TO: Rabbit, Poultry, Beef, Sheep, Swine and Meat Goat Project Members, Leaders, and Parents
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2015 MARKET ANIMAL SALE COMMITTEE
Bob Kesler, President  Jay Juckem, Vice President  Scott Dawson, Secretary  Nathan Hacker, Treasurer  Gary Mertz, Director  Don Bonlander, Director

RE: 2015 Educational Meetings and Market Animal Rule Reminders
DATE: March 5, 2015

Please find a list of small animal and market animal educational meetings that are being offered this year. You will notice that poultry and rabbit meetings are also included. All rabbit and poultry project members are encouraged to attend these educational meetings whether or not you intend to show market animals.

The rules concerning market animal meeting attendance are as follows:

1. For “county-sponsored” meetings, youth must sign in on the attendance sheet in order to be counted as a participant at the meeting.
2. Youth attending meetings outside the county or any educational event sponsored by a private business are required to have a “Participation Verification Form” (enclosed) signed by whomever is offering the meeting. This form needs to be turned into the UW-Extension Office or Market Animal Committee prior to the fair.
3. Youth are expected to attend at least three market animal educational meetings throughout the year.
4. Attendance at an educational event sponsored for youth such as FFA events, show camps, showing at district, state, or national shows, etc., qualify to replace a “county-sponsored” event (attending a county market animal sale or a “dairy-related meeting” will not qualify as a market animal educational meeting). Members may not use more than two of these types of meetings to substitute for attendance at the regular county-organized meetings.
5. Youth may not count more than one meeting that does not relate to the species they are exhibiting at the fair.
6. Youth who do not attend at least two educational meetings will not be allowed to sell an animal in the Market Animal Sale at the fair.

In a news release from the state DATCP, the State Veterinarian has again ordered a ban on all swine spring weigh-ins. We will follow the protocol that we did last year, having individuals tag their piglets and send photos of the animals to the Extension Office. Swine RFID Tag and Identification Forms will be available at the Calumet County MAQA Meetings on April 8 and 14.
RULES and REMINDERS

New for 2015
1. There will be a five percent (5%) commission on the gross sale of each animal, plus $28 deducted from the selling price of each animal to promote and finance the meat animal sale, purchase equipment, and conduct overall educational programs.
2. Swine flu vaccine is recommended, but no longer a requirement for the Calumet County Market Animal Sale.
3. Market Animal Financial forms will be collected in the Fair Secretary’s Office and are due at 12:00 noon on Monday, September 7. This will give market animal participants the opportunity to have an accurate listing of their income, expenses, and net profit or loss. Market Animal Sale checks will not be disbursed until this form has been completed and turned in.

Reminders
1. Country of Origin Labeling Forms (pink) – Exhibitors need to make sure they collect documentation from the seller when purchasing livestock. See enclosed Fact-Sheet and Form. County of Origin Labeling forms must be turned in to the Extension Office by May 15 or turned in at sheep and meat goat weigh in on May 16.
2. The enclosed (buff) “Market Animal Exhibitor Information Form” must be completed and returned to the UWEX Office no later than March 15 for Beef; April 20 for Sheep, Swine, and Meat Goats; and June 1 for Market Rabbits and Market Poultry.
3. Drug history sheets need to be turned in at fair weigh-in.
4. Youth who have sold a market animal in another county fair market animal sale within six months of the Calumet County Fair will not be allowed to sell an animal in the Calumet County Market Animal Sale.

PRE-FAIR WEIGH-IN DATES FOR 2015

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<td>Beef:</td>
<td>Saturday, December 12, 10:00-11:30 am, (location to be announced)</td>
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<td>Sheep and Goat Maximum Weights Limits:</td>
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WEIGH-IN TIMES FOR 2015 CALUMET COUNTY FAIR – Thursday, September 3

- Beef – 3:00 pm
- Hogs – 5:30 pm
- Market Rabbit and Poultry – 6:00-8:00 pm
- Meat Goats and Lambs – 7:00 pm (or when hogs are finished)

SHOW TIMES FOR 2015 CALUMET COUNTY FAIR – Friday, September 4

- 8:30 am – Hogs
- 12:00 noon – Sheep
- Meat Goats will be shown immediately following the market lamb classes
- 2:30 pm – Beef
- 2:00 pm – Poultry (starting with Open Class and followed by Junior Class Showmanship at approximately 4:00 pm)

Saturday, September 5

- 9:00 am – Rabbits

Good luck to each of you as you enter a new project year.