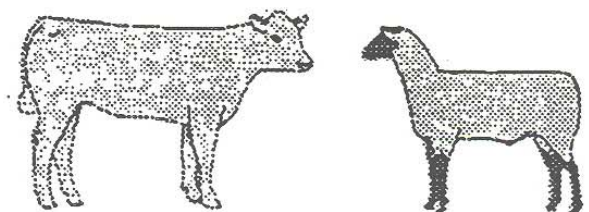
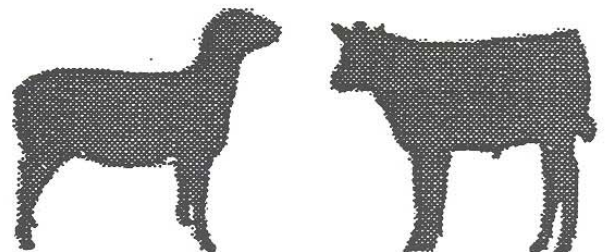
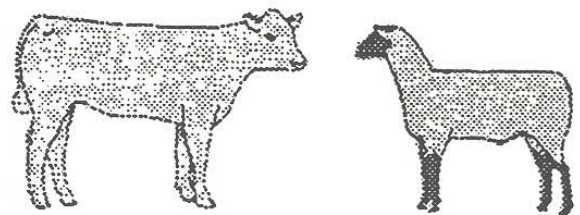
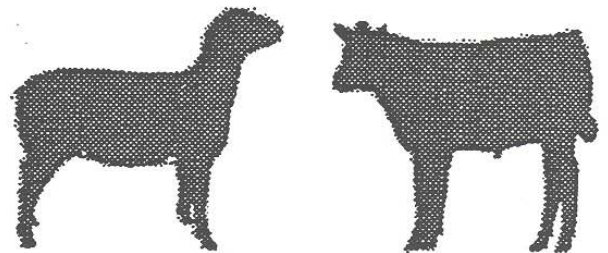
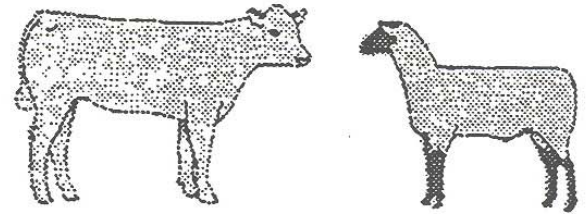
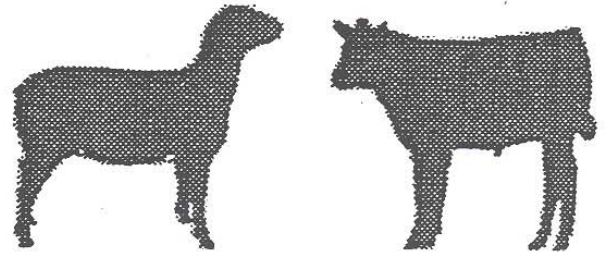


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Addendum To  
“Guidelines for Conducting Junior Beef  
And Sheep Sows In Tennessee” (EC979) (Revised: 2/14/07)

**Following are addendums to “Guidelines for Conducting Junior Beef and Sheep Shows in Tennessee” (EC979) UT Extension.**

**“Farm Bred Definition”** “Farm Bred” is defined the animal to exhibited, either commercial ewe or commercial heifer, was produced by a dam owned by either the exhibitor, his/her parents, grandparents or guardians at the time the animal was conceived.

**“Copies of Registration Papers To Be Submitted With Entries.”** Copies of registration papers for both registered heifer and ewes, or if not available at the time of submission, copies of application for registration, transfer of ownership, must be attached to the entry forms submitted to the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

**“To Five Market Lambs.”** The “Top Five Market Lambs” will be selected from those lambs remaining in the ring following selection of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion, which will be “1” and “2” of the “Top Five”

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## **INTRODUCTION**

This publication contains the rules and regulations governing the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition. It is intended to be a guide to Extension agents, Vocational Agricultural Teachers, adult leaders, parents and youth involved in the shows.

These rules and regulations are important to the shows. Many are based on the honesty of the exhibitors as well as their parents and volunteers. All people involved in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition should be completely familiar with these regulations, accept the responsibility to follow these regulations and upon signature and submission of entry forms will agree to abide by the rules and regulations, will certify that the livestock and exhibitor(s) have complied with the regulations and meet eligibility for participation.

### **PURPOSES OF THE TENNESSEE JUNIOR LIVESTOCK PROGRAM**

- A. To aid the development of youth into responsible American citizens by:
- teaching responsibility and developing self esteem through working with animals that depend on the member to provide proper feed, care, and management;
  - teaching decision making, communication, leadership and other life skills.
  - teaching the value, use and management of money through its investment in animals, feed, etc. and receiving a profit or loss for its use; and
  - teaching sportsmanship and cooperation through participation in shows and working with other members.
- B. To help youth gain skills in:
- selecting the kind of animal that will gain rapidly, make efficient gains and produce a high quality wholesome product;
  - providing humane management and care to animals;
  - feeding animals for optimum growth and proper development;
  - grooming and showing steers, heifers, lambs and ewes and
  - keeping records.
- C. To help youth gain an appreciation for:

- the role of the livestock industry in agriculture and its contribution to society;
  - the value of a properly planned health program;
  - the complex system of a ruminant animal; and
  - the importance of proper growth and development of breeding animals in building productive foundation purebred and commercial herds of their own.
- D. To provide Tennessee 4-H and FFA members with the opportunity to compete and gain recognition for their efforts, knowledge, skills and accomplishments in selecting, feeding, training, showing and marketing of meat animals.

## **GENERAL RULES**

### **The General Rules Apply to All Shows And Events Where Appropriate**

#### **Eligibility**

Competition is limited to either 4-H members who were enrolled in the fourth grade or later and Future Farmers of America (FFA) members who were enrolled in vocational agriculture on Jan. 1 of current calendar year and who have not reached the end of the calendar year of their high school graduation or the end of the calendar year of their 20th birthday, whichever comes

first. The exhibitors must be under the supervision of an Extension agent or a teacher of vocational agriculture and shall be required to comply with all rules of the shows.

## **EVENTS AND DATES OF IMPORTANCE**

Getting things done on time help to ensure a more enjoyable experience for exhibitors and all others associated with the shows. Review the events and activities that need to be done and completed to qualify for the various shows outlined in Tables 1, 2 and 3. Also see the dates published on the Animal Science web site @ <http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu>

**Table 1.**

## **Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition Events and Dates of Importance**

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### **Market Steer Show**

- |                                  |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| a. Ownership Deadline            | January 10  |
| b. Tattooed, Ear Tagged, Weighed | February 2  |
| c. Entries Due                   | February 16 |

### **Commercial Heifer Show**

- |                                    |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| a. Ownership and Leasing Deadline* | <i>March 16</i> |
| b. Tattooed, Ear Tagged            | <i>March 30</i> |
| c. Entries Due                     | April 9         |

### **Registered Heifer Show**

- |  |          |
|--|----------|
| a. Ownership, Registration and Leasing Deadline* | March 16 |
| b. Entries Due                                   | April 9  |

### **Feeder Cattle Show**

- |                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| a. Ownership and Deadline | March 2  |
| b. Ear Tagged             | March 16 |
| c. Entries Due            | April 9  |
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*\*Lease agreement must be submitted to the county, district and state Agricultural Extension Service offices by the same date. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the entry forms and lease agreements submitted.*

**Table 2.**

**Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition Beef Cattle Events and Dates of Importance**

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**Market Steer Show**

- |                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| a. Ownership Deadline            | March 16 |
| b. Tattooed, Ear Tagged, Weighed | March 23 |
| c. Entries Due                   | March 30 |

**Commercial Heifer Show**

- |                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| a. Ownership and Leasing Deadline* | May 20  |
| b. Tattooed, Ear Tagged            | June 1  |
| c. Entries Due                     | June 15 |

**Registered Heifer Show**

- |  |         |
|--|---------|
| a. Ownership, Registration and Leasing Deadline* | May 20  |
| b. Entries Due                                   | June 15 |
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*\*Lease agreement must be submitted to the county, district and state Agricultural Extension Service offices by the same date. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the entry forms and lease agreements submitted.*

**Table 3.**

**Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition Sheep Events and Dates of Importance**

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**Market Lamb Show**

- |                           |         |
|---------------------------|---------|
| a. Ownership and Deadline | May 20  |
| b. Ear Tagged, Weighed    | June 1  |
| c. Entries Due            | June 15 |

**Commercial Ewe Show**

- |                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| a. Ownership and Leasing Deadline* | May 20  |
| b. Ear Tagged                      | June 1  |
| c. Entries Due                     | June 15 |

**Registered Ewe Show**

- |  |         |
|--|---------|
| a. Ownership, Registration and Leasing Deadline* | May 20  |
| b. Entries Due**                                 | June 15 |
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*\*Lease agreement must be submitted to the county, Agricultural Extension Service offices by the same date.*

*\*\*Lease agreements are to be submitted with entries.*

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the entry forms and lease agreements submitted.

## ENTRIES

1. Entries are to be made on entry forms that can be obtained from the local UT Extension Service Office.
2. Entry forms are available for registered beef heifers, beef steers, market lambs, breeding ewes, commercial ewes and commercial heifers.
3. The county Extension agent is to secure the official entry forms for each animal from either the Animal Science Department, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, or from the website @ <http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu> .
4. All entries must be submitted through the local UT Extension office. This is the procedure for entries by both 4-H and FFA members.
5. Copies of registration papers for both registered heifers and ewes, or if not available at the time of submission, copies of application for registration, transfer of ownership, must be submitted to the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and The Tennessee Junior Live Stock Exposition.
6. Entry fees of \$7.00 per head for beef animals and \$5.00 per head for sheep must be submitted with entry forms. Area entry fees must be submitted separately to the appropriate Regional Program Leader. Refunds will not be made for animals not exhibited. Checks are to be made payable to the University of Tennessee.
7. Copies of all entry forms are to be submitted by Extension Agents to the appropriate UT Extension, Regional Program Leaders for Agricultural in their appropriate region.
8. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to be sure that his/her entries meet criteria to qualify for exhibition.
9. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to complete all the information requested on the entry form. Incomplete entry forms will not be accepted and will be returned to the Extension agent. Animals will not be entered if entry forms are not completed and entry fees not submitted. **Extension agents and vocational agricultural teachers should review all entries to ensure accuracy prior to submission.**
10. The signatures of the exhibitor, his/her parent or guardian and Extension agent or vocational agriculture teacher will be required before an entry will be accepted.

These signatures will confirm that the parties:

- a. Have read and understand the rules and regulations outlined in EC979, "Guidelines for Conducting Junior Beef and Sheep Shows in Tennessee."
- b. Have agreed to comply with and abide by the regulations outlined in EC979, "Guidelines for Conducting Junior Beef and Sheep Shows in Tennessee."
- c. Have certified that the animal and exhibitor have complied with the rules and regulations outlined in EC979, "Guidelines for Conducting Junior Beef and Sheep Shows in Tennessee."
- d. Agree to the use of photographs, etc as outlined in the Publicity Section presented later in the Guidelines.

#### **DATES FOR OWNERSHIP AND/OR REGISTRATION**

1. Animals must be individually owned or registered in the name of the exhibitor or leased by the exhibitor and in the possession of (in care of) by the exhibitor by the dates listed in Tables 1, 2 and 3.
2. All breeding animals must be either individually owned or leased by the exhibitor.
3. To compete in the regional and state steer and market lamb shows of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition (Expo) and the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, exhibitors must have participated in a county production program. See information under Steer and Lamb Show Rules.
4. Dates weighed on Test and Identified. Steers, commercial heifers and lambs entered into the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition must be weighed on test, ear tagged and ear tattooed by dates outlined in Tables 1, 2 and 3.
5. **Regional Shows.** All animals shown in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition should be exhibited in exhibitor's respective regional shows to be eligible to be exhibited in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition. Exceptions will be evaluated on an individual basis. Applications for waivers are available from the local UT Extension office. Request for waivers must be submitted 10

days prior to the show date.

## **SHOWING**

Exhibitors will show their own animal unless they have two animals in the same class. The second animal must be shown by a 4-H or FFA member. Substitute exhibitor(s) should be from the exhibitor's home or adjoining county. Any animal shown by anyone other than the exhibitor who entered the animal may result in forfeiture of all premiums and awards unless prior approval is given by the show manager.

Substitute exhibitors will be granted for those exhibitors who either have two animals in the same class or a serious illness and/or injury at the time of the show. Participation in school or school related activities and other prior scheduled activities will be considered on an individual basis. Forms for the approval of substitute exhibitors may be obtained from the show office. These forms are to be completely filled out and approved before showing. If the request is approved, the form should be handed to the person in charge of lineup prior to the class being exhibited.

## **BREEDING ANIMALS**

Animals in the breeding shows must comply with all rules and regulations of their respective breed association. For more information, see appropriate shows.

## **LEASE OF BREEDING ANIMALS**

The objective of the leasing of breeding animals is to provide youth, who would otherwise not have the opportunity, the educational experience of participating in either the beef heifer or breeding ewe projects without the expense of purchasing animals.

Exhibitors may lease two registered heifers, two commercial heifers, two registered ewes and two commercial ewes for project animals. Animals leased must conform to general rules and specific rules for the appropriate shows. Complete lease agreement forms along with a copy of the animal's registration papers must be submitted to the County UT Extension Office by May 20 for heifers and for ewes to be exhibited in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition. An example of the lease form may be found in the Appendix. *The lease agreements for heifers, and a copy of registration papers and lease for registered heifers exhibited in the KSJCE must be submitted to the county, Region and state UT Extension Service Offices by March 16.* Copies of

registration papers and lease agreements must be also submitted with the entries.

Leased animals cannot be exhibited by anyone other than lessee from the date the lease is entered into until completion of the respective breeding show of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition or the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition.

### **BRED BY EXHIBITOR**

Registered breeding ewes and registered beef heifers are eligible to be entered in the "Bred by Exhibitor" competition. To be eligible for "Bred by Exhibitor" awards and recognition, the exhibitor must be listed as both the sole breeder and owner of the ewe or heifer on the registration paper. If breeding animals are eligible for the "Bred By Exhibitor" competition, this must be indicated on the entry form. If "Bred By Exhibitor" is not indicated on the entry form, the entry will show as if it did not qualify.

In the Beef Heifer and the Breeding Ewe Shows, the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion animals will be selected and then, if needed, the Champion and Reserve Champion "Bred by Exhibitor" animals will be selected from the highest placing "Bred by Exhibitor" animals in the classes.

### **FARM BRED EWES AND HEIFERS**

*Commercial breeding ewes and commercial breeding heifers are eligible to be entered in the "Farm Bred" competition. To be eligible for "Farm Bred" awards and recognition, the exhibitor must be entered as the owner of the ewe/heifer on the entry forms and should be certified by the county UT Extension Agent as a "Farm Bred" ewe/heifer. A ewe or heifer is considered farm bred if and only if they meet the following criteria without exception.*

*Farm Bred Definition:*

*"Farm Bred is defined as the animal to be exhibited was produced by a dam owned by the exhibitor, his/her parents, guardian, or his/her grandparents," at the time the said animal was conceived.*

*If commercial breeding animals are to be eligible for the "Farm Bred" competition, this must be indicated on the entry form. If it is not indicated, the animals will not be eligible to show in the "Farm Bred" class.*

*Following selection of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Commercial*

*Ewe and Heifer in their respective shows, if needed, the Champion and Reserve Champion “Farm Bred” Ewe and Heifer will be selected from the first and second placing ewes or heifers in the “Farm Bred” classification in the classes.*

## **GROOMING OF CATTLE AND SHEEP**

General rules apply where appropriate.

1. The shows of Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition are "Junior" shows. The purpose of these events is to provide opportunities and experiences for 4-H and FFA members to gain skills in exhibition of beef cattle and sheep. Do not deny youth the opportunity and the experience to prepare and groom their animals for the shows and to demonstrate and utilize the skills they have learned.
2. Animals are to be groomed by the 4-H or FFA exhibitors with assistance from immediate family members or guardian, Extension agent, Agriculture teacher, other 4-H and FFA members and bona fide volunteer leaders.
3. Extension agents and/or Vocational Agriculture teachers will be responsible for verifying bona fide volunteer leaders and submitting their names to show management.

## **VOLUNTEER LEADERS**

All adults who serve as volunteer leaders must complete the Tennessee 4-H Adult Volunteer Application Form (F809). This application can be accessed through the Tennessee 4-H Homepage or directly by visiting <http://www.utextension.utk.edu/4H/forms/acrobat/volappl.pdf> . Once completed, this application should remain on file at the local county Extension Service office.

## **SAFETY**

Everything possible will be done to prevent accidents; however, if any should occur, neither the University of Tennessee, nor University of Tennessee personnel, nor other persons, nor any other organizations connected with the management of the show assumes any liability, either legal or otherwise to persons or property.

## **UNACCEPTABLE PRACTICES OR PROCEDURES**

The following practices or procedures are considered unacceptable in the exhibition of beef cattle and sheep.

1. Treating the animal internally with an irritant or other substance to artificially change the animal's conformation. This would include injection of air, gas, liquid, solid or any foreign material under the skin.
2. Surgery of any kind to change the natural conformation or appearance of the animal's body. (*Exceptions include those procedures that are part of a normally accepted management program, such as dehorning, castration, and tail docking.*)
3. Use of any abnormal procedure or product to change the degree of firmness, muscle tone or mass and/or weight of the animal.
4. Use of any illegal substance or procedure that results in condemnation of the carcass of a market animal.
5. Adding of any foreign material (twine, hair, etc.) to any part of the body in an attempt to disguise or alter the conformation or condition of the animal.
6. The use of graphite.
7. Administration of any substance (internal or external) that is not used according to label instructions will not be permitted.
8. Any illegal substances found at slaughter will result in forfeiture of all premiums and revenues from the sale of the animal.
9. Inflicting bodily injury to an animal will not be tolerated.
10. Excessive force in handling of animals will not be tolerated.
11. Physical abuse of an animal, either in the barns, on the grounds or in the show ring by the exhibitor or his/her parents or representatives, Extension agents or vocational agriculture teachers may result in both animal and exhibitor being dismissed from the show(s).
12. Altering or changing an animal from its natural color.

Violation of these rules may result in both animal and exhibitor being disqualified from the show.

### **CARE AND TREATMENT OF ANIMALS**

All animals that are exhibited in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition are to be treated in accordance with accepted humane livestock management techniques. Exhibitors are expected to comply with all federal, state and

local laws or regulations concerning the treatment and care of animals.

Specific areas of concern include but are not limited to:

- Animals should be provided feed and water on a regular basis before, during and after shows. A special effort should be made to insure that market animals receive feed and water before the show and sale.
- Medication given by or under the direction of a veterinarian must adhere to withdrawal times on the product label.
- Animals which have been accidentally injured must receive appropriate veterinary attention.

### **DISCOURTEOUS CONDUCT**

Discourteous conduct by exhibitors, parents, leaders, Extension agents, vocational agricultural teachers or any other persons representing an exhibitor, toward a judge, any member of show management or other exhibitors may result in the exhibitor and/or animal being dismissed from the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition or the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and awards received being forfeited.

### **CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

Consumption of alcoholic beverages at the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition events is not permitted. Failure to adhere to this policy may result in the person(s) being dismissed, exhibitor(s) and/or animal(s) being dismissed and awards received being forfeited.

### **DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY OF ANIMALS FOR PARTICIPATION**

As a condition of participation in the shows and sales associated with the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition, and the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition exhibitors, or their representatives, parents or guardians of exhibitors, Extension agents and vocational agriculture teacher agree:

1. That the animals under their ownership, care and/or supervision may be inspected by either Extension agents or vocational agriculture teachers that are supervising the exhibitors, the show management or their representative any time following entry to the show and at any time during participation in the shows and activities

leading up to the shows and/or sales.

2. That they or others may be questioned regarding the eligibility of animals and exhibitors any time following entry to the show(s), at any time during participation in the show(s) and activities leading up to the show(s) and/or sale(s).
3. That market steers and lambs are subject to examination during the slaughtering process. If on examination, it is determined that the animal has been unethically fitted, treated or cared for, the animal will be disqualified and all the premiums and awards will be forfeited and the sale proceeds will be withheld.
4. That any animal entered in the show is subject to tissue, urine and blood testing at the discretion of the show management. If the result of the testing indicates the use of materials and/or drugs not approved for use in that species by the FDA, or compound or drugs used outside the specified withdrawal requirements of the FDA, these animals will be declared ineligible for competition and awards will be forfeited.

#### **SALE OF MARKET ANIMALS**

Exhibitor of market animals in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition must designate, at the time of weighing, if a sale is available, whether his/her market animal(s) will go through the sale. This must be done to prepare for the sale. Only those animals so designated will be in the sale. Once the designation is made, absolutely no changes will be made unless the animal is a Division Champion or Reserve Champion. Division Champions and Reserve Division Champions will automatically be included in the sale.

Sale of market steers will not be conducted for animals entered in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition.

All livestock sold or consigned to a buyer or slaughter establishment for custom kill shall be placed in special pens at which time marketing agents will have responsibility for holding and transporting these livestock. All livestock not placed in such special pens shall be the responsibility of the buyer or the seller according to the agreement of the buyer and the seller and shall not be the responsibility of the marketing agent or the show management.

For additional information, refer to sections regarding market steer and lamb sales

outlined in this publication and that published in "Info on Expo" and any announcements by show and or sale management prior to and during the sale(s).

### **BLOCKING CHUTES AND STANDS**

It is requested that the number of blocking chutes and stands be kept to a minimum.

### **FANS**

It is requested that exhibitors bring a minimum number of fans. The electric system will not handle a large number of fans.

### **LIVING TRAILERS AND TENTS**

Living trailers should only be parked in designated areas. Tents may be erected only in designated areas.

### **WASH AND TIE OUT AREAS**

Wash all livestock in designated wash areas. Do not "tie out" livestock in areas not designated as tie out areas.

### **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS**

Requirements for animals exhibited in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition must meet the following requirements:

- **Health Requirements:** Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) will be required for every animal exhibited at the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and associated shows (county and regional). It is expected that junior exhibitors will bring only healthy animals to the Expos. The certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) must be dated within 45 days of the respective show. All animals are subject to being inspected after arrival at the show facilities and any with clinical signs of contagious disease will be quarantined or sent home immediately at the discretion of the show veterinarian . Certificate(s) of Veterinary Inspection are to accompany the animal(s) to the respective shows.
- **All classes of sheep that show** in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition must have approved ear tags. All sheep that are to be exhibited in any show, including Commercial Ewes and Market Lamb must have an approved Scrapie Program ear tag in their ear. This will apply to all the sheep shown in the

Tennessee Junior Livestock EXPO. This must be done in accordance with the guidelines provided by USDA Animal Health and Plant Inspection Service (APHIS).

- Wethers are not exempt.
- Please call the USDA office at (615) 871-5310 to order the free Scrapie tags. Allow approximately 10 days after ordering for delivery.
- **Exhibitors who have breeding flocks** will be required to have official USDA identification in order to show or to sell ewe or ram lambs for exhibition and/or breeding. This is done by filling out the appropriate form to obtain a flock/premise identification number and ear tags. Existing flock identification numbers may be allowed if properly registered. If this has not already been done, it is recommended that it be done as soon as possible.
- **Exhibitors who purchase the ewes they will show** must be certain the ewes have been tagged by the breeder (flock of birth). Avoid purchasing ewes to exhibit if they don't have approved ear tags.

Please read and comply with the attached guidelines of the program. The web site ([www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/scrapie](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/scrapie)) is an excellent source of current information.

Questions should be directed to either the state veterinarian's office (615-837-5120) or the Federal office (615-781-5310). The address for correspondence is:

USDA:APHIS  
Attn: Premise ID  
P. O. Box 110950  
Nashville, TN 37222

**PHYSICAL SOUNDNESS.** Cattle or sheep that are not physically sound will be ineligible for exhibition and sale.

#### **DOGS**

**NO DOGS ALLOWED, EXCEPT SEEING EYE OR OTHER MEDICALLY NECESSARY DOGS.**

**COMPLIANCE WITH FDA BAN ON FEEDING OF RUMINANT MATERIALS TO**

## **CATTLE AND SHEEP.**

As result of the concerns for food safety in the United States, youth exhibiting steers or lambs in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Cattle Exposition will be required to certify that their steers and lambs have not been fed any feed containing protein from mammalian/ruminant (e.g., meat and bone meal) not in compliance with 21CFR 589-200, tissue and not any of the steers and the lambs have illegal levels of drug residues as outlined in the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.

A signed certificate will be brought by exhibitors with the animals at weigh-in. The exhibitor(s) and parent(s) must sign the certificate. A copy of the certificate is in the appendix of this publication. A copy may also be obtained at the Animal Science's Department web page @ <http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/> Separate forms should be used for steers and lambs.

A full description of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act "21 CFR 589.2000" and how it relates to the livestock industry can be found at the USDA web page ([www.usda.org](http://www.usda.org)).

## **UNRULY ANIMALS**

The show superintendent, manager, show steward, ring person, show judge or show management may dismiss animals, that in their judgment, are unruly. Unruly market animals will be sold at the end of the sale.

## **PROTEST**

1. Protests must be submitted to the manager of the show. Deadline for submitting a protest related to any animal must be made prior to the appropriate division Champion of market animals or selection of the female Champions of the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and at the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.
2. Protests must be made on an official protest form located in the Appendix or available at the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition or at Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition show office.
3. All protests must be submitted in writing and signed and accompanied by a \$100 cash deposit. The written protest must include:

- 1) Name(s) of exhibitor(s) involved.
  - 2) Date and time of protest.
  - 3) Entry number of livestock involved.
  - 4) Action or activity that is being protested.
  - 5) Specific rules that are alleged to have been violated.
  - 6) Names and signatures of two other parties that will verify and support the grievance.
4. The burden of proof rests with the party filing the grievance. The \$100 deposit will be returned if the grievance is upheld. The deposit will be forfeited to either the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition or the Knoxville Junior Spring Cattle Exposition if the grievance is not sustained.
  5. The respective show manager and/or superintendent has the authority to make appropriate decisions based on EC979, "Rules and Regulations For Conducting Beef Heifer, Breeding Ewe, Market Steer and Market Lamb Shows in Tennessee." If needed, the protest shall be referred to a "Grievance Committee."
  6. The grievance will be reviewed. The grievance may be discussed with parties involved and show officials in reaching a decision. All parties involved will be notified of decisions reached.
  7. Protests related to judges' decisions, placings and/or other situations associated with judges and show management will not be accepted.

### **PUBLICITY RELEASE**

As indicated by the signatures of the exhibitors, parents or guardians on the entry forms to the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and/or the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, this authorizes the University of Tennessee and/or their representatives to photograph, film, audio/video tape, record and/or televise their image and voice and biographical material, participation in the various events and to publicize, in whole or in part in any medium or developed in the future without any restrictions.

### **SIGNS, DISPLAYS**

Signs and displays in the tie or open areas promoting farms or businesses are

discouraged. Exhibit spaces are available in trade show for promotion.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The executive committee reserves the final and absolute right to interpret rules and regulations, settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard hereto, or otherwise arising out of the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgement may determine. The decision of the executive committee is final.

## **RULE VIOLATIONS**

Any exhibitor, parent or leader, who individually or through other persons, violates any of the rules may result in both animal(s) and exhibitor(s) being barred from participation in current or future shows. All premiums, awards received and sale receipts may be forfeited.

## **BREEDING EWE SHOW RULES**

### **GENERAL**

All general rules apply. Lambs entered in the breeding and commercial ewe shows cannot be shown in the market classes.

### **OWNERSHIP, POSSESSION AND REGISTRATION**

1. 4-H and FFA members must be the sole owner or lessee of the ewes they exhibit. Ewes must be registered or leased (see page 10) in the name of the exhibitor and in continuous possession and care by May 20. (Table 3).
2. All breeding ewes must carry association ear tags in those breeds requiring ear tags. All ear tags or tattoos must be legible and plainly readable by show officials. Those breeds that don't require association ear tags must include the flock number on their entry blanks.
3. Original registration papers and where appropriate, lease forms, must be in the exhibitor's possession at both the region and state Expo breeding ewe shows. A duplicated copy of the registration paper and/or application for registration or ownership transfer must accompany the entry form(s) of leased ewes submitted to the state.
4. Original registration papers and where appropriate, lease forms, for each animal must be presented at the exhibitor's Region Expo show. The Regional Program

Leader for Agriculture or his/her designee will check and verify these papers.

5. As a result of checking the registration papers, a complete list of ewes and exhibitors eligible for competition in the Breeding Ewe Show(s) at the state Expo should be forwarded as soon as possible after the area show to the state Expo show office.
6. No ewes will be allowed to show if proper transfers have not been made and the registration papers checked at the regional shows.
7. Registration certificates and if appropriate, lease forms, must be in the exhibitor's possession and are subject to be checked by show management at the state Expo show. A duplicated copy of the registration paper(s) must accompany the entry form(s) submitted to or application for registration or ownership transfer form(s) submitted to the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.
8. Leased animals cannot be exhibited by anyone other than the lessee from the date the lease is entered into until completion of the respective breeding ewe show of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

#### **EXHIBITION OF BRED BY EXHIBITOR EWES**

Following selection of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Ewe, if needed, the Champion and Reserve Champion "Bred by Exhibitor" will be selected from the first and second placing ewes in the "Bred by Exhibitor" classifications in the classes.

#### **NUMBER**

Each exhibitor may be allowed to exhibit a maximum of eight ewes. An exhibitor may show no more than two animals per age classification. The maximum number that may be shown in the "Owned" classification is four. The maximum number that can be shown in the "Bred by Exhibitor" classification is eight. The maximum number of leased breeding ewes that an exhibitor may show is two.

Any exhibitor may show any combination of either "Bred by Exhibitor" and "Owned" or "Leased" entries that total eight as long as the number of "Owned" entries does not exceed four.

#### **CLASSES**

March Junior Ewe: March 1 and thereafter of current year

February Junior Ewe: Feb. 1 - Feb. 28 or 29 of current year

January Junior Ewe Lambs: Jan. 1-Jan. 31 of current year

Senior Ewe Lambs: Sept. 1-Dec.31 of preceding year

Junior Yearling Ewes: Feb. 16-Aug. 31 or preceding year

Senior Yearling Ewes: Sept. 1 of year before preceding one - Feb. 15 of preceding year

There will be no overlap of age classification.

A current descriptions of the classes may be found on the University of Tennessee Animal Science web site @ <http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu>

### ***EXHIBITOR'S FLOCK CLASS***

*At the end of each breed show there will be a flock class. Each entry will consist of three (3) ewes owned or leased by one exhibitor. Two of these three ewes must be bred by exhibitor and should be entered in the show as such. Each exhibitor may enter only one flock in each breed show. Each entry will be evaluated as a group.*

*Points toward Premier Breeding Ewe Exhibitor will be earned in this class based on the flock of three (3) animals' type, care and management provided the animal by the youth and the animal's merit in relation to breed and industry standards as evaluated by the judge. During the show, the judge will assign each flock of three (3) ewes to a "Blue", "Red" or "White" group based on the animals' individual merit. "Blue" group ewes will receive 100 points. "Red" group ewes will receive 90 points and "White" group ewes will receive 80 points.*

*At the conclusion of all breed shows, each first (1st) place flock will compete for the Champion Exhibitor's Flock Award.*

### **ENTRY**

See General Rules. Registration name and registration number of the ewes must be correct. Entries should be made in the name of the exhibitor as it appears on either registration papers or lease forms. An example of an entry form is in the Appendix. See Table 3 for dates. Also see the University of Tennessee's Animal Science web site @ <http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/>

An entry fee of \$5.00 per ewe must be submitted with the entry forms. Checks are to be made payable to the University of Tennessee. Refunds will not be made.

### **OTHER BREEDS**

Breed shows will be provided for any breed with 10 or more head. Those breeds with

less than 10 entries will be shown in the "All Other Breeds" classes.

## **REGIONAL SHOWS**

All ewes exhibited in state show should have been exhibited in respective Regional shows. For exception and waiver application, see Page 10. It is recommended that Regional show classes be the same as the state show and that ewes of inferior quality, underdeveloped and/or have physical problems be discouraged from going to the state show.

## **COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE**

*Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five ewes, owned by at least three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.*

## **SHOWMANSHIP**

See Premier Exhibitor Recognition Program discussion. Showmanship participation is available to all youth that have animals entered in the respective shows. **Youth must show animals that they have entered.**

## **COMMERCIAL EWE SHOW RULES**

1. *Open to non-registered ewes of any breed or combination of breeds. Commercial ewes are to be selected based on their expected future value within a pasture based Tennessee farm flock which is selling slaughter lambs to market and some replacement ewes to other producers. The emphasis of the commercial ewe project is on the ability to efficiently produce lambs with high carcass quality while maximizing the pasture resources.*
2. An entry fee of \$5.00 per ewe must be submitted with the entry forms. Checks are to be made to the University of Tennessee. Refunds will not be made.
3. Only weaned ewes may be shown.
4. Ewes must have lamb or yearling teeth and no ewe will show with two-year teeth. Ewes will be "mouthed" only once to determine age.
5. Ewes must be owned or leased by exhibitors and under their care and management by May 20 of current year. See page 8 and page 22.
6. All commercial ewes exhibited in the state show must have been exhibited in their

- respective regional show. See Page 10 for exception and waiver application.
7. Exhibitors may show 4 animals in the Commercial Ewe Show. (This will not affect the number of ewes which can be shown in the Registered Ewe shows). Exhibitors may show a maximum of 2 leased ewes.
  8. *There will be a division for black faced ewes and a division for white faced influenced ewes. Ewes will be assigned to classes within each division based on age (lamb/yearling) and weight within each age classification of each division.*
  9. Ewes shown in the Commercial Ewe Show are not eligible to show in either the Purebred Ewe Show or the Market Lamb Show.
  10. *Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five ewes, owned by at least three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.*
  11. Ear tags will be provided to identify commercial ewes. Ewes should be ear tagged by June 1.
  12. Leased animals cannot be exhibited by anyone other than lessee from the date the lease is entered into until completion of the commercial ewe show of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.
  13. The grand champion commercial ewe will be chosen from the champion black faced and the champion white faced ewe.

#### ***EXHIBITION OF “FARM BRED” EWES***

*Following selection of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Ewe, if needed, the Champion and Reserve Champion “Farm Bred” Ewe will be selected from the first and second placing ewes in the “Farm Bred” classification in the classes. In order for the ewes to be eligible for the “Farm Bred” recognition program, they must strictly adhere to the definition of “Farm Bred” previously stated in this publication.*

#### **MARKET LAMB SHOW RULES**

##### **GENERAL**

All general rules apply where appropriate. Ewes, commercial or registered, entered in the Breeding Ewe shows cannot be shown in the Market Lamb classes.

## **OWNERSHIP**

Lambs must have been owned by the exhibitor by May 20 and be in the continuous possession and care of the exhibitor thereafter until the show.

## **REGIONAL SHOWS**

All lambs exhibited in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition Market Lamb Show should have been exhibited in respective regional shows. See Page 10 for exception and waiver application.

## **LAMB PRODUCTION PROGRAM**

To compete in the area and state lamb shows of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition, all lambs should have participated in a county lamb production program.

The lamb production program should consist of record(s) of weight gain and should be measured for 40 to 50 days. It is desirable to also measure feed efficiency.

Lambs must be weighed and ear tagged by June 1.

Lamb weights and feed records may be recorded in the publication "4-H Market Lamb TRACKS" (PB1275). Beginning weights must be recorded on the official entry forms.

Special Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition ear tags will be sent to Extension agents.

Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition ear tags for lambs must be tagged in the right ear. Removal of other unnecessary tags will aid in proper identification of lambs during the show, sale and loading out after the sale.

Extension agents and/or vocational agriculture teachers must do or supervise the ear tagging.

Counties that do not have access to scales can make arrangements with adjoining counties.

Each exhibitor may enter four (4) lambs in the production program and exhibit the four in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition Market Lamb Show.

## **ENTRY**

Entry forms are to be submitted to Dr. James B. Neel, Animal Science, University of Tennessee, 204 Brehm Animal Science, 2505 River Drive, Knoxville, TN 37996-4575 by June 15.

An entry fee of \$5.00 per lamb must be submitted with the entry forms. Checks are to be

made to the University of Tennessee. Refunds will not be made.

### **COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE**

*Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five lambs, owned by at least three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.*

### **LAMBS MUST BE DOCKED AND CASTRATED**

Lambs must be ewes or wethers and must be docked. All market lambs must be completely "slick shorn." Wool may be left only below the knees and hocks. Any evidence of testicles or testicular residue will disqualify the animal. Castrated lambs must be completely healed.

### **SPECIAL NOTES, MARKET LAMB**

1. Any animal entered into the show will be eligible to have blood, urine or other tissue samples taken for testing on a random basis.
2. The Grand and Reserve Grand Champion market lambs will become the property of the Tennessee Sheep Producers Association at the end of the show and will be used for educational and promotional purposes.
3. These lambs will be taken to a federally inspected livestock slaughter facility. During harvesting and processing, samples will be taken and submitted to the USDA and private laboratories for testing. Results should be available within 2 weeks.
4. If all tests are negative, the exhibitors of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market lambs will be awarded a minimum of \$1,000 and \$500, respectively.
5. If illegal residues are found and the carcass deemed unacceptable and therefore condemned for any reason by FSIS, the exhibitor will not receive payment. Also, if an animal tests positive for or is condemned because of volatile residues, the following actions will be taken:
  - a. All awards will be forfeited; however, the placing of the animals in the show will remain unchanged.

- b. The exhibitor(s) of the lambs may be disqualified from participating in future Tennessee Junior Livestock Expositions.
  - c. Evidence of certain drugs (such as clenbuterol) in tissue may result in prosecution by Federal authorities.
6. All first and second place class winning lambs must compete for Champion and Reserve Champion awards or all awards and prize money will be forfeited for that respective entry.
  7. The “Top Five Market Lambs” will be selected from those remaining in the ring following selection of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion which will be “Number 1” and “Number 2,” of the”Top Five.”
  8. Substances tested for may include, but will not be limited to:
    - Antibiotics
    - Repartitioning Agents, such as Clenbuterol
    - Diuretics, such as furosemide (lasix)
    - Tranquilizers, such as acepromazine
    - Pain killers, such as flunixin (Banamine) and phenylbutazone
    - Steroids
    - Local anesthetics, such as lidocaine

All exhibitors will be offered the opportunity to market their lambs in a pool. Only the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion lambs will be offered for sale at auction,, as well as the Champion and Reserve Champion Tennessee Bred Lamb.

9. Further details and rules pertaining to the lamb sales will be announced prior to the sale.

## **WEIGHING**

1. Lambs will be weighed to determine the class in which they will be shown. Lambs should be weighed as soon as possible after they reach show grounds. This will be their official show and sale weight.
2. Lambs will be weighed one time to qualify for the show. **After the lamb leaves the scale area, no reweighs will be made.**
3. During the weighing, ear tags will be checked. Any lamb not having the special Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition ear tag that corresponds with the entry

form will not be eligible for competition.

4. If an exhibitor should have two lambs that fall in the same class, one of the lambs may be assigned by the show management to the subsequent class.

### **SHOW CLASSES AND SCHEDULE**

1. Lambs will be exhibited in classes by breed and weight.
2. A minimum of 10 lambs must be checked in for a breed to be eligible for a breed show. Breeds with less than 10 head will be placed in the "All Other Breeds" class.
3. As the lambs are weighed, they will be reviewed for breed characteristics by classification official(s). If the breed classifier(s) determine that a lamb does not exhibit the characteristics of that respective breed, the lamb will be transferred to the appropriate Black Face or White Face influenced class. **The decision of the classifier(s) is FINAL.**
4. Depending on the number of lambs per breed checked in, classes are tentatively scheduled for the following breeds:

Dorset	Southdown
Hampshire	Suffolk
Oxford	Crossbred-Black Face
Shropshire	White Face Influenced
All Other Breeds - Mutton	All Other Breeds - Wool

Note: Black "mutton type" lambs are not to be entered as "Natural Color" breed.

5. The number of classes will be determined by the number of lambs entered.
6. The number of lambs per class will be approximately 10 to 15. Show management reserves the right to adjust numbers and class breaks.
7. Show schedule will be announced as soon as possible after weights are recorded.

### **SHOWMANSHIP**

See "Premier Exhibitor Recognition" discussion.

### **TENNESSEE BRED LAMB**

A "Tennessee Bred Lamb" is defined as any lamb whose dam was owned by a Tennessee

sheep producer and whose sire was owned or leased by a Tennessee sheep producer. The dam must have been bred and the lamb born in the state of Tennessee.

Also, if the lamb is to be eligible and to be entered in this competition, it must be indicated on the entry form. If "Tennessee Bred Lamb" is not indicated on the entry form, the entry will show as if it did not qualify.

The highest placing "Tennessee Bred Lamb" in each breed classification will be eligible for an award presented by the Tennessee Sheep Producers Association. The highest placing "Tennessee Bred Lamb" in each division will compete for the highest placing or Champion "Tennessee Bred Lamb".

### **PREMIER COUNTY EXHIBIT**

This award is based on a combination of participation and points accumulated from class placings. The points will be determined as follows:

First Place	5 Points
Second Place	4 Points
Third Place	3 Points
Fourth Place	2 Points
Fifth Place	1 Point

### **REGISTERED HEIFER SHOW RULES**

#### **GENERAL**

All general rules apply.

#### **GROOMING**

Breed association guidelines related to grooming are to be followed at the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and at the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition. Breed Association representatives will enforce these guidelines.

#### **OWNERSHIP, POSSESSION AND REGISTRATION**

1. 4-H and FFA members must be the sole owner or lessee of the heifers they exhibit. Heifers must be registered in the name of the single exhibitor.
2. All heifers must be owned or registered or leased in the exhibitor's name and in continuous possession and care by *March 16 for KSJCE* and *May 20* for

Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

3. An entry fee of \$7.00 per heifer must be submitted with the entry forms. Checks are to be made to the University of Tennessee. Refunds will not be made.
4. Heifers of breeds that require specific weights prior to registration (example: adjusted 205-day wt. or adjusted 365-day wt.) must submit a copy of the application for registration, completed with exception of missing weights if the animal is too young at the time of entry to be weighed and recorded. The above exception does not apply to animals eligible for registration in their respective breed association.
5. Original registration papers and where appropriate, lease forms must be in the exhibitor's possession at the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and at both the area and state EXPO beef heifer shows. A duplicated copy of lease form(s) and the registration paper(s) must accompany the entry form(s) submitted to the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.
6. Original registration certificates and where appropriate, lease forms for each animal must be presented at the exhibitor's Regional Expo show. The Regional Program Leader for Agriculture or his/her designee will check these papers.
7. As a result of checking the registration papers and lease forms, and participating in the regional shows, a complete list of heifers and exhibitors eligible for competition in the beef heifer show at the state EXPO will be forwarded as soon as possible after this show to the show office of the state EXPO.
8. No heifers will be allowed to show if proper transfer registration and or lease has not been made and the registration certificates and lease forms checked and verified at the Regional shows.
9. Registration certificates and/or lease forms must be in the exhibitor's possession and are subject to being checked by show management at the state EXPO show.
10. Copies of registration papers and lease forms for registered heifers must be attached to entry forms submitted to the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

11. Breed association representatives may, at their discretion, check registration papers and tattoos on heifers entered in the show.
12. Leased animals cannot be exhibited by anyone other than lessee from the date the lease is entered into until completion of the respective junior beef heifer show of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and/or the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition.

## **REGIONAL SHOWS**

All heifers exhibited in the state show should have been exhibited in their respective regional show. See Page 10 for exception and application for waiver.

It is recommended that:

1. Regional show classes be the same as the state show.
2. Inferior quality and underdeveloped heifers be discouraged from going to the state show.

## **EXHIBITION OF BRED BY EXHIBITOR HEIFERS**

Following selection of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Heifer, if needed, the Champion and Reserve Champion "Bred by Exhibitor" will be selected from the first and second placing heifers in the "Bred By Exhibitor" classes.

## **NUMBER**

Each exhibitor may be allowed to exhibit a maximum of eight entries with not more than two animals per age classification. The maximum number that may be shown in the "Owned" classification is four. The maximum number that can be shown in the "Bred by Exhibitor" classification is eight. The maximum number that can be shown that are "leased" is two.

An exhibitor may show any combination of either "Bred by Exhibitor" and "Owned" or "Leased" entries that total eight as long as the number of "Owned" entries does not exceed four.

## **ENTRY**

See General Rules. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be sure that entries meet the criteria to qualify for exhibition. Entries are to be made in the name of the exhibitor. The exhibitor must be the single owner as it appears on the registration papers or lease forms. Entries are to be submitted by April 9 for the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition. Entries to the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition are to be submitted June 15.

*Heifers entered and/or shown in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition will **NOT** automatically be entered in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and must be entered in each show independently with entry fees paid for each show.*

## **BREEDS**

Breed shows will be provided for any breed with 10 or more head. Those breeds with less than 10 entries will be shown in the "All Other Breeds" classes.

## **CLASSES**

Junior Heifer Calves: Jan. until end of February year of show

Late Senior Heifer Calves: Nov. 1-Dec. 31, preceding year

Early Senior Heifer Calves: Sept. 1-Oct. 31, preceding year

Summer Yearlings: July 1-Aug. 31, preceding year

Late Spring Yearlings: May 1-June 30, preceding year

Spring Yearlings: March 1-April 30, preceding year

Junior Yearlings: Jan. 1-end of Feb., preceding year

Senior Yearlings: Sept. 1 - Dec. 31, year before preceding one

Classes may be divided based on discretion of show management.

There will be no overlap of the above age classifications. Show order will be posted the evening prior to the show so exhibitors will know the order in which their heifers are to be exhibited.

## **COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE**

*Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five heifers, owned by at least three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.*

## **COMMERCIAL BEEF HEIFER SHOW RULES**

1. Open to non-registered beef heifers of any breed or combination of breeds. Commercial Heifer Shows will be offered in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition as well as the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition.
2. An entry fee of \$7.00 per heifer must be submitted with the entry form. Checks are to be made to the University of Tennessee. Refunds will not be made.

3. Only weaned calves may be shown.
4. Heifers must have their "milk teeth" and no heifer will show that does not have milk teeth. Heifers may be "mouthed" to determine eligibility.
5. Heifers exhibited in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition must be owned or leased by exhibitors and under their care and management by May 15, and March 16, to be eligible to be exhibited in Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition.
6. Commercial heifers exhibited in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition must be tattooed and ear tagged by June 1. Heifers exhibited in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition must be tattooed and ear tagged by March 30. Special ear tags will be sent to Extension agents to be placed in the heifer's right ear. Heifers must be tattooed in at least one ear. If a tattoo is already in the heifer's ear and it is legible, this tattoo will be acceptable and should be listed on the entry form. If a tattoo is not in either of the heifer's ears, the heifer must be tattooed with the number that corresponds to the ear tag. It is recommended that heifers be tattooed in both ears to ensure a legible tattoo. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to make sure the tattoo is legible. Extension agents and/or vocational agriculture teachers must do or supervise the tattooing and ear tagging.
7. All heifers must be either polled or dehorned.
8. All commercial heifers exhibited in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition show must have been exhibited in their respective area show. For exception, see Page 10.
9. Exhibitors will be allowed to show four commercial heifers in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and four in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition. This does not affect number of heifers shown in registered show. Exhibitors may show 2 leased heifers.
10. Heifers will be assigned to classes based on weight.
11. Heifers shown in the Commercial Heifer Show are not eligible to show in the Registered Heifer Show.
12. There will not be "Bred by Exhibitor" classes or County Group of Five for commercial heifers, however, commercial heifers may be included in the county

group of five heifers.

13. **Entries. See General Rules.** It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be sure that entries meet the criteria to qualify for exhibition. Entries are to be submitted by April 9, for the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition. Entries to the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition are to be submitted by June 15. *Heifers entered and/or shown in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition will **NOT** automatically be entered in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and must be entered in each show independently with entry fees paid for each show.*
14. Leased animals cannot be exhibited by anyone other than lessee from the date the lease is entered into until completion of the commercial heifer show of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition or the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition.

#### ***EXHIBITION OF “FARM BRED” HEIFERS***

*Following selection of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Heifer, if needed, the Champion and Reserve Champion “Farm Bred” Heifer will be selected from the first and second placing heifers in the “Farm Bred” classification in the classes. In order for the heifers to be eligible for the “Farm Bred” recognition program, they must strictly adhere to the definition of “Farm Bred” stated previously in this publication.*

#### **SHOWMANSHIP**

See Showmanship under "Premier Exhibitor Recognition Program."

#### **STEER SHOW RULES**

##### **GENERAL**

All general rules apply where appropriate.

##### **OWNERSHIP**

Steers entered in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition must have been owned by the exhibitor by March 16 and be in the continuous possession and care of the exhibitor and on feed thereafter until the shows. *Steers entered in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition must have been owned by the exhibitor by January 10.*

## **EXHIBITION**

Steers exhibited in the Market Steer Show of the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, will not be eligible for exhibition in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition.

## **STEER PRODUCTION PROGRAM**

To compete in the area and state steer shows of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition, all steers should have participated in a county steer production program.

The steer production program will consist of record(s) of weight gain and should be measured for 110 to 130 days. It is desirable to also measure feed efficiency.

Steers entered in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition must be weighed on test, ear tagged and ear tattooed by March 23. Those entered in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition must be weighed on test, ear tagged and tattooed by Feb. 2.

Steer weights and feed records should be recorded in the publication "4-H Market Steer Project Record Book" (Pub. 1259). Beginning weights must be recorded on the official entry form.

Special ear tags will be sent to Extension agents to be placed in the steer's right ear.

Steers must be tattooed in at least one ear. If a tattoo is already in the steer's ear and it is legible, this tattoo will be acceptable and should be listed on the entry form. If a tattoo is not in either of the steer's ears, the steer must be tattooed with the number that corresponds to the ear tag. It is recommended that steers be tattooed in both ears to ensure a legible tattoo. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to make sure the tattoo is legible.

Extension agents and/or vocational agriculture teachers must do or supervise the tattooing and ear tagging. Counties that do not have access to scales can make arrangements with adjoining counties.

Each exhibitor may enter three (3) steers in the production program and exhibit the three steers in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and three in the KSJCE Steer Show(s).

## **ENTRY**

All general rules apply where appropriate.

Entry forms are to be submitted to Dr. James B. Neel, Animal Science, Rm 204 Brehm Animal Science Bldg., University of Tennessee, 2505 River Drive, Knoxville, TN 37996-4575.

Entries to the Knoxville Spring Cattle Exposition are due February 16 and entries to the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition are due March 30.

An entry fee of \$7.00 per steer must be submitted with the entry form. Checks are to be made to the University of Tennessee. Please do not send cash. Refunds will not be made.

### **DEHORNED**

All steers must be either naturally polled or dehorned and healed to be eligible to show and sell.

### **CHECK IN AND WEIGHING**

All steers will be weighed as soon as possible after they arrive on the grounds and this weight will be their official show and where appropriate, sale weight.

Steers must weigh a minimum of 950 pounds to qualify for exhibition.

Underweight steers (900 - 949 lb.) will be eligible to show in a special "Lightweight Class" and will sell at the end of the sale. These steers will be eligible only for class awards.

**After the steer leaves the scale, no reweighs will be made.**

During the weighing, ear tags and tattoos will be checked. Any steer not having the special ear tag and not having a legible tattoo that corresponds with the entry form may not be eligible for exhibition.

### **SALE**

When appropriate, steers will be sold at auction as individuals, unless they fall in the category discussed under "Special Notes" in "Info on Expo," Steers entries in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition that will not sold at auction.

### **SHOW CLASSES**

Steers will be shown by weight. The show management will endeavor to divide the classes so approximately a comparable number of steers will be exhibited in each class.

If an exhibitor should have two steers that fall in the same class, one of the steers may be assigned by the show management to the subsequent class.

Division champions will be selected which will compete for Grand Champion. Divisions will be determined after all steers have been weighed and assigned to classes.

### **COUNTY GROUP OF FIVE**

*Each county will be allowed to enter more than one group. Five ewes, owned by at least*

*three different exhibitors, shall constitute a county group. Exhibitors can participate in only one county group entry. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from the same county may make up a group.*

**OUTSTANDING COUNTY EXHIBIT**

This award (for a county with a minimum of 10 steers) is based on a combination of participation and placing in class. Award will be determined as follows:

First Place .....	5 Points
Second Place .....	4 Points
Third Place .....	3 Points
Fourth Place .....	2 Points
Fifth Place .....	1 Point

**SHOWMANSHIP**

See Showmanship under Premier Exhibitor Recognition Program.

**REGIONAL SHOWS**

All steers exhibited in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition Market Steer Show should have been exhibited in respective Regional shows. See Page 10 for exception and application for waiver.

**PREMIER EXHIBITOR RECOGNITION PROGRAM**

The purpose of the Premier Exhibitor award program is to provide 4-H and FFA members the opportunity to demonstrate the skills and knowledge learned and gained by participating in the junior livestock projects. This recognition program will increase the emphasis on the knowledge and skills attained by the youth and will complement the wholesome competition, social development and fun learning traditionally associated with junior livestock shows.

Premier Exhibitors will be selected for the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Market Steer and Beef Heifer Shows of the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition. To be eligible for the Premier Exhibitor competition, youth must exhibit an animal in the show, participate in showmanship and in the skillathon contest. The Premier Exhibitor will be the individual who earns the most points by participating in these three educational events worth 100 points each. Exhibitors may choose only to enter either showmanship or skillathon competition.

A Premier Exhibitor winner, in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition, is ineligible to compete for any award again in the same division for that particular event. For example, the previous Junior High Breeding Ewe Premier Exhibitor Winner is ineligible to compete for that award in the succeeding Breeding Ewe Premier Exhibitor. Neither is that exhibitor eligible to the second, third, fourth or fifth award. However, that individual is eligible to compete in the Junior High Division, Market Lamb, Market Steer or Beef Heifer Premier Exhibitor, providing the individual is a Junior High Exhibitor.

Youth are eligible to earn one Premier Exhibitor Award per year in the Sheep Expo and Cattle Expo. A member may earn the Premier Exhibitor Award in either the Market Steer or Beef Heifer events, not both. However, that youth will be eligible to earn the Premier Exhibitor Award in either the Market Lamb, Commercial Ewe or Breeding Ewe events. For example, a member may not earn both the Beef Heifer and Market Steer Premier Exhibitor Award in the same year, but may earn one of the awards in the Market Lamb, Commercial Ewe or Breeding Ewe the same year.

#### **PREMIER BREEDING EWE EXHIBITOR, PREMIER COMMERCIAL EWE EXHIBITOR AND PREMIER MARKET LAMB EXHIBITOR**

1. A Premier Breeding Ewe, a Premier Commercial Ewe and a Premier Market Lamb Exhibitor of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition will be named in each of the following divisions:
  - a. Explorer - (4th grade)
  - b. Junior Level I - (5th & 6th grades)
  - c. Junior Level II - (7th & 8th grades)
  - d. Senior Level I - (9th & 10th grades)
  - e. Senior Level II - (11th & 12th grades)

Grade refers to the school grade in which the exhibitor was enrolled on January 1, of current year.

Exhibitors are requested to set priority for the Premier Exhibitor Award they would like to receive. This should be checked on the entry form when entries are submitted. If not indicated, the exhibitor will be awarded the Premier Exhibitor Award first eligible. For example, if the exhibitor selected the Market Lamb category as first choice for the Premier Exhibitor Award that is what he/she will

recieve.

2. **Animal Show Score**

a. **Premier Breeding Ewe Exhibitor.** *Points will be earned in this division based on the animal's type, care and management provided the animal by the youth and the animal's merit in relation to breed and industry standards as evaluated by the judge. During the show the judge will assign each animal to a "Blue", "Red" or "White" group based on the animal's individual merit. "Blue" group ewes will receive 95 points, "Red" group ewes will receive 85 points and "White" group ewes will receive 75 points. Exhibitors who exhibit a flock will be assigned to a "Blue", "Red" or "White" group based on the animals' individual merit. "Blue" group ewes will receive 100 points. "Red" group ewes will receive 90 points and "White" group ewes will receive 80 points. Exhibitors that show more than one ewe or who have an exhibitor's flock will be awarded the highest score of their ewes or flock.*

b. **Commercial Ewe and Market Lamb Premier Exhibitor:** Commercial ewe and Market lamb exhibitors will receive a placing score for their highest placing animal as follows:

First - 100 points	Sixth - 90 points
Second - 98 points	Seventh - 88 points
Third - 96 points	Eighth - 86 points
Fourth - 94 points	Ninth - 84 points
Fifth - 92 points	Tenth - 82 points

All others - 80 points, if class is larger than 10

3. **Showmanship Score** - Exhibitors must have an animal entered in the Breeding Ewe Show, Commercial Ewe and/or a Market Lamb entered in the show to qualify

to participate in respective showmanship. Only breeding ewes may be shown in Breeding Ewe Showmanship, Commercial Ewes in Commercial Ewe Showmanship and Market Lambs in Market Lamb Showmanship. Animals used in showmanship must be from those entered and exhibited by the exhibitor in the animal show. Showmanship will be conducted by the five grade divisions as shown in number 1. There should not be more than 15-20 participants in each class; therefore, grade groups may be split. All participants will be placed in either blue, red and white groups in the classes. If needed, “Blue” ribbon participants will compete in a final class and will be assigned points as follows:

First	- 100 points	Sixth	- 95 points
Second-	99 points	Seventh	- 94 points
Third	- 98 points	Eighth	- 93 points
Fourth	- 97 points	Ninth	- 92 points
Fifth	- 96 points	Tenth	- 91 points

All other blue ribbon showmanship = 90 points

Red ribbon showmanship = 80 points

White ribbon showmanship = 70 points

4. **Skillathon** - The skillathon event will consist of stations that will provide youth the opportunity to demonstrate and be evaluated on the knowledge gained from participating in the market lamb and breeding ewe projects. Each participant will complete the skillathon individually. A facilitator will evaluate each participant and record score. The stations will increase in difficulty as the grade division increases. Examples of skillathon activities could be but not limited to feed identification, breed identifications, meat identification, production records or health practices. Top five exhibitors in each grade division will be recognized. Only one set of skillathon awards will be awarded. There will not be skillathon winners for each individual show (i.e. Breeding Ewes, Commercial Ewes and Market Lambs). Participants will be ranked for each grade division based on points earned at each station in the skillathon. A maximum of 100 points can be earned.
5. **Tie Breakers** - In case of a tie for Premier Exhibitor in a grade division the

following scores will be used to break a tie:

- a. Skillathon score
- b. Showmanship score
- c. Skillathon station #1
- d. Skillathon station #2
- e. Skillathon station #3
- f. Skillathon station #4
- g. Skillathon station #5
- h. Animal Score

## **PREMIER BEEF HEIFER AND MARKET STEER EXHIBITOR**

1. A Premier Exhibitor will be selected in the Beef Heifer (Registered and Commercial) and Market Steer competition of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and will be named in each of the following divisions:
  - a. Explorer - (4th grade)
  - b. Junior Level I - (5th & 6th grades)
  - c. Junior Level II - (7th & 8th grades)
  - d. Senior Level I - (9th & 10th grades)
  - e. Senior Level II - (11th & 12th grades)
2. A Premier Exhibitor of the Knoxville Junior Spring Cattle Exposition in the Market Steer and Beef Heifer Shows (Registered and Commercial) will be named in each of the following divisions:
  - a. Junior - 4th, 5th & 6th grades
  - b. Junior High - 7th & 8th grades
  - c. Senior - 9th, 10th, 11th & 12th grades
3. **Animal Show Score**
  - a. Premier Beef Heifer (Registered and Commercial Heifer) Exhibitor: As the heifers are exhibited, they will be evaluated and assigned to either a "Blue", "Red" or "White" group based on the animal's merit in relation to breed and industry standards. "Blue" group heifers will receive a 100 points, the "Red" group heifers, 90 points and the "White" group, 80 points. Exhibitors that show more than one heifer will be awarded the highest placing score of their heifers.

- b. Premier Market Steer Exhibitor. Market Steer Exhibitors will receive a placing score for their highest placing Market Steer as follows:

First - 100 points	Sixth - 90 points
Second- 98 points	Seventh- 88 points
Third - 96 points	Eighth - 86 points
Fourth - 94 points	Ninth - 84 points
Fifth - 92 points	Tenth - 82 points

All others - 80 points, if class is larger than 10.

4. **Showmanship Score:** There will be showmanship classes for both heifers and market steers. All exhibitors are eligible for showmanship. Exhibitors must have a heifer or steer entered in the show to qualify to participate in the appropriate showmanship class. Showmanship will be conducted by the grade divisions shown in number 1 for the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and in number 2 for the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition.

Animals used in showmanship must be from those entered by and exhibited by the exhibitor in the animal show. *Exhibitors must show their own animal.*

There should not be more than 15-20 participants in each class; therefore, grade divisions may be split. All participants will be placed in either blue, red and white groups. Where grade groups were split due to number of participants, exhibitors that earned blue ribbon awards will be called back for final showmanship and points assigned as follows:

First - 100 points	Sixth - 95 points
Second- 99 points	Seventh- 94 points
Third - 98 points	Eighth - 93 points
Fourth - 97 points	Ninth - 92 points
Fifth - 96 points	Tenth - 91 points

Exhibitors that earned blue ribbon awards will receive 90 points, red ribbon awards will receive 80 points and those that receive white ribbon awards will receive 70 points.

5. **Skillathon** - The skillathon event will consist of stations that will provide youth the opportunity to demonstrate and be evaluated on the knowledge gained from

participating in the market steer and breeding heifer projects. Each participant will complete the skillathon individually. A facilitator will evaluate each participant and record score. The stations will increase in difficulty as the grade division increases. Examples of skillathon activities could be but not limited to feed identification, breed identification, meat identification, production practices, production records or health practices. Top five exhibitors in each grade division will be recognized. Only one set of skillathon awards will be awarded. There will not be skillathon winners for each individual show (i.e. Registered Heifers, Commercial Heifers and Steers). Participants will be ranked for each grade division based on points earned at each station in the skillathon. A maximum of 100 points can be earned.

6. **Tie Breakers** - In case of a tie in skillathon or for Premier Exhibitor scores in a grade division the following scores will be used to break a tie:

<u>Premier Exhibitor</u>		<u>Skillathon</u>	
a.	Skillathon score	a.	Station #1
b.	Showmanship score	b.	Station #2
c.	Skillathon station #1	c.	Station #3
d.	Skillathon station #2	d.	Station #4
e.	Skillathon station #3	e.	Station #5
f.	Skillathon station #4	f.	Showmanship score
g.	Skillathon station #5	g.	Animal score
h.	Animal Score		

### SUGGESTIONS

The Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition are a part of the educational programs conducted through the Agricultural Extension Service, University of Tennessee and Vocational Agriculture, Tennessee Department of Vocational Education.

The purposes of the Tennessee Junior Livestock program are presented on page 2 and 3. These purposes should be either achieved or progress made by 4-H and FFA members participating in the program. The Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition provide an opportunity for Tennessee 4-H and FFA members to

demonstrate knowledge and skills gained by their involvement in the program and be recognized for their efforts through the awards program.

Constructive suggestions or comments are welcomed by the show management. Simply write your suggestions and submit to your Extension agent or vocational agriculture teacher who in turn will forward your comments to Dr. James B. Neel. Or if you choose, you may submit your suggestions directly to:

Dr. James B. Neel  
Professor, Animal Science  
The University of Tennessee  
2505 River Drive, Rm 204 Brehm  
Knoxville, TN 37996-4575

Suggestions that contribute to the purposes of the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition program will be reviewed and seriously considered.