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Nevada County Fair Requires Mandatory Registration of Market Animals for 2011 Fair

The Nevada County Fair's mandatory registration deadline for all market beef is 4:00 pm, Friday, April 8th. The mandatory registration deadline of all other large market animals is 4:00 pm, Friday, June 10th.

Junior beef exhibitors may register their market animals at the Fair's Administration Office during business hours, Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm, beginning March 28th. The absolute deadline for market beef registration is 4:00 pm, Friday, April 8th. Goat, lamb and hog exhibitors may register their market animals beginning May 31st. The absolute deadline for market goat, sheep and swine registration is 4:00 pm, Friday, June 10th.

All FFA, 4-H, Grange and Independent exhibitors are required to register their market animals for the Fair on the dates specified above. The exhibitor must also present a photograph of their market animal and a Bill of Sale to Fair officials; the exhibitor should request this Bill of Sale from the person who sold them their market animal, or if an exhibitor bred their own animal, they must present a letter so stating. Entry forms and additional instructions are available at the 4-H Office, through FFA Advisors and at the Fair Administration Office.

To exhibit a large market animal at the 2011 Nevada County Fair, exhibitors must be 9 years old or in the 4th grade by January 1, 2011 and must be a Nevada County Junior. A Nevada County Junior exhibitor is defined as:

- An exhibitor whose legal residence is within the boundaries of the Nevada County Fair and who attends a school within Nevada County, or
- An exhibitor who lives outside Nevada County, attends a school in Nevada County and is a member of the FFA, Nevada County 4-H or Nevada County Grange, or
- An exhibitor who is a Nevada County resident enrolled and attending college and is a member of the FFA, Nevada County 4-H or Nevada County Grange.

Although an exhibitor may enter only one large market animal in the Fair, each exhibitor will be allowed to register a maximum of 2 animals per species, not to exceed 4 animals in total. The Fair appreciates that exhibitors often choose to raise more than one market animal, giving them the option of bringing their finest quality animal to the Fair to sell through the Junior Livestock Auction, which is scheduled during the Fair on Sunday, August 14th. A family may choose to register a second animal to be shared by their children in the event that one of their children needs to bring a back-up animal.

The 2011 Nevada County Fair is scheduled for August 10th through 14th. For more information on market animal registration or becoming involved in the Junior Livestock Auction as a buyer or volunteer, call the Fair at 273-6217. For more information, visit www.NevadaCountyFair.com.