

**2021-2022
LINCOLN COUNTY
MARKET ANIMAL SHOW & SALE PROJECT
SHEEP & SWINE RULES AND REGULATIONS
FAIR Dates – August 17-21, 2022**

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1. Who Can Participate

- 1.01 The Lincoln County Market Animal Show and Sale Project is open to Lincoln County 4-H members, Merrill FFA members and members of any other state and/or nationally recognized Lincoln County youth group members with adult leadership and an approved livestock educational program.
- 1.02 Besides meeting the membership requirements of the groups listed in section 1.01, participants must be in at least third grade, and no more than 20 years of age by January 1, 2021.

2. Before the Fair

Each project member must submit and/or participate in all of the following in order to be eligible to participate in the M.A.S.S. program at the fair. **ALL RULES ARE SUBJECT TO FINES OR DISQUALIFICATION.**

- 2.01 Attend the project introduction meeting held for each species the member is enrolled. If unable to attend, project member must notify MASS board member at least 24 hours prior to meeting.
 - A. Beef: November 8th, 2021 at 7pm – Always 2nd Monday of November
 - B. Sheep/Swine: March 14th, 2022 at 7pm – Always 2nd Monday of March.
- 2.02 Attend the initial picture day (See section 4 for more details on the classes, numbers and ownership of animals)
 - A. Beef: All beef pictures must be submitted by email to MASS e-mail by January 8th, 2022 by 12:00pm (noon).
 - B. Sheep: All sheep pictures must be submitted either by email to MASS e-mail or postmarked to the UW-Extension office by April 23, 2022 by 12:00pm (noon).
 - C. Swine: All pig pictures must be submitted either by email to MASS e-mail or postmarked to the UW-Extension office by April 23, 2022 by 12:00 pm (noon).

- 2.02 A. For steers, pictures must include ear tag in left ear, with number facing outside, side view of each side, face view, and exhibitor in picture with animal.
- B. For swine, pictures must include ear tag in left ear, with the number being visible from the back of the ear, side view of each side, face view and exhibitor in picture with animal.
- C. For sheep, pictures must include ear tag in left ear, side view from each side, face view, and exhibitor in picture with animal.
- 2.03 If you loose any part of the ear tag (front or back), you must contact a MASS committee member. If any ear tags are NOT being used (for extra animals), please return to a MASS committee member.
- 2.04 All cattle must be dehorned prior to the picture day.
- 2.05 All male cattle, sheep and swine must be castrated prior to the picture day.
- 2.06 Enrolled in the 4-H project for the appropriate species if in 4-H.
- 2.07 Submit Junior Fair Division Entry form to the Lincoln County Extension Office by the July 15 deadline. All animals must be entered in the appropriate classes (see section 4 for the appropriate classes) and must meet health requirements of the Lincoln County 4-H Fair and the State of Wisconsin. The requirements are listed in the Lincoln County Fair Premium Book.
- 2.08 Attend the final animal weigh-in: Final weigh-in for sheep and swine is August 17, 2022 from 8 am – **11am** at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds. Beef cattle will weigh in at Gold Medal Ranch, located off of Hwy K from 8am-11am.
- 2.09 At the final weigh-in turn in the following animal health related documents:
 - A. Drug History Statement Form
 - B. Any Animal Health Certificates if required in the Fair Premium Book.
 - C. Copy of Premise ID
 - D. Swine must have a health certificate from a veterinarian.
 - E. Any other health related documents that come along during this time
- 2.10 When preparing the animal for the show, all label directions and withdrawal specifications on medicated feeds, drugs and pharmaceutical must be followed.
- 2.11 Animals must be clean and dry and will only cross the scale once at each weigh-in. That weight will be considered the official weight.

3. During and After the Fair:

Each project member must follow the following rules and regulations or they will be subject to the fines listed in Section 5.01.

- 3.01 Submit three signed bidder forms per exhibitor to the Lincoln County Extension Office by the Junior Fair Division Entry deadline, July 15, 2022.
- 3.01A Each participant of a family must have three different bidders. Bidders must not be from the participants immediate family.

- 3.01B If 3.01 and 3.01A are not met, you will be ineligible for the sale. This means YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SELL YOUR PROJECT ANIMAL IN THE MARKET SALE.
- 3.02 Each project member must properly feed and care for the animal(s) they bring to the fair through the final day of the fair. All sheep pens must be kept clean and dry and swine pens must be totally cleaned daily (all old bedding removed) before 9:00 AM. All animals must remain in their stall/pen after 9:00 AM.
- 3.03 All participants must complete two educational credits. The M.A.S.S. committee will accept educational credits up until August 17th. Y.Q.C.A. is considered a mandatory educational credit, and everyone must participate. Y.Q.C.A. can be done online on your own, or an in-person option. There is a small fee attached to this program. You must submit a certificate of completion upon finishing online and in-person program by July 15th to the UW Extension Office. If educational credits are not turned in, you will be ineligible for sale of your market animal in the market sale. **At least one of your credits must pertain to the species you are exhibiting.
- 3.04 Complete the fair duties, which are assigned to each member prior to the fair.
- 3.05 Attend the photo session following the sale of their project animal. The cost of the buyer's photograph will be deducted from the member's sales check. Project members have the option of purchasing additional photograph(s) of their animal for themselves and the cost of the picture(s) will also be deducted from the member's check.
- 3.06 Arrangements for slaughter will be made for the buyer's convenience. The Carcass Contest and Evaluation will be held on the Wednesday following the Fair. Time and location to be determined.
- 3.07 Attend the Carcass Contest. If you are ineligible for the Market Sale, you are ineligible for the Carcass Contest.
- 3.08 Submit final project Financial Report at or before the Carcass Contest. The financial report must be completely filled out by the exhibitor before turning in. This will be subject to fine.
- 3.09 The project member is expected to send a thank-you note to the buyer(s), add-ons, and award sponsors. The member must bring the thank you notes to the Committee at or before the carcass contest. The picnic date and time must be included in the thank yous to the buyers. Award winners must bring their thank you note for award sponsors to the carcass contest, stamped, addressed and ready to mail
- BUT NOT SEALED. The notes will be read, checked off and mailed. If a member fails to send a thank-you note to the buyer(s) and award sponsors, he/she will not be eligible to sell the following year and will be fined accordingly. **NO EXCEPTIONS**
- 3.10 All project members must clean pens, stalling areas and mangers by 8p.m. Sunday night.

4. Classes, Numbers, Ownership, Showing and Selling of Animals

The following rules and regulations must be followed by each project member or they may be subject to the fines listed in Section 5.01 or they may be disqualified from participating in any future MASS Projects.

- 4.01 At the initial weigh-in/picture submission date the project member may weigh in as many as 3 animals per species. Only steers, ewes, wethers, gilts, and barrows will be allowed to

weigh-in.

- 4.02 At the final weigh-in the project member may only weigh-in 2 animals per species, or four animals total.
- 4.03 After all of the animals are weighed-in they will be divided up into market weight classes by the Fair department chairman.
- 4.04 **If our numbers are at capacity in any of the barns after final weigh in, and your animal did not make weight; you may be asked by the MASS committee, Department chair and/or the Fair Board to remove that animal, either by taking it home (beef & sheep) or to a slaughter facility (swine).**
- 4.05 If a project member has only one animal per class in a species, the project member must show the animal. Exceptions may be granted at the discretion of the MASS Committee for medical reasons or death in the family.
- 4.06 If a project member has 2 animals that qualify for any of the classes and they wish to show that second animal, they must provide a responsible person to show their second animal. The designated person must meet requirements in rules 1.01 and 1.02.
- 4.07 All animals that meet the following market standards will be sold unless the project member has more than one animal that qualifies to sell. If a project member has more than one animal that qualifies they are only allowed to sell one of them.
****Members must designate which animal they will sell in writing to a MASS committee member within 30 minutes after judging has been completed. Members must fill out a form stating what animal sells and where other animal will be going for slaughter. This form also includes animals that did not make weight. *If this form is not completed within 30 minutes after judging has finished, you WILL BE INELGIBLE FOR SALE.* Destination Forms will be given to you in your folders, or mailed out with the bidder slips. If by chance, you loose your form, the MASS committee will charge you \$5, deducted from your sale check.**
- A. Beef Market Standards:
- Be polled and/or dehorned.
- Weigh at least 1000# at final weigh-in.
- B. Sheep Market Standards:
- Weigh at least 100# at final weigh-in.
- C. Swine Market Standards:
- Weigh at least 230# at final weigh-in. Maximum weight of 320#, anything over will be ineligible for sale. If swine weighs more than 300#, the buyer will only pay for 300#.
- 4.08 The official judge will make the final decision on the eligibility of animals for sale. They will also select champion and reserve champion animals.
- 4.09 A member placing Grand Champion or Reserve Champion animal must sell that animal at the M.A.S.S. Sale. In the event one project member has a grand or reserve champion animal in more than one species, the member has to indicate which animal they will sell as

specified in section 4.06. The grand or reserve champion trophy from the animal they do not sell then will be given to the animal that was placed just below their animal in that species. All ribbon placings and premiums will stay the same.

- 4.10 Use of any drugs on an animal during the FAIR will disqualify that animal from the show and sale. Read and follow label directions closely.
- 4.11 The MASS Committee has the authority to disqualify and send home any dangerous or unmanageable animals.
- 4.12 All swine that **step onto the scale** at the fairgrounds must go directly to a state approved slaughter facility.
- 4.13 Exhibitors/guardians are responsible for loading, unloading, and handling of ALL animals at ALL weigh-ins. Beef must have a secured halter on their head at both weigh-ins, and sheep must be weighed in without a halter at final weigh-in.
- 4.14 Sheep must be shorn before the final weigh-in.
- 4.15 Any carcass found to be unsatisfactory or unwholesome at slaughter due to project member's fault must be replaced by the exhibitor to the buyer's satisfaction.
- 4.16 Trailers must be backed into a designated loading area for weigh-ins.

5. Fees and Fines

- 5.01 A fine of \$20 will be assessed for any rule violations that state a fine will be given. The fines will increase by \$10 for each additional offense and they will be deducted from the final sales check and be deposited in the Lincoln County Market Animal Show and Sale Project, Inc., general account. If a project member does not sell their animal, the fines will be carried over to the next project year. If the project member does not do a majority of their duties, they will not be allowed to show the next year.
- 5.02 An 8% sales commission will be deducted from the sale price of each animal and will go to the Market Animal Show and Sale account.
 - A. 6% to support the MASS project.
 - B. 1% shall go to support 4-H educational programs.
 - C. 1% shall go to FFA educational programs.

6. Grievances

- 6.01 Any concerns about animal care or the conduct of project members and/or their parents and/or guardians should follow the grievance procedures listed in the Lincoln County Fair Premium

Book.

6.02 **If there are any questions, please email us at the address below;**
lincolncomass@gmail.com

We will address these issues as a group in a timely manner and will respond back to you.

2021-2022 M.A.S.S. Board of Directors

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***Be sure to check us out and become a member of Lincoln County MASS Project on Facebook.
Information and important dates will be posted on this page.

**Additional forms may be found at <http://Lincoln.uwex.edu/mass/>

*Our e-mail address is Lincolncomass@gmail.com

Lincoln County M.A.S.S. Code of Conduct

***Adapted from the 4-H Youth Development Code of Conduct**

As a Lincoln County M.A.S.S. participant, I will:

- Adhere to program rules, policies, and rules of the program
- Conduct myself in a courteous, respectful manner, use appropriate language, exhibit good sportsmanship, and provide a positive role model.
- Comply with local, state, and federal laws
- Abstain from the use of alcohol, illicit drugs, and tobacco during 4-H events and activities
- Fully participate in scheduled activities and orientations
- Respect other's property and privacy rights
- Abstain from child abuse (physical, sexual, emotional, neglect), harassment, hazing and bullying
- Accept personal responsibility for behavior including any financial damage
- Adhere to safety rules

Consequences

- Removal from participation in the event or from the M.A.S.S. Program in which the Code of Conduct has been violated (at the individual's expense)
- Sanctions on participation in future M.A.S.S. events
- Fines, as according to the rules

It is the responsibility of all program participants to reinforce the code of conduct and intervene when necessary to enforce the rules.

I have shared the code of conduct with my parent/guardian. We have read, understand and agree to the above Code of Conduct as well as the rules that were read aloud at the Mandatory Meeting. I understand that by breaking any of the M.A.S.S. rules I may receive a fine or may not be able to sell my animal at the 2021 Market Sale.

(Participant Signature)

(Date)

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)