2018 HARTFORD INDEPENDENT FAIR
Junior Fair Livestock/Equine Quality Assurance Guidelines

WHO

Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors (with the following projects)
- BEEF ~ Market Steer, Market Heifer, Beef Breeding, Beef Feeder Calf, Dairy Market Steers, Steer Pool
- DAIRY ~ Dairy Cows, Dairy Heifers
- GOATS ~ Angora Goats, Pygmy Goats, Dairy Goats, Market Goats, Pack Goats
- POULTRY ~ Meat Poultry, Breeding Poultry, Fancy Poultry
- RABBITS ~ Breeding Rabbits, Market Rabbits (encouraged for Pet Rabbit Projects)
- SHEEP ~ Market Lamb, Breeding Sheep
- SWINE ~ Market Hog
- EQUINE~ All horse project members and parent must attend during their 1st year of enrollment in the project area.

Parent of Exhibitor

It is strongly encouraged that a parent or other adult who may assist with animal healthcare and handling attend with livestock exhibitors. A parent is required to attend for horse session participants.

Community Club / Chapter Advisor

Minimum of one advisor from each 4-H club / FFA chapter containing an affected exhibitor must attend. The advisor(s) attending will then be the only eligible advisor(s) to sign exhibitor’s livestock entry form(s) for the Hartford Fair. All first year horse project advisors must attend a horse session.

WHAT

Required to attend one designated Livestock Quality Assurance program prior to JUNE 1. Designated training sessions will be approved by Lisa McCutcheon, Licking County 4-H Youth Development Extension Educator and Hartford Senior Fair Board.

WHEN / WHERE

Licking County 4-H/FFA Sessions will be held as follows...

- March 14th (Wednesday) .......................................................... OSU-N/COTC – Founder’s Hall (6:30 p.m.)
- April 10th (Tuesday) ............................................................... Northridge High School (6:30 p.m.)
- April 26th (Thursday) .............................................................. Utica High School (6:30 p.m.)
- May 7th (Monday) ................................................................. OSU-N/COTC – Founder’s Hall (6:30 p.m.)
- May 12th (Saturday) ............................................................... OSU-N/COTC – Founder’s Hall (6:30 p.m.)
- May 24th (Thursday) ............................................................. Licking Valley High School (6:30 p.m.)

- March 10th (Saturday) Dairy Feeder QA ................................ Shipley Dairy Farm (following dairy judging contest) (12:00 p.m.)
- March 10th (Saturday) Dairy QA ........................................ Shipley Dairy Farm (following dairy judging contest) (12:00 p.m.)
- May 19th (Saturday) Hog Wild Hog Show ................................ Hartford Fairgrounds (8:00 a.m.)
- DATE TBA (Saturday) Rabbit & Poultry QA (in conjunction with Fun Show) ........................................... LOCATION TBA

Other Approved Activities and Training Programs...

- Knox County Quality Assurance Training Programs ........................................ (Contact #740.397.0401 for program details)
  - March 8 (East Knox H.S.) / April 5 (Centerburg H.S.) / April 23 (Fredericktown H.S.) /
  - May 10 (Mt. Vernon H.S.) / May 17 (Danville H.S.) - all programs take place 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

- Delaware County Quality Assurance Training Program ....................................................... (Contact #740.833.2030)
  - March 15 (6:30 p.m. Big Walnut H.S.) / April 19 (6:30 p.m. Buckeye Valley H.S.) /
  - May 12 (2:00 p.m. Pig/Lamb Barn – Delaware County Fairgrounds)
- *Please Note: Delaware is also offering session on June 2nd – this does NOT meet Hartford QA deadline of June 1st.

- Ohio Beef Expo - Beef Quality Assurance Training ................................................. March 16 (Friday) Ohio Expo Center Showing Excellence Seminar .............................................. April 14 (Saturday 9am-4pm) Hartford Fairgrounds
WHY
To promote food safety; to promote responsible use of animal health products; to avoid drug residue violations; to improve management practices; to comply with guidelines from federal agencies; to assist in creating a positive view of the agricultural industry by consumers and fair visitors.

HOW
This program, which is coordinated and facilitated by the Licking County 4-H Youth Development program, will be enforced and supported through a partnership between the 4-H Youth Development program and the Hartford Independent Fair. Please be advised that no exceptions will be considered to the above requirements.

ADDITIONALLY

Training Session Format...
Each training session will begin with a general gathering of all participants followed by participants being divided into species-specific groups. Youth will choose any one of the species sessions to attend for more detailed, project-related information. All sessions will last for a period of ninety minutes. NOTE: Any collegiate youth, or youth not living in the Licking County area can contact the Licking County Extension Office to find Q.A. programs that are located closer to them. All qualified QA training programs must take place prior to June 1st.

Enforcement of Rules & Notification of Ineligibility...
Any Hartford Fair youth exhibitor who has not attended one approved Junior Fair Livestock Quality Assurance training at the conclusion of the last scheduled meeting (May 24, 2018) will be notified by mail that they are ineligible to exhibit livestock (in the areas requiring QA training) during the 2016 Hartford Independent Fair if they are unable to complete a Quality Assurance training by June 1, 2018. On June 1, 2018 the Senior Fair Board will receive a listing of those exhibitors not meeting requirements. These individuals will be denied entry of livestock projects which require quality assurance training. (NOTE: There will be NO make-up sessions scheduled.)

Delaware & Knox County 4-H Member Requirements...
Those youth who attend the Hartford Independent Fair and are enrolled members in the Delaware or Knox County 4-H program will be required to attend only one Quality Assurance program. Upon their attendance of a program in their home county, their Extension Office will contact the Hartford Fair and Licking County Extension office. Any youth not completing a quality assurance program in either their home county or within Licking County by June 1, 2018 would then be found ineligible to exhibit in the 2018 Hartford Junior Fair livestock program.

4-H Horse Safety & Ethics Training...
All horse project members are required to participate in a safety and ethics program once during their membership in the 4-H horse program. All horse project members who are enrolled in the project for the first time during the 2018 project year will be required to participate in a 2018 Safety and Ethics program in order to carry a horse project and exhibit their project. Horseless Horse project members who intend to show during Licking County 4-H or Hartford Fair horse shows are also required to participate in a Horse Safety & Ethics training. Licking County 4-H Horse Safety & Ethics Training will be offered as a breakout session during each regularly scheduled livestock QA program. Anyone with questions should contact the Licking County Extension Office for additional information or clarification.

Horse Member Note: For 4-H members needing to attend both a Horse Safety & Ethics Program as well as a livestock QA session: If the youth is taking a market hog project, they must attend a livestock species session as well as a horse session - this will require that they participate in two separate training programs. If they are enrolled in a horse project and any other livestock area (other than market hog) they may participate in the horse session and receive credit for all livestock project areas (except hog). This rule only applies to first-year horse project members. Horse project members beyond their first year must participate in livestock session if required - they can not choose to participate in the horse session as an alternative.

PLEASE NOTE:
Only Licking County 4-H/FFA Quality Assurance Programs will address program changes and updates for the Hartford Fair.