

Auction Rules

1. Only large livestock market entries, market small stock, and indoor exhibits (see Indoor Exhibit rules), will be eligible to sell at auction. No Large Stock Breeding Animals or Non-Market Small Stock will sell. Market Small Stock entries include: Rabbit & Broiler Meat Pens, and Market Duckling, Geese and Turkeys.
2. Large market livestock entries must have an I.D. Form on file at the Cooperative Extension office.
3. **Exhibitors *must* participate in the showmanship class for that species in order to sell thru the auction.**
4. All ribbon awards: blue, red, and white, will be permitted to sell. No private treaty or barn sales are permitted during the EXPO auction. All private treaty sales must be conducted off the EXPO grounds.
5. **Single Sale Rule**
The Yavapai County 4-H/FFA EXPO is conducted in accordance with policies and guidelines established by the University of Arizona. The policy is that an exhibitor is only allowed to enter market animals (e.g. large livestock, turkey, meat pen, etc.) in one 4-H sanctioned fair per year (October 1 – September 30) and sell that animal at the official 4-H auction. To ensure that this policy is followed in Yavapai County, the Committee will be releasing the names of individuals who sell their animal project at the EXPO auction to the Verde Valley Fair Association (VVFA). By participating in the EXPO auction, you are agreeing with the release of your name to the VVFA.
IF an exhibitor receives more than one Grand or Reserve Champion award (in either large market livestock or meat pen in small stock), then the following rules apply:
 - Large Livestock Exhibitors who also enter a Small Stock *Market* Entry, AND win GRAND OR RESERVE CHAMPION with their small stock, must choose which animal they wish to sell.
 - Exhibitors are required to sell all grand or reserve champion market beef, lamb, swine, or market goats. However, if an exhibitor wins Grand or Reserve Champion in more than one species, then the Single Sale Rule applies and the exhibitor must choose which animal they wish to sell.
6. **SALE ORDER:** Each exhibitor's highest placing blue, red, or white ribbon animal will be listed in the sale catalog unless a *Withdrawal Request* has been submitted no later than 5:00 pm Friday of EXPO. Exhibitors may substitute a lower placing entry at the same time the *Withdrawal Request* is submitted, provided all other sale rule provisions have been met. Indoor Exhibits will sell first, followed by Grand Champions. Reserve Champions, Breed Champions and then by Class Champions.
7. **Under no circumstances** will an exhibitor whose sole sale prospect dies or becomes sick or injured to the point of being unable to show or has been otherwise termed as unfit, be allowed to sell in the Yavapai County 4-H/FFA EXPO Livestock Auction.
8. Market animals that are deemed ineligible for sale at the EXPO Livestock Auction, **MAY BE REMOVED FROM THE EXPO GROUNDS UPON OBTAINING A RELEASE FROM THE APPROPRIATE SUPERINTENDENT.**
9. The Yavapai County 4-H/FFA EXPO Auction Committee does not guarantee the sale of any animal. Every effort will be made to market each animal while in the auction ring.
10. Animals are NOT to be costumed or decorated in any way. Only approved animal show products may be used. Any animal that is determined to not be in a clean condition will be refused entry until it has been properly cleaned. Upon being properly cleaned, every attempt will be made to market the animal at the next opening after having been re-presented to the ring gate keeper. If the last animal has been marketed prior to your returning with your livestock being in a clean condition, you will have forfeited your opportunity to have your animal sold at auction.
11. Only awards allowed in the auction ring are those market awards won on the animal to be sold.
12. A 7% commission will be deducted from the total proceeds, including add-ons, of each animal. A W-9 will be required from all exhibitors prior to release of check.
13. **Premiums from the Sale of Livestock at County Fairs:** Livestock shows and sales are a historic part of the 4-H experience. Young people who have raised animals through their 4-H projects often sell these animals at public auctions. The money the youth receive from such sales is often in excess of fair market value because members of the community typically wish to reward and recognize the efforts of young people who raise these animals within an educational setting. In return, the public expects to receive a wholesome product and recognition for their purchase.

- **Individuals who purchase** an animal are responsible to consult their tax advisor to determine if they may deduct the amount paid in excess of the market sale value.
- **Individual 4-H & FFA members** who benefit from extra income (often called a premium) from the sale of livestock at public auctions are responsible for reporting this extra income to the IRS on Form 1099

14. It is your responsibility to thank your buyer for purchasing your animal. The annual support of the buyers makes the EXPO a success. Taking the time to thank your buyer is an important part of the process. The ways of thanking them are as varied as the exhibitors. Some suggestions of ways to show your gratitude include: a gift given at the EXPO; a hand-written thank you note; personally thanking your buyer at the auction or their place of business; a luncheon. Choose whatever way you feel most comfortable with and best express your personality – but, choose a way. The EXPO Committee expects 4-H leaders and FFA advisors to ensure that their exhibitors have thanked their buyers prior to issuing them their check. Every effort will be made to have checks available for distribution on or before June 15. However, checks will only be distributed once adequate funds have been collected from the buyers.

15. ALL exhibitors must show their own animal during the auction. Anyone in violation of this policy will be banned from the sale ring and forfeit their right to sell at the auction.
16. Any medication given for the health of the animal to treat a disease or infection within 30 days prior to being received at the fair must be declared to the Extension Office within 10 days of the first dose of medication. An animal must be healthy upon arrival and weigh-in at EXPO and be accompanied by a clean bill of health by a licensed veterinarian.
17. Treated animals may be shown and sold through the auction but sale of the animal does not become final until all medication withdrawal periods have been met. The member will continue to care for and own the animal at their expense until sale is final and is properly delivered to the buyer. Failure to care for animal will cancel sale and forfeit all sale monies, the owner will stay pay designated auction fee. Full disclosure of the medication and the withdrawal period will be announced at the auction and buyer will sign a disclosure statement stating they understand the condition of the sale.