



# IOWA 4-H SHEEP VERIFICATION FORM

*for eligibility to exhibit at the County, State, and Interstate Shows*

County \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor Name \_\_\_\_\_

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I (we) hereby make application to nominate/verify the below described animals to be eligible to enter at the county, state, and interstate 4-H shows. As a condition of entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations on the reverse of this form and as published in the Premium Book. I (we) understand it is my (our) responsibility to be familiar with the rules and regulations, and specifically those relating to the rules on ownership, liability, drug testing, and the USDA Wholesome Meat Act. I (we) agree to immediately submit any animal entered to inspection, at any reasonable time, by a veterinarian or other expert appointed by 4-H, and agree to have such animal submitted to any tests as may be designated and requested by the veterinarian or expert. I understand that the animals I exhibit at 4-H shows, including the Iowa State Fair 4-H Show, during the project year shall be among those listed and described below. I (we) recognize my (our) responsibilities for the feeding and care of these animals throughout the feeding period. I (we) agree to feed these animals in accordance with quality assurance guidelines. I (we) agree to allow the State and the County 4-H staff the right to inspect the listed projects at any reasonable time during the feeding period. I (we) agree to allow the use of DNA analysis or retinal images to confirm the identity of these animals at any time. I (we) also agree that DNA samples or retinal images taken by any 4-H veterinarian or expert are property of the Iowa 4-H program. I (we) understand that failure to abide by the rules and regulations published in the Premium Book or the terms of this nomination/verification may result in forfeiture of all premiums, prizes, awards, rights, and privileges to exhibit livestock in the future at the county show, the Iowa State Fair, or any interstate show, and may result in exclusion from participation in 4-H programs.

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**Exhibitor Signature** – I hereby nominate the below entries and agree to abide by the rules and regulations published in the Premium Book.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Images Sample Collector Signature** – I verify that I collected the retinal image for Iowa State Fair and interstate eligibility.

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**Parent or Legal Guardian Signature**

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**Verification Site Coordinator Signature**

Check if for Ak-Sar-Ben or Iowa State Fair		Ear Tag Number including county and animal number	Eartag Color	Ear tagged (L or R)	Scrapie Tag #	Date Weighed	Beginning Weight	Sex	Birthdate for Ewe Lambs	Breed
AK	ISF									

All 4-H Sheep must be identified no later than May 15.



# Iowa 4-H Sheep Project Regulations Pertaining to State and Interstate Shows

## Age of Exhibitors

1. To be eligible for a state or interstate show including Iowa State Fair and Ak-Sar-Ben, a 4-H'er must have completed fifth grade prior to the event.
2. A 4-H'er becomes ineligible to exhibit beyond the county level upon completion of the **calendar** year of high school graduation. **Note:** In the event that a 4-H'er has dropped out of high school, the 4-H'er is eligible to exhibit livestock only through the calendar year that his/her class graduated.

## Maximum

Exhibitors may validate a maximum of 30 sheep (market and breeding combined) for exhibit purposes at the Iowa State Fair.

## Ownership

All animals must be owned by and identified to the individual 4-H'er. When registration papers are involved, the papers must be either in the 4-H member's name or show a logical family relationship.

Animals changing ownership after being identified as a project are ineligible to be exhibited as 4-H animals for that 4-H year.

Animals offered for sale in an auction are considered to have changed ownership even though bought back by the original owner or if the owner refused a bid or says, "No Sale."

## Identification

All sheep must be tagged with the official state 4-H ear tag and either have retinal images (State Fair) or hair DNA (Ak-Sar-Ben) collected at a verification site by May 15. Animals identified as part of a 4-H project cannot also be identified or exhibited as an FFA project.

## Deadline

All sheep must be in the possession of the 4-H'er and weighed at state established verification sites by May 15. Verification forms must be completed at the verification site.

## Signing and Filing the Verification Form

Your signature on the front of this form indicates that you have reviewed it and the information is correct. Keep the pink copy for your reference, and return the other two copies to the verification site coordinator.

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