the sample envelope:
 - i. The representative from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal that took the sample.
 - ii. The exhibitor's supervising County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher if present for the validation, or the Validation Site Coordinator or a Validation Committee member if the supervising County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher is not present for the validation.
 - iii. The exhibitor.
 - iv. The exhibitor's parent or legal guardian.

NOTE: In the event of an emergency or special situation that prevents the exhibitor's parent or legal guardian from being present at the time the DNA sample is collected and validation occurs, a *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Parental/Legal Guardian Validation Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement* (Attachment C) must be completed. This form must be attached to the validation form.

- d. At the conclusion of the validation process, the representative from the Division of Animal Health will be responsible for sending the DNA samples to the testing agency. The Validation Site Coordinator is responsible for:

- i. Entering validation information into an Excel template (will be provided) and e-mailing the file **within one week** after the date that the validation site has occurred to Shawn Zollman at Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Show and Fair Promotion (Shawn.Zollman@ky.gov) and Jason P'Pool (jppool@uky.edu).
- ii. Making copies of all forms (a copy should be kept for the Validation Site Coordinator's and/or Validation Committee's records, and a copy should be given to the exhibitor for their records).
- iii. **Within one week** after the date that the validation site has occurred, the Validation Site Coordinator shall mail:
 - a) The original *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Youth Market Animal Validation and Location Form* to the Division Director, Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Show and Fair Promotion, 100 Fair Oaks Lane 5th Floor, Frankfort, KY 40601, **AND**
 - b) A copy of the entire *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Youth Market Animal Validation and Location Form* to the 4-H/FFA member's local supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher, **AND**
 - c) A copy of the entire *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Youth Market Animal Validation and Location Form* to Dr. Richard Coffey, Research & Education Center, P.O. Box 469, Princeton KY 42445.

NOTE: When making copies of the *Kentucky 4-H/FFA Youth Market Animal Validation and Location Form* to mail to the 4-H/FFA member's local supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher and to Dr. Richard Coffey, **two-sided copies (one two-sided page) are required.**

8. **LOST TAGS** –In the event the R.F.I.D. tag becomes lost after validation, the exhibitor should immediately notify their supervising County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher. The supervising County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher should then contact the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health to arrange for a replacement tag to be placed in the animal. A representative from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health will be responsible for placement of the replacement tag in the animal's ears. Upon replacing the ear tag, the supervising County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher should immediately complete an *Ear Tag Replacement Form* (Attachment D), obtain the required signatures, and submit the completed form to the following (a copy should be kept for the supervising County Extension Agent's or Vocational Agriculture Teacher's records, and a copy given to the exhibitor for their records):

Division Director
 Kentucky Department of Agriculture
 Division of Show & Fair Promotion
 100 Fair Oaks Lane, 5th Floor
 Frankfort, KY 40601
 Telephone: (502) 564-4983

9. At the 2011 Kentucky State Fair, the following animals will have hair or wool samples collected and tested against the ear tissue samples that were collected during the validation process for DNA comparison (samples will be collected by a representative from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health):
 - a. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market steers, market lambs, market hogs, and market goats (those animals in the Sale of Champions).
 - b. Class winning market steers, market lambs, market hogs, and market goats.

- c. Any other market steers, market lambs, market hogs, and market goats at the discretion of the superintendents for beef cattle, sheep, swine, and goat shows.

NOTE: DNA samples may also be collected for testing on animals participating in the various district shows sponsored by the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Show and Fair Promotion.

- 10. The exhibitor's supervising County Extension Agent, or the exhibitor's supervising Vocational Agriculture Teacher has the right, with prior notification, to inspect any animals at a reasonable time during the feeding period.

2011 Validation Sites for 4-H/FFA Market Steers and Market Heifers

Validation Site	Type of Site	Site Coordinator	Contact Phone #	Date	Time	Location
Laurel County	Multi-County	Glenn Williams	606-864-4167	January 29, 2011	8:00-10:00 am Eastern	WTA Beef Marketing Facility
Pendleton/Boone	Multi-County	Kenna Knight	859-654-3395	February 12, 2011	8:00-10:00 am Eastern	Pendleton County Fairgrounds
Mason County	Multi-County	Karen Douglas	606-564-6808	February 26, 2011	8:00-10:00 am Eastern	Bluegrass Stockyards (Maysville)
Greenup/Carter	Multi-County	Kathy Junker	606-473-9881	March 12, 2011	8:30-10:00 am Eastern	Greenup County Fairgrounds
Scott/Clark	Multi-County	Sharon Flynt	502-863-0984	March 19, 2011	9:00-11:00 am Eastern	Conley Livestock Facility
Boyle County	Multi-County	Kim Ragland	859 236-4484	March 22, 2011	4:00-6:00 pm Eastern	Boyle County Fairgrounds
Hardin County	Multi-County	Bonnie Jolly	270-765-4121	March 25, 2011	5:00-7:00 pm Eastern	Hardin County Fairgrounds
Calloway County	Multi-County	Ginny Harper	270-753-1452	March 25, 2011	6:00-7:00 pm Central	Murray State University Beef Unit
Additional Validation Opportunities for Market Steers						
Kentucky Beef Expo		Mollie Tichenor	502-477-2217	March 5, 2011	11:00 am-Noon Eastern	Kentucky Fair & Exposition Center
Green River Beef Preview Show		Gary Druin	270-298-7441	March 19, 2011	8:00-10:00 am Central	Ohio County Fairgrounds (Hartford)

**All market steers and market heifers must be R.F.I.D. tagged and have ear tissue samples collected for DNA testing. A representative from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture Division of Animal Health will be present at each site to collect DNA samples. A \$4 per head tagging fee will be collected on each animal that is validated.

2011 Validation Sites for 4-H/FFA Market Lambs, Market Goats, and Market Hogs

Validation Site	Type of Site	Site Coordinator	Contact Phone #	Date	Time	Location
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Validation Sites are presently being scheduled, and will be posted and announced as soon as scheduling is complete.

**Each site listed above will serve as a validation site for lambs, goats, and hogs.

** All market lambs, market hogs, and market goats must be R.F.I.D. tagged and have ear tissue samples collected for DNA testing. A representative from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture Division of Animal Health will be present at each site to collect DNA samples. A \$4 per head tagging fee will be collected on each animal that is validated.

**Validations for market hogs originating from legitimate closed swine herds will also be provided at the individual farms. Contact your local 4-H YD Extension Agent to make arrangements.

KENTUCKY 4-H/FFA YOUTH MARKET ANIMAL VALIDATION AND LOCATION FORM

• Market Steers •



1. Market steers must be validated by no later than March 31.
2. A total of five (5) beef market animals (market steers and market heifers) may be validated per exhibitor.
3. Co-tagging with K.U.I.P. tags will only be permitted among siblings unless a waiver has been obtained.

ONLY ONE (1) CHILD PER FORM

SECTION 1 – To be completely filled out (and signed) and sent with exhibitor to validation site.

Exhibitor Name: _____ Birth Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone No.: _____ Cell Phone No.: _____

County or Chapter: _____ Please Circle One: 4-H FFA Novice

We verify that (1) the above named 4-H exhibitor has completed 6 hours of educational training under the coordination of the local Certified Volunteer Leader, OR (2) the above named FFA exhibitor is a FFA member in good standing in our chapter. **These signatures MUST be obtained prior to the animal being K.U.I.P tagged and DNA sampled.**

Local Certified Volunteer Leader (for 4-H members only)

Date

Supervising Extension Agent OR Vocational Agriculture Teacher

Date

SECTION 2 – To be completely filled out (and signed) at the validation site.

Date of Validation: _____ Validation Site: _____

R.F.I.D. Ear Tag Number	Kentucky Proud Tag Number	Physical Description (color, breed, etc.)

In completing this validation form, we verify that the animals listed above were purchased in accordance with the deadline for market steers, and that they are in the possession of and under the continuous care of the exhibitor. We further verify that the animals listed above were properly tagged with an R.F.I.D. tag and ear tissue samples were properly collected for DNA testing by a representative of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health.

Exhibitor _____
Date

Parent or Legal Guardian _____
Date

*Supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher,
Validation Site Coordinator, or Validation Committee Member*

Date

Division of Animal Health Representative _____
Date

*Make a copy for exhibitor's
CEA or VAT records
and mail completed,
original form to address
shown at right:*

**Division Director
Kentucky Department of Agriculture
Division of Show & Fair Promotion
100 Fair Oaks Lane, 5th Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601**

**TURN OVER AND
COMPLETE
REVERSE SIDE**

*Mail \$4 per head
tagging fee to
address shown
at right:*

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Research & Education Center
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Princeton, KY 42445-0469**

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

KENTUCKY 4-H/FFA YOUTH MARKET ANIMAL VALIDATION AND LOCATION FORM

• Market Heifers •



1. Market heifers must be validated by no later than March 31.
2. A total of five (5) beef market animals (market steers and market heifers) may be validated per exhibitor.
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Exhibitor Name: _____ Birth Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone No.: _____ Cell Phone No.: _____

County or Chapter: _____ Please Circle One: 4-H FFA Novice

We verify that (1) the above named 4-H exhibitor has completed 6 hours of educational training under the coordination of the local Certified Volunteer Leader, OR (2) the above named FFA exhibitor is an FFA member in good standing in our chapter. **These signatures MUST be obtained prior to the animal being K.U.I.P tagged and DNA sampled.**

Local Certified Volunteer Leader (for 4-H members only) Date

Supervising Extension Agent OR Vocational Agriculture Teacher Date

SECTION 2 – To be completely filled out (and signed) at the validation site.

Date of Validation: _____ Validation Site: _____

R.F.I.D. Ear Tag Number	Kentucky Proud Tag Number	Physical Description (color, breed, etc.)

In completing this validation form, we verify that the animals listed above were purchased in accordance with the deadline for market heifers, and that they are in the possession of and under the continuous care of the exhibitor. We further verify that the animals listed above were properly tagged with an R.F.I.D. tag and ear tissue samples were properly collected for DNA testing by a representative of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health.

Exhibitor Date

Parent or Legal Guardian Date

Supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher, Validation Site Coordinator, or Validation Committee Member Date

Division of Animal Health Representative Date

Make a copy for exhibitor's CEA or VAT records and mail completed, original form to address shown at right:

Division Director
Kentucky Department of Agriculture
Division of Show & Fair Promotion
100 Fair Oaks Lane, 5th Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601

TURN OVER AND COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE

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 - 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*
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KENTUCKY 4-H/FFA YOUTH MARKET ANIMAL VALIDATION AND LOCATION FORM

• Market Lambs •



1. Market lambs must be validated by no later than May 21.
2. A total of six (6) market lambs may be validated per exhibitor.
3. Co-tagging with K.U.I.P. tags will only be permitted among siblings unless a waiver has been obtained.

ONLY ONE (1) CHILD PER FORM

SECTION 1 – To be completely filled out (and signed) and sent with exhibitor to validation site.

Exhibitor Name: _____ Birth Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone No.: _____ Cell Phone No.: _____

County or Chapter: _____ Please Circle One: 4-H FFA Novice

We verify that (1) the above named 4-H exhibitor has completed 6 hours of educational training under the coordination of the local Certified Volunteer Leader, OR (2) the above named FFA exhibitor is an FFA member in good standing in our chapter. **These signatures MUST be obtained prior to the animal being K.U.I.P tagged and DNA sampled.**

Local Certified Volunteer Leader (for 4-H members only)

Date

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SECTION 2 – To be completely filled out (and signed) at the validation site.

Date of Validation: _____

Validation Site: _____

R.F.I.D. Ear Tag Number	Scrapie Tag Number	Kentucky Proud Tag Number	Physical Description (color, breed, etc.)

In completing this validation form, we verify that the animals listed above were purchased in accordance with the deadline for market lambs, and that they are in the possession of and under the continuous care of the exhibitor. We further verify that the animals listed above were properly tagged with an R.F.I.D. tag and ear tissue samples were properly collected for DNA testing by a representative of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health.

Exhibitor _____
Date

Parent or Legal Guardian _____
Date

Supervising Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher, _____
Validation Site Coordinator, or Validation Committee Member _____
Date

Division of Animal Health Representative _____
Date

Make a copy for exhibitor's CEA or VAT records and mail completed, original form to address shown at right:

**Division Director
Kentucky Department of Agriculture
Division of Show & Fair Promotion
100 Fair Oaks Lane, 5th Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601**

**TURN OVER AND
COMPLETE
REVERSE SIDE**

Mail \$4 per head tagging fee to address shown at right:

**Jason P'Pool
Research & Education Center
P.O. Box 469
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KENTUCKY 4-H/FFA PARENTAL/LEGAL GUARDIAN VALIDATION WAIVER AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

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(Date)

(Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian)

