

Frequently Asked Questions: FAQs

- Form changes have been made, what are they?

A: There will be only one form for each species of animal. Beef, one form for registering market beef, breeding animals or market feeders. Be sure to check the box for the type of animal you are registering.

- What are the deadlines for form?

A: All deadlines and rules are listed in the fair book, please refer to the fair book.

- Where can we find all the livestock forms?

A: Forms are all on the fair website. The forms have been condensed to one form each species. Be sure to check the box for the type of animal (market or breeding) you are registering.

- What is the RFID tag?

A: RFID is a radio frequency ID tags, and an "840" tag is required for all beef and swine. The entire tag number must be entered on the form to be considered complete. There are 15 digits to this number.

- What is the MCF tag?

A: Montcalm County Fair tag number. The entire tag number must be entered on the form to be considered complete. This could be a 2 or 3 digit number or a 15 digit number in the case of swine.

- What are Fair rules/exhibitor signature/parent signature?

A: The check box under the animal details is required to be checked and the exhibitor and parent must sign each form for it to be considered completed. To review the fair/livestock rules they are found in the fair book. Even if the exhibitor is 18, we must have a parent sign the form.

- What is the Scrapie tag?

A: MDARD animal tracking tag for sheep and goats. The entire tag number must be entered on the form to be considered complete.

- What if there is not enough space on the form to add all the animals I plan to bring for that species?

A: If you need additional room for animals, include all their information on the back of the form.

- How many animals can we register?

A: An individual animal may be registered as a “family floater” by more than one (1) immediate family member but can be shown by only one (1) family member.

Exhibitors may sell up to 2 Market projects. Following is a list of the eligible market projects:

- (A) One finished Market Steer or Heifer;
- (B) One or Two Market Hogs;
- (C) One or Two Market Sheep;
- (D) One or Two Market Goats;
- (E) Roaster pen of Market Chickens;
- (F) Fryer pen of Market Chickens;
- (G) Market pen of Turkeys;
- (H) Market Duck pen;
- (I) Market Geese pen;
- (J) Market pen of Rabbits;
- (K) Market Fryer Rabbit;

Dairy – may register 5 animals but only show 4

Beef – Breeding beef may register 4 animals but not more than two can be purchased.

Market: Steers register 4 – two steers, one carcass animal and a floater.

Sheep – Breeding Sheep exhibit no more than 4 breeding entries.

Market: Lambs register 4 – two lambs, one carcass and a floater.

Goats – Breeding Goats register 5 animals only able to show 5.

Market: Goats register 3 – two goats and one floater

Swine – Market: register 4 hogs – 2 to show, one carcass and a floater.

Poultry – Chicken and Turkey – exhibit 5 exhibits.

Waterfowl and Pigeon – exhibit 4 exhibits.

Market: Exhibit no more than 2 pens

Rabbits and Cavies – exhibit 5 exhibits.

Market: register no more than two pens/fryers.

- Does the parent need to sign the form if the exhibitor is 18 at the time of registering?

A: Yes, all forms that include a signature for a parent must be signed by a parent.