



St. Francois County 4-H & FFA Market Sheep Exhibitor Checklist 2019



General Information about the Market Sheep Project

- Suggested beginning weight between 50-70 lbs.
- Lambs can be ewe or wether (must be castrated before weigh in)
- Sheep must weigh in April 30, 4 - 7 pm at the St. Francois County Fairgrounds
- Members can weigh up to 5 lambs, show 2 and sell 1
- Weight minimum at the fair to participate in the Sale of Champions is 100lbs
- Must have a scrapie tag and health papers for the county fair

Pre Show Checklist

- Meet membership requirements for St. Francois County 4-H and or FFA
 - St. Francois County 4-H membership requirements
 - Be in good standing with your 4-H Club
 - Be a paid member
 - Attend a majority of club meetings
- Attend the mandatory Livestock Educational Seminar March 15.
 - If exhibitor can not attend they must complete the 4-H Project Book
- Complete SMQA (Show Me Quality Assurance Program)
 - Course available online at: <http://agebb.missouri.edu/smqa/index.htm>
- Each 4-H member participating in the St. Francois County Fair must complete 2 hours of volunteer service at the fairground to be eligible to participate in the Sale of Champions.
 - Dates will be advertised at a later date
 - Once service hours are completed, please fill out the attached youth member volunteer form, and return with Buyer Book Information sheet.
- Exhibitor and Buyer Book Information Sheet
 - Return the completed form by July 1st
 - Include the \$10 advertising fee for each animal being sold
- Enter your animal with the St. Francois County Fairboard by the deadline
 - Entry forms will be available in 2019 St. Francois County Fairbook
 - Online at: <http://www.stfrancoiscountyfair.com>
 - Each species will have a separate entry form
- Attend the mandatory exhibitors meeting July 20
 - Turn in project books if did not attend the March 15th Youth Livestock Seminar
- Average daily gain will be eliminated from the sale ratio.
 - Judge's score will determine the sale order.
 - Rate of gain award will still be given.
- Meet the health requirement for exhibition animals
 - A complete listing of health requirements will be included in the 2019 St. Francois County Fairbook or online through the Missouri State Fair Website at: <http://www.mostatefair.com/>



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Post Show Checklist

Prior to the release of Sale Check complete

- Livestock Project Report Form and Financial Report
- Assist with fairground cleanup

Market animal projects are a valuable learning experience for youth. Responsibility, business skills and of course learning about the needs and care of animals are just a few of the life skills this project can teach. Although there is an opportunity for youth to profit from market projects, we think it is important for families understand the financial investment that is required. Below is the estimated upfront cost of a market sheep project.

Sheep Project - Approximate Cost	
<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Sheep	\$90.00-\$125.00
Feed	\$85-\$125
Veterinary Expense (Health Papers, dewormer, etc.)	\$25
Show Supplies	\$20
Fair Pass (Per Exhibitor)	\$20
Advertising Fee	\$10
Other Expense	\$10
Total Expense	\$265-\$350