Tag and ID Process for Beef for 2020:
Each 4-H/FFA member is responsible for tagging their own market Beef, using tags issued by the Jr. Fair
Livestock Committee or EID tags from producer and submitting a Self-Tag ID Form for each market beef

Tags and taggers will be distributed at the Union County Extension Office. Each member is still able to tag up to 6
Beef and family tagging is allowed. Unused or broken tags need to be returned to the Extension Office. Taggers must
also be returned within 2 days of check-out. Place the taggers into a plastic bag. They will be disinfected after being
returned.

Self-Tag Market Beef ID Form
For each Market Beef an exhibitor is raising to potentially be shown at the Union County Fair, one Union County
Self-Tag Market Beef Identification Form is required. The form needs to be completely filled out, including one
picture of the head of the Market Beef with tags clearly visible and another profile/side-shot showing the color and
markings of the Market Beef. Please designate weather the animal is a steer or a market heifer. This form is due no
later than January 7th to the Union County Extension Office. Forms can be dropped off at the Extension Office or
scanned and emailed to UCoLivestock@osu.edu. If submitting the forms via email, please retain the original until
quality of pictures is confirmed. Note: the ID Forms do not have to be returned at the same time as the tagger;
members have until Jan 7th to complete the form, attached photos, and submit form.

Obtaining Tags and Tagger
The Union County Extension Office is open Monday – Thursdays, 8:00am-4:30pm. It will be best to call ahead when
you want to pick up tags/tagger to make sure a set is available. 937-644-8117. Equipment can be picked up during
evening hours in the OSUE drop box, ONLY IF you call ahead with names/# of tags and request a night pick up. There
will also be a separate drop box to return equipment after hours at the OSUE Office if needed.

It is important to tag your animal as soon as possible. DO NOT PROCRASTINATE. We have a limited number
of taggers, so if everyone waits until the last minute, we will not have enough to go around.

Ear Tag Location
Tags may be placed in either ear; however, ensure that the number faces forward so that it is easily read.

County Born & Raised
A special class for Union County Bred & Born Market Beef will be held at the Union County Fair. To be eligible to
participate, you MUST have a signed Bred & Born form completed and submitted by the day Self-Tag ID Forms are due
(Jan 7th, 2020). This form may be found at https://go.osu.edu/2020beefcbbform.

Questions/Assistance
If you have any questions or feel that you need assistance with getting the market beef projects tagged correctly, please
feel free to contact the Livestock Committee Members for the Beef Project.

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