

Union County Fair Market Beef Project Identification 2023

Ownership Deadline: January 1, 2023

Tag-In and Identification Deadline: 4 pm January 9, 2023

NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO MARKET BEEF SHOW (Market Steers, Market Heifers) at THE RICHWOOD INDEPENDENT FAIR IN 2023. A Beef Feeder class will still be available at the Richwood Independent Fair in 2023.

Tag and ID Process for Beef for 2023:

Each 4-H/FFA member is responsible for identifying their own market beef online, using tags issued by the Jr. Fair Livestock Committee or EID tags from producer by **4:00 pm Jan 9, 2023**. Up to four animals may be shown per member. Each member is able to tag up to 6 Beef and family tagging is allowed.

Tags and taggers will be distributed at the Union County Extension Office. Unused or broken tags need to be returned to the Extension Office. Taggers must be returned within 2 days of check-out. Place the taggers into a plastic bag. They will be disinfected after being returned. If your animal(s) have EID(s) those numbers may be used in place of Livestock Committee tags.

Obtaining Tags and Tagger:

The Union County Extension Office is open Monday – Thursdays, 8:00am-4:30pm. 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.

NOTE: Office hours are 8:00am-4:30pm **Monday through Thursday Dec 19th-22nd and January 3rd-5th**. The office is closed Friday, 12/23/22 thru Tuesday, 1/2/23 (You may contact Laurie Reidman at 714-315-9110 during the office closure to make arrangements for pick up or drop off).

Ear Tag Location:

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

Family Tag-In Option:

For families with more than one exhibitor of the same species in the household, Family Tag-In is an option. Animals may be tagged in as a family and then matched with specific exhibitor at weigh-in. Example: John Doe and Jane Doe live in the same house, and both show market beef. Twelve animals may be tagged in between the two of them and then they may decide at weigh-in who will be showing which animal of the ones they bring to the fair (maximum of 4 each). Each member that will be showing must have at least one animal linked to them, no animal entered more than once.

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If you are using the family tag-in option, you will need to email the livestock committee at livestockcomm@gmail.com. You will need to include a list of exhibitors, the animal species, and the ear tags of all animals being shown.

Prior to logging in to the FairEntry Animal ID site:

READ THE INSTRUCTIONS IN THE LINK BELOW! THE PROCESS IS DIFFERENT FOR 2023.

WE HAVE CHANGED THE PLATFORM USED FOR Animal ID. Once you have read the instructions, log-in to FairEntry and have ready:

1. Two pictures of each animal - one full profile and one head shot with identifying tag clearly visible and legible.
2. Be prepared to enter either the complete tag number of the Livestock Committee issued ear tag or the EID.
3. Identify whether the animals are being entered as County Bred Raised (CBR).
4. If CBR, have breeders name ready to enter.
5. **If animals are being tagged using Family Tag-In Option you *MUST* email the livestock committee the animal species, a list of exhibitors, and the ear tags of all animals being shown.** Email: livestockcomm@gmail.com.

How to submit Animal ID Information: click below

<https://go.osu.edu/unioncoanimalidinstructions>

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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