

WAUPACA COUNTY 2026 SMALL MARKET ANIMAL SALE RULES

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County Small-Market Animal
Committee

INTRODUCTION: The sale is the responsibility of the leaders and the youth from the rabbit, poultry, and goat projects and the market committee to be coordinated with the market animal sale.

OBJECTIVES:

1. To teach members to work in breeding, selecting, feeding, and showing their poultry, rabbits and/or goats.
2. To provide Junior Fair Small Animal Exhibitors an opportunity to sell top quality poultry, rabbits and/or goats at the Waupaca County Fair.
3. To provide incentive and encourage a stronger development of the animal projects.
4. To recognize members who do quality work in breeding, feeding, selecting and showing their market poultry, rabbits and/or goats.
5. Encourage SMA families, leaders and youth to work together on committees, programs and activities to make a successful market sale. Teamwork creates an atmosphere of leadership, understanding and appreciation.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS TO SELL:

1. Participants must be **enrolled in a youth organization recognized by the Waupaca County Fair** for each species they intend to enter in the Market Animal Activity.
2. **EACH PARTICIPANT IS REQUIRED TO ABIDE BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS (IAFE) NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS. All exhibitors agree to this code during the online entry process.**
3. Starting in 2022, third graders may sell an animal.
4. The sale is voluntary, but members or a family member/ guardian representative **MUST** sign up to sell and attend one mandatory meeting. **A MANDATORY MEETING** is to be held in two places. Thursday, March 5, 2026, Weyauwega City Hall and Monday, March 9, 2026, Manawa City Hall. Meetings will start at 6:30 p.m.
5. Members must contact three potential buyers or more. Buyer contact slips for rabbits, poultry and/or goats will be handed out at the meetings. **WHO CAN BUY:** Anyone interested in encouraging youth. Anyone who enjoys and appreciates good-quality meat. Anyone who would gain beneficial advertising value.
6. Only members who completely fill out and contact three buyers will be allowed to participate in the Small Market Animal Sale. Buyer forms **MUST BE TURNED IN ON ENTRY DAY IN THE DROP BOX BY 8:00 PM.** Drop box (brown) is in Goat/Sheep barn on the check-in table.
7. Members must complete four (4) educational eligibility requirements prior to the Sale. Opportunities for educational requirements will be handed out at the mandatory meeting.
 - a. Members with animals not eligible for market sale in any current year may carry over 2 educational points.
 - b. Starting with approved Small Market Animal points submitted for 2025 Waupaca County Fair, any points beyond 4 will be banked to be used for your final year of showing as a graduate only.
 - c. Points must be from small market activities. No points for beef, sheep, or swine activities.
8. It is mandatory each family help with one committee or event sponsored by SMA committee. The committee work counts towards 1 educational point. It is each family's responsibility to help with sale procedures and the sale.
9. Each member is required to sell 5 books of Waupaca County Market Animal raffle tickets. If a member is in large and small market, they only need to sell 5 books. Raffle tickets may be picked up at the July

Large and Small Market meetings at the Fairgrounds (July 21, 2026). Tickets are to be **turned in at the fair or before raffle drawing**. \$25 will be required payment for tickets not turned in.

**** By attending the mandatory meeting and being involved in the Small Market Animal Project, does not guarantee you to sell your market rabbit, poultry and/or goat at the Market Animal Sale.

DAY OF SALE: August 28, 2026, 5:30 p.m. Hospitality Hour at 4:30 p.m.

1. Seller cannot sell in more than one County Junior Fair Small Market Animal Sale. (Except State Fair)
2. Seller must be at the sale and is responsible to bring animal to sale arena and be ready for sale and return animal to barn after sale. **Only another Jr Fair exhibitor may assist handling animal/s in sale ring.**
3. During the market sale, parent/guardian/seller will be expected to bring buyer gift and “thank” buyer. Check in at the clerk table.
4. Small Market Animals will sell together at the end of the market animal sale. Sale Order will be first specie in sale will be last to sell the next year. 2026 order: Goat, duck, goose, rabbit, quail, roaster, broilers, turkey.
5. Help with sale setup, hospitality (bring a dish to pass as assigned), and **NEED TO HELP CLEAN UP THE SHOW ARENA AFTER THE SALE.**
6. **PROPER SHOW ATTIRE AND SHOES SHOULD BE WORN IN SALE RING.**

AFTER THE SALE:

1. All sold market animals have an option to be processed at a local processing facility (Inspected, processed, vacuum sealed, frozen and weighed) Buyer's will pay for processing.
2. Seller is responsible to make arrangements with the buyer to deliver purchased animal(s) in September.
3. Ten (10) percent of sales commission will be deducted for Small Market Committee expenses.
4. **The seller must complete a thank-you card for the buyer.** Small Market will have cards in the Goat/Sheep barn by Saturday for you to fill out. Complete with envelope addressed with buyer address and seller return address. **DO NOT SEAL.** Drop in brown box. Once the thank you is received, it will be mailed by the committee. **THANK YOU SHOULD BE RECEIVED BY SEPTEMBER 1! NO CHECK WILL BE GIVEN UNTIL THANK YOU IS RECEIVED.**
5. Seller recognition will take place at the start up or annual meeting in the fall.

Participation in the Large Market Animal Sale does not jeopardize eligibility in the Small Market Animal Sale.

ANIMALS MUST BE OWNED AND RAISED BY EXHIBITOR.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY: Participants are allowed to exhibit more than one species, but no more than one small animal can be sold in the sale. **EXCEPTION:** Participants who exhibit more than one Champion Animal, either grand or reserve will be allowed to sell those Champion Animals, limit of 2 champions in sale per exhibitor. Champions are not required to sell, but encouraged.

A judge can determine an animal un-eligible to sell due to meat quality issues following weight requirements set forth in the Waupaca County Fairbook. Meat quality ineligibility needs to be noted at the time of judging.

Market Grand and Reserve Selection - Goats- 1 grand and reserve will be awarded for dairy and commercial. **Rabbits-** only 1 grand and reserve will be awarded over all from the 3 lots. **Poultry -** only 1 grand and reserve will be awarded over all from the 6 lots.

Top poultry will be noted in the sale flyer for chickens, duck, goose, turkey and quail.

CLASSES TO BE SOLD: Check current Fair Book for Department, Class & Lots

Check the current fair book for health rules and barn rules. Check with Extension Waupaca County for up to date information on regulations regarding poultry, rabbits and goats.

RABBITS: All judging of rabbits will follow the A.R.B.A. Standard of Perfection. A Standards book is available for viewing at the Extension Waupaca County Office. Information to order your own copy is also available. Market rabbits will be judged at 8:30 a.m. Thursday and the rabbits need to be brought to the judging table for show.

- 1. Single fryer:** Not over 69 days old and not less than 3 1/2 pounds or over 5 1/2 pounds. Not entered in any other class.
- 2. Roaster rabbit:** Between 70 and 180 days old and over 5 1/2 pounds with the maximum weight of 9 pounds. Not entered in any other class.
- 3. Meat pen:** (one unit consists of three (3) rabbits). All rabbits must be the same breed and variety. Rabbits shall not be over 69 days old, not less than 3 1/2 pounds or over 5 1/2 pounds, or entered in any other class.

POULTRY: All judging of poultry will follow the American Poultry Association’s Standard of Perfection. A Standards book is available for viewing at the Extension Waupaca County Office. Information to order your own copy is also available. You can have either sex, but remember the judge looks for uniformity. All Market chickens must be a minimum of 37 days old. Market poultry judging will start at 8:30 a.m. Thursday and will be judged in the cages. Exhibitors are strongly recommended to be present during judging.

ALL HATCHED AFTER JANUARY 1 OF FAIR YEAR

- Lot 1 Broilers (Cornish hen) 2.5-3.5 #**
- Lot 2 Broilers, 2 birds either sex, 3.5-5.5#**
- Lot 3 Roasters, 2 birds either sex, 5.5-7.5 #**
- Lot 4 Roasters, 2 birds either sex, 7.5-10#**
- Lot 5 Young duck either sex, 5 pounds or over**
- Lot 6 Young goose either sex, 7 pounds or over**
- Lot 7 Young turkey, HEN, 15 weeks-22 weeks of age**
- Lot 8 Young turkey, TOM, 15 weeks-22 weeks of age**
- Lot 9 quail (2 birds, either sex, under 15 weeks of age)**

Pending Fair Board approval – check fair book when posted

GOATS: Each exhibitor can show up to 3 animals max in market, they will be included in the total animals per goat project member limit. Goats must be born after August 31 of previous fair year. Does and wethers may compete (not entered in any other class except showmanship). Weight classes will be determined after weigh-in on entry day. **Mandatory dairy and commercial market goat minimum weight of 60 pounds.** Must be weighed at official Fair scale from 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.

Market goats are required to have a market animal ear tag provided by the committee. All wethers **MUST** be castrated at least 45 days before entry day and healed from being castrated.

Market Goats are allowed horns. Goats will be sold by unit, not weight. Carcass show may occur.

MARKET GOAT CLASSES:

- 1. Market Goat, Dairy (if bringing only 1 market goat)
- 2. Market Goat, Dairy (if bringing 2 market goats)
- 3. Market Goat, Dairy (if bringing 3 market goats)
- 4. Market Goat, Commercial (if bringing only 1 market goat)
- 5. Market Goat, Commercial (if bringing 2 market goats)
- 6. Market Goat, Commercial (if bringing 3 market goats)

COMMITTEES TO HELP ON (Let Chairperson know if you would like to help on one or sign up at Mandatory Meeting):

Fun show; Educational Committee; MA Sale/Set up Committee; Fair Trophy/Donation Committee; After Fair Committee

If you have any questions, please contact anyone on the Executive Committee.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

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VOTING MEMBERS (4-H youth and approved adult 4-H volunteers) ~ 2026 –

attended either the October or November 2025 meeting

1. Evan & Cindy (A) Schuelke
2. Violet Horton
3. Trevor & Robert (A) Hoewisch
4. August and Angelica (A) Johnson
5. Owen, and Lisa (A) Handrich
6. Cadence, Katie, Matthew, & Logan Johnson
7. Auroara and Kari (A) Riley
8. Ember Drew
9. Annelise Pethke
10. Peter, Maddy, & Josiah Fredrickson
11. Bryson Boelter
12. Ellie & Nora Ebert
13. Parker Heise
14. Bryce Burmeister
15. Egen, Onan, and Crystal (A) Retzlaff
16. Theodore, Nathan, & Patrick (A) Much
17. Kimberly Murphy
18. Morgan Williams
19. Sara Knoespel (A)
20. Allison & Rylee Ritchie
21. Isaiah, Stacy (A), & Mark (A) Havlik
22. Alexis Welter
23. Anderson Trzebiatowski
24. Ellaina & Luke Bestul
25. Paige Drefahl
26. Tina Attoe (A)
27. Vincent Hartwig
28. Lexi Hanson
29. Taedyn Forster