4-H/FFA Market Steers

Barn Supervisor: Jake Major

Judge: Macey Scotten, OK

Entry Information

Entry Deadline: August 14, 2026

Entry Fee: $25/head

**NO late entries will be accepted*

Schedule

Arrive: Wed., Sept. 16 from 6:00-8:00 a.m.
Wed., Sept. 16 from 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Weigh-In: Wed., Sept. 16 from 6:00-8:00 a.m.
Wed., Sept. 16 from 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Show: Thurs., Sept. 17 at 11:00 a.m.

Showmanship: Fri., Sept. 18 at 11:00 a.m.

Rules and Regulations

1. All Junior Livestock Exhibitors at the Utah State Fair must be a member of a Utah FFA chapter or a Utah 4-H county program.
2. Youth MUST be age 8 AND in 3rd grade to participate in large animal projects. Youth turning 8 AND in 3rd grade may participate after their 8th birthday during the 4-H year. Additionally, youth are allowed to show through the season immediately following their high school graduation but must not have passed their 19th birthday.
3. After using the wash rack, exhibitors must clean the area. Animals may not be tied and left unattended in the wash racks. Please be courteous and allow others access as needed.
4. Any hose or equipment connected to the wash rack water supply must be equipped with a functional shut-off nozzle.
5. USJLA ear tags must be recorded on entry and in animals' ear by official tagging date. All tag numbers will be verified through 4-H/FFA officials. Exhibitors in violation of this rule will be asked to leave the premises.
6. All Grand Champion and Reserve Champion animals in each species must undergo **mandatory drug testing** via blood sample immediately following the

championship drive. The Grand and Reserve Champion animal in each species are also considered terminal and must be sold.

7. Stalls are assigned by each committee. Please see your species' barn supervisor or other committee member prior to stalling.
8. All decisions rendered by the official judge(s) are final, binding, and not subject to review or appeal.
9. Each exhibitor has absolute responsibility for the care and condition of the animal(s) they enter and bring to the Fair. The Utah State Fair and its staff shall not be held liable for any injury, illness, loss, or death of livestock while on Fairpark property.
10. The use of straw is prohibited on the Fairpark. Wood shavings will be provided for initial bedding.
11. Exhibitors are required to read and abide by the General Rules and the Livestock General Rules and Regulations.

Special Rules

1. **Weight:** The minimum weight for market steers is **1000 lbs**. All market steers will be weighed only once, there is no re-weighing of any animal. Any steer that weighs in at less than 1000 lbs will not be eligible to show.
2. **Ownership:** All steers must be tagged and owned by **June 1** of the current year.
3. **Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act:** As required in 21 CFR 589.2000, entry in the Junior Market Beef show shall serve as verification by the exhibitor that, to the best of their knowledge, while under their ownership, possession or direct control, the entry was not fed any feed containing ruminant-derived meat or bone meal. Entrants agree to allow packer inspections of feed ingredient records and facilities.
4. **Drenching:** See rules for 2026 drenching policy.
5. **Muzzles:** The use of muzzles and other anti-grazing devices are strictly prohibited without the recommendation of the show veterinarian and informing show management.

**All rules and regulations, including class lists and show order, are subject to change at the discretion and approval of State Fair staff as necessary to ensure the safety, integrity, and efficient operation of the exhibition.*