

## 2021 Sheboygan County Fair Meat Animal Sale eligibility DNA and Ear Tagging Process

This year ear tags and DNA kits must be purchased through the Wisconsin State Fair.

Wisconsin State Fair and some County Fairs throughout Wisconsin have been utilizing 840 ear tag and DNA technology to identify potential Fair animals in the Beef, Sheep, and Swine projects for the last 15 years. The requirements of these Identification technologies have proven to be instrumental in safeguarding the reputation and integrity of our State's Youth livestock programs.

**840 RFID Ear Tag and DNA Identification Submission Due Date:** All youth exhibiting livestock projects wishing to be eligible for the 2021 Sheboygan County Meat Animal Sale (SCMAS) must submit 840 RFID ear tag and DNA identification to the Wisconsin State Fair postmarked/delivered on or before June 9th.

**840 Ear Tag Identification:** SCMAS requires an official 840 RFID ear tag for identification. 840 RFID ear tags are available to purchase from Wisconsin State Fair BUT DO NOT need to be purchased through Wisconsin State Fair. Any official 840 RFID ear tag is accepted. The 15-digit number sequence on the 840 RFID ear tag will be the recognized number for individual animal identification and must be provided.

**DNA Identification:** DNA hair kits will be available for purchase online from Wisconsin State Fair by credit card only on: ***entry.wistatefair.com***.

Online Wisconsin State Fair 840 RFID Ear Tag and DNA Identification Cost:

840 RFID ear tag and DNA hair kit: \$11

840 RFID ear tag: \$5

DNA hair kit: \$6

Online sales through the State Fair must be completed online, they are not offering walk up sales this year.

Each animal wishing to be eligible for the Meat Animal Sale must have an 840 ear tag and DNA submitted to the Wisconsin State Fair. All DNA samples must be returned to Wisconsin State Fair (Wisconsin State Fair, Agriculture Department, 640 S 84th St, West Allis WI 53214) postmarked/delivered on or before June 9th.

In addition to submitting your DNA and Ear Tag information to the Wisconsin State Fair you must also complete the Identification and signed rules form, also due postmarked June 9, 2021.

If you have any questions please contact a member of the Meat Animal Sale Committee.

Sincerely,

Sheboygan County Meat Animal Sale Committee