

2020 UPDATES

KANSAS YOUTH LIVESTOCK NOMINATION PROCESS

Livestock Quality Assurance Requirement (YQCA) Continues for ALL Exhibitors

ALL Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or KJLS exhibitors are required to complete the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program to be eligible for either state show. This national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character development. Youth 7 and older (as of 1/1/2020) will need to participate in YQCA training annually, either through an instructor-led training or the online course. Members who are 7 years old may only attend an instructor-led course using the junior only slide deck, and have a parent/guardian attend with them. Any youth age 7 are encouraged to go through the training, but it will not become a requirement for KJLS until 2021.

A copy of each child's YQCA certificate must be attached to the Declaration Form and submitted with their state nomination materials. Nominations received without a YQCA certificate will be considered incomplete. More information may be found in the Rookie Guide, on the KSU Youth Livestock Program website, or through your local extension office. Please visit www.yqca.org to register for training.

**Youth who have a valid Youth PQA+ number that is good through at least 10/4/2020 will not need to complete YQCA training this year. Their Youth PQA+ number will be accepted until it expires. Families will need to attach a copy of each child's Youth PQA+ card to their Declaration Form.*

Verbiage Updated on Forms

The Declaration and Nomination Forms have been updated to make the verbiage consistent across all paperwork. Forms should be read in their entirety before being signed by the appropriate parties. **Reminder** – if animals are not housed at the exhibitor's primary residence, this must be disclosed on the Declaration Form and explained in Section 2. Otherwise, the form will be returned for completion.

"Extra" Forms Available

The "extra" nomination forms for swine, sheep, and meat goats are available. Please keep in mind that this form is ONLY to be used in ADDITION to the regular swine, sheep, or meat goat form to nominate more animals than there is space (more than 4 swine or 5 sheep/meat goats). Therefore, if only the "extra" form is submitted, it will be returned to the family as incomplete. DO NOT turn in the extra forms alone!

Additional Information on DNA Envelopes

Families are encouraged to include the breed and a secondary form of identification in the lower right hand corner of the front of their DNA envelopes. This could include tattoo, ear notches, and scrapie tag #s.

Ear Notch and Scrapie Tag Requirement Continues

Continuing in 2020, the ear notches for all swine nominated must be included on the swine nomination form. Exhibitors need to draw the ear notches exactly as they appear in the pig's ear for each animal nominated, in addition to writing the notch number in the field provided. Scrapie Tag #s are also required for all sheep and meat goats nominated. The full scrapie tag number, including Flock ID/Premise ID number and individual animal number, must be submitted (Example: KSS0035 16121). Custom/Farm names will not be accepted in lieu of the Flock ID. Please refer to the Rookie Guide for further information about either form of identification.

KJLS Steer Breed Change

All steers with papers issued by the Maine-Anjou association will show together in the Maine division at KJLS. Refer to the 2020 KJLS rules for details.

ShowWorks Passport App

ShowWorks is the online entry system used by both state shows. Exhibitors are encouraged to download and use the new ShowWorks passport app!