



Livestock Project Information – Madison County



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How to get information?

- **Need Help?** - Call your advisor first, then call the Extension Office for a list of project leaders and contact information to assist you!
- **Where do I get updates on 4-H Information?**
 - **4-H Newsletters:** Posted each month [here](#) and sent via email. Watch for emails as well for other updates as they come throughout the month! Follow the 4-H Blog for other current info at www.u.osu.edu/madison4h
 - **Social Media:** Follow our Madison County OSU Extension Facebook page and Instagram: @MadCo4HOhio
- **4-H Calendar** available [here](#)

Project Guidelines and Requirements

- **Project Guidelines** - This document provides general information for each 4-H project on what you need to do to complete the project: [4-H Project General Guidelines](#)
- **Livestock Skillathon Information** - Skillathon takes place on June 21, 29, 2022 from 4:00-8:00pm. Visit this link for information such study guides, skillathon format, practice skillathons, etc.: [Skillathon Resources](#). Study guides will be available mid-April. *(Required for Beef, Dairy, Goat, Sheep, Swine, Dog, Rabbit, Poultry, Equine, & Alpaca)*
- **Quality Assurance** - All livestock exhibitors must attend 1 session. Sign up for a QA session at www.go.osu.edu/madcoqa *(Required for Beef, Dairy, Goat, Sheep, Swine, Rabbit, and Poultry projects)*
- **Project Books** -
 - First year in project - required to purchase the 4-H Project Record Book for your species and the Resource Handbook (available in our office for purchase or online at www.extensionpubs.osu.edu)
 - 2nd year + - utilize project book AND add record via the printable [Livestock Project Record Book](#) (will be checked for skillathon). You can print at home or pick up from our office for FREE.
 - *(Alpacas, Horses, Dogs, and Small Animals still use 4-H project record book for species, not printable version)*

Fair Information

- **Fair Entries** - Due June 1. Watch for the link to be live around the first week of May here: [FairEntry Link](#)
- **Jr. Fair Sale Updates for 2022** - [Click here](#) for the updated sale information for marketing your Jr. Fair market livestock and frequently asked questions for the premium sale!
- **Fair Schedule and Rule Book** – Available on the [Madison County Fair website](#) for the schedule and fair book for specific fair information. Fair week is July 9-16

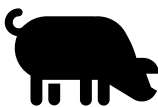
Other Opportunities

- **Award Opportunities**
 - **Outstanding Exhibitor Applications** (All due June 15)
 - [Outstanding Goat Exhibitor](#)
 - [Outstanding Dog Exhibitor](#)
 - [Outstanding Horse Exhibitor](#)
 - [Outstanding Sheep Exhibitor](#)
 - [Bob Clawson Poultry Scholarship](#)
 - [Outstanding Rabbit Exhibitor](#)
 - [Small Animal Essay Contest](#)
 - Apply for **Madison County Jr. Fair Royalty or Ambassadors** by June 15 at <https://madison.osu.edu/fairroyalty>
 - **Jr. Fair Related Contest Forms**
 - [Secretary Book Form](#) (Due June 15)
 - [Reporter Book Form](#) (Dune June 15)
 - [Talent Contest](#)
- **Other Resources**
 - Ohio 4-H livestock resources available at <https://ohio4h.org/animalsciences>
 - Other county livestock information, forms, and resources available [here](#)
- **Other 4-H Opportunities**
 - **4-H Camp** is held June 4-8, 2022, at 4-H Camp Clifton! It is open to all 4-Hers and their friends. Cost is \$230.
 - **4-H Demonstration Contest** is June 15, 2022, at the Extension Office. Information on contest rules and signups will be coming soon.



RABBIT SPECIFIC

- **2022 Rabbit Guidelines can be found at:**
<https://madison.osu.edu/sites/madison/files/imce/Fair/2022/2022%20Rabbit%20Guidelines.pdf>
- ****NEW THIS YEAR: All market rabbit meat pen exhibitors must submit photos of brood doe and litters** before the June 1 deadline (see details below)
 - **April 14** - Deadline to register/submit pictures of brood doe for market rabbit meat pens (send to loserlo@yahoo.com)
 - **May 19** - Deadline to register/submit pictures of market rabbit meat pen litters (send to loserlo@yahoo.com)
- **Rabbit Showmanship Clinic:** Tentatively May 7, 2022
- **If you are leasing breeding stock**, you must have a formal lease document on file by May 1. Lease form available here:
<https://madison.osu.edu/sites/madison/files/imce/Fair/Animal%20Lease%20-%20Breeding%20Animal%2012.17.21.pdf>



SWINE SPECIFIC

- **Swine Ear Notch Forms and Photos due May 7:** All swine exhibitors must submit ear notches and headshot photo by May 7 to the Extension Office. *Watch for details to come about an online submission option.* Ear Notch forms and additional info can be found here:
<https://madison.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/swine-projects>.
- You may tag up to six hogs, but you can **only exhibit FOUR hogs** at the 2022 Madison County Fair
- **If you are leasing breeding stock**, you must have a formal lease document on file by May 1. Lease form available here:
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POULTRY SPECIFIC



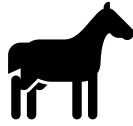
- **Market Broiler Orders:** All Market Chickens must be purchased from our county order. Orders and payment are due April 22. Order your birds here: [Broiler Order Form](#). Birds are \$2/bird. You should order at least 6 for your project. Payment can be made via check or cash to OSU Extension and dropped off or mailed to our office. Pick up will be Thursday, May 19 from 2-6pm at the fairgrounds.
- **Pullorum Testing – June 12, 1-3:** Pullorum testing is required for poultry that do not have the NPIP paperwork from the hatchery (market chickens are not tested). Check with the hatchery where you get your birds to see if they already have this done. More info for the testing date will be sent out closer to. Individuals can also set up their own testing with a certified individual.
- **Avian Influenza & Biosecurity!** – Avian influenza has been found in wild birds in Ohio. Please keep your poultry safe by keeping them away from areas wild fowl feed. This currently does not pose a risk to humans but do not handle any dead birds you may find. You can learn more at: <https://ohiodnr.gov/.../wildli.../wildlife-disease/avian-flu>
- **Poultry Biosecurity Online Clinic:** With concerns are around HPAI and poultry rising, especially as we approach fair season, good biosecurity practices are very important! Learn about health risk and biosecurity practices specific to poultry projects with Dr. Tim McDermott! Youth and adults are welcome to join us on **April 5th from 5:30-7:00pm** on Zoom (Zoom link and details below).
 - Join Zoom Meeting: <https://osu.zoom.us/j/97510455262...>
 - Meeting ID: 975 1045 5262; Password: 730686
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DOG SPECIFIC



- **Dog Vaccine and Licensure Forms:** All 4-H dog projects must be in possession by April 1. [Dog ID and Vaccine Form](#) and Copy of Dog License (from County) are due by May 1 to the OSU Extension Office.
- **Dog Clinics:** Watch for more information to be sent soon for a few dates for dog clinics to practice for show. Contact Jenny Sweet, Dog Key Leader, with any questions at 740-506-3357.
- **All About Dogs and You and Your Dog Judging** will take place during Special Interest Judging on July 9, 2022 (NOT during the dog show!). Watch for information from Jenny on times
- **Additional Dog Resources:** available at <https://ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences/dog/dog-resources>

EQUINE SPECIFIC



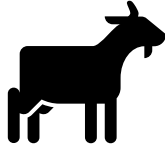
- **Equine Forms available here:** <https://ohio4h.org/animalsciences/horse/4-h-horse-publications-resources>
 - Horse ID: Due by May 1 to OSU Extension Office
 - Horse Lease Forms: Due by May 1 to OSU Extension Office
- **1st Year Exhibitors ONLY: Horse Training Video**
 - Watch videos at: <https://www.ohio4h.org/horsetrainingvideos>
 - Read the Horses, Safety and You book
 - Turn in signed completion form by May 15:
https://madison.osu.edu/sites/madison/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/horsevideowatchform.pdf
- **Donkey Book available at**
<https://madison.osu.edu/sites/madison/files/imce/donkey%20book.pdf>
- **Horse Resources available at** <https://ohio4h.org/animalsciences/horse>

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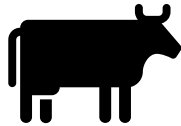
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- For breeding projects, you must submit a sheep breeding card by May 1, 2022 (available [here](#))
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- **Information on Scrapie and Scrapie Tag:** <https://ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences/livestock/livestock-resources/scrapie-and-scrapie-tag-information>
- **Sheep Care Videos** are great resources and can be found at <https://ohio4h.org/sheepcare>.

GOAT SPECIFIC:



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- **Information on Scrapie and Scrapie Tag:** <https://ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences/livestock/livestock-resources/scrapie-and-scrapie-tag-information>

BEEF/DAIRY SPECIFIC:



- **Market Steers Possession Date: January 1**
- **Dairy and Beef animals must be in possession by May 1**
- **Dairy Sale:** All dairy exhibitors are responsible for securing their own dairy product to sell during the sale
- **If you are leasing breeding stock**, you must have a formal lease document on file by May 1. Lease form available here:
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ALPACA SPECIFIC

- **If you are leasing breeding stock**, you must have a formal lease document on file by May 1. Lease form available here:
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SMALL ANIMAL SPECIFIC

- Small animals are NOT required to attend Quality Assurance or Skillathon (except for Pet Rabbits!)
- Those showing an animal in the Self Determined category have 2 show options (exhibitors can pick one or both).
 - 1. Show in the Small Animal show – bring your animal just for the show at the fair and complete in your class. This is not eligible for state fair selection.
 - 2. Register for the self-determined class for the Special Interest Judging on July 9, 2022. No animals are brought to this judging. This allows you to be eligible to win special interest awards AND be selected for state fair. Exhibitors bring their project book and display and interview with a judge.
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